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Goodbye and Thank You to Michelle and Andy Freeman

BY MARY LOFTIS

The news is out, and Dubliners are trying to process it: Andy and Michelle have moved.

The Dublin General Store was open 8,714 consecutive days since the Freemans, along with their 2-year-old daughter, Lucy, took ownership on July 3, 2002. A parade of different owners had operated the store since 1963 when it was revived in the empty storefront in the center of town (now the DubHub) by Charles and Phyllis Burt. In 1981, Charlie and Linda Bivona bought the business and, in 1984, moved it downhill to its current location. Other owners followed in relatively quick succession until Andy and Michelle came along. For 24 years, the store has provided the necessities of life – coffee, cookies, sandwiches – but also warm friendship and a community gathering place.

The couple previously lived in Halifax, Massachusetts, and commuted to Boston, where Andy ran a machine shop and Michelle worked in retail. Andy remembers that they were inspired to own their own “family-centric” business, to work together, and to be around for their young daughter. “If it failed, we would have lots of food and beer – and a big house,” he joked.

But it didn’t fail! Over the years, the



Michelle and Andy Freeman with Taylor Mowatt, McKenzie Girard, and Chloe Whicker.

store expanded, adding an outdoor porch in 2007 and the front room in 2013 as well as renovating the kitchen and storeroom. The Freemans say there were several keys to their success: They have always felt embraced by the Dublin community, and they have been blessed with wonderful employees, often “legacy” employees – successive siblings in the Bourgoine, Brown, Carabello, Lawler, Matson, and O’Rourke families, for instance.

When I asked Andy and Michelle what has been hard over the years, they mentioned the logistics of food service – and the weather. Dubliners remember the ice

storm of December 2007, when the power was out for 10 days. Just when we couldn’t take it any longer, the Freemans provided a warm meal for the whole town at Dublin Consolidated School. A plaque, designating Andy and Michelle as Citizens of the Year in appreciation of that event, hangs next to the deli counter.

In late May, Andy, Michelle, and Hazel, the dog, moved to Michelle’s family home in Malone, New York, in the Adirondacks, which they purchased from her parents. They’ve been working to update the American Foursquare-style house and have purchased some surrounding land to expand the gardens. Michelle looks forward to spreading out and decorating the house as well as being near cousins and childhood friends. She says she may get a job in the fall in which she “doesn’t need to be in charge of anyone.”

For the past seven years, Andy has worked seasonally as a firefighter in northern California and Washington state, and he leaves to continue that work after they settle in Malone. He has also built a hunting cabin in Owl’s Head near their new/old home.

Andy and Michelle nurtured the Dublin General Store over the past 24 years; they also raised a remarkable daughter. Lucy, just a toddler when her family arrived,

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With Love for Books, Libraries, and Hockey

BY EMALINE BERGERON

The Dublin Public Library is buzzing with energy. We have welcomed old friends and new, with eight new members signing up for library cards in the last two weeks alone. DPL has enjoyed visits from families in nearby towns, received wonderful support from ConVal High School student volunteers, and partnered with University of New Hampshire students and faculty from Manchester to plan a Bloomsday Festival here. We have listened to birdsong outside together and checked on our neighbors - it truly feels as though DPL is everyone's library.

One visitor in particular – a nuclear scientist – shared that they had lived in so many places for work over the last few years that they truly felt they belonged nowhere. I was delighted to tell them that now, for certain, they belong here. Belonging. Community. Collaboration. It's all in a day's work at DPL.

As some of you know, we had several books go missing this past month, all part of an adult fiction series about hockey players who happen to be gay. This is not our first experience with this, and it creates a feeling that settles like lead in the pit of my stomach. With a small operating budget, every book is valuable beyond its mere monetary worth. Our library staff takes the time to understand our community, its interests, and the topics that matter. We want our patrons to feel seen and included and then empowered. We then curate booklists, budget mindfully, order, receive, process, sticker, cover, and decide the best placement for each item in our collection. When a treasure from our chest goes missing, it inflicts an injury on our identity as stewards of information.

There are many things within the collection at DPL that are

not my "cup of tea." I will never be a person who reads scary books, buys cryptocurrency, or cohabitates with cats. However, it would never cross my mind to get rid of books on these topics. It does not injure my sensibilities that they reside here – I simply won't check them out or read them. No sleep lost. Removing access is not a way to change minds, encourage understanding, or broaden perspectives. Removing access stops conversation and consideration. The collective human condition has always been made stronger by challenging itself. When books go missing, we miss the opportunity to better understand ourselves and those around us.

Even as we mourned this loss, that dark cloud was diffused by good book people who heard of our heartache and took action. A book club from Keene pooled their money and replaced our missing series, including a card that read, "To Dublin Public Library, with love for books, libraries, and hockey." We were beautifully overwhelmed by people wanting to help. And just like that, faith and books were restored. Isn't that just life – a dichotomy of problems and solutions, heartache and comfort, darkness and light?

Speaking of light, this house of enlightenment is coming up on a very special anniversary! On July 25, DPL will be celebrating its 125th birthday! (With the lively energy here, you probably thought it was no older than 124.) We look forward to celebrating with a ceremony of poetry, words, and songs. We will open our doors for everyone to see the light within, the values we hold, and our dreams for the future. A time capsule will be replaced in the building's cornerstone, with the original kept on display. We hope you will join us in celebrating this illuminating building and the incredible community it serves.

EMALINE BERGERON is the director of Dublin Public Library.

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Registering to Vote in NH

BY KYLE WILCOX

There have been quite a few changes to election laws in our state within the last year. One of those changes, an annual verification of the voter checklist by the Supervisors of the Checklist, was highlighted in a May 2026 *Advocate* article.

As we look toward the elections in the fall, here is a reminder of our state requirements for registering to vote. For more details, please visit sos.nh.gov/elections/register-vote, or stop by one of the Supervisors of the Checklist’s public sessions (the next one is on Tuesday, June 2, at 7 pm at the Town Hall).

To register to vote in New Hampshire, you need to be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old on election day, and a NH resident. You can register to vote at the town clerk’s office, at a public session of the Supervisors of the Checklist, or on election day. New registrations will not be accepted in the week before an election due to the preparation of voter checklists, but New Hampshire has election day voter registration at the polling place.

You will need proof of the following to register:

- **Identity** (e.g., driver’s license, government-issued ID, U.S. passport) NOTE: New Hampshire law no longer allows student IDs to be used.
- **Age** (e.g., driver’s license, government-issued ID, U.S. passport) NOTE: Applicants who were formerly registered in any New Hampshire town or ward or who are currently registered in a different town or ward in New Hampshire do not need to provide proof of citizenship or age.
- **U.S. Citizenship** (e.g., birth certificate, naturalization certificate, U.S. passport/passcard) NOTE: A New Hampshire REAL ID-compliant driver’s license is *not* proof of U.S. citizenship.
- **NH Domicile** (e.g., driver’s license, government-issued ID,

vehicle registration, tax document, government-issued check – whichever proof is brought must have current domicile address listed) NOTE: The following proof can be used if it is paired with an Attestation Form (provided by the town clerk or the Supervisors of the Checklist): lease agreement, bill with domicile address, confirmation of domicile form (provided by the town clerk or the Supervisors of the Checklist).

One final clarification on the annual verification process: This process focuses on re-registering voters who have been inactive for the last five years. **If you have voted in an election here in Dublin since April 1, 2021, you do not need to do anything.** If you *have not* voted in an election since that date, you will need to re-register by following the registration guidelines outlined above.

KYLE WILCOX is the pastor of Mountain View Bible Church and chairs the Supervisors of the Checklist.

Dublin’s Summer Playground News

Summer is all about having fun, and Dublin is pleased to continue the town’s tradition in offering Summer Playground for the 2026 season. Zola Luebkehan will return as the playground director. The children will also recognize many of the counselors as they, too, return for more summer fun!



Zola Luebkehan

The summer program session is July 6–August 7, Monday–Friday. The program will run from 9 am–3 pm, rain or shine, and all Dublin children ages 5–12 are welcome.

Summer Playground is held at the Dublin Consolidated School. A host of fun activities are offered, and the children also have plenty of time to simply play with one another. Daily attendance is not required, so families have the flexibility to take vacation time together.

The cost is \$250 for all five weeks of camp and \$150 for each additional sibling. Financial aid is available. Registration information is on the town’s website: townofdublin.org.

Questions? Contact the town administrator, Kate Fuller, at 603-563-8544 or townadministrator@townofdublin.org.

Town Holiday Observances

Friday, June 19, is Juneteenth National Independence Day, a federal holiday. Town offices are closed on Fridays; however, the Transfer Station will remain open on June 19 with their normal hours, 10 am–6 pm.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, June 22. Normal office hours for the town administrator and town clerk/tax collector will resume on Tuesday.

