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Judy Knapp Named Citizen of the Year

Before the business portion of the March 16 Town Meeting commenced, Select Board member Carole Monroe announced that Judy Knapp is the 2023 Dublin Citizen of the Year. Carole's citation described Judy's service to the town over almost 50 years, which includes 27 consecutive years on the Budget Committee, work on the Recreation and Scholarship Committees, as well as service as interim deputy



town clerk/tax collector. Outside of town government, Judy has held leadership positions in the Dublin's Women's Club and Dublin Historical Society, of which she is currently president. The citation concluded, "Judy isn't done yet; she is always volunteering to help others understand the issues or providing background information when seeking solutions to different problems. Our town is better due to her efforts."

The *Advocate* joins all Dubliners in congratulating Judy.

Town Meeting in a Nutshell

BY JUDY KNAPP

On March 16, town moderator Sterling Abram opened the meeting at 9 am, after which he read the necrology for 2023 and the Moderator's Prayer. Laura Elcoate led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Articles 1 and 2 were decided by previous vote on March 12:

Article 1. The candidates for new town office officers: Select Board—Susan Peters; Moderator—Sterling Abram; Library Trustee—Lawrence Graves and Chris Sprague; Budget Committee—Andrew Hungerford and Blake Minckler; Cemetery Trustee—Brian Barden; Planning Board—Archie McIntyre and Francis McKenna; Supervisor of the Checklist—Megan Suokko; and Trustee of the Trust Funds—Dale Gabel.

Article 2. An amendment, recommended by the Planning Board, to the Zoning Regulations to adopt the Zoning Ordinance and Land Use Regulations Article XXVIII Accessory Dwelling Units, passed 392 to 86.

Articles 3–20 were decided at Town Meeting:

Article 3. Voters passed the Budget Com-

mittee's recommended sum of \$2,632,730 for general municipal operations, which did not include appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately.

Article 4. Voters agreed to contribute \$490,000 to the Town Capital Reserve Funds, previously established: Heavy Highway Equipment (\$65,000); Police Cruiser (\$15,000); Fire Equipment (\$140,000); Road Construction (\$225,000);

Town-Owned Infrastructure Maintenance and Repair (\$10,000); Town Buildings Maintenance (\$30,000); and Recreation Trust (\$5,000). This will come from taxation.

Article 5. \$212,000 was approved to chip seal and/or pave town roads, \$112,000 to come from the Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund and \$100,000 to come from taxation.

Article 6. Voters approved \$70,000 to repair extensive damage to the Dublin Post

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L to R: Archie McIntyre, Megan Suokko, Susan Peters, Lawrence Graves, Chris Sprague, Blake Minckler, Brian Barden, Francis McKenna, and Sterling Abram were sworn in at Town Meeting.

News from the Dublin Public Library

BY KAREN MADIGAN

April showers us with programs, events, classroom visits, and artwork. Please see the *Advocate* calendar for more information. If you'd like to bring your classroom for a story time, tour, Q&A, and/or small craft, please call us!

Wednesday, April 3, DPL is honored to have Matthew Saveliev, director of the Perkin Observatory and science teacher at the Dublin School, present "A Peek into the Cosmos: The World of Solar Eclipses" in anticipation of the April 8 eclipse. DPL will have free eclipse-viewing glasses at the program while supplies last. Watch our website, Facebook/Instagram, and our newsletter for further information.

On Thursday, April 11, at 6 pm, we invite you to come listen to "For All the Tea in Zhōngguó: Poetry, Calligraphy, and Artwork from China" and immerse yourself in the beauty of Rodger Martin's presentation, including drawings, calligraphy, and needlework on display.

DPL is offering an ongoing self-defense workshop on Saturdays, featuring Samantha Hatcher, a black belt in karate. A completed release waiver is required for participation. Please call us for more information.

Written by a nurse from the Union Army in 1888, my featured "book-tique" of the month is *My Story of the War: A Woman's Narrative...During the War of the Rebellion*, by Mary A. Livermore. The trustees are working on a display case for the numerous treasures deserving preservation here at DPL. Though these books cannot be checked out, please enjoy looking at them as you marvel at their age and artistry.

Our Friends of the Library are preparing for their first book sale of 2024 on June 15. The Friends are looking for books or salable paper items (stationery, posters, postcards, etc.), and we are happy to take donations now. Please bring items to the basement door, come upstairs, and we'll help you get them inside. If you have only a few items, please bring them to the check-out desk.



A safe way to observe the eclipse.



Mary A. Livermore.

I would love to receive books, DVDs, or other items for our collection. If we cannot add your item to the collection, we will return it to you, donate it to the book sale, or repurpose it in some other way. Need a tax donation letter? Write one up, itemize, and bring it with your donations; we'll be happy to sign it for you. Any book donations to the Friends' sale or the library should be

damage-free, with clean, intact pages and covers, no stains or marks.

Calling all earthlings! April 22 is Earth Day, and DPL is holding a bookmark contest for all ages. Create your own design; include your name, age, and phone number on the back; bring it in; and if we choose your bookmark as a winner in one of three age categories, we'll display it in May's newsletter! Sign up at bit.ly/dplnewsletter if you haven't already done so. Winners also receive a small prize to go along with their artistic fame.

Speaking of winners, the Name Our Newsletter contest had some great ideas; we thank all who contributed. Congratulations to David Mueller, who won a book and the honor of seeing his title, *Bookworm Beat*, online each month.

Want to volunteer at DPL? Fill out a form, do a quick background check, and become a volunteer. Call or email for more information. Please consider donating time to shelve books, help organize events, or share your strengths with us in some other way. We also welcome guest speakers and program ideas.

The nonfiction room is done! Mysteries are next to the new books and patron computers, and the children's area is in progress. Future tweaks will make the Bastedo (fiction) Room friendlier, and money from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation Wright Grant will round out the nonfiction collection. As a staff, we work hard to keep the wonderful history and charm of this library intact, to improve the collection, and to make the library a safe and welcoming space for our patrons where we're all better together. Happy Spring from Elizabeth, Emaline, Victoria, and me!

