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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



December 2, 2022



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288 Central
Avenue
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,

City Council, School Board hold joint workshop on budget development, tax cap

The City Council and School Board will meet jointly on Wednesday, Dec. 7, to discuss the development of the fiscal year 2024 budget and receive a preliminary calculation of the FY2024 tax cap.

The tax cap is calculated annually, as the city's charter requires. "The City Council shall adopt the annual municipal budget for city and school purposes to limit the property tax levy on taxpayers to the property tax levy from the previous tax year increased by the amount of inflation calculated from the Consumer Price Index-Boston and the net increase in new construction," the charter states in Limitation on Property Tax Levy Increase, with inflation calculated on the last three years of CPI data. The charter allows the tax cap to be overridden by a two-thirds majority vote of all elected City Council members.

The workshop will also include a discussion of the teacher salary benchmark survey. The School Board and City Council approved the Dover Teachers' Union one-year contract in September. During the adoption of the FY2023 budget, the City Council requested the School Department conduct a wage study.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell

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

Center. It will be televised live on Channel 22 and online at [dovernh.viebit.com](https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/budget-revealed/fy2024-budget/), where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.

School Board budget review continues

The School Board will hold its second budget workshop on Monday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m. in the McConnell Center's School Board Chambers, Room 306.

Last week, the School Board heard from department heads on the need for the new positions they proposed for the fiscal year 2024 budget. At its Nov. 14 meeting, the School Board received its preliminary budget from Superintendent William Harbron and Business Administrator Michael Limanni.

Videos of budget discussions and related documents are posted on the FY2024 Budget Revealed webpage <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/budget-revealed/fy2024-budget/>.

The School Board has a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 12, and another budget workshop on Monday, Dec. 19. Meetings and workshops are televised live on Channel 22 and online at [dovernh.viebit.com](https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/budget-revealed/fy2024-budget/), where they will also be available for on-demand viewing.



Denise Pouliot, left, and Paul Pouliot, center, the Sag8mo and Sag8moskwa (Male and Female Head Speakers) of the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki People, play a song during the land acknowledgment plaque unveiling on Monday, Nov. 28, 2022, at the Dover Public Library. Watching is, right, Kathleen Blake, affiliate faculty of the University of New Hampshire Native American and Indigenous Studies and a member of Dover's Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee.

City unveils land acknowledgment plaque

On Monday, Nov. 28, the City of Dover unveiled a replica of a bronze plaque

bearing a land acknowledgment to the area's indigenous peoples. The ceremony, held at the Dover Public Library, was attended by city officials, members of the indigenous community, and members of the Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee.



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The bronze plaques are made possible thanks to a generous grant by the New Hampshire Humanities Council. They will be installed at city facilities.

The unveiling was followed by a [special presentation on indigenous land stewardship](https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=MsYAc1myDkHp), with guest speakers Paul and Denise Pouliot, the Sag8mo and Sag8moskwa (Male and Female Head Speakers) of the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki People; and Kathleen Blake, affiliate faculty of the University of New Hampshire Native American and Indigenous Studies Minor. The presentation can be viewed here: <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=MsYAc1myDkHp>.

The New Hampshire Humanities Council grant, which was approved by the City Council earlier this year, helped create Indigenous Dover, an initiative to help better understand and appreciate the history of the indigenous peoples who were here in what is now called Dover, thousands of years before the first European settlers.

The City Council adopted a land acknowledgment last year, which had been proposed by the Council's ad-hoc Committee on Racial Equity and Inclusion (CREI). Dover's land acknowledgment at city facilities will state: *"This facility is located at Cochecho (CO-chi-co) within N'dakinna (n-DA-ki-na), now called Dover, New Hampshire, which is the unceded traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki (a-BEN-a-ki), Pennacook and Wabanaki Peoples, past and present. We acknowledge and honor with gratitude the land, waterways, living beings, and the Aln8bak (Al-nuh-bak), the people who have stewarded N'dakinna (n-DA-ki-na) for many millennia."*

Visit bit.ly/nativedover for more information about the Indigenous Dover project.

