

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



September 30, 2022



CITY OF DOVER, NH

288 Central Avenue Dover, NH 03820 603-516-6000

City Hall hours:

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

Apple Harvest Day kicks of 38th year on Saturday

The 38th annual Apple Harvest Day returns to downtown Dover on Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022. The event, which draws more than 60,000 people to the City of Dover's downtown, features great food, live entertainment, a wide



variety of vendors, and more. The festival covers eight city blocks from Third Street to River Street and runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Apple Harvest Day is organized by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. The festival is underwritten by First Seacoast Bank.

Apple Harvest Day kicks off with a 5K Road Race.

The entertainment schedule for Apple Harvest Day is as follows:

Recycling Center hours:

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

Rotary Art Pavilion Stage (30 Henry Law Avenue)

9 a.m. – Opening Ceremonies, Dover High Marching Band
9:30 a.m. – Northeastern Ballet Theatre
10 a.m. – McDonough-Grimes Irish Dance
10:30 a.m. – UNH Theater Department
11 a.m. – WOKQ Pie Contest
12 p.m. – Garrison Players Youth Troupe
12:30 p.m. – Seacoast Men of Harmony
1 p.m. – Indonesian Community Connect
1:30 p.m. – Millworks Theatre Troupe
2 p.m. – Musical Arts of Dover
2:30 p.m. – Sole City Dance
3 p.m. – Extreme Air Jump Rope

Burns, Bryant, Cox, Rockefeller, & Durkin, P.A. is the Rotary stage sponsor

Waldron Courtyard Stage (388 Central Avenue)

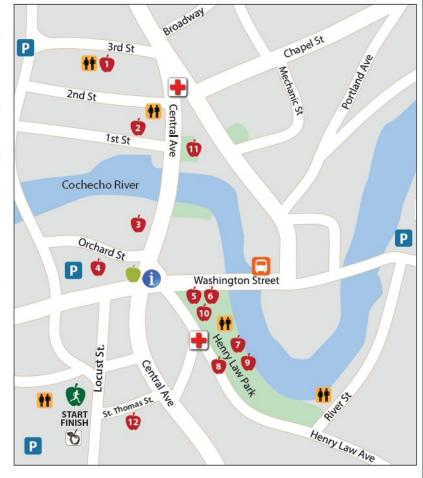
10 a.m. – Chris George 11 a.m. – Jonathan Booth 12 p.m. – Joel Glenn Wixson 1 p.m. – Bob Moore 2 p.m. – Carol Coronis 3 p.m. – Chris George

Urban Tree Service is the Waldron Court stage sponsor

For more information about Apple Harvest Day, a complete schedule of events, and an Apple Harvest day map, visit www.dovernh.org/AHD.



FIRST SEACOAST



Street closure, parking restrictions for Apple Harvest Day and 5K Road Race on Oct. 1

Overnight parking restrictions continue tonight

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following street closures and parking restrictions for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's 38th annual Apple Harvest Day festival on Saturday, Oct. 1.

On Saturday, Oct. 1, from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the following streets will be closed to all traffic:

- Central Avenue southbound from Fourth to Washington streets;
- First, Second and Third streets between Chestnut Street and Central Avenue;
- Henry Law Avenue from Washington to Williams streets.

Southbound traffic on Central Avenue will be diverted through the Third Street lot to Chestnut Street. Motorists should expect delays in the downtown area. See map at the bottom of the email for downtown traffic flow.

Parking and free shuttle service

Off-site parking with free shuttle service will be provided between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the following parking lots:

- 118 Central Ave. (Cleary Cleaners/Strafford House of Pizza);
- 279 Locust St.;
- Liberty Mutual at 50 Liberty Way off Sixth Street.

Limited festival parking will be available at:

- Orchard Street parking garage;
- Dover Public Library/McConnell Center municipal lot;
- Dover Transportation Center lot;
- River Street.

