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June 23, 2023



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Breaking ground for the waterfront development project are, from left, Jeff Johnston of the development firm Cathartes; James Locke, president of Northeast Earth Mechanics, the firm contracted for the site work; and Mayor Robert Carrier.

Waterfront project breaks ground

The long-anticipated waterfront development project broke ground during a ceremony held at the River Street site this week. Dozens of city and elected officials, including some who

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advocated for the project decades ago, attended the groundbreaking ceremony on June 20.

Jamie Stevens, the city's waterfront project construction manager, said the project would benefit the entire community.

"I'm confident that this new Cochecho waterfront development will be a great asset to our community," Stevens said. "It'll provide a place to recreate, walk, run, enjoy paddle sports, and most of all, enjoy the open space of the riverfront. It is a project that proves that Dover's value and resiliency, placemaking, and economic development can be a success."

Stevens then introduced Mayor Robert Carrier and Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee Chair Norm Fracassa, who praised the decades of work by city staff, volunteers, and elected officials.

Mayor Carrier was then joined by James Locke, president of Northeast Earth Mechanics, the firm contracted for the site work, and Jeff Johnston of Cathartes, the developer selected to construct the private development on the city-owned land, who helped with the first few shovelfuls of ceremonial dirt.

The first part of the project is public improvements, including constructing a new street system for site access and establishing necessary utilities for the upcoming buildings. The project includes a new 3.4-acre public riverfront park, shoreline stabilization, site grading to account for projected sea-level rise, and a new stormwater management system with green infrastructure.

The private development component led by Cathartes is expected to begin next year once some of the public improvements are complete. The development plan includes three mixed-use buildings, two multi-family buildings, and three clusters of townhouses.

Approved by the Planning Board in June 2022, the development aims to revitalize the Dover waterfront and introduce approximately 26,000 square feet of commercial space and 418 residential units, comprising both rental and condominium units for sale.

For more information about the waterfront development project, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/planning/cochecho-waterfront-development/>



Dozens of current and former officials attended this week's



Big weekend for Dover400 events

Dover on the Water, vintage baseball games, part of this weekend's lineup

As Dover's celebration of its 400th anniversary ramps up, the Dover400 committee has numerous events planned this weekend for audiences of all ages.

Friday, June 23: The Dover400 Humdinger

A comedy show at the Woodman Museum for ages 21-plus hosted by Erin Feeley. Dover Dogs will be selling hot dogs. Seating is provided, or bring your own blanket. Gates open at 6 p.m., comedy show starts at 8 p.m. [Purchase tickets.](#)

Saturday, June 24: Dover on the Water

A full day of fun activities is planned between Hilton Park and Henry Law Park

- 11 a.m.: **Commemorative Ceremony** at Hilton Park followed by a Hilton/Roberts Family Reunion.
- 12 to 5 p.m.: **Antique Car Show with Beer/Wine Beverage Garden and Food Trucks**, Henry Law Park
- 12 to 8 p.m.: **Dover400 Rock Day Bands**, Rotary Arts Pavilion, featuring The Silver Strummers (12 to 1 p.m.), Shelli LaTorre (1 to 2 p.m.), Jamband (2 to 3 p.m.), Cool Beans (4 to 5 p.m.), Tony Mack Band (5 to 8 p.m.). Enjoy a refreshing cocktail from Maeve's Mobile Cocktail Hour in the pavilion area while listening to great music. Access to the cocktail area requires a ticket, which is free and obtained at the entrances to Upper Henry Law Park.
- 4 p.m.: **Boat parade** starting at Hilton Park, up the Cochecho River, leading off with the Gundalow. View the boat parade along the river or downtown by Georges Marina.
- 4:30 p.m.: **Boat regatta**

Sunday, June 25: Baseball of Yesterday and Today

Dover and Portsmouth face off in games played at Leary Field, 155 Parrott Ave, Portsmouth

- 9 a.m.: Color Guard and honorary pitches are thrown.
- 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Legion youth teams
- 12 to 3 p.m.: Vintage games playing by 1864 rules of baseball
- 4 to 7 p.m.: Older Legion teams



Other upcoming events celebrating Dover's 400th anniversary

Dover400, the committee organizing Dover's 400th-anniversary celebration, has events scheduled throughout the summer and year as the city reaches this historic milestone.

