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#### Summer in Dublin Is Back!



An estimated 250 people attended the Dublin Music Festival Benefit for Ukraine, co-sponsored by the DubHub and the Monadnock Folklore Society. The daylong event featured music in the Garden Sanctuary, a DubHub BBQ, an ice cream social sponsored by Friends of the Dublin Library, clay activities hosted by Katherine Gekas, toys provided by the Dublin Parents Group, and walks in the labyrinth as music played.

#### Baseball Field Spruced Up and Ready to Go!

BY RAMONA BRANCH

The baseball field cleanup sponsored by the Recreation Committee in July was another example of Dubliners coming together to make our little hamlet a better place to live.

The Recreation Committee thanks everyone who joined us for this fun community day. We invite citizens to go out and see how sparkling the park looks. More significant cleanup is planned for later this summer.

RAMONA BRANCH is chair of the Recreation Committee and is on the staff of the *Advocate*.





#### Dublin's Summer Playground Program

BY SUSAN PETERS

A fter a two-year hiatus, Dublin's Summer Playground Program is off to a great start under the leadership of Director Andrew Fletcher. A storied Dublin tradition, Summer Playground is held on the campus of Dublin Consolidated School and makes use of the library, ball field, and other town resources.

Andrew has been writing a weekly newsletter for parents. In his first update, he reported, "All the new faces running around the gym and playground brought a new life to the town that has been missing for the past few summers due to the restrictions of COVID."

A highlight each week is Library Day. Counselors and campers have also been exploring the hiking trails behind Dublin Consolidated School, and hiking to Yankee Field and the Dublin School soccer field. Andrew commented, "It was great to get out into the woods and be in nature." Other highlights include trips to the Dublin ball field and Bike Safety Day, when Dublin's chief of police spoke to campers about bike safety. It is very exciting that Summer Playground is back this year, enriching the summers of local children!

SUSAN PETERS is a member of the Dublin Select Board and is on the staff of the *Advocate*.

Dublin Lake Host Jason Bergeron checks boats and equipment for signs of invasive plants and animals to help preserve the pristine quality of Dublin Lake. Jason is a lifelong Dubliner and a physics major at St. Lawrence University in New York.



#### News from the Library

BY RACHAEL LOVETT

Come check out some

The It Girl, by Ruth Ware

Smells Like Tween Spirit,

by Poppy Alexander

A Place for the Arts: The

MacDowell Colony,

1907-2007, edited by

Carter Wiseman

by Laurie Gelman

The Littlest Library,

new summer reads:

For the entire month of August, the Dublin Public Library will host "Culture Keepers, Culture Makers," a traveling art exhibit. 3S Artspace, a nonprofit that promotes contemporary arts for a healthy community, brings the exhibit, which focuses on culture's influence on race and equity. Previous stops were the University of New Hampshire's Dimond Library and the Lane Memorial Library in Hampton. During our open hours, patrons are welcome to enjoy the exhibit in the Program Room. For our hours and more background information on CKCM, please visit the website, www.dublinnhpubliclibrary.org.

Also, on August 2 at 5 pm, we will have the second author talk of our summer program. Michael Tougias will speak about his book, *The Finest Hours: The True Story Behind the U.S. Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue.* He tells the story of the Pendleton oil tanker, which was split in half by a nor'easter off the coast of Cape Cod. Incredibly, just 20 miles away, a second oil tanker, the Fort Mercer, also split in half. Of the 84 seamen aboard the tankers, 70 would be rescued and 14 would lose their lives. This will be a hybrid opportunity, both in-person with light refreshments and via Zoom. If attending virtually, please visit the website

and look for the link to register.

Don't forget to check out Kanopy with your library card! Kanopy is our newest addition to the collection, an online streaming service of movies, documentaries, kids' shows, and classic cinema. To log in to Kanopy, all you need is your library card number and your password.

On Saturday, August 27, we'll have our Summer Reading Send-Off Party. We'll have music, karaoke, popsicles, and bingo! Anyone

can join us from 10 am to noon. Just a reminder, the last day to log reading and enter the raffle is August 20. You can earn raffle tickets for reading, checking out books at the library, and attending programs throughout the summer. Anyone visiting the library is also able to pick up a small prize from the Summer Reading Prize Pool. Dive in and make a splash! There are "Oceans of Possibilities"! RACHAEL LOVETT is the director of the Dublin Public Library.

## Test Your Knowledge of Dublin History #6

BY RUTHIE AND PHIL GAMMONS

The Dublin Historical Society challenges residents with five more questions about Dublin history. How many can you answer?

- 1. What year did Baha'i spiritual leader Abdu'l-Baha visit Dublin, and how long did He stay?
- 2. What Washington socialite and Dublin summer resident hosted Abdu'l-Baha during His stay in Dublin?
- **3.** What local Dublin resident took the now-famous photograph of Abdu'l-Baha? (Hint: See pg. 76, *Village on a Hill.*)
- **4.** Who invited Abdu'l-Baha to a play at his summer cottage on Dublin Lake?
- **5.** Where was the play performed, and what was the name of the play?

#### **Bonus question:**

**6.** Referring to Abdu'l-Baha, who said "That old Saint had wonderful things to tell me"?

See answers to the DHS History Quiz #6 on page 6.

#### Is Your Dog Legal?

Many of us wait until we have to go to Town Hall to register a car or pay property taxes. But the **deadline** for dog registrations is **April 30** each year!



Chester Loftis-Tuller is a legally licensed Dublin dog!