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School Year Wraps Up at DCS

BY NICOLE PEASE

As summer approaches, students and staff are working hard to complete spring assessments, which help teachers measure student growth, guide instruction, and examine the progress students have made throughout the year. Our students have experienced many exciting activities and learning opportunities. One of the highlights in May was our participation in the Children and the Arts Festival in Peterborough. In keeping with the theme of “Let Your Garden Grow,” our school’s giant puppet was a “Very Hungry Caterpillar.” Students showcased amazing papier-mâché creations made with teacher Justin Bentley-Melle as well as smaller pieces of art installed in downtown windows.

Students also participated in our annual Memorial Day Assembly. This meaningful tradition helps students understand the importance of honoring those who have served our country. After the assembly, students placed flags at the town cemetery. These experiences provide important lessons in citizenship and remembrance.

Our recent STEM Night brought many families into the school to explore hands-on activities based on science, technology, and engineering. It was wonderful to see so much family involvement and student engagement. Thanks to our supportive PTO for providing the funds for this opportunity.

Students are looking forward to Field Day, which includes team-building activities, games, and friendly competition. Students will also enjoy a field trip to Adams Playground. Field trips continue to support classroom instruction while creating lasting memories for students. Field trips and



DCS students in the New Hampshire Dance Institute performance in April.

other events are made possible through budgeted funds, the Dublin Community Foundation, and our PTO. Consider donating, or come to the PTO’s Silent Auction on Thursday, June 4, from 5:30–6:30 pm.

The support shown to our students, their families, and the staff is one of the many reasons DCS is a special place!

NICOLE PEASE is Dublin Consolidated School’s teaching principal.

News from ConVal School Board

BY MARY ARMSTRONG

One of my biggest joys over the last month was the opportunity to join DCS at their New Hampshire Dance Institute celebration. I loved seeing all the smiling faces of our children as they finished up the weeklong residency with dance teachers who continue to return year after year (the same NHDI staff who taught my own children while they attended DCS). What really struck me was the sense of community.

Joining the NHDI staff this year was Abbie (Brown) Hixon, a DCS and ConVal alum. It reinforced how wonderful our community is – that those who leave here often come back and give back. It was also bittersweet, as this is the last year at DCS for Abbie’s mom, Vicki Brown, before she retires. Congratulations and many thanks for your dedication to our children, Vicki!

Over the last few weeks, the ConVal School Board heard celebrations of students’ learning at other elementary schools in the district. We heard about Greenfield Elementary School’s Fun Fridays and about Peterborough Elementary School students bird-watching at The Harris Center. It is wonderful to hear from our youngest learners and see the joy they are experiencing in school.

Our business administrator, Neal Cass, reported that our last audit, conducted in

the last week of July 2025, declared us to be on fiscally sound footing. ConVal has had three business administrators over the previous year, and it seems that the school board’s diligence, policies, and willingness to embrace audits have helped assure our success. The policy committee has started looking over policies recommended for review by the auditors. The auditors will return for our 2026 audit in July of this year.

Representatives from all the elementary schools in the district have unanimously recommended that we adopt the Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) curriculum next year, after a yearlong test of reading programs. CKLA is based on the science of reading, which investigates how students learn to read and what instructional strategies are most effective. DCS teachers noted the growth they saw in grades 1 and 2 and the excitement the students demonstrated for the program.

Until next time, when school will be out and many of our educators will get a break! Reach me at marmstrong@conval.edu.

MARY ARMSTRONG is Dublin’s representative to the ConVal School Board.

Dublin remembers

**Alan Edelkind
1946–2026**

There will be a memorial service on Sunday, May 31, at 1 pm at Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge.

Dublin remembers

Jack Lewis, 1944–2026

Farewell to Head of Dublin School Brad Bates

BY LIAM SULLIVAN

In 2008, Dublin School caught wind of a talented young leader named Brad Bates. His father, Buddy, had attended Dublin School in the early 1950s, and more than half a century later, the younger Mr. Bates was short-listed to steward his father's *alma mater*. Still wet behind the ears, Brad was only 38 when he was appointed head of Dublin School. Eighteen years later, and with only a little gray in his beard, he will graduate from Dublin School as an honorary member of the Class of 2026. Sam Bicknell, currently dean of students at Deerfield Academy, will begin as Dublin's next head of school on July 1.

Brad's tenure has been transformative for the school. Under his leadership, Dublin School has become proof positive that the small boarding school model remains tenable and worth pursuing. However institutional health is assessed – enrollment trends, fundraising outcomes, fund performance, new capital developments and campus planning, or student outcomes and experience – Dublin School is in a position of great strength as Brad prepares to bow out.

Before retiring, Brad was determined to build a meaningful endowment to protect the financial future of the school. When he assumed office, the school's endowment stood around \$1 million. At the close of FY25, Dublin School's endowed funds totaled more than \$18 million. In the previous six years alone, the school's



endowment has grown by more than 300%, up from \$6 million in 2020. At the same time, Dublin School's annual fund has generated an average of \$650,000 for the school's operating budget.

Brad has always approached his work at Dublin School with the mindset of a builder. In 2008, the school underwent its first campus

master-planning process, and each year since has entailed a major capital project of some kind. Beginning with the Perkin Observatory in 2008, Brad's leadership has led to the construction of more than 15 new campus spaces supporting residential, academic, and extracurricular functions. In partnership with the school's Board of Trustees, Brad has been able to elevate the campus of Dublin School while steering almost entirely clear of debt.

Following the completion of the Brett Smith '88 Dining Commons and Patricia Fletcher Health and Wellness Center in 2022–2023, the school has recently embarked on the Nielsen Outdoor Campus, an outdoor learning environment where students can unplug from technology and discuss big ideas of life and literature alongside their peers.

Brad is best known outside of independent schools for establishing the Dublin School Outdoor Center, a world-class cross-country skiing center and trail network on the campus. The Outdoor Center has become a community hub for snow

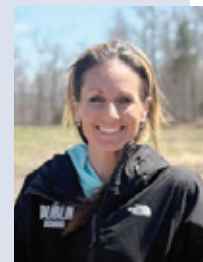
sports in southeastern New England, with its artificial snowmaking capabilities helping to keep cross-country skiing accessible in regions increasingly affected by reduced natural snowfall.

Brad has always been willing to run with a good idea. He has led playfully but with great prudence, through consensus and cooperation, and with an eye to limiting the school's exposure to risk. As Dublin School's "head teacher," Brad has always sought to leave the proverbial woodpile higher than he found it. He has done so while creating a campus culture where every member of the school community does the same.

LIAM SULLIVAN works in communications at Dublin School.

Dublin School is pleased to announce that Lindsey Burkhardt has been appointed director of the Dublin School Outdoor Center. Lindsey has been skiing in the Monadnock Region since high school and at the Dublin School Outdoor Center since day one.

She has served as head coach of Dublin School Nordic Skiing for 10 years and has been instrumental in growing snow sports in the region. Most recently, she has worked with Dublin XC, a junior development program based out of the Outdoor Center, where she runs the local Bill Koch League (BKL) chapter focused on youth development and expanding access to sport. She takes over from Lisa Bates, who has served as director since 2021.





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Giving Back in Gratitude

BY KATHY NICHOLS

Our 35th president, John F. Kennedy, famously said in his 1961 inaugural address, “Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country.”

This advice applies locally as well. In March, Dublin’s town ballot had multiple open positions for elected officials but without candidates. Other nearby towns reported experiencing the same problem. For local governments to function, we need citizens to ask what they can do.

Dubliner Will Elcoate has responded to that call in many ways over his 10 years in Dublin. At Dublin’s 2026 Town Meeting, Will stepped up to lead participants in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, marking a special milestone. Just a few days earlier, Will had voted for the first time in his life, at 72 years of age. He told his Dublin friends and neighbors at Town Meeting that he had just become a United States citizen in November 2025, having immigrated from England in 1979. He said he was motivated by the wonderful opportunities he’d had for advancement in the U.S., working in technology, marketing, and consulting positions on laboratory testing, water treatment, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations. He felt his work had meaning, providing data on environmental exposure and enabling people to make choices about their future health.

Will worked for two years as summer help at the Dublin cemetery and is now the cemetery superintendent. He enjoys the



variety of the role, including maintaining the grounds, preserving the historic aspects, and assisting people visiting for genealogic searches. The cemetery information is kept at the Dublin Archives building and is not computerized. Managing tree work to avert damage, repairing the historic stone walls, and exploring potential electronic upgrades to the cemetery information are goals.

