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Dublin Community Collaborates to Protect Lake

BY KATY WARDLAW

Gazing out over the sparkling water of Dublin Lake in June, it is easy to believe that this wonderful lake will remain clean and beautiful forever. However, like many lakes in New Hampshire, Dublin Lake faces growing environmental pressures, including the slow shift from oligotrophic (low-nutrient) to eutrophic (nutrient-rich) conditions. This shift often leads to increased algae blooms, plant growth, and deteriorating water quality. But thanks to the efforts of local residents, organizations, and volunteers, Dublin Lake stands a good chance of maintaining its health for future generations.

The Garden Club of Dublin (GCD) has been at the forefront of preserving the lake's water quality since club members began testing water samples in their kitchens over 30 years ago. Today, GCD members continue to monitor the lake's health under the guidance of the Volunteer Lake Assessment Program. Regular water tests, which are sent to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services' lab in Concord, help track trends in lake health and inform protective measures.

Notably, the summer of 2020 saw a dramatic spike in phosphorus levels, a nutrient that accelerates algae growth. Phosphorus, often carried into lakes by road runoff,



Photo by Linda Abram

fertilizers, and septic systems, was found to be at its highest levels in Dublin Lake's history. In response, local officials enacted parking restrictions along Lake Road to curb erosion and runoff. Additionally, road agent Roger Trempe and former Select Board member Chris Raymond installed water bars along the west end of the road to divert surface runoff into nearby vegetation, where it could be filtered before reaching the lake.

Several years ago, Dublin School played

a part in improving the Pumpelly trail-head, until then a major source of erosion into the lake. A group of students repaired a large sunken water bar, redirecting trail runoff into the surrounding woods instead of onto Lake Road. The impact of these efforts has been clear – recent tests show that phosphorus levels have returned to normal, signaling a positive trend in the lake's health.

Invasive plant species pose another

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June Happenings at DPL

BY KAREN MADIGAN

The Friends of the Library book sale was successful and lots of fun, and we thank the Friends for all their work in setting up and running the sale – and for the yummy treats for our patrons. Supplemental funding is so important for the well-being of any library, especially in challenging times. We are so lucky to have an active, engaged Friends group. We've decided to hold a quick bag sale on Friday and Saturday, June 13 and 14, to offer another chance at the many books and DVDs remaining. On June 13, our hours will be noon–5 pm, and on June 14, the book sale will be open during our regular hours of 9 am–1 pm. Bring a bag and fill it up for \$5. If you have a supersize bag, fill that for \$10. The Friends approved the use of the book sale proceeds to buy new books, so the money you spend here stays local.

We are excited to announce a partnership in book ordering with Emerson Sistare at the Toadstool Bookshop. DPL has long placed large orders with a well-known publishing company offering us a 40% discount; however, Emerson can now offer us the same discount with free delivery! We look forward to our mutual adventure with the Toadstool.

Join us for story time on Wednesday, June 4, featuring Volkert Volkertsz, as we celebrate the release of his new CD, *It's Cocoa Time!* We will have treats and stories related to his music at 11 am.

Gail Alibozec's second session on Backyard Herb Foraging is at 4 pm on Thursday, June 5. Discover how to find hidden treasures in the great outdoors, make your own teas, and learn about the benefits of herbs.



We want to update our report on the effects of closures and budget cuts to library-related services that we described in last month's *Advocate*. As of mid-May, there are no major changes in New Hampshire, but you may have heard that the Librarian of Congress was fired. Dr. Carla Hayden was an incredible voice for libraries nationwide, and the loss of her expertise is stunning.

It is important to correct the reason given for her firing. There is no "agenda" at the Library of Congress, nor are there, as the White House Press Secretary stated, "inappropriate books in the Library of Congress for children." The Library of Congress (LOC) is not a circulating library; it does not check out materials. The LOC manages the national copyright system and contains the world's largest collection of books, recordings, photographs, maps, and manuscripts – over 173 million items. The public, researchers, and scholars have access to its collections through reading rooms and research centers.

On a happier note, summer is almost here, and our focus turns to summer reading for all. This year's theme is *Lvl Up @ Your Library!* In gamer-speak, *lvl up* means "step up your game, improve your skills, do better, be better." You won't find any video games at DPL, but we're applying this philosophy to reading. Sign up for the program in person, by phone, or via email. You choose the level that suits you. Do you want to set a goal of reading daily? Once or twice a week? Maybe you want to record minutes or hours, or maybe you want to read 50 books in two months. Whatever your goal, we've got you covered. There will be weekly prizes, progress charts, movie afternoons, and grand prizes at the end. *Lvl Up* starts on June 30 and ends with our annual ice cream social on August 16. Get into the game here at DPL!

KAREN MADIGAN is the director of the Dublin Public Library.

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Summer Playground Counselor Position

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Dublin Community Day is July 26

BY BALMEET LASKY

For 22 years, Dublin Days was an annual summer event. At the first celebration in 1994, the Dublin Historical Society was open, and there was a family softball game, face painting, a pet parade, and a chicken BBQ with a DJ. The event grew, with Yankee field filled with food, music, rides, games, and other activities, and so did the amount of work required to stage the event. In 2016, with not enough volunteers and a rising budget, the community decided to suspend Dublin Days. Since then, many Dubliners have missed this time when we could gather for summer activities and enjoy time together. The absence of Dublin Days (which was just a “day” but for some reason was always called Dublin Days) is a poignant reminder of all the hard work so many people freely offered our community. A belated thank-you to all who dedicated their time, talents, and efforts.

This year, a small consortium of Dublin’s local organizations has come together to organize Dublin Community Day on July 26 to revive the spirit of the original event in a new way. From 11 am–2 pm, the organizations in our town center – the library, the archives, the fire department, Yankee Publishing, the community center, and the church – will all “open their doors” to the community. The day will kick off with a bike parade in the Yankee parking lot for Dubliners of all ages. There will be tours and a wide range of activities at each community site, and, of course, there will be lots of food and music. Parking will be available at Dublin School and Dublin Consolidated School, with a free shuttle bus.

So mark the date on your calendar, and keep your eyes open for

the schedule of events in next month’s *Advocate*. We need volunteers to step forward to help make this day run smoothly. Contact Lucy Shonk for more details at 603-313-3880 or lshonk66@gmail.com.

BALMEET LASKY is a member of the Dublin Community Day planning group.

News from the Dublin Women’s Community Club

BY NANCY CAMPBELL

The Women’s Club annual meeting was held at DelRossi’s in April. Twenty-nine members and guests enjoyed a social hour before the meal.

Invitations to join the Dublin Women’s Club were mailed in May. Dues for both the club and the beach will remain at \$150. If one wishes to join only the club without beach privileges, the fee is \$25. Anyone who does not receive an invitation and who wishes to join should contact Nancy Campbell (603-563-8480). People needing financial assistance should also contact Nancy.

