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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



June 9, 2023



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City Hall  
hours:

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

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

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## Site work begins for Dover waterfront development

**Access to area will be restricted  
beginning on Monday, June 12**

Work is underway at the city-owned waterfront parcel on River Street. Construction and infrastructure firm, Northeast Earth Mechanics, Inc., is mobilizing equipment at the site, marking the

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

commencement of the development of the waterfront property. A ground-breaking ceremony will be held at the site in the coming weeks.

Northeast Earth is slated to start installing fencing along Washington Street Extension on Monday, June 12. Upon installation, public dock use will be limited. Dock access will be available for the Gundalow event scheduled for later this month, part of the city's 400th-anniversary celebration.

Dover's waterfront development represents a considerable undertaking. Public improvement measures form a significant part of this project, from constructing a new street system for site access to establishing necessary utilities for the upcoming buildings. 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 are also part of the project.

The city also plans to upgrade the River Street pump station, which handles roughly 80% of the city's wastewater. With the pump station approaching its 30th year, the City Council has approved an amendment to its contract with Wright-Pierce to undertake the design work for these upgrades.

The project also includes a private development component, led by developer Cathartes, which 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.

The waterfront development project, which has been in the planning stages for years, took a significant step forward with the approval of the city's public improvements plan and Cathartes' site plan last year.

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

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**Class President Ted Decker addresses the Class of 2023 during Dover High School's commencement ceremony at Dunaway Field Thursday night.**

## **Graduation ceremony at Dover High School honors Class of 2023**

Dover High School held its commencement ceremony for the graduating class of 2023 on June 8 at Dover High School's Dunaway Field.

In addition to families and friends who were at Dunaway Field to honor the 337 graduates, the ceremony was broadcast live on Channel 22 and streamed live online. The ceremony continues to air on Channels 22 and 95 and can be viewed online here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hXVHJx2LQBI>.

The graduating Class of 2023 is as follows:

Adhikari, Samriddha; Aichaoui, Fatima-Zahra Yuna; Albert, Charlotte Rose; Anderson, Scarlett F.; Angrand, Tylee; Ansell, Kaylee Rose; Antonetti, Kaiya Lacey; Arkwell, Cole David; Arroyo, Joshua D.; Ault, Shannon Patricia; Baker, James Alan; Barrett, Camden; Beatham, Noah F.; Bell, Jordyn Skye; Bell, Wyatt E.; Bernier, Joshua; Berry, Benjamin; Berry, Maxwell W.; Bickford, Nevaeh; Bigelow, Colby Graham; Blanchette, Grace Elizabeth; Blanchette, Noah M.; Boettcher, Olivia Morgan; Boodey, Ethan; Borros, Alivia; Boucher, Lydia; Bourque, Allison; Bowden, Jonathan; Bragdon, Max Luigi; Braz, Logan Alexander; Brewer, Cooper S.; Brewster, Peter H.; Bridgeford, John H.; Britton, Laila; Brooks, Anilise J.; Burson, Nicollette; Cabral, Lucas A.; Cancilla, Marcus Antony; Canepa, Claire Gretchen; Canepa, Ellie J.; Cannon, Anthony J.; Carloni, Merrick; Carroll, Jackson Paul; Caswell, Christopher Paul; Cedrone, Sophia Marie; Chase, Emma Lynn; Chase, Maximus C.; Chemei, Nekesa Diana; Choate, Will J.; Christiansen, Samantha; Chu, Gavin Russo; Cloutier, Paxton Joseph; Cobb, Marcus; Collinsworth, Savannah Kay; Consalvo, Sam M.; Conway, Colby Philip; Corliss, Hope Lynn; Coss Castaing, Lizbeth Massiel; Costello, Kathryn; Covey, Jillian P.; Crosbie, Aurora Starr; Cuevas, Jared S.; Cunio, Ally Jean; Curtis, Seth E.; D'Abrosca, Lauren N.; Davis, Brett S.; Dechane, Abraham; Decker, Ted Cameron; Delay, Shamus Finn; Dextraze Jr., Dustin Eli; Di Mambro, Gianna Mae; DiChiara, Olivia Nicole; DiCicco, Nic J.; Dickey, Keegan; Dickson, Sam Alexander; Dilkes, Connor Alfred; Donovan, Colleen; Doucet, Trent; Downs, Savannah Kate; Drake, Julia Alice; Driggs, Tayelar C.; Drouin, Gerald; Dubois, Cody Alan; Duchemin, Sianna Mae; Dugmore, Liam C.; Duval, Chloe R.; Dyer, Samantha; Earley, Brielle Kailyn; Economos, Preston; Edwards, Aliyah Lynn; Ellis, Thomas; Engalan-Baertl, Aidan Joseph-Grey; Epstein, Carter Louis; Everidge, Faith; Faasen, Joci Adele; Farley, Lee R.; Ferrell, Peyton N.; Filgate, Harrison; Fleury, Parker D.; Forte, John Andrew; Frederick, Olivia E.; Frost, Nathan A.; Fuller, Jackson A.; Gagne, Jay P.; Galante, Allie M.; Gallant, Tyler James; Gammon, Austin; Genthner, Jonathan R.; Gibney, Maia; Gier, Brennan; Giguere, Jeremy Will; Glidden, Arianna Lee; Goodie, James E.; Goodridge, Molly R.; Gorman, Brian M.; Goud, Elena Genevieve Littlefield; Goulet, Aiden B.; Graff, Finn Eden; Gregorakos, Nichaphat; Guerrero, Theo; Guzmán

