

# DOVER DOWNLOAD



News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



December 1, 2023



**CITY OF  
DOVER, NH**

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Dover, NH 03820  
603-516-6000

**City Hall  
hours:**

Monday-  
Thursday:  
8:30 a.m. to  
5:30 p.m.

Friday:  
8:30 a.m. to 4  
p.m.

**Recycling  
Center hours:**

Tuesday,  
Thursday,  
Saturday:  
8:30 a.m. to  
3:30 p.m.

## City Council and School Board to hold joint fiscal meeting Wednesday

### School Board meets Monday for third budget workshop

The City Council and School Board will meet jointly on Wednesday, Dec. 6, to discuss the development of the fiscal year 2025 budget and receive a preliminary calculation of the FY2025 tax cap.

The joint meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center. [Click here](#) for the complete agenda.

The School Board is in the process of creating its FY2025 budget, which is due to the City Manager by Jan. 15, 2024. The School Board met on Nov. 27 for its second budget workshop, where school principals and department directors discussed the changes to the non-wage portions of the School Department's proposed FY2025 budget. The School Board's budget discussions will continue on Monday, Dec. 4 at 6 p.m. in School Board Chambers, Room 306, of the McConnell Center.

Both meetings will be televised on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where they will also be available for on-demand viewing.

All budget documents and video recordings of budget meeting and workshops are posted to the FY2025 Budget



Donna Benton, Dover's Director of Planning and Community Development, reviews the proposed FY2025-30 Capital Improvements Program during a joint workshop of the City Council and Planning Board this week.

## Capital Improvements Program presented to City Council and Planning Board

### First public hearing slated for Wednesday

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., presented the proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2030 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) during a joint session of the Dover City Council and Planning Board on Wednesday, Nov. 29. The CIP, a crucial element of Dover's community planning, aligns with the city's Master Plan, focusing on infrastructure investments reflective of Dover's goals and values.

The six-year CIP outlines significant capital expenditures over \$25,000 with a useful life of three years or more. This includes ongoing projects like street and sidewalk improvements, maintenance and upgrades to water and wastewater systems, procurement of police cruisers, and facility maintenance.

The detailed CIP document is [accessible online](#) and available in hard copy at City Hall and the Dover Public Library. Additionally, the joint workshop is [available for viewing online](#) and on Channel 22. An informational video, "Understanding the CIP," can also be found on the [CIP webpage](#).

The CIP was the topic of the Nov. 28 episode of the Dover Download podcast, which can be found on the [CIP webpage](#) or most podcast services.

Public hearings are scheduled to ensure community participation and feedback. These will occur on Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 305 of the McConnell Center, and on Dec. 12 and Dec. 13 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers. The Planning Board may vote on the CIP on Dec. 12, with recommendations forwarded to the City Council. The Council is expected to vote

on the CIP on Dec. 13, following the public hearing.

The adopted CIP's first year will be incorporated into the proposed citywide operating budget, presented to the City Council early next year.

For more information on the CIP and upcoming public hearings, visit the [City of Dover website](#).

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## City Council to hold public hearing, vote on proposed stormwater utility on Dec. 13

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, the City Council will hold a public hearing followed by a possible vote on a proposed ordinance to create a stormwater and flood resilience utility.

The City Council held a workshop on the proposed ordinance, entitled Municipal Stormwater Utility, on Nov. 15, where city staff and consultants reviewed all aspects of the stormwater utility, including the need for the ordinance, how it would work, the utility fee structure, and available credit options. The presentation also included the work and findings of the Council's ad-hoc stormwater funding committee. The Council held a first reading of the proposed ordinance at its Nov. 8 meeting.



**Stormwater**

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A video of the Nov. 15 workshop, presentation slides, the proposed ordinance, and all other stormwater-related documents are available on the city's [Stormwater Management webpage](#). Information on this page includes but is not limited to how a stormwater utility would work and its need, a link to frequently asked questions, and prior presentation materials.

As currently proposed, the stormwater utility would begin on July 1, 2024, the beginning of the city's 2025 fiscal year.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

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Nancy Gurick , above, returns for the 38th annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Henry Law Park tonight. Gurick will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs.

## **Dover's 38th annual Christmas Tree Lighting is tonight**

The 38th annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Henry Law Park will be held tonight, Friday, Dec. 1, 2023 at 6 p.m.

