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**SAVE THE DATE** Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022

## ***DALC is turning 50...***

Join us for a celebration of 50 years of transforming lives through education.

Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022 From 4-6 p.m.

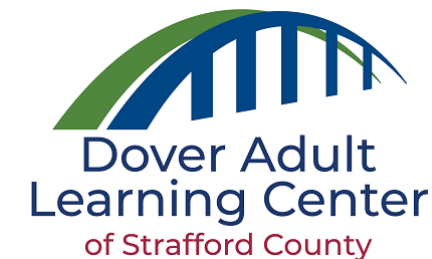
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# DOVER ADULT LEARNING CENTER NEWSLETTER



## *A Message From the Director*

*Deanna Strand*

What could be a more wonderful way to end this school year than with joyful culminating ceremonies, made even more special because we hadn't been able together to celebrate for two years. Our annual Culture Celebration returned with conversation, food, presentations, and performances. Students from countries on every continent enjoyed learning about each another's cultures and experiencing new delicacies. As one student put it, "Out in the world our countries are at war, but here we laugh and eat and dance together." That is truly something to celebrate.



**Deanna Strand**



**Sandra Nkenchor**

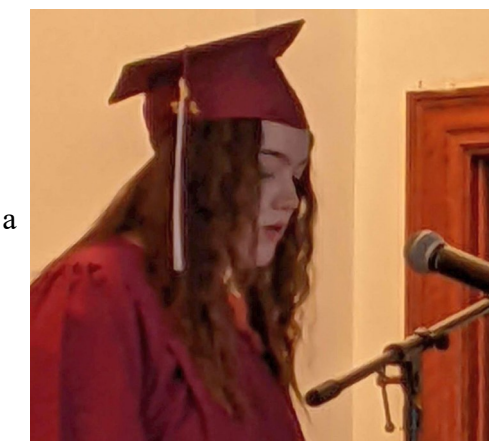
The 2022 graduation celebrated the high school completion of over 90 individuals, about 35 of whom attended the ceremony on a beautiful summer evening at Dover City Hall. We had to bring in 50 extra chairs at the last minute to accommodate all the friends and family members who came to show their support.

The graduate speaker, Sandra Nkenchor encouraged the graduates to keep pushing for their goals and reaching for their dreams. "Never stop and remember to ask for help." Her own story is one of incredible determination. You will read about her in this newsletter.

Storm Tardiff, winner of the graduate essay contest and scholarship recipient, shared her nontraditional path.

goals. I focused on the HiSET and am ready to move forward in my nursing journey at 18 years old."

The students and staff of dover Adult Learning Cetner never stop amazing and inspiring me with their dedication and perseverance. I am honored to work and serve them all.



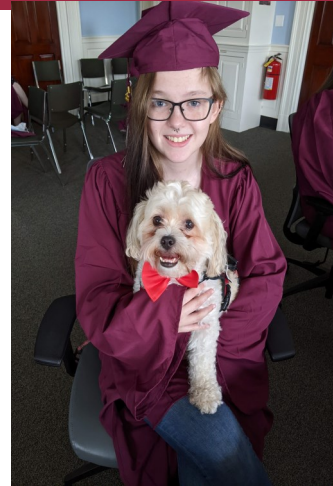
**Storm Tardif**

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*Learning. About You.*



# Congratulations Class of 2022



## In Our Own Words

**I Am**

*by Galina Burkova*

I am happy and childlike.  
 I wonder about princes in books.  
 I want to learn how to play chess.  
 I worry about my children's health because they work long, hard hours.  
 I am happy and childlike.  
 I understand knowing English is important.  
 I say you should always treat others the way you want to be treated.  
 I dream of seeing the world and getting to know the cultures of other countries.  
 I am happy and childlike.

*In Our Own Words... is an annual collection of original writings. In poetry, personal reflection and artwork, students reveal their diversity, as well as their commonality as learners.*

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