Matos, Lady Daniela; Haggard, Ethan D.; Haley, Skyley P.; Hamcha, Amira N.; Hand, Daniel Parker; Handoyo, Daven; Hannah, Braden R.; Hanson, Maizy Ada; Harford, Rylee Dakota; Harris, Macy Aliya; Heagarty, Aidan R.; Hebert, Allison; Helander IV, Carl Frederick; Hellmann, Leon-Andreas Thomas; Helm Jr., Warren James; Hemphill, Greta J.; Hernandez, Mia Marie; Hill, Kyla Myenna; Hodge, Ryan R.; Hoeing, Emilia Marie; Holt Caron, Ashley Virginia; Horwath, Elijah J.; Hubbard, Camryn; Hubley, Autumn Grace; Hughes, Tyler J.; Hurlburt, Angela G.; Hurley, Eimile Margaret; Hurteau, Emilie Rose; Jackson, Anastasia P.; Jackson, Stephanie Philippa; Jacques, Kevin Christopher; Janelle, Emma Caroline; Jasper, Alyssa; Jepsen, Emilio Authoun; Johnson, Alex; Johnson, Harleigh Celeste; Johnson, Jenavee Grace; Johnston, Riley B.; Jordan-Bartholomew, Bryant; Joy, Kollin Samuel; Joyal, Cole Chase; Jumper, Adam; Kageleiry, James Cyrus; Kelley, Ashley L.; Kelley, Nicole Catherine; Kelly, Levi; Kenyon, Elizabeth Lee; Khalsa, Kaiden; Kirk, Aidan F.; Knapp, Carter M.; Koellmer, Samantha Valentine; Kozikowski, Catelin Trafton; Kozlowski, Abigail Katherine; Krans, Jack; Laferte, Dustin Matthew; Lafleur, Douglas B.; LaGrassa, Mia Kathleen; Lampel, Logan J.; Lancaster, Abigail; Landry, Cedric; Lapierre, Jacob; Launchbury, Connor; Leary, Reagan June; Lee, Serafina Michelle; Leighton, Ben Robert; Lemos, Jason Lazaro Baldoza; Lenharth, Samantha Aden; Lenzi, Evan George; Lessard, Kirstie; Lessard, Megan B.; Lindsey, Casey Lee; Ludwick, Hayden J.; Lumangkun, Jeremiah G.; MacGregor, Timothy Michael; Maguire, Dylan David Robert; Major, Lauren; Marshall, Brooke; Marshall, Grace E.; Martel, Emily Katharine; Martin, Willis; Martindale, Natalie Alexis; McCarthy, Abigail; McCarthy, Sadie Grace; McClary, Nicholas N.; McCormack, Zachary R.; McCowan, Calvin; McDonough, Brady Thomas; Mcglone, Nathan; McGough, Ella Lucille; McGraw, Devin M.; Menard, Jason Kendall; Meserve, Hayden Cruz; Michaud, Devin Steven; Mone, Ryan; Moore, Brady Robert; Morris, Blake J.; Mott, Lauren I.; Mourgenos, Lanie L.; Mullikin, Lucas M.; Mumu, Ezraldo D.; Mundt, Emerald Marie; Murray, Grey Royal; Nason, Charlotte L.; Nevins, Liam P.; Nguyen, Nhi B.; Nkounkou, Grace Angelica; Norasing, Emily; Noseworthy, Keigan