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# Dover Pride Clean Up Day sweeps into downtown Saturday

One of Dover Main Street's flagship activities, Dover Pride Clean Up Day, will be held on Saturday, May 11, from 8 a.m. to noon.

Dover Pride Clean Up event starts with a pancake breakfast served by the Kiwanis Club at 8 a.m. in the Mill Courtyard, 421 Central Ave. From there, hundreds of volunteers, with help from the City's of Dover's Community Services Department, will rake, prune, sweep, mulch, weed, paint and plant their way through multiple sites in the downtown area. Wentworth Greenhouses donates plants for the planters in the downtown core, which volunteers will help install. The

#### **Meetings this week:**

### School Board, May 13, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 13, 2019, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

### Planning Board, May 14, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

### Zoning Board, May 16, 7 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2019, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

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.

event finishes with a pizza lunch back at the Mill Courtyard sponsored by Kendall Pond Pizza. Bottled water and soda is provided by Seacoast Coca-Cola.

Clean Up Day is an opportunity for community members to give a few hours of time by contributing some sweat equity to make Dover look its best for the coming tourist season. This civic volunteer effort is an important aspect to help keep the downtown area clean and beautiful throughout the spring and summer, and also provides cost savings to the City of Dover.

As always, community volunteers are the key to the success of the project. Individuals, groups, or families can spend just an hour, or come for the entire morning. Register here: <a href="https://dovermainstreet.org/doverPride.php">https://dovermainstreet.org/doverPride.php</a>.

All participants should bring home gardening supplies, if available, including gloves, brooms, rakes, and other gardening hand tools they may have from home. Other supplies are available on site at the mill courtyard and at the clean-up locations.

For more information, visit <a href="https://dovermainstreet.org/event.php?id=24">https://dovermainstreet.org/event.php?id=24</a>.



Stonyfield Director of Organic and Sustainable Agriculture Britt Lundgren, left, presents a \$5,000 grant donation to Dover Mayor Karen Weston and Ward 5 City Councilor Dennis Shanahan during the Field Day event sponsored by Stonyfield on Saturday, May 4.

### Field Day kicks off organic turf plan at Woodman Park

Stonyfield Organic and the City of Dover on Saturday celebrated the upcoming transition of Woodman Park's field to an organic maintenance plan, keeping the field free of pesticides.

The event featured games, activities, live music, information on organic field maintenance, and of course, Stonyfield yogurt.

During the event, Dover Mayor Karen Weston and City Councilor Dennis Shanahan addressed the city's ongoing work toward organic maintenance of city fields and accepted



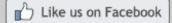
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City Hall hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Recycling Center hours: Tuesday, Thursday,

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



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a check from Stonyfield toward the work at Woodman Park.

Stonyfield Organic selected Dover as one of 10 communities nationwide to receive a \$5,000 grant as part of the company's StonyFields #PlayFree initiative. StonyFields #PlayFree aims to help convert public fields and parks to organic grounds management, ensuring fields and community spaces are free from the use of toxic pesticides and harmful chemicals.

Stonyfield is collaborating Beyond Pesticides and Osborne Organics to help with conversions.

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.stonyfield.com/playfree/woodman-park-dover-nh">https://www.stonyfield.com/playfree/woodman-park-dover-nh</a>.



### Road closures in place Sunday for road race

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following road closures for the 13th annual Moms on the Run Mother's Day 5K event, which is part of the Dover Race Series.

On Sunday, May 12, 2019 at 9 a.m., the following road closures will be in effect:

- Exit 7 southbound off-ramp from the Spaulding Turnpike, 9 to 9:30 a.m.
- Bellamy Road, in the easterly direction between Durham Road and Alumni Drive, 9:05 to 10 a.m.
- Rutland Street, between Cataract Avenue and Central Avenue, 9 to 9:20 a.m.
- Cataract Avenue, 9 to 9:15 a.m.

Motorists should expect delays at the Central Avenue/Mill Street/Exit 7S intersection, and a lane shift along Route 108 between Rutland Street and Bellamy Road. Dover police personnel, New Hampshire State Police, and a number of event volunteers will be on hand to help manage the flow of traffic along the race route. The start and finish point for this event is Dover High School, 25 Alumni Drive.

This event is organized by and will benefit Zebra Crossings of Dover, which provides year-round, medically supervised programs for children with chronic medical conditions. More information is available at http://www.momsontherun.org/.



