

A Memorable Meeting with Mrs. Kennedy

BY JEANNE STERLING

It was Easter Sunday, April 18, 1965. After Mass, my dad took my mother home, and he left to do his usual Sunday visits: one to their store, Scotty's Camera Shop; another to the train station, as on Sunday, the train engineer would move the engine from one side of Main Street to the other (I don't know why); and then off to Dillant-Hopkins Airport near the Keene/ Swanzey town line.

Dad had taken flying lessons and still went up occasionally, but not today due to the holiday. However, he loved talking to other pilots and crew hanging around the terminal and figured they'd be there. An unscheduled small jet arrived on the



tarmac and taxied the runway leading to the terminal. Jets like this one were a rare sight in those days. There was a very small crowd gathered for the next flight out of Keene, all standing on the other side of the chain link fence. My dad wanted a closer look at the jet, so he walked out to meet it. He took a camera to take a photo or two of the jet itself. Little did he know that when the door to the jet opened, Jacqueline Kennedy and her little boy, John, would emerge!

There had been no advance notice or media information that Mrs. Kennedy would be in Keene that day. Only those behind the fence, the few airport employees, and my dad were there. He took out his camera and was, no doubt, upset that his best camera was back at the store. He told us that he politely raised his voice a bit and said. "Mrs. Kennedy, can I have a smile?" And Mrs. Kennedy did. She was gracious and took time to speak to those who just happened to be there.

Later, my father found out that Mrs. Kennedy and John were on their way to Stowe, Vermont, for a skiing holiday and that they would be driven the rest of the way. State Trooper Kenny Lysett would chauffer them on this last leg of the trip. I was a classmate of Kenny's daughter, Susan, and she told me a few years ago that Mrs. Kennedy was sorry to interrupt the Lysetts' Easter holiday. Her thanks took the form of two large Easter baskets that arrived at

their home later that day – one for Susan and one for her sister.

I have now decided to donate these photos to the Cheshire County Historical Society in Keene. Alan Rumrill of the society informed me that they did not have any photos of the Kennedys in their vast collection of 17,000 photos.

It still boggles my mind that the local newspapers never wrote anything about the event before, during, or after.

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Former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy arrives at the Dillant-Hopkins Airport near Keene/Swanzey town line in 1965.

Halloween Trick or Treat will take place in Dublin on Monday, October 31, between the hours of 5:30 and 7:30 pm.



Come and Join *Your* Club: Library Open House on November 5

BY RACHAEL LOVETT AND CHRIS SPRAGUE

Looking for ways to increase your "return on taxes"? The Dublin Public Library is one of our best kept secrets. The best part? As residents, you are automatically members! We are back stronger than ever with a new director, new programs, a café area, community meeting spaces (with fireplaces!), newer and moreaccessible resources, and so much more.

Come between 10 am–12 noon on Saturday, November 5, and leave with the library in your pocket. Access the library anywhere, any time. Did you know we provide these features:

- **24/7 Access** Even with the building closed, you can still view and reserve books, check out an eBook or eMagazine, stream a movie or TV show, and check out what's happening in person at the library from our website. You can even contact us for those hard-to-find books, and we'll borrow them through interlibrary loan from a neighboring library.
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- **Anywhere Access** Bring your phone, tablet, laptop, or other device, and we'll help configure your accounts so all these resources are immediately available at your fingertips. Just ask, and we'll get you set up!
- **Programs** Learn about our adult and children's programs, and recommend ones we could be missing.
- We're All Ears We've heard you, and we'll share our 2022 survey results and our process in developing a Strategic Plan. We'll also show you what *you've* done so far! Take a look at new setup in the Program Room, see what's happening around the Art Restoration Project, enjoy a StoryWalk, and view the calendar for upcoming programs.

Also, participate in a special contest for the best DPL bumper sticker. Come to the website to get submission guidelines. Submit your designs, review the contenders, and see the winner at the Open House! We'll have the stickers available for all residents in the new year. Pick one up when you visit for programs, books, and events.

For those interested in the library, we will be asking what roles you might want to play. We are looking for trustee alternates, program advocates, and others who can help drive community engagement. We look forward to seeing you!

MORE HAPPENINGS FROM THE LIBRARY

In October, we'll be jumping right into fall! We'll have Story-Times and after-school programming that revolve around autumn, Halloween, Indigenous Peoples Day, pizza, pumpkins, apples, and more. Please visit the website to register for programs: www. dublinnhpubliclibrary.org

Starting October 6, every Thursday evening from 5–7 pm, we'll be gathering for "Poetry in Your Pocket." This new program is fun for all ages, and all are invited to participate. Each week, we'll have a different theme, so come experience the power of shared words, their power to heal, and their ability to help ease any worldly anxiety or worry. Come to one or all sessions! Please register by visiting the website. Together we will build a collection of poems and create our own anthology.

Let's not forget Halloween with Dublin Public Library. We will be hosting our annual Great Pumpkin Painting Contest the last two weeks in October. Stop by anytime to paint a pumpkin. We'll leave them on display around the library, and our staff will choose a winner on October 29. All participants can then take their pumpkins home that day. We'll provide the pumpkins and the paint; you provide the creativity! Halloween is on Monday, October 31, and once again, the Friends of the Dublin Public Library will be participating in the Trunk or Treat event held in the parking lot of Monadnock Bible Church on Halloween night.

RACHAEL LOVETT is director and Chris Sprague is a trustee of Dublin Public Library.

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

Kimberly Kersey-Asbury, Dublin artist and driving force behind the new ceramics studio in Dublin and the MAxT Makerspace, will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the Friends of the Dublin Public Library on Saturday, October 22, from 10 am-noon in the Program Room at the library. The public is most welcome to attend!