W.; Nossiff, Abigail Ann; Nunez, Alexis Yvonne; Oles, Alexander C.; Olkkola, Emelia R.; Ongori, Quinton D.; Orrell, Jesse J.; Orrell, John Wayne; Otis, Lindsey Erin; Pahlevi, Aishwarya; Palmer, Jacob M.; Papa, Isabella Sherrill; Paquette, James Wagner; Paradis, Bethany Anne; Parent, Gretchen A.; Parker, Andrew Timothy; Parker, Hannah Rae; Parker, Jase M.; Patch, Kieran Gabriel; Patel, Khushi; Patel, Niyati; Patterson, Gabrielle Naa Angerley Nathalie; Payeur, Judah; Pearlman, Quinlan Harris; Peck, Julia C.; Peltier, Madelyn Marie; Pereira, Jose; Peskovitz, Sydney; Petruzzelli, Boston Gabrielle; Price, Desmond; Proulx, Matthew Donald; Quitugua, Terra; Raimondo-Caritos, Marayssa Jasmine; Ramdev, Riya Devi; Ramirez, Alyza; Rand, John H.; Rapoza, Andrew Brian; Rapoza, Brandon; Raycraft, Jefferson W.; Rhyne, Spencer David; Richard, Graham Colin; Rivera Gonzalez, Jesus; Roger, Kaelyn Elizabeth; Rowley, Julia Denise; Santos, Griffin Hayes; Sargent, Isabella Kathryn; Sawyer, Griffin C.; Sayers, Camille E.; Scholtz, Will F.; Schultz, David J.; Scully, Caitlyn R.; Sears, Benjamin P.; Shanley, Lindsey Anne; Shaw, Robert Bernard Francis; Sheedy, Jillian K.; Shepard, Annabelle G.; Sherpa, Roger; Shunk, Madison Marie; Shvaha, Liubov; Sidmore, Ethan K.; Silver, Malaki James; Simmons, Jessica R.; Sims, Jezreel; Sinon, Nicole Paige; Slattey, Richard G.; Small, Riley; Smart, Zachary; Smith, Elizabeth Ellen Lyla; Smith, Matthew Barry; Smith, Robert H.; Sobel, Sophie Jane; Spagna, Logan; Spencer, Aidan J.; Spurling, Sydney Anna; St. Laurent, Jett Scott; Stanley, Joshua J.; Studley, Noah Christopher; Suarez, Kiara Christine Jaymes; Subedi, Babi; Sulistyanto, Michelle Azzahra; Sundstrom, Quincy Taylor; Tatro, Cody Thomas; Tipping, Andrew Robert; Todd, Ian S.; Tower, Sarah Claire; Trejo, Ethan; Truong, Bang Nhat; Tulung, Elbert; Ukey, Jeffrey; Unger, Cody; Vachon, Dylan R.; Van Zandt, Breanna Hope; Varney, Morgan Rose; Venetos, Maya; Vexler, Marc J.; Vigent, Renee Michele; Vincent, Savannah Jean; Vo, Jason B.; Walsh, Ashlynn J.; Watson, Dominik; Weeks, Jack Thomas; Weik, Karoline Sage; Westcott, Aiden; Williams, Amelia Madeline; Wilson, Taylor; Winters, Samantha; Wisniewski, Zoe; Witham, Aaron Joseph Asa; Young, Danielle A.; Young, Paris Alyvia.