It is important to get your dog licensed each year by April 30 because:

- It proves that your dog is properly vaccinated, protecting you, your family, your pets, and others.
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#### Planning Board Issues Guidance on Short-Term Rentals

BY BRUCE SIMPSON

Two years ago, in response to complaints about a house that was being rented out via Airbnb and was creating a nuisance with large, noisy crowds of people who partied till the wee hours while their cars blocked the road, the Planning Board proposed (and the town approved) a zoning amendment regulating such a use.

Unlike some towns, especially in resort areas, which attempt to limit short-term rentals on the grounds that they often exacerbate the housing crisis by removing affordable housing from the rental market, our ordinance was intended only to prevent nuisances and promote safety and sanitation.

Working on the assumption that Dubliners who rent out an accommodation on the property where they live can be trusted to ensure the rental is safe and guests are not creating a nuisance in the neighborhood, the regulations specifically apply only if the person owning or operating the rental does not live on the premises. Off-premise operators are required to obtain a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board.

In considering whether to grant such a permit, the board will consider such factors as "whether the use, size and scale of the use, and site design are compatible with

#### **Planning Board Position to Open**

ongtime secretary of the Planning Board, Neil Sandford, will be stepping down in September. Contact Neil Sandford (neilsandford@juno.com) or Bruce Simpson (bruce\_simpson@msn.com) if you would like the board to consider you for this position.

the neighborhood; whether there are safe and adequate public or private roads to access the site; the availability of parking and emergency access; whether adequate provisions for water supply and sewage disposal; whether the building(s) comply with applicable building, health, and life safety codes; and whether the property is otherwise...suited for the proposed use." In addition, the board will consider if the proposed use will likely create a nuisance by

way of noise, traffic, lights, parking, etc., and what measures might be taken to prevent adverse effects on the neighborhood.

The board can grant the permit subject to certain conditions (i.e., a limit on the number of guests at one time) and has the authority to revoke the permit if the conditions are not complied with. An application for this use (which is referred to as "Other Transient Housing" in the ordinance) is available at the Town Hall.

BRUCE SIMPSON is chair of the Dublin Planning Board.

#### **Updates from the Police Department**

BY TIMOTHY SUOKKO

The Dublin Police Department has a new member, Officer Stephen Dalterio. Since his graduation from the New Hampshire Police Academy in May 2022, Officer Dalterio has been working on the successful completion of the department's Field Training Program. This 12- to 14-week program allows new officers the opportunity to work with and be coached by an experienced officer and translate the knowledge they learned in the academy to the real-world situations they are presented with on the street. Welcome to the community, Officer Dalterio!

On June 24, the department took possession of our new 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Utility. This vehicle goes into service to replace the



From left, Chief of Police Suokko, Officer Dalterio, and Master Patrolman Blair. Below, the 2022 Ford Police Interceptor Utility.



police chief's 2014 police cruiser, which served the department well for the last 8 years. Thank you to all who supported the warrant article last March. Feel free to wave when you see it driving around town.

TIMOTHY SUOKKO is the chief of police in Dublin.

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## TOWN OF DUBLIN HELP WANTED: Cemetery Worker

The Town of Dublin is seeking candidates for the part time, seasonal position of Cemetery Worker. This position works under the supervision of the Cemetery Superintendent. Duties include, but are not limited to daily grounds-keeping and maintenance of the Cemetery grounds. On occasion workers may be required to assist funeral directors and vault installers with their work. Some heavy lifting is required, mechanical skills a plus. This position is part time mid-April until the end of November. Approximately 15 hours per week, \$15 per hour.

*Please send resume* to Kate Fuller, Town Administrator, PO Box 277, Dublin, NH 03444 or email to **townadministrator@townofdublin.org**.

#### NH State Election Candidates for Dublin Districts

With the upcoming NH primary elections on September 13, Dubliners may notice that we belong to different NH House and Senate districts than we did in previous elections. On March 23, 2022, Governor Chris Sununu signed a new state House map into law, and on May 6, he signed a new state Senate map into law. These maps take effect for New Hampshire's 2022 elections.

Dublin is now part of District 13 for NH House elections, which consists of Dublin and Jaffrey, and District 18 (floterial), which includes Dublin, Jaffrey, and Rindge. Dublin is part of District 10 for NH Senate elections, along with Alstead, Chesterfield, Har-

risville, Keene, Marlborough, Nelson, Roxbury, Sullivan, Surry, Swanzey, Walpole, and Westmoreland in Cheshire County, and Hancock and Peterborough in Hillsborough County. For Executive Council elections, we are part of District 2.

Please take time to become familiar with all these candidates. Local elections make a significant difference in how state and federal funds are used here in New Hampshire.

For more information about new New Hampshire voting districts, visit https://bit.ly/BallotpediaNH or https://www.sos.nh.gov/elections

#### **DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY**

#### Governor

Tom Sherman, Rye 296 Harbor Rd. Rye, NH 03870 drtomsherman.com

#### **Executive Council, District 2**

Michael J. Cryans, Hanover PO Box 999 Hanover, NH 03755 Mikecryans.org

**Bradford P. Todd**, Keene 468 Marlboro St. Keene, NH 03431 \*

Cinde Warmington, Concord PO Box 2133 Concord, NH 03302 cindewarmington.com

#### **State Senator, District 10**

**Donovan Fenton**, Keene 32 Salisbury Rd. Keene, NH 03431 donovanfenton.com

Bobby Williams, Keene 66 North Lincoln St. Keene, NH 03431 bobbywilliamsnhsenate.com

#### State Representative, District 13

(Dublin, Jaffrey) (Vote for 1)

**Richard Ames**, Jaffrey 12 Blackberry Ln. Jaffrey, NH 03452 Richard Ames on Facebook

#### State Representative, District 18 (Dublin, Jaffrey, Rindge) (Vote for 2)

Jeffrey C. Dickler, Rindge 97 Old Jaffrey Rd. Rindge, NH 03461 \*

John W. McCarthy, Jaffrey 133 Squantum Rd. Jaffrey, NH 03452 \* \*Online campaign info not found.