Strafford County Delegation to hold public hearing, vote on new nursing home bond

The Strafford County Legislative Delegation is scheduled to meet Monday, Dec. 5, and hold a public hearing and vote on the Strafford County Commissioners' proposal to build a new nursing home and fund construction through \$150 million in bonds.

The bonding request is \$20 million less than initially proposed for a vote on Sept. 6. The meeting was to be rescheduled to "gather additional information." The project was also reduced in scope, according to a legislative delegation workshop session held Nov. 30.

Strafford County Commissioner Chair George Maglaras told the Dover City Council in August that if a new nursing facility was built, the commissioners' goal is to turn the current nursing facility into a transitional shelter for the unhoused.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in Courtroom II of the Strafford County Superior Court, 259 County Farm Road in Dover. Public access will also be available online via Zoom. [Click here](#) for the complete agenda and online access instructions.

The Strafford County Legislative Delegation comprises Strafford County's state representatives and is responsible for appropriating funds to operate the county.



Warming Center to open Sunday, Dec. 4

The Warming Center of Strafford County at 30 Willand Drive in Somersworth will activate Sunday, Dec. 4, 2022, at 5 p.m. and remain open until 9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 5. Reservations/pre-registrations are not needed. Access is walk-in only.

The Warming Center on Willand Drive can be accessed via Route 108 (New Rochester Road) or Commercial Drive from High Street in Somersworth. Since COAST Bus does not provide service on Sundays, SOS will run a transportation shuttle Sunday evening from the Dover Transportation Center and the bus stop in front of the Rochester Library to the Warming Center beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday for a few hours. People who need help getting to the Warming Center can always call 603-742-2709 between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. for assistance when the center is activated.

The Warming Center is in need of volunteers and donations. To see volunteer opportunities and needed supplies, visit <https://www.sosrco.org/what-we-do/willand-warming/>.

Contact the Warming Center at 603-742-2709, 603-969-1305 or via direct message to the Warming Center of Strafford County Facebook page www.facebook.com/warmingcenterofsc.



Dover Police now accepting names for Christmas Basket Program

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 Police Department conducts this program through Dover Police Charities 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.

In order to make this year's program a success, donations are needed from the community. Nonperishable food items, canned goods, or monetary donations will be accepted at the Dover Police Department, 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 Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022.

For more information, contact Police Sgt. Alex Mitrushi at 603-742-4646 or at a.mitrushi@dover.nh.gov.



Catch this year's Holiday Parade online and on Channel 22

Did you miss the Holiday Parade this week? Want to see it again? You can catch the 2022 Holiday Parade online and on Channel 22 all through the holiday season.

To view the parade online, visit <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=UFuxocTZx5ex>. Tune into Channel 22 and watch for the programming guide to see upcoming rebroadcasts.

This year's parade was organized by Cochecho Friends, a local volunteer organization, and was held on Sunday, Nov. 27, at 3 p.m. The parade broadcast was hosted by Don Briand.

The parade was presented by Dover Honda and is sponsored by DF Richard; Hopkins Enterprises; Martel Plumbing and Heating; Broadview Animal Hospital; Weibrecht and Ecker, PLLC; and Burns, Bryant, Cox, Rockefeller and Durkin.



Dover Fire Toy Bank seeking donations

The 2022 Dover Fire Toy Bank continues to collect toys for its annual toy bank.

The Dover Fire Toy Bank has been coordinated by current and retired members of the Dover Fire and Rescue for more than 43 years. The Toy Bank started out all those years ago helping a dozen families in the city, it has now grown to help over 350 families. While Christmas typically conjures up visions of Santa and toys, the Toy Bank also provides educational aids, warm clothing, and boots to many children in Dover.