## **Council to review public water supply system and improvements at workshop**

The City Council will get an update on the public supply system at a workshop at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14, before the Council's regular meeting at 7 p.m.

Representatives from Underwood Engineers, a city consultant, will review recent and future water system upgrades. Current projects include the Pudding Hill Water Treatment Plant, the new one million-gallon water storage tank off Webb Place and associated Smith Well Road water main upgrades and the Portsmouth-Dover Emergency Interconnection. Future planned projects include the Garrison Hill water tank rehabilitation and French Cross Water Treatment Plant upgrades.

Consultants from Emery & Garrett Groundwater Investigations will review ongoing aquifer status, drought resiliency, water quality monitoring, and potential future supply sources.

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## 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.

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## Dover400 plans for busy year of celebration

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

Dover Mayor Robert Carrier recently said, "We are proud of our history and where we are today. There's a lot to celebrate and look back on."

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

- **June 17-18: 1st NH Regiment** - Camp and Living History on the grounds of the Woodman Museum. Learn more: <https://www.facebook.com/photo?>



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- **June 23: The Dover400 Humdinger.** A comedy show at the Woodman Museum for ages 21+ hosted by Erin Feeley. Learn more: <https://woodmanmuseum.org/event/the-dover400-humdinger/>
  - **June 24: Dover on the Water.** A celebration on the water with a boat parade, Merry Mac Regatta, and gondola rides at Hilton Park. Learn more: [https://dover400.org/assets/Regatta%20FLYER%20\[8.5x11\]%204-16-23.jpg](https://dover400.org/assets/Regatta%20FLYER%20[8.5x11]%204-16-23.jpg)
  - **June 25: Baseball of Yesterday and Today.** Games will be played at Leary Field, 155 Parrott Avenue, Portsmouth from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Vintage games playing by 1864 rules of baseball will be played from 12 noon to 3 pm. Portsmouth is also celebrating its 400th Anniversary.
  - **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 - July 1: Piscataqua Company Encampment** Woodman Museum grounds. Learn more: <https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=629826865855139&set=pb.100064834922825.-2207520000>
  - **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 10 p.m. In addition to shopping amazing stores and vendors, there will be live entertainment at the Rotary Pavilion from morning 'til night! We are also hosting an interactive walk through the history of Dover in Henry Law Park from 10-4. Learn more: <https://dover400.org/block-party.html>
  - **July 2: Dover 400th Anniversary Parade** at 3 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 are ready to celebrate with us. Learn more: <https://dover400.org/parade.html>
  - **July 4: Celebrate Independence Day** with a reading of the Declaration of Independence reading at Dover City Hall at 9 a.m. Later that evening, come listen to the New Hampshire Army National Guard 39th Army Band from 7:30 to 9:15 p.m. at the Rotary Pavilion stage. Enjoy the spectacular fireworks over Dover from two locations.
  - **July 7-Aug. 11: Dover400 Cocheco Arts Festival**
  - **July 15: Dover Artists exhibition,** opening in the Backstage Gallery at the Art Center. Learn more: <https://www.facebook.com/events/757100162687105/?ref=newsfeed>
  - **July 22: The McConnell Story at the Strand,** proceeds to benefit the Woodman Museum. Learn more: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1280267805898456>
  - **Aug. 11: Milestone Anniversary Celebration.** Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce in celebrating several chamber members' milestone anniversaries in one combined celebration. Learn more: <https://www.dovernh.org/events/details/milestone-anniversary-celebration-37860>

Stay up-to-date on the latest events by visiting [dover400.org](https://dover400.org).

## Dover Arts Commission introduces Dover's new Literary Laureate

The Dover Arts Commission is pleased to announce the appointment of Steve Bargdill as the Dover Literary Laureate.

Bargdill, an author and Dover resident, expressed his belief in the transformative power of literature, stating, "I believe literature has the power to enrich and transform the lives of individuals and communities."

The primary mission of the Dover Literary Laureate is to broaden community involvement in all forms of literary expression. In this role, Bargdill will be responsible for attending monthly Arts Commission meetings and developing and implementing literary projects and activities to enhance the quality of life for Dover citizens.

Bargdill has published works in literary outlets such as Literary Orphans, Tinge Magazine, and Your Impossible Voice. His short story, "The Taco Robbers From Last Week," earned a nomination for the prestigious 2021 Pushcart Prize. Bargdill's educational background includes an MFA in Fiction from the University of New Hampshire, an MA in English Literature from the University of Wyoming and a BA in English Literature from the University of Iowa. Furthermore, he was honored with the 2019 Dick Shea Memorial Award for Fiction. Bargdill also shares his expertise as a creative writing instructor at Great Bay Community College.



