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City of Dover tackles weed control with steam machine, innovation

Dover's newest weapon against curbside weeds is a custom-built machine that uses steam to kill weeds. Steam is a nontoxic alternative to traditional herbicides.

Dover's steam machine is a converted Bobcat that holds the steam equipment, including a 2,000-pound boiler, and specialized fixtures and attachments that were fabricated by mechanics in the city's Fleet Services division.

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Meetings this week:

School Board, June 10, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 10, 2019, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click here</u>.

Planning Board, June 11, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2019, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click here</u>.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

The eco-friendly approach to weed control aligns with the City Council's goal of substantially eliminating non-organic products for weed control and turf management. Dover currently treats about 30 miles of curbs and sidewalks.

For more information about the steam machine and how it works, view the video below:



City of Dover tackles weed control with steam, innovation



Public Works memorial in Concord includes Dover name

Members of Dover's Community Services this week attended the dedication of a memorial to Public Works employees who died while working as public servants. The memorial, which honors 36 state, county and municipal employees, is located on Hazen Drive in Concord.

Among the names on the memorial is Rudulf Demers. Demers was a Dover Public Works employee who died in a tragic work accident on July 2, 1971. Members of his family were also in attendance at the memorial's dedication.

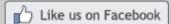


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City Hall hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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



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Dozens of municipal and state employees attended the dedication ceremony on June 5. Public works vehicles from across the state lined the street around the memorial.

The memorial, which cost \$100,000, was funded entirely by donations and features a row of 24 inverted shovels lining the sidewalk. The shovels include the names of those who died on the job and represent every hour of the day that a public works employee is on duty.



Ron Demers, pictured, was in attendance for the Public Works memorial dedication in Concord on June 5. The memorial includes the name of his father, Rudulf, who worked for Dover Public Works and died in a work-related accident in 1971.



Whale's Tail sculpture gets permanent perch at pool

On Tuesday, June 4, crews installed the Whale's Tail sculpture atop the Dover Indoor Pool. The sculpture is now a permanent fixture on the pool building, where it can be seen from Henry law Park and the Adventure Playground.

The 26-foot long, 10-foot high stainless steel rendition of a full-size whale diving into the roof of the Indoor Pool was designed and constructed by steel sculptor Dale Rogers of Haverhill, Mass.

The sculpture was commissioned by an anonymous donor, in coordination with the City of Dover, Children's Museum and family of Martha Cox. The donation of the sculpture was accepted by the Dover City Council in 2018 and plans for its installation have been in the works for over a year.

Oak Street traffic restrictions in place Saturday

On Saturday, June 8, 2019 between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., a segment of Oak Street will be open to one-way traffic only between Portland Avenue and Atlantic Avenue, in the southerly direction from Portland Avenue toward Atlantic Avenue.

Paintworks and Hot Rod City LLC will hold its annual open house event at 99 Oak St., the former National Guard Armory.

The traffic pattern is planned to allow for overflow parking along Oak Street, which does not otherwise have adequate shoulders to accommodate on-street parking. The City Council approved a block party permit for this event in May.

A temporary detour will be posted for inbound Gulf Road traffic via Atlantic Avenue and Portland Avenue.



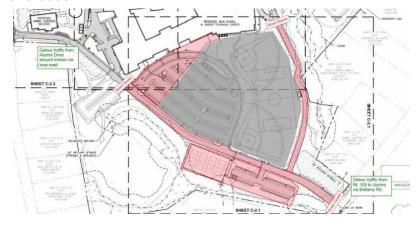
Portion of Alumni Drive to close weekdays June 19

Alumni Drive, from Durham Road to the main entrance of Dover High School, will close weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., beginning Wednesday, June 19, 2019. The closure is to accommodate site work at the location of the former high school.

While this work is under way, access to the high school will be via Bellamy Road only.

The restriction is expected to remain in place through July 26.

For more information, contact Dover High School at (603) 516-6900.





On Monday, June 10, 2019 paving work will begin on the following streets:

- Mast Road
- Mount Vernon Street
- Dover Neck Road
- Hilton Road

This work is the prepare the roadways for paving.

The work the week of June 10 on Mast Road and Mount Vernon Street includes reclamation, or grinding. Work on Mount Vernon Street will span Reservoir Street to Roosevelt Avenue. The work on Dover Neck Road and Hilton Road includes raising structures.