The Dover400 committee has been organizing events that honor our past and celebrate our future. The event line-up includes something for everyone:

July 1: Dover 400th Anniversary Block Party. This event will be held along Central Ave, throughout downtown Dover and Henry Law Park, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Food vendors, crafters, businesses, clubs, and organizations will line Central Avenue.
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Interactive walk through History, Lower Henry Law Park
- 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.: Live entertainment at the Rotary Arts Pavilion. Featuring Silver Strummers (11 a.m.), Dover Community Band (12 p.m.), Earth Kit (1 p.m.), Soggy Po Boys (2 p.m.), Reconstructed (3 p.m.), Rory Makem (4 p.m.), Thanks to Gravity (5:30 p.m.), and Ovation-80's Rock Tribute Band (7 p.m.)
- 11:45 p.m. to 1 p.m.: Reading of Frederick Douglass' speech.
- 1 p.m.: Open Mic. Entertain the crowds with your music, poetry, or humor.

Learn more: <https://dover400.org/block-party.html>

July 2: Dover 400th Anniversary Parade at 2:30 p.m. down Central Avenue. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this exciting and historic event. Bands and businesses from all around New England will be participating. Learn more: <https://dover400.org/parade.html>

- **Memorial service for Captain Moses Paul at Pine Hill Cemetery:** Following the end of the Dover 400 parade, Federal Lodge # 5, The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, Palestine Commandery, York Rite bodies, and Scottish Rite bodies will observe a memorial service for Captain Moses Paul at his gravesite. The public is welcome to attend and observe the solemn ceremony performed on the 20th anniversary of his passing on July 9, 1880.

July 4: Celebrate Independence Day!

- 9 a.m.: A reading of the Declaration of Independence by the Garrison Players Arts Center at Dover City Hall.
- 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.: The New Hampshire Army National Guard 39th Army Band performs at the Rotary Arts Pavilion.
- 9:15 p.m.: Fireworks over Dover, launched from Maglaras Park and Garrison Hill.

June 29: Dover 400 Quilt Reveal. Cocheco Quilters at the Dover Public Library. Come and witness a historic unveiling of the Dover 400 quilt produced by the Cocheco Quilters using reproduction cloths patterned from the original Cocheco Mills textiles.

June 30 to July 1: Piscataqua Company Encampment, Woodman Museum. Piscataqua Company represents the settlers along the Piscataqua River from 1623-1640. [Learn more.](#)

July 7 to August 11: Dover 400 Cochecho Arts Festival. A summer-long festival full of music and art is held in Henry Law Park. View the Friday Night Headliner and Children's Show schedule: <https://www.dovernh.org/cochecho-arts-festival>

July 7 to August 11: Dover Artists Exhibition. A special exhibition featuring Dover artists in the new Backstage Gallery, 1 Washington Street, Suite 1177, Dover. An artists' reception will be held on July 15 from 6 to 9 p.m.

July 22: The McConnell Story, Movie Night at the Strand at 7 p.m. This Hollywood Biopic is about Dover-born Capt. Joseph C. McConnell: The U.S. Air Force's first triple jet-on-jet flying ace and hero of the Korean War. The event will include a red carpet/ photo op for guests, a special Joe McConnell beer made by Chapel & Main, and more!

Aug 11: Milestone Anniversary Celebration, Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce in celebrating several chamber members' milestone anniversaries in one combined celebration from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Stay up-to-date on the latest events by visiting dover400.org.

Upcoming meeting to review reconstruction project at Fifth and Grove streets

The City of Dover will hold a second neighborhood meeting to discuss the upcoming Fifth Street and Grove Street Reconstruction Project on Monday, July 10, at 6 p.m., in Room 323 at the McConnell Center. The meeting will review the draft engineered plans before finalizing the project's details. The reconstruction project, scheduled as part of the City's Capital Improvements Program, will encompass roadway reconstruction, upgrading underground utilities, and addressing drainage, roadway, and sidewalk conditions.