"We are thrilled to have Steve on board to help expand community engagement in all facets of literary expression," said Jane Hamor, Chair of the Dover Arts Commission. "With Steve's literary knowledge and passion for community enrichment, the Dover Arts Commission is confident that his appointment as the Dover Literary Laureate will foster a vibrant and inclusive literary culture within the city."

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## Smith Well Road reconstruction work begins later this month

Work is anticipated to begin later this month on Smith Well Road to install new utilities, including new sewer and water supply lines. The project is connected to building the new elevated water tank, which will provide additional reliability and redundancy to the city's water system.

An exact start date has not yet been set, but the work is expected to begin after June 20.

The work on Smith Well Road will include connecting to the water main on Glenwood Avenue, which will impact traffic and include a temporary water shutoff when the connection is made. Temporary water supply lines will be installed to service Smith Well Road, which will require brief individual water shutoffs to allow the contractor to connect properties to the temporary line. The city will provide a 48-hour notice for non-emergency water shutoffs.

The work on Smith Well Road will also include the reclamation of the road. Reclamation is the process of grinding the existing pavement in place and mixing it with the existing base gravel material to improve the strength of the base. The reclaimed material can be shaped to re-establish the roadway cross-section and improve drainage. Later this season, the contractor will return to lay new pavement.

### Traffic control

At least one lane of traffic on Smith Well Road and Barry Street will be maintained during the project, with traffic flow controlled by flaggers. Glenwood Avenue traffic will also be impacted when the connection is made, which is expected to include a full closure of Glenwood Avenue at the Smith Well Road intersection sometime this summer for a period of one to two workdays. Traffic is likely to be diverted via Horne and Glencrest streets. More details on the traffic plan will be released soon.

### Email updates

As the project develops, the City of Dover plans regular email updates to help residents and business plans for the construction disruption. To sign-up for these updates, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters>, and add "Project update: Smith Well water tank and utility work" to your current email subscription list.

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**DONNA BENTON**  
PLANNING DIRECTOR

## On the Agenda: Planning Board, 6/13/2023

In a video released this week, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or <https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=naSqz79JMHSsXMGk>.

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 newsletter, the Dover Planning Review. To sign up, visit [bit.ly/doverdownload](https://bit.ly/doverdownload) and select Dover Planning Review.

## Partial closure of Oak Street in effect Saturday for annual event

Tomorrow, Saturday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oak Street will be open one-way from Portland Avenue to Atlantic Avenue. It will be closed in the other direction, and traffic will be diverted via Atlantic Avenue to Portland Avenue. The closure is to allow Hot Rod City to host its annual open house and block party at 99 Oak St. and have overflow parking along Oak Street.

## Planning Board, June 13, 7 p.m.

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

The City Council will hold a workshop session, followed by a regular meeting, on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, beginning at 6 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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



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

### **Zoning Board, June 15, 7 p.m.**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

### **Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee, June 15, 7 p.m.**

The Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in the First Floor 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/>.



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

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

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



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 16, 1852** — Candace Waldron, born in Dover in 1781 as a slave to the family of Thomas W. Waldron, died on this day at 71 years old.

**June 14, 1856** — A silver salver was presented to the Hon. John Parker Hale by the citizens of Dover as "a token of their approbation of his fidelity to Human Rights." Hale, of Dover, served in the United States House of Representatives and Senate and was a prominent figure in the antislavery movement.