Will is also an alternate trustee of the Dublin Public Library and has been key to getting systems in place for the upcoming fundraising effort for the library’s 125-year

anniversary. He is the curator of the Dublin Historical Society, tasked with maintenance of the old school house building.

Will’s wife, Laura, also volunteers in town. She is a veteran of the Air Force Reserve (1979–1985) and is active with the American Legion. Will and Laura have three adult children and three grandchildren.

KATHY NICHOLS is the treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Dublin Public Library.

Dublin Master Planning Begins

BY ARCHIE MCINTYRE

The Dublin Master Plan Steering Committee recently held its kickoff meeting, starting a yearlong process to update our town’s Master Plan. The Master Plan sets out a shared vision that will help guide land use priorities, growth, conservation, housing, transportation, economic development, and community character over the next 10 years.

A master plan serves as a roadmap for the future, helping the town make thoughtful decisions about how and where development occurs, while preserving the qualities that make Dublin unique. The update process is designed to reflect the voices and priorities of residents, business owners, property owners, and community organizations.

Public participation will play a central role throughout the process. Residents are encouraged to attend upcoming public meetings, complete a community survey, and participate in a townwide community forum focused on identifying priorities and shaping a vision for the future.

The Master Plan Steering Committee meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 pm in Town Hall. The meetings are open to the public, and residents are encouraged to attend and voice their opinions as we establish priorities for the next decade. A townwide community survey will be available in July, and a community forum is planned for mid-August. Watch for updates in the *Advocate*, on the town website, and posted throughout town.

Whether you are a lifelong resident, a new neighbor, a business owner, or someone who simply cares about the town’s future, your voice matters. If you have any questions, want further information, or want to become directly involved, contact Archie McIntyre at archie.mcintyre@gmail.com or 781-760-1017.

The next Master Plan meeting is Thursday, June 11, at 7 pm.

ARCHIE MCINTYRE is the chair of the Planning Board.

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Voices in Harmony

JULY 26

Michael Brownstein

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On Growing Up Today

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Laura Knoy

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Live Healthy or Die – My Wellness Toolbox

BY JODY FEINMAN

As somebody who has suffered for decades with autoimmune disorders, including rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, POTS, and fibromyalgia, I spent decades miserable with exhaustion, joint pain, stomach issues, and more. Many specialists prescribed prednisone, naltrexone, IVs, and chemotherapy. Worse, I was sick and tired of being sick and tired. So I began my immersive self-study. I knew there had to be some cure. I was dying... for help.



Authors and scientists explained how ancient treatments were reversing autoimmune disorders. After 10 years of self-study, I healed my autoimmune system, and I went back to school. Now, as a functional medicine practitioner, I run labs, interpret lab results, and use natural protocols to heal.

We have been programmed from childhood to go to the doctor for a prescription when we don't feel well. Prescriptions can help us manage symptoms. Meanwhile, root causes and preventative medicine are almost nonexistent. Chronic stress, environmental exposure, and food toxins are wrecking our health.

Holistic wellness offers natural remedies to replace pharmaceuticals. My goal is to offer healthy hacks to reduce symptoms with preventative, natural remedies:

Know your products/side effects. Be careful mixing medications and supplements. The Food and Drug Administration can-

not recommend various supplements as they have not been approved and tested. The FDA does not acknowledge the efficacy of natural remedies, despite the fact that there are legitimate scientific studies examining the use of many supplements. However, Chinese and Aryurvedic medicine has cured millions of people for millennia. Millions of people globally know that many natural remedies *do* work, so dig deeper. Look for the actual scientific studies about single ingredients. Before you doubt, consider the source. Before you buy, beware of social media influencers pushing snake oil.

Know your supplement manufacturer. If you buy online, labels can look identical. Ask the actual company if the product is theirs or a counterfeit. Are your supplements third-party-tested with good manufacturing processes? Are they manufactured in America? Are there fillers? Get only vetted products from trusted brands. Please note: always check with your doctor when trying new protocols

I admit that some of my prescriptions and supplements made me worse. Whenever possible, get your vitamins and minerals from whole foods. Use food as medicine!

In my classes, I meet MDs and RNs who say that medical school left them with blind spots. These doctors and nurses realize that functional medicine has its place to identify root causes.

A personal story. In April 2026, my husband got a tick bite and developed a strange red bump. An angry, or bull's-eye, rash from a tick bite needs a doctor, but in this case, the earliest appointment available was four days away. In a pinch, I used this remedy:

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June 2026 Events at the DubHub

Ongoing Weekly Activities

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

Adult Yoga, Mondays, 3–4:15 pm

Early AM Yoga, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30–7:30 am

Open Hours, Tuesdays, 9 am–3 pm, and every other Thursday

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

Qigong, Wednesdays, noon–1 pm

Needle Mania, Wednesdays, 3:30–5 pm

Mahjong Group, Thursdays, 1–3 pm

Knit with Nancy, Fridays via Zoom, 10 am



MicroExploring the SuperSanctuary, Tuesday, June 2

Join Phil Brown and Ignacio Oreamuno for a talk at the DubHub at 5 pm as they reveal the hidden wonders of the SuperSanctuary within the Monadnock Region. They have written *MicroExploring the SuperSanctuary*, part guidebook and part tribute to a beloved landscape. Their book blends history, ecology, and personal narrative to show how everyday walks can become journeys of belonging. Through the lens of “MicroExploring,” they challenge audiences to slow down, look closer, and find the extraordinary in the everyday landscapes of New Hampshire. Whether you’re passing through or have lived here for many years, you’ll feel the SuperSanctuary’s story come alive and discover your own place within it. Sponsored by the

Garden Club of Dublin and the Beech Hill Dublin Lake Watershed Association.

Songwriters Group, Tuesday, June 2

For all the songwriters out there, we are hosting a Songwriters Group from 6:30–8:30 pm at the DubHub on the first Tuesday of every month. For more information, contact Volkert Volkorsz at volkervt@mac.com.

Red Cross Blood Drive, Saturday, June 6

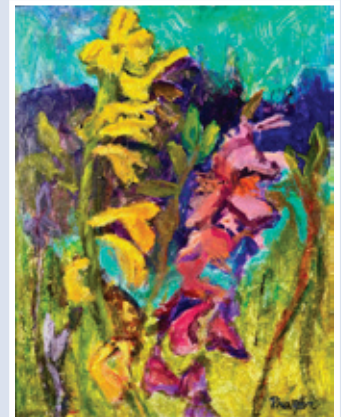
A blood drive takes place at the center from 9 am–2 pm. To sign up, visit the Red Cross website, redcrossblood.org/give, or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

Art Reception, Friday, June 12

From 5–7 pm, the public is invited to attend a reception for “The Flower Show” – a group exhibit of floral-themed art by Summer Langille, Judith Prager, Dawn V. Randall, and Roberta Woolfson. Using an array of mediums, from cut-paper collage to paint and pastels, each artist expresses a love for the beauty of the natural world and especially for the vibrant colors and shapes of the flora within it.

The exhibit runs Wednesday, June 10–Tuesday, June 30 and is available for viewing and purchase during DubHub open hours and by appointment. For more information about these artists, please visit our website, or come meet them at our reception!

Clockwise from upper left: Summer Langille, Dawn Randall, Judith Prager, and Roberta Woolfson.



Herb Class, Tuesday, June 9

Join herbalist Katherine Gekas at 6:30 pm as she teaches about herbs. This month, the class will make hand lotion and work on a project for the community. The fee for class is a sliding scale (\$10–\$40), and everyone will go home with small samples and a handout with resources. For those who would like one-on-one consultation time with Katherine, she offers private office hours at the DubHub on the third Tuesday of the month from 4–6 pm. Email her for more info at katherinegekas2@gmail.com.

Storytelling & Spoken Word, Wednesday, June 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 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. For more information, contact Papa Joe at papajoestorytelling.com and Sebastian at bit.ly/slockwood.

Coffee House & Open Mic, Saturday, June 20

On the third Saturday of each month, there is a combined Coffee House & Open Mic from 6–9 pm. Coffee and snacks are available. Attendees are also welcome to BYOB and 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 the Hot Skillet Club, a New Hampshire-based group known for their unique blend of jazz and western string music. For this



show, Val Blachly and Liza Constable will perform a blend of vintage jazz, with Liza on rhythm guitar with her bluesy alto and Val on the stick bass with her gentle soprano and high harmonies. Their music includes swing, western swing, and classic songs from the Great American Songbook. You do not want to miss this fantastic duo.

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 for the featured performer(s).

