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In His Own Words

Tim Murray's service in the U. S. Army, according to his own report, was brief and undistinguished, yet quite productive in later life. He joined the Army Reserve during the Vietnam War, in a training company based in Keene. After six months' active duty, which he spent entirely at Fort Dix, New Jersey, he came home to the regular weekly routine of Monday night drills, and two-week active duty training sessions each summer.

It was during those two-week sessions that the Army taught him something he has never forgotten: he was sent to Drill Sergeants School at Ft. Dix where, in due time, he graduated as a qualified Drill Sergeant. In that school he developed two memorable disciplines. The first was a thorough knowledge of Field Manual 22-5, "Drill and Ceremonies," which he used, in the best Drill Sergeant tradition, for years thereafter to make life miserable for incoming trainees at morning inspections.

More importantly though, he was also trained as a military instructor, a process in which he learned more about classroom management, lesson planning, delivery, and interaction with students than in any education courses he later took at Bates College in Maine. And that's about it. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Staff Sergeant in late 1969, married the next year, came to teach at Fairwood Bible Institute a year later, and he's still there, still using those old Army skills, but not (he hopes) making life miserable for his students!

He continues to be proud to wear the uniform, in honor of friends and classmates who did go to Vietnam and never came back.





Dublin's Memorial Day Parade

Almost 300 flags are placed on Dublin gravesites, honoring the fallen.

BY BRIAN BARDEN

Dublin's Memorial Day exercises will be held on Monday, May 27, at 11:15 am. The parade forms in the Yankee parking lot at 11 am. The parade proceeds to the cemetery for a short ceremony and then returns to the village for a brief closing ceremony. Veterans are encouraged to participate: remember this is your day. If you are a veteran and need a ride, please contact Brian Barden at 563-8006 or 803-1365.

We thank Diddie Staples and Nancy Campbell who join the committee to place almost 300 flags on veterans' graves at the cemetery.

Rear Admiral Dale Gabel, U.S. Coast Guard (Ret.) will be the Parade Marshal and a minister from a Dublin church will speak. The Colors (flags) and rifles will be supplied by Wayne Thomas, Commander of the American Legion Post in Peterborough. A parade band from the ConVal School District will play for the parade. After the parade, refreshments including hotdogs and popsicles will be provided.

The members of the Memorial Day Committee are Hank Campbell, Lewis Hansen, and Brian Barden.



Has spring finally arrived in Dublin? If so, now is the time to take out the gardening books. You can learn about everything from organic gardening, controlling wild flowers, introducing new plants and trees to the yard, and all that being outside in the spring promises. Grab a book and get gardening!

May begins with a May Day celebration. On our Story Time (which meets every Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 am,

NEW BOOKS

The Matriarch and the Making of an American Dynasty by S. Page Someone Knows by L. Scottoline Tear it Down by N. Petrie Lost Roses by M. H. Kelly The Tale Teller by A. Hillerman Black and Blue by D. Rosenfelt Undaunted Surviving Jonestown by J. Speier Accidental Presidents by J. Cohen with snacks provided), we will make small May poles with the children and use them for our movement activity. Mother's Day offers an opportunity for the children to honor the women in their lives. We will also read books about giraffes, such as *Giraffes Can't Dance* by Giles Andreae. And if you love animals, find out which one best matches you as we learn about our senses.

With Memorial Day approaching, a program called "Take Pride in America" will enable children to create a display for the library.

Book Buddies meets on Tuesdays after school, from 3:45 to 4:45 pm. If you like doing jigsaw puzzles, come in to see our collection and check one out!



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"Rising" is an ironwood sculpture handcarved in 2019 by Shepherd Ndudzo, who will be serving as Artist-in-Residence at Saint Anselm College and residing in Dublin with a studio at 1127 Main Street. The artist will hold Open Studio hours on Sunday, May 12, from 2 to 4 pm.

FDPL Presents Sculptor Talk & Demo

The Friends of the Dublin Public Library are pleased to announce the re-schedule date for an artist talk by Shepherd Ndudzo, award-winning figurative sculptor from Zimbabwe and Botswana, on Monday, May 6 at 6 pm downstairs at the Dublin Library. It will be followed by a question and answer session and a reception.

Shepherd, who works in ironwood and stone, will do a woodcarving demonstration downstairs at the Library on the following Monday, May 13, at 6 pm. The public is invited for tea and cookies and conversation with the artist during and after the demo. All ages welcome. Several sculptures will be on view.

For more information, please contact Kimberly Kersey-Asbury at kkasbury@anselm.edu. She is a member of The Friends of the Dublin Public Library.

THORNE-SAGENDORPH ART GALLERY

Through May 11: *Emerging Art: 2019 Art Student Exhibition* (graduating Keene State BA/BFA students).



Through June 23: *Marcelo Brodsky:* **1968** *The Fire of Ideas* (Argentinian activist/photographer).