The Dover community - area businesses, seniors, families, school groups, civic groups and others have been very supportive and generous in the past. Donations of toys, games, clothing, personal hygiene items, gift certificates, and monetary donations have enabled us to help those less fortunate. The Toy Bank would not be successful without continued help from the community.

Here's how to help:

Collect new toys within your organization for age groups from newborn to 12 years old. If looking for a specific need to fill, the infant and 9-12 age groups are always in need for both boys and girls. If you need a collection box, please call 603-516-TOYS, leave a message, and we will get you one for your business.

Purchase gift cards to area businesses, mall stores, and grocery stores are always appreciated.

Shop for hats and mittens, gloves and scarves that are needed for the cold winter. These gifts help ensure each child receives these essentials.

Collecting monetary donations within an organization and shopping for gifts helps greatly. If you don't have time to shop for these items, the Toy Bank will do it for you.

Toy Bank volunteers will pick up donations on site or drop off new, unwrapped items at these locations: Dover Central Fire Station (9-11 Broadway), South End Fire Station (27 Durham Road) or the North End Fire Station (262 Sixth St.) by Friday, Dec. 16. Toy collection boxes are also located at the following businesses:

- Kennebunk Savings, 701 Central Ave.

- Wentworth Home, 795 Central Ave.
- Herbal Path, 835 Central Ave.
- Hannoush Jewelers, 863 Central Ave.
- Statix, 827 Central Ave.
- Timeless Salon, 1 Webb Place
- Wentworth Health Partners, 10 Members Way, fifth floor
- Watson Fields, 201 Watson Road
- Holy Rosary Credit Union, 490 Central Ave.
- Harvey's Bakery, 376 Central Ave.
- Brick House, 2 Orchard St.
- City Hall, City Manager's Office, 288 Central Ave.
- St. Mary Academy, 222 Central Ave.
- TD Bank, 353 Central Ave.
- Noggin Factory, 53 Washington St.
- Dover Ice Arena, 110 Portland Ave.
- Philbrick's Sports, 161 Portland Ave.
- Tasker's Funeral Home, 621 Central Ave.
- Greater Dover Chamber Of Commerce, 550 Central Ave.
- Peoples United Bank, 537 Central Ave.
- Moose Lodge #443, 45 Chestnut St.
- Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St.
- Everproven Crossfit, 50 Crosby Road
- Dr. Peterson Dentistry, 240 Locust St.
- Sawyer Mills Apartments, 1 Mill St.
- Dover Honda, 1 Dover Point Road
- Patty B's Restaurant, 34 Dover Point Road
- Bellamy Fields, 150 Garrison Road
- Maple Suites, 30 Holiday Drive

The final collection day for toys at the locations above is Friday, Dec. 16.

Monetary contributions can be picked up on location or mailed to Dover Fire Toy Bank, P.O. Box 1712, Dover, NH 03821-1712. Please make checks payable to The Dover Fire Toy Bank.

For more information, call 603-516-TOYS (8697)



Festival of Trees is tonight

The 13th annual Dover Festival of Trees will take place tonight, Friday, Dec. 2, 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 auctions or raffle drawings. The event also includes live choir performances (sponsored by Palmer Gas & Oil), refreshments, free goodie bags for kids (sponsored by Mr. Electric of Southeast NH), a scavenger hunt for kids (sponsored by Breezeline), and even a visit from Santa (sponsored by Hammond Lumber Company). The main attraction will be the raffle tree, 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.

Trees are still available for sponsorship by local businesses and organizations. Sponsorship is \$65 for Chamber members and \$90 for non-members. Sponsorship includes the tree and tree stand. The sponsor is responsible for providing all decorations and promotional items for the tree. Wreaths are also available for sponsorship (\$15 for members, \$20 for non-members). Organizations interested in sponsorship should reach out to Community Events Manager Hope Anderson at hope@dovernh.org or call 603-742-2218.

