Congratulations to All Dublin’s Graduates, Class of 2019

CONVAL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Ryan Beal competed in Alpine skiing for four years at ConVal as well as Nordic skiing as a senior. His activities included fencing, Ocean Bowl, Interact Club, National Honor Society and Math team captain. Ryan will graduate as valedictorian of his class and he will join Northeastern’s Chemical Engineering program in Boston this Fall.

Sarah Newell: I am so excited to be graduating from ConVal Regional High School in the Class of 2019. The feeling of happiness in graduating is also a bit bittersweet when I think back on the fond memories that I have had the last four years. These high school years were mainly filled with laughing, studying and running. I am so happy that I was a part of ConVal’s Interact Club, cross country, and track and field programs. I look forward to attending Keene State in the fall to study architecture. I will be also be trying out for the cross-country program at Keene State. As for this summer, my schedule will be filled with friends, working, and running.

Daniel Stockwell, aka Woody, is a ConVal graduate this year and showed his artwork at a recent Sharon Arts Center show.

The other ConVal seniors graduating this June 2019 from Dublin are Darryl Bennett, Nicholas Bernier, Ryan Drew, Austin Eddy, Hunter Park, and Alison Worcester.

DUBLIN SCHOOL

Lillian Bates: I will be attending Williams College next year where I look forward to studying math and science and skiing on the Nordic team.

Sita Moses attended Mountain Shadows and then spent her four high school years at the Dublin School. She has greatly enjoyed her time growing up in Dublin and is excited to bring what she has learned from our little town to college this fall. While attending Sweet Briar College, Sita plans to continue pursuing her love for horses which she first discovered at Friendship Field Farm.

Reilly Harrison and James Wolpe also graduated this year from Dublin School.

ST. PAUL’S SCHOOL

Eloise Catlin, daughter of Loring Catlin, Jr. and Christine Clinton, graduated from St. Paul’s School in Concord, NH. At St. Paul’s, Elo earned varsity letters in alpine skiing, cross country, and crew. Her boat won the New England Interscholastic Rowing Championships the past two years and was a finalist in the Women’s Henley in 2017. While at St. Paul’s, Eloise served as a Student Admissions Officer, acolyte, crew captain, and head of Eco-Action and the outing club. Next year she will attend Brown University where she plans on pursuing a degree in environmental science and rowing for the women’s crew team.

COLLEGE GRADUATE

Shelby Barden: I graduated from Plymouth State University, Cum Laude. I earned a Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training. I served as the Athletic Training Club’s president my junior and senior years, where I participated in several volunteer events as well as fundraisers to send the members to an annual professional conference. This summer I head off to graduate school at East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania. I will pursue a Master’s in Athletic Training.

MASTER’S DEGREES

Lauren Mackey graduated from New England College on May 11, 2019, with a Master of Business Administration in Strategic Leadership.

Ying Simpson of Main Street graduated from New England College on May 11 with a Master’s degree in accounting. Ying is Branch Manager of GFA Credit Union in Peterborough and a member of the board of the Greater Peterborough Chamber of Commerce.

It is never too late to share your graduation accomplishments and plans with friends and neighbors through the Dublin Advocate (email to DublinAdvocate@gmail.com).
Dublin Public Library

The Dublin Public Library has a wonderful collection of gardening books. Many were given to the library by the Garden Club of Dublin. A selection of gardening books will be on display — and to check out — during June. If you are a bird watcher, come look at the collection of birding books. It’s so fun to be able to identify the many birds we see in Dublin!

Our Book Buddies and Story Time programs continue to bring many families into the library. June 4 and 5 will feature stories about dads, grandfathers, and men in the family. We will read *Daddies Are Awesome* by Meredith Costain and there will be an opportunity to create a craft to give on Father’s Day (June 16).

Tuesday, June 11, marks the end of Book Buddies until fall. All children will be given the opportunity to make a friendship bracelet to share with someone before summer program begins.

On Wednesday, June 12, Story Time will celebrate the friends we have made at the library and read *Only One You* by Linda Kranz. We will have stories, music, and games before refreshments are shared around the table.

All ages will be welcome on two Wednesdays, June 19 and 26, at 9:30 am. Help us celebrate the beginning of summer by making a colored-sand beach scene and receive a small journal to capture your summer memories. We will read *Bats at the Beach* by Brian Lies.

Remember to take a flyer when you come in about our Summer Reading Program, which will begin July 3.

If you enjoy working on jigsaw puzzles, you can check one out from the collection or put a puzzle piece in the ongoing jigsaw puzzle set up by the windows in the addition. Remember, with the children on vacation, a jigsaw puzzle might be just the challenge they will enjoy!

FDPL Annual Meeting & Speaker

Willem Lange, host of *Windows to the Wild*, is guest speaker at the annual meeting.

The Friends of the Dublin Public Library (FDPL) is hosting its Annual Meeting on Saturday, June 8, from 10 am to 12 noon in the lower level of the library. All are welcome to attend. After a short business meeting, we are very pleased to introduce speaker Willem Lange, known to most of us as the host of New Hampshire Public Television’s weekly show *Windows to the Wild*.

In addition to his many years of experience in the outdoors, Willem is also a writer, with nine books to his credit and a weekly column in several newspapers. Please join us! This event at our library promises to be very interesting and entertaining.