OPENING RECEPTION: FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2019 *Biennial Regional Jurors' Choice Exhibition*

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Calling All Book Lovers: A One-Day Book Sale

The Friends of the Dublin Public Library will be holding a book sale on Saturday, May 4, from 9 am to 1 pm. The book sale will be held in the meeting room on the lower level of the library. Many paperbacks and hardcover books will be available at great prices.

This is only a one-day sale – so go to the Dublin Community Church Rummage & Yard Sale across the way and then come over to Library to make more purchases! Proceeds benefit The Friends of the DPL.

Highway and Transfer Station Departments Thank Voters for Support

BY ROGER TREMPE

The Dublin Highway Department and Transfer Station employees express thanks to all who attended Town Meeting and voted in support of the Warrant Article 7 vehicle purchase and Article 8 for the purchase of a loader.

Special thanks go to John Albano who graciously offered his experience and help in repairing the York Rake. With his assistance the town was able to reduce the cost of repairs.

We appreciate your support and look forward to serving the community.

ROGER TREMPE is Dublin's Highway Department Road Agent. The other members of the Highway Department include David Stone, Jr., Mike Howe, and Jesse Willard. The Transfer Station employees are Tom Kennedy, Superintendent, and Dao Ning Wang.

Congratulations to 2019 College Graduates

Pauline Yates graduates from Saint Anselm College with a degree in Computer Science and minors in Cyber Criminology and Web Design. At Saint Anselm, Pauline worked with high school students typically underrepresented in higher education. She

developed and implemented an afterschool computer science course with her co-instructors, giving students the opportunity to earn highschool credit while learning a new skill. This spring, Pauline received two awards for her work with the Manchester community. Postgrad, she will be working in Merrimack, NH, at Fidelity Investments as a software developer.

Joe Rogers, son of Lisa Rogers, a former resident of Dublin, will graduate from Ohio State University on May 5th with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He will do a year's internship at Pittsburgh Veterinary



Specialty and Emergency Center in preparation for a residency in surgery.

The Advocate welcomes submissions from Dubliners who are graduating high school, college, and graduate school accompanied by a short paragraph and photo. Share accomplishments and plans with friends and neighbors. It is never too late to send in your graduation news. Please e-mail by May 15 to DublinAdvocate@gmail.com for the June issue.



Dublin Women's Club News

BY NANCY CAMPBELL

Invitations to join the Dublin Women's Club were mailed the end of April. Dues for both the club and beach remain at \$125. If one wishes to only join the club without beach privileges, the fee is \$25. Anyone who wishes to join may contact Treasurer Nancy Campbell (563-8480) or Chair Judy Knapp (563-8176). Those persons requesting financial assistance may contact Nancy Campbell.

The Board has been meeting to make plans for summer 2019. Set-up day is Saturday, June 8, at 10:30 am, with a rain date June 15, also at 10:30. The more the merrier as this day includes dock assembly, putting rafts and boats in the water, raking, and putting benches out. We provide lunch.

The beach will open on June 24 with lessons starting June 26. Polly Seymour, Natasha Kipka, and Andrew Fletcher be return for another season. We are still looking for a weekend lifeguard/ substitute.

NANCY CAMPBELL is Treasurer of the DWC. The other members of the committee are Margaret Blackburn (Secretary), Judy Knapp (Chair), Judy Edelkind, Connie Cerroni, Janice Moore, Sarah Sangermano, Laura Elcoate, Jeanne Sterling, and Rebecca Oja.







Update from the School Board

BY BERND FOECKING

As the school year is slowly coming to a close, I would like to focus on news from the Education Committee. Much of the focus over the last months has gone to the vote and lately to the lawsuit filed against the State. While these important developments make the press, we should not overlook that the board is working on some improvements in our service to the students that affect the youngest and the oldest.

Our region has a significant shortage of pre-school offerings. We also know from research that a quality pre-school experience is one of the key measures that will prevent many more expensive special services later in a student's school experience. The Ed Committee is in the final stages of setting up ConVal to offer a more universal pre-K experience. While details are being worked on, we hope to offer access to a program for all 4-year olds.

The Math Department at CVHS has been working on improving the offerings to our high schoolers. The School Board will change the graduation requirements starting with the class of 2023 (next year's freshmen) to four years of Math and to require Algebra 1 for all students. While our students' SAT scores in Math are already very competitive compared to surrounding school districts, this is an important step toward a more comprehensive Math experience for all students.

Great things are happening at ConVal and it continues to be a privilege to work with and for our talented teachers and wonderful students.

BERND FOECKING is in his second term as Dublin's representative to the ConVal School Board.

Preschoolers Celebrate Spring

BY SHEENA BALDWIN

Spring is in the air, and mud is on the ground at Dublin Community Preschool. The children have been exploring seasons, particularly mud season! We have been discussing what makes mud,

and different types of mud (sand vs. soil, etc.). We've been able to paint with mud, trudge through some mud, and we even had an opportunity to smell the mud and get our hands good and dirty.