Nancy Gurick will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs around the tree. The Seacoast Men of Harmony will also be performing. Mayor Robert Carrier will help open the event.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this family tradition, held each holiday season, and to bring a weather-appropriate ornament to hang on the tree.

Please dress warm and join in for some caroling around the tree.

For more information, contact the Recreation Department at 603-516-6401.

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***Special Delivery, Just in Time***





Community Services crews, with help from Urban Tree Service, lowered this season's tree onto its base this week at Henry Law Park. According to Recreation Director Gary Bannon, the blue spruce tree was donated by the Castaldo family of Dover. Community Services staff strung the tree's lights and added ornaments this week, just in time for tonight's annual Christmas Tree Lighting event.

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## **Dover Chamber's Festival of Trees lights up Rivermill at Dover Landing tonight**

The 14th annual Dover Festival of Trees will take place tonight, on Friday, Dec. 1, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Rivermill at Dover Landing. The event is free and open to the public.

The festival will feature more than 35 elaborate trees sponsored and decorated by local businesses, all available to be taken home through silent and live auction or raffle drawings. The event also includes live choir performances, free goodie bags for kids (sponsored by Mr. Electric), a scavenger hunt for kids (sponsored by Breezeline), refreshments and holiday desserts (sponsored by Doyle & Coffin and Cleveland Waters & Bass, P.A.) and even a visit from Santa (sponsored by Hammond Lumber Company). Sprague Energy is also a sponsor for this event. The main attraction will be the Raffle Tree (with an emcee sponsored by MVS), which will be fully decorated with hundreds of dollars in gift cards to local restaurants and retailers. Tickets for the raffle tree will be \$5 each, or five for \$20.

The Festival of Trees is a fundraiser that benefits the Dover Chamber's City Lights Committee, a volunteer group of residents and Chamber members dedicated to illuminating downtown Dover during the holiday season and hanging American flags on Central Avenue during the summer months.

The event's underwriting sponsor is Kennebunk Savings.

For more information on the Festival of Trees, contact the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 603-742-2218 or visit [www.dovernh.org/FOT](http://www.dovernh.org/FOT).

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## **Filing period for vacant Ward 4 state representative seat is next week**

The filing period to fill the state representative seat representing Dover Ward 4, Lee, and Madbury is next week.

The filing period is from Monday, Dec. 4 through Friday, Dec. 8, 2023, with a Primary Election on Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2024, and a General Election on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, New Hampshire Secretary of State David M. Scanlan announced Thursday. The special election is to fill the seat of Stafford District 11 after the recent death of Rep. Hoy Robert



Menear of Lee.

Candidates may file to run for the election at the Secretary of State's office, located in Room 204 of the State House, 104 N. Main St., Concord. Candidates may file with their local clerk's office on Monday, Dec. 4, and Tuesday, Dec. 5. The Dover City Clerk's office is located in the Customer Service Center on the ground floor of Dover City Hall, 288 Central Ave. in Dover.

If only one candidate files for either of the recognized political parties, the Primary Election will not be held, and the General Election will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2024.

For more information, contact the Secretary of State's office at 603-271-3242 or [elections@sos.nh.gov](mailto:elections@sos.nh.gov).



## **Dover Police Department accepting names for Christmas Basket Program**

Chief William M. Breault announced today that the Dover Police Department is now accepting names, addresses, and phone numbers of needy families residing in Dover for the annual Christmas Basket Program. The Dover Police Department conducts this program each December to provide a Christmas dinner to families in Dover.

Last year, 125 baskets of food were distributed to families throughout the community. In addition, a large quantity of food was provided to the Dover Children's Home and My Friend's Place.

Those wishing to donate to this program may bring non-perishable food items, canned goods, or monetary donations to the Dover Police Department at 46 Chestnut St. (checks should be made payable to Dover Police Charities). If you cannot deliver your food donations to the police station, call 603-742-4646 and pick up will be arranged.

Employees of the Dover Police Department, and their families, will prepare and deliver the baskets on Dec. 16, 2023.

For more information, contact the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646 or



## Watch this year's Dover Holiday Parade on Channel 22 or online

Cochecho Friends, a local volunteer organization, hosted this year's Dover Holiday Parade on Sunday, Nov. 26. This year's theme was "Dover Lights Up the Holidays."

If you missed the parade, or want to catch it again, tune in to Channel 22 or watch it online here: <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=4gALkofraKg3v3p>.

