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To Encourage and Strengthen Our Community

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Welcome 2006!

PLANNING FOR OUR FUTURE

By Ed Germain, Chairman, Dublin Planning Board

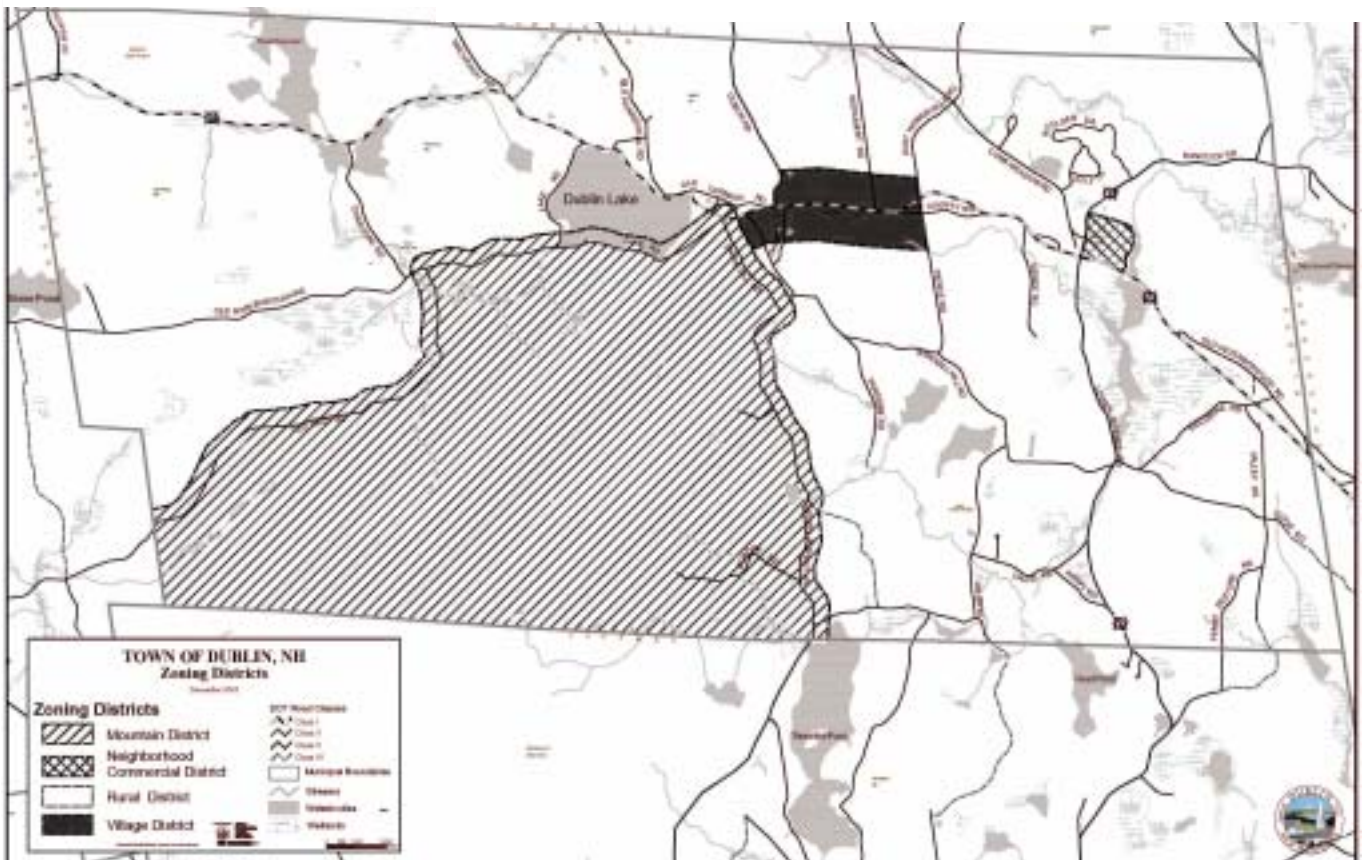
In 1963, Dublin adopted its first Zoning Ordinance and Land Use Regulations. In 1974, faced with changing conditions, Dubliners voted to replace its Land Use Regulations with new ones so "the community may grow in an

orderly manner." Those regulations are now 31 years old, and the world around Dublin is changing dramatically. To respond to these changes and challenges, the Planning Board recommends that voters adopt several specific ordinances and zoning changes, as well as

new tools to continue to ensure our health, safety and welfare for the next 30 years. These will take the form of individual warrant articles to be voted on at Town Meeting in March 2006.