The City is working with a consultant to design the reconstruction project, ensuring the streets and sidewalks are safe and accessible for all users. The project is expected to go out to bid in mid to late summer, with a potential construction start date in either late 2023 or early 2024.

Residents are encouraged to attend the meeting to learn more about the project and provide input.

For the latest updates on the Fifth Street and Grove Street Reconstruction Project, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/community-services/projects/fifth-street-grove-street-reconstruction-project/>.

For project-related inquiries, contact Community Services at (603) 516-6450 or email j.semprini@dover.nh.gov.



Don't Trash Dover to hold Litter Collection Walk on Saturday

Join Don't Trash Dover on Saturday, June 24, for a one-hour Litter Collection Walk, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Participants will meet at Dover High School. The group departs at 9:30 a.m. sharp and returns to the same location at 10:30 a.m. sharp with litter collected for a group photo.

The Litter Collection Walk is open to all and a great way to exercise and meet new people while helping the community.

Don't Trash Dover provides the bags and has litter grabbers and safety vests available to loan if needed. Those with their own litter grabbers are encouraged to bring them. Gloves are recommended.

For more information, including a decision to postpone the event due to the weather, visit <https://facebook.com/events/s/litter-collection-walk-june-20/1115503015845092/?mibextid=RQdjgZ>.

CAPSC's free summer meal sites resume

Three locations planned for Dover

To help ensure no child goes hungry this summer, Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) will once again provide free meals to kids at sites across the county.

From June 26 to Aug. 18, CAPSC's Summer Meals Program sites will provide free breakfasts and lunches to any child 0-18 years old. Children don't need to register to receive a meal, and there are no income limits or any other eligibility requirements, but children do need to eat the food at the sites due to federal regulations.

Meal dates and times vary by site. A list of dates and times is provided below. All sites will be closed July 3-4 in observance of Independence Day.

The Summer Meals Program provides free meals because many families can find it financially hard to provide nutritious food between the end of the school year in June and the start of the next school year. The program provided 67,964 meals in 2022, tremendously helping the children and families who received them.

"With the increase in grocery expense, we all know that households are buying less with the same money; therefore, many of these children wouldn't find the food and snacks they need throughout the day and would sadly go hungry," said Deborah Evans, the executive director of Somersworth Housing Authority, which hosts a CAPSC summer meals site. "We can't thank CAPSC enough for their generosity in helping to feed our children this upcoming summer." Eight of this year's meal sites are open to the public, while additional sites will serve meals to children participating in local schools and recreation department summer programs and camps. In Dover, any child ages 0-18 can receive a meal at the following public sites:

Dover High School
25 Alumni Drive

8 a.m. and 11 a.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

Rutland Manor
1 Abbey Lane

8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

White Cliffs at Dover
510 Martha's Way

9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. every Monday through Friday, June 26-Aug. 18

For more information about CAPSC's Summer Meals Program, including all county locations, visit straffordcap.org/summer-meals.

CAPSC's Summer Meals Program is provided in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)/Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Meals are available to all children regardless of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. CAPSC is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Upcoming Meetings:

Housing Authority, June 27, 12 p.m.

The Housing Authority will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, beginning at 12 p.m., at 62 Whittier Street, Dover.

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

Planning Board, June 27, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

Planning Board Technical Review Committee, June 29, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 29,

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DONNA BENTON
PLANNING DIRECTOR

On the Agenda: Planning Board, 6/27/2023

In this video, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, June 27, 2023. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=3Mw5vuybaYprWEOH>.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will be broadcast live on Channel 22 and streamed live online.

Want to keep up on other projects and planning and community development initiatives in the City of Dover? Subscribe to the Planning Department's

2023, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, 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/>.

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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.



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](#).

June 27, 1656 — James Rollins was summoned to court for neglecting to attend town meeting and was admonished and ordered to pay the court fees, which were 2 shillings and 6 pence.