### Upcoming Meetings:

**Conservation Commission, Dec. 4, 5:30 p.m.**

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 4, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**School Board, Dec. 4, 6 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a budget workshop on Monday, Dec. 4, 2023, beginning at 6 p.m., in School Board Chambers, Room 306, at the McConnell Center.

## State reviewing city tax documents; tax rate set to be certified next week

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration staff are in the process of reviewing the City of Dover's 2023 property tax rate. The city anticipates the review will be completed by next week with the certification of the 2023 property tax rate.

Upon receiving the certification from NHDRA, the city will issue a public notice of the 2023 property tax rate. Tax bills will be calculated with the certified rate, printed, and mailed to property owners. Last year, the NHDRA certified Dover's 2022 tax rate on Dec. 7.

For more information, contact the Finance Department at 603-516-6030.



To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

### **Arts Commission, Dec. 4, 6:30 p.m.**

The Dover Arts Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 4, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in Room 323 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

### **Community Trail Committee, Dec. 5, 5:30 p.m.**

The Planning Board's Ad-Hoc Community Trail Advisory Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

### **City Council, Dec. 6, 6:30 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the workshop agenda, [click here](#).

### **City Council and School Board, Dec. 6, 7 p.m.**

The City Council and School Board will hold a joint workshop on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the workshop agenda, [click here](#).

### **Library Board of Trustees, Dec. 7, 4 p.m.**

The Library Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Dec. 7, 2023, beginning at 4 p.m., at the



## **Dover Main Street rings in holiday season with festive events**

Dover Main Street has announced a series of public events to celebrate the holiday season.

**Santa Drive:** On Sunday, Dec. 10, from noon to 3 p.m., Dover Main Street and the city's fire and police departments will escort Santa Claus through Dover neighborhoods. Residents can view Santa's planned route and track his location in real-time on the [Dover Main Street website](#).

**Food Drive:** Dover Main Street has also launched its annual food drive to benefit the Dover Food Pantry. Through Dec. 15, patrons dining at Dover restaurants or shopping at local stores are encouraged to donate nonperishable items that volunteers will collect and deliver to the food pantry. Participating businesses include Bending Bodhi Yoga, Blue Latitudes, Chapel + Main, Cinco de Mayo, Dover Jewelers, Earth Harmony Wellness, Erin Claire Boutique, Fire On The Mountain, Inside Out Beauty Salon, Jewelry Creations, June Cork Pub, Market Square Jewelers, My Country Store, Natalie's Boutique, Roost, Ross Furniture, SEH Studios Art Gallery, SoL Yoga and Pilates, and Upright Wellness Acupuncture.

**Scavenger Hunt:** A new scavenger hunt -- Gnome for the Holidays -- will be held from Dec. 10 to 16. Using a mobile app and QR code, participants can follow daily clues to find 10 hidden gnomes at local shops and eateries. Those who complete the hunt will be entered in a drawing to win one of three \$50 prizes. Visit the [Dover Main Street website](#) for more information.

**Dover Dollars:** Finally, Dover Main Street sells Dover Dollars gift certificates redeemable at most downtown businesses, with proceeds supporting the local economy. The community is reminded that any outdated certificates can be replaced by contacting Dover Main Street. Have outdated Dover Dollars? Email [info@dovermainstreet.org](mailto:info@dovermainstreet.org) for replacement Dover Dollars.

More details on all events are available on the Dover Main Street website, [www.dovermainstreet.org](http://www.dovermainstreet.org).

Dover Main Street's holiday events are sponsored

Dover Public Library, 73 Locust Street, Dover.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

### **Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee, Dec. 7, 5:30 p.m.**

The Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Dec. 7, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

by First Seacoast Bank.