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TOWN OF DUBLIN ZONING MAP



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1. Growth Management Ordinance Dublin today is faced with growth greater than the town can manage. Our Interim Growth Management Ordinance, adopted at the 2005 Town Meeting, expires in March. N.H. regulations allow a town in this situation to adopt a renewable growth management ordinance to limit growth to the level that town services can support. In 1987, Dublin adopted such an ordinance and kept it in place for six years. It is again time to adopt a Growth Management Ordinance. We will review it annually to see if it should be renewed.

2. Lot Sizing in the Rural Zone In 1974, Dublin changed the minimum lot size in the Rural Zone from 5 acres to 2 acres. Today we are the only town in the Monadnock area retaining 2-acre lot sizing in its unimproved rural zone. With new pressure from developers, 2-acre lot sizing promotes "wall to wall" houses from one side of Dublin to the other. To discourage this potential sprawl, we need to change the minimum lot size in the rural zone to 4 acres. This change in minimum lot size will apply to new subdivisions only-existing 2-acre lots will remain buildable.

3. Lot Sizing in the Mountain Zone Mount Monadnock is a unique asset we all want to protect. We should increase the minimum lot size in the Mountain Zone from 2 acres to 8 acres. This change in minimum lot size will apply to new subdivisions only-existing 2-acre lots will remain buildable.

4. Soil-Based Lot Sizing in the Village Zone The Village Zone, where 1 acre lots are currently allowed, runs from East Harrisville Road to Dublin Lake. Some areas are great for building, others are not. Soil-based lot sizing ties the size of a lot to the ability of its soil to handle septic systems. It is recommended by the State, and has been adopted by many towns. With soil-based lot sizing, parcels with

very good soil can have $\frac{3}{4}$ acre lots, allowing for a greater density appropriate to a village center. Areas with poorer soils require larger lots. We need to adopt soil-based lot sizing in the Village Zone to protect underground water and to ensure that every lot is buildable.

5. Preserving Open Space Working with one of the nation's experts, the Planning Board has drafted an Open Space Ordinance ideal for Dublin. It requires at least half the land in a major subdivision (4 lots or more) to be set aside and protected in perpetuity from further development. It provides Dublin greater control over how major subdivisions are built, giving the town the tools to define and connect open spaces and trails, and to preserve natural resources such as views, meadows, and wildlife corridors, while developing attractive and livable neighborhoods. We need to adopt this Open Space Ordinance.

6. Analyzing Bedrock Water Our drinking water comes from aquifers that flow through underground bedrock. Last year we voted funds to map the fractures in this bedrock. Now we need to map the quality of the bedrock: to locate critical areas where bedrock rises near the surface, where it is saturated with water, where it may introduce unhealthy substances like arsenic or radon into wells. We need to know where it is safe to build septic systems. The N.H. State Geologist has applied to the federal government for a matching grant to do this mapping. If we get the grant, we need to fund our half. Including implementation, this project will cost Dublin \$32,000. It is a bargain.

7. Testing Well Water Quality The state has offered to help us take a snapshot of water quality across our town. Next summer, Dubliners who wish to participate can provide water samples—all collected on the same day—which state scientists will analyze much more

thoroughly than a private firm could, for about half the cost. You'll get your results, and we all will have a town water quality map. If we do this again in five years, we will know if our aquifers are remaining healthy. The cost, as of this writing, is \$120 a household, although we are trying to get a grant to lower the cost. The cost to the town of collecting the water and creating town maps (\$2,000) is included in number 6 above. There will be no separate warrant to vote on. We'll send letters to everyone in the summer so you can let us know if you want to join this project.

8. Wetland Conservation District We've updated our Wetland Conservation District ordinance to bring it up to current state requirements and recommendations. We need to adopt this updated ordinance, which now includes the official definition of "wetland" that the state requires.

9. Administrative Changes to Zoning Regulations Some minor changes need town approval. These are small things, such as defining "junk yard" or "restaurant" or clarifying the meaning of "abutter."

In January and early February the Planning Board will have public hearings about each of these projects, where you can ask questions, learn about the details and help frame the final versions of the Warrant articles. Over the last year, your Planning Board has worked hard with town departments, state planners, consultants, engineers, and volunteers. We've focused on areas that need to be updated for the continuing health, safety and welfare of our community and to ensure that Dublin will continue to grow in an orderly manner. We welcome your participation.