Our sensory table was full of rich soil mud for the children to explore, which will go on to live in our garden boxes outside our classrooms, so that it may provide nutrients to the plants and vegetables we'll soon be growing.

With all these April showers, come May flowers. In the near future, we will discuss plants and flowers and all things that blossom and bloom. Come May, keep an eye out for our gardens as they begin to fill with green stems and rainbows of petals!

Since the last *Advocate*, we have updated our email and website, so please note our new addresses: www.dublinpreschool-andchildcare.org or if you wish to email us, use info@dublinpre-schoolandchildcare.org. Our physical address and phone number remain the same.

SHEENA BALDWIN is Teacher/Center Director at the Dublin Community Preschool and Child Care Center (563-8508).



Deb

The News from DCS

BY NICOLE PEASE

The end of April was all about the theater! We participated in a wholeschool Theater Residency the week before our April Break. In five short days, under the careful instruction of directors from Children's Stage Adventures, our students performed the play *Oliver Twist*. It was an amazing experience and the DCS staff is so proud of our students' hard work. This was a welcome break after the state testing in grades 3, 4, and 5. Students gave these tests their all.

May is bringing a schoolwide study of Colonial Times. Teachers will spend the month introducing the topic in their classrooms and preparing for a day of rotations through various colonial themes and activities. Students enjoy the opportunity to choose the order they will move through the rotations. Staff put in a great deal of time preparing for this day and students are able to see their learning in action.

Staff Appreciation occurs during the first week in May. Our PTO ensures that the teachers at DCS know how important they are! Our supportive parents provide



a delicious lunch for the teachers and also step in to cover lunch and recess duty. This treasured tradition enables the whole staff

DCS-PTO's Raven Run

BY KAREN NIEMELA

DCS students are getting ready for their first-ever Raven Run on May 17. If you've heard of a rock-a-thon or a roll-a-thon, it's the same kind of thing, and there's a cheering section!

Kids will be out looking for sponsors,

at DCS to spend an hour enjoying each other's company, something that doesn't happen enough.

As we busily plan for the end of this school year, we are also planning for next year. Part of this involves classroom configurations, which are hard to determine as student enrollment is still evolving. When I have a better idea, I will be sure to let you know. We welcome you to our wonderful school, please just call first.

Many of our parents are planning for the summer and are needing some childcare support. If you have a college student coming home for the summer who might want to be a mother's helper, please reach out to us at DCS. Thank you!

NICOLE PEASE is Teaching Principal at DCS.

so if you'd like to get involved or make pledges for laps run, please let us know.

Some students have been involved in a four-week character building and martial arts class sponsored by Lamy's Black Belt Academy of Peterborough – a great program!

KAREN NIEMELA is treasurer for the DCS PTO. Other members are President Erin Nolan, Vice President is Serena Berube, and Secretary Corey Boyd.



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Rotary Organizes Roadside Cleanup

Help keep our community clean and our environment pristine.

Join the Monadnock Rotary Club for our Spring Roadside Cleanup as we work to further beautify our community. On Saturday, May 11, (rain date Saturday, May 18) volunteers and Rotarians will pick up trash from both sides of Route 101 from the 101/137 intersection east to Union Street. Club members and interested residents will gather at 8:30 am in Carr's Store parking lot to suit up and begin the cleanup. Dress appropriately; high visibility vests will be provided.

This is a great opportunity for townspeople to come out and show their com-

Trustees of the Trust Funds Seeks Scholars

Scholarship applications due June 1.

The Dublin Trustees of the Trust Funds will be awarding scholarships to Dublin residents who are continuing their education beyond secondary school. Students begin-

Cemetery Opens

The Cemetery will open May 1. Please remember not to place artificial flowers on graves. They may have metal in them that can potentially hurt someone if picked up by the mowing equipment. Thank you.

The Cemetery Trustees are Brooks Johnson (Chair), Loring Catlin, and Christine (Kiki) Sangermano. ning post-secondary education as well as those continuing their studies are encouraged to apply for \$1,000 grants, which will be awarded on the basis of academic merit; past, present and / or future involvement in civic life; and financial need.

Applications, available at area high schools and at the Dublin Town Hall, are currently being accepted. Homeschooled students are encouraged to apply.

You may also email Balmeet Kaur Khalsa at balmeetkkhalsa@gmail.com for an application. The deadline for submission is June 1, and recipients will receive notification after June 10. munity spirit. Bring your teens and older children for some fun family time performing a great community service!

To learn more about Rotary and its projects and missions, join us for a breakfast meeting any Tuesday morning at 7:30 am in the Dublin Community Church; contact the Club's Membership Chair, Jerry Branch, at 563-8775; or visit www. monadnockrotary.org.