#### **REPUBLICAN PRIMARY**

#### Governor

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Jay Lewis, Laconia

PO Box 17

New Hampton, NH 03256 \*

**Richard A. McMenamon II**, Gilmanton 10 Crystal Lake Rd. Gilmanton Iron Works, NH 03837 \* **Chris Sununu**, Newfields 71 Hemlock Ct.

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Newfields, NH 03856 chrissununu.com

Brentwood, NH 03833

thadforgovernor.com

Karen Testerman, Franklin

Thaddeus P. Riley, Brentwood

PO Box 36 Franklin, NH 03235 karentesterman.com

#### **Executive Council, District 2**

Harold F. French, Canterbury

118 West Rd.

Canterbury, NH 03224 senatorfrench.com

Kim Strathdee, Lincoln

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Kim Strathdee on Facebook

#### State Senator, District 10

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27 Park St.

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#### State Representative, District 13 (Dublin, Jaffrey) (Vote for 1)

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Dublin, NH 03444

Christopher Mazerall, Jaffrey 26 Eastwood Dr.

Jaffrey, NH 03452

Dublin, NH 03444 Jaffrey, NH 03452
Rita Mattson for NH State Christopher Mazerall for

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Donald R. Primrose, Dublin

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Dublin, NH 03444 \*

State Representative, District 18 (Dublin, Jaffrey, Rindge) (Vote for 2)

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Rindge, NH 03461 Rindge, NH 03461 jimqualeyfornh.com cheshireliberty.com

\*Online campaign info not found.

New Hampshire State Primary is Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2022.

#### Shawne Hilliard is New DCS Principal

BY KIM ALLIS

Shawne Hilliard, the new principal at Dublin Consolidated School, is New Hampshire born and bred. She married her high school sweetheart and has two sons and four grandchildren, all of whom live in Weare. She comes to DCS from seven years as principal in the school district in Weare, and her husband has an automotive business there.

In addition to DCS, Shawne will also be principal in Hancock. Between the two schools, she will be in charge of about 150 students from kindergarten through fourth grade. Her primary mission as she sees it is to make up for the COVID years that so adversely impacted the socialization period of the younger students.

Relationship building is her number one priority—and not just relationships among the students but also relationships with the parents and the communities she will be serving. "I want to know the name of every single student in my schools," she says. In her previous school posting in Weare, the student body was so large she didn't have that opportunity. Her interest and background in education of the younger grades



makes her a perfect fit, she feels, for being principal in these smaller schools. "This job is closer to what I always wanted to do," she says.

KIM ALLIS is on the staff of the Advocate.

#### News from Our ConVal School Board Representative

Student and Staff Safety

BY ALAN EDELKIND

The safety of our students and staff within the ConVal School District is the overarching concern of all. There is nothing more important to your school board and administration than ensuring their safety. The information shared here will be general in nature, so we can maintain the integrity of our security measures. In light of the horrific events in other school districts around our country (most recently the Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas), we felt it important to provide this outline to our community.

The ConVal School District is composed of nine towns with 11 school buildings. The ConVal School District administration works closely with the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHDOE) Facilities Management Bureau to ensure that our Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) are comprehensive, follow the state template, and meet guidelines set out in RSA 189:64 requirements.

There is a different EOP for each building, representing their different needs. Areas covered are fire, reverse evacuation bomb threats, and internal and external threats. New Hampshire law requires that 10 emergency drills be conducted each academic year: six fire evacuation drills and four all-hazard drills. One of these drills must be consistent with the response to an armed assailant. Evaluations of performance are also done.

Each school has an Emergency Management Team. EOP development is coordinated with local emergency response agencies (police and fire), the community emergency management director (EMD), School Administrative Unit (SAU) leadership, and other schools in the SAU. This synergy is important to assure coordination of actions, needs, and responsibilities. Each EOP is updated annually and sent to the DOE. The DOE does a tri-annual visit to each school building to review compliance with the plan.

The principal of each school is the Principle Incident Commander and is responsible for providing a plan that is reviewed by administration. The EOP is discussed with school staff periodically for understanding, comments, and compliance.

All buildings remain locked during the school day. Visitors are required to check in, and strategically placed security cameras have been installed.

The preparation and response to school security is ever-changing. New procedures are constantly in need of evaluation as is the updating of current procedures.

#### **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER**

ConVal is actively working to engage a School Resource Officer (SRO), who is required to be a law enforcement individual. This individual will work in our high school and will help ensure the safety of the students and staff. However, not all threats are external in nature; some can come internally. The SRO will be knowledgeable about both. We anticipate this law enforcement officer to be in place by the start of the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **SECURITY AUDIT**

Your school board and administration will start discussions to determine the viability of engaging with an outside consultant to perform a security audit and to recommend changes or enhancements as necessary. We take security seriously and will do everything necessary to ensure the safety of our students and staff.

ALAN EDELKIND is Dublin's representative to the Conval School Board.