Center Director

The **Dublin Community Center** seeks Director to undertake the administrative and program management tasks at the Center. Looking for creative, organized applicants, enthusiastic for small-town communities. Ideal candidates are local to the Monadnock region. This 20-hr position, to start January 2, 2023, has some flexibility in scheduling. For a full description, go to: https://dublincommunitycenter.org

Email a resume and cover letter to the Search Committee at: dubhubsearch23@gmail.com.



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Leslie Whone to Be Honored at Swap Shop

Leslie Whone passed away on August 9, 2022, and she will be missed by her siblings, their families, and many in town. Leslie was always willing to lend a helping hand and is remembered for her many contributions to Dublin.

She was a keen observer and had an unobtrusive manner and dry sense of humor. Her reading group remembers her "quiet zingers that sometimes took us off guard." When she retired from her occupation as a dentist, she jumped right into Dublin's various activities. She helped weed the library gardens and would occasionally pop over to help at the DubHub. She served as the town's Health Officer and was active on the Recycing Committee. She believed in the Three Rs – Reduce, Reuse, Recycle – rather than just disposing of possessions into the waste stream.

Leslie had a special connection to the Swap Shop at the town transfer station.

TOWN OF DUBLIN Supervisors of the Checklist PUBLIC NOTICE

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session in the Dublin Town Hall on Tuesday, November 1, from 7–7:30 pm to make additions or corrections to the voter checklist. Voter registrations will be accepted at this time if accompanied by proof of identity, age, domicile, and citizenship. As a reminder, the state's general election will take place Tuesday, November 8. Polls will be open at Town Hall from 8 am–7 pm.



Leslie Searles, a customer at the Swap Shop

Swap Shop volunteers were deeply saddened by her untimely passing. She worked tirelessly to get the Swap Shop up and running. She said, "I started it so people had somewhere to bring their things instead of throwing them out. People say it is the town's hot spot – a place to hear all the

Hot off the Press!

The 2023 Old Farmer's Almanac, with its iconic yellow cover, hole-punched

for hanging convenience, was released August 30 and is for sale "everywhere." The Almanac forecasts the weather, of course, and claims 80 percent accuracy – but there is much more to this 231-year-old publication. Next year's Almanac includes stories from family farms around the country, gardening tips and trends, festive Ukrainian holiday foods and traditions, practical advice

for organizing family keepsakes, and many other practical and whimsical stories!

So what does the 2023 *Old Farmer's Almanac* predict about the weather in the coming year? Janice Stillman, OFA editor, says, "Depending on where you live, this

gossip in town and a great opportunity to

thousands of items have been kept out of the waste stream, saving the town money

and helping the environment. The shop

COMPILED FROM contributions from Marsha Whitney, Nancy Nolan, and Advocate staff member

will be dedicated in honor of Leslie Whone

In the years since the shop has opened,

reuse and recycle!"

this fall.

Kim Allis.

Road Agent

Roger Trempe looks forward

to the comple-

tion of the

new break

room at the

Town Barn.



great gift for New Englanders who have moved away – or just keep it handy on its string or on your coffee table for daily perusal. To find out where to get your copy, go to Almanac.com/Wheretobuy.

Print and digital copies are available online at Almanac.com/Shop.





News from Our ConVal School Board Representative

BY ALAN EDELKIND

Happy back-to-school time! Yes, it is that time of year again, when children are back in school, and the school system, which never stops, has shifted into high gear. We welcome all our students back and will ensure they get the best educational and social experiences possible while living within the constraints of state/ federal regulations and budget concerns.

Although COVID is not completely behind us, its ongoing impact is less than in previous years. Getting fully back to normal and recovering from its emotional and educational impact on students is an ongoing and critical process for the ConVal administration, the school board, and the community as a whole.

There are so many areas to discuss when it comes to our school system! Every month, since I have been on the school board, I have attempted to write articles on issues that I feel are important to all of us. Now, I'd like to take a different approach. I'd like to ask you folks for your thoughts on topics that you feel are important to write about. I will provide a list of topics I think are good ones and ask you to provide feedback on these and add topics I have not included. I will review what you send and, starting next month, will address them in ranked order. Please respond to my ConVal email address aedelkind@conval.edu. It's very important to me to provide you with the most meaningful information within the space limitations I have.

Suggested topics (in no particular order):

1. School district budget (yep, it is that time again)

- 2. Learning recovery
- **3.** School renovation projects (high school, Applied Technology Center, middle schools)
- 4. Consolidation/reconfiguration
- 5. Strategic planning items
- **6.** Public and charter schools (co-existing for the good of all)
- 7. Community forums format and topics

- 8. School safety audit update
- 9. Preschool update

10.Cost to educate a student at ConVal I could add more, but I prefer to hear your thoughts.

It is a privilege to represent our wonderful community, and I thank our entire community for this opportunity to share information.

My email is aedelkind@conval.edu.

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

athletic abilities, and open their minds to

the new perspectives our diverse commu-

We are excited to reopen campus to

visitors, and look forward to welcoming

the local community to our many athletic

games, stargazing in the Perkin Observa-

tory, theater performances in the Fountain

Arts Building, art openings in the Putnam

Gallery, and walking/mountain biking/ski-

ing/snowshoeing at the Nordic Center.

BRAD BATES is head of school at Dublin School.

See you on campus!

nity brings to every interaction.