The board has been meeting to make plans for summer 2025. As you know, beach maintenance requires many volunteers. Setup day is scheduled for Saturday, June 14, at 10 am, with a rain date of Sunday, June 15, at 10. The more the merrier, as this day includes dock assembly, putting rafts and boats into the water, putting benches out, raking, and garden cleanup. Lifeguards will be on duty starting June 23. Megan Kendall-Briggs, Jessica Strassburg, Michael Johnson, and Andy Bills will be returning for another season.

Nancy Campbell is the treasurer of the Dublin Women’s Community Club.

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News from the Dublin Community Preschool

BY LIZA REED

At the Dublin Community Preschool and Childcare Center (DCP), we take pride in nurturing and educating the next generation of thoughtful citizens. In our rural community, access to affordable, high-quality childcare is not just a convenience – it's a necessity.

A current parent says, "Everyone at DCP is incredible. Our child is so happy here and you can tell that the staff really cares. We are beyond grateful for the amazing support and care they provide. They're heroes."

Located in the Village Park on Main Street in Dublin, DCP serves children from six weeks through five years of age. Our classrooms are open 50 weeks a year, from 6:30 am–5 pm. We welcome New Hampshire childcare scholarships for qualifying families, which currently support a significant number of our children. Our dedicated staff, dependable schedule, and enriching curriculum support working families and



contribute to the strength and vitality of our community here in Dublin.

For decades, our goal has been to provide the highest quality childcare while keeping tuition rates affordable. This means seeking support from our community to make

improvements to our indoor and outdoor learning environments and to maintain competitive wages for our amazing staff. Specific plans include:

Safety upgrades to our playground

space: DCP emphasizes outdoor exploration and play. This summer, we hope to replace the playground surface and add a greater variety of age-appropriate play structures.

Developmentally appropriate programs:

We offer theme-based learning in a nurturing environment, fostering children's social, emotional, physical, and intellectual growth.

Professional development: Staff can grow their skills through professional

development and training opportunities. Our lead pre-K teacher recently took a day-long workshop at the Harris Center to expand her outdoor education skills.

Community-centered curriculum: We encourage cooperation and empathy through activities like gardening, field trips, and visits from community helpers.

These opportunities outside the classroom promote a sense of belonging and social responsibility. In 2025, students will enjoy trips to the Friendly Farm in Dublin, the Harris Center in Hancock, and weekly visits from staff at the Cornucopia Project in Peterborough to work on our garden.



The DCP parent volunteer board invites Dubliners to support our youngest community members by making a tax-deductible donation to Dublin Community Preschool and Childcare Center at 1281C Main Street, Dublin, NH 03444.

We also welcome donations of materials or services that align with our project needs and are looking to grow our list of substitute teachers. DCP is hiring a part time pre-k teacher immediately, and a full-time infant teacher to start the new school year in the fall. If you know anyone who is interested in working with a wonderful group of teachers and children, please contact our director Brittney Maillet at info@dublinpreschoolandchildcare.org.

LIZA REED is a parent of two children who attend Dublin Community Preschool.



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Report from the ConVal School Board

BY BILL GURNEY

As the school year winds down, the ConVal School District is preparing plans for summer building improvements and maintenance projects as well as the start of summer programs in the schools. As a new school board member, I am slowly gaining a better understanding of the district and the administrative processes. District personnel and my colleagues on the board have been generous with their time helping me get up to speed.

The ConVal School District administration is organized around committees that report back to the school board with recommendations presented at fortnightly meetings. These recommendations are then approved during board meetings and enacted by our district administrators.

The Policy Committee has been updating district policies using the New Hamp-



shire School Board Association model policies as a guide. Policies currently under review include the role of student representatives on the board, admission and tuition for nonresident students, parental notification and involvement in student welfare, and updating of procedures for federal grant funds.

SAU 1 has formed a Withdrawal Committee in response to the special town meeting held in Frankestown. During the meeting, voters approved two articles to once again study withdrawal from the district. In addition, Temple residents have completed a community survey regarding their elementary school and overall satisfaction with the district. More information can be found on the Frankestown and Temple websites.

The Select Board's Advisory Commit-

tee discussed current legislation pending in Concord regarding Education Freedom Accounts (EFAs) and school choice. Bills under consideration propose to increase the number of families eligible to receive tuition payment by raising the income guidelines. School choice would give families the ability to enroll their children in any district of their choosing.

Student enrollment has continued to decline. This year, 1,937 students attended the district, down from 2,969 in 2007–08. Dublin Consolidated School enrollment currently stands at 54 students.

Upcoming CVSD events:

Saturday, June 14 CVHS graduation.

Friday, June 20 Summer recess begins.

It is an honor to have been appointed by the Dublin Select Board to serve on the CVSD School Board. Thank you all for this vote of confidence.

BILL GURNEY is Dublin's representative to the ConVal School Board.

Dublin Protects Lake

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significant threat to Dublin Lake. For over 20 years, the Weed Watch Committee, a group of dedicated community volunteers, has worked to monitor and protect the lake from destructive plants such as Eurasian milfoil, curly-leaf pondweed, and fanwort.

The committee's most notable success came in 2001 when member Susan Peters discovered a small patch of Eurasian milfoil in cemetery cove. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services quickly responded, deploying divers and a light-restricting mat to smother the plants. After several years of careful monitoring, Dublin Lake became one of the few lakes in the state to successfully eradicate this invasive species.

Today, under the leadership of Conservation Commission member Brooke Sullivan, the Weed Watch volunteers continue to patrol the lake every summer, using canoes and "lookie buckets" to detect invasive species. In 2022, the GCD funded a comprehensive underwater survey by the environmental company Solitude Lake Management to scan deeper waters for invasive plants. SLM found nine species of native plants and, happily, no invasive species.

While eradicating invasive species is vital, preventing them from entering the lake in the first place is even more critical. To this end, the Lake Host Program has been instrumental in safeguarding the lake's waters. Thanks to the efforts of Conservation Commission member June Brening, boat owners launching from the lake's boat ramp are met by Lake Hosts who offer complimentary inspections for invasive plants and animals. Funded through a combination of state grants and donations from the Beech Hill Dublin Lake Watershed Association (BHDLWA), the Lake Host program works to prevent destructive species from "hitching a ride" on boats, trailers, and other watercraft.

The BHDLWA also plays a vital role in the preservation of the lake. Since its founding in 2006, the BHDLWA has tackled various environmental issues, including the removal of an open septic lagoon and abandoned hospital buildings on Beech Hill. In 2017, at the recommendation of board member Felicity Pool, the group funded a comprehensive study to identify areas around the lake vulnerable to erosion and runoff, providing valuable data that has already informed town infrastructure improvements. Each spring, board member Peter Kenyon helps coordinate the removal



Photo by Linda Abram

of road sand from Lake Road, ensuring that grit doesn't wash into the lake during the next rainstorm.