Additional road closures for Apple Harvest 5K Road Race

There are additional road closures for Apple Harvest 5K Road Race, which begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1. The Apple Harvest 5K course starts and finishes on Saint Thomas Street in front of the Dover District Court. Post-race activities will occur on the adjacent McConnell Center front lawn.

The following roads will be closed for the race:

- Saint Thomas Street, from Chestnut to Belknap streets (8 to 10 a.m.)
- Rutland Street, from Silver Street to Cataract Avenue (8:30 to 9:30 a.m.)
- Cataract Avenue, from Bellamy Road to Rutland Street (8:30 to 9:30 a.m.)
- Silver Street, between Belknap and Elm streets (8:30 to 8:45 a.m.)

The closure of Silver Street is expected to be brief to allow race participants to cross Silver Street early in the course. Traffic delays should be expected, however. Additional delays may occur on Bellamy Road near Cataract Avenue, where traffic is restricted to a single, alternating lane while runners are present. The course utilizes a portion of the Dover Community Trail between Fisher and Folsom streets.

Parking restrictions

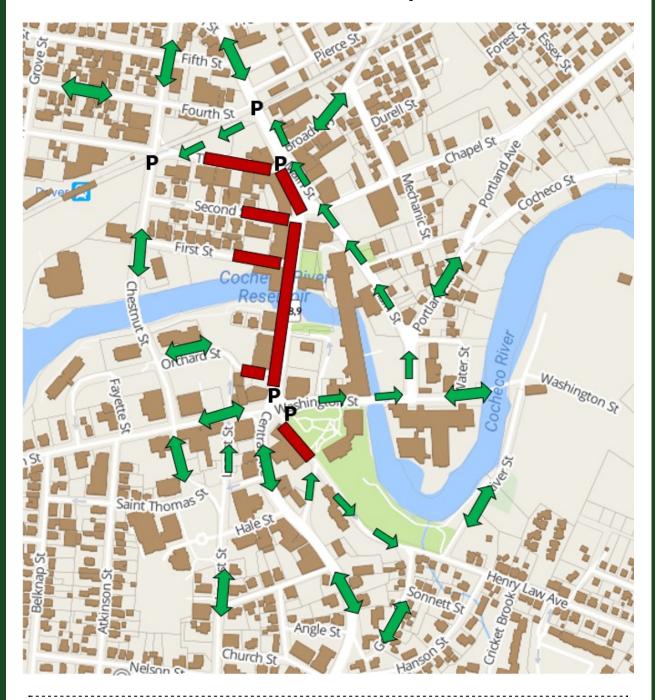
On-street parking will be prohibited overnight tonight, Friday, Sept. 30, and all day on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the following locations:

- Central Avenue from Third to Washington streets;
- Henry Law Avenue from Washington to George streets;
- Third Street from Chestnut Street to Central Avenue;
- Portions of Second Street;
- Saint Thomas Street from Chestnut to Atkinson streets.

More road race and festival information are available at https://www.dovernh.org/.

For questions about traffic restrictions, contact the Dover Police Department at 603-742-4646.

Apple Harvest Day 2022 Traffic flow map



Energy Commission, Chamber to host electric vehicle show at Apple Harvest Day

The Dover Energy Commission is partnering with the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce to host an electric vehicle (EV) show on Saint Thomas Street, by the McConnell Center, during

Apple Harvest Day, Saturday, Oct. 1, from 12 to 3 p.m. The show is free.

Auto dealers, private owners, and the City of Dover will display EV and plug-in hybrid-electric vehicles (HEV) at the car show. Saint Thomas Street from Locust Street to Atkinson Street (between the McConnell Center and the district court) will be turned into a walking mall for the event. The goal is to help inform the community of the available EV and HEV options and whether they should consider owning one.

EV charging installers will be on hand to provide information about installing residential and/or commercial charging stations, including options powered by solar energy. Local and state officials from the state Department of Environmental Services, Clean Energy New Hampshire, and the City of Dover, will be available to discuss EV infrastructure.