KAREN MADIGAN is director of the Dublin Public Library.

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Dublin Community Church is located on Route 101 in Dublin (1125 Main Street).



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Office. Repairs will include replacement of insulation, mold remediation, door repair, and installation of sump pumps. The funds will come from the Town Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve.

Article 7. Voters approved \$20,000 to repair the exterior of the Town Hall, including the pillars in the front and rear of the building and painting where necessary. The money will come from the Town Building Maintenance and Capital Reserve.

Article 8. A \$10,000 feasibility study to examine the facilities and office at the Transfer Station was approved. The funds will come from the Recycling Special Revenue Account.

Article 9. Voters approved \$7,815 to repair the base of the Civil War monument in front of the Dublin Historical Society's Schoolhouse Museum.

Article 10. Voters approved \$10,000 to remove dead trees from the cemetery.

Article 11. \$4,500 was voted to fund *The Dublin Advocate* for another year.

Article 12. Voters approved \$7,980 to be



Simon Shlyaktychenko, 15 months, attends his second Town Meeting.

contributed to 11 agencies that provide advisory, health, and welfare services and whose programs have a public purpose.

Article 13. The town voted to add \$7,400 to the Expendable Trust Funds, specifically Revaluation and Master Plan.

Article 14. The Select Board was named as agent to expend for the following Capital Reserve Funds: Police Cruiser, Town Buildings Maintenance, and Bridge Repair and Replacement. The Library

Major Repair and Maintenance Fund was removed from this article.

Article 15. By secret ballot, the town voted to establish a Police Special Details Account by a vote of 141 to 21.

Article 16. Voters approved \$20,000 to fund the second phase of security upgrades at the Town Hall, Fire Station, and Library.

Article 17. The town voted \$15,000 to establish an Energy Capital Reserve Fund.

Article 18. A Petitioned Warrant Article to direct the ConVal School Board to initiate a feasibility study with respect to Dublin's withdrawal from the Contoocook Valley School District passed by a secret ballot, 116 to 49.

Article 19. A Petitioned Warrant Article to implement Pay as You Throw (PAYT) to reduce the amount of solid waste disposal and to encourage recycling did not pass.

Article 20. The town heard the reports of agents, auditors, and committees as printed in the 2023 Town Report.

The 2024 Dublin Town Meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.

After the meeting, new officials, elected on March 12, were sworn in by the town clerk/tax collector.

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Spring Happenings at Dublin Consolidated School

BY NICOLE PEASE

Early spring is a unique time in the school year. We have finished winter benchmark assessments and are continuing to focus on student growth. We are two-thirds of the way through the school year, and while we have done a lot of work, there is still much to do! Teachers are masters of looking forward and backward, as I'm aware of each time I write these articles.

March was filled with lots of learning as well as many special activities. DCS teacher Heather Fletcher spearheaded an amazing One School One Book kickoff. Teachers presented a skit to the students that hinted at the title of *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*. Students were surprised by the special delivery of the books by Dublin police officer Steve Dalterio, escorted by the police chief Tim Suokko, fire chief Tom Vanderbilt, volunteer firefighter Brian Barden, and motorcycle rider John Albano. Our small town is so supportive! Mrs. Fletcher and teacher Deb Lang created a scavenger hunt for families to visit local businesses, deepening the community connection.

While each month brings wonderful things, April is going to be extra special as the New Hampshire Dance Institute returns. The NHDI program is a week-long residency in which students and staff learn dance routines with a particular theme. DCS alum Abbie Brown Hixson will be coordinating the program this year, mak-



One School One Book teachers' skit (L-R) Deb Quinn, Kristen Garland, Heather Fletcher, and Deb Lang.

ing it even more memorable. If you are interested in watching the performance, please call the school for date and time. We are so thankful to the Dublin Community Foundation for their support in enriching the lives of our students with the experience of dance.

Kindergartners are wanted! If you know of a child who will be 5 years old before September 30, please have their family contact our school. Also, please feel free to stop by and visit. We love having the community see what is going on in our school; please just give a call first 603-563-8332.

NICOLE PEASE is Dublin Consolidated School principal teacher.

A Follow-Up from the ConVal School Board

BY ALAN EDELKIND

I would like to follow up on the voting results for the ConVal School District warrant articles, with a focus on Article 10, Consolidation/Reconfiguration.

We initiated the study of consolidation to determine what was best for our students, towns, and the ConVal community at large. We conducted town meetings, surveys, focus groups, and many conversations with parents. We knew it was going to be a controversial issue but were glad that discussions were largely friendly and civil. I sincerely thank so many for being involved, regardless of which side of the issue they took.

The town of Dublin and ConVal community have spoken – and the change to the Articles of Agreement that would have allowed consolidation/reconfiguration was defeated, which I fully accept. Serving on

the school board requires a commitment to doing what one feels is best for our students, our town, and the ConVal district, while taking input from folks.

As a school board, we deal with many issues that affect our students. Am I always correct in my support for a particular issue? Nope. I go with the best information available to me, with the priorities mentioned.

As for the other warrant articles, particularly the budget and the collective bargaining agreement modification, your affirmative vote shows that you understand the importance of supporting our public schools – even though none of us likes an increase in the budget.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve and have always put my constituents first, regardless of my personal feelings.

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

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Calling All Dublin Citizens

BY JAY SCHECHTER

The majority of your property taxes are going toward education, and this number will continue to rise. We recently succeeded in saving our local school, but the battle is not over. This effort to close the Dublin Consolidated School has been going on for many years. The ConVal School Board has said that they may continue to pursue this goal.