### Drain line work begins on Belknap, Folsom and Saint Thomas streets

On Monday, May 13, 2019, drain line and utility work will begin on the following streets:

- Belknap Street
- Folsom Street
- Saint Thomas Street

The work will occur on weekdays, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., for approximately three weeks, weather permitting. While the work is ongoing, on-street parking is prohibited. In addition, the following traffic restrictions will be in place from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.:

- Belknap Street will be closed to all through traffic from Washington Street to Folsom Street.
- Saint Thomas Street will be closed from Atkinson Street to Belknap Street. The road will be remain open to two-way local traffic only from the Atkinson Street end of Saint Thomas Street.

The work area will reopen to traffic and parking each day at 6 p.m.

The work will be conducted by Somersworth-based MacKinnon and Sons Excavating, the City of Dover's contractor for the project.

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

### Mount Vernon tree trimming begins May 15

Community Services crews will begin trimming trees on Mount Vernon Street on Wednesday, May 15, 2019. The work will occur on weekdays between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Tree trimming work is expected to conclude in three to four weeks.

The scheduled tree trimming on Mount Vernon Street is to prepare the road for upcoming paving work.

While the work is ongoing, traffic delays are possible.

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



#### Learn to row in Dover

Did you know you can row in Dover?

Great Bay Rowing is now offering programs in recreational and competitive rowing for all skill levels, right on the Cochecho River's new community paddlesports dock and River Street boat house in downtown Dover.

New this spring is the Learn to Row program for middle school students. Learn the basics of rowing, starting with the proper stroke on the rowing machine, basics of the boat and water safety.

There are also summer camps available to students in grades 8 to 12. No experience is necessary for these summer camps. Students will learn all aspects of rowing, from the parts of the boat, carrying the equipment, the proper stroke on a rowing machine. This is a great introduction to rowing prior to joining a fall or spring junior team.

Great Bay Rowing also offers spring, summer and fall programs in competitive rowing. In these sessions, student rowers from seacoast area high schools train to compete in local and regional competitions. Experienced coaching staff will instruct novice rowers on the fundamentals of rowing technique, equipment, proper conditioning and teamwork. Varsity level rowers will continue to develop both mentally and physically, improving on their technique and fitness level. Fun events, both rowing and non-rowing related, have become traditional aspects of the Great Bay Rowing team experience.

Several adult programs are also available, including Learn to Row Development; Master/Adult Intermediate Rowing; Masters Competitive Team; and College Student Logbook Rowing. These programs are for adults ready for recreational rowing and/or competition, conditioning and teamwork.

Great Bay Rowing also offers memberships, logbook sculling, coached programs, rack storage, private lessons and college student memberships.

Rowing programs are open to everyone.

The Great Bay Rowing Club, founded in 1997, is a nonprofit, community based organization developed to foster interest in the sport of rowing in the Seacoast region of New Hampshire

at both the masters and junior level. The club's goal is to provide members with the opportunity, facilities, equipment and instruction in sweep and sculling techniques, to row at both competitive and recreational levels.

For more information or to register, visit www.greatbayrowing.org.

# Gardening and beautification group plans clean-up events

Dover Gardening And Beautification has an upcoming cleanup event and welcomes participation from residents of Dover and the surrounding area.

On Saturday, May 18, 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 <a href="mailto:rebecca.johnson@dovermainstreet.org">rebecca.johnson@dovermainstreet.org</a>.



#### Northeastern Ballet Theatre presents "The Wizard" at Dover High School

"This boy will be famous. There won't be a child in our world who doesn't know his name." Professor MaGonagall says this prophetic line at the beginning of "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" about Harry Potter. And who doesn't know his name? Northeastern Ballet Theatre will be presenting "The Wizard," a balletic interpretation of the first Harry Potter book in which he discovers that he is a wizard, and a very famous one at that.

Come experience Harry receiving his Hogwarts letter, his friendship with Ron and Hermione, his encounters with Fluffy, Snape and He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named, and all of the other wonderful moments that you love from this story. You only have two chances to see this original Edra Toth production which combines the magic of ballet with the magic of Harry

Potter: Saturday, May 11 at 7 p.m. at Dover High School and Thursday, Aug. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Kingswood Arts Center in Wolfeboro. Tickets are available online at <a href="https://www.northeasternballet.org/performances">www.northeasternballet.org/performances</a> or by calling (603) 834-8834.

Northeastern Ballet Theatre is New Hampshire's premier ballet company and training school with studios in Dover at the McConnell Center and in Wolfeboro at 26 Glendon St.

Visit www.northeasternballet.org for more information.