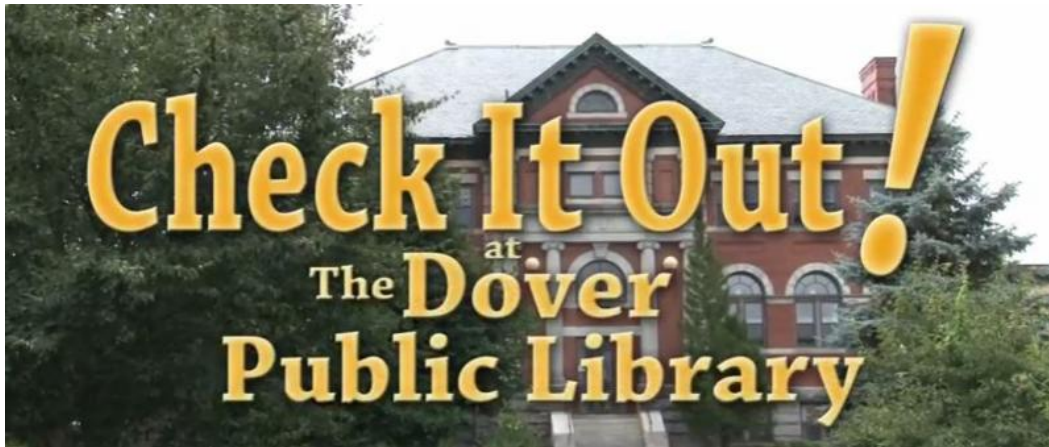
June 24, 1832 — At a public town meeting, the selectmen and physicians of the town formed a Board of Health. The Board of Health was authorized to adopt measures necessary for public safety from Asiatic cholera, then alarmingly prevalent in the country.

June 30, 1842 — The cars of the Boston & Maine Railroad crossed the Cochecho for the first time, arriving at the new Depot on Franklin Square at 10 a.m., which with the bridge across the river, was completed a few days previously.

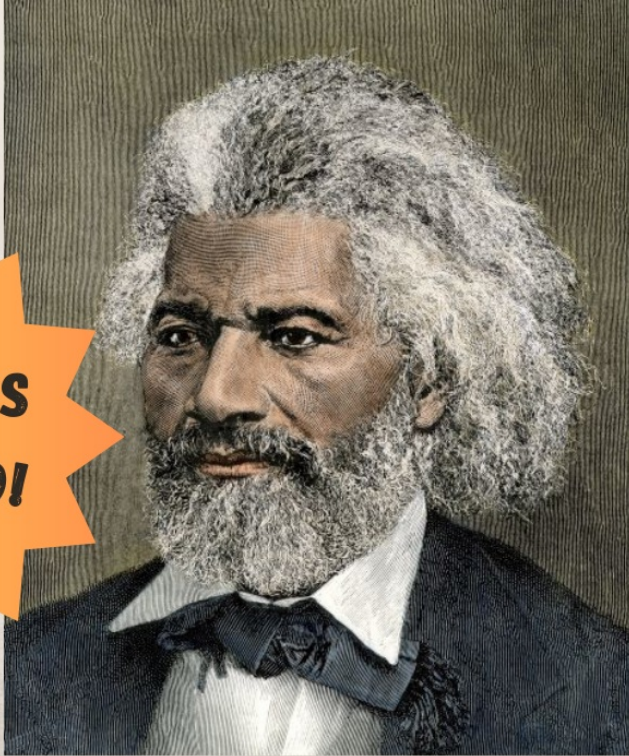
June 23, 1861 — A group of women in Dover met at the Court House to form an association to furnish the soldiers from the State with clothing, hospital stores, etc., necessary to health and comfort when not supplied by the government, and also to carefully watch and care for the general well being of the New Hampshire soldiers in every possible particular. The Association

was organized by the choice of Mrs. John P. Hale as president; Mrs. N. Low, Mrs. A. G. Fenner, vice presidents; Mrs. D. H. Wendell, treasurer; Miss Charlotte Palmer, secretary; Mrs. J. J. Duxbury, secretary; with two ladies from each of the religious societies in the city as managers. This Society continued its operations through the Civil War and sent large contributions to the Sanitary Commission to relieve the soldiers.

June 23, 1997 — An assessment of the Dover Police Station, then located in the basement of City Hall, was deemed too cramped and inadequate, as outlined in the department's strategic plan. According to the plan, the construction of a new police station was critical by 2005 because "it is clear that at some point it will not be possible to continue to compress more activity into the same limited footprint." The Police Department would continue operating from the same basement space until 2016 when a new police facility was built at 46 Chestnut St.