The collective efforts of the Garden Club of Dublin, the Weed Watch Committee, the Lake Host Program, the Conservation Commission, Dublin town officials, and the Beech Hill Dublin Lake Watershed Association showcase a powerful model of community collaboration. With residents, local organizations, and government agencies working hand in hand, Dublin Lake is being protected against the dual threats of nutrient enrichment and invasive species. While challenges remain, the dedication of Dublin's citizens gives hope that the lake will remain a pristine, vibrant waterway for generations to come.

KATY WARDLAW is a member of the Conservation Commission.

Congratulations to Dublin's High School Graduates!

Joshua Mayhew graduated from Dublin Christian Academy. He served as vice president of his class. In his time at DCA, Joshua was involved in student govern-



ment, robotics, ski & ride club, choir, drama, and speech. He volunteered in many capacities at school, helping with A/V needs and lighting for school events and theatrical

productions. He currently works at River-Mead Lifecare Community. Josh has spent several years restoring a Mazda Miata affectionately known as "Jemma." He is currently enrolled in a welding program in Peterborough. This fall, he plans to study automotive collision technology at Nashua Community College.

Ethan Moody graduated from Dublin Christian Academy. He was active in school life, serving as student body chaplain his junior year and as student body president in his senior year. He participated in extracur-



ricular activities, including ministry trips, school events, service projects, and theatrical productions. Ethan was captain of the DCA men's varsity soccer team. Outside of school, he enjoys climbing Mt. Monadnock and staying active. He works at the Dublin Lake Club Golf Course. In the fall, he will head off to Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina, to pursue a bachelor's degree in health sciences.

Isadora Jordan graduated from Dublin School. She was active on campus through her leadership as a proctor and participated on the soccer and lacrosse teams. Isadora will be heading to the University of New Hampshire in the fall, where she will be studying nutrition and eco-gastronomy.



Amanda Bergeron will graduate in June from ConVal High School. While at ConVal, she was a hardworking student, challenging herself with honors and AP classes. She was a member of the Spanish Honor Society and the National Honor

Society. Amanda performed in many musicals and plays and sang in four choirs. She fell in love with singing, acting, and being part of ConVal's performing arts programs. Amanda will attend Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts this fall, where she plans to study environmental studies and creative writing and is considering pursuing music and/or theater.



Also graduating from ConVal are Maya Bennett, Jacob Carter, Avery Moore, Grace O'Brien, Georgia Park, Ollie Phinney, Alden Powers, Garret Rousseau, Ryan Seaver, and Emily Steinberg.

It's not too late to celebrate graduates!

We will continue to run photos and brief bios of high school and college graduates as we receive them. Send to dublinadvocate@gmail.com by the 15th of the month to be included in the next issue.



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The End of the DCS School Year

BY NICOLE PEASE

We are looking forward to the end of the school year – yet still finishing important work. We are in the midst of the New Hampshire State Assessments in grades 3–5 and will soon be administering the computerized MAP testing in all grades. While this takes a lot of time, it provides great information to examine student growth. The DCS staff works diligently to balance the assessments with other activities. Most recently, students worked on props for the Children and the Arts Day parade to incorporate *The Water Horse* statue. Art teacher Justin Bentley-Melle guided the students to create individual sculptures to carry during the parade. Children and the Arts Day is an amazing event that brings our community together.

One special way we are connecting with our community is through participation in the Peace Pole Project. A few weeks ago, Balmeet Lasky, Ramona Branch, and Volkert Volkorsz brought a Peace Pole sing-along to DCS as well as a discussion of what a Peace Pole means. DCS students are generating a list of languages that may

be inscribed on the pole. This is just the beginning, and the town will have input into which languages are included. It is an honor to take part in this work!

The DCS community is excited about another tremendous experience that benefits the earth. DCS has taken on the NexTrex challenge and is recycling plastic bags to be turned into Trex decking. Through many great partnerships with our local community, we reached our goal of recycling 1,000 pounds of plastic! This achievement was rewarded with a bench from Trex. We are so thrilled to have accomplished this goal and hope to earn many more benches.

June moves us into the last month of the school year, and we are preparing for some special events. We are looking forward to a Spring Music Concert on June 12 at 6 pm, which will be held in conjunction with the PTO's Silent Auction. The PTO will hap-



Harper Willard and Avery Jones on the new bench at DCS.

pily accept donations to the Silent Auction through June 6.

The final week of school will include a field trip to Odiorne State Park and our annual Field Day and Water Fun Day. June 20 will be the last day of school for students and will include an end-of-year celebration. We hope you have a wonderful summer, and we look forward to seeing you in the fall!

NICOLE PEASE is Dublin Consolidated School's teaching principal.



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June 2025 Events at the DubHub

Song Circle, Sunday, June 1

All 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 play along. If you've never been, please email David Mueller at dmueller55146@gmail.com for more information.

Needle Mania on Wednesdays

Join Nancy Cayford from 3:30–5 pm every Wednesday to work on your knitting, crochet, mending, felting, or any kind of needlework, along with other crafters for some fun conversation while you work.

The Weekly Shuffle on Thursdays

Are you looking for a fun way to spend your Thursday evenings? Come join our brand-new card game group, open to

anyone age 13 and up. We'll meet every week starting at 5 pm in a relaxed, non-competitive atmosphere where the focus is on fun. New resident Sara Alexander will be teaching a lively game called Shanghai Rummy. No experience is needed – just bring your curiosity and a smile! Snacks and beverages are welcome, too.

Trivia Night for All Ages, Friday, June 6

Join us from 6–8 pm for an evening of laughs, friendly competition, and brain-teasing fun at DubHub Trivia Night. Bring your friends, bring your family, or fly solo – everyone's welcome, and all ages can play. Bring your own beverages and light bites. Prizes, bragging rights, and tons of good fun await. Think you've got what it takes? Come show off your smarts, and make it a night to remember!

Ongoing Weekly Activities

Coffee & Conversation, Mondays and Wednesdays, 10 am–noon

Adult Yoga, Mondays, 3–4:15 pm

Early AM Yoga, Tuesdays, 6:30–7:30 am

Open Hours, Tuesdays, 9 am–3 pm

Open Hours w/ DubHub Director, Wednesdays, 10 am–3 pm

Qigong, Wednesdays, noon–1 pm

Needle Mania, Wednesdays, 3:30–5 pm

The Weekly Shuffle, Thursdays, 5 pm

Knit with Nancy, Fridays via Zoom, 10 am

Herb Class with Katherine Gekas, Tuesday, June 10

This month, from 7–8:30 pm, the focus is on “Herbs for Spa Night.” A handout for learning more will be provided to take

Art Show Reception, Friday, June 13

All are invited to attend an art reception from 5–7 pm, featuring the works of artists Susan Wadsworth and Lauron Lewis.