#### Baha'i Annual Event, A Dublin Tradition

BY PHIL AND RUTHIE GAMMONS

For more than 50 years, the Baha'is of the Monadnock region have gathered to commemorate the visit of Abdu'l-Baha to Dublin in the summer of 1912. This summer, local Baha'is will offer the regular service at the Dublin Community Church on Sunday, August 14, at 10:30 am. Ms. Patti Tomarelli, a Baha'i from Boston, will present a talk on the importance of Abdu'l-Baha's visit to Dublin. Patti was raised in a Baha'i family and is the grandmother of two. She



lives in a multigenerational household. Patti enjoys writing picture books and serving in communitybuilding activities.

Abdu'l-Baha was the son of Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i Faith and leader of the Baha'is from 1892 until his death in 1921. He spent three weeks in Dublin, Abdu'l-Baha's longest stay anywhere during that 239-day tour of North America in 1912

There will be a reception at the historic Dublin Inn, 1265 Main Street, immediately following the service. All are welcome.

## Congratulations to More Dublin Graduates!



Nick Jadaszewski recently graduated from Ave Maria University in Florida with a bachelor's degree in philosophy and is now attending Providence College, working toward a master's degree in theology.

Peter Murray graduated from his homeschool education program in June. He excelled in all his academic studies, especially history and English. Short-term goals include attending Fairwood Bible Institute



in the fall, and he has hopes for college after that. His tentative plans in college include a teaching degree, with perhaps a minor in either art or creative writing.

#### History of Abdu'l-Baha's Visit to Dublin

During the summer of 1912, Abdu'l-Baha stayed in Dublin for three weeks at the invitation of Mrs. Agnes Parsons. After being released from imprisonment in Palestine in 1908, Abdu'l-Baha was able to travel extensively, initially to Europe in 1911 and later to North America from April to December 1912. The accounts of those journeys and talks in France, England, and America are in several publications (bahaibookstore.com).

His talks centered on the Baha'i Faith and its teachings on universal peace, the elimination of all forms of prejudice, the equality of women and men, the need for universal education, and other topics.

One of the most remarkable meetings took place at the boathouse on Dublin Lake owned by Mrs. Parsons, now the property of the Dublin School.

At that time, Abdu'l-Baha spoke to approximately 25-30 of the African American servants who worked at various homes in Dublin. We know little of the talk except that it centered on the unity of the races.

While in Dublin, Abdu'l-Baha also spoke at the homes of local residents, at the Dublin Community Church, and at the Dublin Inn.

## Answers to DHS History Quiz #6 on page 2:

- **1.** 1912; three weeks
- 2. Agnes Parsons
- 3. Elise Pumpelly Cabot
- 4. Joseph Lindon Smith
- **5.** Loon Point; "The Wrong Mr. Wright"

Bonus: George de Forest Brush

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#### Researching Family Stories, Then and Now

BY KEN LEVINE

Like many members of my generation, I grew up with a father who didn't like to talk about the past. We lived in towns far from where he grew up, and he was an only child, so I didn't have aunts or uncles to learn about the family lore. A few years after he died, in the 1980s, my wife

Denise and I moved to Minneapolis, where he grew up. This was a chance to learn about his youth.

Fortunately, his mother left me a short summary of a few ancestors and relatives. I spent many an hour at the main Minneapolis public library, reviewing microfilmed census records and bound city directories. I also learned that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS) sponsors family history centers where one can access microfilmed records from around the globe. The local center was another great time sink! But I slowly pieced together my father's story as well as that of his ancestors.

Much of my effort is now obsolete, since most of the resources I used then are now online. But even more important is that many records are now indexed by name, including most census records. Since the United States performs a census every 10 years, and census records contain vital details (varying by census) such as age, relationship, and more, by household, these records are an unparalleled resource for tracing families over the decades. For example, I was able to learn about several great-great-grandparents, including their names, birth years, and country of birth

through census records. Census records are kept private for 72 years. The most recent census now public is 1950, which went public this past spring.

Ancestry.com is the most widely used resource now for accessing a wide variety of records, including census records. It is a subscription online service but is available





LEFT: Writer's father's grandmother and her mother taken around 1887. RIGHT: Writer's father Harold and his parents around 1928.

to Dublin residents at the Dublin Public Library at no charge, for in-library use only. Ancestry.com includes name indexes for census records, deaths, many births, and many other records. It also includes images and indexes to some records from other countries, including Canada, Great Britain, Netherlands, and Sweden.

FamilySearch (at familysearch.org), sponsored by LDS, is a free online resource with extensive links to other sources and archives worldwide. The site allows searching of genealogies uploaded by others to its site. The site also includes

census record images and indexes. It even includes tools to help you build an online family tree.

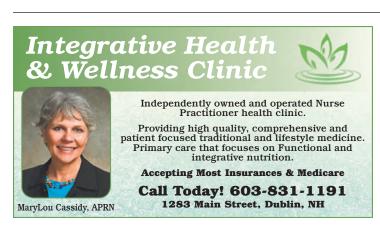
In building a family history, a good way to start is with information from living relatives and family records such as Bibles. Stories are particularly valuable. But since memories are prone to errors and embellishment, a good family history will move on to verifiable source documents such as census records and birth and death records.

One can reliably move back in time through these records even when no one living has any memory.

Genetic genealogy is a very popular, indeed trendy, topic given the ease and low cost of sending a saliva sample to any of several companies, including Ancestry. Unfortunately, it's still a relatively immature approach and can provide results that raise more questions than answers. Genetic genealogy is probably best thought of as a complement to more traditional family history research. Sometimes, genetic genealogy leads to surprises, such as new siblings or new parents, which can be troubling for some families.

