

# Calendar of Events in Dresden

## July 2019

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### Monday, 1 July

6:30 pm Dresden Historical Society, Yellow Schoolhouse  
6:30 pm Planning Board meeting, Pownalborough Hall

### Tuesday, 2 July

1:30 pm - 7:00 pm Bridge Acad. Library

### Wednesday, 3 July

6:30 pm Dresden Fire Department, Pownalborough Station  
7:00 pm Dresden Fire Association, Pownalborough Hall.  
Monthly business meeting.

### Thursday, 4 July

HOLIDAY: 4th of July. No town facilities open.

### Saturday, 6 July

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Town Office Open  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bridge Acad. Library  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:00 am & 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop

### Sunday, 7 July

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:30 am Swap Shop

### Tuesday, 9 July

1:30 pm - 7 pm Bridge Acad. Library  
6:00 pm Select Board Meeting, Pownalborough Hall  
6:30 pm Bridge Acad. Library: Adult Book Group  
6:30pm Dresden Masonic Lodge #103. Stated  
Communication, 6:30pm meal, 7:30pm meeting.

### Wednesday, 10 July

6:30 pm Dresden Fire Department, Pownalborough Station

### Thursday, 11 July

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop  
1:30 - 7:00 pm Bridge Acad. Library

### Saturday, 13 July

9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bridge Acad. Library  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:00 am & 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop

### Sunday, 14 July

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station open  
9:00 am - 11:30 am Swap Shop Open  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm Dresden Summerfest, Pownalborough  
Court House

### Monday, 15 July

6:30 pm Planning Board Meeting, Pownalborough Hall

### Tuesday, 16 July

1:30 pm - 7 pm Bridge Acad. Library

### Wednesday, 17 July

6:30 pm Dresden Fire Department, Pownalborough  
Station

### Thursday, 18 July

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop  
1:30 - 7:00 pm Bridge Acad. Library

### Saturday, 20 July

9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bridge Acad. Library  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:00 am & 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop

### Sunday, 21 July

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station open  
9:00 am - 11:30 am Swap Shop Open

### Tuesday, 23 July

1:30 pm - 7 pm Bridge Acad. Library  
6:00 pm Select Board Meeting, Pownalborough Hall

### Wednesday, 24 July

6:30 pm Dresden Fire Department, Pownalborough  
Station

### Thursday, 25 July

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop  
1:30 - 7:00 pm Bridge Acad. Library

### Saturday, 27 July

9:00 am - 12:00 pm, Bridge Acad. Library  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:00 am & 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Swap Shop

### Sunday, 28 July

9:00 am - 1:00 pm Dresden Transfer Station  
9:00 am - 11:30 am Swap Shop

### Tuesday, 30 July

1:30 pm - 7 pm Bridge Acad. Library  
6:00 pm Select Board Meeting, Pownalborough Hall

### Wednesday, 31 July

6:30 pm Dresden Fire Department, Pownalborough  
Station



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# Your Monthly Community Newsletter

## THE DRESDEN COMMUNICATOR

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# July 2019

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### POWNBOROUGH COURT HOUSE

### ★ DRESDEN SUMMERFEST ★

Come join the festivities at the Pownalborough Court House for **Dresden Summerfest July 14th** starting at 11am. Free tour of the Court House for Dresden residents, and enjoy the grounds and 3.5 miles of hiking trails both for public use. All the usual events will take place as well as new surprises. Featuring: Games for kids and adults. Horse-drawn wagon rides. Music by Dresden's own nationally famous Ken Morse and special guests. Local organizations and business displays. Pie judging contest. Goat petting zoo. The internationally famous Dresden Fire Department Barbeque. And much more. 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM. Bring family and friends. For more information: Peter Walsh 737-2807 ([mpwalsh1@roadrunner.com](mailto:mpwalsh1@roadrunner.com)), or Pat Theriault 737-8771.

### Seen in Dresden June, 2019



By K. D. Vitelli

As June closes out in full color it is good to remember that at the beginning of the month the forsythia blossoms had just begun to drop, the daffodils were fading, tulips, lilacs, and apple blossoms were opening and the grass had only begun to grow. At the end of May, a flock of scarlet tanagers must have moved through Dresden: lots of us were treated to a brief visit by the brilliant males, who, when touched by the sun, made the male cardinals look rather drab. Several neighbors even got to see an uncommon orange version (I had several reports from opposite ends of town, but surely we only had one of these relatively rare birds). In my case, the tanager appeared at the oriole's orange first thing in the morning, accompanied, at the bird bath, by two male indigo buntings. What a great way to start the day. Around the same time, another neighbor, who has a pond near her home, saw a yellow-crowned night-heron, a much smaller bird than the more familiar great blue, and far less common in these parts. *(continued inside)*