Dublin School Reopens Campus to Visitors

BY BRAD BATES

On August 28, Dublin School opened its doors to a culturally and socioeconomically diverse community of 170 students from six countries and 22 states, with 40 percent receiving financial aid. As I begin my 15th year as Head of School, I feel confident in saying that the school has never been more capable of fulfilling its mission of helping young people awaken a curiosity for knowledge and a passion for learning. Our talented faculty and staff have spent the summer preparing the cam-

pus and developing courses and programming that will challenge our students to think deeply, stretch their

Dublin School welcomes 170 students for the new school year.







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Participate in Your Town's Government!

BY PAMELA COX

T e have all heard the phrase "government of the people, by the people, and for the people." This statement is never more true than when describing small-town government. We, the residents of Dublin, are the governing body of our town and are responsible for the success and charm of the place we call home.

Dublin has a population of approximately 1,600, with about 1,177 registered voters. Last year, at Town Meeting, where we gather to discuss and vote on the warrant articles that affect the town's operations, about 200 residents attended. This means that fewer than 20 percent of those who have the ability to shape town functions made these important decisions for all of us!

Over the next few months, The Dublin Advocate will publish short articles about various Dublin committees and elected positions. Please take the time to read about Dublin's government and consider how you can give back to your community by expressing your ideas, volunteering to serve on a committee, running for an

elected position, or attending and voting at Dublin's Town Meeting. Dublin deserves to have all its residents involved in shaping its future.

PAMELA COX is the administrator's assistant for the town of Dublin.

Planning Board News

BY DONNA GARNER

SCHEDULE

A TOUR

603-924-3691

The American Rescue Plan Act's State Recovery Program has announced a grant project, the Housing Opportunity Planning (HOP) grant program. The program will assist towns in reviewing their master plans and zoning ordinances, with the goal of increasing housing supply.

The Dublin Planning Board is preparing an application for the town's participation in this program. Specifically, the grant would provide assistance in the review of the town's master plan and zoning ordinances to identify provisions that should be revised to ensure compliance with requirements of innovative approaches to ensure availability of adequate housing for a growing and vibrant community.

A very important piece of this program is community engagement. The Planning Board will be launching an education initiative to include the entire

town in this review and goal-setting process. Our town has such wonderful attributes - the rural character, pristine lakes and ponds, and extensive rec-



reational opportunities. These assets must be maintained, and we must ensure the continued growth and vitality of the town.

The HOP grant program will provide the financial assistance that Dublin requires in the review of its existing regulatory structure, the adoption of necessary changes, and the implementation of programs to address housing needs.

The Planning Board will be reporting monthly on the progress of the HOP grant program. If you have any questions about the program or would like to become involved in the community engagement initiative, please contact the Planning Board at landusesecretary@townofdublin.org.

DONNA GARNER is a member of the Planning Board.

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Community Power: Is It Right for Dublin?

BY SUSAN PETERS

The Dublin Energy Committee has been exploring opportunities for sourcing and pricing of energy supply that could benefit Dublin residents, businesses, and town properties. Over the past six months, the committee has hosted speakers from Clean Energy NH, the Keene Planning Department, the Community Power Coalition of NH, Standard Power/Good Energy, and Harrisville's Electric Aggregation Committee. This educational process, combined with the recent dramatic increase in electricity supply costs, has helped build strong Energy Committee interest in community power.

What is community power?

Community power offers a means for communities to take greater control over electricity supply sourcing and costs. Community power addresses electricity sourcing and pricing but does not involve electricity delivery, which is managed and billed separately.

Community power goals may include (1) offering a better and more stable rate that saves people money over default (Eversource) electricity supply rates; (2) building more renewable energy sources (such as solar, hydro, and wind) into the electricity supply; and (3) creating a reserve fund that can be used to stabilize the rate and support energy-related programs. In New Hampshire, communities may adopt an Electric Aggregation Plan (EAP) at Town Meeting or by City Council vote. The EAP is then submit-



ted to the NH Public Utilities Commission (PUC) for review and approval. EAPs are typically voluntary, and electricity supply customers (who are not already on a third party, non-Eversource contract) can voluntarily opt out of participation.

What is the Community Power Coalition?

In New Hampshire, the nonprofit Community Power Coalition of NH ("Coalition") is a means by which communities have been advocating for community power. Consultant Henry Herndon explained the background and work of the Coalition. Nineteen communities (including Harrisville and Peterborough) and Cheshire County have adopted the Coalition's Joint Powers Agreement (JPA). If a community chooses to join the Coalition, a resident is appointed to serve on the board, and a second resident serves as an alternate. The Coalition offers support to communities looking to adopt and implement a community power plan.

How does Dublin investigate community power?

For communities interested in community power, there is a multistep process in two principal phases. Phase one is the process leading to a vote at Town Meeting: (1) form an Electric Aggregation Committee under RSA 53-E, which can be a subcommittee of a town's Energy Committee; (2) consider whether to join the Coalition, including careful review of the terms of the JPA by the town attorney and approval by the Select Board; (3) conduct informational meetings and one or more town-wide surveys to solicit community input; (4) develop an EAP, holding two public hearings and subject to Select Board review; and (5) take the EAP to Town Meeting for vote. Phase two is implementation: (1) submit the EAP to the PUC for review and approval, and make any necessary changes; (2) evaluate potential community power partners/ brokers; and (3) get Select Board approval of a community power partner/broker. Legal review is required for any outside contracts.

Where are we now?

At its September 7 meeting, Dublin's Energy Committee discussed next steps. It was agreed that it will take a significant amount of work to develop a community power plan to present at Town Meeting. Engaging more members of the Dublin community in the process is an important next step. For more information, including meeting notices and past minutes, please check out the town's website under Boards & Committees – Energy Committee.