The Dublin Education Advisory Committee (DEAC) has been appointed by the Select Board to study the quality and cost of the education our children are receiving. We will make recommendations to the town when we conclude this process. Your participation is needed now! Our meetings are currently being held every Tuesday at Town Hall at 5:30 pm. Attend a meeting. Get involved. Your children and your tax dollars depend on it.

JAY SCHECHTER is chair of the Dublin Education Advisory Committee.

Education Commissioner to Address Dublin Residents

The Dublin Education Advisory Committee has been established by the Select Board to study Dublin's relationship with the ConVal School District. Part of our mission is to provide information to the residents of Dublin about the state of education in New Hampshire. As a consequence, we invite you to "An Evening with the Commissioner." We are pleased that Commissioner Frank Edelblut of the New Hampshire Department of Education has agreed to provide a general update on the state of education in New Hampshire. This event will take place on April 30 at 6 pm at the Dublin Town Hall.

Edelblut will discuss a variety of topics, some of which may include student enrollment trends throughout the state, certified educator renewal data, New Hampshire's cost-per-pupil, programs such as Rekindling Curiosity and other initiatives that were implemented with COVID-relief funding, school choice, Education Freedom Accounts, and additional educational pathways that are available in New Hampshire.

Edelblut was sworn in as commissioner



of the New Hampshire Department of Education in February 2017. His vision is to make education accessible to everyone, narrow the equity gap, improve educational outcomes for all students, and expand educational pathways. He currently

serves on a number of boards, including as a trustee for the University System of New Hampshire, an ex-officio trustee for the Community College System of New Hampshire, and a member of the New Hampshire Higher Education Commission; he was also a former member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives. Edelblut attended the University of Rhode Island, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration – Accounting, and he obtained a Master of Theological Studies from the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology.

The DEAC encourages you to submit questions in advance to JSchechter@Focus-Sales.us. Please indicate your email address and telephone number with your question. We will not contact you unless we have a question about your question. We look forward to seeing you at Town Hall on April 30.

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Winnie Walker Leonard, Organic Baker and Businesswoman

BY PAUL DESCHENES

In the 1940s, Winnie (Walker) Leonard of Dublin did something that few American women of that time were doing: She started her own home bakery business, selling organic “Winnie Bread” in local stores and filling mail orders from across the country. Winnie had had plenty of experience in the food business. Her family, the Walkers, had been feeding the people of Dublin for almost 50 years when she decided to start her own mail-order bakery.

Her parents, Robert and Delia (Bean) Walker, were recent immigrants to America when they moved to Dublin in the early 1900s. Robert, from Scotland, met Delia, from Quebec, when he worked in the Marlborough granite quarry where her father was a foreman. The young couple moved first to Rindge and then, around 1906, to Dublin. But Robert’s salary as a tenant farmer and herdsman wasn’t enough to feed a family that would eventually include eight children, so the young couple looked for ways to supplement their income. They took in boarders, and the farm they settled on was turned into a dairy operation. Their business got a boost when one of Dublin’s summer visitors wrote an article about their dairy for a popular new magazine called *Good Housekeeping*. The article praised the Walkers for running a modern, sanitary, well-managed dairy farm. The family also sold baked goods on their milk route, and that is how the eldest daughter,

Winnie, met the famous writer Mark Twain, who was spending the summer with friends up at Dublin Lake.

Winnie and her mother, Delia, started a catering business, serving the wealthy families that came to Dublin for the summer. Working outside the home was not a common occupation for women in the early 1900s,

but Winnie made friends and clients among the summer people. During World War I, meat was rationed and hard to get. One of her clients obtained a supply of horse meat for a dinner party. Winnie managed to disguise the meat, and all was going well until an elderly lady at the table threw down her fork and exclaimed “That’s horse meat! I had to eat that during the Civil War, and I swore I would never eat it again!”

By 1920, the family was on sounder financial footing. Robert had become the town road agent and ran a road crew that worked on many roads in nearby towns. Delia cooked meals for the road crews in a construction camp on the Marlborough town line, and years later, some of the workers remembered the donuts that she baked for coffee breaks.

But in 1921, tragedy struck. Robert was

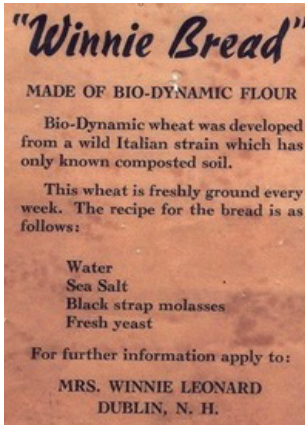
shot and killed by a disgruntled worker on his road crew, and the grief-stricken family was plunged into financial uncertainty.

Denied relief funds by the county sheriff, the widowed Delia and her eight children feared destitution. Fortunately, the people of Dublin “passed the hat” and raised money so that Delia could add a second story to her farmhouse. She opened a boarding house for tourists, teachers, and the servants of the wealthy summer people.

The boarding house was popular, and the food, cooked by Winnie and Delia and served by younger sisters Crete and Teta, was so good that even people who weren’t staying at the house came to dinner there. Winnie was also able to maintain her baking and catering business for the summer people who lived around Dublin Lake. It was at the boarding house that she met an itinerant sawmill operator, William Leonard, who would become her husband.

One of Winnie’s catering clients, Mary Pierce, was interested in the organic and whole foods diets proposed by a Dr. Ehrenfried Pfeiffer. She asked Winnie if she would try to make an organic “bio-dynamic” health bread espoused by Dr. Pfeiffer. One of the main ingredients was organic wheat flour imported from Italy. The other ingredients were simpler, but it was difficult to get the recipe right, and initially Winnie had many failures. Once, her in-law Roddy Lysett, who picked up her trash, was startled when the discarded

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DHS Potluck and Lecture

BY SARA GERMAIN

The Dublin Historical Society is delighted to present a potluck supper and lecture on Friday, April 19, 5–7 pm, in the Dublin Community Church hall. We invite members of our community and beyond to bring dishes to share: appetizers, salads, casseroles, other main dishes, and desserts; we will provide tea and coffee. There’s always plenty of food in delicious variety! Please bring your contribution and be ready to eat around 5 pm. Our fascinating program begins at 6, with historian Steve Taylor speaking on “Poor Houses and

Town Farms: The Hard Row for Paupers,” examining how the poor were treated in these facilities and how reformers eventually succeeded in closing them down.