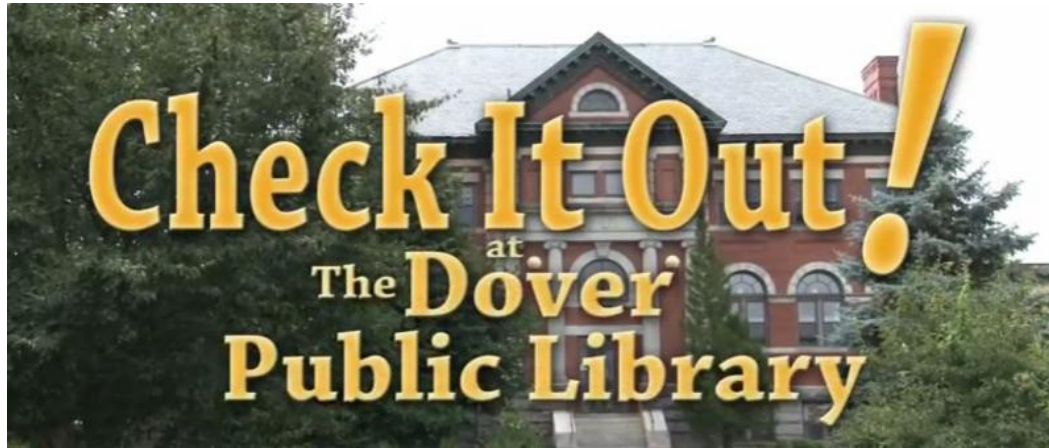
**June 16, 1862** — A heavy frost destroyed the corn in many places in Dover.

**June 12, 1921** — The Dover Board of Assessors announced the total inventory valuation of the City for 1921 as \$13,677,024. This included mills and machinery at \$1,121,621, 580 horses,

four oxen, 889 cows, 92 sheep, 55 hogs, 3,913 fowl, 71 vehicles, and four boats.

**June 12, 1999** — Merrimack-based PC Connection, which also operated a call center out of a 16,000-square-foot space in the Cocheco Falls Millworks, announced it was expanding its space in the mills to 32,000 square feet and would employ more than 200 people. PC Connection, now known as Connection, no longer operates out of the Dover mill complex. The Cocheco Falls Millworks were purchased by Eric Chinburg and partners in January 2012 and is now called Cocheco Mills.

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## **An Enduring Presence: Remembering The Old Man of the Mountain 20 years later**

On May 3, 2003 the symbol of New Hampshire came tumbling down. Now, 20 years later, we look back on the Old Man of the Mountain and his legacy.

Join Dover Public Library on Monday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m. for “An Enduring Presence: The Old Man of the Mountain,” a lecture by Inez McDermott. The event takes place in person with and option to watch virtually from home. Sign-up is needed to receive a link to watch online.

When the Old Man of the Mountain fell from his perch high above Franconia Notch, it made international news. Many in New Hampshire and beyond responded as though mourning a beloved public figure. The Profile was and continues to be, central to New Hampshire’s literary history, tourism, commerce, political messaging, conservation, and environmental concerns and policies. This program examines the Old Man’s role in shaping New Hampshire’s identity from its first recorded discovery in the early 19th century until today. From extraordinary examples of innovative engineering and heroic risk-taking to letters from children donating their allowance to help purchase the surrounding forest, the efforts made for 200 years to protect the Old Man are a major part of this story. Audiences will be asked to share their reminiscences, and we will discuss why these granite ledges, the result of a “miraculous accident,” according to a state geologist, have played such an outsized role in the hearts of so many.

Inez McDermott is a professor emeritus of art history at New England College. She is a curator of art and history exhibitions at various museums and galleries throughout New England, including, most recently, An Enduring Presence: The Old Man of the Mountain at the Museum of the White Mountains at Plymouth State University (June-September 2023). Professor McDermott has lectured on various art history topics throughout New Hampshire with a special focus on American art. She has served as an arts councilor for the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts, as a board member for New Hampshire Humanities, and currently serves on the board of the Saint-Gaudens Memorial and on the Interpretation Committee for the New Hampshire Historical Society.

This program is free and open to the public.

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

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## Library to host homebuyers seminar

Learn the tips and strategies needed to have a stress-free home-buying experience and secure the best value for your future home with Dover Public Library's "Home Buyers Seminar."

Join us on Thursday, June 15 at 6:30 p.m. for the free seminar, perfect for the first-time home buyer or anyone looking to upgrade. The event will take place in person, with an option to watch virtually from home. Those wishing to view online will need to sign up through the library's website to access a link to the program.

In this seminar workshop-styled course, you will learn how to find a qualified real estate agent, explore what kind of home is right for you, and figure out how to navigate home inspections, titles, mortgages, and insurance. Gain valuable insights, and get your home-buying questions answered. Don't miss this opportunity to make informed decisions and embark on your home-buying journey with confidence.