Learning my father's family history has led me to many interesting people and places. I learned about grandparents who homesteaded in western Minnesota and the challenges they faced. I've visited a distant cousin on his farm in Sweden, another cousin in England, and a retired Harvard professor; I've learned of cousins lost in the Holocaust, cousins rich, and cousins poor. None are famous, none (that I know of ...) criminal. Most are ordinary people like me but each with a fascinating life story. It's a journey worth taking.

KEN LEVINE is a Dublin resident.





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### August 2022 Events at the DubHub

#### DubHub Coffee and Conversation

offee and Conversation is on Monday ✓and Wednesday mornings from 10 am to noon in the Garden Sanctuary behind the Dublin Community Church or indoors if the weather is poor.

#### Knit with Nancy on Fridays

Knit with Nancy via Zoom is on Fridays at 10 am. Email npcayford@myfairpoint.net for information.



Cut flowers to share at DubHub.

#### Qigong on Wednesdays

igong meets on Wednesdays from noon to 1 pm. Weather permitting, the group meets in the Garden Sanctuary. For information, contact Ginette Groome at 603-313-9828

#### Song Circle, August 7

ong Circle is on Sunday, August 7, from 3 to 5 pm. Singers, instrumentalists, and listeners are all welcome to join this informal gathering to enjoy music from various genres, including folk, Americana, show tunes, standards, Celtic music, originals, and more. Bring extra copies of songs you

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#### Jean Mann, Natalie Dexter & AnneMarie Warren Art Opening, August 5

The DubHub will feature the work **I** of three artists during the month of August: Jean Mann and her 8-yearold granddaughter, Natalie Dexter, will be featured in the South Room, and AnneMarie Warren will be showing in the North Room. The Opening Reception will be from 5 to 7 pm on Friday, August 5.

Jean Mann is an artist from Hancock who has enjoyed many years of draw-

Painting by Jean Mann



ing, painting, and teaching art to children and adults. She is a member of Monadnock Art. Oil Painters of America, and Daily Paintworks and shares her work in exhibits and galleries and on the Monadnock Art Open Studio Tour.

Natalie Dexter, Jean's 8-year-old granddaughter, is a third grader at Hancock Elemen-

tary School. She's been learning to paint with oils for the past year and is excited about her first exhibit.

AnneMarie Warren's introduction to painting came when she took a watercolor class at the Sharon Arts Center in 2012 with Mia Meade, with whom she studied for three more years. In a class with Barbara Danser, called "Abstracting the Landscape," she discovered new ideas about painting as well as other mediums, including pastels and acrylics. She is a member of Earthsong Artists. AnneMarie's art continues to evolve, inspired by her love of colors, shapes, and nature.





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#### **DubHub Events** continued

wish to share. For information, contact Bruce Simpson at bruce\_simpson@msn. com.

#### DubHub Open Stage, August 26

pen Stage resumes on Friday, August 26, starting at 7 pm. All styles of music and performing arts are welcome, as well as an audience to enjoy the performers! Depending on weather, this may be outside in the Garden Sanctuary. Contact host Volkert Volkersz at info@dublincommunitycenter.org for more information.

Performance order will be randomly determined at 6:55 pm.

#### Annual Chicken BBO, August 27

The annual DubHub Chicken BBQ will ■ be held Saturday, August 27, from 5 to 7 pm. Guests will have the option of getting their meal "to go" or enjoying their meal at the the DubHub (indoors or outdoors). Music will be provided by local musicians. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children and may be reserved by emailing dubhubbbq@gmail.com.

#### Games for All Ages: Coming in September

BY CHRIS SPRAGUE

ackgammon and chess Bplayers, get ready! The DubHub is inviting players of all ages and skills to play on the second and fourth Thursday of the month (excluding holidays). Participants should bring their own boards. The DubHub website will post updates in late August.

This initiative is supported by the Dublin Playground, the DubHub,

and the Dublin Public Library. Together, we are developing strategic thinking useful "beyond the board."

To start, the playground had a session on July 18 for their 25 campers. They were introduced to basic chess concepts and played introductory games. Constantine Ananiadis, a local "master," engaged learners, including his son Gene Michael, age 10.

Next, the Dublin Public Library will



Ainsley Minckler and Lily Parker learn the basics of chess.

(websites, YouTube tutorials, and other content) to their website in August. Use these as you prepare for the program kickoff. Finally, the DubHub will host the first Backgammon Night on September 8 from 6-8 pm. To help players brush up on their skills, we will introduce Chouette, a form of team backgammon where players collaborate and learn together.

On September 22, Introductory Chess will begin at 5 pm for families (one adult and child/children who have rudimentary game knowledge). We will review and introduce strategies, opening moves and systems, tricky tactics, and more. Chess Night will kick off at 6 pm with players from across town. Families can stay on and play.

CHRIS SPRAGUE, Dublin resident and library trustee, is proficient in both games and is spearheading this initiative.

#### Team Depot Helps DCP

BY AMY DALTERIO

The Dublin Community Preschool & L Childcare Center (DCP) is a nonprofit, independent, state-licensed educational center offering before-school, preschool, after-kindergarten, and after-school care for children ages six weeks through 11 years. DCP has been educating children from the Monadnock Region for more than 50 years.



In recent years, concerted efforts have been made to establish strong and collaborative relationships with the communities we serve and with local businesses. Examples include remaining open at the height of the pandemic, and caring for children so parents with essential jobs could get to work. Most recently, we partnered with The Home Depot. They sent a crew of "team depot" associates to provide a fresh coat of paint in our classrooms, a new door, diaper cubbies, air-conditioning units for each classroom, cleaning supplies, and some wonderful upgrades and additions to our playground. We are most grateful for this generosity, since it helps us continue our mission of providing quality care while maintaining affordable tuition.