### Find contact information for your elected representatives online

The City of Dover makes it easy to reach out to your local, state, county and federal elected officials by providing contact information for City Councilors, state representatives and the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

Visit the city's online resource, <u>Find My Representative</u>, for a complete list of local, county, state and federal elected officials, including contact information.

Want to contact your City Councilor, or wondering which councilor represents your ward? You can find out <u>more information about the City Council here</u>.

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the City of <u>Dover's interactive ward map</u>. The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information <u>can</u> <u>be found here.</u>

#### **GREEN WAVE DISPATCH**

News from Dover's public schools

# SEED awards more than \$14,000 in grant funding

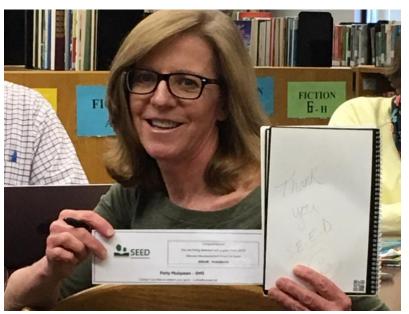
Recent recipients of SEED funding amounting to more than \$14,000 are:



Pictured above, the Woodman Park Elementary School first-grade team accepts SEED grant to purchase literacy curriculum.



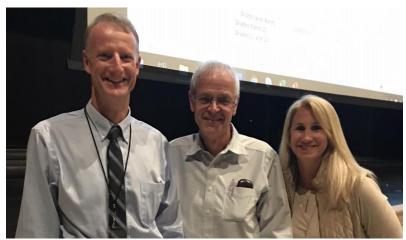
Pictured above, Horne Street School teachers receive SEED grant award for sensory pathways installation.



Math teacher Patty Mulqueen provided two dozen Rocketbooks for Dover Middle School students.



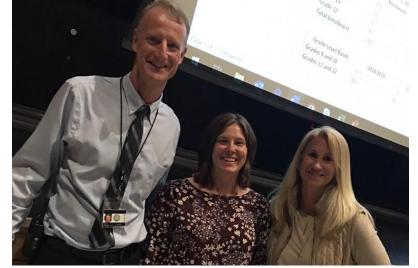
Language arts teacher Kim Conrad given \$6,000 to bring Artists in Residence program to Dover Middle School.



SEED grants Dover High School statistics teacher Tim Elliott funding to buy digital calibers.



Dover High School language arts teacher Lesley Hocking receives money to purchase wireless technology for the classroom.



Dover High School science teacher Amy Poirer given \$3,530 grant to pilot and train teachers and students on protein and DNA modeling.



#### Coming up in Dover schools

Monday, May 13, 7 p.m., McConnell Center, Room 306 School Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 14, 4:30 p.m., McConnell Center, Superintendent's Conference Room Dover High School Joint Building Committee Meeting

> Friday, May 24, No School Teacher Workshop Day

Monday, May 27, No School Memorial Day



# This week in DOVER HISTORY

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>.



May 12, 1675 - In answer to the petition of the inhabitants of Oyster River, Philip Hollet, John Bickford, Robert Burnhams, John Woodman and others, the General Court ordered, "that the petitioners shall have liberty yearly to choose three selectmen, who shall have power to make such rate or rates as they shall see the necessity for the maintenance of the ministry, to be collected by the constables according to law."



May 10, 1693 - Tobias Hanson killed by the Indians, as he travelled the path near the west corner of Thomas Downs' field.



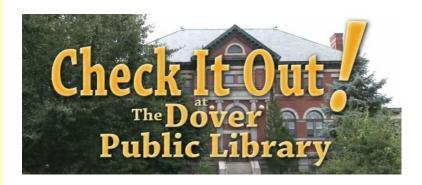
May 13, 1729 - The petitioners seeking to set off the northeastern part of Dover as a parish (Somersworth) appeared before the Assembly and were heard by their counsel, resulting in the appointment of a committee "to go on the spot and view the several districts and settle a dividing line according to their best judgments and that the petitioners in the meantime be free from being rated to the minister of the old town, &c. and the major part agreeing shall be accounted sufficient to make return at the next session for confirmation."



**May 15, 1732** - The Assembly voted that Oyster River in Dover be a Parish by the name of Durham, and the act was approved by Gov. Belcher on this day.



**May 14, 1849** - Died, Eunice Varney, aged 99 years, 5 months, 21 days. She was a member of the Society of Friends and the oldest person in town.