### **Missed the meeting? Catch it again online**

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit [www.dovernh.viebit.com](http://www.dovernh.viebit.com) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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## **Dover Download Question of the Week**

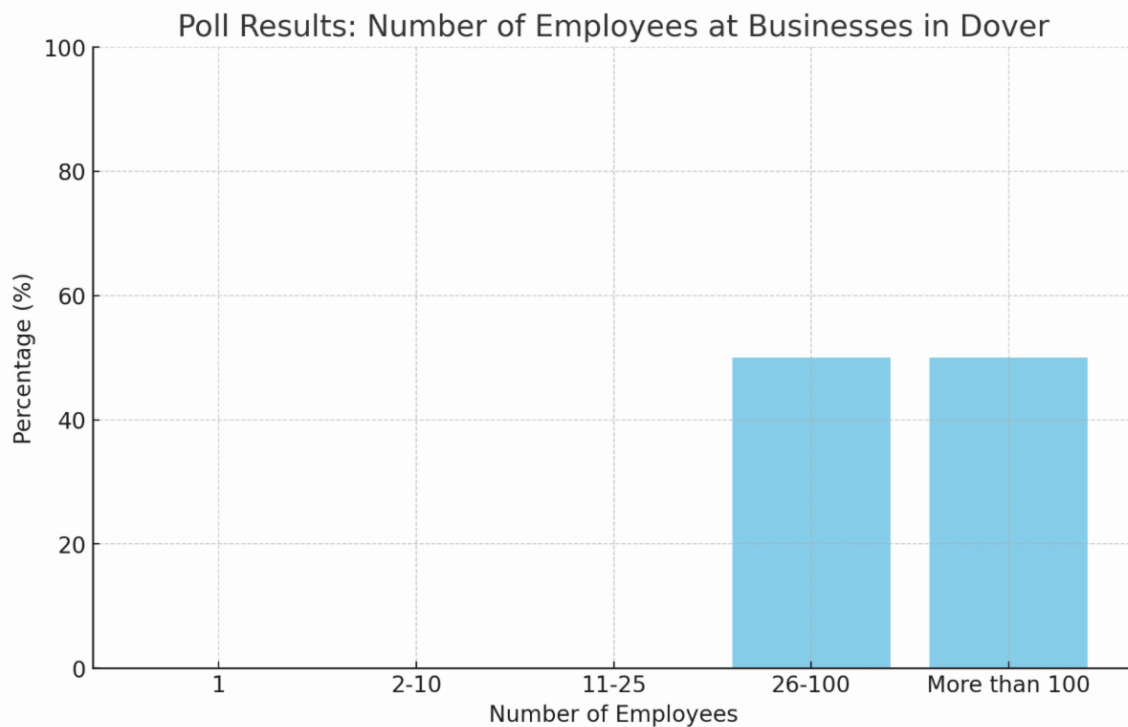
We want to hear from you! In each edition of Dover Download, we're looking for your response to our question of the week. A new poll will appear each week in Dover Download, along with the previous week's results. Participating is easy – just click on the link below to cast your vote.

This week's question: **How often do you use Dover's Recreation facilities, such as the pools, Ice Arena, Community Senior Center, and Butterfield Gym?**

Let us know here: <https://polco.us/m2r7ae>.

*Please note that if you don't already have an account with Polco, the city's polling system, you will be asked to create one.*

Here are the results from last week's poll, which asked, "If you work in Dover, how many people work at your business?"



The following events are from various historical records, sources, and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here](#).

**Dec. 4, 1656** — Mr. Valentine Hill and "one or two more" men appointed a committee to run the line between Dover and Exeter. Mr. Hill also had permission to turn part of the water of the Lamprey River into Oyster River for the supply of his mills.

**Dec. 3, 1701** — Commissioners were appointed by the Council to run the lines between the several towns of the Province and to "make good and sufficient bound trees or bound marks" — the Dover commissioners consisting of Capt. John Tuttle, Lt. James Davis, and Lt. William Furber.