This announcement was part of the Friends’ Annual Appeal mailing that was sent to everyone in town during May. If you would like to join the Friends of the Dublin Public Library, please respond to Phil Gammons at rpgammons@gmail.com or call 563-8809.
Town-wide Revaluation by Avitar

Vehicles will be identified as “Avitar Municipal Services.”

BY SHERRY MILLER

For tax year 2019, all property values will be updated to market value as of April 1, 2019. The real estate market is a volatile one and the Town-wide update of values is the opportunity to correct any inequities that may exist since the time of the last update (2014). Some values will increase, some will decrease, and others will remain the same. However, this does not provide an indication of your future taxes.

Taxes are based on the combined budgets for the Town, School, and County. The tax rate is determined by taking those budgets divided by the overall value of the Town to arrive at a tax rate to “pay the bills.” As such, until the Town-wide revaluation is complete and the total value of the Town is calculated, there is no way to estimate what the new tax rate will be.

Your new values will be calculated as of April 1 but will not be implemented until the final notice of tax or what is commonly referred to as the December tax bill. Your first tax bill will be based on your prior year’s assessment (unless you had altered your property recently, for example: a new addition, new shed, finished basement, etc.) and one-half of last year’s tax rate, as this is required by State Law.

As part of the update process, you will receive in the mail a notice of new value, which will include a phone number that you can call to arrange to meet with an Avitar representative to discuss your assessment. Instructions will also be provided to access the online database and review the information about your property and every other property in Dublin, including the sale of properties that were used to help establish the new values.

We strongly encourage you to review your data online to be sure you are being assessed reflective of the accurate attributes for your home. If the physical data is incorrectly shown, it could lead to an erroneous assessment. Avitar will have staff available at the informal hearings to follow you to your home immediately after your meeting if the need exists to verify physical data concerns.

SHERRY MILLER has served as Dublin’s Town Administrator since 2011. She welcomes your questions or concerns at 563-8544 or email her at townadministrator@townofdublin.org.

Increased Traffic on Route 101

BY CHIEF TIMOTHY SUOKKO

Residents may have noticed a significant increase in the amount of traffic, especially commercial truck traffic, traveling through Dublin on Route 101 this spring. This increase is due to traffic being detoured away from Route 9 to allow NH DOT to complete a bridge replacement over Otter Brook in Sullivan.

The detour is scheduled to last through October of this year. Please be extra cautious as these large trucks with heavy and oversized loads can create hazards for vehicle and pedestrian traffic, especially in the narrow sections of the village.

The Dublin Police, along with assistance from the NH State Police Commercial Motor Vehicle Enforcement Unit, have been, and will continue to conduct increased patrols throughout the summer in an effort to mitigate these hazards.

TIMOTHY SUOKKO is Dublin’s Chief of Police. He can be reached at tsuokko@townofdublin.org.

FDPL Ice Cream Social

The annual Friends of the Dublin Public Library Ice Cream Social will be held Wednesday, July 17, from 6 to 8 pm (rain date July 24). Mark your calendars for this fun-filled evening of music and ice cream.

For more information and volunteer opportunities, please email Phil Gammons at rpgammons@gmail.com.

Tentative Avitar Visiting Schedule

Sales Review: ongoing. Avitar assessors will stop in and see the Town Administrator when they are in Town.

Field Review: July 1-5 and July 8-12. Avitar will be reviewing the entire Town so it will be hard to tell specifically where they will be.

Hearings: August 12-16 at the Town Hall.

Avitar staff will stop in at the Town Hall on the mornings they are here to give the Town Administrator an update. Also, they will be in a vehicle that is marked “Avitar Municipal Services.”

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• Online at pfmconcerts.org
• The Toadstool Bookshops in Peterborough, Milford and Keene, NH starting two weeks before each show.
Please call 603-827-2905 for more information.
Dublin Women’s Club News

Please come help set up the docks and rafts on June 8.

BY NANCY CAMPBELL

Thirty-two members and guests attended the Women’s Club annual meeting on April 23 at Del Rossi’s. As part of the business meeting, Felicity Pool provided us with an update on the health of the lake. Everyone enjoyed spending time with each other and having a great meal. Thanks to David and Elaina Del Rossi and their staff for making the evening so enjoyable.

The Women’s Club Beach will officially open for the season on Monday, June 24, with swimming lessons starting on Wednesday, June 26. Just a reminder that the docks and rafts will go out on June 8, starting at 10:30 (June 15, if needed, also at 10:30). Lunch will be provided to those hardy people who show up to help us set up the beach for the summer.

Invitations to become a member and join the beach went out at the end of April. Membership in the Club, which includes beach privileges, is available to anyone living in Dublin. Our liability insurance requires that all members and guests who use the beach sign an acknowledgement of risk form. This is an ongoing condition and we ask that you return the form that was enclosed with your invitation as soon as possible, if you have not done so already. Just a reminder: last year we started an official guest policy for members and guests. We ask that you make sure members and guests follow this policy.

Dues are still $125, including beach membership ($25 for Club membership only); scholarship assistance is available to individuals or families who cannot afford the dues. If you did not receive an invitation or need financial assistance, please call Nancy Campbell (563-8480) or Judy Knapp (563-8176).

Returning staff are Polly Seymour, Natasha Kipka, and Andrew Fletcher. We are still looking for an additional lifeguard.

The Club thanks those people and organizations who have generously responded to our annual appeal to help defray the costs of running the Women’s Club Beach. It is because of the generosity of Dublin citizens that we are able to keep membership costs down.