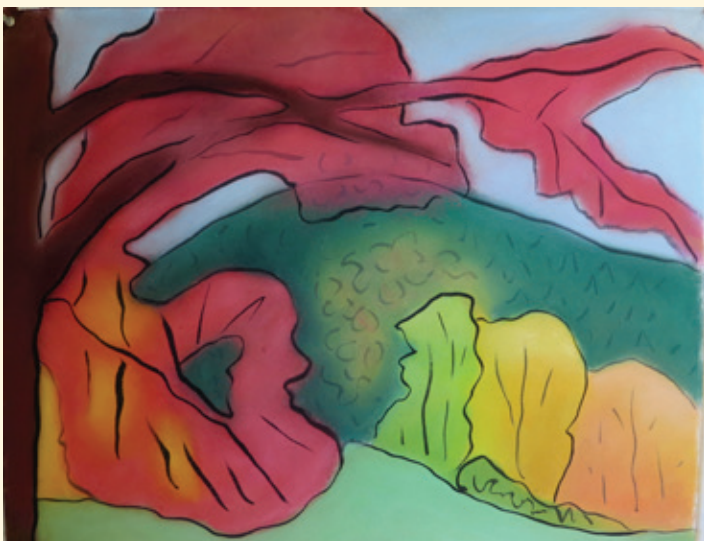
Wadsworth, of Rindge, creates abstract landscapes inspired by New England and the many places she has visited around the world. Much of the work on exhibit will be related to the Viking cruises she has taken since retirement. Other works are inspired by New England, Lake Temagami in Ontario, and Japan. Her work is represented by Gallery Sitka.



LEFT: *Fall* by Susan Wadsworth. RIGHT: *Last Cast*, by Lauron Lewis.

Lewis, of Peterborough, began working in watercolor soon after his retirement from a career in corporate communications. His paintings combine depictions of actual landscapes with surreal elements, expressing strong depth perspectives and often including the imagery of water. All the works in this exhibit are landscapes, and most have ties to the Monadnock Region, with recognizable features.

Works will be on display and available for purchase through June, with a closing event, Coffee and Conversation with the Artists, on Wednesday, July 2, from 10 am–noon.



home, as well as samples of what we make in class. Also, we will make gifts for helpers in the wider community. Herb class is open to everyone at any time of the year, and there is a sliding scale fee (\$10–\$40). For more information, email katherine-gekas2@gmail.com.

Herbal Office Hours, Tuesday, June 17

On the third Tuesday of the month, Katherine Gekas holds herbal office hours from 4–6 pm. She offers one-on-one sessions for people who have questions about medicinal herbs but need a private consultation. Payment will be sliding scale and optional.

Free Meditation Group, Tuesday, June 17

This free meditation group will be offered every third Tuesday of the month by Jess Nelson, a certified Insight Meditation teacher, from 6:15–7:30 pm. Each month, we will take some time to explore how meditation can help support us in our lives, practice together with a guided meditation, and have time to check in, ask questions, and connect with each other before we close. This offering is free and open to anyone, no experience necessary. You can find more information at theartoflivingthislife@gmail.com.

Storytelling & Spoken Word Circle, Wednesday, June 18

On the third Wednesday of every month from 6:30–8:30 pm is the Monadnock Storytelling & Spoken Word Circle, an open mic to share stories, poetry, rap, comedy, or truly any kind of spoken word, going round the circle. 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 papajoe storytelling.com and Sebastian at bit.ly/slockwood.

Coffee House & Open Mic, Saturday, June 21

On the third Saturday of each month, there is a combined Coffee House & Open Mic from 6–9 pm. Coffee and sweet & savory snacks are available. Attendees are also welcome to BYOB & dinner/snacks. A featured performance takes place for about 60 minutes, with open mic slots available both prior and after.

This month, we are pleased to feature Scott Heron, a songwriter and multi-instrumentalist based in the Portsmouth area. He's been involved in a wide variety



of contemporary and traditional folk, bluegrass, and Americana projects and performs both solo as well as in a variety of acts, including The Treetellers and Big Sweetie. His work with duo Green Heron has been featured throughout the state, including on NH Public Radio, NH Chronicle, and in *New Hampshire Magazine*. He grew up playing metal music before finding more joy in banjos and acoustic music.

of contemporary and traditional folk, bluegrass, and Americana projects and performs both solo as well as in a variety of acts, including The Treetellers

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. A suggested donation starting at \$5 (or more) can be given at the door to help offset costs, and a hat will be passed during the performance for contributions to the featured performer(s).

Concert & Dance Party with Opa Volkert, Saturday, June 28

From 3–5 pm, come celebrate the end of the school year and the start of summer with a family concert and dance party featuring the music from Volkert Volkert's new album, *It's Cocoa Time! Songs from the Seasons with Opa Volkert*. We will sing songs from the album, hear where some of the songs came from, dance, and enjoy treats and activities for the children. This is an all-ages event that both children and adults will enjoy. Admission is free.

Garden Exchange Starts in June

Bring your extra garden bounty to the DubHub porch to share with your neighbors.

We Want to Hear from You!

Please let us know if you have any new ideas for the DubHub. What kinds of classes, workshops, events, or services would you like to see? Are there things happening that you love, and is there anything we could improve on? If you are a person or business who would like to collaborate with us to hold a class, event, or service, please let us know. If there is a product or service that you produce that you would like to share with the community, or if you might like to be involved in any future fair or event, email info@dublincommunitycenter.org.

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Abbott H. Thayer of Dublin (1849–1921)

BY TOM SILEO

Abbott H. Thayer loved Dublin. Here he found solace from a difficult life and inspiration for his art and his scientific discoveries. Through the lives of residents like Thayer, we can better understand why we love this place, this community, and its natural beauty.

“A single peak of remarkable grandeur, Monadnock dominates the countryside around Thayer’s home in Dublin, New Hampshire, and its graceful configuration and wooded slopes appear repeatedly in the artist’s landscapes. For Thayer, the mountain was a transcendent being, which, in turn, enabled him to rise above the pressures of daily life and material existence. Never tiring of its changing nuances, he rendered his ‘shrine,’ as he termed it, first in delicate plumes of bleeding watercolor, then in cerulean hues of winter stillness, and finally in a series of calligraphic transcriptions reminiscent of the oriental ink paintings that he so admired.”

— Susan Hobbs in *Nature Into Art: The Landscapes of Abbott Handerson Thayer* (1982)

I can’t do justice to this remarkable and complex Dublin resident in one article, but it’s important to understand that our town has attracted some of America’s most talented artists and thinkers: Mark Twain, Henry David Thoreau, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Thomas W. Higginson, Alexander James (son of William James), Margaret Fuller, and Frank W. Benson, among others.