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.

Dover's Tree Lighting set for tonight

The 37th annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Henry Law Park will be held on Friday, Dec. 2, 2022 at 6 p.m.

Nancy Gurick will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs around the tree.

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.

Event organizers are also holding a food drive for local food pantries during this year's event. Nonperishable food items will be collected at Henry Law Park, during the tree lighting festivities.

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

Dover Main Street rings in holiday season

Dover Main Street has several events planned this holiday season.

Santa Claus Is Coming to Town

Dover Main Street, in coordination with Dover Fire and Rescue, and Dover Police, will escort Santa Claus through many Dover neighborhoods on Sunday, Dec. 11, from 1 to 4 p.m. Stay up to date on Santa's route by visiting the Dover Main Street website at dovermainstreet.org and viewing the map and live GPS tracker.

Annual Food Drive

Please help others by donating food at Dover Main Street's annual food drive. Between now and Dec. 17, while enjoying dinner at one of Dover's restaurants or finishing your shopping at

one or all of Dover's finest retail stores, please leave a canned good or other non-perishable food item for those in need. Members of Dover Main Street will collect the donation and deliver to the Dover Food Pantry. Businesses accepting donations of nonperishables include: Bending Bodhi Yoga, Chapel & Main, Doug's Hoagies, Dover Police, Dover Jewelers, Earth Harmony Wellness, Edward Jones, Envoy Mortgage, Erin Claire Boutique, Fat Dog Kitchen, The Groovy Witch, Harvey's Bakery, Inside Out Beauty Salon, Jewelry Creations, Just The Thing, The Colwell Ellis Group at Keller Williams Coastal Realty, The Lesniak Home team at Keller Williams Coastal Realty, Lexie's, Market Square Jewelers, Moe's Subs, The Nook, Pro Nails, Ross Furniture, The Sassy Biscuit, Suits With Style, Tri-Star Gymnastics and TDBank.

Ice Sculpture

Snowball fun is the best when carved in ice. Make sure you come downtown to enjoy the holiday ice sculpture which will be located in the Upper Square of Central Avenue for all to enjoy. Carving will begin on Dec. 19.

Dover Dollars

Don't know what to buy someone for a gift? Need multiple gifts for a group of people? The answer is Dover Dollars. A great gift and a wonderful way to support our local community. Dover Dollars are available for purchase in \$5, \$10, \$20, and \$50 denominations and available at the City Clerk's office, Garrison Hill Florist, Jewelry Creations and The Dover Chamber of Commerce. Dover Dollars can be redeemed at most local Dover downtown businesses and restaurants. Do you have outdated Dover Dollars? No problem, reach out to info@dovermainstreet.org and we will issue a replacement.

For more information, visit dovermainstreet.org.

Upcoming Meetings:

Ordinance Committee, December 5, 8:30 a.m.

The Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 5, 2022, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

Conservation Commission, December 5, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission Forest Management Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 5, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

School Board, December 5, 6 p.m.

This week's City Council meetings available online

Due to technical difficulties, the live broadcast of this week's City Council special meeting and workshop aired without audio.

The complete meetings from Nov. 30, with audio, can be viewed at:

City Council Special Meeting, 11/30/2022

[https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?
hash=hJMsmiOan9DX](https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=hJMsmiOan9DX)

City Council Workshop, 11/30/2022

[https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?
hash=ONktzzSW31gA](https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=ONktzzSW31gA)

The meetings can also be seen in their entirety in rebroadcasts on Channel 22.

Nighttime utility work planned on Spaulding Turnpike in Dover

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announced rolling roadblocks will be utilized on the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover on Thursday, Dec. 8, 2022 to facilitate over lashing a new cable between existing

The School Board will hold a budget workshop on Monday, Dec. 5, 2022, beginning at 6 p.m., in Room 306, at the McConnell Center.

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

Arts Commission, December 5, 6:30 p.m.