AMY DALTERIO is the president of the board of DCP.





## Sharing Arts Ceramic Center Up and Running!

BY BESS HAIRE

Have you taken a clay class at the new Sharing Arts Community Ceramics Center in Dublin yet? Why not? It's been open since spring! Have you signed up for a beginner class in handbuilding, tried a raku workshop, or a pottery wheel? Good grief! How could you resist?

Manager Max Roy and intern Caroline Yates run the new studio. The Ceramics Center partners with MAXT Makerspace in Peterborough and was designed, furnished, and equipped by donors and volunteers.

Eleven pottery wheels were bought or donated. The two kilns are electric, but by fall there will be an additional gas and salt kiln built outside on the large patio. The kilns will be housed under a traditional open-sided kiln shed. In fact, MAXT Makerspace offered a kiln shed building workshop to anyone who wished to learn timber-frame construction while being taught by Wade Smith of Mill Hollow Works in Keene.

Artist Kim Cunningham, part of the

original group who helped establish the Sharing Arts Ceramics Center, said, "The closing of the Sharon Arts Center left a huge hole in the local clay community. But the patience, hard work, and generosity of a large group of people has paid off, and the new Sharing Arts Ceramics Center bridges the gap beautifully."

Since spring 2022, the Ceramics Center has run classes for everyone from newbie to

experienced potter. Some local and nationally recognized artists and teachers have included Lulu Fichter, Karrie Mitschmeyer, April Claggett, Earl Schofield, and Chris Archer. Later this summer, new workshops and classes will be offered to kindergarteners through teens and young adults.

Max Roy and Education Coordinator Kimberly Kersey-Asbury plan to expand the range of four- to six-week workshops offered in the fall and winter. There are also open studio times when a class participant can practice a skill or work on an independent project. Max explained that there are coaches, seasoned potters, and



experienced artists who can offer support and guidance during open studio times.

For young people and students ages 12-24 years, there is a discount for membership. The Sharing Arts Ceramics Center wishes to encourage everyone to come and experience the joy of working with clay.

The Ceramics Center is located at 1283 Main Street in Dublin. For further details, go to MAXTMakerspace.org or call (603) 554 2459. Register for classes at www. maxtmakerspace.org/ceramics.

BESS HAIRE is a Dublin resident, multimedia artist, and a member at the Sharing Arts Community Ceramics Center.



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#### Plastic Is Consuming Us. What Can We Do?

BY JULIE RIZZO

Our planet is awash in plastic. Despite the best efforts of home recyclers, it's disheartening to know that less than 10% of the plastic bottles, jugs, and containers we so carefully collect, sort, wash, and haul to the dump are ever actually recycled.

Dan Saulnier and CJ Burton believe that the solution may be in keeping the process local – very local. Along with a dozen other collaborators at the MAXT Makerspace in Peterborough, they are working to prove the concept of a hyperlocal, small-scale, plastic recycling system that repurposes our waste plastic to make materials and simple products that we use and reuse every day.

Dan is an environmental studies student at Antioch University in Keene and a MAXT intern. CJ joined MAXT as a volunteering member after graduating from UNH with an engineering degree and was recently hired as a program manager to oversee existing programs and foster new initiatives. The two have teamed up to build or repurpose the machinery needed to take waste plastic and turn it safely into molten plastic that can be pressed, flat-





CJ Burton (left) and Dan Saulnier (right) at MAXT Makerspace At left, recycled plastic material.

tened, or molded into material that can be used for other purposes.

In this early phase, they are focusing on recycling what they call "beginner friendly plastics" – HDPE (#2) plastics commonly used in milk jugs, plastic bottles, and bottle caps. They have also been experimenting with creating a plastic "fabric" made from recycled bread bags (#4) that could be used by MAXT members who create with textiles.

Dan and CJ are happy to borrow ideas and insights from others who have worked in

this area and then invent and create around them. An organization called Precious Plastics offers free, downloadable blueprints for shredders, extruders, and molds as well as business plans for creating a network of small-scale workspaces that coordinate processes involved in community recycling (collection, sorting, processing, etc.)

Dan and CJ have found that on the scale they're working at now, they can use the waste plastic generated by MAXT members and repurpose cast-off office shredders, ovens, and panini presses to refine and demonstrate their process. They are learning about safe levels of temperature and pressure to produce the materials they need without creating toxic fumes.

They MAXT team is excited to show-case their innovative plastic recycling initiative at the MAXT Makerspace's Night Market on August 12 from 5:30-9:30 pm in downtown Peterborough. A celebration of creativity and local energy, Night Market is the perfect place to demonstrate their prototype and educate visitors about the potential for a community plastic recycling effort. Stop by their booth and be part of the solution!

JULIE RIZZO is on the staff of the Advocate.

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#### **Invasive Pests**

BY KATIE FEATHERSTON

NHBUGS.ORG is a collaboration of forest health agencies in New Hampshire working to keep the public informed about invasive forest pests. It is a very useful site for information on invasive insects already here in New Hampshire, with a form for reporting any suspected invasive insect, forest pest, or disease.

To take a picture of a suspect insect, they suggest placing it into your freezer for at least an hour before snapping the picture and including it in the report. They can tell you then if it is safe to release the insect or if you should send it to them.