# Meet "The Gravestone Girls" at the Dover Library May 21

On Tuesday, May 21 at the Dover Public Library at 7 p.m., cemetery historians "The Gravestone Girls" will present a virtual tour of New England cemetery art, history, and symbolism. Their 90-minute presentation, called "Welcome to The Graveyard", will be centered on local cemeteries and is built on photographs recently taken in burying places, particularly in Pine Hill Cemetery which began as Dover's first public burying ground in 1731.

The Girls, led by Brenda Sullivan, will explain why we have cemeteries and gravestones, why the stones look the way they do, and how their styles and art have evolved over almost 400 years. Brenda has been studying gravestones for nearly twenty years. A lifelong Massachusetts resident, she has spent many hours in graveyards all over the world. Her education in art history and restoration led to the creation of The Gravestone Girls whose mission, "Keep Our Dead Alive!", is accomplished through educational lectures, tours, and gravestone rubbing classes. The Girls also create beautiful and unusual sculpted castings of the primitive art found on the faces of old New England gravestones. Their gravestone art pieces are shown regularly at art and craft festivals.

Brenda works with libraries, historical societies, genealogy groups, and museums to raise awareness and teach residents what history lies buried in their own back yards. She adds, "Almost everyone is interested in these peaceful and beautiful spaces, but may be hesitant to say so to others. Our presentation lets you know you're not the only one. Come see what we do."

If you've ever taken a walk through Pine Hill Cemetery and admired its beauty, you will delight in this presentation. Visit <a href="https://www.GravestoneGirls.com">www.GravestoneGirls.com</a> for more information on their work.

This program is free, sponsored by The Friends of the Dover Library.

For more information about the program, call the library at 603-516-6050.

#### Healthcare advocacy for loved ones

Michael Guy and Jennie Cutten are Kittery residents who have written a new book, "Helping Our Parents: How to be an Effective Healthcare Advocate." They will be speaking about their book and this subject at the Dover Public Library on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m.



Healthcare Advocacy is the process of helping others navigate the medical industry. An effective Healthcare Advocate will improve the care given to a loved one. The idea of helping our elders as they age, suffer illness and experience death is something we will all need to address at some point. It is also something that we avoid talking about, or even thinking about until we're thrown into it.

Anyone who has shared the experience with a loved one knows that feeling of helplessness, having no clue about what to do or how to help them. Helping our parents is a step by step method for helping others as they age, suffer illness and face the end of their lives.

Michael and Jennie will have copies of their book at the event for sale for those who are interested in purchasing a copy.

The program is free and open to the public.

For more information call the Library at 603-516-6050.

# Evening of Poetry at the Dover Public Library

The Dover Public Library cordially invites you to attend an "Evening of Poetry" on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall. All students who participated in the Library's 17th Annual Poetry Contest for grades K-12, are invited to read aloud their poem entry at this event, but this will be purely voluntary. The general public is encouraged to come and enjoy the readings.

Prizes will be distributed in six different categories: K-Grade 2, Grades 3 and 4, Grades 5 and 6, Grades 7 and 8, Grades 9 and 10, and Grades 11 and 12. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, please contact Denise LaFrance at 603-516-6082.

#### This Week at The Library

Friday, May 10, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

#### Mother Goose on the Loose in the Lecture Hall

Parents/caregivers are invited to join with their babies for a 1/2 hour early learning program specifically designed for children from birth to 24 months. Mother Goose on the Loose uses books, rhymes, songs, musical instruments, finger plays, flannel board characters, puppets and other props to help parents/caregivers develop the child's early literacy skills in a fun and joyful environment.





### Coming up at the Dover Community Senior Center

Wednesday, May 29, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Freedom from Fractures at the Dover Senior Center
Learn how to avoid the most serious risks of osteoporosis.
This event brings insight on how medical conditions, medications, and family history can affect your risk of fractures. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420. This event is free and open to the public.

### Thursday, June 6, 2 p.m. Portugal Travel Presentation at the Dover Senior Center

Learn more about the Dover Senior Center trip to Portugal: Estoril Coast, Alentejo and Algarve, April 14-23 2020. Save \$100 if you book now. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420.

### Wednesday through Friday, Sept. 18 - 20, 2019 Bar Harbor, Maine

Join the Dover Senior Center for this 3 day, two night trip to Bar Harbor, Maine and stay at the Deluxe Acadia Inn. Trip includes a tour of Bar Harbor and Mt Desert Island, a narrated tour of Acadia National Park, Lobster Bake, four meals (2B, 1L, 1D), and a visit to the Freeport outlets. View the flyer <a href="here">here</a>. \$390/pp double - add \$30 for not yet members. For more information, call Linda at 516-6420.

#### COAST unveils service concept



#### 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 supervisor

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

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

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

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