Thayer was a Dublin painter, but he was also a famous American artist with an international reputation, whose work was in great demand. “Some of his landscapes, for example, *Cornish Headlands*, painted in England in 1898,” a *New York Times* exhibition review read, “with its simplified, even Avery-like sweeps of sea, rocks, and sand, and the stark renditions he did of Mount Monadnock in New Hampshire, almost as much of a fetish mountain for him as Sainte-Victoire was for Cezanne, hold the eye with their strong designs and robust color sense.”

In New York, Thayer shared a studio with Daniel Chester French, whose sculp-



Abbott Thayer in front of bust of Ralph Waldo Emerson

tures include the Minute Man statue in Concord, Massachusetts, and the statue of Abraham Lincoln at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC. Thayer and French corresponded often. “I have just finished the small working model for the Lincoln statue for the Lincoln Memorial in Washington,” French wrote in a letter to Thayer in 1916. “It is too fresh for me to judge of it with any certainty, but I believe I have a conception that will work out later if it has not quite got there in this model. It certainly won’t do to fail in a statue of such supreme importance as this. I wish I could have your help on it. Aren’t you coming to New York in the near future?”

Thayer spent much time painting abroad, but when he returned to the New Hampshire countryside, according to his daughter, Gladys Thayer, he “raced to nearby Mount Monadnock and ran without stopping up its steep slopes and felt like kissing every woodland flower.” This enthusiasm for nature, his daughter wrote, “stayed with him throughout his life. There was no natural beauty to which my father did not throb.”

Dublin began as a farming town with

a blacksmith’s shop, a small tannery, and a couple mills, but by the time Thayer settled here, these had disappeared. Thayer saw only a few farms and a thriving summer community below Monadnock and surrounding Dublin Pond (“Monadnock Lake” after 1906 and “Dublin Lake” after 1954).

“By 1893,” according to Hobbs, “there were 56 ‘cottages’ around the pond, many of them substantial residences constructed in the new shingle style.” Thayer’s house, demolished in 1935, was on the south side of the pond along with those of several other friends and artists. His house intentionally lacked electricity and plumbing, and Thayer slept outside, believing this was better for his health.

At this time (1890s), Dublin, with its rustic scenery, competed with Cornish with its formal upland gardens. Cornish was another artist community, where today Augustus Saint-Gaudens’ home is a museum. The residents of Cornish loved Mount Ascutney, nearby in Vermont, as those of Dublin loved Mount Monadnock. Technically, Mount Ascutney is also a “monadnock,” a mountain that rises abruptly above its surrounding landscape. Which was the superior monadnock depended on who one asked, but it’s clear which Thayer would have chosen.

TOM SILEO is a writer and new resident in Dublin.



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Juneteenth: Commemorating the End of Slavery

BY LISA FOOTE

Juneteenth National Independence Day became a federal holiday in 2021. The term *Juneteenth* is an elision of the date June 19, the day in 1865 when Union Army Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas. He commanded 2,000 federal troops, enforcing the Emancipation Proclamation and thus freeing enslaved people there 900 days after President Abraham Lincoln enacted it on January 1, 1863. It is estimated that 250,000 enslaved people lived in Texas when Granger arrived.

Slavery was not as widespread in rural New England as it was in southern states. Only one Black slave is mentioned in the *History of the Town of Dublin NH*, published in 1855, when firsthand knowledge of people and events in the late 1700s still existed. Caesar Freeman was owned by Gardner Towne, who settled in Dublin in

From the Emancipation Proclamation:

That on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, all persons held as slaves within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in rebellion against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and forever, free.

1772. Although there is no information as to when Freeman came to Dublin, Towne manumitted him when he reached age 21. Interestingly, town vital records record the date of his emancipation, July 8, 1790, as his birth date.

Fortune (Forting) Little, a Free Black, was given his freedom in Shirley, Mas-

sachusetts, in 1783, when court decisions there essentially ended slavery. Settling in Dublin as early as December 1784, he and Lorena (Lorancy) Tanner soon married in Massachusetts on May 12, 1785. Presum-



Celebration by Synthia Saint James

ably, they had built a dwelling before their first child, Joseph, was born in Dublin in 1786. Sisters Pearl and Lorancy were born in 1788 and 1791.

Deeds show that the Little family lived on the north edge of Dublin, north of what is now Hancock Road in Harrisville. By 1790, they owned over 100 acres, which Fortune had purchased for 42 pounds sterling. In the federal census of that year, theirs was the only household in Dublin in the "other free persons" column, shorthand for Black Americans. A further survey of six nearby towns enumerated a total of 54 Free Black individuals, 17 of whom were living in White households. None of

the other Free Blacks mentioned in town records in the 1790s resided in Dublin by the federal census of 1800.

A successful farmer, the surviving tax record of 1793 shows that Fortune Little's property holdings had comparable value to other farms in town. His homestead included

one acre of tillage, two acres of mowing, and four acres of pastureland. He owned two cows but no horse and, unusually, a brace of oxen, which may have provided extra income when other farmers paid for their use.

By 1794, Little had started selling portions of his land holdings, so that by July of that year, his place of residence listed on a deed was Weathersfield, Vermont. Remarkably, the value of his real estate in Dublin had doubled in ten years.

First referred to as Jubilee Day in Texas, Juneteenth has been celebrated since the passing of the Thirteenth Amendment in December 1865.

Although the term *Juneteenth* wasn't adopted until the 1890s, longstanding traditional observances include readings of prominent Black authors, picnics, family reunions, barbecues, street fairs, lectures, storytelling, and voter registration drives. The holiday custom of serving red food and drinks celebrates resilience and joy.

LISA FOOTE is on the staff of the *Advocate*.

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Walden School Returns for Summer Music

BY SAMMI STONE

The Walden School presents its free 2025 Concert Series in the Louise Shonk Kelly Recital Hall at Dublin School, at 7:30 pm. For more information visit waldenschool.org/concert-series/.

Saturday, June 14

Creative Musicians Retreat (CMR)

Opening Concert

Pianist David Friend and members of International Contemporary Ensemble play music by Walden faculty and Paula Matthusen, composer-in-residence.

Sunday, June 15

CMR Composer-in-Residence Presentation

Paula Matthusen writes both electroacoustic and acoustic music and creates sound installations. Join us for a presentation by Dr. Matthusen of some of her work.

Tuesday, June 17; Wednesday, June 18;

Friday, June 20

CMR Composers Forums

Featuring newly composed/improvised works by CMR participants and discussion of the new pieces.

Thursday, June 19

CMR Performers Night Chamber music performed by Walden participants, faculty, staff, and artists.

Sunday, June 29

Young Musicians Program (YMP)

Opening Concert: Impromptuo Violinist Katherine Kyu Hyeon Lim and pianist Joey Chang are Impromptuo, an improvisation duo that draws influence from European

classical music, free jazz, experimental electroacoustic music, and suggestions from the audience.