**READERS
WANTED!**



**FREDERICK DOUGLASS
COMMUNITY SPEECH**



**JULY 1 @ NOON
(WALDRON COURT)**



Readers needed for annual reading of Frederick Douglass speech

The Library will again host the annual reading of Frederick Douglass' speech "The Meaning of the Fourth of July for the Negro", which he delivered on July 5, 1852, in his hometown of Rochester, New York.

The Library hosts the reading in Dover in collaboration with the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire and many other readings in communities across the state, all taking place annually on the Saturday before July 4 at noon. The hope is that these readings will be a starting point for difficult dialogues and provide an opportunity for citizens to engage in deeper conversation that will lead to actions to help build more inclusive and just communities today.

The abridged speech is broken up into 54 sections. Those interested in reading one or more sections are encouraged to contact Susan Dunker at the library by emailing s.dunker@dover.nh.gov or calling the library at 603-516-6050 to be added to the list of speakers and assigned a part. Or [register to be a speaker here](#). Readers and audience members are both needed to make this event a success.

This year the event will be part of the City's 400th celebration Block Party on Saturday, July 1. Speakers are asked to report at Waldron Courtyard, located on Central Avenue between former Nicole's Hallmark Shop and Harvey's Bakery and Jewelry Creations. Readers are asked to show up to be checked in by 11:30 a.m.

This Week at the Library

June VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Bowls* by America's Test Kitchen. Throughout the month of June, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. We will share your creations on our social media pages.

Photos can be sent to Emily at e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, June 26, 10 to 10:45 a.m.

Family Summer Storytime

Children of all ages with caregivers are invited to attend this program that includes hearing books, singing songs, and enjoying activities highlighting wonderful Dover community workers.

Monday, June 26, 6 to 8 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Adults

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Brandon. 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 other Monday 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.

Monday, June 26, 6 to 7 p.m.

Throwback Snack Tasting for Teens

A sampling of some forgotten favorite treats of decades past! Taste test a variety of retro snacks and rank your favorites. This event is for teens entering grades 6-12.

Registration required.

Tuesday, June 27, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Fire Station Tour

Meet at the Sixth Street Station for a behind the scenes tour. All ages are welcome.

Tuesday, June 27, 2 to 3 p.m.

STEM Event: Build a Hovercraft

Kids entering grades one and up are welcome to build and test a hovercraft in the Lecture Hall! All supplies provided.

Tuesday, June 27, 6 to 8 p.m.

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Wednesday, June 28, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All Abilities Club: Video Gaming

Adults with disabilities are invited for an hour of Nintendo Switch gaming action! Just Dance, Wii Sports, Mario Kart, and more.

Everyone will get a chance to play, and activities will be provided for the down time between turns.

Wednesday, June 28, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Summer Lego Club

Come build at Lego Club! There will be a specific "Challenge-of-the-day" to work on or you can build their own creations. This is a family event for people age 5-99. All LEGO creations stay at the library.

CAUTION: Legos are a choking hazard to children under the age of 3.

Wednesday, June 28, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Get Lit! Book Club (In-Person)

Join us at Blue Latitudes in Dover to discuss *The End of the World Running Club* by Adrian J. Walker. Copies of the book will be available to borrow at the main circulation desk of the library and on Hoopla.

All are welcome!

Wednesday, June 28, 7 to 8 p.m.

Nancy Horan in Conversation with Therese Fowler

Nancy Horan, author of the New York Times bestseller *Loving Frank*, discusses her new book *The House of Lincoln*, a historical novel which tells the story of Abraham Lincoln's ascendance from rump lawyer to U.S. president to the Great Emancipator through the eyes of a young asylum-seeker who arrives in Lincoln's home of Springfield from Madeira, Portugal.

Friday, June 30, 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.