The Dublin Planning Board: Joe Cavanaugh, Ed Germain, Dan French, Suzan Macy, Curt Merrick, Blake Sabine, Bruce Simpson, **Alternates:** Bonnie Bartelt, Peter Imhoff, Secretary, Candace Reed.

2006 DUBLIN TOWN ELECTIONS**By Barbara Sovik**

Candidates for the following offices shall file their declaration of candidacy with the Town Clerk not earlier than Wednesday, January 25, 2006 nor later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 3, 2006.

Position	No.	Openings	Term	Position	No.	Openings	Term
Selectman	1		3 years	Budget Committee	2		3 years
Moderator	1		2 years	Cemetery Trustee	1		3 years
Supervisors of the Checklist	1		6 years	Planning Board	2		3 years
Library Trustee	1		3 years	Trustees of the Trust Funds	1		3 years

Petition Warrant Articles must be received at the town hall no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2006.

Monadnock Community Hospital

“SEARCHING FOR A PHYSICIAN”

46 picas x 42 picas

DUBLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY CALENDAR NOW AVAILABLE

The new 2006 Dublin Historical Society calendar is still available. The theme this year is Dublin's Children.

Photographs of children in many different activities during 2005 have been combined with old photographs from the Dublin Historical Society Archives and the Dublin Public Library Henry D. Allison Glass Negative Collection.

The calendars are only \$10.00 each and are available at Carr's Store, Dublin General Store, the Town Hall and the Archives building.

For more information call Nancy Cayford, 563-8021.

WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM AT THE DUBLIN COMMUNITY CHURCH

By Barbara Summers

The Dublin Community Church Choir will present its annual Winter Program on Sunday, February 26, 2006, at the regular 10:00 a.m. service. This year the program will consist of spirituals, gospel, and Dixieland music. If you like to sing, and want to be part of inspirational music, this is an opportunity to join in! New members are always welcome.

For more information call Barbara Summers at 563-7189, or email her at: bksummers@aol.com.

BEECH HILL ZONING PETITION

By Ed Germain

The town has received a petition to change zoning requirements for Beech Hill to allow a private, for-profit hospital there. Dubliners must vote on this petition in March. The Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the petition, probably at the end of January.

We will post the dates for all of these hearings in the local papers, at the post office, Town Hall, Carr's Store, the General Store and on the Yankee Bulletin Board.

Your ideas are important. Do come.

BUSINESS OF THE MONTH: RUNYON COMPANY

By Rusty Bastedo

Runyon Company Handmade Steel Furniture is a new tenant at Dublin Village Park. The founders of the company are a husband-wife team, one a native of Peterborough, and the other a longtime "summer person." L.P. and Jen Runyon formed the company, now a limited partnership, in 2002. Its formation sprung from L.P.'s original Sun Trellis design, a work he created on commission after completing his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in sculpturing at the University of Maine. The company now has four employees. L.P., the creative force in the company, designs, builds, and ships the company's products, Jen serves as Office Manager, Dominick Resigno is Creative Operations Manager, while Lorre Resigno is Sales Manager.

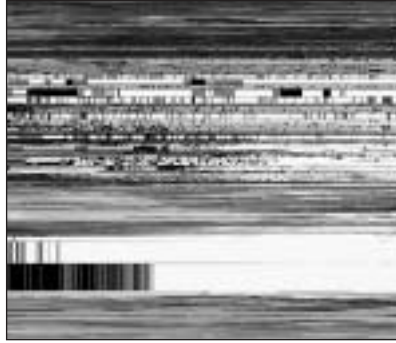
Runyon Company builds custom "mild" steel furniture, for both commercial and residential settings. Its offerings include trendy cafe tables, chairs, bar stools, plant stands, and custom garden trellises, and even stairways. The company sells to both wholesale and retail customers, which range from the Hard Rock Café and Casino, in Hollywood, Florida, to a number of Monadnock Region residents. The company also markets to "high end" craft galleries and furniture stores across the United States. Much of their furniture, a cross between antique and contemporary, is bought initially as outdoor furniture. The handcrafted metal is powder coated to prevent rusting.