Friday, July 4

Aurora Nealand An inspiring outdoor concert of New Orleans music on the Fountain Arts Building lawn. This concert is co-presented with the Monadnock Folklore Society.

SAMMI STONE is director of operations at the Walden School.

Book Sale at DCC

Are you looking for a unique, collectible, unusual, or beautiful book?

Then we hope you will come to our book sale (also including music and movies), on Saturday, June 7, from 10 am–4 pm, at the Dublin Community Church hall. Books or music you wish to purchase will be by donation, with no set pricing. Proceeds benefit the church outreach program, which provides support, food, guidance, and practical help to people and organizations locally and in the wider Monadnock Region. Enjoy a free cup of tea or coffee. Questions? Call Ellen 603-831-1360.

End 68 Hours of Hunger

Many thanks to all who participated in the Monadnock Hunger Walk and/or contributed to the Peterborough Fire & Rescue food drive in May. Both efforts were very successful and have helped to replenish our storeroom shelves, as have your ongoing food donations left at the church. If you missed those earlier chances to help feed hungry kids, please know that we're still looking for 16- and 18-ounce jars of peanut butter.

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Ready to Rally: Preventing Racquet Sport Injuries

Monadnock Community Hospital invites the public to a free health and wellness seminar, “Ready to Rally: Injury Prevention for Racquet Sport Enthusiasts,” on Tuesday, June 17, at 5:30 pm in the Bond Wellness Center (lower level). Led by Leah Varney, PT, DPT, MS, and Morgan Jenkins, OTD, OTR/L, of Monadnock Rehabilitation Services, this hands-on seminar offers guidance on preventing common injuries associated with racquet sports like tennis, pickleball, and squash.

Why Injury Prevention Matters

Racquet sports are growing in popularity among all age groups, but they can strain muscles and joints without proper preparation. This engaging, movement-based session will help attendees improve strength, flexibility, and recovery habits to stay active and reduce injury risk.

The seminar is ideal for both seasoned athletes and those new to the game. Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and come ready to move.

Important Note: This seminar is not designed to teach swing mechanics or improve racquet sport technique. Instead,

it focuses on general principles of injury prevention that are relevant across various racquet sports, helping participants build safe movement habits and reduce their risk of injury.

Space is limited at this free event. To reserve your spot, please register at MCH. EventBrite.com, or call 603-924-4699 x 1110 for more information.



Beech Hill's New Trail and Driveway Improvements


BY ALISON WEBER AND NINA MCINTYRE

Are you a walker or biker, interested in what's happening on Beech Hill? The next month will be very busy on Beech Hill, as the entire driveway will be resurfaced and a new “accessible” hiking trail will be built by late July, thanks to work being done by the Beech Hill–Dublin Lake Watershed Association. An accessible trail is a multi-modal trail for visitors in wheelchairs or those pushing baby strollers. The new trail will allow individuals of all abilities to enjoy a new crushed stone path, five to six feet wide, that will travel through the shady forest and ultimately enter onto the East Meadow. A new “view cut” from the meadow will offer visitors a panoramic view from Pack Monadnock to Crotched Mountain, Skatutakee and Thumb. New meadow plantings with native species will be added starting next summer to attract pollinators and birds, making the site a great place to watch local wildlife. An opening gathering will be scheduled after the major construction work is completed. In the meantime, feel free to hike up and watch the progress, but please avoid the driveway and trail construction during work hours.

ALISON WEBER and NINA MCINTYRE are members of Beech Hill–Dublin Lake Watershed Association.

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Bobbi Beagle

BY JEANNE STERLING

My sister and I begged our parents for a puppy. Exasperated, my dad said, "If you can find one in the Sears & Roebuck Catalogue, we'll get one." He didn't know that his response was just what we needed to hear. The back of the new catalogue was filled with ads for sheep, goats, burros (yep), chicks, and ducks...AND puppies! A few weeks later, a little beagle pup arrived at the Haverhill, Massachusetts, train station. Dutchess had arrived!

When I married and moved to Dublin from Keene, I missed Dutchess, who remained with my parents. It wasn't long before I was looking for a beagle puppy. Finally, in the *Keene Shopper* was an ad for 8-week-old puppies in Fitzwilliam, \$35 each. Friday, after work, I drove to Fitzwilliam and was greeted by a passel of beagle puppies. Which one? I looked down, and this little floppy-eared, big-eyed girl was sitting on my foot. "I'll take her." Her markings were perfect: black saddle, white underbelly, black tail tipped in white. Her ears were like silk on either side of her brown head.

There were no leash laws in town at that time, and Bobbi took advantage of that. She'd ride to Worcester's Garage with my husband most mornings. Always a visit the General Store to receive a treat from Mr. or Mrs. Burt, proprietors, then a trip to the post office, library, and town hall as part of her rounds. She hadn't yet discovered the best place of all, Beech Hill Hospital. Located high above the village, Beech Hill offered treatment for alcohol-



ism. Celebrities and other notable people spent time there, grateful for privacy. Two neighborhood dogs led Bobbi to what became her second home. She was always guaranteed a ride to the village before the garage closed for the day, in time for her ride home.

When she arrived at the Hill, someone would put her on the elevator, sending her to the second floor. Her favorite person, Art Carney, would greet her, and when the visit was over, he'd put her back on

the elevator for the ride down.

When Bobbi had to be kept at the vet's for a couple of days, Beech Hill sent her a get-well card with St. Francis of Assisi on the cover and a prayer for animals. The envelope was addressed "Bobbi Beagle c/o Worcester's Garage."

One afternoon, our police chief called, asking if I still had the beagle with the red collar. "Yes, I do." I expected to hear bad news. Nope, not unless driving to Keene to pick Bobbi up at Sweeney Buick Garage is bad news. UPS had made a stop at Yankee, leaving the doors to the van open. Bobbi jumped in, ending up in Keene. I arrived, finding my dog leashed to the handle of a new Buick Riviera. A bed of uniform shirts, a bowl of water, and a bowl of M&M's were next to her.

This wasn't her only adventure. The former chef at Beech Hill had moved to the Riverdale Inn in Peterborough. Bobbi appeared at the back door after jumping out of my husband's Jeep. Another phone call to me. Was she in the kitchen

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Garden Club of Dublin Lobbies for Native Plants

BY EUGENIE SILVERTHORNE

On behalf of the Garden Club of Dublin, conservation committee chair Betsy Cochrane successfully lobbied Concord to make the month of May New Hampshire Native Plant month. Governor Ayotte's official proclamation allows New Hampshire to join 27 other states and the District of Columbia to preserve and promote native plants in our private gardens and public landscapes. It heralds a broader strategy the Garden Club of America launched in 2020 to create a healthy environment on the local level.