The Arts Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 5, 2022, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in Room 323 at the McConnell Center.

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

Planning Board Gateway Subcommittee, December 6, 3 p.m.

The Planning Board Gateway Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, beginning at 3 p.m., in the Planning Department Workroom, 288 Central Avenue.

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

Dover Business and Industrial Development Authority, December 6, 4:30 p.m.

Dover Business and Industrial Development Authority will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, beginning at 4:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

Planning Board Ad Hoc Community Trail Advisory Committee,

poles across the Turnpike in the vicinity of Exit 8.

Beginning at 11 p.m. that day, State Police will lead rolling road blocks in the northbound and southbound travel lanes as needed.

For more information, visit <https://www.dot.nh.gov/>.

Emergency water restrictions lifted

Effective Nov. 29, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., rescinded the mandatory, citywide ban on outdoor water use [implemented](#) on Aug. 22, 2022.

While there are no longer water-use restrictions, Joyal encourages residents and businesses to continue with voluntary water conservation measures. "We are still in need of additional precipitation to allow our aquifers to fully recover from [...] the impact created by the Pudding Hill Aquifer being offline and the drought conditions experienced over the past few months," he wrote in an email to the City Council announcing the ending of the water ban.

There are several ways users can help conserve water, including:

- Cutting back on shower times, only doing full loads of laundry when necessary, and turning off the faucet while brushing teeth, doing dishes and washing hands.
- Replace old water fixtures and appliances that are wasting water. Top-loading washing machines built before 2003 and toilets older than 1994 are known to be the largest water-wasting culprits in the home. Showerheads older than 1994 can also waste a lot of water, as can older bathroom sink aerators. Selecting ENERGY STAR certified machines and replacing old water fixtures with EPA WaterSense certified fixtures is an easy way to ensure these products that will be water and energy efficient.
- Fix leaks, including running toilets. Running toilets can waste hundreds of gallons a day. Old and worn toilet flappers are often the culprit and are very easy to replace. Also, some toilet leaks can't be heard. Check for a leak by dropping food coloring (12 drops) or a leak detector dye tablet in the toilet tank. Do not flush for 15 or 20 minutes. If the dye shows up in the bowl, you know that your toilet is running.

The order rescinding the emergency declaration and emergency water restrictions can be accessed below:

- [Order and Public Notice Terminating Declaration of Water Emergency \(2022 Drought\) and Water Emergency Restrictions \(2022 Drought\) – Nov. 29, 2022](#)
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December 6, 5:30 p.m.

The Planning Board Ad Hoc Community Trail Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

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

Municipal Alliance for Adaptive Management, December 7, 9 a.m.

The Municipal Alliance for Adaptive Management will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Rochester Department of Public Works, 209 Chestnut Hill Road, Rochester.

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

School Board and City Council, December 7, 7 p.m.

The School Board and City Council will hold a joint workshop on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

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/>.



Dover Welfare's 2022 Toy Bank accepting applications

If you need help providing a gift for your child or children for the holidays, the City of Dover Welfare Department's Toy Bank is accepting applications through Wednesday, Dec. 14, 2022.

Children must be 12 years old or younger and a Dover resident. Proof of residency is required by showing a current utility bill and picture ID. Please provide the child's name and date of birth only. No specific gift requests will be taken.

Apply at the City of Dover's Welfare Office, located at the McConnell Center, 61 Locust St., Suite 334, Dover.

Pick up date and time to be announced.

For more information, contact Dover Welfare at (603) 516-6500.



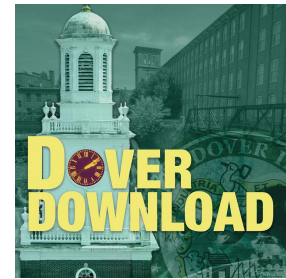
Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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 to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

Dover Download podcast: Your guide to what's happening this week

In addition to each week's email edition of Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a weekly podcast. The podcast is hosted by Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker, who chats each week about the city's programs, services, public bodies and projects. Each episode also takes a brief detour to the past with a look back at the week in Dover's history.