The committee's next meeting on Wednesday, September 28, will feature guest speaker Dori Drachman, co-chair of the Monadnock Sustainability Hub and co-coordinator of the Peterborough Renewable Energy Planning (PREP) Team. Dori will discuss Cheshire County's community power plan and how it may benefit Dublin residents, and answer questions about the process and timeline for bringing a community power proposal to Town Meeting. Peterborough adopted a community power plan this year, and Harrisville adopted one in May 2021. Both communities are working toward having their plans go active in the coming months.

Committee meetings are public, and all residents are welcome to attend and consider joining this exciting work.

SUSAN PETERS is a member of the Select Board and the Energy Committee, and is on the staff of the *Advocate*.

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Rotary Park Plant Inventory

BY RACHEL W. COURTNEY

More than 10 years ago, with some encouragement from Jerry Branch, I began a project of creating an inventory of the plants growing at our Dublin Rotary Park. It's been a long work in progress, on and off, as time has allowed.

The final result (a as relative term as there's always more to do!) is a binder locate

binder located in the visitor sign-in box at the Rotary Park kiosk. It contains lists of over 200 vascular and nonvascular plants growing in three different sections of the



Long beech fern, Dublin Rotary Park Forest Trail.

ent sections of the park.

These plant lists are separated by their type: wildflowers, trees and shrubs, ferns and fern allies, mosses and liverworts, and grasses and grasslike plants. Plants are listed alphabetically by their common name, with their family, genus, and species. There are also master lists for each type of plant as well as a few nice photos.

In addition, this binder contains information about and history of the Dublin Rotary Park, its land, and Howe Reservoir, with related maps.

My hope is that visitors who are interested will take a look and use it. There's a remarkable array of plant life at the park, not to mention all the other wildlife that enjoys sanctuary there. The information and history about the park and reservoir is worth a browse as well. Many folks drive by this land area frequently and might enjoy knowing more about it. A duplicate copy will be available at Dublin Public Library, both volumes to be occasionally updated.

There are plenty more plants to be identified in the park, and I hope those

discoveries, as well as comments and suggested corrections, will be shared. In particular, there are more wetland plants, grasses, sedges, mosses, and liverworts to be found. Feel free to send photos and any related information to DRPplants@gmail. com. If anyone is interested in expanding the inventory with other plant types, such as fungi or lichens, for personal and/or educational purposes, please reach out.

RACHEL COURTNEY is a Dublin resident and longtime amateur naturalist.

Harris Center: Curious about Squirrels and Chipmunks?

NEW ENGLAND FLYING SQUIRREL NETWORK

Wednesday, October 19, 7–8 pm via Zoom

Have you ever seen a flying squirrel? Even if you haven't, they may be living right in your backyard! Join UNH graduate student C.J. Wong for an introduction to her research on these rarely seen nocturnal squirrels. Learn how you can participate in a community science project tracking their distribution and breeding success in New England. Find out how to make and monitor a flying squirrel nest box and how to share your data on these fantastic flyers.

CHIPMUNKS, SQUIRRELS, AND MICE, OH MY!

Saturday, October 22, 11 am–noon at Beech Hill in Dublin

Scurry into the world of New Hampshire's small mammals with Harris Center naturalist Ben King. We'll search stone walls and forest edges for squirrel nests, chipmunk dens, mice burrows, and nibbled



acorns and discover how these furry little critters prepare for winter. Learn to talk and eat like a chipmunk, hop like a squirrel, and hide like a mouse! This is a great free-of-charge program for preschoolers and early elementary-aged children and their families. *Space is limited, and registration is required at harriscenter.org/ events.* The exact meeting location will be provided upon registration. For more information, contact Ben at king@harriscenter. org. Co-sponsored with the Beech Hill-Dublin Lake Watershed Association.



October 2022 Events at the DubHub

DubHub Coffee and Conversation

Coffee and Conversation is on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10 am-noon, indoors or, weather permitting, in the Garden Sanctuary behind Dublin Community Church.

Knit with Nancy on Fridays

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

Qigong on Wednesdays

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

Song Circle, October 2

Song Circle is on Sunday, October 2, from 3–5 pm. Singers, instrumentalists, and listeners are all welcome to 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 wish to share. For information, contact Bruce Simpson at bruce_simpson@ msn.com.

Kids' Yoga Starts Soon

Kids' Yoga, for ages 7–11, starts at the DubHub with Gwir Huddleston Llewellyn. This class will support your children in cultivating concentration, sense of self, and capacity to self-regulate. We'll also have some fun with dance and movement! Watch the *Hubbub* newsletter for details of scheduling.

Ken Sheldon Reads from Deep Water, *October* 6

In the waning days of World War I, William K. Dean was brutally murdered,



his body hog-tied and dumped in a rainwater cistern on his farm in the quiet town of Jaffrey, New Hampshire. Was the murderer his wife, suffering from dementia? Was it his best friend, a politically pow-

erful judge? Or was it a former tenant, suspected by many of being a German spy? This is the first in-depth examination of the murder and its aftermath in the town of Jaffrey.

Author Ken Sheldon will read from his latest book, *Deep Water: Murder, Scandal, and Intrigue in a New England Town*, on Thursday, October 6, at 7 pm at the Dub-Hub. Ken will also be available to answer questions and to autograph books. Admission is free.