Lisa Foote was one of several townspeople to be interviewed by third graders in Deb Quinn's class at DCS. The Historical Society Archivist answered the children's questions as they prepare their report on activities and people in Dublin.





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BY ELIOT PELLETIER

The Dublin Summer Playground is a 45-year tradition for the children of the town, and your family is invited to be a part of it. Once again I will be directing the playground, held at the Dublin Consolidated School each day from 9 am until 3 pm. The program will run weekdays – rain or shine – from July 1 until August 9. The program is intended for Dublin children ages 5 through 12.

The Dublin Summer Playground is all about play. We offer a host of fun activities for kids, but we also give kids plenty of time to simply play with one another. In addition to taking part in ageappropriate games and crafts, children get to practice important social skills and build meaningful relationships with other kids in their community. We will also be taking several field trips, including to Canobie Lake Park, hiking Mt. Monadnock, and weekly library trips. The staff is caring and energetic, and many counselors were campers themselves years ago!

Dublin Summer Playground provides a fun place for kids to spend the summer days. Daily attendance is not required, so families have plenty of freedom and flexibility to take trips and spend time together. Arrangements for early drop-off can be made.

Fees will again be a bargain - \$150 per camper for Dublin residents, and scholarships are available for those who qualify. Fees can be paid once the program begins or you can send a check ahead of time, made out to the Town of Dublin.



Autism Services for Children

Crotched Mountain's *Ready, Set, Connect!* program has opened an autism clinic at the Greenfield campus. *Ready, Set, Connect!* provides ABA therapy for young children in a group setting, offering an environment of fun and learning and a path to a bright future! Locations also in Manchester and Concord, NH.



CROTCHED MOUNTAIN Ready, Set, Connect! 603.547.1430 cmf.org/autism



If you are interested in reserving your child's spot at the Dublin Summer Playground for this summer, please take a moment to fill out this registration form (one per family) and send it in to Town of Dublin, Box 277, Dublin, NH 03444.

This will help us to estimate attendance numbers so we can better meet your child's needs. The playground's calendar will be available this month at DCS and the Town Hall. Questions or suggestions may be directed to DublinPlayground@yahoo.com.

ELIOT PELLETIER has been directing the Playground in Dublin for the last 14 years! During the school year, he is a 3rd grade teacher in the Jaffrey-Rindge school district.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR Yankee Barn Sale: Saturday, July 20

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A Big Welcome to the Wojtkonskis

BY MARY LOFTIS

Margie and Al Wojtkonski have been Dublin residents since last November when they moved from Lakeville, MA, to a lovely white cape on Brush Brook Road. Devoted parents and grandparents, they picked Dublin because it was about halfway between their daughter, her husband and their two little boys in New York State, and their son and his girlfriend south of Boston.

Margie and Al brought another family with them to their new home: five dogs that Margie rescued from difficult situations over the years, all friendly and exuberant, and all small except Lilly, who is a Collie mix. In addition, the Wojtkonskis have two birds: an African Grey named Echo, aptly named because she does a convincing imitation of Margie, and a Sun Conure named Skittles.

Margie and Al have been married for 35 years. They met at Parris Island in South Carolina while both were serving in the military (Margie in the Navy; Al in the Marines). When they resumed civilian life, they moved back to his home turf south of Boston.

Al worked for UPS on the South Shore for 32 years, retiring last May. He said retiring and moving in quick succession has been challenging, but he's liking Dublin and enjoying the more relaxed pace of his days. Now that the snow is melting, he's discovering what's planted in his new yard!

For Margie, however, the daily pace is not very relaxed. She commutes to the Santander Bank in the Financial District of Boston four days a week, working from home on Fridays. The 2¹/₂ hour (each way) trip includes "car, train, and feet" and, although she doesn't like the commute, she loves her job as an Executive



Assistant to the Chief Accounting Officer and Executive Vice President. Meanwhile, Al holds down the fort and manages the menagerie. And they both enjoy the ease of visiting their children and grandchildren.

Margie and Al are looking to immerse themselves in their new town but acknowledge that it's harder to do so in the winter. Margie has started attending the Dublin Community Church, where she has found people friendly and welcoming. She is already volunteering at the church and looks forward to helping with the upcoming rummage sale. Our town is lucky to have this interesting and open-hearted couple as new residents!

MARY LOFTIS is on the staff of the Advocate.



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Aidan C. Silitch: 2002-2019

A idan Cameron Silitch, 17, died tragically on Thursday, March 21, in a ski mountaineering accident on the North Face of the Aiguille du Tacul in Chamonix, France. Born on March 10, 2002, in Greenwich Village, New York, he was the

beloved son of Nicholas and Regina (Haughney) Silitch and the adored younger brother of Kyra and Owen.

He was a graduate of St. Luke's School in the West Village and was a junior at The Berkeley Carroll School in Brooklyn, New York.