Music & Artisan Festival, Saturday, June 27

Mark your calendars for an unforgettable day of art and music! On June 27, the DubHub transforms into a bustling hub of creativity, inside and outside. We're thrilled to feature an exceptional lineup of five regional bands that will play in the Garden Sanctuary behind the Dublin Community Church next to the DubHub from 11 am–5 pm, and over 15 talented local

artisans who will display their wares inside the DubHub from 10 am–4 pm.

Bring the whole family, discover unique handmade arts and crafts, and celebrate the incredible talent of the Monadnock Region. The bands include Union Sound, Kota, Folk Soul Duo, the Milk House Heaters, and the Hot Skillet Club. Many of the artisans have been part of the Monadnock Art Tours and the League of NH Craftsmen exhibitions over the years, displaying an array of wares from fused and hand-blown glass, paintings, fiber art, porcelain and fine silver jewelry, and ceramics. Come see work from Danser Arts Studios, Brian James, Rachel Germond, Forrest Ben-civenga, Donni Webber, and more. Each piece is a one-of-a kind treasure.

The Kona Ice Food Truck will be onsite to sell ice cream and flavored ice. Other food items may be available for purchase as well. All are welcome to bring a picnic, blanket, and lawn chairs, too. Admission is free, but proceeds collected by donation at this event will go to End 68 Hours of Hunger, a program that provides meals to children facing food insecurity in the Con-Val School District. If it rains, the music will be brought inside the church.

Calendars are always evolving. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page, facebook.com/dublinhub, and subscribe to our weekly newsletter, *Hubbub from the DubHub* (which can also be found on our Facebook page), for updated information about events. Email info@dublincommunitycenter.org if you would like to be added to the *Hubbub* weekly mailing list. And check out our new website: dubhub-nh.org.

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We Remember Our Dads...

A Farmer at Heart

BY BRUCE FOX

My father, Allan Fox, died nine years ago, but his legacy remains. I have had the good fortune to run The Friendly Farm for the last 50 years, but it was my father who had the vision and courage to start such a venture. I never would have attempted what he did. The Friendly Farm brought him so much joy, and that has been passed on to me over all these years.

Dad had animals as a child growing up in Dracut, Massachusetts. His father was a milkman who bought the milk he sold from other Foxes who had farms in Dracut. Dad always liked being around farm animals and graduated from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst with a major in dairy science.

His college years were interrupted by three years in the Army during World War II. He saw action in Italy, and I have no doubt that he experienced PTSD. He flunked out of Officers Training School but ended his Army career as a First Lieutenant after several battlefield promotions. He was wounded but refused receiving a Purple Heart because he didn't want his mother to know how close he came to death. He earned a Bronze Star during a weekend of heavy fighting in February 1945.

After the war, he returned to UMass, where he met and married Mary Alice Cande in 1948. Mom had grown up on a dairy farm in Dalton, Massachusetts. They eventually settled in Concord, Massachusetts, so he could easily commute to his desk job in Arlington. He didn't particularly like his job, and when offered a promotion that required a move to New Jersey, he decided at age 40 to seek a new career. A professional job counselor suggested he do something with people and animals, and the idea of an educational farm evolved. With a family of five kids and no income, a crisis loomed that was solved by a fortuitous event. He took a job as sexton at his church and later wrote:

"The nearly eight months I spent as sexton provided one of the most valuable experiences of my life. I would go to work early, get on my knees in the beautiful new church, and feel that God

and I were really communicating. I was able to spend time in the library, reading and studying, and to talk to members of the staff and others."



Allan Fox

Our move to Dublin in the fall of 1964 was a real stroke of luck. My father went to the Brewster estate auction, and nobody bid on the property. He could not bid because my mother had not seen the property. The next day, seven of us crammed into our VW beetle, and they bought the property for \$17,000. Within a year, he was able to mortgage the property for \$28,000, and that extra cash funded the first few years of The Friendly Farm.

Within three years, the farm was profitable, and I witnessed how much he loved his new life. I was the only one of the five children who took a real liking to the farm, and in 1976, after finishing college and two years in the Peace

Corps, my parents sold the farm to me. They didn't retire after the sale but worked for me for the next 14 years. Dad and Mom then were able to travel during the off-season. They traveled all over the country – to Mexico and eventually to Europe, the Middle East, and the Pacific. For years, they camped in a tent but eventually bought a series of used VW campers, until they could finally afford a brand-new one for their last years of travel.

When they were in their 80s, they spent winters in Frostproof, Florida, but their final years were spent back in Dublin year-round. They loved happy hours on the back porch, especially when some of their 13 grandchildren were around. Those times were often filled with everyone's stories of travels abroad, as so many of us seem to have caught their bug of adventuring all around the world.

BRUCE FOX is the owner of The Friendly Farm.

Celebrating My Father in Words and Phrases

BY FELICITY POOL

My father, Beekman Pool, balanced the responsibilities of family, work, and community service with voyages to the Arctic, the Antarctic, Labrador, Africa, Europe, the Middle East, and South America. Accompanied by wife or children, he was willing to travel in comfort. On his own, he chose, as my mother put it, "to be cold, wet, and uncomfortable." She was speaking of

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his many trips across the Atlantic Ocean on a small sailboat, but the words apply to most of his favorite excursions. “Wonderful, just wonderful,” he’d say.

He often described with glee the challenge of holding on with frozen hands in subzero weather when dogsledding in the Arctic: “If you didn’t get it right, you were off on your arse.” And if, on a camping trip, he perceived someone not doing their share of setting up tents or collecting firewood, he would remark, “Why don’t they get off their arse and do something?”

Canoeing down streams and rivers in snow-melt-cold rushing water, trying to avoid the rocks and boat-swamping eddies? Whoever was his partner would hear, over and over, “Pull left,” or “Pull right,” and “HARDER!!”

A monthlong trip on a remote far-north waterway with only his fellow paddler, swarms of blackflies, and the occasional goose or caribou anywhere near? “I wouldn’t have missed it.” He said that about a lot of things, because there were so many he enjoyed.

His hands wandered over piano keys and chess boards. In retirement, he taught chess at Dublin Consolidated School. I hear stories about how learning the game meant so much to many students, and how many of them have taught others how to play. Often heard when he was teaching friends or family at home was “Study the board. LOOK at the board. THINK.”

And always, about any undertaking, he’d say, “Do your best.” If



Beekman and Elizabeth Pool

a situation was complicated, his comment was, “Hmm. There are many imponderables.”

My dad’s athletic accomplishments were the prompt for one of his favorite sayings. He was a three-time U.S. National Squash champion, said to be the hardest hitter of all time (allowing for the basic equipment available in his era). His frequently stated conclusion was, “If you’re good at something, there’s no need to say so, because people will notice; if you’re bad at something, they’ll notice, too, so you don’t have to tell them.”

A common communication from my father to himself was a handkerchief tied around his knee to remind him to turn off water in the garden.

One of his favorite desserts he called “slip-and-go-down” (otherwise known as vanilla junket, the old-fashioned kind made with a rennet tablet).

In the last decades of his life, my father spoke of his death as, “When I pop off.” Instructions to me about the future generally began with that phrase and ended with “Take care of Mummy.” Unsaid, but well known, was that as long as he was alive, he’d be doing his best to care for her and much else.

When my high school friends came for a meal, he enjoyed asking if they were ready for a riddle, then leaning toward them and saying, with words run together and spoken fast:

“I/DON’T/SUPPOSE/YOU/DON’T/KNOW/NOTHING/ABOUT/NOTHING/DO/YOU?”

No one ever got what he claimed was the correct answer: YES, I DON’T.

FELICITY POOL is a retired nurse, teacher, and lifetime resident of Dublin.

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HIGH SCHOOL

Liam Armstrong graduates from ConVal. He is a member of the National German Honor Society and National Honor Society, where he was an officer this year. He has been involved in Youth in Government as well as student government, with leadership roles in both. Liam was the student school board representative this year. As the only male member of the swim team for the last two years, he excels at breaking records! He will enter Saint Anselm College in the fall and plans to study political science.



Haven Ferguson graduates from her local homeschool in Dublin (Mando Lane Scholars Academy). She is a member of the Peterborough Wave Swim Team and the Keene YMCA Dolphins, and she currently swims on the National Team at the YMCA of Greater Nashua Storm. She serves on worship team and in the children's ministry at the Monadnock Congregational Church. A talented artist, Haven was selected for the 2024 Monadnock Art Tour's Emerging Artist Program. She will attend Hillsdale College this fall to major in art and swim for the Hillsdale Chargers.



Samantha Fletcher graduated from Dublin Christian Academy, where she was involved in student government, serving as class president for several years. She participated in the Ski & Ride Club, choir, and drama. She played on the varsity volleyball and basketball teams, and she served as captain and MVP of both teams. During an emergency management internship, Sammie developed a tabletop reunification game to explain the process



of reuniting students, staff, and families after an emergency. She hopes to join the United States Air Force, with the goal of serving as a police officer.