Herb Class: Syrups and Elixirs, Tuesday, October 11

On Tuesday, October 11, Katherine Gekas will offer another herb class. This time, we'll be making syrup and an elixir that will help support our immune systems. Each participant will go home with a handout that includes herb information and resources for learning more, and small samples of syrup or elixir to try out at home. The class starts at 7 pm in the south room. The class will be socially distanced, and face masks are optional for vaccinated people. The fee is sliding scale,

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"Unhung Heroes" Art Opening Reception, October 7

Is it possible to have too much good art? Well, three local collectors have run out of wall space – and the Dublin Community Center will be the beneficiary. The DubHub's October art show will be a benefit, featuring paintings in both the north and south galleries. Painting styles run the gamut from traditional to contemporary. The sale will be run as a silent auction, beginning at the opening on Friday, October 7, and ending at noon on Saturday, October 22.

"Unhung hero" by Sue Callihan of Hancock





DubHub Events continued

pay as you'd like to: \$5–\$40. Katherine Gekas has been teaching communitylevel classes on how to stay healthy with herbs for over 10 years. To sign up or for more information, email her at katherinegekas2@gmail.com.



Will Elcoate, David Hornung, and Christopher Sprague enjoy a game of backgammon.

Games for All Ages: Backgammon Night, October 13

Backgammon Night, hosted by Christopher Sprague, continues on the 2nd Thursday of the month, from 6–8 pm. To help players brush up on their skills, chouette, a form of team backgammon where players can collaborate and learn together, will be introduced.

"Oktoberfest" Community Lunch, October 20

The DubHub will offer its annual "Oktoberfest" Community Lunch on Tuesday, October 20, from noon–1 pm. Guests may either enjoy their meal at the Hub or get their free meal "to go." The menu will include bratwurst barbecued on the grill and served on a pretzel bun, with sauerkraut, potato salad, and chocolates for dessert. Meals are served first come, first served. No reservations are required.

Games for All Ages: Chess Night, October 27

Chess Night, hosted by Christopher Sprague, continues on the 4th Thursday of the month (except major holidays). At 5 pm, there will be an introductory session for families (one adult and child/ children who have rudimentary game knowledge). The session will introduce strategies, opening moves and systems,

2022 Smartphone Photo Contest

The DubHub will be hosting another smartphone photo contest this year. The contest is open to amateurs, professionals (defined as anyone who has received remuneration for their photography), and children (age 12 and under). Each entrant must live or work in Dublin. Participants may enter up to three photos taken between December 1, 2021, and December 1, 2022, of a person, place, or event anywhere in the Monadnock Region. Each digital entry must be electronically submitted as "full size" or "large." Anything smaller will not be accepted. Entry fee will be \$5 per photo. More rules and submission info will be available in the future. All entries will be printed





and displayed at the Hub during January 2023, with contest winners announced at the opening reception on January 6. This is the time to start looking through your photos to choose the best of the year.

Previous Smartphone winners. ABOVE: Fireworks by Stephanie Park. LEFT: Dublin Village by Bruce Simpson

tricky tactics, and more. At 6 pm will be Chess Night with players from across town. Families may stay on and play.

DubHub Open Stage, featuring Suzanne McGettigan, October 28

Open Stage will be on Friday, October 28, starting at 7 pm. This Open Stage will feature a special set by singer/songwriter Suzanne McGettigan, who will be joined by Larry Gilbert on guitar and vocals. Suzanne was a



favorite performer in years gone by at the

old Folkway coffee house in Peterborough. All styles of music and performing arts are welcome at this open stage. As always, we welcome audience members to enjoy the performers. This event will be hosted by Bruce Simpson. For more information, email info@dublincommunitycenter.org.

Volunteers Wanted at the DubHub

Now that things are returning to a "new normal," the DubHub board is looking for more volunteers so that we can expand our services to the community. New volunteers would make it possible to open our gallery for longer hours. Other volunteers could help with food preparation, supervising various activities, and setup and cleanup for events. If you have time to help out at your Community Center, please contact Laura Elcoate at lelcoate@yahoo.com.

The Art Tour: An October Tradition

BY MARY LOFTIS

The 26th annual Monadnock Art Open Studios Tour will take place in Dublin and surrounding towns on Indigenous Peoples Day weekend, October 8–10, from 10 am–5 pm each day. This much-anticipated

Art 26

autumn event provides an opportunity for art "tourists" to visit working artists in their studios while enjoying the peak foliage on the back roads of the Monadnock Region.

The mission of Monadnock Art is to "support artists and amplify the artistic wealth and diversity of the region..." In addition to Dublin, studios will be open in Jaffrey, Marlborough, Harrisville, Hancock, and Peterborough – 54 in all, and some with additional guest artists.

Participating in Dublin are:

- Paul Tuller, 87 Pierce Road, will be showing his traditional Japanese house.
- Denise Graves, 145 Boulder Drive, will show jewelry.
- Rebecca Welsh, 8 Old County Road, will show wearable fabric art pieces.
- Kimberly Kersey-Asbury, 1127 Main Street, will display paintings and ceramics.
- Susan Barker and Nina Brogna, 105 Old Marlborough Road, will both display jewelry.
- Miriam Carter, 43 Charcoal Road, will show wearable fabric art pieces.
- Stephen Proctor, also at 43 Charcoal Road, will show ceramics.

On Saturday, October 1, from 1–4 pm, there will be a celebration in and around

the Monadnock Center for History and Culture on Grove Street in Peterborough. The event will feature music, refreshments, and an art raffle. Within the center will be an exhibition of art by Art Open Studio participants as well as another show featuring the work of emerging artists. The exhibits are open 10 am–4 pm daily during tour weekend and Wednesday through Saturday, 10–4, through October 29. Tour information, artist profiles, and an interactive map can be found at www.Monadnock Art.org. Paper maps are available at stores and restaurants throughout the area.