# THE DRESDEN COMMUNICATOR

**Bridge Academy Library**  
44 Middle Road, Dresden, ME 04342  
Telephone: (207) 737-8810



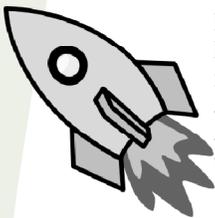
**Tues & Thurs 1:30-7:00pm**  
**Sat 9:00am-12:00pm**

## A UNIVERSE of Stories

### Summer Reading Program 2019

July featured Summer Reading event:

Rocket Drop-in Craft: Stop by any time the library is open during the month of July to pick up a fun DIY straw rocket kit that you can take home or make at the library! Color your rocket, assemble it and just add a puff of air to launch it toward the stars!



**Adult Book Group:** The July discussion book for the book club will be *All You Can Ever Know* by Nicole Chung. The book club meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm at the library. The next session will be held on Tuesday July 9.

### Dresden Swap Shop

#### THE ULTIMATE RECYCLING!

Our very own Swap Shop. Dresden and Richmond folks are all entitled to shop here for free. The way it works is - we bring in our lightly used articles and the wonderful volunteers at the Swap Shop

fold and hang and make things look nice. Then all the people come and take what they can use. There is no check out, just put it in a bag and take it home. It's so easy and you are doing you're part to save the planet from unnecessary trash. It's a Win win. Don't wait another week. Get started soon!

#### Everything is always FREE!

Thursday 1-3 pm  
Saturday 9-11:00 am and 1-3 pm  
Sunday 9-11:30 am

### Dresden Fire Association

DFA will hold its monthly business meeting on Wednesday, July 03, at 7:00 p.m. in Pownalborough Hall. Congratulations to Steve Lilly and Michael Nylen for being unanimously re-elected to their positions of Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief and approved by the Selectboard and townspeople at the annual town meeting. We will be making final plans for the upcoming fundraisers - - SummerFest (Sunday, July 14) and Richmond Days (July 26 - 27). All available members are urged to attend.

### Dresden Fire Department

DFD members will meet every Wednesday at Pownalborough Station at 6:30 p.m. for truck/station maintenance. Any training or other events will be posted the first Wednesday on the Board. New members are always a very welcome addition to the fire department (and we have been fortunate to have new firefighters join recently). All available personnel should make every effort to attend. Remember that open burning permits are required before you attempt any burning. They may be obtained from [www.wardensreport.com](http://www.wardensreport.com) at no charge. If you don't have a computer and printer, you can obtain one from an issuing agent - Chief Steve Lilly (737-9434), Assist. Chief Mike Nylen, F. F. Sonia Lilly (737-9429), or Shari Lilly (737-2566). Weekday burn hours: 3:00 p.m. to midnight; weekends, 9:00 a.m. to midnight. Fire danger and ratings will be a deciding factor in getting a permit when you plan to burn. **Have a happy and safe Fourth of July. Be very careful with any fireworks or outside burning.**

### Dresden Masonic Lodge #103

**July 9 Tuesday:** Dresden Masonic Lodge #103 Stated Communication, 6:30pm meal, 7:30pm meeting.  
Website: <https://103-me.ourlodgepage.com>  
Facebook: @Dresden103

### Dresden Historical Society

DHS will hold a monthly business meeting on Monday, July 01 at 6:30 p.m. in the Yellow Schoolhouse on Rt. 128. The brick school museum is now open for the summer. We are still looking for docents to welcome visitors to the museum on weekends only. The hours are from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Even if you can only spare one day, it would be a great help. Also, we are in need of volunteers who would have an interest in helping with cataloging, digitizing, labeling and sorting our various historical items and material. Please let us know if you would be willing to help with any of these. Did you know that we have a lot of genealogical information? We're open to the public and hope you will check out the museum and all it has to offer.

**WANTED** - Volunteers to help clear & clean some of our ancient cemeteries. If you'd like to help or FMI, contact Joe Wiley at 557-4125. Bring loppers or rakes (if you have any), gloves, bug dope, drinking water and dress for the weather. Any and all help is greatly appreciated. "Many hands make light work". NOTE: Did you know there are 52+ ancient gravesites in Dresden? A map and listing of areas can be seen on our Facebook (@DresdenHistoricalSociety) page.