**Dec. 2, 1860** — The First Congregational Chapel on Central Street was dedicated on this day.

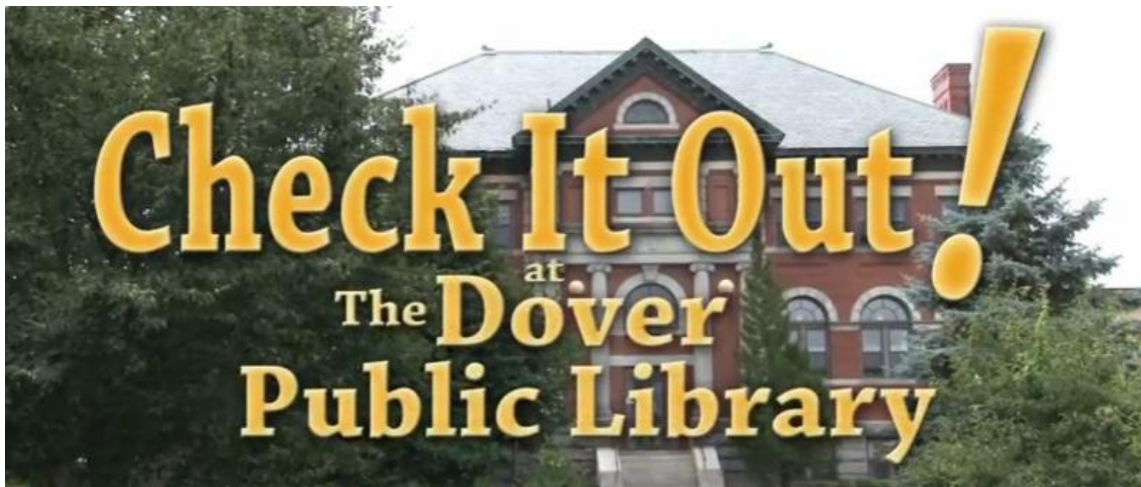
**Dec. 1, 1905** — A fire broke out in the basement at the Cochecho Mills on this day. Dover fire crews responded, extinguishing the stubborn blaze with significant water. The fire destroyed thousands of yards of cloth and caused smoke damage to some of the upper levels.

**Dec. 5, 1996** — The Strafford County Commission unanimously voted on this day to create a 20-person committee to address overcrowding issues at the county jail. The jail, which then had a capacity of 150 inmates, was nearly double its maximum with almost 300 inmates, forcing officials to house maximum-security prisoners in medium-security cells. The bipartisan committee comprising legislators, police chiefs, judges, jail officials and community members would be tasked with studying trends in incarceration and sentencing as well as potential solutions like electronic monitoring, as well as estimating costs of any proposed fixes for the overcrowded jail. The Strafford County Delegation



rejected plans to expand the jail in 1999. A new plan to expand the jail was approved in 2001, which broke ground the following year and was completed in phases over the next three years.

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## Cookbook Club cookie swap

Join Dover Public Library's Cookbook Club for our second-annual cookie swap on Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Please register with your recipe pick, then come to the swap with at least two dozen of your cookie choices to share. Bring your own containers to bring cookies home with you, and feel free to bring a copy of your recipe to share with others.

This program is free and open to the public.

For more information and to sign up, visit the library's website at [library.dover.nh.gov](http://library.dover.nh.gov) or call (603) 516-6050.

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## This Week at the Library

### **Sunday, Dec. 3, 1 to 5 p.m. Clothing Library**

The Clothing Library provides clothing to borrow for free, just like a traditional library, but instead of books you can check out fashion! Partnering with the Dover Public Library as their pilot, the Clothing Library serves the communities unique needs and aims to address the negative ecological and social impacts of overproduction of the fashion industry by keeping existing clothing circulation longer. Less Is More so Borrow Not Buy!

### **Monday, Dec. 4, 6 to 7 p.m. Snowflake Bath Fizzes**

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to make snowflake-shaped bath fizzies! All supplies will be provided.  
*Registration required.*

**Monday, Dec. 4, 6 to 6:45 p.m.**

### **Wednesday, Dec. 6, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Get Lit! Adult Book Club**

Join this adult book group to discuss *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan at Blue Latitudes in Dover! Copies of the book will be available to borrow at the main circulation desk of the library and on Hoopla. All are welcome!

### **Wednesday, Dec. 6, 6:30 to 8 p.m. The Spirit of Christmas Past: Four Centuries of Christmas in America**

This well-illustrated lecture traces the development of the celebration of Christmas from when it was outlawed in 17th Century New England through the mid-21st Century when all the trappings of a traditional Christmas were in place.

The presentation will look at how Christmas transformed from a rowdy celebration to a family centered event. Among the topics discussed are how

### **Guitar Lesson**

Drop in for a free guitar class taught by Mike Rieder from A&M Studios! Please bring your own guitar, as they will not be provided. This program is open to participants ages 10 and up.

**Tuesday, Dec. 5, 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

#### **Mother Goose on the Loose**

For babies through 2 years and parent/caregiver, Mother Goose on the Loose is a 30-minute program with nursery rhymes, songs, puppets, and short stories. A joyful and fun gathering that promotes early literacy skills.