Aidan was brave, kind, resilient, generous, and compassionate. He was also smart, fierce, and funny. He

had an infectious smile, loved to laugh, and looked out for the underdog; he made the unsure feel sure. He was true to himself and inspired confidence and a sense of well-being in others. He found great joy in his family, his friends, his love of the outdoors, and the pursuit of knowledge.

An exceptional climber, Aidan was a

member of the climbing community at The Cliffs in Long Island City. He started climbing with his older siblings when he was 13 and it quickly became his passion. He traveled around the country, competing in the Nationals in Bend, Oregon, and professional competitions, where he recently made his first final in Albany, NY.

> Aidan was also an adored member of his community in Dublin, NH, where he was a source of warmth and brightness for everyone. He will be remembered as a force of joy by his extended family and friends in Dublin, in New York, and in every community he touched.

In addition to his parents and siblings, Aidan leaves behind his second fam-

ily Marc, Carol, Tyler, and Josh Lane, his grandmother, Mary Haughney; and many other friends, mentors, and family members.

Aidan's family in the process of creating a scholarship in Aidan's name. Please stay informed at the website formed in his memory: aidansilitch.com.



E dith Tuttle's watercolors will be part of the Healing Arts Gallery "Summer Comfort" show, which opens with a reception on May 9 from 4:30 to 6 pm, and runs until August 5. The gallery is located at Monadnock Community Hospital and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. "Island Sunrise," pictured here will be in the show.





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May Events at the DubHub

Open Stage

Open Stage features Cooper and Kenneally on Friday, May 3. Doors open at 7 pm and music starts at 7:30. Admission is \$5, plus we will pass the hat for the feature. Open-mike performers should sign up in advance by email at info@dublincommunitycenter.org. Attendees



Artwork of Ann & Ben Putnam and Olivia Bregani

The Dublin Community Center features the artwork of Ann Putnam, Ben Putnam and Olivia Bregani during May. The opening reception is on Friday, May 3, from 5 to 7 pm. Refreshments will be served.



Ann Putnam seeks true stories of advocates for human rights, environmental causes, and social justice and hand carves and prints tiny portraits of these individuals, combined into a letterboxing hunt during the exhibition. Ann has taught in schools, worked in libraries, and now works at the MacDowell Colony.

Ben Putnam is a practicing artist and an art teacher at ConVal High School. He has been teaching art-making

to teenagers for the past 24 years. Ben likes playing with words and images and found objects.

He chooses to celebrate the fallibility of being human and encourages others to do the same.

Olivia Bregani is an educator who strives to teach outside the textbook. Currently her artistic project is creating lists whose subjects vary from simple, sarcastic, silly, politically charged, personal, and impersonal.



are encouraged to BYOB and/or a snack to share. Coffee and tea will be available.

Rick Cooper and Pat Kenneally met in 2006 after each had developed a distinctive style – they now perform an entertaining mix of folk-rock, country, and blues.

Motion Classes

Dance Fitness with Deb meets on Mondays from 5:30 to 6:30. For details, contact Deb at mydeareubie@gmail.com.

Qigong classes meet on Wednesdays from noon to 1 pm. For further information, contact Ginnette Groome, LMT, call or text at 603-313-9828 or email ammatwirl@aol.com.

Yoga classes are held on Wednesdays from 4 to 5:15. For further information, call Margaret at 620-5683.

Please Bring Your Own Ukulele

The Monadnock Ukulele Group meets on Friday, May 17, from 7 to 9 pm. A \$5 contribution to the DubHub is appreciated. Song lists will be emailed to participants ahead of each meeting and each member must bring their own copy. No lessons given, but easy two- and three-chord songs are always included each month.

Please email Nancy at thoreaucottage@ gmail.com or call 785-9857 to request a song list or to be put on the monthly email list. Beginners through advanced uke players are welcome.

Community Forum: Family Lore

The Community Forum on Saturday, May 18, will feature "Family Lore," stories of growing up in Dublin by Perry Anable Given, Zachary Letourneau, and Caleb Niemela. This hour-long forum will be from 4:30 to 5:30. Light refreshments will be served.



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from noon to 1 pm. Come enjoy delightful

conversation with your neighbors over a

The monthly Song Circle meets on

Friday, May 24, from 7 to 9 pm. Bruce

Join us for a delicious home-cooked meal on Tuesday, May 21. The menu this month is mac 'n cheese with kale, fruit bowl and rolls with salad, sweets, and drinks. Cost is \$3. Lunch is served

Off the Cuff: "The Farewell Harry Tour"

Off the Cuff bids farewell to founding member and Dublin resident, Harry Lowenthal, as he moves to Wyoming this summer. This Dublin concert on Friday, May 31, will be his final appearance with the band. Doors open at 6:30 and the show starts at 7 pm. Advance tickets can be purchased for \$10 each at eventbrite. com/e/60434034825.

tasty meal.