The course is being taught by Steve Bargdill. For the last five years, Bargdill has taught at Great Bay Community College as well as New England College, Southern Maine Community College, and York County Community College. He is a University of New Hampshire graduate with a Masters of Fine Arts in creative writing and the Verani School of Real Estate. He is currently an affiliate real estate person with Keller Williams Coast and Lakes and Mountains.

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## Documentary on Dover's Major Waldron and the Pennacook to screen at the Dover Public Library

In celebration of Dover's 400th Anniversary, the Dover Public Library has partnered with Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective representatives to present a short documentary about Major Richard Waldron. The documentary "Pennacook Retribution: Who Shall Judge" will screen at the library on Monday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a panel discussion by the filmmakers. The panel will feature Paul and Denise Pouliot, Charles and Anne Jennison, Kathleen Blake, and the filmmaker Catherine Stewart. The event will be a hybrid offering meaning it can be viewed in person or by registering to view at home. See the [library's website](http://library.dover.nh.gov) to register for the event.

"Pennacook Retribution – Who Shall Judge the Indians Now?" was written by Anne Jennison, a traditional Abenaki storyteller, and historian, in collaboration with the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook-Abenaki People and the Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective. The documentary reframes a moment in history through the eyes of the people who have lived on this land for over 12,000 years.

In 1689, Major Richard Waldron was executed by the Pennacooks in an event known as the Cochecho Massacre. Waldron's story usually paints him as a tragic hero and the Pennacook Indians as the "savages" who murdered him. But what does this story look like from their perspective of the Pennacook?

Once known to the Pennacook Abenaki as Cochecho (meaning "place of the rapid current") and known to early English colonists as the Cochecho Plantation, Dover is a city familiar with Major Richard Waldron. Many streets, buildings, and civic properties bear his name.

The film is supported by the University of New Hampshire Humanities Center, which administers a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), and generous donations from individuals. Pennacook Retribution is produced by Film Unbound.

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# 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](mailto:e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov), or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

## **Monday, June 12, 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 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

### **Documentary: Pennacook Retribution - Who Shall Judge the Indians Now?**

The life and livelihood of Major Waldron is celebrated in colonial era histories that have resonated down to the present day. Waldron's story has been told and retold for over 300 years, usually painting him as a tragic hero and the Pennacook Indians as the "savages" who murdered Waldron. But what does this story look like from their perspective of the Pennacook? Panel discussion after film screening. Register to attend virtually.

## **Tuesday, June 13, 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, June 13, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

### **Friends of the Dover Public Library**

As a member of this group, as an active participant, or as a leader you can support

## **Wednesday, June 14, 10 to 11 a.m.**

### **Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club**

Dover Public Library's book group dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book will be *Humankind: A Hopeful History* by Rutger Bregman. Pick up a copy at the front desk or listen to it as an audiobook through Hoopla.

## **Wednesday, June 14, 11a.m. to 12 p.m.**

### **All Abilities Club: Art for All**

This inclusive program for adults welcomes those with disabilities as we create art and craft projects. Each session of this hands-on program will feature a different art exploration.

## **Wednesday, June 14, 1 to 1:45 p.m.**

### **There's No Place Like Home**

Join NH Legal Assistance attorney Judith Jones to learn about common issues faced by older adults and provide strategies to help you stay in your home. We will explore information from the pamphlets "7 Ways to Help You Stay in Your Home" and "Returning Home after a Hospital or Rehabilitation Stay" including how to prepare for a medical emergency, as well as understanding and maximizing public benefits, including Medicare and Medicaid.

## **Wednesday, June 14, 6 to 7 p.m.**

### **Teen Advisory Board**

The Teen Advisory Board is a group of 7-12 graders who are interested in shaping the library's programs and services aimed at middle and high-school students. Members attend monthly meetings to share their ideas, help to plan future events/services for teens and work toward making the library a teen-friendly space in our community.

## **Wednesday, June 14, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

### **Finding Spirit in a Million Acres of Canadian Wilderness**

Join NH author and photographer John Doelman for an interactive presentation. His book, "Quetico Connection," brings the personal experience of wilderness canoe tripping to you through introspective poetry and connecting photography.