Nakoa Kalvaitis graduates from ConVal, and has applied for his electrical apprentice license. He will be beginning an apprenticeship and coursework locally, all in preparation for becoming a master electrician.



Surasa Kalvaitis graduates from ConVal and is bound for the University of Southern Maine. She is interested in history and ecology, and will pursue studies on the Gorham and Portland campuses.



Julia Murray graduated from Dublin Christian Academy and plans an enriching gap year. She served as vice president of her class, competed on the varsity volleyball and basketball teams, and participated in various fine arts programs. When she isn't working at the Dublin Lake Club or doing jobs for her neighbors, Julia enjoys baking, reading, and spending time with friends. This fall, she will work as a teacher's assistant at Lionheart Classical Academy in Peterborough before heading to Houghton University in New York in the fall of 2027.



Gavin Niemela graduates from ConVal. He attended Boys State, Summer Aviation Academy, was a member of NHS, Spanish Honors Society, president of the Interact Club, and a varsity alpine ski and baseball athlete. He earned his private pilot license. Gavin is headed to the United States Air



Force Academy, after a year-long application process that required a high GPA and service work. He received congressional nominations from U.S. Senators Hassan and Shaheen, and U.S. Congresswoman Goodlander. Gavin is one of four from New Hampshire and one of 1,100 nationwide for the Class of 2030. He plans to pursue Aeronautical Engineering and a path to flying larger aircraft.

Silas Paquin received his diploma from Dublin Christian Academy where he served on the yearbook staff and participated in the Ski & Ride Club. A baking club at DCA during his elementary years helped to cement his passion for serving others with food. Silas currently works as kitchen lead at Toah Nipi Retreat Center in Rindge. He also volunteers at his church and traveled to Panama on a mission trip. This fall, Silas will enter the honors program at Johnson and Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island, to study baking and pastry arts.



Aiden Pass finished his senior year at Dublin Christian Academy as the class chaplain. He was active in fine arts, speech, debate, drama, and various school service projects. Aiden is an avid fan of Formula One racing and enjoys collecting vintage motorsport books. This summer, he will work with Great Panes Window Cleaning and at the Dublin Lake Club, and he will attend Saint Anselm College in Manchester to pursue a degree in communications.



Alyssa Winters spent most of her life in Japan, where her parents served in ministry. Alyssa returned to Dublin Christian Academy in 2025 and has fully immersed herself in the community. She was a standout athlete for the DCA Stags, playing on both the varsity volleyball and basketball teams and earning recognition as a basketball



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all-star. Through her business internship, Alyssa planned the academy's first "Media Day" for athletes. This summer, she will serve as a lifeguard for Keene Parks and Recreation before she begins her studies in exercise science at Keene State College.

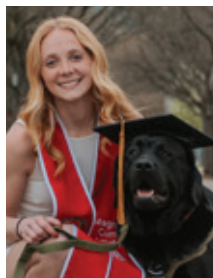
COLLEGE

Caitlin Beal graduates from the Boston University College of Communication with a Bachelor of Science in advertising and minors in business and journalism. She was president of BU Gymnastics, the lead sideline reporter for BU Athletics, anchor of three BUTV news shows, and a dean's list recipient. She completed four internships, including at WCVB Channel 5 and with the Upper Valley Nighthawks. She spent a semester studying and working in London. Following graduation, she plans to pursue a career as a broadcast journalist.



Emily Fletcher graduated *magna cum laude* from Keene State College with a Bachelor of Science in biology and a Bachelor of Arts in chemistry and earned

the Cheshire County Kennel Club Award for her work in veterinary medicine. Emily served as the secretary of her class and president of the Premedical Association. She ran a photography business, trained therapy dogs, and worked at both the Dublin Lake Club and Jaffrey Rindge Veterinary Hospital. In the fall, she will move to Alabama to attend Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine.



Elias Carl Niemela graduated *magna cum laude* from Keene State College, with a Bachelor of Arts in business management and a minor in construction management. His freshman year was spent at Franklin Pierce University. He is currently employed at Wragg Well Company in Rindge. In 2027, Elias and his father, Brooks Niemela, will travel to New Zealand on a hunting expedition and will explore New Zealand's natural resources.



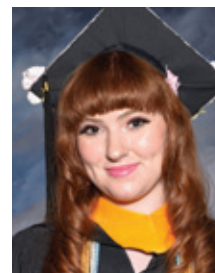
Noah Paquin earned a Bachelor of Science in business administration with a concentration in project management and

a minor in technical studies (welding) from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia. Noah worked as team lead in the Makerspace Engineering Laboratory.



He participated on the university's Baja SAE engineering competition team. Noah interned at Hitchiner Manufacturing in Milford and has accepted a full-time position on their project management team. Noah is a volunteer member of the Dublin Fire Department.

Thalia Stafford graduated *cum laude* from Southern New Hampshire University with a Bachelor of Science in computer science and a minor in graphic design. During her time at SNHU, Thalia was inducted into the Order of Omega Honor Society. She began an internship in the summer of 2022 and has continued working in her field for the past four years.



It's not too late to celebrate graduates!
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Thank You to the Freemans

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is now 26 and recently married to Daniel Mandolesi, a pilot for American Airlines. Lucy herself is a licensed pilot and flight instructor as well as an aerospace engineer. The couple will soon move from Burling-

ton, Vermont, to Daniel's hometown of Melbourne, Florida.

So what's next for our beloved store? Andy and Michelle expect Jenna and Tyler Rich, a young farming couple from Nelson, will shepherd the DGS into its next exciting phase involving local agriculture. Hopefully, they'll continue to bake those famous

giant cookies, since Andy says up to 70,000 of them are sold every year – really!

We will all miss the Freemans and are so grateful for all they've done for our town. It's hard to believe they will slow down, but maybe Michelle can at least sleep past 4 am.

MARY LOFTIS is on the staff of the *Advocate*.



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Welcome to The Caterpillar Lab

BY LISA FOOTE

You may have noticed changes at the former site of Smokehaus BBQ on Route 101. Its sign is not yet installed, but The Caterpillar Lab (TCL) has recently relocated from Main Street in Marlborough to Main Street in Dublin.

The Dublin site has been previously occupied by a series of restaurants. The first, the Esquimo, opened in the early 1920s with a gas pump and a sandwich shop, which expanded to include a restaurant, dance hall, and rental cabins by 1925. Operating as the Esquimo restaurant until it closed in the 1960s, it was followed by a series of eating establishments: Ebony Hill Farm, Suffolk House (1970s–1990), Prime Thyme, and Audrey's (1996–2022).

The new tenant, The Caterpillar Lab, will be continuing the tradition of operating as a restaurant of sorts, only the diners will be caterpillars.

The contrast with the Marlborough site couldn't be more striking. Instead of a 1,000-square-foot area with exhibits, photographs, and host plants (with resident caterpillars) stacked to the tin ceiling, TCL now inhabits the expansive two-story space, which replaced the original wooden building in 2019.

The former kitchen is now a light-filled workspace; the serving counter provides a surface for microscope presentation of caterpillars, magnifying them to an astounding size and displaying the image on high-definition monitors. The day I visited, there were at least 12 different types to view with enthusiastic commentary by TCL founder Sam Jaffe. Multiple branches of host plants with caterpillars munching away are displayed on top of low cabinetry, where whimsical 4-foot-long crocheted caterpillars laze about. At the end of the room, there is also a generous space for in-house programming.

Jaffe has been captivated by natural surroundings from an early age. Eventually, he picked up a camera to record his observations. After graduating from Brown University, he set about photographing all the larger and most photogenic caterpillars in New England. The project led to exhibiting his stunning work at several galleries. In 2009, when hosting an opening for one of those exhibits, he brought along several hundred caterpillars. That display and the reaction to it served as the genesis of what The Caterpillar Lab does today.



Founder Sam Jaffe showing a two-inch long tussuck moth caterpillar magnified many times on a high definition monitor. Beware these flashy caterpillars have poisonous fluid on their hairs which will create an itchy rash.

TCL became a New Hampshire nonprofit organization in 2015 and soon thereafter entered a partnership with Antioch University New England, hiring interns to further outreach opportunities and research projects. The partnership and collaboration continue. Recently, TCL has branched out to include in-school programs and held a teacher/naturalist training session at Massachusetts Audubon.

The website (TheCaterpillarLab.org) describes a vision for “a dynamic facility for education, collaboration, and nature-based art, serving as a hub for natural history enthusiasts, artists, and researchers. As we grow, we remain rooted in exploration, curiosity, and the arts, focusing on the fascinating caterpillars of New England's landscapes.”