For 2006, Runyon Company will be introducing "element stone," a new surface for tabletops that will complement the company's "mild" steel table bases. These "element stone" tops will be introduced this winter at the New York International Fair in New York City, and at the Buyers Market of American Craft, in Philadelphia. The Runyons hope



Jen and L.P. Runyon

that the new "element stone" will help move the company into interior design and custom architectural steel furniture and add substantially to the customer base. The Company's product brochure and catalog are available by telephone (603-563-8877) or at the company, (1283 Main Street, Dublin). The Runyon Company web address is: www.runyoncompany.com.



Businessman of the Month: over 40 sold!



Waiting Calendar Customers

LOOKING AROUNDTOWN



Dublin Elocution Society

Monadnock Community Hospital

WELLNESS CENTER An Exercise in Friendship

DUBLIN RECREATION COMMITTEE

Got some time to donate for volunteering?
Dublin Recreation Committee is looking for volunteers.

This is a fun committee, the more volunteers the merrier.

We have 10 - 12 meetings a year.

We have 6 events a year to prepare for:

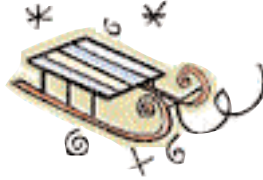
Winterfest Easter	Egg Hunt
Memorial Day	Dublin Day
Halloween	Holiday Night

Any volunteer help would be greatly appreciated.

If interested in volunteering, please call John or Joyce Nelson at 563-8306.

WINTERFEST DUBLIN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Saturday, January 28, 2006
11:00am-3:00pm



EVENTS:
BOX SLED RACE
SNOW SCULPTURE
SNOWMOBILE TOW RIDES
BONFIRE
MUSIC AND FOOD

Start planning and preparing your Box Sled now for the big race.

Rules for building your Box Sled:

Sleds should be made of cardboard and duct tape
Sleds cannot be built on skis, manufactured sleds, snow tubes, cafeteria trays, etc. The sliding surface of your sled should only be made of cardboard and duct tape. Plastic, metal and wood items may only be used for ornamental purposes.
This is a fun filled day for everyone. We hope you can join us.

DUBLIN SCHOOL WINTER BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

January

January 4, 2006

Boys' vs. New Hampton at 3:30 p.m.
Girls' vs. Tilton at 2:00 p.m.

January 6, 2006

Girls' vs. Stonleigh Burnham at 5:00 p.m.

January 11, 2006

Girls' vs. Brewster at 3:30 p.m.

January 16, 2006

Boys' vs. High Mowing School at 4:00 p.m.

January 21, 2006

Boys' vs. Notre Dame Prep at 1:00 p.m.
Girls' vs. New Hampton at 3:30 p.m.

February

February 4, 2006

Boys' vs. Tilton School at 3:00 p.m.
Girls' vs. Vermont Academy at 1:45 p.m.

February 11, 2006

Girls' vs. Cushing Academy at 3:30 p.m.

February 15, 2006

Boys' vs. Putney School at 2:00 p.m.

February 18, 2006

Boys' vs. Holderness at 3:00 p.m.

February 22, 2006

Boys' vs. Kimball Union Academy at 2:30 p.m.
Girls' vs. Kimball Union Academy at 3:30 p.m.

THE FRIENDS OF THE TOP FLOOR ANNUAL MEETING

The Friends of the Top Floor will have their annual meeting on Friday, Jan. 20th at the Dublin Town Hall function room, starting at 7:30 PM.

There will be a pot luck supper preceding the meeting, starting at 6:30 PM.

Jim Garvin, NH Architectural Historian will speak to us about Town Halls in New Hampshire.

Members and non members are invited to attend. Snow date will be Friday, Jan 27th.

Contact Bill Goodwin (563-7184) or Kathy Merrick (563-8772).

PETER'S PONDERINGS: MOTOR MEMORIES

By Peter Hewitt

Dozens of car companies have expired during my lifetime. My dad had a big old cast iron Packard known in the neighborhood as the "Leviathan." The Henderson's had a Studebaker, and the Dwight's had an Oldsmobile. The Mengel's had a DeSoto, a mid-priced Chrysler product as the Olds was for GM.

A rich family nearby had an air cooled Franklin, which was garaged across the street from us.

A Brattle Street lady had an electric car (maybe a Baker?) she exhumed during World War II to save gas. She once took the turn onto

Church Street too fast and rolled it...fortunately no one was hurt.