The work is expected to be complete in three to four weeks, weather permitting. On-street parking will not be allowed between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. during this work.

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



Dover 400th Anniversary Committee Chair Kevin McEneaney, left, accepts a check for \$400 from City Councilor Dennis Ciotti, who initiated the fundraising campaign by making a pledge at a recent City Council meeting.

Dover Anniversary Committee launches 400 for 400 campaign

Dover's 400th Anniversary Committee has formally announced its 400 for 400 fundraising campaign. The campaign is seeking four hundred, \$400 donations to support activities to celebrate Dover's 400th birthday in 2023.

Dover City Councilor Dennis Ciotti initiated the campaign.

"I challenge 399 others to do the same," said Ciotti. "While we may have years to plan a fantastic celebration of Dover's people, places, and culture, we've got to start fundraising now."

Meanwhile, Kevin McEneaney, chair of the Dover 400th Anniversary Committee, was the first to accept the challenge.

"I am proud to put my support behind this campaign," he said.

The 400th Committee recently developed a strategic plan complete with fundraising goals based on information received during a public input session held last month. The session solicited feedback from residents on how they would like to shape the celebration and keep Dover's history alive and pertinent for generations to come. Some of the items being considered include firework celebrations, neighborhood tours, a video timeline of Dover's history, dinner events with key public figures, re-enactments and free performances of yesteryear accounts, developing a mobile application of historical sites in Dover, burying a time capsule, and hosting lavish parades.

Under Section 170 (c) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code, donations to Dover 400th Anniversary Committee are tax deductible.

For more information about the campaign, to become a sponsor or donate please contact Dover 400th Anniversary Committee Chair Kevin McEneaney at k.mceneaney@dover.nh.gov.

The 400th Anniversary Committee was formed to plan and organize the city's 400th celebration.



Dover Art Walk steps off this afternoon at 4 p.m.

This month's Art Walk is today, Friday, June 7, 4 to 8 p.m., throughout downtown Dover.

Check out <u>doverartwalk.com/map.php</u> to plan your route. Maps are available at any of the participating locations.

This month sees the return of art in the Cocheco Mills Courtyard. The featured entertainers this month are Chris Jordan and Steve Carter. Kids are invited draw with chalk for free or participate in craft workshops with Michelle Lepler for \$3. With over a dozen vendors and the Pop Up Seacoast Shop, there is something for everyone. And for the palate, gelato from the Coppa Magica truck will be sure to delight.

Looking for more sweets? Lickee's and Chewy's Candies and Creamery has joined the Dover Art Walk.

The Art Center at 1 Washington Street will feature the exhibit, "Alternate Perspectives," which highlights the work of photographers utilizing vintage techniques.

Need a break? IBODY Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork will host a grand opening at their new location on Portland Avenue, providing free massages.

Other new stops include Lilith Grace Gifts on Washington Street and Wrong Brian in their new location on Third street.

There is no shortage of local art to see at our other stops as well, including Spires Video, Pin-Up Hair Salon, Adelle's Coffee Shop, Nicole's, Gallery 6 at the Children's Museum, Village Goldsmith, The Flower Room and Ross Furniture.

Turn in your map with 10 stamped locations by 8 p.m. at Cara to enter a raffle to win a beautiful necklace donated by

Alie Jewelers.

For more information, visit doverartwalk.com.

The Dover Art Walk is a Dover Main Street event run by the Dover Art Walk subcommittee, including The Art Center, Dover Business Industrial Development Authority, and D Graphics. The summer's map sponsor is Kennebunk Savings Bank. The courtyard sponsor is Optima Bank and Trust.

Dover Elks Lodge to host Flag Day ceremony June 14

Dover Elks Lodge #184 will host a Flag Day ceremony on Friday, June 14, at 6 p.m., at the Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park.

In 1907, members of the Elks Grand Lodge decided to hold a ceremony to honor the American flag. By a resolution, they designated June 14 as Flag Day and in 1911 adopted mandatory observance of the occasion by every Lodge. That requirement continues today.

With the effort and urging of the Elks, President Harry S. Truman, a member of the Elks himself, in 1949 officially designated June 14 Flag Day and an observance for all Americans.

Everyone, young and old, is invited to join the officers and members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Dover Lodge #184 on Friday evening, June 14, at for the annual Flag Day ceremony honoring the American flag.