Loading up the van and taking the caterpillars on the road to large venues like Boston's Museum of Science remains TCL's main means of outreach. However, as they settle into their new building, visitors are encouraged to visit during open hours on Fridays and Saturdays from noon–5 pm.

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

The Goshawk

BY TOM WARREN

It's often said that of all hawks in North America, none is more brave, fierce, or powerful than the goshawk. Its attack is described as swift, furious, and deadly. A bird of the great northern coniferous forests, it is a permanent resident here in Dublin. It is strong enough to carry off snowshoe rabbits, pheasants, grouse, and chickens.

There were famous invasions of these raptors from the north in 1896, 1906, and 1916, in 10-year cycles. These invasions were fol-

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Beech Hill Accessible Trail Parking Opens

BY THE BEECH HILL-DUBLIN LAKE WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

The parking area for the accessible Meadow Trail on the summit of Beech Hill will now be open to vehicles on the third Sunday every month from June through November. Opening day will be Sunday, June 21, Father’s Day. Of course, anyone is welcome to hike to the summit from the midlevel parking area on Beech Hill Road at any time.

Last fall, the Beech Hill-Dublin Lake Watershed Association completed construction of an accessible hiking trail called the Meadow Trail, featuring a broad view east toward Crotched Mountain. The short trail is well suited to wheelchair users, families with strollers, seniors, and anyone seeking time in nature. Dogs on leashes are welcome.

Following the June 21 opening, the next open dates for vehicle access will be Sundays, July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, and November 15, from 1–4 pm. We hope you’ll enjoy the trail, and bring your friends and family who would appreciate easy access to a one-third-mile

looping trail on the summit of beautiful Beech Hill.

The extensive Beech Hill Trail network, spanning over 140 acres, can be accessed by hikers, bikers, and skiers from our multiple trailheads. The trail map can be found on the Monadnock Conservancy website, via this link: monadnockconservancy.org/explore/hiking.



The Lake Hosts Are Coming

Here in Dublin, we love our lake. Through community efforts and the work of the Conservation Commission, we have largely protected it. However, all 1,000 lakes in the state face growing threats from polluted runoff water, invasive species, climate change, and development pressure. For many years, Dublin has been part of the Lake Host program, and again this year, inspectors will be posted at the boat landing on the west side of the lake. Their job is to carefully look over what’s entering and exiting the lake and to ensure that boaters arrive and leave with clean, drained, and dry watercraft. So before you go boating this summer, say hello to the Lake Host, your boat ramp hero!

Women’s Club Beach Cleanup June 14

BY NICOLE PEASE

Despite the chilly May, the Dublin Women’s Community Club (DWCC) is busy preparing for summer! While we are not asking for help with the beach setup (moving the docks and rafts into the water), we *do* need help getting the beach and grounds ready for the season. Beach cleanup day is scheduled for June 14 at 10 am. Please come and join this community effort. We are excited to share that lifeguards will be on duty starting June 22, and we hope that lessons will begin June 24. Mark your calendars for Beach Fun Day on August 14.

You should have already received your membership letters. If not, and you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Nancy Campbell at 603-563-8480. Dues continue to be \$150. Donations to support the cost of maintaining the beach are always appreciated. Thank you for the continued support, and we look forward to seeing you at the beach!

NICOLE PEASE is a member of the DWCC.

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Welcome Dublin Lavender

BY SARAH TIBBETTS

In 2019, unknowingly on the brink of the COVID-19 pandemic, Heidi and Kevin Doran purchased a home in Dublin with ample acreage to expand their gardening interests. Moving to a new community during the three years of relative isolation that followed brought its challenges. Both maintained demanding careers – Heidi in banking and Kevin in telecommunications – while balancing the schedules and responsibilities that come with

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family and professional life. Although the pandemic initially made it difficult to meet members of the community, it also gave them the unexpected opportunity to quietly roll up their sleeves and begin creating Dublin Lavender.

They began by planting 500 lavender plants, both English and French varieties, many started from seed in seven distinct cultivars, with a focus on organic cultivation and sustainable growing methods. Over time, they have carefully nurtured that original planting while developing a line of beautiful, handcrafted products created from the farm's harvests. They offer lavender floral bundles, wreaths, candles, essential oil, linen spray, body spray, and infused sugar among other products.

The farm represents a shared passion for both Heidi and Kevin. Heidi oversees garden maintenance and product development, while Kevin manages the distillation of lavender oils. They are supported by a small but dedicated crew that includes a gardener, a local high school student who assists with packaging and odd jobs, and a friend who handles social media and marketing. Together, they are an efficient team. During harvest season, it becomes an all-hands-on-deck effort, as the lavender blossoms are carefully gathered by hand and every hour of daylight counts.

For Heidi and Kevin, Dublin Lavender is the product of patience and a genuine affection for the land. Establishing a lavender farm in New Hampshire requires both optimism and planning. Lavender thrives in



sunlight and well-drained soil, but it also requires resilience in our northern climate.

Tucked just off the beaten path on Upper Jaffrey Road, Dublin Lavender feels like one of those places we may be tempted to keep secret – though its beauty is too magnificent to remain hidden for long. The Dorans' south-facing lavender field opens onto a sweeping 280-degree panorama stretching across Peterborough and Jaffrey, all the way to the distant hills of Massachusetts, with the unmistakable silhouette of Mount Monadnock rising in the southwest. On a warm, clear day, the experience is unforgettable. Fragrant purple lavender sways gently in the breeze, while bees move steadily from bloom to bloom, filling the air with a quiet hum. It feels calm and restorative, almost dreamlike. The farm's thoughtfully handcrafted products allow visitors to carry home and enjoy a small part of that experience long after the visit ends.

Last year included the farm's first small pop-up event, and the response from visitors was overwhelmingly positive. Encouraged by that enthusiasm, the Dorans are considering doubling their plantings and are tentatively planning four public visiting dates, bloom and weather dependent: June 19 and 26, and July 3 and 10.

Visitors can follow the farm's progress and seasonal updates through their website and social media.

SARAH TIBBETTS is a contributing writer to the *Advocate*.



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From DOGE to Dublin

BY JULIE RIZZO

New Dublin residents Stacey Scherer and Geary Pyles have called a number of different places “home” over the years. Stacey grew up in Kentucky, and Geary (pronounced “Gary”) grew up in Germany, where his parents were stationed in the Air Force. They met in law school at the University of Kentucky. Geary joined the Air Force, and his service obligation took them to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where they lived for 19 years before moving to the Washington, D.C., area. They had often talked about moving to New England when they retired, but the best laid plans...

In Albuquerque, Stacey worked as inhouse and general counsel for an insurance company, while Geary eventually left the military and went to work for the U.S. Department of Energy, working on nuclear security construction contracts. They took advantage of the active lifestyle there, raising avid skiers and a competitive gymnast. Their three adult children now live in Denver, Albuquerque, and Boston.

When an opportunity arose for Geary at the DOE in Washington, their three children had either flown or were preparing to fly the nest. Stacey and Geary made their move across country in stages. Geary went first and conveniently roomed with their middle son who was attending law school at Georgetown University. The following year, when their daughter finished high school, Stacey followed, finally settling on a home in Columbia, Maryland, just as the pandemic shut the world down. It was an unexpected interruption, but they looked forward to 15 or 20 more years to settle in and make the D.C. area their home.

That’s where the best laid plans come in. In early 2025, an “earthquake” was rattling Washington with the arrival of Elon Musk’s DOGE team. In April, Geary received an email announcing the elimination of hundreds of jobs at the Department of Energy, including his. Nuclear security, grid manage-

ment, and energy loans and grants were all affected. The job market in the nation’s capital was flooded with laid-off government employees. The government also asserted conflict-of-interest arguments, precluding many former federal employees from finding replacement employment, and thousands of grants and programs they could have supported were cancelled.

“People need to understand what happened when DOGE came in,” Stacey said. “The federal government does a lot for the country, and it’s been decimated.”

“We couldn’t go into the city anymore – it was too awful,” Geary said. “We had always wanted to retire in New England. We thought, why not now?”

So, in October 2025, Stacey and Geary began their reconnaissance mission – they made six road trips in the following two months to look at communities and houses. They started in Vermont and pretty soon crossed the border into New Hampshire, where it “just felt comfortable.”

“We were looking for a place with inde-



Photo by Julie Rizzo

pendent bookstores, art supplies, fabric, yarn, winter sports and snow, and college towns,” Stacey recalls. They made a rule for these trips – they had to look at a minimum of three houses to make the drive from Maryland worthwhile. So, in December 2025, they added a house on Windmill Hill Road in Dublin to their list, and they found their new home.