Song Circle



Off the Cuff (left to right): Harry Lowenthal, Jonas Taub, Dan Wheeler, and Pamela Smith. At right: Harry Lowenthal.

Off the Cuff is a semi-acoustic instrumental and vocal quartet, interpreting great songs from the '20s to the 21st century. Incorporating elements of jazz, swing, blues, bluegrass, rock, folk and world music styles, Off the Cuff infuses its own special blend of vocal and instrumental harmony into every song.

The band consists of Harry Lowenthal (flute, guitar, mandolin, djembe, bongos, percussion, vocals), Pamela Smith (guitar, percussion, vocals), Jonas Taub (guitar, dobro, vocals), and Dan Wheeler (electric and upright bass). This concert is co-sponsored by the Dublin Community Center and Off the Cuff.



Simpson leads this informal group. Bring your own beverage and songs to share (if you want others to play along). Listeners and singers are welcome.

For more information, contact Bruce at bruce_simpson@msn.com.

Coffee & Conversation and Open Hours

The DubHub is open for Coffee & Conversation on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 am to 12 noon. The Hub remains open until 5 pm on Mondays. On Wednesdays it closes for Qigong at noon and is open again from 1 to 4 pm.

DCA Offers Edge Camps

Specialty camps give a biblical world view.

BY CHRIS PLEASANTS

If you are looking for a summer camp that is fun with high-quality instruction, consider Edge Camps.

This year, Edge Camps (at 106 Page

Rd. on the campus of Dublin Christian Academy) will be offering six specialized



camps in music, drama, culinary, robotics, volleyball, and soccer.

If you have a camper who would like to be a part of these camps, please visit www. edgecamps.com or call 563-8505 for more information.

CHRIS PLEASANTS is athletic director at Dublin Christian Academy.



Olympic Studies: Mountain Shadow Students Pursue Their Interests

Students at Mountain Shadows School just completed their month-long independent project, known as Olympic Studies. Each child can pursue in depth a topic of his or her choice by collaborating with a mentor from the community. Projects were presented the evening of April 18 at Crotched Mountain Lodge. Here is the culmination of those efforts completed by nine students who are residents of Dublin.

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Nakoa Kalvaitis Hedgehogs



Charlotte Lasky Fashion Design



Ender Mulverhill Legos



Calvin Aldrich Sea Turtles





Conner Mulverhill Minecraft



Adelia Aldrich Jellyfish



Quentin Boyle The Human Body

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Be aware of what goes where. BY JANE HOLMES

Recycling is changing and Dublin's Transfer Station is dealing with new demands. The market for recyclables has diminished since China no longer takes much of our waste. At some point we will pay more to have our waste taken away than we will earn through recycling it.

Currently, Tom Kennedy at our Transfer Station is re-sorting glass and paper to make it acceptable to recyclers.

It is easy to inadvertently contaminate paper and glass; which just turns it into garbage. We can all help by being aware of what we toss in the various bins.

- Newspaper means just the newsprint no inserts or slick store flyers.
- Mixed paper is just paper nothing wet or dirty, no waxed paper, no frozen food containers, no milk or juice containers.
- Glass means bottles and jars no ceramics, light bulbs, window glass, Pyrex. Remove caps please!
- Corrugated cardboard is one of the products we can sell. But it needs to be clean. Take the pizza out of the box before you recycle it!
- A good rule to follow: if you're not sure, just ask.

JANE HOLMES is on the Recycling Committee. Other members are Leslie Whone, Joe Carignan, Sheila Morse, and Rick MacMillan.

Raylynmor Opera Presents The Barber of Seville

BY RICK MACMILLAN

Raylynmor Opera's 24th season concludes with a rollicking production of Rossini's opera buffa, *The Barber of Seville*. Traditionally set in 18th century Seville, Spain, Raylynmor returns to Seville, or rather, a ritzy spa and health club named "Seville," where the Barber, Figaro, plays a pivotal role in advancing the entreaties of Count Almaviva to Rosina, the ward of an elderly doctor, Bartolo.

This production will mark the premiere of a new English libretto by Artistic Director Ben Robinson that sets Rossini's opera in the 1990s, in Miami's South Beach. While faithfully adhering to Rossini's music and the original tale by the play-

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wright Pierre Beaumarchais, this modern setting will keep the madcap pace and farce of the original opera.

This fully staged production with orchestra will be presented in English with supertitles and will be fun for the whole family. Prepare to be dazzled by the vocal pyrotechnics of this *bel canto* masterpiece and to laugh at the zany antics of opera's most famous barber and his friends. Whether you are new to opera or an aficionado, this will be a treat!

Performances are May 17 at 7:30 pm and May 19 at 2 pm at the Peterborough Players. Tickets are on sale at Toadstool Bookshop or at raylynmor.com: \$45 adults, \$20 students, children under age 12 are free.