**Tuesday, Dec. 5, 6 to 8 p.m.**

#### **Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group**

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 and older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for adventure, strategy, and imagination. The group will meet every Tuesday night; come when you can. No experience or materials are required.

**Tuesday, Dec. 5, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

#### **Genealogy Group**

Whether you're new to genealogical research or a seasoned pro, this group is a great way to meet others who share the same passion, can give you advice in your research, and listen to your newly-discovered family histories.

**Tuesday, Dec. 5, 7 to 8 p.m.**

#### **Virtual Baking Demo and Discussion with Chef Erin Jeanne McDowell**

Chef and Cookbook Author Erin Jeanne McDowell will demonstrate how to make one of her favorite recipes and then will have some time to chat with attendees about all of your "burning" questions. *Register to receive link.*

**Wednesday, Dec. 6, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

#### **Adult Knitting Group**

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels welcome.

**Wednesday, Dec. 6, 10 to 10:30 a.m.**

#### **Family Storytime**

Children of all ages with caregivers are invited to this program, which includes stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets.

**Wednesday, Dec. 6, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

#### **All Abilities Chapter Book Club**

Join the All Abilities Club! These weekly programs are geared towards adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their caregivers. We will be starting a new

Christmas tree were raised, halls were decked, and Santa Claus came to town. Sign up if you'd prefer to attend virtually.

**Thursday, Dec. 7, 10 to 11 a.m.**

#### **Cover 2 Cover Book Group**

Join us on the first Thursday of every month to discuss a book. December's selection is *Grey Bees* by Andrey Kurkov and Boris Dralyuk. Copies of the book can be borrowed at the Adult Circulation Desk. New members are always welcome.

**Thursday, Dec. 7, 10 to 10:45 a.m.**

#### **Arts and Crafts Storytime**

Arts and Crafts Storytime is for children ages 3-6. Each session will focus on a different theme. Books, songs, rhymes, and an art activity will all be part of the fun. *Registration required.*

**Thursday, Dec. 7, 4 to 5 p.m.**

#### **Multilingual Book Group**

Educators from the UNH Community Literacy Center lead this group that features a different language each week. There will also be an art activity based on the theme. This program is geared towards students in grades kindergarten through 3 (other ages OK).

**Thursday, Dec. 7, 5 to 8 p.m.**

#### **Magic the Gathering**

Join every Thursday to play Magic the Gathering. Collect cards, build decks, and duel other players. All ages and skill levels welcome. No materials required.

**Friday, Dec. 8, All Day**

**Library Closed for Staff Development**

**Saturday, Dec. 9, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

#### **Winter Gift Making**

Join the library for a fun, winter gift making activity. They'll have three different crafts and plenty of festive spirit! *Registration required.*

**Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:30 to 4 p.m.**

#### **Watercolor Holiday Cards**

Come and hand-paint greeting cards just in time for the holidays. For the first card we will be following along with a video tutorial on the requisite technique, and then there will be time to paint a custom card of your own design. All materials will be provided –just come paint and relax! This program is for adults only. *Registration required.*



## **Santa's Castle returns Dec. 15**

Dover Youth to Youth will host its 16th annual Santa's Castle at the McConnell Center in downtown Dover for four days during the Christmas season. Each night, children and their families can walk through several rooms in Santa's Castle and meet Santa and many of his elves.

Youth to Youth students acting as elves will guide visitors through Rudolph's stable, Santa's toy room, Mrs. Claus' Kitchen and other parts of the Castle. The tour culminates with a visit with Santa. Along the tour, children will be entertained by the elves and will collect small gifts in each room. Families are welcome to bring a camera and take pictures or videos during the tour and with Santa.

During the first weekend, the event will be held on Friday, Dec. 15, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, Dec. 16, between 2 and 6:30 p.m. The Castle will continue on Thursday, Dec. 21, and Friday, Dec. 22, from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

To attend, pre-registration is required. Groups making a reservation must be no larger than six people and include family members only.

To make a reservation, visit <https://dover2y.org/santas-castle-2023/>

Santa's Castle is designed for children ages nine and under, but the whole family is invited. The cost is a flat fee of \$25 per reservation. Proceeds support the drug and alcohol prevention activities of Dover Youth to Youth.

Entrance to Santa's Castle will be from the Saint Thomas Street side of the McConnell Center (Door #7). Parking is available in the parking lot located behind the Dover Public Library and on the street by the Dover District Court.