MARY LOFTIS is on the staff of the Advocate.

Chronicling the Life of Joseph Lindon Smith

Joseph Lindon Smith (1863–1950), artist, actor, producer of pageants, Egyptologist, and world traveler, lived in Dublin (when he was not circling the globe by steamship) and was instrumental in the founding of the Dublin Lake Club, where he hosted such luminaries as Amelia Earhart, Mark Twain, and Isabella Stewart Gardner.

When Paul Tuller founded Monadnock Art (formerly Friends of the Dublin Art Colony) 27 years ago, Smith was one of the area artists who piqued his interest. Paul learned that Smith's home on Loon Point was soon to be demolished - and that led him to investigate what had gone on there during the early 20th century. Coincidentally, Paul came across many rolls of 16 mm film documenting the pageants and other Dublin summer activities. He was able to interview Smith's three daughters (all now deceased) about memories of their father and the elaborate pageants staged at the Dublin Lake Club and Loon Point.

Paul is now finishing up a short documentary film about Joseph Lindon Smith, which he has produced in collaboration with Oriana Camera, a young filmmaker with ties to Peterborough. They expect the film to be released this fall. Self Portrait in his Paris Studio, Self-Portrait in his Paris Studio, oil on canvas by Dublin artist Joseph Lindon Smith, 1884. In fall of 1883, the year before this work was painted, Joseph Lindon Smith left for Paris accompanied by his good friend from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Frank Weston Benson.

The painting will be displayed at the 24th Annual Boston International Fine Art Show, October 20-23, at The Cyclorama, Boston Center for the Arts, courtesy of Martha Richardson Fine Art, Boston.







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200 Quilts to Be Displayed Fall Festival

BY SHELLY CONNOLLY

The Monadnock Quilters' Guild biennial quilt show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 8 and 9, at South Meadow School in Peterborough. The quilts represent quilters (male and female) from 14 Monadnock area towns and seven nearby communities, including Dublin. The Fall Festival of Quilts will be open from 10 am–5 pm on Saturday and 10 am–4 pm on Sunday. Admission is \$7, with children under 12 free.

In addition to the main quilt exhibit, the feature of this year's show will be an exhibit of over 30 quilts depicting various seasons and holidays, from "Signs of

Spring" to "Jingle All the Way."

There will also be vendors, a boutique of handmade items, new and antique quilts for sale, 11 raffle baskets in a wide variety of themes, a café serving light refreshments and lunch, activities for children,



and demonstrations of quilting techniques. A special raffle of wall hangings will be held to benefit charitable endeavors to bring the warmth and love of handmade quilts to those in need.

Many of our neighbors belong to the Monadnock Quilters' Guild, including Weezy Devlin, MJ Frohlich, and Lucy van Leeuwen. Several of their quilts and wall hangings will be on display.

The guild is celebrating nearly 40 years of fostering the love of quilting and providing quilts to those in need. Over 90 members

range in age from their 20s to 90s, with skill levels from beginner to award winners!

The guild meets every 3rd Friday of the month at Divine Mercy Church. More information on the guild and the show can be found at the MQG web-



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Quilt by a Monadnock Quilters' Guild member

site at www.monadnockquiltersguild.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ MonadnockQG.

SHELLY CONNOLLY is a member of Monadnock Quilters' Guild.

Monadnock Music Fundraiser

BY LAINA BARAKAT

Jerry and Sue Bird recently hosted "Baroque & Black Tie," a fundraiser for Monadnock Music. Over 60 tickets were sold, bringing in significant support to Monadnock Music, a nearly 60-year-old nonprofit that makes high-caliber classical music accessible in rural New Hampshire.



This funding will support the 2023 season of free Village Chamber Music Concerts and the educational program Monadnock Music in the Schools.

The main event featured Italian Baroque performed on harpsichord and string trio. Musicians Jesse Irons, Emily Irons, Sarah Freiberg, and Andrus Madsen make up Newton Baroque. They particularly loved performing in this setting because it resembled the salon concerts Baroque music was created for: an intimate opportunity to chat with the audience and discuss the pieces as they were performed.

The date for "Baroque & Black Tie" has already been set for 2023. Mark September 16, 2023, on your calendar for next year, and perhaps play some Vivaldi or Corelli to whet your appetite!

LAINA BARAKAT is the executive director of Monadnock Music.

"Baroque & Black Tie" took place at the home of Sue and Jerry Bird, which was the former Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church.

Do You Have Time Now and Then to Give Someone a Ride?

The Community Volunteer Transportation Company, or CVTC, is looking for more people to become part of our volunteer driver team. Do you have time on your hands? CVTC provides no-fee transportation for individuals without access to transportation because of age, ability,

income, and/or life circumstance.

Our drivers are all volunteers and use their own vehicles. They receive an optional reimbursement of \$0.625 per mile on the trips they provide. CVTC provides transportation for nonemergency medical appointments, social services, grocery shopping, banking, and/or visits to the pharmacy.

Trips needing a driver are listed on our website, and each driver can use his/ her computer to determine which trips fit in with their plans. For those drivers who do not use a computer, our staff will help select trips that match time availability and complete a monthly

mileage log.

Our volunteers contribute to the health, wellness, dignity, and independence of all we serve. Please join us. It's easy and most rewarding. Give CVTC a call today at 1-877-428-2882, ext. 5, for more information.