Garrison City Football Club to hold co-ed summer pick-up games

Dover's Soccer organization, Garrison City Football Club, offers weekly pick-up soccer games throughout the summer. This co-ed program is for kids ages 8-17 and costs \$10 for the entire summer session. 18-plus is free. Register at: <http://www.garrisoncityfc.org/>

Garrison City F.C. was formed in 1984 by a group of passionate parents and fans who wanted to bring the game of soccer to the youth of Dover and surrounding communities. The club provides various opportunities for competitive and recreational soccer training and play that emphasizes player development, teamwork, and sportsmanship.



A \$1 admission day for Dover residents

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will offer \$1/person admission (which the museum charged when it first opened in 1983) for all Dover residents on Saturday, July 1, from 9 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. This special day for Dover residents coincides with Dover's Downtown Block Party. Everyone is welcome to visit the museum, but only Dover residents can enjoy the special \$1/person admission.

This special Dover Resident's Day is one of many ways the museum is celebrating its 40th anniversary year in 2023.

Online reservations are still required for this special Dover Resident's Day. For Dover residents wishing to take advantage of the \$1/person deal, please reserve spots using the "Adult w/discount: will pay at door" price type, and then when you arrive at the museum, you will be asked to show proof of your Dover residency, and pay admission then. Learn more online at <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/40th-anniversary-in-2023>.



Children's Museum of NH receives CDFA tax credits to help fund expansion

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire (CMNH) has been awarded \$175,000 in tax credits from the New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority (CDFA). CDFA awarded 11 nonprofits a total of \$1.4 million in tax credit resources to advance their missions and implement community economic development initiatives. These tax credits have been granted to the Museum to help fund an expansion of the second floor. This expansion will add two new exhibit spaces, allowing CMNH better to serve children, families, and the community.

The Museum will launch this project in 2024, with plans to open an additional 1,000 square feet of engaging activities in 2025.

For more information, see <https://childrens-museum.org/blog/2023/06/cmnh-receives-cdfa-tax-credits>.



Dancing madly Backwards

Upcoming Concerts from the Patio

Grownups (21-plus) are invited to enjoy the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Cochecho Arts Festival concerts from the comfort of the CMNH outdoor Play Patio.

A \$15 ticket gets you seating on the Play Patio, access to a cash bar, a snack box for each guest, and access to the museum's many restrooms, while the bands bring their music to downtown Dover. The Museum's outdoor Play Patio is perfectly situated across from the Dover Rotary Arts Pavilion where the Cochecho Arts Festival concerts take place. Order takeout (no outside alcoholic drinks) from area restaurants and enjoy a meal in the comfort of the Play Patio. This is an adult-only event. The Play Patio opens at 6 p.m. and concerts start at 6:30 p.m. In the event of bad weather forcing the concerts to be canceled, we can do one of three things for people signed up for Concerts from the Patio: We can help you reschedule your tickets to another concert date; we can refund your tickets, or you can donate your ticket purchase to the museum.

Concerts From the Patio are sponsored by Spike M. Trueworthy. Get your tickets online at <https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/concerts-from-the-patio>

Concerts from the Patio are available for the following performances and dates:

- **Dancing Madly Backwards:** Friday, July 7, at 6 p.m.
- **Whiskey Horse:** Friday, July 21, at 6 p.m.

THE GREATER DOVER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WELCOMES...

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently held ribbon-cutting ceremonies to welcome two businesses as new Chamber members.



The Printing Press

The Printing Press is a new local print shop at 44 Portland Ave., Unit 9, in Dover. This family-run, eco-friendly, local print shop offers everything from simple copies, fax, and email to full wedding packages, posters, and blueprints. The Printing Press offers the same services as large printing stores but places much more emphasis on the customer and their individual needs.

Owner and founder Heather Bartle was inspired to open The Printing Press after her experience working at a big box store left her disillusioned. Bartle was able to see her dream of creating a more customer-centered printing experience on May 9 when The Printing Press officially opened.

"I used to work at a big red box store, managing their print and marketing department. I left work each day feeling bad that I wasn't able to help my customers the way they deserved to be helped," says Bartle. "As I worked, I dreamed up my ideal printshop, one where I could work with my customers one-on-one in a quiet, comfortable environment."

The Printing Press's services can be broken into three categories: print, design, and connect. Printing entails bringing pre-existing materials in to be printed on various materials, ranging from posters to business cards and everything in between. The design services offer clients assistance in creating what they had in mind for their print. The connect services consist of traditional fax services, scan to email, access to a self-serve computer, and notary services.