## **Thursday, June 15, 6:30 to 8 p.m.**

### **Home Buyers Seminar**

In this seminar/workshop styled course, you will learn how to find a qualified real estate agent, explore what kind of home is right for you, and figure out how to navigate home inspections, titles, mortgages, and

this group which supports our library. Become a member of the Friends for as little as \$15 per year. This organization funds all the museum passes the library offers, a large portion of our summer reading activities, as well as many cultural events for the community.

insurance. Gain valuable insights, and get your home buying questions answered. Don't miss this opportunity to make informed decisions and embark on your home buying journey with confidence. Register if you would like to attend remotely.



**WE WANT**

**YOUR**

**FEEDBACK**

**Dover Mental Health ALLIANCE**

**Community Survey 2023**

## **Dover Mental Health Alliance launches community survey to address mental health needs**

This week, the Dover Mental Health Alliance launched a community survey aimed at gathering valuable information about the community's experience, attitudes, and comfort levels regarding mental health. The insights gained from this survey will help align activities and initiatives that effectively support the community's mental health needs through education, awareness, and stigma elimination.

The survey comprises a comprehensive range of mental health-related questions designed to gather insights from various segments of the Dover community and its surrounding region. Participants will be presented with targeted questions based on their identification with different roles within the community. Completing the survey will take approximately 5-15 minutes,

depending on the role categories that apply to each individual.

There are no right or wrong answers to the survey questions. The primary goal of the survey is to learn from the community's experiences and perspectives. All responses will be treated as strictly confidential and anonymous to ensure privacy and encourage open and honest feedback.

To access the survey, please visit <https://forms.gle/xLYygQtFiVDaPDNu7>. Alternatively, you can use the QR code in the image above to access the survey directly.

The Dover Mental Health Alliance kindly requests that everyone, even those who do not reside in Dover, take a few minutes to complete the survey. This is a community-driven initiative, and we value insights from all participants. We also encourage you to share the survey with your own networks to maximize participation and gather a broader range of feedback.

The survey will remain open for responses for approximately 10 days, after which the data collection phase will close.

For more information about the Dover Mental Health Alliance and our initiatives, please visit [www.dovermentalhealthalliance.org](http://www.dovermentalhealthalliance.org).

The Dover Mental Health Alliance is a dedicated organization working towards improving mental health outcomes in the Dover community and its surrounding region. Its mission is to provide education, awareness, and resources to eliminate the stigma associated with mental health issues and promote overall well-being for all individuals.

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## National citizen survey seeks opinions from Dover residents

The City of Dover has released its biannual National Community Survey, and Dover residents are encouraged to participate to help the city measure service performance and quality and assess community needs.

"Participation in the survey is crucial as it serves as a guide for decision-making that shapes the future of our city," said City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. "I urge all Dover residents to take a few moments and complete the anonymous survey, and share your valuable insights."

The city contracted with National Research Center at Polco to participate in the 2023 National Community Survey. This instrument was developed in partnership with the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) in 2001 to provide cities with a low-cost, high-quality method to conduct market research.

The community survey results, combined with other feedback, help the City Council, various city boards and commissions, and the city administration understand and respond appropriately to the community's needs in the upcoming years and make comparisons to other peer cities.

The survey centers on community livability and includes questions about the quality of life in the community, local policies, rating of local government services, and resident use of services. The online survey can be accessed here: <https://polco.us/dover2023op>. Randomly selected residents were mailed in April either a physical copy of the survey or a postcard that directed recipients to an online survey via a private link. If you received the survey's paper version or a private online survey link, please complete those versions instead.

Survey results will be available after the survey concludes on June 16, 2023.

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## Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent



of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

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

- 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/](http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/)

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Susan Mistretta at [s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov](mailto: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.

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## City of Dover employment opportunities

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

- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Police Officer**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Swim Instructor I**
- **City Planner**
- **Firefighter / EMT**
- **Police Systems IT Technician**
- **Truck Driver -- Streets**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator -- Utilities**
- **Laborer -- Public Works, Streets, and Stormwater**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker -- Summer intern**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker -- Facilities and Grounds**
- **Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Junior Accountant**
- **Inspection Services Office Assistant**

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