DCC Rummage Sale



End 68 Hours of Hunger

BY SHARON SMITH

As End 68 Hours of Hunger resumes weekend food deliveries with the new school year, we want to be sure we're reaching all the children who need food. If you know a child who is food insecure, please encourage the family to contact the child's principal to sign up for this program. It's strictly confidential; volunteers are told only the number of bags needed at each school.

The photo shows an example of what goes home in a typical week. Where do we get the food? We get it from the New Hampshire Food Bank, from financial donations, and from you! On the wish list for this month: soup, boxes of instant oatmeal packets, and plastic bottles of mayonnaise – any and all of which can



be left at the Dublin Community Church. If you'd rather keep it simple and donate financially, we'll take that, too! Donations can be made online at www.end68hoursofhunger.org (specifying the ConVal group) or by check mailed to End 68 Hours of Hunger, c/o SAU 1, 106 Hancock Road, Peterborough, NH 03458.

SHARON SMITH is the program co-coordinator of End 68 Hours of Hunger.

Monthly Community Take-Out Suppers Have Resumed!

These free suppers are offered by the Dublin Community Church and are for everyone. They take place on the 4th Tuesday of every month and are homecooked with lots of love. If you missed the pork loin in September, please consider reserving a meal (or several for your whole family) for Tuesday, October 25. The menu will be macaroni and cheese, peas, and dessert. Pickup begins at 5:30 pm. Reservations are required. Call Laurie at 603-876-5003 by Friday, October 21, to reserve your meal(s) and give her your phone number. You will get directions when you call.

Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 9

There will be a Blessing of the Animals in the Garden Sanctuary behind the Dublin Community Church on Sunday October 9, at 2 pm. All pets are welcome – held, led, leashed, or caged!







Come Walk for Recovery at Putnam Park!

On Sunday, October 16, the Grand Monadnock Rotary Club is sponsoring the third annual Community Walk for Recovery from 1–3:30 pm. Walkers will register and leave Putnam Park on Grove Street in Peterborough between 1–2 pm for a three-mile walk to Adams Park and back. Regional leaders in prevention, treatment,



and recovery will be on hand, and there will be a keynote speaker at 3 pm.

Goals for the Community Walk for Recovery include the following:

- Reframing the issue of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) as a public health crisis and illness that can be overcome with treatment and support.
- Raising funds to support regional prevention, treatment, and recov-

ery programs in schools and in local communities.

- Raising awareness of the prevention, treatment, and recovery options from regional leaders on the front lines of the SUD crisis.
- Destigmatizing public discussion of treatment and recovery, and building public support to welcome people in recovery back into the mainstream with jobs, housing, and a sense of belonging to a community that cares about them.

Trunk or Treat at Mountain View Bible Church

BY KYLE WILCOX

Mountain View Bible Church will hold its annual Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31, from 5:30–7:30 pm. Located at 81 Page Road, this family-friendly event includes decorated cars where children can collect treats in a safe and fun environment. A bonfire will keep trick-or-treaters warm, and we'll have hotdogs and hot drinks to enjoy. The event will be canceled if it rains. For updates, visit us online at www.facebook.com/ mvbcdublin. For questions, call 603-563-8069 or email secretary@mtnviewbible.org.



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KYLE WILCOX is the pastor of Mountain View Bible Church.





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Dublin Historical Society Annual Meeting Held

BY JUDY KNAPP

The Dublin Historical Society held its annual meeting on August 24 at Dublin Public Library. Officers for the coming year were elected: Judy Knapp, president; Ruthie Gammons, vice president; and Donna Garner, treasurer. Also elected for three-year terms as trustees were Ruthie Gammons, Sarah Katka, Meg Page, and Bronson Shonk. The audience joined in thanking retiring trustees Felicity Pool and Lucy Shonk for their service.

The meeting highlight was a presentation called *Dublin Businesses, Old and New,* the subject of this year's exhibition at the 1841 Schoolhouse Museum. DHS Archivist Celeste Snitko moderated a panel of Jamie Trowbridge (*Yankee* Magazine), Bruce Fox (The Friendly Farm), and Max Boyd (Carr's Store), who provided information many of us didn't know. For example, Yankee Publishing has been a family-owned business since its founding in 1935. There are 11 family members in the current generation and 22 coming up in the next. The family has recently passed ownership of their publishing business to its employees. Bruce Fox's father started The Friendly Farm in Dublin

Mary Alice Fox, who five years ago received the Boston Post Cane as the oldest citizen of Dublin, recently celebrated her 97th birthday with family and friends

at the Community Center. With her husband Allan, Mary Alice founded The Friendly Farm in the 1960s, where she still lives. This favorite Dublin destination is now run by her son Bruce.





Bruce Fox participated in a panel with Jamie Trowbridge and Max Boyd at the DHS Annual Meeting.

in 1965. As a young man, Bruce wanted to create his own Friendly Farm in Pennsylvania but was persuaded by his father to work at the Dublin location until the economy improved, and he has been there ever since. They enjoy an average of 30,000 visitors a year. When Max Boyd began working at Carr's Store, the morning crew gathering there for coffee included, among others, Beekman Pool and Judge Hampsey of Jaffrey. Conversation was always lively among staff and customers.

JUDY KNAPP is president of the Dublin Historical Society.

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The Dublin Community BBQ is back!

Join us for a Touch-A-Truck and BBQ on Sunday, October 9, from 11 am-3 pm in the Yankee parking lot. Come grab some food and meet your local First Responders. Vehicles will be on display from the Dublin Police, Dublin Fire, Dublin Highway, NH State Police, NH Fish & Game, and the Cheshire County Sheriff's Office. This is a free family event!