According to our early history, Dublin had a town farm on land purchased in 1837 and erected a building for housing “paupers” in 1858. Around 1868, the residents were relocated to central lodging run by Cheshire County, and the land was sold by 1870.

Steve Taylor is a farmer, newspaperman, and longtime public official. He has studied, written, and spoken for many years about New Hampshire’s rural culture and the state’s agricultural history. He served

25 years as the state’s commissioner of agriculture and was the founding executive director of the New Hampshire Humanities Council.

SARA GERMAIN is a Trustee of the Dublin Historical Society.

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Winnie Walker Leonard

continued loaves of bread in the back of his truck swelled up from the yeast and blocked his rear window as he drove to the dump!

Winnie modified Dr. Pfeiffer’s recipe and eventually found one that worked. Mary Pierce was so pleased that she bought a commercial oven for Winnie – and the “Winnie Bread” bakery was born! The bakery made organic “Winnie Bread” as well as white bread, oatmeal bread, and donuts, which were sold in Dublin and Peterborough stores, with Winnie’s family delivering every day. In addition, Winnie mailed out the organic bread to customers across the country. Winnie’s friend Gerome Brush, a member of the Dublin Art Colony, designed a label for her bread that listed the ingredients with an Art Deco–style picture of wheat. The business was so productive and successful that Winnie began making more money than her husband, Bill, made.

Unfortunately, the recipe for her organic “Winnie Bread” is lost. Like many cooks,



The Walker boarding house.

Winnie’s recipes were often not written down or were somewhat vague about measurements and baking times. There are two existing lists of ingredients, an earlier one with blackstrap molasses and a later one with honey, which Winnie preferred. A great-niece of Winnie has researched the lists and, in collaboration with a master baker in Britain who works with a similar “biodynamic” flour, has come up with what is probably a close approximation of Winnie’s popular bread. Of course, most of those people who were lucky enough to partake of “Winnie Bread” are no longer with us. Winnie, who died in 1994 at the age of 99, spent her widowhood living with

different relatives around Dublin. They always looked forward to the good food she’d prepare during her visits.

The Walker boarding house still stands today near the corner of Rt. 101 and East Harrisville Road. Winnie ran her “Winnie Bread” bakery out of a house on Main Street directly across from the Dublin Consolidated School. Many of the Walker children settled in Dublin or neighboring towns and raised their families here, and many served on various boards and offices in the town of Dublin. The family recently gathered up the best of Winnie’s recipes, along with many other family recipes, and published a 200-page recipe/family history book, but the recipe for “Winnie Bread” is not among them. If anyone in Dublin finds the original recipe tucked away somewhere, family members would be thrilled to locate a copy of this lost treasure.

PAUL DESCHENES lives in Keene and is a retired history teacher and a graduate of Dublin School. He fondly remembers his grandmother Winnie making “donut men” for an after-school treat for her grandchildren.

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April 2024 Events at the DubHub

Mindfulness & Meditation, Thursdays, April 4–25

This free four-week introductory class takes place from 5:30–7 pm on Thursdays in the month of April. Jess Nelson teaches the transformative practices of mindfulness and meditation. In this class, you will explore what a mindfulness practice is and how to cultivate one in your own life. You will learn what meditation is, and how it is related and intertwined with mindfulness. Even a practice of one minute a day can have profound effects on your

Ongoing Weekly Activities

Coffee & Conversation on Mondays & Wednesdays

Meets from 10 am–noon. All are welcome.

Adult Yoga on Mondays

Adult Yoga is taught by Gwir Huddleston Llewellyn from 3–4:15 pm. The cost is \$54 for the six weeks or \$11 per class for drop-ins. For information, email info@dublincommunitycenter.org.

Early AM Yoga on Tuesdays

Early Morning Yoga with Meenakshi Moses is held at the DubHub, 6:30–7:30 am. Start your day with breath-centered hatha yoga to stretch and energize. All levels welcome. \$40 for four classes prepaid or \$12 to drop in. Please bring your own yoga mat. For information, email Meenakshi at moses@namarupa.org.

DubHub Open Hours on Tuesdays

The DubHub is open from 9 am–3 pm for residents to study, use the Internet connection, check out the art, play a game, or meet friends.

Qigong on Wednesdays

Qigong class taught by Ginnette Groome is held from 12–1 pm. \$12 for a single class and \$10 per class when paying for the month up front.

Knit with Nancy on Fridays

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

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Song Circle, Sunday, April 7

Musicians and audience alike are welcome at Song Circle, which meets the first Sunday of each month from 3–5 pm. Musicians can share favorite songs with the group and are asked to bring sheet music of songs with chords (10 copies) to help others play along. If you don't have a printer, please send a printable version by the previous Friday to David Mueller at dmueller55146@gmail.com.

Herbal Class, Tuesday, April 9

Katherine Gekas's class will focus on bone health this month. Each participant will go home with resources and

samples of the herbal products created in class. Class starts at 7 pm. The fee is sliding scale, pay as you'd like: \$10–\$40. To sign up or for more information, email katherinegekas2@gmail.com.

Earth Day Community Cleanup & Barbecue, Saturday, April 20

The DubHub is sponsoring our second annual Cleanup Day with the Recycling Committee and Conservation Commission, to celebrate Earth Day, April 22 (rain date April 27). Last year's cleanup was a big success. We hope all Dublin's families will participate.