While full retirement is still a ways off, Stacey and Geary are thrilled to be in Dublin. They have already discovered the Dublin Hub art shows and the Toadstool Bookstore and are looking forward to skiing at nearby mountains and learning Nordic skiing as well. They are eager to meet others in the area who share their passion for art, cars, Formula One racing, and road trips. Geary would love to find an “old project car” to work on, and Stacey looks forward to converting space for an art studio to pursue her interest in oil painting.

We extend a warm Dublin welcome to our new neighbors!

JULIE RIZZO is on the staff of the *Advocate*.



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Friendly Face at the Transfer Station



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BY JUDY MORTNER

On a rainy day in April, I had the pleasure of sitting down over tea with Daoning Wang, our hardworking transfer station employee here in Dublin. While we often see her smiling face when dropping off recyclables, most of us likely know little about her beyond her remarkable patience when asked for the hundredth time whether a certain plastic pill bottle can be recycled. Here's my interview with Daoning:

JM: Where are you from, and where did you grow up?

DW: I grew up in the small city of Nan Ning, which is in southern China, on the border with Vietnam, and I came here in 2006 when I was in my 40s.

JM: Tell me about your family; are they here or in China in Nan Ning?

DW: I have a sister and a brother, who both live in China, and two nephews, my sister's boys. My siblings and I were born before 1978 when the law changed to allow

only one child per family. I also have a daughter in her 30s who speaks both Chinese and English – very helpful!

JM: Do you like living in Dublin, and have you lived elsewhere in the United States?

DW: I have been in Dublin for 20 years and haven't lived anywhere else. I love it because it has a lot of trees, it's beautiful, I can see houses (but not too many) when I take walks, and I love that it's quiet and not too loud. I like to be alone when I walk my dog, and it's nice to see just one or two people. In Nan Ning, there are too many people, too many cars and high-rise buildings. I remember too many cars, honking day and night.

JM: What do you dislike, any complaints?

DW: I am a little bit scared of animals like coyotes, smelly skunks, maybe a mouse, a bear! Too many animals, and I'm a little scared one will bite me!

JM: What do you miss from your country?

DW: I missed my parents when I first came, and my school friend. Every few years, I go back to visit my siblings and friends in China. I miss a lot of the food – especially fish. I cook mostly Chinese food at home, which is different from the Chinese food here. My daughter and I go to a Chinese grocery store in Boston to stock up on vegetables like bok choy and long beans, over a foot long! I like hot and spicy food and like to put a hot pot in the center of the table and cook beef, vegetables, and a lot of tofu.

JM: What do you like to do on days off?

DW: I have a garden in the backyard, and I grow flowers and vegetables. I have had a garden for a long time, and I like to make bouquets with lilies and roses and put them all around the house. I love to spend time in the garden and also shop for clothes and food. My daughter drives me everywhere. Even though I drove a motorbike in China in a lot of traffic, I don't drive here. I also watch a lot of news: Chinese news, news from Taiwan, and American news. I want to stay up to date with what's going on in the world, and I'm interested in politics.

JM: What about American food, do you like it?

DW: I like pizza, lobster, and fried clams and ice cream at Kimball's!

JM: What is your favorite part of your job at the Transfer Station?

DW: I like working three days and having four days off, but staying home is no good! I like the balance. My favorite part of the job is the people. I like to talk to people, and I like living in a small place where I get to know them. I'm a people person.

JUDY MORTNER is a member of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Committee.



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Theodore Parker in Dublin

BY TOM SILEO

In 1855, while summering at Mrs. Hannah Greenwood’s boarding house in Dublin, Theodore Parker, the famous Boston minister and abolitionist, wrote to a friend that “we are spending the dog-days at Dublin, New Hampshire, a cool mountainous town.”

The Jackson Greenwood House on Main Street was an important boarding house, managed by Hannah (Piper) Greenwood. Originally built in 1790 (the ell) and 1821 (the Colonial front), it is now where Ken Woods’ Dublin Health & Benefit Group currently resides at 1248 Main Street.

Parker summered here in 1854 and 1855. Mrs. Greenwood began taking boarders in 1846, making it Dublin’s first boarding house. Hosting Parker at this early date helped establish Dublin as a summer destination for intellectuals, writers, and artists, making this boarding house vital to the growth and reputation of our town.

Theodore Parker (1810–1860) was a transcendentalist and abolitionist along with his friend Thomas Higginson, who lived in Dublin decades after Parker summered here. Parker was the grandson of Captain John Parker, commander of the Lexington Militia, who faced Major John Pitcairn’s British regulars as they marched onto the Lexington Common on April 19, 1775.

After leaving his family farm, Parker attended Harvard, taught, and became a prominent Unitarian minister in Boston. Upon being exposed to the transcendentalist movement, his more radical sermons alienated the Unitarians. On the other hand, he was popular with the public, drew large crowds to his sermons, and was viewed as an important abolitionist, a champion of human rights, and the “conscience” of America. “The Music Hall in Boston could not hold the thousands who came to hear his denunciation of slavery,” wrote Dorothy B. Parker in 1937.

While summering in Dublin, Parker delivered sermons, most likely in the new First Congressional Church, built in 1853 (today the Dublin Community Church).

Of Parker, Thomas Higginson reported that after a two-hour lecture in Boston, his audience listened to him “as if an angel sang to them.” Historian Henry Steele Commager in *Theodore Parker* (1936) explained that Parker wanted to expand his reach outside of Boston. “He visited the towns of New Hampshire [including Dublin] and Vermont,” Commager wrote, “and found that they were by no means abandoned to orthodoxy.”

Parker’s first Dublin sermon, delivered in 1844, was titled “Of Life and Religion as Foundations of Character.” His second was titled “Just and Unjust Treatment of Opinion,” delivered in 1855. Parker told Dublin residents that their opinions should be aligned with the “higher law” of God. He also preached the importance of equal rights, freedom of speech, and social justice.

While in Dublin, Parker wrote in an 1855 letter: “What a place the city [Boston] is for outward action! But it is no place for thought, least of all for poetic, creative thought. This summer, I hope to fill up my little cistern by intercourse with nature.”

Inspired by our town, he not only delivered sermons but also worked on one of his most controversial books, *The Trial of Theodore Parker*. This book describes his court case fighting against the so-called “Fugitive Slave Act,” which, enacted on September 18, 1850, allowed southern slave owners to retrieve their slaves who escaped to the north seeking freedom.

Parker willfully obstructed the Act by leading the Boston Vigilance Committee, which hid escaped slaves and aided their escape to Canada. He was arrested and indicted in 1854 for his actions and his speeches. Fellow abolitionist Higginson was indicted alongside Parker for taking part in an effort to storm the Boston courthouse to free the fugitive slave Anthony Burns. Both Parker and Higginson had their cases dismissed in 1855 on a legal technicality, but later, Parker continued his efforts to end slavery by financially supporting the abolitionist John Brown.

Parker described Dublin as “one of the best towns of your Granite State, made so by a noble minister (most likely Rev. Levi W. Leonard) whose influence was felt all over the town.”

TOM SILEO is a writer and financial advisor.



The Jackson Greenwood House

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The Walden School Concert Series

Once again, The Walden School presents its annual free summer series showcasing acclaimed performing artists and ensembles who also work closely with Walden’s summer programs. The 2026 Concert Series on the campus of Dublin School will featuring concerts by Ensemble Dal Niente, David Friend, Duo Della Luna, International Contemporary Ensemble, W4RP Trio, and The Walden School Players. Not to be missed is an outdoor concert by New Orleans bandleader Aurora Nealand on Friday, July 3.

Walden will also present nearly 200 world premieres of music created by our students and faculty – approximately 140 by Young Musicians Program students (ages 9–18), 40 works by adult Creative Musicians Retreat participants, and 10 pieces commissioned from Walden’s YMP faculty.

Events in June are at 7:30 pm at the Louise Shonk Kelly Recital Hall, Dublin School (unless otherwise noted). Admission is free.

Saturday, June 13: Creative Musicians Retreat Opening Concert *Pianist David Friend and members of Ensemble Dal Niente.*

Sunday, June 14: Nicole Mitchell *Composer-in-Residence Presentation*

Thursday, June 18: Creative Musicians Retreat Performers Night *Chamber music performed by Walden participants, faculty, staff, and artists.*

Sunday, June 28: Duo Della Luna *Susan Botti and Airi Yoshioka perform eclectic contemporary chamber music for voice and violin.*

Friday, July 3: Aurora Nealand *Inspiring outdoor concert of New Orleans music on the Fountain Arts Building lawn. Co-presented with the Monadnock Folklore Society.*

Park Theatre Highlights for June

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 Ages 13–18 Stagecraft, July 13–17, 1:30–4:30 pm
 (set design/construction, costumes, and make-up)
 Scholarships available.