The podcast is available wherever you get your podcasts, including Spotify and Apple Podcasts, and at <https://anchor.fm/cityofdovernh>.



The following events are from a variety of 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. 8, 1811 — Died, Mr. Samuel Bragg, Jr., editor and printer of the Dover Sun. "In the death of Mr. Bragg the town of Dover has experienced a great loss. He was a very industrious and enterprising man of steady habits and attention to his business. He had by his assiduity and great diligence acquired a very handsome property, when about twelve months since, while absent on a journey he was in a moment stripped of almost every dollar by the all-devouring element of fire. This disaster took such hold of his mind, as, after a while, to produce a dejection of spirits, and invite a complication of disorders which has thus early put a period to his mortal existence."

Dec. 8, 1837 — The Universalist Church on Third Street, built this year, was dedicated on this day.

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

Dec. 6, 1996 — The Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services reports that heating oil prices had risen by 27 cents over the previous year. In Dover, the average was reported to be \$1.35 a gallon.

Dec. 8, 2003 — The Dover School Board approved a \$7,500 feasibility study to explore adding two classroom wing additions at Woodman Park School.

DOVER TURNS 400 IN 2023

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO
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DECEMBER 31, 2022

6:30PM - MIDNIGHT

9:00PM FIREWORKS

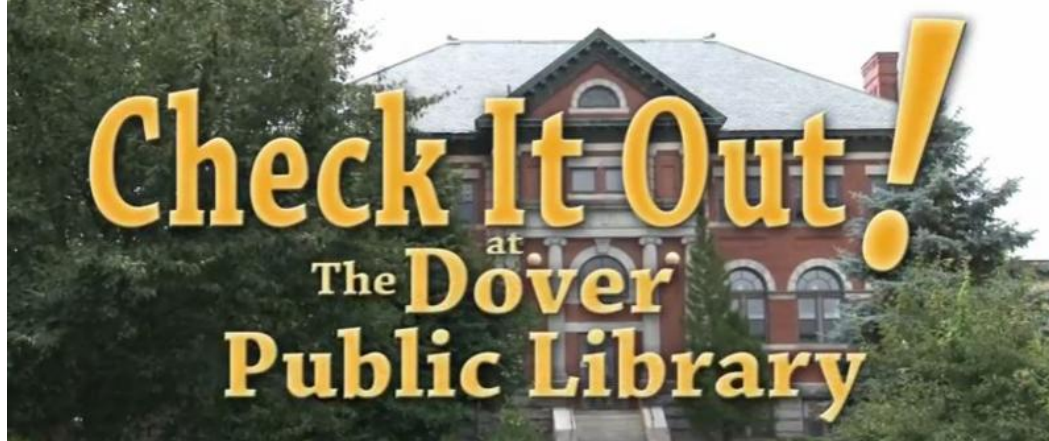
CHAMPAGNE TOAST AT MIDNIGHT

HORS D'OEUVRES BY MEZZANINE CATERING

DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY TO
THE BLACK AGNES BAND

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Virtual discussion with award-winning author and LGBTQ+ historian Eric Cervini

Join the Library for a Zoom discussion with award-winning author and historian Eric Cervini on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. Cervini will be discussing his painstakingly researched and engagingly written book “The Deviant’s War: The Homosexual vs. the United States of America.”

A New York Times bestseller and a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize, “The Deviant’s War” uncovers the secret history of the fight for gay rights that began a generation before Stonewall, told through the life and unprecedented legal efforts of astronomer Franklin Edward Kameny.

Cervini is an award-winning historian of LGBTQ+ culture and politics. He graduated summa cum laude from Harvard College and received his Ph.D. in history from the University of Cambridge, where he was a Gates Scholar. “The Deviant’s War” is his first book.