Again this year, Dublin's elementary school children (Grades K–4) are invited to make a poster or other two-dimensional design on the theme of Earth Day and/or Dublin Cleanup Day. (Homeschool families are welcome to join too.) You can drop off your children's posters at Dublin Consolidated School or at the Dublin Community Center on April 19 before 3 pm.

Cleanup Day will start at 9 am at the DubHub. Families can pick up special trash

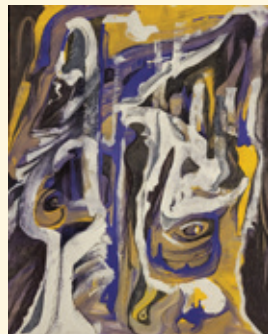
April Art Show & Opening Reception, Friday, April 12

For the month of April, the Dublin Community Center will feature the vibrant, expressive works of artists Eva-Lynn ("Evie") Loy and Daniel Andrews, both of whom currently reside in Keene.

A former elementary school teacher, Evie returned to school herself to become an expressive art therapist. Much of the work in this exhibit is created on wood panels using acrylics and/or collage materials. Her paintings have appeared in national and regional juried shows as well as local exhibitions and are part of private collections from the East to West Coasts. To learn more about Evie and her art, visit her website at eva-lynnloy.com.

Originally from Baltimore, Maryland, Daniel pursued anthropology and design studies at Towson University. The work presented in this show represents his recent interest in abstract expressionism. His art is a personal response to topics of social unrest, distortion, late-stage capitalism, and anthropogenic climate change. His primary medium has been acrylic paint and mixed media on foam core board. He has participated in the "100 Mile Radius" juried art show at the Thorne Sagendorph Art Gallery in Keene, the 2023 "Keene Art Walk," and "The Long Work for Racial Justice" exhibition at the Dublin Community Center. Visit him on Instagram [@art.dandrews](https://www.instagram.com/art.dandrews).

Evie's and Daniel's art will be on display and available for purchase throughout the month of April, during open hours or by appointment. All are welcome to come meet these special artists at our public reception on Friday, April 12, from 5–7 pm. Email info@dublincommunitycenter.org for more information or to schedule an appointment.



bags and sign up for one of the town roads, then disperse to clean roadsides. We will gather back at the DubHub at noon for a barbecue lunch and prizes for posters and interesting trash. Sound like fun? We hope you will join us!

Coffee House & Open Mic, Saturday, April 20

On the third Saturday of each month, the DubHub hosts a combined Coffee House & Open Mic from 7–10 pm. A featured performance takes place for about 45–60 minutes, with open mic slots available before and after.

This month, we are delighted to feature New Hampshire native Joey Clark, who became a seasoned singer-songwriter in Nashville. Joey weaves memorable melodies and stories with rhythms borrowed from swing, bluegrass, old-time, country, and folk-rock.



Since returning to New Hampshire, Joey performs across the region as both a solo artist and with his band, the Big Hearts; has been a featured performer on the radio show, Granite State of Mind; and has played on NHPR. To hear samples of his work, check out his website: joeyclark.bandcamp.com/community.

Email info@dublincommunitycenter.org to reserve a spot on the open mic sign-up, or just show up that evening to try your luck at finding an available spot on the list.

Potluck & Projects, April 16

On the third Tuesday of the month, come to the DubHub at 5:30 pm with

a potluck item to share if you'd like (though not required) and your creative art or craft project to work on in the company of other creative souls! All welcome. Bring your creative friends, and enjoy spreading out in our space!

Monadnock Storytelling, Wednesday, April 17

On the third Wednesday of every month from 6:30–8:30 pm, the DubHub hosts the Monadnock Storytelling & Spoken Word Circle, an open mic for participants to share stories, poetry, rap, comedy, or truly any kind of spoken word. The organizers are Sebastian Lockwood and Papa Joe Gaudet, both of whom have 20-plus years of experience as professional storytellers. All are welcome, participants and listeners. For more information, contact Papa Joe at papajostorytelling.com and Sebastian at bit.ly/slockwood.

Dublin Does Da' Blues Concert, Friday, April 19

We are fortunate to have two very talented and experienced blues musicians swing into town as they tour the East Coast this spring! Jon Shain and Bill Newton will raise the roof on Friday, April 19, from 7:30–9:30 pm. Doors open at 7 pm.

Jon Shain is a veteran singer-songwriter with a musical style that combines improvised Piedmont blues with bluegrass, swing, and ragtime. Shain learned from a number of North Carolina's older blues players and became a member of Big Boy Henry's backup band. Shain's most recent solo disc, *Gettin' Handy with the Blues: A Tribute to the Legacy of WC Handy*, was released in January, 2018. His newest album, *Never Found a Way to Tame the Blues*, recorded along with longtime col-



Jon Shain and Bill Newton.

laborator FJ Ventre, was released in 2021.

Bill Newton (saxophone, harmonica) is a founding member of three Triangle musical institutions: Rebecca and the Hi-Tones, Bill Newton's Big Blues Quartet, and the Duke Street Dogs. He has recorded with the Indigo Girls and Big Mama E and the Cool, among others, and toured extensively with singer-songwriter Jon Shain.

To reserve your seat at what is sure to be a lively evening at the DubHub, contact info@dublincommunitycenter.org for ticket information.

DubHub Forum, Saturday, April 27

Jay Schechter and Katie Featherston of the Dublin Conservation Commission will discuss the various invasive plants growing in New Hampshire and what you can do about them. They will address the following topics:

- What are invasive plants?
 - Why are some plants considered invasive?
 - What are the advantages and disadvantages of chemical and mechanical forms of controlling invasives?
 - What does the town of Dublin's invasives program involve?
 - What can you do about invasive plants?
- Program runs from 4–5 pm.

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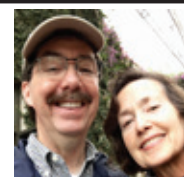
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Remembering Ed Germain

BY SARA GERMAIN

Edward Barnard Germain, 86, passed away on February 24, 2024. Devoted to his home in Dublin, he gave much to this town.