After the never-ending winter and rainy, cold spring, we look forward to a warm, rain-free, and safe summer.

NANCY CAMPBELL is the treasurer of the Dublin Women’s Club.

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DCS News

BY NICOLE PEASE

I have no idea how it can possibly be June! It is so exciting to think that summer is almost here, but there is still a lot to do in the month of school before us. DCS staff is hard at work wrapping up the academics expected at each grade level. Teachers are also focusing upon administering end-of-year assessments in order to carefully reflect upon each child’s growth. This is a big and very important task as that is what we are all about, ensuring that each child grows to the best of their abilities. Thankfully, we try to balance this focus on learning with lots of fun.

DCS staff created a school-wide study of Colonial Times, which was part of classroom learning throughout the month of May. This work culminated in a center-based day where students were able to participate in a variety of Colonial activities, from writing with a quill pen, to Colonial Games, and tin piercing as a way to create works of art. Students love the opportunity to choose their activities as well as being able to work with other grade-level peers. It is a special time for students and staff alike.

The Colonial Times study is rounded out with a school-wide field trip to Fort #4. Did you know that this fort is located on the grounds of Plantation No. 4, once the northwesternmost village within the British Colonies?

The DCS annual Ice Cream Social, coordinated by our wonderful PTO, will be held on June 7 from 6 to 7 pm. This lovely evening is a time when we welcome new students who will be joining us next year. Our PTO puts on quite a sweet spread for all of us to enjoy.

Cornucopia has been working with students all spring to get the gardens ready for the upcoming growing season. Once again, we are so thankful to the Dublin Summer Playground and parent stewards who care for the gardens throughout the summer. It is a wonderful treat to be able to come back from the break and see the fruits of our spring labors.

We will be holding the Farewell Ceremony for our 5th graders on June 17 at 2 pm; and our last day of school will be June 18. We hope that you have a wonderful summer, and we look forward to seeing you back in the fall.

NICOLE PEASE, M.Ed., is Dublin Consolidated School’s Teaching Principal.

Time to Sign Up for Playground

Don’t forget to sign your children up for Dublin Summer Playground, held at the Dublin Consolidated School each day from 9 am until 3 pm (July 1 through August 9). All Dublin children ages 5 to 12 are welcome. (See the May Advocate for registration form and full story.)

Since daily attendance is not required, families have plenty of freedom and flexibility to take trips and spend time together as well. Arrangements for early drop-off can be made for working parents.

Fees will again be $150 per camper, although scholarships are available for those who qualify.

Please fill out the registration form (one per family) and send it in to the Town of Dublin, Box 277, Dublin, NH 03444. Questions may be emailed to the attention of DublinPlayground@yahoo.com.
Cornucopia In Action at DCS

Your young gardeners have already been tasting from the gardens.

BY LAUREN JUDD

It’s mid-May and we are now two weeks in to the Cornucopia School Garden program. Despite the unpredictable weather, students from Dublin Consolidated School have been learning about germination and seed anatomy and tending to the school garden. They have nearly completed seeding their cold weather crops including arugula, lettuces, pea shoots, radishes, carrots, beets, and rutabagas. New crops, too — red and yellow onions — which will make a great addition to school harvest dinners or as a fun take-home for the students.

Inside they are growing heirloom watermelons and cantaloupe! There are many volunteer edibles popping up all around the garden. The dill, calendula, and kale have already made a comeback.

As usual, most of the garden’s late spring weeds are edibles seeded from last season’s crops. The garlic looks terrific. Two new fruit trees, donated anonymously, have now also been planted on DCS school grounds.

Your young gardeners have already been tasting chives, sorrel, and asparagus from the gardens. We look forward to warmer days and watching our garden grow.

Thanks go to adult volunteers Karen Lowenthal and Jan Yoe for their participation this spring.

LAUREN JUDD is Cornucopia’s School Garden Coordinator and met with all classes at DCS all during Wednesday, May 15.

DCA Performs Just So

Dublin Christian Academy’s senior high play, “Just So,” premiered twice at DCA, with the final performance held at the Dublin Community Center.

“Just So” was the result of more than a year of collaborative effort among four DCA faculty/staff members: Bill and Ellen Katka, Sarah Katka, and David Galvin.

The play imagines the relationship Rudyard Kipling might have had with his daughter. As Rudyard teaches, encourages, and loves her through four of his Just So Stories, the world of those stories comes to life through music, puppets, and storytelling.

DSC schoolchildren attend Cornucopia’s outdoor classes and then do gardening.
All Students at DCS Performed in Oliver Twist

BY JO-ANN HOPKINS

All the elementary students at Dublin Consolidated School last month performed Oliver Twist, with the help of a week-long residency made possible by two actors from the Children’s Stage Adventures from Sullivan, NH (www.childrens-stageadventures.org). Every student had the opportunity to audition and be selected for their part, whether it was as a character or a group like the Workhouse Boys, the Londoners, or the Night Creatures (small bats). The costumes were right on!

Thus in the space of four and a half days, all the children at DCS acted in the production of Oliver Twist, which was adapted for a one-hour performance that covered all the bases. It was performed twice, for townspersons and parents alike. Each child had a part, many played starring roles, and songs and dance were a big part of the changing scenes. It was brilliant!