This discussion is in partnership with Nashua Public Library, PBS NH and other New England libraries. It will be moderated by Jasmine Allen of NHPBS. In order to view this virtual event, attendees will need to sign up to receive a link.

The 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 or call 603-516-6050.

The Week at the Library

Monday, December 5, 10 to 10:45 a.m. STEM Pre-School Storytime

Preschool programs are designed for children (aged 3-5) to learn independence from their caregivers. Children attend this storytime without an adult. Each week, the focus will be on a different theme, using STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) to enhance the books, songs and activities of the storytime.
Registration required.

Monday, December 5, 11 to 11:45 a.m. STEM Pre-School Storytime

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Wednesday, Dec. 7, 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. 7, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime

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

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Adult Chapter Book Club

Adults with disabilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. Our first book will be Harry Potter and the

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) to enhance the books, songs and activities of the storytime.

Registration required.

**Monday, December 5, 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Fresh Air Storytime**

Rain, snow, sunshine, or cold. Kids in grades K3 are invited to join us on the library lawn as we explore the outdoors through books and activities.

Registration required.

**Monday, November 28, 6 to 8 p.m.
Gift wrapping party - supplies provided**

The library will be hosting a gift wrapping party for anyone who has gifts for the holidays to wrap. Paper, tape, scissors and ribbons will be provided. All you have to bring is your gifts ready to be wrapped in your own boxes. And bring a festive attitude to chat with others while wrapping. We will play holiday music to enhance the mood.

**Tuesday, December 6, 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, other props and short stories. A joyful and fun gathering that promotes early literacy skills.

**Tuesday, December 6, 6 to 8 p.m.
Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group**
Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required, and all skill levels are welcome to play.

**Tuesday, December 6, 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.

Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling. We will end with activities and crafts related to the book and some time for socializing.

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

Join this adult book group to discuss *H is for Hawk* by Helen Macdonald at [Blue Latitudes](#)! Copies of the book will be available to borrow on Hoopla Digital and on NH Overdrive. All are welcome!

**Wednesday, Dec. 7, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
The Deviant's War with Eric Cervini**
Join this Zoom discussion with award-winning author and historian Eric Cervini on his painstakingly researched and engagingly written book, *The Deviant's War: The Homosexual vs. the United States of America*. *Registration required.*

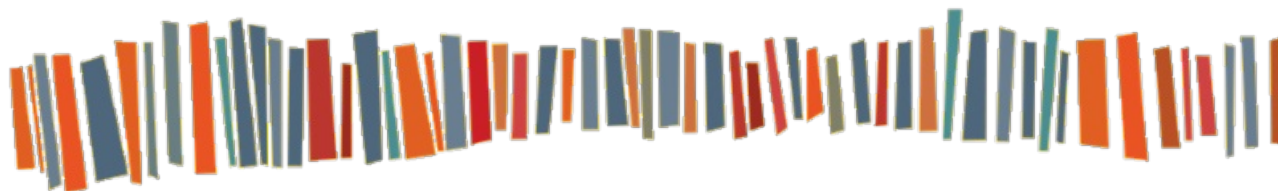
**Thursday, December 8, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Arts and Crafts Storytime**

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.

**Friday, December 9, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Shake Your Rattle and Roll, Baby!**
This program is for babies and toddlers-2 years. Dance to silly songs, sing rhymes, count to 5 with puppets and rock out with drums and instruments. Featuring a different genre or musical artist each week.

**Friday, December 9, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Sensory Storytime**
Sensory Storytime is for children, ages 3-6, with autism, sensory challenges, developmental delays, and their caregivers. This fun, interactive program will engage the senses through books, flannel boards, puppets, songs, rhymes and movements, as well as tactile and sensory activities. *Registration required.*

**Saturday, Dec. 10, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.
All Levels Yoga with Bridget Harton**
This is a great opportunity for beginners to give yoga a try in a safe, welcoming environment and for experienced individuals to find a new place to continue their growth. Plan to bring your own mat and any props of preference.