- June 5, 7:30 pm** *Sinatra*, A Tribute by Patrick Tobin
 - June 7, 3 pm** Ashuelot Concerts presents Piano Trios by Grieg and Tchaikovsky with guest cellist Edward Arron
 - June 10, 1:30 pm** ArtsCinema Series: *The Danish Collector: Delacroix to Gauguin*
 - June 10, 6:30 pm** Open Mic night
 - June 12, 6:30 pm** *A League of Their Own*
 - June 13, 7:30 pm** *Red Solo Cup*, A Tribute to Toby Keith
 - June 17, 1:30 pm** ArtsCinema Series Music: *In Search of Haydn*
 - June 20, 2 pm** *UPLIFT!* presented by the Peterborough Dance Company
 - June 25, 7:30 pm** *Good Vibrations*, A Celebration of the Beach Boys (live concert)
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Founded in 2021 and named after the Ashkenazi Hebrew word for the leviathan – a mythical sea creature said to travel the oceans collecting songs, krill, and dreams – the group released its debut album, *Levyosn's Lullaby*, on Borscht Beat in

2023. Their repertoire spans traditional and original music in Yiddish, Hebrew, Ladino, and English, enriched by influences from Eastern European folk traditions. Known for intricate arrangements and lush vocal harmonies, Levyosn brings audiences into the heart of Yiddish culture through concerts, participatory song and dance, workshops, and musical celebrations.

For tickets, please visit musiconnorway-pond.org.

Dublin remembers
Thomas Robinson
 1934–2026

Book Sale & More

The Dublin Community Church will hold its semiannual book sale on Friday, June 5, 8 am–5 pm; Saturday, June 6, 8 am–5 pm; and Sunday, June 7, 1–3 pm (also includes music, movies, vintage calendars, maps, puzzles, and brainy games). Gently used contributions can be dropped off 24/7 in shed #1 on the east side of the church. Or call 603-831-1360 to schedule a pickup. At the sale, all prices are by donation – you decide. Donations go toward the church outreach program, which provides food and practical help to people and organizations locally and in the wider Monadnock Region. Enjoy a free cup of tea or coffee. Relax and browse to peaceful music in an unhurried atmosphere.

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Food Pantry Update

BY BRIE MORRISSEY

The Dublin Food Pantry has filled a void in this community since we opened the doors last fall. As a neighbor-helping-neighbor initiative, the pantry has shown that people in this community still show up for each other. We are currently welcoming five to seven families every day and sometimes more. Donations are helping local families, seniors, and pets in our community.

While the need continues to be steady, donations have been lower in recent months. We are asking for the community's support to continue our mission of helping our neighbors. A little goes a long way, and if you're headed to a store, please consider picking up an extra item or two. We are fortunate to have been given two chest freezers, so we are able to accept frozen and bulk food items, which can make a huge difference.

We have a list of needs, roughly in order of priority, in each "section" listed on our website. Please reach out to us to coordinate this type of donation. We also have refrigerators for perishables and, of course, plenty of room for nonperishable goods.

We are extremely grateful for the community's kindness and generosity, and we have witnessed the difference we are making for local families. If shopping for food items is not something you can do, donations can also be made through our website. Feel free to send an email or Facebook message if you would like to coordinate a cash donation directly to a volunteer. These donations allow our volunteers to shop for the most-needed items on a weekly basis.

If you or someone you know is in need of food but can't make it to the pantry, please contact us.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone in the community for continuing to spread our mission of neighbors helping neighbors. Your generosity and kindness make such a difference. Please visit dublinfoodpantry.com.

BRIE MORRISSEY is a founder of the Dublin Food Pantry.

End 68 Hours of Hunger

We have several important notes to share this month.

First and most important: No child should go hungry over the summer just because school, with its free breakfast and lunch, is not in session. During the summer, we leave grocery bags of food for family pickup from strategically placed bins around the ConVal region. If you know a child who is food insecure, please encourage the family to go to registration.end-68hoursof hunger.org to

sign up for these summer bags.

Next: It was wonderful to have students join us on May 15 for ConVal's Day of Service. They shelved food, packed grocery bags with weekend food, and packed snacks for distribution to local libraries and social service agencies. What a great group!

And finally, our monthly wish list:

These days, peanut butter, fruit cups (not cans), and packages of ramen are especially welcome. All can be left at the west-side entrance of the Dublin Community Church.

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JODY FEINMAN, FDN-P and Certified Genomics Coach, is a Dublin resident.

Mark Your Calendar!
Dublin Community Day,
Saturday, July 25, 11am-1pm
 The Dublin Public Library will celebrate its 125th anniversary with special events beginning at 1pm.

Season Begins at the Peterborough Players

The summer season begins with *Baskerville*, by Ken Ludwig, directed by Brendon Fox, which runs from June 17-28. The Players' promotion sums it up:

“Get your deerstalker cap on! Sherlock Holmes is on the case. The male heirs of the Baskerville line are being dispatched one by one. To find their ingenious killer, Holmes and Watson must brave the desolate moors before a family curse dooms its newest heir. Watch as our intrepid investigators try to escape a dizzying web of clues, silly accents, disguises, and deceit as five actors deftly portray more than 40 characters. Does a wild hellhound prowl the moors of Devonshire? Can our heroes discover the truth in time? Join the fun and see how far from elementary the truth can be.”

For tickets, go to peterboroughplayers.org/Baskerville.html.



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lowed by a scarcity of grouse the following spring.

Rabbits and grouse are the major food targets of this hawk, but it also eat squirrels, birds, and mice. It often strikes smaller birds at feeding stations in winter, especially during snowstorms. In years when sufficient prey is not available, hawks and owls will eat each other.

The goshawk was often used in falconry. The Emperor of China used this bird to hunt pheasants, and Marco Polo witnessed the emperor flying them at

pheasants and partridges. The goshawk is called the blue hawk by chicken farmers for its striking plumage.

In our area, a goshawk once pursued a chicken, which escaped from its talons. The chicken flew into the kitchen of a surprised mother cooking lunch! When nesting in May and June, the adult hawks are especially dangerous to humans who venture close to their nests.

A classic book, *The Goshawk*, by T.H. White, describes the efforts by White to train the hawk (falconry) and the hawk's efforts to train the man.

TOM WARREN is Dublin's resident ornithologist.

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7 DCC Book Sale 1-3pm; HUB Song Circle 3-5pm	8 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; Community Circle 6:30-8pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; DHS 4pm	9 HUB Early Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; Herb Class 6:30pm; DPL Competitive Bridge Club 12:30pm; Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; WRRC 5pm; Friends of Library 5pm	10 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Qigong 12-1pm; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm; DPL Story Time/Homeschool Group 10:30am; DPL Trustees Meeting	11 HUB Mahjong 1pm; TH Master Planning 7pm	12 HUB/ Zoom Knit w/ Nancy 10-11am; Art Reception 5-7pm	13 DPL Dublin Democrats 10am; HCC Levyosn concert 4pm; DS Walden School opening concert 7:30pm
14 FLAG DAY	15 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; DPL Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm	16 HUB Early Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; Herbal off. hrs. 4-6pm; DPL Bloomsday Celeb. 10am-2pm; Comp. Bridge Club 12:30pm; Creative Club 3:30-4:30pm; Tech Night 5pm; SAU CV School Bd. 7-9pm	17 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Qigong noon-1pm; Needle Mania 3:30-5pm; Storytelling 6:30-8:30pm; DPL Story Time/Homeschool Group 10:30am; TH Con Comm 5pm	18 DPL CLOSED; HUB Mahjong 1pm; Conversation with Music Creators 7pm; TH Planning Board 6pm; DS Walden School Chamber Music 7:30pm	19 JUNETEENTH HUB/ Zoom Knit w/Nancy 10-11am; Dublin Lavender open	20 DPL Summer Reading Prog. Begins 9am-1pm; Fairy Lantern Prog. 10-11am; HUB Coffeehouse & Open Mic 6-9pm
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28 DS Walden School Duo Della Luna 7:30pm	29 HUB Coffee & Conversation 10am-noon; Yoga 3-4:15pm; TH Select Board 4:30pm	30 HUB Early Yoga 6:30-7:30am; Open 9am-3pm; DPL Competitive Bridge Club 12:30pm			COP Cathedral of the Pines DCC Dublin Community Church DPL Dublin Public Library DS Dublin School HCC Hancock Community Church HUB Dublin Community Center SAU ConVal School District Office TH Town Hall, Dublin	

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