In addition to those three main service offerings, The Printing Press also offers a privacy printing service. When privacy printing, the client can take the printer into a private room to print sensitive or personal documents. Bartle was inspired to include this service in her business to help contribute to the optimal customer experience that she hopes to create.

For more information about The Printing Press, call 603-988-6942, email printme@theprintingpressdover.com, or head to their website <https://www.theprintingpressdover.com/>.



Aplomb Gallery

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting at Aplomb Gallery to commemorate The Aplomb Project's status as a 501(c)³ nonprofit. Aplomb Gallery is a portrait gallery and studio space located at 15 Mechanic Street, Suite 117 in Dover owned by Danielle Festa, a contemporary realist and former Dover Art Walk Director.

The creative space in downtown Dover features group/solo exhibitions and workshops. In addition to being an art gallery, Aplomb Gallery is also home to The Aplomb Project. The Aplomb Project uses the transformative power of art to uplift trauma survivors, promote creative healing, and present inclusive opportunities. Through her artwork, Festa captures the resilience of trauma survivors, gifting the resulting oil portrait to the voluntary participants to celebrate their courage and strength.

On Saturday, June 24, The Aplomb Project will host The Portrait Project Exhibition and Fundraising Gala. While the in-person tickets to Chapel + Main are sold out, there is still availability to come to the exhibition from 7-8 p.m. at Aplomb Gallery or join the presentation virtually. Festa will discuss the project and show a video of the paintings being revealed to the survivors. Go to theaplombproject.org to register for the gallery or Zoom portions of the event, join the online auction, or support the project.

Aside from The Portrait Project Exhibition and Fundraising Gala, there will be other opportunities to see the exhibition and join events such as "Send and Receive: Affirmation Postcard Making" and "Trauma Survival Poetry Reading + Book Signing" in the near future.

Contact The Aplomb Project by emailing danielle@theaplombproject.org or visiting theaplombproject.org.

Dover to celebrate 4th of July with music and fireworks

The City of Dover and Dover400 are choreographing a fireworks display this Fourth of July.

Fireworks will shoot off simultaneously from Garrison Hill and Maglaras Park on Tuesday, July 4, beginning at dusk, around 9:15 p.m.

Henry Law Park and the surrounding downtown areas are the best locations to view the fireworks.

The fireworks display will be preceded by a performance of the 39th Army Band at the Rotary Arts Pavilion from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. Food and novelty vendors will be available at Henry Law Park.

The rain date for the fireworks display only is Wednesday, July 5.

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

Founding Fathers return to Dover to read the Declaration of Independence

Dover kicks off Independence Day with its annual reading of the Declaration of Independence on Tuesday, July 4, 2023. Garrison Players Arts Center performers Don Briand as John Adams, Tom Dunnington as Benjamin Franklin, and Kevin Collins as Thomas Jefferson will read the Declaration at 9 a.m. on the steps of Dover City Hall (288 Central Ave). Mayor Robert Carrier will also speak.

The Garrison Players Arts Center has organized the reading for more than 20 years.

Garrison Players Arts Center (GPAC) is a nonprofit, volunteer-based community theatre group dedicated to enriching the area's cultural life by presenting high-quality theatrical performances for family audiences. Established in 1953, the players encourage people of all ages to enjoy and participate in the many facets of the performing arts and to help maintain the Garrison Players Arts Center.

For more information about auditions, shows, or GPAC, visit the website at www.garrisonplayers.org.

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:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Heritage Commission
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Arts Commission
- Arena Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Utilities Commission

The complete list of boards and committees can be found at 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 Susan Mistretta at s.mistretta@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.

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:

- **Executive Secretary - Finance**
- **Adult/Children Circulation Desk Assistant**
- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Police Officer**
- **Inspection Services Office Assistant**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Firefighter / EMT**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker -- Facilities and Grounds**
- **Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator**
- **Laborer -- Public Works, Streets, and Stormwater**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator -- Utilities**
- **Truck Driver -- Streets**
- **Police Systems IT Technician**

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

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