RICK MACMILLAN is chair of the Raylynmor board. Other board members are Jonathan Marshall, David Robinson, David Flemming, Sue Bird, Andrew Manns, and Donna Garner.



S cott Lambert will be leaving his position at the Dublin Post Office after almost five years to become the Postmaster in Greenfield, NH, by the end of April. While the promotion is welcome, Scott says he will miss the people of Dublin.

Rummage & Yard Sale: May 3 & 4

There are no fees, no prices; pay as you wish.

The Dublin Community Church's Spring Rummage Sale will be held Friday, May 3, from 1 to 6 pm, and the Yard Sale will open Saturday, May 4, from 8 am to 12 pm.

There are no fees, no prices; pay as you wish. Call the Dublin Community Church (1125 Main St.) with questions at 563-8139; or visit dublinchurch@myfairpoint.net.



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Thornton Wilder Center for the Arts

Attend an informational meeting at the Hub.

On Thursday evening, May 16, the Thornton Wilder Center for the Arts will present an informational evening about the project to build a performing arts center for students of ConVal High School and the greater community. Dan Scully will be on hand to answer questions about the architectural plan for the arts center, which is designed by Scully/Architects and nextstage design.

The plans provide for 400 retractable seats and flexible space. Its features ensure that the venue can be used in diverse ways for music, theatre, dance, and other types of events, both large and small. Excellent acoustics is a high priority goal of the design.



In January this year, Thornton Wilder's family offered the nonprofit organization, which was established in 2014, the use of Thornton Wilder's name for the center, to commemorate Wilder's special relationship to Peterborough and the Monadnock Region. Wilder enjoyed nine residencies at the MacDowell Colony, where he worked on *Our Town* and other literature, and was

awarded the first MacDowell Medal when it was initiated in 1960. The new name replaces the original name, Contoocook Valley Visual and Performing Arts Center. The organization has sponsored several fundraisers over the years, including the biannual sold-out storytelling performances of local citizens in the Black Fly Story Hour, an ongoing series.

So come Thursday, May 16, at 7 pm to the Dublin Community Center to learn more about the history, funding plans, design, and current status of the project plans from representatives of the Thornton Wilder Center for the Arts organization. Refreshments will be served.

Additional information on the project and how you can support it can be found at ThorntonWilderCenterfortheArts.org.

Business Forum & Newcomer Reception a Huge Success

BY RAMONA BRANCH

Dublin businesses, newcomers, and the community came together March 23 for a first-time event at the DubHub. An hourlong business expo started at 4:30 and was followed by a reception for newcomers to town. The event was sponsored by the Dublin Community Forum Committee. The committee has developed interesting programs, usually presented on the 4th Saturday of every month, to get the community together, sharing and talking about subjects of mutual interest.

The business forum was coordinated by Balmeet Kaur Khalsa, the newest member of the DubHub board. She said there were 43 businesses and nonprofit organizations in attendance. "Dublin doesn't have a main street with businesses on it," she explained. "It's harder for people to connect than in Peterborough or Keene. We started off with a list of Dublin businesses from DublinAdvocate.com. We divided up the list and the committee started calling businesses to tell them about the forum and asking them to participate. We advertised the event through the Hub and delivered postcards around town. The Dublin General Store and Carr's Store were so helpful in spreading the word."

The second part of the event was the Newcomers' Reception coordinated by Lucy Shonk. Lucy obtained the names of people who had moved to town in the last three years from Sherry Miller, Town Administrator. The committee then wrote invitations to all 55 names on the list. Lucy reported that around 20 new Dublin residents came to the reception.

In describing the event, Balmeet said,

"We think it was a real success. The newcomers were very grateful to meet so many town residents and business owners." Lucy said the committee very likely will repeat the event again next year, maybe with a slightly different twist. The community is invited to offer input on future events.

Members of the Community Forum Committee are June Brening, Donna Garner, Nancy Jackson, Balmeet Kaur Khalsa, Mary Loftis, Neil Sandford, Lucy Shonk, Heidi Thomas, and Tom Warren.

The next Community Forum will focus on "Family Lore: Stories of Growing Up in Dublin" with Perry Anable Given, Zak Letourneau, and Caleb Niemela sharing their hometown experiences. Be sure to come on Saturday, May 18, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

RAMONA BRANCH is on the staff of the Advocate.



The Eastern Phoebe

It captures most of its food in flight. BY TOM WARREN

This gravish olive bird, about the size of a bluebird, marks its early arrival in late March when there is still snow and a northwest wind to chill the Monadnock Region.



snapping up snowflakes during a March snowstorm. Phoebes also love a good bath potential. This will be shown at Peterbor-

ough Community Theatre at 6:30 pm. And on May 21 at 6:30 we will be holding a follow-up discussion at The River Center on "take-aways" from the film and what it means to parenting and families. RSVP to reserve your spot.