The list of invasive insects currently being monitored in the state is surprisingly long. While we are all probably familiar by now with the emerald ash borer, the Asian long-horned beetle, and the balsam woolly adelgid, others of the 17 names on the list might not be so well known (what is the southern pine beetle doing up here?). Each insect or pest is described on the site, with a full page of distinguishing characteristics, pictures, and where to find it, which is very helpful when you notice some odd insect that you have never seen before.

Here are just a couple from the list:

• Beech leaf disease (BLD) is a foliar disease of American beech, European beech, and Oriental beech trees caused by the Asian nematode *Litylenchus crenatae* and potentially by bacteria and fungi the nematode transmits. First discovered in 2012 in Ohio, the disease has now been located as far east as Massachusetts. Early symptoms of BLD include dark stripes or bands between lateral veins of leaves that are visible immediately upon bud break

in the spring. Affected leaves may be unevenly distributed in the lower canopy. Banding is most apparent when viewed from below, looking upward into the canopy. Leaves with severe symptoms are heavily banded, shrunken, and crinkled with a thickened, leathery texture that often leads to chlorotic banding later in the season. Aborted bud development and premature leaf drop result in a thinning of canopy cover over time. Insect or avian vectors as well as human-mediated movement of the nematode are possible modes of its dispersal that are currently being studied.

• The Asian jumping worm is an invasive worm introduced to North America from Asia. With no known predators here, it reproduces quickly and voraciously devours the organic matter in the top soil layer, leaving hard dry pellets behind. The worms are easily identified by their spastic writhing motions when handled and the distinctive white collar below the head.



The white band on the the Asian jumping worm is a distinguishing characteristic.

They are very destructive to the leaf litter on the forest floor.

While it is disturbing to think about our beloved New Hampshire forest of ash, hemlock, beech, and maple under assault by non-native species, this site gives us great tools for identifying the pests and taking action against them. Of course, the best action we can take is to be aware, not contribute to the spread of invasive plants and insects, and to act now on climate change.

#### **Dublin Historical Society News**

Summer Exhibition at the Schoolhouse Museum

BY CELESTE SNITKO

Beginning on July 16, the exhibit "Dublin Businesses Old and New" will be open to the public on Saturdays through September from 10 am to 1 pm. There is no charge. Parking is available next door at Dublin Consolidated School.

For more information, please call Celeste Snitko at 603-563-8545.

The Annual Meeting of the Historical Society will be held on Wednesday, August 24, at 5:30 pm at the Dublin Public Library Meeting Room. A short

business meeting will precede a panel discussion about local Dublin businesses that are among those highlighted in the exhibit. Jamie Trowbridge, editor of *Yankee* Magazine; Bruce Fox, owner of The Friendly Farm; Didi Staples, former owner of Carr's Store; and Brian Barden, formerly of Worcester's Garage will share stories of their experiences. Light refreshments will be served, and the meeting is open to the public. All are welcome!

CELESTE SNITKO is the Dublin Historical Society archivist.



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#### A Chance Encounter Sparks Interest

BY RICK MACMILLAN

Sometimes a chance encounter leads somewhere. That was the case when I met Michael Manjarris in a parking lot in Tucson, Arizona, last January. Having attended a Rotary International conference in Meredith, New Hampshire, I was intrigued by that town's waterfront Sculpture Walk. I subsequently visited a number of sculpture parks, and now in Tucson, I ventured to the Tucson Sculpture Park.

By pure chance, I was introduced to Michael Manjarris, a sculptor of national reputation from Corpus Christi, Texas, who was loading a large sculpture onto a flatbed trailer. Michael had created a Sculpture Park for the City of New Orleans, where over a period of five years, he installed some \$23 million worth of art.

Over the ensuing six months, Michael and I kept in contact. Intrigued by the prospect of creating a sculpture park in our area, he offered to come to New Hampshire if there was sufficient interest. I began inquiries and found there was overwhelming interest.

Initially, I thought the Dublin Rotary Park could be a site for an outdoor sculpture park. Established under the initiative of Jerry

## **Save the Date For DWCC Beach Cleanup**

please join us on Saturday, August 27 at 10 am (rain date Sunday, August 28) at the Dublin Women's Community Club Beach for our end-of-season takedown. We will be pulling equipment from the water and tidying up the beach – and we need your help! Thank you in advance.

Branch, this 40-acre town park on Howe Reservoir has wonderful waterside views, hiking trails, and small-craft launch sites.

Could an outdoor sculpture park on Howe Reservoir enhance use of the Rotary Park? Establishing one is a long process, but it has to begin somewhere. Whether the Dublin Rotary Park can serve as a cornerstone for a regional project is uncertain. Others, including the Dublin School, have expressed an interest in creating outdoor sculpture for their campus. The process has begun.

RICK MACMILLAN is president of the Grand Monadnock Rotary Club.



Example of outdoor sculpture installed by Michael Manjarris.

#### Shorebirding at Howe Reservoir

Sunday, August 28, 9 am to noon

Join Harris Center's Eric Masterson for a paddle at Howe Reservoir, which has been drained to facilitate repairs to the dam. Late July marks the beginning of shorebird migration, which is usually a coastal phenomenon. Drained ponds change this calculus, however, with 18 species of shorebirds reported at nearby

Powder Mill Pond in Hancock during two recent drawdowns. If the water level is too low for boating, the trip will be offered as a 1.5-mile round-trip hike. Bring binoculars and, if we're boating, your own canoe or kayak, paddles, and a PFD for each person in your boat. Exact meeting location will be provided upon registra-

tion. *Space is limited, and registration is required* at harriscenter.org. For general information about Harris Center field trips, including questions about accessibility, visit our website at harriscenter.org/ about-us/outing-info. For questions about this particular outing, please contact Eric at masterson@harriscenter.org or (603) 525-3394.