The Prentice's (as in Rockefeller), who lived in Williamstown where my dad grew up, had two sixteen-cylinder Marmons.

There were traffic jams throughout Berkshire

County caused by Prentice cars such as these that couldn't be driven over 15 miles per hour.



WHAT'S IN A WORD

By Rick MacMillan

In colonial times common entertainment included playing cards. Like today's sales tax (anywhere else but New Hampshire) there was a tax levied on the purchase of playing cards. However it was only applicable to the "ace of Spades." To avoid paying the tax, people would purchase 51 cards instead. Yet, since most games require 52 cards, these people were thought to be stupid or dumb because they weren't "playing with a full deck."

NEWS FROM DUBLIN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

By May Clark

Our holiday concert on December 6 was a huge success. The children sang so well, and Santa's visit went smoothly (no falling pants or upset stomachs). We are grateful to our wonderful Fire Department, who provide a gift for every child in town from infants through fifth graders. It's especially touching to watch and remember so many years of this tradition, which has continued for far longer than many of us remember.

When the evening was over, the members of the Fire Department decided to donate their left over gifts to the DCS gift drive for residents of Alstead and surrounding towns. Their generosity is a gift to all of us.

The gift drive came about because our students had become so involved in hurricane Katrina relief, and wanted to do something more.

We decided to donate presents to children here in New Hampshire who suffered from the October floods, and to children in Mississippi, who are still dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. We invited Ann Card to speak to the students about her experiences working for the Red Cross in Mississippi. We decided as a school that we wanted to spend some of our resources on all of these families, perhaps instead of spending quite as much on gifts for each other.

The gifts were boxed and delivered December 15. The Antrim Fire Department collected gifts for Alstead and all the areas that

were hit so hard by flooding, and were happy to add our contribution and that of the Fire Department to their collection. The Mississippi gifts were sent directly to Ann Card, who is in Mississippi now, and she will distribute them to the families with whom she has been working. We are truly blessed to live in such a generous and caring community.

The holiday cards created by students went on, and were a huge hit. You may have seen them, and perhaps even purchased some at the General Store or Carr's. We hope this new fund raising idea becomes a tradition!

We're still working hard on our ABCs, with great success. Students have traded in their earned links for opportunities like special baking or art activities, a Stay and Play time after school, and tours of the Old Schoolhouse. Thank you, Nancy Cayford, for arranging this for us, and for leading the children, and thanks to Linda Oja too, for helping with the tours. We look forward to more creative ideas for activities for the children to help reinforce their learning about responsibility, respect, safety, and cooperation.

By the time this issue of the Advocate comes to you, we will have returned to school following the holiday break. We hope all of you had a wonderful time with friends and family. We will be gearing up for the long winter of productive school work and play.

We'd love to see you if you want to visit! Just call us at 563-8332, or email at mclark@conval.edu.



DCS Children Collect Gifts for Alstead

**Dublin
Community
Church**

Come Worship With Us
Services at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School
Concurrent with
Worship

*Childcare Provided
Handicapped Accessible*

Dublin School's Cry of Players will present Kaufman & Hart's wonderful comedy

"You Can't Take it With You"

February 16, 17, & 18th ~ 7:00 p.m.

For information, Call Anne Mackey 563-1223

IN REMEMBRANCE: SHIRLEY A. CHAMBERLAIN**By Nellie Crossley**

Shirley Chamberlain died December 7, 2005 at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon. Born June 20, 1931 in Peterborough, Shirley graduated from Peterborough High School in 1949, and went to work for the New England Telephone Company as an operator. She married Herbert Chamberlain in 1951.

The couple lived in Marlborough until 1972 when the family settled on Cobb Meadow Road in Dublin. She worked for New Hampshire Ball Bearing Company until retirement.

When they were younger the couple enjoyed

motorcycling. Shirley served as secretary for the New Hampshire Electra Glide Motorcycling Club. Shirley also served as secretary for the John Humiston American Legion Post 11 Auxiliary in Jaffrey and as treasurer of the former Scarlet Marauders Drum and Bugle Corps of Swanzey, in which her children participated.

Shirley loved reading and music and for many years sang in the choir of St. Patrick Church in Jaffrey. At home she enjoyed playing the organ and harmonizing with other members at family gatherings.

Earlier this year Shirley traveled to Hawaii to

visit her first great-granddaughter who was born on June 20th, Shirley's birthday.