Seacoast Chamber Alliance Mental Health Summit scheduled for December 8

The second annual Mental Health, Wellness and Recovery in the Workplace Summit, underwritten by Kennebunk Savings and sponsored by Harvard Pilgrim Health Care and Granite United Way, will take place Thursday, Dec. 8 at the McConnell Center Cafeteria in Dover from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The summit is presented by the Seacoast Chamber Alliance, the Dover Mental Health Alliance, and the Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative. Registration is \$10 for chamber members and \$15 for nonmembers. To register, visit dovernh.org/wellnesssummit.

The Mental Health, Wellness & Recovery in the Workplace Summit is designed to help employers learn about the steps they can take to reduce the stigma around mental health in the workplace. Topics include the state of mental health and substance abuse in the workplace, how to recognize potential mental health or substance abuse issues, providing a safe environment to seek help, and resources available for employers.

The keynote speaker is Charla Stevens, owner of Charla Stevens Consulting. Stevens is currently the chair of the Granite United Way Board of Directors, trustee of Solution Health, a commissioner of the New Hampshire Lawyers' Assistance Program, and serves on the American Bar Association's Task Force on Mental Health and Wellness. She will be joined by several panelists: Brad Paige, Kennebunk Savings president and CEO; Kate Skouteris, vice president of N.H. Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare; Peter Fifield, manager of Integrated Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Services at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital; Kaitlyn Jones, social worker with the City of Dover Police Department; and Katie Soule, associate director of Childcare and Day Camp Services, Granite YMCA.

The Dover Mental Health Alliance's mission is to build a resilient community that is educated, responsive and conscious of the impact of mental illness. For more information visit dovermentalhealthalliance.org. The Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative promotes individual wellness for Granite Stater citizens by empowering workplaces to provide support for people recovering from substance use disorder. For more information visit recoveryfriendlyworkplace.com.

The Seacoast Chamber Alliance consists of the Exeter Area Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce, the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber Collaborative of Greater Portsmouth, and the Falls Chamber of Commerce. For more information, visit visitseacoastnh.com.



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The Community Circle

A group to help people connect,
especially those struggling with social
isolation, through fellowship, conversation
and peer to peer support.



JOIN US!

- First and third Wednesday
of each month, starting
January 4.
- 5:15-5:30 p.m.
Get to know your peers.
- 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Meeting
- 6:30 - 6:45 p.m.
Connect with your peers.
- Coffee and donuts provided!
- This group is FREE!
- Register here:
<https://forms.gle/gVRTwo2VmWL7AFp6> or



PURPOSE:

Connect with other adults like you
who are struggling with

- social anxiety
- depression
- isolation
- share success stories & strategies

LOCATION:

McConnell Community Center
25 St. Thomas Street, Dover, NH
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Room # 340

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www.dovermentalhealthalliance.org



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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:

- Special Education Teacher – Dover High School
- Special Education Paraeducators – Dover High School
- STEM Teacher – Dover Middle School
- Special Education Paraeducators - Dover Middle School
- Special Education Teachers – Dover Middle School
- Lunch Supervisors- Dover Middle School

- **Special Education Teacher – Garrison Elementary School**
- **Special Education Paraeducator – Garrison Elementary School**
- **Special Education Paraeducator – Frances G. Hopkins Elementary School**

For more information about these positions, [click here](#).

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:

- **Police Officer**
- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Maintenance Mechanic - Utilities**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic / Automotive Technician**
- **Account Clerk II - Assessing**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Swim Instructor I**
- **City Planner**
- **Arena Attendant**
- **Utility Systems IT Administrator**
- **Public Safety Systems IT Administrator**
- **Business Development Coordinator**
- **Community Housing Navigator**

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