Here in Dublin, it invites us to explore the magical world of native plants. They come in a wide and stunning variety of sizes, shapes, smells, and colors. While we may immediately think of

wildflowers, the range of natives, some 1500 species, includes small and large shrubs, vines of all kinds, magnificent grasses, and some of our most revered trees. They are beautiful and they are beneficial. Native plants promote a vital ecosystem, benefit pollinators, and provide a healthy habitat for wildlife.

The flip side of the native plant initiative is eradicating invasive plants that harm our land. We are fortunate that the Dublin Conservation Committee works diligently to educate us on how to find and remove invasives. In addition, in 2020, Dubliner Louisa Birch created a pamphlet for the Garden Club that identifies 17 species of local invasive plants. The pamphlet is currently displayed at the Dublin Public Library by the Seed Wall and easily accessed on the library website at dplnh.org. Our creative library staff are a wonderful resource who, as Betsy says "spark our curiosity" and guide us to a number of other topical books, including *Wildflowers of Dublin*, *The Nature of New Hampshire*, and *The Herb Almanac*. And they have a real tool: Check out the handy and popular "Puller Bear" for two weeks to attack pernicious plants invading your garden.

Finally, in collaboration with the Library, the Garden Club plans to have printouts of Louisa's pamphlet available and hold a children's workshop on native/invasive plants with a poster contest next year. In the meantime, on your next woodland walk, how many native wildflowers can you spot?

EUGENIE SILVERTHORNE is the communications chair of the Garden Club.



Photo by Jill Shaffer Hammond

Bobbi Beagle *continued*

of the inn? Nope, she was in an air-conditioned room enjoying a steak bone. "It was too hot in the kitchen for the little girl."

When the time changed, spring and fall, she'd get a little confused about the schedule for her ride home. The confusion only increased when our family unit dissolved. Arthritis limited her motions to the point where I had to carry her upstairs at night. Then the dreaded cancer took over. Bobbi was laid to rest in the embankment above our driveway. A granite brick with BOBBI etched on it marks my little wanderer's grave. I was told that a picture of Bobbi remained on the mantel of the meeting room at Beech Hill... God love her.

JEANNE STERLING is on the staff of the *Advocate*.

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The start of summer is the perfect time to try something new! Here's a sampling of classes offered in June at MAXT Makerspace's new location at Noone Falls, 50 Jaffrey Road, in Peterborough.

Young Creatives Gallery Show Opening and Community Art Night Friday, June 6, 6–8 pm

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Travel Sketchbooks

Saturday, June 7, 9 am–noon

A travel sketchbook is a way to record important memories with words and visuals, slowing down your thoughts to describe your trip with detail and emotion. You will learn basic quick-sketching techniques that will help you find your style. There will be an introduction to perspective, techniques for capturing a space or



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Large-Scale Painting – The Big Wave Sunday, June 8, 10 am–4 pm

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Haven Kennedy Wins Snowboard Championship

BY MARGARET BLACKBURN

Fifteen-year-old Haven Kennedy won his second national title when he took first place in the open class rail jam at the USASA (United States Amateur Snowboarding Association) National Snowboard Championships held at Copper Mountain in Colorado this past March. Last year, he took first place in slopestyle and had a goal to do well in rail jam this year – and what a win it was! Haven was the youngest competitor in the “open class” event with 40 other top competitors from around the country.

Haven is the son of Heidi and Josh Kennedy, who both grew up in Peterborough. His parents have always supported and encouraged him as his talent and love for the sport have continued to grow. He began snowboarding in his backyard at age 2 with his older brother Owen, who also loves snowboarding. Their dad has always loved to snowboard, and ever since the kids were very young, he’s built jumps, rails, a rope tow, and even a home-



made snow gun in the “backyard park” of their home in Dublin. Haven practices daily when he is home in the winter and has fun with friends and family in this backyard setup.

Haven trains at the American Snowboard Training Center at Carinthia Parks on Mt. Snow in

Vermont during his winter season. He is coached by Ron Chiodi, a veteran Olympic snowboarder. He was also lucky enough to spend several seasons with another Dublin local, professional snowboarder Brandon Reise, who happens to be one of his favorite snowboarding companions. Haven attends high school online through Apex Virtual School and is completing his freshman year of high school this spring.

In the off season, Haven likes to skate-board. He also uses a trampoline and home gym to stay in shape. Snowboarding at his elite level has provided him with chances to travel for competitions and training. He has attended summer camp at Mt. Hood in Portland, Oregon. Last summer, he attended a camp at Stomping Grounds Park at Stubaai Glacier in the Austrian Alps and Les Deux Alpes in France. This summer, Haven has been invited to Project Gold Slopestyle with the US Snowboard Team and coaches at Mt. Hood in Oregon. He will be riding with some of the best slopestyle snowboarders in the country.

Haven enjoys setting goals for himself each season. He loves that he can constantly be learning new tricks and enjoys the challenge of performing them with style and proper execution. His goal for his future is to qualify for higher and higher levels of competition including the X-games. If the rail jam becomes an Olympic event, another goal would be participation in the winter Olympics. With his talent and love for snowboarding, Haven certainly has an exciting future ahead of him!

MARGARET BLACKBURN is a Dublin resident and retired teacher.

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rill, former executive director and now senior historian of the Historical Society of Cheshire County, will share stories of fame, fortune, scandal, and characters who have given the region its unique identity.

Join on Saturday, June 17 to celebrate the 250th birthday of The Jaffrey Meetinghouse

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- 6:30-8:30, Contra dance

Boeing Boeing Opens Players' Summer Season

Opening the 2025 Summer Season is the Tony Award-winning fun, flirty farce *Boeing Boeing*, by Marc Camoletti. Translated by Beverley Cross and Francis Evans and directed by Peterborough Players' artistic director Brendon Fox, it is set in the stylish 1960s in Paris and centers on bachelor Bernard and the three flight attendants who, unbeknownst to each other,

are all engaged to him! Bernard's life hits some turbulence when his friend Robert comes to stay, and complications such as a new, speedier Boeing jet disrupt his meticulous schedule and careful planning. Soon, all three fiancées are in the city simultaneously, and catastrophe looms.

For tickets, call the box office at 603-924-7585 or visit peterboroughplayers.org.

Jaffrey Arts & Crafts Fair

The Jaffrey Civic Center offers a vibrant day of creativity and community at their Arts & Crafts Fair on Friday, June 14, from 10 am–2 pm on the Jaffrey Civic Center front lawn! (Rain date: June 21, 2025.) Expect a packed lawn full of unique handcrafted treasures, including:

- Whimsical hanging décor
- Stained glass art, cross-stitch décor, beeswax melts, and candles
- Herbal wishing pouches & room sprays

- Acrylic art on canvas and wood
- Plant stakes, sun catchers, and hand-crafted jewelry
- Gifts for pet lovers – from T-shirts to welcome mats

The mission of the Jaffrey Civic Center is to provide and sustain a public venue where citizens, residents, and visitors of the Monadnock Region can pursue artistic, educational, and civic activities. There is no admission fee to the Civic Center, and all art shows and receptions are free and open to the public.