Competing for Dover at Destination Imagination are, front, from left Akshara Ramanujam of Garrison Elementary; Lohitaksh Misra, a Dover Middle School alum, now living in India who flew from India to rejoin the team to compete; Maya More of Dover Middle School; back, from left, Adarsh Ramanujam of Dover Middle School; Colin Fitzgerald of Dover High School; and Kevin Hennet of Dover Middle School.

Dover competes, places 11th worldwide at Destination Imagination

The Dover Destination Imagination team, Long Distance, recently competed against the top high school teams from the United States, China, South Korea, Turkey, Canada, Mexico, and Guatemala at the Destination Imagination Global Finals Tournament held in Kansas City, Missouri. The Dover team placed 11th in the world and won an award for the highest Instant Challenge score of all 50 high school teams.

Destination Imagination is a volunteer-led, educational nonprofit organization that teaches "21st century" skills and STEM principles to kindergarten through university level students by collaborative problem solving challenges.

"I could not be more proud of the students who represented the Dover School District and Dover community in a positive way and achieved great success along the way," said Superintendent of Schools William Harbron. "This team and their truly amazing coach have worked so very hard and the best part is that have had so much fun along the way."

For more information, visit www.dover.k12.nh.us or www.facebook.com/DoverNHSchoolDistrict.

Bellamy Academy takes part in American Heart Challenge

The students of Bellamy Academy at Dover High School are participating in the American Heart Challenge from now through June 12 and need your help.

The American Heart Challenge is a program that educates

people about the importance of heart health and raises money for the American Heart Association.

From now through June 12, you can make a donation online and help Bellamy Academy reach their fundraising goal, at https://www.crowdrise.com/o/en/campaign/dover-high-school.

You can also find the link to donate on the Bellamy Academy website.

"Cardiac disease is the leading cause of death worldwide, and the American Heart Association is working hard to combat this," said Janice Halle, American Heart Association Fundraising Director. "Funds raised support the American Heart Association's lifesaving mission, which includes groundbreaking research, access to healthy foods in underresourced communities, legislation for regulation of tobacco and e-cigarettes and laws requiring CPR to be taught in schools."

For more information, visit www.dover.k12.nh.us.



Coming up in Dover schools

Tuesday, June 4, 4:30 p.m., McConnell Center, Superintendent's Conference Room Garrison Elementary School Joint Building Committee Meeting

Monday, June 10, 7 p.m., McConnell Center, Room 306 School Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 4:30 p.m., McConnell Center, Superintendent's Conference Room Dover High School Joint Building Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 12, 7 p.m., University of New Hampshire, Whittemore Center
Dover High School Graduation Class of 2019

Monday, June 18, Last day of school

Tuesday, June 18,4:30 p.m., McConnell Center, Superintendent's Conference Room Garrison Elementary School Joint Building Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 25, 4:30 p.m., McConnell Center, Superintendent's Conference Room Dover High School Joint Building Committee Meeting





The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, <u>located here</u>.



June 12, 1724 - Robert Burnham was admitted into the Council Chamber, and presented an Indian scalp to the board, and made oath that it was bona fide the scalp of an Indian slain two days before at Oyster River by a party of men under the command of Mr. Abraham Bennick and that he believed the said Indian was an enemy Indian. Whereupon it was ordered Burnham be paid 100 pounds out of the treasury.



The following is extracted from a diary kept at the time:

June 8, 1816: a snow squall. June 10: frost. June 11: a heavy frost, killed a great deal of corn - some pieces of it were entirely dead, and five-sixths of the apples killed. June 22: ice remained in Wasontan yard.



June 8, 1828 - A party of seven men and boys sailing down the river on a pleasure excursion, on Sunday, the boat when near Dover Point was upset and Henry Demeritt aged 25, and Ebenezer Paul, 14, were drowned. Demeritt was a good swimmer and lost his life by endeavoring to save Paul, who could not swim.



June 7, 1860 - Nathaniel Tuttle of Dover, who went down the river on a fishing excursion, was drowned by the upsetting of his boat near Portsmouth Light.



June 13, 1921 - The Board of Assessors announced the total inventory valuation of Dover for 1921 as \$13,677,024. This included mills and machinery at \$1,121,621, and 580 horses, 4 oxen, 889 cows, 92 sheep, 55 hogs, 3,913 fowl, 71 vehicles and 4 boats.

Walking tours of historic Dover

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is again hosting walking tours of historic Dover through Labor Day weekend.