She is survived by a daughter, Marcia C. Curry of Charlotte, NC; a son, Keith M. Chamberlain of Richmond; a sister, Sally LaBarre of Swanzey; two brothers, Wayne F. Crowell of Marlborough and Richard F. Crowell of Dublin; two grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Her husband of 52 years, Herbert R. Chamberlain, died in 2003. A son, Scott Chamberlain, died in 1958. A brother, Paul Crowell, died in 2003.

C r o t c h e d M o u n t a i n a d

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PETITION TO CLASSIFY OLD TROY ROAD AS A YEAR-ROUND MAINTAINED HIGHWAY

Notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing to be held at the Dublin Town Hall at 7:00pm on the 9th Day of January, 2006, to hear all evidence concerning a petition received by the Selectmen to reclassify Old Troy Rd. as a highway which is opened, maintained and repaired the entire year; submitted pursuant to RSA 231:81, ii(a) and RSA 231:8 on August 15, 2005.

The petition was submitted to the Selectmen by: Frederick MacMillan, Nanci MacMillan, B.M. Stowell and Carol Stowell. A copy of the petition is available at Town Hall, 1120 Main St. Dublin, NH 03444 for public inspection.

At the hearing, interested property owners, highway users and other persons are welcome and will be given an opportunity to give reasons why the petition should or should not be granted.

Given under our hands on this _____ day of _____, 2005.

The Dublin Board of Selectmen

Michael V. Walker, Chairman

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MAKE A VISIT TO THE LIBRARY YOUR 1ST NEW YEARS RESOLUTION!

By Betty McIntyre

It's that time of year! Income Tax Time! This year the IRS is not providing the forms for the library to make available to the public. So . . . the computers at the library have an icon on the desktop that will take you right to the form page. Just click on the form you want and print. There will be no charge for printing the forms.

The Knitting Hour returns on Monday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m. This is an hour for adults to share their joys, frustrations, inexperience, experiences with one another. Come to knit, chat, and have a snack.

Winter Season

Celebrate our wonderful winter season with stories, finger play and crafts. The craft for the month will be a tissue paper collage of winter activities.

Stories to be read; *Max and Ruby's Snowy Day*, *Stella Queen of the Snow*, *Snow Dude*, and *The First Day of Winter*.

Story Time will be held on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and Family Night will be held on Jan. 23, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

Take Home a Magazine

From January 3- 14 past 2005 issues of various magazines will be available for the taking in the main entry

Closed

Monday January 2, 2006

Monday January 16, 2006

In the case of inclement weather please check with the library to see if a program will be offered.

AD INFORMATION

1 Business Card Size Ad: \$25 / issue

2 Business Card Size Ad: \$50 / issue

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Please submit by the 15th of the month.

Make checks payable to *Town of Dublin*.

JANUARY 2006 — Town Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day	2 Library Closed	3 6:45 pm Dublin Hilltop Group at DPL	4 9:30 am Story Time - DPL	5 6:30 pm Monadhock Trail Breakers - DPL	6	7 am - Dublin Elocution Society - DPL
8 <i>KEY:</i> DCC: Dublin Community Church DCP: Dublin Community Preschool	9 7:00 pm Knitter's Hour at DPL 7 pm Public Hearing TH	10 6:45 pm Dublin Hilltop Group at DPL 6:00 pm DCS Holiday Concert	11 9:30 am Dublin Community Preschool 7 pm Trustees TH	12	13	14 am - Dublin Elocution Society - DPL
15 TH: Town Hall DCS: Dublin Consolidated School DPL: Dublin Public Library	16 Library Closed MLK Day	17 6:45 pm Dublin Hilltop Group at DPL	18 9:30 am Story Time - DPL	19	20 6:30 pm Friends of the Top Floor Meeting TH	21 am - Dublin Elocution Society - DPL
22	23 6:30 pm Family Night at DPL 7:00 pm Knitter's Hour at DPL	24 6:45 pm Dublin Hilltop Group at DPL	25 9:30 am Story Time - DPL 9:30 am Consol.Kndr Filing for Town Offices begins	26	27	28 11:00 am - Winterfest-DCS am - Dublin Elocution Society - DPL
29	30 7:00 pm Knitter's Hour at DPL	31 6:45 pm Dublin Hilltop Group at DPL	1	2	3 Filing for Town Offices closes	4

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