This wonderful experience and show for our school and families is thanks to the generous support of the Dublin Community Foundation, ConVal Arts Enrichment, and the DCS PTO.

JO-ANN HOPKINS has been the administrative assistant at DCS since 2002.

Update from the ConVal School Board Rep

BY BERND F OECKING

End of the (school) year shout out to students, ConVal employees, administrators, and to some fierce and determined Dubliners!

As the school year is coming to an end, it is time to celebrate the accomplishments of our students, our teachers, the staff, the administrators, and all those who support the success of our students in many different ways.

The year is long and the highlights are too many to mention. Students learning in new ways (multi-age classrooms, music competitions, virtual learning); teachers going the extra mile in pushing our top students and especially in creating healthy learning environments for all classes albeit under some challenging conditions; staff working hard to create the right environment for learning (computer integration, grounds, student support, nursing); and our administration for leading a team that needs to do more and more with less and less.

Especially, however, I want to recognize the tremendous support I feel in our town for our school, our schools, and our school district. We do have important and controversial conversations at the School Board level and no town shows more participation and interest than Dublin.

When the accomplishments and the importance of our school and the system behind it are questioned, I feel support from many members of the public who show up to meetings time after time, day after day, meeting after meeting. They challenge me, as they should, but mostly they are fierce advocates for the students of Dublin and the students of ConVal. I am so very grateful for the support. In this, we set an example for informed, fact-based civil discourse and for championing a system that can support all.

BERND F OECKING (Bfoecking@conval.edu) is Dublin’s Rep to the ConVal School Board, aka SAU1.
The Rotary Cleanup
BY CHUCK SIMPSON

We picked up 38 bags of trash. No real good treasures were found this year. Bud lite is still definitely the beer of choice. There was less trash than in most years, which is a good sign. We did find the Dublin sign planter box and put it back in its bracket.

The Roadside Cleanup took us three and a half hours. Jacob Carter is an 11 year old who wanted to do Community Service — without his and his mother’s help we would have been sunk.

In addition to Dale Gabel and Jim Guy, Rotarians Pegg Monahan and Harry Wolhandler of Harrisville showed up to help as well.

CHUCK SIMPSON is the owner of Simpson Landscape Co.

Monadnock Rotary Speakers in June

The public is invited to hear speakers scheduled by Monadnock Rotary during breakfast meetings from 7:30 to 8:30 am on Tuesdays, downstairs in the Church Hall at the Dublin Community Church.

On June 4, Sherry Metivier of WKNE radio station in Keene will talk about the station. On June 11 is a Club Assembly meeting. On June 18, Laina Barakat, Managing Director of Monadnock Music will present. And on June 25, the Rotary Gavel will be passed from the current president, Jim Guy, to the next president, Pegg Monahan.

The Monadnock Rotary Club is dedicated to community service, with a focus on youth development and health advocacy for people of all ages, locally and internationally.

Alexander “Sandy” Bodecker
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Lake Host Program Under Way
All boaters will examine their equipment before entering the water.
BY FELICITY POOL

We are fortunate that Dublin’s Lake Host Program has again been awarded a matching-funds grant from the New Hampshire Lakes Association. The project is part of an effort to prevent the spread of invasive aquatic plants and creatures caught up on boats and trailers from entering our lake. Nearby bodies of water have unfortunately been contaminated with variable milfoil, zebra mussels, and other growth that threatens the wellbeing of a lake.

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Boaters, especially those using motors, will be urged to examine all equipment (including trailers) before entering the water and again when leaving it.

This work is made possible in our town by the Dublin Conservation Commission, the Beech Hill Dublin Lake Watershed Association (BHDLWA), and the Dublin Lake Preservation Committee (DLPC). The latter group is now serving as Program Coordinator after Bill Goodwin’s many years of dedicated service in that role.

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June Events at the DubHub

Walden Whitham at Open Stage
The Open Stage will feature multi-instrumentalist, Walden Whitham, on Friday, June 7. Doors open at 7 pm and music starts at 7:30. Admission is $5, plus we will pass the hat for the feature. Open mic performers should sign up in advance by email at info@dublin-communitycenter.org. Coffee and tea will be available.

Walden Whitham, of Richmond, NH, where he lives with his wife Kathleen, has been writing and teaching music for many years as well as performing as an actor, singer, storyteller, and reed and flute player with many groups.

Coffee & Conversation and Open Hours
The DubHub is open for Coffee & Conversation on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9 am to noon. The Hub remains open until 5 pm on Mondays (except closing at 3 pm on June 3). On Wednesdays it is closed from 1 to 4 pm. Call the DubHub with questions at 563-8080.

Friday Mornings for Parents with Preschoolers
The DubHub is now open on Friday mornings from 9 am to noon with Nancy Cayford hosting. She is hoping to make this a great space for parents with preschoolers and young children to meet, exchange ideas, and give the children an opportunity to play with other young children. There will be no set program.

Dance Fitness with Deb
Dance Fitness with Deb will meet on Mondays in June from 5:30 to 6:30. These will be pay-as-you-go at $5 each week. Then Deb will take a summer break and resume classes on September 9.

Qigong Summer News
June is a 4 week month for Qigong classes. The monthly fee is $48, and single classes are $15 each. June will be the last month of Qigong until September. No classes will be held in Dublin during July and August. For information on summer classes in Keene, contact Ginnette Groome LMT at ammatwirl@aol.com or call 313-9828.