Town Audit Completed

BY KATE FULLER

The 2021 audit has been completed **L** and is available for residents to view on the town website. We are very happy with the results, which show that the town is being run in a fiscally responsible way that provides residents both transparency and accountability. The auditors found no issues with any of the financial accounts of the town. The town underspent the 2021 budget and has two months of expenses in the Unassigned Fund Balance as required by the NH Department of Revenue Administration. We received positive feedback from our auditor, Roberts & Green of Concord, and they reported no difficulties in performing the audit.

The town is working to address two issues that the audit raised. These are referred to as Adverse Opinions. The first is depreciation of assets, which requires establishing an original price for all of the town's buildings, land, and possessions. This is often used to adjust taxes in businesses. As the town is not a business, and this is a very lengthy process, it has not been done to this point. Many small towns choose not to perform this accounting function as it does not impact the town's finances.

The second is to report liabilities for post-employment benefits other than pensions for retirees. This optional reporting for retired employees requires the town to get an actuary to evaluate the financial repercussions to the town if New Hampshire Retirement Services or Health Trust (our health insurance) had financial difficulties and how it would impact retirees. There is a new interpretation of how this should be reported under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), which is why the auditor brought it to the town's attention. This reporting also does not affect the financial accounting for the town.

If you have any questions about the audit, please contact Town Administrator Kate Fuller at townadministrator@ townofdublin.org.

Invasive Plant Treatment Wrap-up 2022

BY JAY SCHECHTER

The Dublin Conservation Commission continued its efforts to control invasive plants. This is an annual event funded by the town of Dublin. We visited 14 properties on August 24 to attack autumn olive, bittersweet, buckthorn, burning bush, barberry, bishop's weed, honeysuckle, knotweed, swallow-wort, multiflora rose, and purple loosestrife.

Invasive plants are highly competitive and suppress native species. Invasives can reduce natural diversity, impact endangered or threatened species, reduce wildlife habitat, create water-quality impacts, and have other negative impacts on our natural environment. Please utilize this link to determine if you have any of these nasty plants on your property. www.agriculture. nh.gov/publications-forms/documents/ upland-invasive-species.pdf.

This service is performed by a licensed company that specializes in invasive plant management. They are available for a nocharge consultation and can be hired for projects that exceed the scope of what we offer. Email us for their contact information.

We have started a list of properties to be treated next year. Please contact Jay Schechter at JSchechter@FocusSales.us or Katie Featherstone at kfeatherk@gmail.com to be added to next year's list.

JAY SCHECHTER is chair of the Dublin Conservation Commission.

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OCTOBER 2022 Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
DCADublin Christian AcademyDCCDublin Community ChurchDCSDublin Consolidated SchoolDHSDublin Historical SocietyDPLDublin Public LibraryHUBDublin Community CenterSMSSouth Meadow SchoolTHTown Hall, Dublin					unity Church lidated School ical Society Library unity Center w School	1 DCC Rummage Sale 8am-noon; DPL Coffee Hour 10am; Monadnock Center Art Tour Celebration 1-4pm
2 ^{HUB} Song Circle 23-5pm	Cemetery Trustees 9am; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; TH Select Board 4pm	4 DPL BookBuddies 3:30-4:30pm; HUB Kids' Yoga 3:30-4:30pm; ConVal School Board 7pm; Yom Kippur begins at sundown	5 Yom Kippur ; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm; DPL BookWorms 3:30-4:30pm	GPL Creator Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH Planning Board 7pm	7HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am; HUB Artist Reception 5-7pm	BPL Coffee 10am; Monadnock Open Studios Art Tour 10am-5pm; SMS Quilt Show 10am-5pm
Monadnock Art Tour 10am-5pm; SMS Quilts 10am-4pm; Yankee Parking Lot Community BBQ 11am-3pm; DCC Blessing of Animals 2pm	1 Ocolumbus Day; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Monadnock Art Tour 10am-5pm	1 DPL BookBuddies 3:30-4:30pm; HUB Kids' Yoga 3:30- 4:30pm; Syrups & Elixirs Class 7pm	12 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm; DPL Trustees 5pm	13DPL Poetry 5-7pm; HUB Backgammon 6-8pm	14HUB/Zoom Knit With Nancy 10-11am	15 ^{DPL Coffee}
16 ^{Putnam Park} Walk for Recovery 1-3:30pm	17 PPL Pumpkin Painting Contest begins; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; TH Select Board 4pm	18 BookBuddies 3:30-4:30pm; HUB Kids' Yoga 3:30- 4:30pm; ConVal School Board 7pm	19HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm; DPL BookWorms 3:30-4:30pm; TH Conservation. Com. 5pm	20 HUB Community DPL Creator Club 3:30-4:30pm; Poetry 5-7pm	21 HUB/Zoom Knit with Nancy 10-11am	22DPL Coffee 10am; FDPL Annual Meeting 10am; Beech Hill Chipmunks etc 11-noon
23	24 ^{HUB} Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; TH Select Board 4pm	25 BookBuddies 3:30-4:30pm; HUB Kids' Yoga 3:30-4:30pm; DCC Community Supper Takeout 5:30pm	26 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; QiGong 12-1pm; DPL BookWorms 3:30- 4:30pm; TH Energy Comm. 7pm	27 DPL Creator 4:30pm; Poetry 5-7pm; HUB Chess 5-8pm; TH Zoning Board 7pm	28HUB/Zoom 10-11am; Open Stage 7pm	29DPL Coffee 10am; Pumpkin Painting Contest ends
30 DPL Family Movie 12-4pm	31 Halloween; Town Trick or Treat / DCA Trunk or Treat 5:30-7:30pm					

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