For additional information, go to the Dover Santa's Castle [Facebook page](#), Youth to Youth's website at [www.DoverY2Y.org](http://www.DoverY2Y.org), or call the Dover Police Department's Community Outreach Bureau at 603-516-3274.

Dover Youth to Youth is an organization made up of middle and high school students who meet after school to conduct activities and events that promote a drug-free lifestyle. Youth to Youth is coordinated by the Dover Police Department with support from the Wentworth-Douglass Hospital.



## Dover Chamber welcomes SEH Studios Art

SEH Studios Art is the gallery space of local New Hampshire artist Susan E. Hanna. The studio has recently moved to a larger location at 456 Central Ave. in Dover, with the new space featuring two galleries and classroom space.

Hanna is a self-taught artist who lives and works in New Hampshire, whose work has been exhibited widely in New Hampshire, with additional shows in Massachusetts and Maine. After working in other fields, Ms. Hanna decided to pursue her passion for painting full-time and pursue art as her career. She generally works with oil paints, specializing in depicting outdoor scenes. In addition to working on traditional canvas, Ms. Hanna is also known for painting on copper or aluminum panels.

"I see beauty in mundane scenes," explains Hanna. "In landscapes, ocean scenes, or holiday lights sparkling along a city street, I want viewers to see the serenity and beauty I experience when I paint."

Before the move to the new location, SEH Studios Art was based in a smaller space in Dover that did not offer the same space and room for opportunities as the Central Avenue location. The new studio has enough room for a Front Gallery and a Studio Gallery adjacent to the classroom. In addition to her own work, Hanna will feature work from visiting artists in the gallery. Current artists include Melissa Lea, Linda Van Tassell, and Jan Van Tassell.

Aside from having a space to showcase her pieces, Hanna is thrilled that her new location offers classroom space. "I teach students of all ages and abilities," says Hanna. "My ideal student is someone who is sincerely interested in painting and wants to do something for themselves just for joy."

Visit SEH Studios Art at its new location at 456 Central Ave. in Dover.



## **Dover Senior Center plans to hit Myrtle Beach for Senior Spring Break**

Join the Dover Senior Center on Spring Break in Myrtle Beach, April 27-May 3, 2024.

The tour includes Deluxe Yankee Line motor coach transportation; first-class hotel accommodations for six nights; 12 meals (six breakfasts; one box lunch; four dinners while in Myrtle Beach, and a farewell dinner at a popular local restaurant in Virginia overlooking the Potomac); admission and reserved seating to three popular music shows including, "ICONIC" The Show at the Alabama Theatre, The Carolina Opry, and Charles Bach Wonders Theatre from Las Vegas – The Biggest and Best Magic Show in Myrtle Beach; tour of Brookgreen Garden; and much more.

Pricing is based on occupancy and number of bedrooms. A \$100-per-person deposit is due upon sign-up. The balance is due on or before March 15, 2024.

For more information about the trip, pricing, and how to register, contact Linda Jarvis at 603-516-6420.

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## **Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant**

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including the:

- Energy Commission
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Arena Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Utilities Commission
- Committee to Address Community Housing Needs

The complete list of boards and committees can be found at [www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/](http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/)

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Jerrica Vanslyvong-Bizier at [j.bizier@dover.nh.gov](mailto:j.bizier@dover.nh.gov). Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review applications.

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## City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment. The City of Dover is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Enterprise Systems IT Administrator**
- **Custodian - City Hall**
- **Recreation Program Supervisor**
- **Environmental Projects Manager**
- **Wastewater Pump Station Operator**
- **Truck Driver, Streets**
- **Laborer**
- **Arena Attendant**
- **Water Treatment Operator**
- **Camera Operator**
- **Planning Division Supervisor**
- **Prevention Programmer**
- **Maintenance Mechanic, Meter & Backflow**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

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## Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Student Specific Nurse**
- **ELL Tutors**
- **Long Term Substitute Math Teacher**
- **Literacy Intervention Specialist**
- **Special Education Teacher - Autism Support**
- **Noon Aide/Recess Monitor**
- **Preschool Aide**
- **Head Coach Girls Lacrosse**
- **Special Education Teacher Case Manager**
- **Cleaner for 2nd shift for C&W Services**



- **Paraprofessional**
- **Speech and Language Assistant**
- **Coach Girls JV Lacrosse**
- **Substitute Teacher**

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