Ed was a man of many talents. Born in Saginaw, Michigan, Ed's grandfather taught him building skills that he used for much of his life. As a boy, he built radios, rewired his room, and developed an interest in magic, performing into his 20s for children and adults. Later, he worked with a professional magician to design stage illusions.

Ed received his B.A. from the University of Michigan in 1961. He met Sara Weeks on campus, beginning a relationship of almost 65 years. Following graduation, Ed served in the Navy, based in San Diego. He and Sara married in 1962. After his active duty, they returned to Ann Arbor, where their daughter, Valerie, was born. He received his Ph.D. in English literature from the same institution in 1969, subsequently teaching at Pomona College. Although he specialized in poetry, Ed called on a breadth of learning, from medieval literature through the modern period; he especially loved the work of James Joyce.

Wanting to come east, the family moved to New Hampshire in 1976, when Ed taught at Nathaniel Hawthorne College. After a week of house-hunting, they discovered an unfinished vacation house facing the Pumpelly Ridge and immediately fell in love with Mount Monadnock. Ed's relationship with the mountain would last for the rest of his life.

The wood-heated house required years

of work, with Ed doing much of the carpentry, plumbing, and electrical work. They acquired a second-hand Land Rover, which became part of Ed's trademark, along with his Tilley hat and around-the-neck glasses.

In 1979, he was recruited to the English Department at Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, requiring that he live on campus during the school year. Dublin was still home, and the family spent vacations and summers here, missing only one Town Meeting over 20 years. At Andover, outside of teaching English literature, Ed led an outdoor activity program and regularly brought groups of students to hike and camp on Mount Monadnock.

Ed retired in 2000 and soon became involved with Dublin's town government, serving on the Planning Board from 2003–2007 (three years as chair), leading the revision of the Master Plan, and serving on the Select Board from 2007–2010. He joined with others to form MESA, the Monadnock Eastern Slope Association, an organization of neighbors concerned about the protection of land above Upper Jaffrey Road, and he served for many years as one of the town's two representatives to the state's Monadnock Advisory Commission.

On June 16, 2010, as a gift to our town,



Ed presented *Bloomsday in Dublin NH*, a tribute to Joyce's *Ulysses*, set on June 16, 1904, when its main character, Leopold Bloom, wanders through his city of Dublin, Ireland. In a daylong program, costumed participants followed our Bloom on his rounds, including Dublin's Post Office, General Store, and Cemetery, representing locations in the novel. At lunch, we were joined by the Irish consul from Boston, and we ended the day with an Irish feast at Del Rossi's and excerpts from *Ulysses*'s final chapter, Molly Bloom's nighttime soliloquy, with actress Wendy Almeida in a brass bed on the stage. The famous last word in the novel: "Yes."

SARA GERMAIN has lived on Burpee Road in the shadow of Mt. Monadnock for almost 50 years.

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Trustees of the Trust Funds Offer Scholarships

The Trustees of the Trust Funds offer scholarships from two trusts to Dublin residents who are continuing their education beyond secondary school. These scholarships are the result of the Sprague and Appleton Funds.

Places like Dublin thrive when people care about and engage with their community every day. Therefore, civic engagement, academic merit, and financial need are the criteria the Scholarship Committee will use to determine the 2024 scholarship recipients.

Applications will be available after April 1 at local schools (Dublin School, Dublin Christian Academy, ConVal High

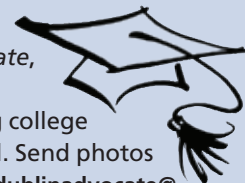
School) as well as at the Town Hall. Applicants should submit a current transcript, two current recommendations, and a statement (500 words or fewer) addressing past, present, or future engagement in civic life.

All materials must be typed and received by May 1, 2024. Please mail all materials to The Trustees of the Trust Funds, c/o Judy Knapp, PO Box 331, Dublin, NH 03444, or send them by email to judyknapp@myfairpoint.net. Winners will be announced after May 20, 2024.

Email questions to Judy Knapp at judyknapp@myfairpoint.net. Lucy Shonk and Brie Morrissey are also members of the Scholarship Committee.

Send Us News of Your Graduate!

In the May *Advocate*, we will celebrate Dubliners finishing college or graduate school. Send photos and a brief bio to dublinadvocate@gmail.com by **April 15**. We will celebrate high school graduates in June, so it's not too early to start looking for that special picture and just the right words!



Apply for DCF Scholarships

Dublin Community Foundation welcomes scholarship applications from 2024 graduating seniors who are residents of Dublin. A limited number of scholarships are available for students who are planning to continue their studies at a college, university, technical school, or business school. The deadline for completed applications is May 15, 2024. Notification of awards will be made by June 15. Applications are available from school counselors at ConVal High School, Dublin Christian Academy, the Dublin School, and Fairwood Bible Institute. ConVal students may submit ConVal's Scholarship Common Application form if preferred. DCF also welcomes applications from Dublin students who have been homeschooled. Those students may go to our website, dcf-nh.org, to submit an application, or email us at dublincommunityfoundation@gmail.com to request an application.

Completed applications can be submitted from the website; mailed to DCF at PO Box 1036, Dublin, NH 03444; or emailed to us at dublincommunityfoundation@gmail.com.

April Events at the Harris Center



Thursday, April 18, Easy Hike on Beech Hill

Join Susie Spikol and Ben Haubrich for an easygoing amble up Dublin's Beech Hill. Our 2-mile round-trip route will take us along the Zig Zag Trail to a big meadow and great view of Mount Monadnock, then back down via the access trail. Along the way, we'll search for early wildflowers, singing birds, and fresh mammal signs. Dress for the weather and conditions, and bring water and a snack to enjoy at one of the many beautiful vistas. 10 am–noon at Beech Hill in Dublin.