### Dresden Planning Board

Planning board members will now be meeting on the **first and third Monday of each month** beginning on July 01 at 6:30 p.m. in Pownalborough Hall. If you have a project in mind, but you're not sure if you need permits or how to go about it, contact the Chairman, Jeff Pierce and he will give you all the info you may need to get your project going. He can be reached at 441-3006 or you can leave a message at the town office 737-4335. You can also reach the CEO, James Valley, at Dresden Town Office 737-4335 on Wednesday mornings or Richmond Town Office at 737-4305 if you have questions about building permits or business applications. The Dresden Land Use Ordinances are available at the town office if you need to get information for your area of the town or have questions about your project requirements.

## Dresden Town Office

534 Gardiner Road, P.O. Box 30  
Dresden, ME 04342  
(207) 737-4335

Online payment options and more information are at [townofdresden.com](http://townofdresden.com). NEW HOURS:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
CLOSED	9 am - 4 pm	9 am - 4 pm	9 am - 6 pm	9 am - 4 pm

And the first Saturday of every month, from 9 am – noon. We now do motor vehicle registrations on Tuesday as well.

### ◀ NOTICES ▶

New hours are posted above for the town office. Please note that we are now closed Mondays. Have a happy 4th of July!

Submitted by a Dresden resident:



## Seen in Dresden

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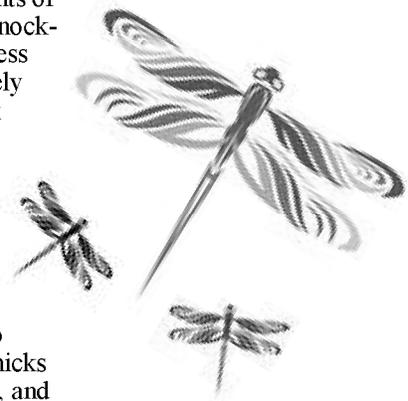
Since then, they and almost all our other birds have been busy mating, building nests, laying eggs, brooding, hatching, feeding, and any day now, fledging their young. I saw a pale orange oriole apparently having trouble gaining altitude in flight and thought it might have been a fledgling, but I think the two pairs that are regulars (and apparently quite friendly with each other) at my oranges only started nest building ca. May 18 (when I first saw the female stripping dry milkweed stems for nest fibers; it had been pretty cold and wet between the male's arrival on May 8 and then). Allowing a week or two for nest-building, 11-14 days for incubation, and another 11-14 days for nestling feeding before fledge, my low flyer was probably a mom looking for something on the ground. But her chicks, and lots of others should be fledging any day now (when the rain stops and sun returns), and the air will be full of "feed me, feed me" cries.

One of the phoebes nesting over my dryer vent lost a partner around June 13, and has been single-parenting at least two nestlings ever since. Like most single parents of any species, (s)he is really knocking herself out, making endless trips out for bugs—fortunately they are plentiful—and back to the nest, then straight back out for more, all day long. I was relieved this afternoon, before the rain started again, to see that (s)he had found a new partner, or at least another adult phoebe to help out. Looks like those chicks are going to make it after all, and maybe mom/dad will, too.

June has been pretty stingy with the beautiful days, but when they've been allowed, they have been glorious. All the cool, wet days have pleased the gardens, if not the gardeners (actually, those gray damp days are perfect for planting, but it isn't much fun and they tend to be really buggy). Plants that had not even broken ground the last few hot dry springs, and that I thought had long-since died, re-appeared, in top form. I had tulips that I hadn't seen in years.

Our heavily hybridized tulips will usually come true for a year, maybe two, by which time the originally planted bulb gives up and the new bulbs grown from it revert to their pre-hybridized, basic red or yellow color. My old bulbs must have stayed truly dormant, waiting for their preferred conditions. They came up in their original lovely purples, pinks, and oranges, and even some Rembrandt stripes that should have died out years ago. The cimicifuga/ snake root is back too, as is a clematis, both of which I had thought dead after last year; even a simple spirea bush that has always been rather pathetic with only a few straggly blooms is so happy this year it is a show-stopper. All those blooms have attracted yellow swallowtails, which have been abundant, presumably after wintering over in the chrysalis stage.

I have seen but a single snapping turtle this year, and her, not until June 19. I've heard of only one other sighting. They should have liked this wet, cool spring and been much more in evidence. I hope we haven't done them all in. Ticks, black flies, brown tail moths, and mosquitoes are thriving. Keep an eye out for them, wear your bug juice, but don't let them, or the rain drops keep you inside.



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Deadline for submissions: the 20th of each month. *Disclaimer: Fame and fortune are not guaranteed after submission. Photos will appear in black and white only.*