We continue to hold our weekly groups: Teens and Tweens on Tuesdays from 12 to 2 pm, Playtime with Kelli on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 am, and we also have a parent + child group in Jaffrey on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

To RSVP or learn more about these and

and will brush the water with breast and wing-tips and then dry off on a favorite perch.

The Phoebe nests early and builds a compact mud nest lined with moss, fine roots, and grasses. They often nest on eaves of roofs, porches, and outbuildings. They will also build on top of a light bulb in your garage if you leave the doors open. The normal clutch contains four to five white eggs, which hatch in 14 days. The nesting period lasts from April 27 to August 15 and two broods are common. The original nest is often repaired for the second family.

As a flycatcher, it captures most of its food in the air. Houseflies, mosquitoes, moths, small beetles, grasshoppers, and ticks are its common prey.

Sometimes, during late winter snowstorms, it can be observed with sparrows on the ground eating seeds and small berries. A diet of mosquitoes is one of its most attractive benefits to man. A professor once said, "The Phoebe pays ample rent for its accommodations."

TOM WARREN is Dublin's resident ornithologist and outdoorsman.

other programs we offer, call 924-6800 or visit www.rivercenter.us.

The River Center: A Family and Community Resource Center (9 Vose Farm Rd., Suite 115, Peterborough) provides community connections, parenting support, tax assistance, and money coaching to strengthen individuals and families in the Eastern Monadnock Region.

> Peterborough Farmers' Market Wednesdays 3-6 pm 25 Elm St., Peterborough



Photo by Evan Buck

Festival

Children & the Arts

C et Your Light Shine" is the theme

Festival on Saturday, May 18. Enjoy the

day that celebrates young people and the

throughout downtown Peterborough from

all eyes turn to the Giant Puppet Parade, as

rooms, and community members stroll into

A special free concert will kick off the

Festival on Friday, May 17, at 6 pm. This

possible through the support of the New

acknowledges the generous support of

enables these free events for all attendees.

please send your donation to Children &

the Arts, PO Box 771, Peterborough NH

03458. For more details about the event,

please visit www.childrenandthearts.org.

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Kelli Tourgee will be facilitating

starting May 1 from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

trips, gardening, walks, and hikes.

Families will enjoy going on group field

documentary that shares "neuro-knowl-

edge" for parents and educators in order

to help children thrive and reach their full

On May 7 we will screen Brainious, a

Families, Forests and Farms on Thursdays

The River Center

River Center.

If you would like to support the Festival,

local donors and foundations, which

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concert by Dan and Claudia Zanes is made

The Children & the Arts Festival team

9 am to 4 pm. And for one hour at noon,

the creations of students, families, class-

downtown in a parade.

arts with performances and activities

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MAY 2019 Dublin Town Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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5	6 HUB Coffee 9-noon; Open noon to 5; Dance with Deb 5:30-6:30 pm; DPL Artist Talk 6 pm; Raylynmor Opera 6 pm; TH BOS 4 pm	7 DCC MRC 7:30 am; DPL BookBuddies 3:45 pm; HillTop Group 6:45 pm	HUB Coffee 9-noon; Open 1-4 pm; Qigong 12-1 pm; DPL StoryTime 9:30 am; Democrats 6 pm; Trustees 7 pm; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	DPL Republican Exec. Committee 6 pm; Edith Tuttle's Art at MCH until 8/5, opening 4:30 pm	10^{HUB} Intro to home schooling info session 4-6 pm	11 MRC Roadside Cleanup, meet at Carr's Store, 8:30 am
12 Mother's Day Open Artist Studio 2 pm, 1127 Main St.	13HUB Coffee 9-noon; Open noon-5 pm; Dance with Deb 5:30-6:30 pm; TH BOS 4 pm; DPL Artist demo, 6 pm	147:30 am; DPL BookBuddies 3:45 pm; HillTop Group 6:45 pm	15HUB Coffee 9-noon; Open 1-4 pm; Qigong 12-1 pm; DPL StoryTime 9:30 am; School Choice 6 pm; Recycling Committee 6 pm; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	16 HUB Informational on Thornton Wilder Center for the Arts, 7 pm	17 DCS PTO Ravens' Fun Run; HUB Ukelele Group 7-9 pm; Peterborough Players: Raylynmor Opera: <i>The Barber of</i> <i>Seville</i> 7:30 pm	18 Children & the Arts Festival, 9-4 pm, Peterborough; MRC Roadside cleanup rain date; HUB Forum: Family Lore 4:30-5:30 pm
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26	27 Memorial Day Parade forms in village, 11 am; HUB Coffee 9-noon; Open noon-5 pm; DPL & TH closed	287:30 am; DPL BookBuddies 3:45 pm; HillTop Group 6:45 pm	299-noon; Open 1-4 pm; Qigong 12-1 pm; DPL StoryTime 9:30 pm; DCC TwoHat Group 7 pm	30	31 HUB Off the Cuff 7-9:30 pm Eastern phoebe	

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