Two Focus Groups Seek Input
Board members of the DubHub will host two Focus Groups to get input on what you'd like to see happen this year at our community center. We are especially seeking input from young parents and younger adults. Light refreshments will be served at both sessions.

The first Focus Group will be held on Wednesday, June 12, from 10:45 to 11:45 am. DubHub program coordinator, Volkert Volkersz, will be providing 30 minutes of musical fun for preschool children while the focus group meets.

The second Focus Group will meet on Thursday, June 13, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. (There will be no children’s programming during this session.)

Bring Your Own Ukulele
The Monadnock Ukulele Group meets on June 14 from 7 to 9 pm. A $5 contribution to the DubHub is appreciated. Song

Putnam/Bregani/Putnam Art Show Held Over
May’s popular art show, featuring works by Ann Putnam, Olivia Bregani, and Ben Putnam, will be held over until June 21. There will be no additional art reception, but Ann offers a workshop on June 15.

Ann Putnam hand carves and prints tiny portraits, and then turns each hand carved stamp into a Letterbox, following a 160-year old tradition of Letterboxing by placing the rubber stamp in a small, watertight container with a logbook.

Olivia Bregani’s current artistic project is creating lists. Her list subjects vary from simple, sarcastic, silly, politically charged, personal, and impersonal.

Ben Putnam’s work includes ceramics and multimedia objects playing with words and images and found objects.

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lists will be emailed to participants ahead of each meeting and each member must bring their own copy. No lessons given, but easy two- and three-chord songs are included each month. Please email Nancy at thoreaucottage@gmail.com or call 785-9857 to request a song list or to be put on the monthly email list. Beginners through advanced uke players are welcome.

**Letterboxing Workshop with Ann Putnam**

Ann Putnam will host “gallery hours” on Saturday, June 15, from 10 am to 2 pm. She will be offering a free letterboxing workshop. This is a drop-in session where participants of all ages can try for themselves designing and carving a rubber stamp. She will help individuals walk through the letterboxing process. All the materials and tools will be supplied.

**Community Forum: Focus on Dublin Lake**

Co-presenters Felicity Pool and Katy Wardlaw will address Dublin Lake issues at the Community Forum on Saturday, June 15. Hear some surprising facts like where the deepest spot is located and the history of a unique-and-now-extinct-trout species. Katy, who manages the Water Testing and Weed Watch programs, will demonstrate the equipment used and explain what’s involved. Felicity, who chairs the Dublin Lake Preservation Committee (DLPC) and is on the Board of Beech Hill Dublin Lake Watershed Association (BHDLWA), will share how these groups, along with Dublin Conservation Commission and Garden Club of Dublin, are working for the Lake’s wellbeing. This hour-long forum will begin at 4:30. Light refreshments will be served.

**Community Lunch/Nurse Is In**

Join us for a home-cooked meal on Tuesday, June 18. The menu is chicken/rice soup with half egg salad sandwich, sweets, and drinks. Cost is $3.

Lunch is served from noon to 1 pm. Come enjoy delightful conversation with your neighbors over a tasty meal! The nurse will be in to test blood pressure and talk over health concerns.

**Authors’ Talk**

On Monday, June 24, at 7 pm, Michelle Aldredge and Corwin Levi will speak about their illustrated book, *Mirror, Mirrored, A Contemporary Artists’ Addition of Grimms’ Tales*. Their talk will address the history of Grimms’ fairy tales and why these stories continue to fascinate us today. The authors will be available to sign copies of their 380-page art book. Michelle Aldredge is a writer, designer, and founder of the arts blog *Gwarlingo*. Corwin Levi is a mixed-media artist, curator, illustrator, and attorney.

**Song Circle**

The monthly Song Circle meets on Friday, June 28, from 7 to 9 pm. Bruce Simpson leads this informal group. Bring your own beverage and songs to share (if you want others to play along). Listeners and singers are welcome.

For more information, contact Bruce at bruce_simpson@msn.com.

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- **June 24–28**: Gnome & Gnome Garden, ages 6-12
- **July 1–5**: Drawing from Nature, ages 12-16 (no class: 7/4)
- **July 8–12**: Art History for the Young, ages 6-7
- **July 15–19**: Watercolor Painting, ages 13-16
- **July 22–26**: Wee-Folk Dolls in Shadow Box Rooms, ages 7-16
- **July 29–Aug. 2**: Mixed Media, ages 9-12
- **Aug. 5–9**: Jewelry Making Using Paper & Paint, or Polymer Clay, ages 10-16
- **Aug. 12–16**: Multicultural Art, ages 8-12

Classes are taught by Pamela Frankel, who has a B.S. in Art Education. See her full bio at https://sites.google.com/view/pinecobblearts, where you can also register. For more information, email Pamela at heronmeadow@gmail.com or call 494-9036.
The Walden School Concert Series

All Walden School concerts are free and open to the public and are held in the Louise Shonk Kelly Recital Hall on the campus of the Dublin School (unless otherwise noted). All events begin at 7:30 pm (unless otherwise noted).

**June 15** Mivos Quartet, Matthew Gold, and David Friend in concert. Featuring works by composers Caroline Mallonee, Renée Favand-See, and Composer-in-Residence George Lewis.

**June 16** Evening presentation by Composer-in-Residence George Lewis (Macarthur Foundation prize winner and Professor of Music at Columbia University).