Thursday, April 25, the Morel Quandary Club at Beech Hill

Meet John Benjamin and George Caughey, a pair of "fun-gis," for an afternoon mushroom meander in search of the fantastic fungi of spring! If we're lucky, we'll find toadstools, polypores, turkey tails, and perhaps even a slime mold or two. 3–4 pm at Beech Hill in Dublin.

Exact meeting location for both events will be provided upon registration. *Space is limited, and registration is required* at harriscenter.org/events. For more information, contact Susie Spikol. *Co-sponsored with the Beech Hill-Dublin Lake Watershed Association.*



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Carrying on a Forest Stewardship Tradition

BY ROB AND BROOKE SULLIVAN

As you head out of town on Route 101 toward Harrisville, you pass a quiet forest most Dubliners don't even realize is there. A hidden gem among hikers, hunters, Nordic skiers, and mushroom foragers, Brewster Forest is a collective 304-acre plot owned by the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests. For many years, the volunteer land steward of the forest has been Karl Putnam, former resident of the Hurricane Hill house. Since we moved there six years ago, we had hoped to carry on that tradition. Recently, we have been granted that honor and want to take the opportunity to reintroduce everyone to this wonderful natural resource.

The original plot of Brewster Forest was donated by Margaret Frederick Brewster in 1961 and consisted of two properties totaling 279 acres: a northern lot off of Macveagh Road along the Harrisville town line, and a southern lot across Route 101 between the Dark Pond Conservation Area and Dublin Lake Club Golf Course (both private, members only). Later in 1981, the Bruce Forest portion along Howe Reservoir

was donated by Larry W. Rathbun, forester and former Forest Society president.

The northern lot is composed of working forest and wetlands and provides an easy terrain for hunters and walkers. The larger southern lot is filled with old roads and



logging skid trails, making it ideal for light hiking, snowshoeing, and Nordic skiing. It is also most notably the home of Hurricane Hill. At 1,463' elevation and summitting only about three-quarters of a mile from the Route 101 access gate, Hurricane Hill is an easy hike with a big payoff when at the top you see the view of Mt. Monadnock.

One of our first projects as the new stewards will be to clear overgrowth and

even out the small parking pull-offs at both the southern and northern gates so that they remain easily accessible to the public. We also hope to plan a couple small volunteer outings later this summer to clean up trash and log flora and fauna (also known as a "bio-blitz") to enhance our first stewardship report.

Going forward, our duties will include trail maintenance, boundary monitoring, and making stewardship reports to the Forest Society. As the owners of the land, the Forest Society will continue to update forest inventories and management plans, conduct sustainable timber harvests to increase wildlife habitat and improve forest health, and support recreational and educational uses of the forest. We encourage everyone to visit and enjoy the forest. We just ask that you carry out what you carry in and respect the boundary of our neighbors, particularly Dark Pond and the Golf Course. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out! Together, we will help preserve the ecology of Brewster Forest so that it can remain a safe haven for wildlife and outdoors enthusiasts alike.

ROB AND BROOKE SULLIVAN are members of the Conservation Commission.

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Volunteer with MLK Committee

The Jaffrey-Rindge MLK Committee welcomes new volunteers to join in organizing the popular *Celebrating Martin Luther King Jr.* annual commemoration along with student activities, National Day of Service project, and other programs. Meetings to plan MLK Day 2025 are scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, and Tuesday, May 7, 6–7 pm, and will start up again monthly September to January. Meeting day, time, and location may be adjusted according to committee members' schedules, and remote participation is available. The MLK Day commemoration is a regional event; committee members do not need to be residents of Jaffrey or Rindge. Contact jaffreyrindgemlk@gmail.com, or call Peggy at 603-562-8464 for more information or to join.

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Owls Nesting

BY TOM WARREN

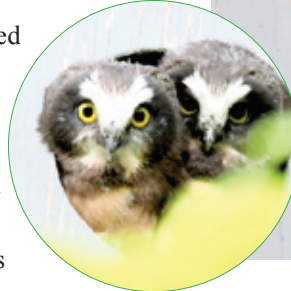
Here in the Monadnock Region, while Dublin Lake is still ice-covered, the first of our local birds are beginning mating and nesting behaviors.

Barred owls, great horned owls, and saw-whet owls have initiated mating hoots and calls to attract females to nesting territories. They lay eggs in early March, which hatch in 30 days. The young fledglings leave the nest in early June.

Barred owls and saw-whet owls use holes previously excavated by pileated woodpeckers or man-made bird houses with a three-inch layer of sawdust or woodchips. Some nights the temperatures can dip below zero, so the female remains on her eggs while the male brings a steady supply of mice and voles to his mate. After the young owlets hatch, when they are larger, they will feed their siblings mouse meat left by their parents at the nest. People with owls nesting in their neighborhood rarely have rodent reports or expenses



Photos by AnneMarie Warren



Saw-whet owlets in a man-made owl box.

from pest control companies during the nesting season (March–June). Owls can eat more than 1,000 mice a year!

The two larger owls (barred and great horned) have a varied diet that includes larger mammals like skunks and rabbits. We have a cottontail bunny with an open wound on its back near the shoulder probably caused by a great horned owl that likely dropped him upon finding him too heavy following liftoff. Lucky bunny is still hopping around every day.

TOM WARREN is Dublin's resident ornithologist.



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Music on Norway Pond is pleased to invite you to our next concert on Sunday, April 7, at 4 pm in Hancock’s First Congregational Church. Our guests, members of the Rasa String Quartet, find their niche in the musical space



where classical and folk traditions intersect and influence one another. By exploring the connection between music and storytelling at the heart of folk traditions, the Boston-based Rasa String Quartet delivers engaging and accessible programs that showcase works from a variety of cultures and highlight both known and unknown composers.

The Rasa String Quartet seeks to educate its audiences by contextualizing the genres, styles, and composers it presents, inviting listeners to approach both familiar

and unfamiliar sounds with an open and curious mind. In Sanskrit, the term *RASA* refers to the indescribable power of any art form to inspire strong emotions in the reader or listener.