Repairs to Howe Reservoir Dam are expected to be completed this summer.



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### The Arts in August

## The Monadnock Summer Lyceum

The Monadnock Summer Lyceum is known as a "feast for the thoughtful," and features prominent speakers from a wide variety of backgrounds and disciplines who discuss topics of importance to our time. Each gathering in the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church begins at 10:30 am with live music from local artists.

Speakers for August include:

August 7 Joyce Maynard, "The Story Only You Can Tell"

August 14 Maggie Fogarty, "Immigrant Justice Delayed, Human Rights Denied, Finding a Way Forward"

August 21 Leslie Carhart, "Cybersecurity and Critical Infrastructure: The Essentials"

For more information or a link to the lectures, go to monadnocklyceum.org.

#### The Amos Fortune Forum

The Amos Fortune Forum invites residents and friends of the Monadnock

Region to hear notable speakers who present their ideas on issues of public interest and importance on Friday evenings during the summer at the historic Meetinghouse built in Jaffrey in 1775.

Speakers for August include:

August 5 Dan Weeks and Dr. Sindiso Mnisi Weeks, "Amos Fortune and the Journey from Abolition to Ubuntu"

**August 12** Florence Reed, "Growing a Just and Sustainable World with Regenerative Agroecology"

August 19 Steve Zakon-Anderson, "History of Contra Dancing"

More information can be found at

More information can be found at amosfortune.com.

#### Peterborough Players Season Continues

The 2022 season at the Peterborough

Players continues with the fun-for-all-ages Second Company show, *The Emperor's New Clothes*, on the outdoor Elsewhere Stage on





August 6, 10, 12, and 13 at 10:30 am. The show is performed by young professionals at the start of their careers.

From August

4–14, a Players favorite makes its return. Two actors, two pianos, and many, many characters grace the stage in *2 Pianos 4 Hands*, by Ted Dykstra and Richard Greenblatt. The show will feature Matt McGloin, seen recently as the emcee in *Cabaret*. Finally, one of the final performances of

the legendary Billie Holiday in Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill, by Lanie Robertson, is running from August 18 to August 28.



For more

information on the shows and to buy tickets, visit peterboroughplayers.org or call (603) 924-7585.





#### The Arts in August continued



Barbara Summers, Sussan Henkel, and Douglas Nelson.

#### Hillside Trio to Perform

The Hillside Trio will present a concert at the Dublin Community Church at 7 pm on Friday, August 12. This free concert is part of the Cheshire County Classic Concerts, sponsored by a generous grant from the Cheshire County Board of Commissioners.

The Hillside Trio was formed by Sussan Henkel (oboe), Douglas Nelson (baritone horn), and Barbara Summers (piano) in March of 2021. Their unusual combination of instruments has been well received by their audiences. Classical and light-classical works will be performed.

#### Electric Earth: Four Concerts

Ectric Earth gives affordable public Concerts in the Monadnock Region meant to inspire, educate and entertain. They also provide music free of charge to groups who will benefit from the healing and educational power of live music.

On Monday, August 1, David McCarroll will present a solo violin concert of Bach and Bartok; on Thursday, August 4, the concert "Duo, Trio, Quartet" features Ravel, Bauer, and Brahms. On Wednesday, August 10, the program is "The Joy of Sextets," and on Monday, August 22, "Beethoven: Piano Trios, Opus 1." For information and reservations, go to electricearthconcerts.org.

#### **Help Still Needed**

- End 68 Hours of Hunger welcomes donations of Ramen and canned pasta as they restock for fall. Drop off at the west entrance of the Dublin Community Church.
- **CVTC** has a pressing need for more volunteer drivers to better meet the needs of people requesting rides to essential appointments. Visit cvtc-nh. org or call 1-877-428-2882 ext. 5.

#### CASA of NH Seeks Advocates

ASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of New Hampshire, is a non-profit that trains volunteers to advocate for children who have experienced abuse and neglect.

"The pandemic has had a devastating effect on our families. The cases of abuse and neglect that we are seeing right now are some of the



worst we've ever seen," explains Marcia Sink, CASA of New Hampshire president and CEO.

She adds that little prior experience is needed. "If you have spent time with kids in some capacity, as a coach, teacher, or parent, then you have all the experience you need to get involved."

To learn more about CASA and how to get involved or support this statewide nonprofit, visit www.casanh.org.



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#### **AUGUST 2022 Calendar**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dublin Baseball Field	1 CEM Cemetery Trustees 9am; HUB Coffee and Conversation 10-noon; DPL Culture Keepers/Culture Makers Student Exhibit All Month; TH Select Board 4pm	2DPL Author Talk Michael Tougias 5pm; Music and PJ Storytime 6:30pm	3DPL Water Fun Day 10-noon; HUB Coffee and Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm	4 DPL Family Game Night 5-7pm; TH Planning Board 7pm	5 HUB/Zoom 5 Knit with Nancy 10-11am; HUB Art reception 5-7pm	610-noon; DHS "Dublin Businesses" 10am-1pm
7	Conversation 10-noon; Song Circle 3-5pm; DPL Diorama Contest begins; TH Select Board 4pm	96:30pm; TH Recreation Committee 7pm	1 OHUB Coffee and Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm; DPL Diorama Workshop 10-noon; Board of Trustees 5pm	1 1 DPL Family Game Night 5-7pm	12 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am; DCC Hillside Trio 7pm	13 DPL Coffee 10-noon; DHS "Dublin Businesses" 10am-1pm
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