**June 18** Creative Musicians Retreat Composers Forum I, featuring newly composed works by Retreat participants. Moderated by George Lewis.

**June 19** Creative Musicians Retreat Composers Forum II, featuring newly composed works by Retreat participants. Moderated by George Lewis.

**June 20** Creative Musicians Retreat Chamber Music Concert, featuring works by Rachmaninoff, Steve Reich, Jurg Frey, among others.

**June 21** Creative Musicians Retreat Composers Forum III, featuring newly composed works by Retreat participants. Moderated by George Lewis.

**June 30** Steinberg Duo (violin & piano), performing works by Beethoven, Franck, and Philip Sawyers.

**July 5** Aurora Nealand and the Royal Roses (at 7 pm). New Orleans Jazz comes to Dublin. Fountain Arts Building outdoor amphitheater. Outdoor concert, weather permitting.

For more information, contact Executive Director Seth Brenzel at the Walden School by calling 415-587-8157 or visiting www.waldenschool.org.

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Business Psychology

**Ways to find the best solutions to complex issues.**

BY BOB VECCHIOTTI

Have you ever heard of a business psychologist? Wonder what they do? Business psychologists are psychologists who serve people at work. They serve business owners, senior executives, work teams, and individuals who need coaching.

In addition to their extensive studies in applied psychology, many have experience working in the business world. With that background, they advise business owners and senior executives by facilitating the development of strategies for future success, developing the efficiency of work teams, and facilitating the development of leadership skills. They use assessment tools to identify best candidates for open positions; they use research to provide evidence-based best practices; they clarify cultural values and norms; and they provide new insights that give business owners and senior executives ways to find effective solutions to solve complex problems and issues.

A few of the skills that I’ve learned are important for business psychologists are, first and foremost, to be good listeners. Then to summarize what they’ve heard so they can accurately repeat it. It’s also important to be a critical evaluator and decide what’s relevant and what isn’t in the assignment.

An appropriate sense of humor can break the ice so you can have a more meaningful discussion especially if new or unpleasant facts from an objective investigation are involved. An understanding of assessment results to know when and how to present them is part of the relevant expertise. These tools provide greater depth of discovery for the client. No matter what the assignment, respect for the people we work with enhances the whole process of engagement and finding the best solutions.

In summary, business psychologists work with business owners and senior executives to hire and to develop the best people, find the best path forward in a volatile marketplace, and coach business leaders and senior executives to greater success and profitability.

BOB VECCHIOTTI is a business psychologist living in Dublin with an office in Peterborough.

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Monadnock at Home Works for Dubliners

Helping seniors to thrive in their home and community.

When Dublin resident Chris Gallagher retired from Cheshire Medical Center in 2016, he looked for a volunteer position that would use his work skills, but also allow him to provide direct help and service to the local community. Monadnock at Home proved to be the perfect opportunity.

Monadnock at Home (MaH) is a membership organization serving the ten towns east of Mount Monadnock. Its mission is to provide seniors with the support and practical means to thrive in their home and community. More than 300 local residents have received help through MaH since its founding in 2010.

Chris has performed a variety of duties as a volunteer. These have included providing rides to medical appointments or grocery shopping — in partnership with the Community Volunteer Transportation Company (CVTC) — yard work, household chores, helping with genealogy research, and serving as a member of the Board.

A new focus for Chris is as a MedPal. This program provides trained volunteers who help the member prepare for a medical visit, then sit in at the appointment to take notes, and finally to confirm that the person understands follow-up instructions, medication changes, or future tests or procedures. Given the complexities and time pressures of modern medicine, this has been extremely helpful to members and their families.

There are currently eight Dublin residents who are MaH members. Larry Foley has been involved for three years and particularly values the social opportunities. He is a regular participant at an ongoing coffee group and attends many of the educational and social presentations that are offered. Another Dublin resident, Amedine Bella, especially appreciates the availability of vetted businesses and service providers that have helped her continue to live in her beloved home.

MaH is actively recruiting volunteers for a variety of positions including drivers, assisting with light home maintenance, computer assistance, MedPals, and more.

For questions or more information about MaH, please call the Executive Director, Sandra Faber, at 371-0809.

Forum about the Mountain

Tom Warren, outdoor enthusiast and local birder, has been hiking Mount Monadnock a long time, both as a child and an adult. He recently shared stories and experiences of living in the shadow of our beloved mountain at the Dublin Community Center. The program was sponsored by the Forum Committee, which presents programs at the Hub each month. Tom told the audience that the early settlers raising sheep had to set fire to the forest to drive away the wolves. “That’s why,” he said, “Mount Monadnock has no trees on top of the mountain.” He added that Mount Monadnock has around 100,000 climbers each year.

— Ramona Branch
Vintage Label’s 4th Annual Dublin Vintage Market

Cricket Hill Farm is the ideal location for this venue.

Vintage Label Co. announces its fourth annual Dublin Vintage Market June 1 and 2 to be held at Cricket Hill Farm in Dublin, located directly off Rte.101. Many know it as “Dublin’s Gas Engine Field,” but its official name is Cricket Hill Farm, and it is home to 26 acres of green beauty, surrounded by a beautiful view of Mount Monadnock, native stone walls, a giant windmill, and lots of cool old farm equipment!

More than 150 vendors will include farm-to-table food trucks, live music, antiques, vintage finds, repurposed goods, salvaged junk, artisans, Indie crafts, fun for kids, vintage camper, and classic truck/car displays. Fun for all ages!