The Saturday morning walking tours begin at 10:30 a.m. Three different, 90-minute walking tours will be offered throughout the summer, and take place from one of three Dover locations as specified on the tour schedule.

The next tour is June 8 and departs from the Ricker Chapel at Pine Hill Cemetery. The tour includes a history of Dover's burial grounds, and anecdotal stories as you visit the graves of people who were part of Dover's history.

Reservations are recommended, and can be made by calling 603-742-2218 or email info@dovernh.org. Walking Tours cost \$10 per person with \$25 limit for families.

More information can be found at www.dovernh.org/tours.



"A Universe of Stories" 2019 Summer Reading Program at the Dover Public Library

Readers of all ages are invited to experience "A Universe of Stories" at the Dover Public Library this summer. There are lots of space-themed programs, crafts, and activities, planned to keep families entertained and motivated to read. Registration for the program, and for any events that require sign-up, will begin on Tuesday, June 18 at 9 a.m. The more you read the more chances you have to win some fabulous prizes. There will also be a weekly raffle in the Children's Room for a family prize. Fill out a ticket each time you visit the library.

On Tuesday, June 25 at 2 p.m., Steve Corning will present an interactive family show sponsored by Kennebunk Savings. Dubbed "The Human Variety Show," Steve is a one-of-a-kind variety performer, harnessing his signature off-the-cuff comedy and show-stopping stunts to create a high-energy show unlike any other. Audiences across the US and beyond have seen Steve juggle everything from shoes and car-keys, to machetes and balloons, as well as re-create a 100-year-old Houdini rope escape, fit his entire body through a folding

chair, manipulate LED light props in the dark, and balance a ladder (and other dangerous items) on his chin.

Don't miss "Star Wars Mania" on Monday, July 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Make a light saber, participate in a trivia contest, and meet characters from the 501st Legion.

Kids ages 7 through 12 can sign up for an "Aerospace Adventure" brought to us by Strafford County 4-H. During this 90-minute program on Thursday, July 11, starting at 2 p.m, learn life skills needed to become an astronaut, and build and launch a water bottle rocket.

Ever wonder what happens in the library after it's closed? The answer is laser tag. Kids in grades 6 through 12 can sign up for a one hour session on Friday July 12 at 6 or 7 p.m. Kids in grades 1 through 5 can register for a session on Saturday, July 13, each hour from 1 to 4 p.m.

Form a team with family or friends and take the "Dover Scavenger Hunt" challenge. On Wednesday, July 17 between 10 a.m. and 8:30 p.m., find landmarks in Dover. The fastest team in three categories will win a prize.

If you love Mario Kart, join the tournament on Wednesday, July 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. Students in grades 5 through 12 can compete against their friends while eating pizza.

On Thursday, July 25, the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center will come to Dover, sponsored by Measured Progress. Their inflatable Planetarium will be in City Hall Auditorium from 2 to 4 p.m. Sign up for a one-hour session at http://library.dover.nh.gov.

We will wrap up our summer program with the "Toe Jam Puppet Band" on Wednesday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. The band will play original songs from their new CD "Toe Jam in Outer Space!" The show features a spacey dress-up puppet show and some crazy anti-gravity dancing. Enjoy some ice cream after the show, sponsored by the Friends of the Dover Public Library.

This is only a small sampling of the exciting activities the library will offer this summer.

There will be Escape Rooms and movies for all ages in our newly air-conditioned Lecture Hall.

For more information on all the summer fun, call 603-516-6052 or visit our website at http://library.dover.nh.gov.

All Dover Public Library programs are free and open to the public.

This Week at the Library

Saturday, June 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lego Saturday in the Children's Room Imagine, create and build with Legos and/or Duplos. Drop-in anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to meet old friends and make new ones as you work on building challenges.

Sunday, June 9, Library Closed

Monday, June 10, 6 to 7 p.m. Teen Advisory Board in the Learning Center

Volunteers in grades 7 -12 who are interested in shaping the library's programs and services aimed at middle and high-school students.

Monday, June 10, 6 to 8 p.m. Adult Knitting Group in the Trustees Room

This Knitting Group is open to anyone who has a love for knitting and crocheting. All levels are welcome! Bring your precious works-in-progress and any finished objects you would like to show off to the group.