Something Mom always made!

Delicious home-cooked FREE community supper 4th Tuesday of each month.

June 24 • 5:30–7 pm

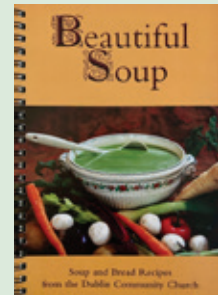
Chicken Casserole
(always a vegetarian option)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

In the meeting hall of the Dublin Community Church.

Hope to see you there!

General info: 860-574-4235



NOTE: If you are interested in purchasing the soft-cover soup and bread cookbook *Beautiful Soup*, we have a handful left. Recipes collected from members and friends of the Dublin Community Church and include 69 soups and 13 breads.

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My Father Always Said...

In May, we celebrated mothers with our favorite “mom-isms” – now it’s time for dads! In honor of Father’s Day on June 15, we asked for those memorable lines that your dad would always deliver. Gruff, quirky, comical, loving, or wise,...

LISA FOOTE: “Tetra-hydro-heavens to Betsy!”

BRUCE FOX: “A job worth doing is worth doing right.”

MARY LOFTIS: (to alert his all-female household he was getting up in the morning) “Girls: I’m on my hind legs!”

GEORGE CRAWFORD: My dad had no truck with gossip or rumors. “If you want to know anything, newspapers are sold on the corner!”

NANCY JACKSON: “For heaven’s sakes, if you are cold, put on socks.”

JEAN BARDEN: “A fool and his money are soon departed.”

ANNA RIZZO: “It’s never too late to have a happy childhood.”

PAUL TULLER: “Pay as you go, and if you can’t pay, don’t go.”

DIANA SHONK: “You must be smarter than the dog!”

VOLKERT VOLKERSZ: “Pick up your feet!”

LUCY SHONK: (when asked how he was doing) “Well, I’m on the right side of the grass” and “Getting old ain’t for sissies!”

FRANK RIZZO: “There but for the grace of God...”

NANCY CAYFORD: (while picking potatoes) “C’mon Nancy, you’re falling behind.”

MARK NICHOLS: (enroute to the extended family Thanksgiving dinner) “Children should be seen and not heard.”

JULIE RIZZO: “The martinis flow like glue around here.”

JILL SHAFFER HAMMOND: “Oh boy! Monday morning! Another week in which to excel!”

ELLEN BINGHAM: “Don’t go wrapping your car around a tree, capeesh?” and “Who do you think you are, some kind of prima-donna?”

LIBBY HADDOCK: “If your children fail it is because of you. If your children succeed it is in spite of you.”

LORELEI MURPHY: “Don’t argue with a fool – anyone listening won’t be able to tell who’s who.”

PAUL ROTH: (to disagree with something you said) “Well, THAT’s interesting!”

TRACEYMAY KALVAITIS: “Up and at ’em!”

ARCHIE MCINTYRE: “We’re not lost, our location is just temporarily unknown.”

SALLY SHONK: “This is *really* living!”



And a few dads created musical memories...

LUCY SHONK: 🎵 “Don’t hit your mother boys, just ‘cause she’s old. Don’t bounce a rock off her bean. Angels are watching over her head. Don’t hit your mother: it’s mean!”

MAY CLARK: 🎵 “And Nikolai Ivanovich Lobachevski was his name!”

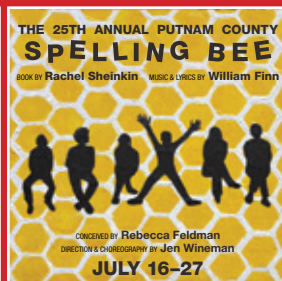
VOLKERT VOLKERSZ: “You sound like a hillbilly!”



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JUNE 2025 Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 HUB Song Circle 3-5pm	2 CEM Trustees 9am; HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4pm; DPL Make & Take Lab, Creative Club, 3:30-4:30pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm	3 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; GOP 5pm	HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; Storytime/Homeschool Group 11am	5 HUB Open 9am-3pm; Weekly Shuffle 5pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; Foraging 4pm; TH Planning Board 6pm	6 HUB /Zoom Knit w/ Nancy 10-11am; Trivia Night 6-8pm	7 DCC Book Sale 10am-4pm
8	9 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4pm; DPL Make & Take Lab, Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; DHS 4pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm; WM&RC 5:30pm	10 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Herb Class 7pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; FDPL 5pm	11 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; Storytime/Homeschool Group 11am, DPL Trustees 5pm	12 HUB open 9am-3pm; Weekly Shuffle 5pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; DCS Music Concert 6pm	13 HUB /Zoom Knit w/ Nancy 10-11am; Art Reception 5-7pm; DPL Book Bag Sale 12-5pm	14 DPL Book Bag Sale 9am-1pm, Dublin Dems 10am; DWCB Cleanup 10am; JCC Arts & Crafts Fair 10am-2pm; CVHS Graduation; DS Walden Concert 7:30pm
15 FATHER'S DAY DWCB Cleanup 10am (rain date); DS Walden Concert 7:30pm	16 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4pm; DPL Make & Take Lab 3:30-4:30pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm	17 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Herbal Office Hours 4pm; Meditation 6:15-7:30pm; DPL BookClub 5pm; Tech Night 6pm; MCH Sports Injury 5:30pm; JMH 250th 5-8:30pm; DS Walden Concert 7:30pm	18 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; QiGong noon-1pm; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm; Storytelling 6:30-8:30pm; DPL Storytime/Homeschool Group 11am	19 JUNETEENTH HUB Open 9am-3pm; Weekly Shuffle 5pm; DPL Closed; TH Planning Board 6pm; DS Walden Concert 7:30pm	20 HUB /Zoom Knit w/Nancy 10-11am; DCS Summer recess begins	21 SUMMER SOLSTICE HUB Coffeehouse & Open Mic 6-9:30pm
22	23 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4pm; DWCB Season opens; TH Select Board 4:30pm	24 HUB Yoga 6:30-7:30am; DCC Community Supper 5:30-7pm	25 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm	26 HUB Open 9am-3pm; Weekly Shuffle 5pm	27 HUB /Zoom Knit w/Nancy 10-11am	28 HUB Family Concert/Dance Party 3-5pm
29 DS Walden Concert 7:30pm	30 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4pm; DPL Summer Reading Program begins; TH Select Board 4:30pm	CEM Cemetery DCC Dublin Community Church DCS Dublin Consolidated School DPL Dublin Public Library DS Dublin School DWCB Dublin Women's Club Beach		HUB Dublin Community Center JCC Jaffrey Civic Center JMH Jaffrey Meeting House MCH Monadnock Community Hospital TH Town Hall, Dublin		

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