Come to Cricket Hill Farm on June 1 (8:30 am to 5 pm) and/or June 2 (9 am to 4 pm). Rain or shine, giveaways and raffles, kids’ area, live animals, and dog friendly (leash is a must). Free parking for customers; $5 general admission per customer.

The Annual Dublin Vintage Market is hosted by Vintage Label Co., Maria Amarosa and At Home Magazine. Vendors may contact Maria Amarosa at mariaamarosa@yahoo.com.

SWRPC Holds Meetings for the Future

A community conversation in five towns.

The Southwest Region Planning Commission is hosting five focus group meetings throughout Southwest New Hampshire as part of an Age-Focused Planning project. Come to discuss local issues concerning housing and transportation needs, economic opportunity and social engagement issues within your community. Information provided will be used to develop individual assessments for each community in the region.

The closest is in the Jaffrey Town Office on June 3, which will be live-streamed. (Other towns include Winchester, Antrim, Swanzey, and Walpole.) All meetings are in town halls and begin at 6:30 pm.

SWRPC would like to hear from people of all age groups to better assist towns in becoming more livable for everyone.

For more information, visit swrpc.org/age-focused.

Music for the Mountain

Students are welcome to attend for free.

Electric Earth Concerts (EEC) presents Fire & Grace & Ash, with “Music for the Monadnock,” on Sunday, June 9, at 4 pm, at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Peterborough.

Fire & Grace is an eclectic collaboration between guitarist William Coulter and violinist Edwin Huizinga. Appalachian traditional, jazz, Celtic fiddling, and virtuoso Bach are just a few corners of the musical world this talented group explores. Their ranges from Bach to Vivaldi, tango to Celtic tunes, traditional Bulgarian to American fiddle tunes and waltzes, found in these diverse traditions.

Fire & Grace returns to EEC with mandolin player Ashley Broder, a musician who brings mandolin virtuosity and a flair for modern instrumental composition.

Short videos of Fire & Grace & Ash the Carmel Bach Festival, Folktales and Muckross Abbey are available at http://fireandgracemusic.com/category/video/. Admission is $30, and is available online at http://electricearthconcerts.org or at the door. Middle school, high school, and college students are welcome to attend for free.

For more information, email eeconcerts@gmail.com or call 499-6216.

Wireless Update

The Broadband Committee has issued a request for information from existing carriers for broadband service in Dublin. Check the Town of Dublin website for further information.
The Garrett-Larsens Dance Away

BY MARGARET GURNEY

On May Day every year, for centuries in fact, Morris dancers around the world “dance” at dawn to welcome the rising of the sun, an ancient tradition to welcome in the spring and to pray for tall crops. So it was on Dublin School’s soccer field, at 5:30 am, that Morris dancers from around the region responded to this old-time calling. And in that group of fit and hardy souls, Dawn and Jay Garret-Larsen danced their last dance with this troupe.

The Garrett-Larsens are moving to Canandaigua, NY, just south of Rochester, leaving behind Dawn’s 19-year long tenure as the minister at the Nelson Congregational Church, and Jay’s career as a third grade teacher at The Well School in Peterborough.

In September, Dawn’s new pastorate begins as the Senior Minister at the First Congregational Church of Canandaigua, NY. Dawn says its “400 members will be quite different than the 70 at the Nelson Church.” She says she will miss the congregation at the Nelson Church, but they all seem to understand that she was called to her new “chosen spot” (which is the translation of the Indian word Canandaigua).

Dawn and Jay’s youngest child, Jesse, just graduated from The College of Wooster in Ohio, Dawn’s alma mater. Jesse majored in biology and just completed his Independent Study thesis on the Chytrid fungus in frogs and salamanders. He is interested in immunology and plans to spend a year working in a bio lab and then to apply to Master’s programs to continue his education.

Their daughter, Annie, works in New York City as a freelance Lighting Designer. She graduated from Bard College as a theater major two years ago and spent last year at the Cleveland Playhouse as a lighting design apprentice. Both Annie and Jesse served as Lake Hosts in Dublin for quite a few years. They both attended The Well School in Peterborough where Jay has been the third-grade teacher and camp director for the past 17 years.

In Canandaigua, as he follows Dawn’s call, Jay will pursue new interests that may incorporate his love of history, birding, Native Americans, and the natural world. His degree in Environmental Science from Antioch New England may help him find the right job in time.

They are currently getting their house ready to go on the market and are excited about the 1850’s farmhouse they plan to move in to Canandaigua.

MARGARET GURNEY is editor of The Advocate.

Peterborough Players Season Begins

Summer 2019 offers not-to-be-missed theater opening on June 19 with Mahilda’s Extra Key to Heaven by local playwright Russell Davis. A young American painter encounters a wary Iranian college student waiting for a ferry that will not come until the next day. He respectfully offers her shelter for the night at his mother’s house nearby. This simple offer triggers a chain of events and a confrontation that threatens to engulf them all in a collision of cultures.

From The Second Company comes a production for the whole family opening on June 22. How I Became a Pirate is a swashbuckling musical adventure about a band of comical pirates landing at North Beach in search of an expert digger to join their crew. The local boy who joins them finds that adventuring can be lots of fun but also learns that love and home are treasures you can’t find on any map.