Monday, June 10, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Intermediate Excel in the Computer Room

Take your Excel skills to the next level. Learn about conditional, text, date and numeric functions. Learn how to create charts and graphs, and how to make them look the way you want. Create formulas that refer to values on other worksheets. Learn to use filters. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Tuesday, June 11, 7 to 8 p.m. Friends of the Library Cultural Event: Stephen Collins as Herman Melville in the Lecture Hall

Sailing Towards My Father is a one-man play about Herman Melville (1819-1891), the American author best known for his whaling epic Moby-Dick. The play chronicles Melville's life from youth to old age, concentrating on his evolution as a writer and his complex relations with God, his parents and siblings, his wife and children, and Nathanial Hawthorne.

Wednesday, June 12, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Second Wednesday Movie in the Lecture Hall

The Mustang: The story of Roman Coleman, a violent convict, who is given the chance to participate in a rehabilitation therapy program centered around the training of wild mustangs. Rated R.

Wednesday, June 12, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Creativity Corner in the Computer Room

What are you making? Come share your creations with others. Talk about why you create. Talk about your process. Share ideas. Get help with challenges you are facing. Be inspired and inspiring.

Thursday, June 13, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Death Café in the Lecture Hall

At a Death Cafe people, often strangers, gather to eat cake, drink tea and discuss death. Our objective is 'to increase awareness of death with a view to helping people make the most of their (finite) lives'. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Thursday, June 13, 4 to 5 p.m.

Free Yoga Class in the Lecture Hall

Free weekly yoga class taught by Emily Bisson.

Saturday, June 15, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lego Saturday in the Children's Room

Imagine, create and build with Legos and/or Duplos. Drop-in anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to meet old friends and make new ones as you work on building challenges.

Saturday, June 15, 10 to 11 a.m. Paws for Reading in the Children's Room

Murphy, a certified therapy dog, and her handler, Karen, will be in the children's room. Drop in and read her your favorite story. She is a great listener which is very encouraging for young readers.



Gardening group invites all to clean-up events

Dover Gardening And Beautification will continue clean-up events this month and welcomes participation from Dover residents and the surrounding area.

On Saturday, June 15, at 9:30 a.m., there will be neighborhood clean-ups taking place throughout Dover.

For more information, please visit Dover Gardening and Beautification group on Facebook or email Rebecca.johnson@dovermainstreet.org.



Coming up at the Dover Community Senior Center

Wednesday, June 12, 1 p.m.

"Celebrating 65" Program at the Dover Senior Center Mary Ellen Joyce of Harvard Pilgrim presents the "Celebrating 65" program. This engaging presentation, with brochure, will explain your Social Security, Medicare, and retirement health care options. Free and open to the public. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420.

Tuesday, June 18, 10 a.m. The Nature of New Hampshire at the Dover Senior Center

In this dazzling presentation featuring photos of rare and special plant communities and habitats throughout the state, you'll learn new ways to look at the natural landscape and find out some of New Hampshire's unique places to visit. RSVP is required and priority is given to Senior Center Members. Call Linda at 516-6420 to register.

Thursday, June 27, 1 p.m. Dr. Dan Balance and Dizziness Workshop at the Dover Senior Center

Learn how to stay safe and prevent falls which can lead to injuries, fractures, and lengthy hospital stays. Dr. Dan will explain the major components to balance which can easily be strengthened to prevent these harmful injuries. You will learn the top most common causes of loss of balance and dizziness along with the number one mistake that seniors make as their balance starts to decline. If you or you know someone who has ever suffered from dizziness or loss of balance then the Balance and Dizziness Prevention Workshop is for you. Free and open to the public. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420.



Dover Indoor Pool offers year-round swim lessons

With an average water temperature of 81 degrees, the Indoor Pool is used for a wide range of activities including lap swim, therapy swim, lessons, competitive swimming, scuba classes, birthday parties and aqua-aerobics. The dive well,



which features a 1-meter diving board, is used primarily for diving instruction and recreational swimming, including treading water, water jogging and deep water swim instruction.

Be sure to check the <u>schedule</u> for pricing and times.

The Dover Indoor Pool is a 25-yard, 6-lane pool located in downtown Dover at 9 Henry Law Avenue. For more information, call (603) 516-6441.

CITY OF DOVER SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements, project newsletters and updates

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? <u>Sign up now</u> to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

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 the following positions:

- Library custodian
- Truck Driver Utilities
- Lifeguard
- Swim instructor
- Summer day camp counselor
- Summer camp counselor

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, <u>click here</u>.

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