This hour-long program on April 7, “East Meets West,” includes a joyful celebration of the Lunar New Year in Chen Yi’s “Shuo,” Jungyoon Wie’s version of “A Popular Tune,” and Claude Debussy’s “String Quartet in G Minor.” Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at musicconnorwaypond.org.

Arsenic & Old Lace at DCA

Dublin Christian Academy’s senior high students will give two performances of Joseph Kessering’s *Arsenic & Old Lace*. The public is invited to a matinee performance at 1 pm on Thursday, April 25, and an evening performance at 6 pm on Friday, April 26. The performances are free, but DCA gratefully accepts donations to support the drama program.

The Kids Get It – End 68 Hours of Hunger

Two kindergartners came to a school nurse at the end of the day, each carrying a bag of food from ConVal End 68 Hours of Hunger. One told the nurse, “I’m helping carry my friend’s groceries!”

This month’s wish list, for those who would like to help, has just two items: Sal-tines and fruit-filled nutrition bars. Thank you so much for your continued kindness!



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Representing All Voices: Gerrymandering and Ranked Choice Voting

Thursday, April 11, 5:30 pm

Historical Society of Cheshire County, 246 Main Street, Keene

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Recent allegations of voter fraud have fueled distrust in the legitimacy of our democratic institutions. Knit Democracy Together, a program sponsored by New Hampshire Humanities, demystifies the electoral process and your rights as a voter, as it engages citizen crafters in building a collaborative sculpture of the New Hampshire State House.

Artist and former election lawyer Eve Jacobs-Carnahan will give a nonpartisan presentation and lead a discussion about the electoral system, highlighting variations in state election rules across the country. Attendees will learn more about



Eve Jacobs-Carnahan served as a lawyer in the Vermont Attorney General's Office, where she specialized in election law.

how gerrymandering affects representation and how different voting systems (such as ranked choice voting and top-two primary systems) impact candidate behavior and public perception. Gain an understanding of how changes in rules might decrease polarization and increase accountability.

More than a lecture or discussion session, attendees will contribute to the sculpture of the New Hampshire State House made of the knitted and crocheted pieces stitched at each of the six circles around the state, a visual representation of individuals' participation in lawmaking and the democratic process. In June, the complete sculpture will be unveiled and publicly exhibited at the New Hampshire State Library in Concord, alongside participants' stories about voting and participating in the electoral process.

Materials will be provided. No prior knitting or crocheting experience is needed.

Gift of Thrift in May

An (over)abundance of clothing, jackets, shoes, linens, housewares, jewelry, handbags and accessories, sports equipment, toys, books and CDs, crafts, some antiques, and other surprises await shoppers at The Gift of Thrift at the Dublin Community Church on Friday, May 3, 9 am–5 pm, and Saturday, May 4, 8–11 am.

Formerly known as the Rummage Sale, this spring tradition takes place inside and outside (rain date is May 11–12, same times). Your voluntary donation to the church's Outreach Program is the price of admission – you decide how much to contribute for your items. Please honor our start time!

Dems Host Candidate

Mike Liberty, a candidate for Executive Council representing Dublin, will speak on Saturday, April 13, at 10 am at the Dublin Public Library during the monthly meeting of the Dublin Democratic Town Committee. Mike is an entrepreneur who co-founded Signifyd, a large fraud-prevention company, and lives in New London. Everyone is welcome.

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APRIL 2024 Calendar

Art by Evelyn Loy

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	<p>1 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH Cemetery Com. 9am; Select Board 4:30pm</p>	<p>2 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Dublin GOP 5:30pm; TH DEAC 5:30pm</p>	<p>3 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Storytime 10:30am; Eclipse program 6pm</p>	<p>4 DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Game Night 4-6pm; TH Planning Bd 6pm; HUB Mindfulness/Meditation 5:30-7pm</p>	<p>5 HUB/Zoom Knit w/ Nancy 10-11am</p>	<p>6 DPL Stories & Songs with Opa Volkert 10:30am</p>	
<p>7 HUB Song Circle 3-5pm; Hancock CC Rasa String Quartet 4-5pm</p>	<p>8 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm; WR&RC 5pm</p>	<p>9 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; Herb Class 7-9pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Friends of DPL 5pm; TH DEAC 5:30pm</p>	<p>10 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; DPL Storytime 10:30am; After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Library Board Mtg 5pm; TH ConCom 5pm-6pm</p>	<p>11 DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; Game Night 4-6pm; R. Martin Poetry & Chinese prints 6pm; HUB Mindfulness/Meditation 5:30-7pm</p>	<p>12 HUB/Zoom Knit w/Nancy 10-11am; Art Reception 5-7pm</p>	<p>13 DPL Dublin Democrats 10am; Self Defense noon; HUB Open Mic 7-10pm</p>	
<p>14</p>	<p>15 Advocate Deadline for college grads; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm</p>	<p>16 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; Potluck and Projects 5:30-7:30pm; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH DEAC 5:30pm</p>	<p>17 HUB Coffee & Conv. 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; Storytelling Circle 6:30-8:30pm; DPL Lego Club 3:30pm; Storytime 10:30am; Papa Joe 3:30pm; TH ConCom 5pm</p>	<p>18 Beech Hill Hike 10am-noon; DPL After School Lego Club 3:30; Game night 4-6pm; Monadnock Advisory Comm 4pm; HUB Mindfulness/Meditation 5:30-7pm; TH Planning Bd 6pm</p>	<p>19 HUB/Zoom Knit w/Nancy 10-11am; Blues Concert 7:30-9:30pm; DCC DHS potluck and lecture 6-7pm</p>	<p>20 HUB Dublin Earth Day Clean-up and Barbeque 9am-1pm; Coffee House & Open Mic 7-10pm</p>	
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