The Peterborough Players is located at 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, NH 03458; visit www.PeterboroughPlayers.org or call 924-7585 for further details.

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**Monadnock RSVP Seeks Volunteers**

Are you looking for a way to make a difference in your community? By volunteering just one to two hours a week with Monadnock RSVP Volunteer Center’s Neighbors-In-Deed program, you can directly impact the life of a fellow community member who might be struggling to remain living independently in their home.

Neighbors-In-Deed matches volunteers one-on-one to seniors, adults with disabilities, or veterans to provide ongoing companionship and support. Volunteers may help their care recipient by doing errands, going out for coffee, chatting over a puzzle, or just going for a scenic drive. Matches are based upon shared interests and/or life experiences, proximity between people’s homes, and expectations.

If an ongoing volunteer role doesn’t fit what you’re looking for, but you would like to help a neighbor, consider becoming a volunteer driver or a handy man.

To learn more about the Neighbors-In-Deed program, or other possible volunteer roles, please call Jazmin Belcoure at 357-6893 or email jbelcoure@mfs.org.

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**River Center Offerings**

On Friday, May 31, The River Center is offering a free full-day program, Youth Mental Health First Aid, with Peterborough Fire Chief, Ed Walker and ConVal guidance counselor, JoAnn Fletcher as trainers. Participants will learn how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illness in youths.

Kelli Tourgee has fun activities for the Families, Forests & Farms group on Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 am. Older kids can join in when school is out.

Our popular Safe Sitter class is offered on Saturday, June 1, from 9 am to 3 pm for ages 11-14. Tween and Teens parent group continues through June 18 from 12 to 2 pm.

For more info, call 924-6800 or visit www.rivercenter.us to register.

The River Center (9 Vose Farm Rd., Suite 115, Peterborough) is a Family and Community Resource Center providing community connections, parenting support, tax assistance, and money coaching to strengthen individuals and families in the Eastern Monadnock Region.

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**Autism Services for Children**

Crotched Mountain’s Ready, Set, Connect! program has opened an autism clinic at the Greenfield campus. Ready, Set, Connect! provides ABA therapy for young children in a group setting, offering an environment of fun and learning and a path to a bright future! Locations also in Manchester and Concord, NH.

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Birding Hot Spot!
Pt. Pelee is located in Leamington, Ontario, Canada.

BY TOM WARREN

We just returned from a week of observing the spring bird migration at Pt. Pelee, Ontario, the southernmost point in Canada.

Pt. Pelee National Park is a birding legend that attracts visitors from all over the world. It is 628 miles from Dublin and is located on the north shore of Lake Erie in the Leamington, Ontario, site of huge greenhouses where tomatoes are grown year-round – hence the “tomato capital of Canada.”

Pt. Pelee is a 5-mile spit of land that ends at the “Tip” and is impacted by Lake Erie water levels and fierce winter storms.

Thousands of birds migrating from winter homes in Central and South America fly at night and rest and eat during the day after crossing Lake Erie near Sandusky, Ohio.

This year, after a warm day, a cold front at night caused thousands of warblers, Tanagers, Thrushes and more to drop out of the sky all over Pt. Pelee, including the beaches. Observers saw the spectacle of what is known as a “fall out” when many tired, cold, and hungry birds like Scarlet Tanagers and 30 species of warblers were lying on the beach as close as at our feet, too exhausted to move.

After resting and eating insects in the sand for a few hours the birds slowly began to move into the forested areas and fly northward to their breeding grounds.

In one day, it was possible to view 100 different species of birds making their return flight, often flying 300 miles at night and speeding up to 500 miles a night as they approach their final destination.

The same migration takes place here in Dublin during the month of May but in much smaller numbers, occasionally interrupted by a late snowstorm.

TOM WARREN is Dublin’s resident ornithologist and outdoor enthusiast.

Nelson Town Band, 50 Players Strong
Summertime listeners assemble on town commons throughout the region.

BY RUSTY BASTEDO

On Sunday, June 30, the famed Nelson Ice Cream Social takes place at 5 pm, on the lawn outside the Town Church. Bring a chair and a blanket, and (we hope) a little suntan lotion and bug spray, for an event that has been called one of the Treasures of New England. And it doesn’t hurt to have an appetite for ice cream as well, if you’re looking for sustenance while absorbing 19th century band music and modern-day Nelson Town Band (NTB) orchestral tributes to Louis Armstrong and Mary Poppins!

If you miss the Nelson Ice Cream Social, keep your folding chair in the car and catch up on one or more opportunities. The NTB plays for Harrisville Old Home Days, with the concert scheduled for Friday, July 5, at 6:45 pm. On Thursday, July 4, the NTB has been asked to play in parades at Andover and Amherst, NH, where distance from Dublin becomes a factor. But on Tuesday, July 9, there will be an NTB concert outside Frost Free Library, in Marlborough, at 7 pm. That always draws a good crowd.

And if you miss the NTB at all those events, you’ll have another opportunity at the Hillsborough Balloon Festival Parade, Sunday, July 14, at 11 am — and then in Swanzey on Saturday, July 20, where the town square and town gazebo host throngs assembled on the lawn.

August gets even more frantic for the NTB, and we will keep you posted on those events’ dates and times as they pile up. So stay tuned.

RUSTY BASTEDO plays one of the six trumpets on the Nelson Town Band, and has done so for many years. He has been on the staff of the Advocate since its founding in 1999.

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