EV owners who would like to display a vehicle and share their experience can connect with the event organizers at bit.lv/3Rci6gz or by clicking the image below.



City Council to hold workshop on CIP, public power initiative, and Dover's resiliency work

Agenda items include a discussion of the proposed Capital Improvements Program and updates on the 2022 Energy Commission Report, the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire, and resiliency planning within the city.

The Community Power Coalition, for which the City of Dover is a founding member, will allow participating communities to work together to secure electrical power supply contracts. Resilience Manager Jackson Kaspari will provide an update on the Community Power Coalition, including recent activity by New Hampshire's Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, Public Utilities Commission and the next steps for Dover.

Kaspari will also provide an overview of the city's action to become a more resilient community. Kaspari with the support of community stakeholders and city staff, has been working on a draft of the Citywide Resilience Plan which is expected to be brought to Council for potential adoption by the end of this calendar year.

The meeting will be held in the Council Conference Room at City Hall. It will broadcast live on Channel 22 and online at https://dovernh.viebit.com, where it will also be available for ondemand viewing. Click here for the complete agenda.



City releases bid for public improvements to waterfront site

In another milestone for the waterfront development project, the City of Dover <u>released its bid</u> for public improvements to the waterfront development site to the four firms the city prequalified earlier this year.

Public improvements include constructing a new street system to provide site access and the utilities necessary to serve the proposed buildings. Other improvements include the construction of a new 3.4-acre public riverfront park, stabilization of the Cochecho River shoreline, site grading to raise the elevation to account for projected sea level rise, and installing a stormwater management system with green infrastructure. Depending on the cost of the bids received, the city may elect to upgrade aspects of the public park in phases.

The bids, due on Oct. 26, 2022, were sent to NorthEast Earth Mechanics, LLC., of Pittsfield, Severino Trucking Co, Inc., of Candia, S.U.R. Construction, Inc., of Rochester, and Sargent Corporation of Stillwater, Maine, which were prequalified through a <u>request for qualifications</u> the city released on Feb. 24, 2022. The request for qualifications was to determine which firms could undertake such a significant project.

The city's contracted consultant team wrote the bid specifications based on their design for the public portion of the project. The team includes Horsley Witten Group., Inc., of Sandwich, Massachusetts, Ironwood Design Group of Newmarket and GZA of Bedford. The design was vetted by the Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (CDWAC) and approved by the Planning Board on June 14, 2022.

As part of the Land Development Agreement between the City of Dover and Cathartes, the developer selected for private developments to the site, the city agreed to fund public improvements up to \$15 million in site improvements to be repaid through tax guarantees. The city will service the bond for the debt by utilizing funds from the waterfront tax increment finance district (TIF).

Cathartes' CWDAC-vetted site plan for the private development of the waterfront was also approved by the Planning Board on June 14. Construction for the private development is anticipated to begin next year once portions of the public improvements are completed. Cathartes plans to build three mixed-use buildings, two multi-family buildings and three clusters of townhouses. The buildings include 418 residential units and approximately 26,000 square feet of commercial space. The residential units include a mixture of rental and for-sale condominium units.



Pregnancy and infant loss remembrance ceremony at Pine Hill Cemetery on Oct. 15

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital will host a remembrance and dedication ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 15, at 6 p.m. at the Children's Memory Garden at Pine Hill Cemetery to honor children who died during pregnancy or as infants. The theme of this year's event, held on Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day, is "I See You In My Dreams."

Families coping with all types of perinatal loss are invited to gather for support and community. You will have an opportunity to decorate a luminary bag in honor of your loss, followed by a lighting ceremony. Children are welcome, and art and music therapists will be available to engage guests. There will be light appetizers and time to connect with others.

The event will also include the dedication of new Children's Memory Garden at Pine Hill Cemetery, made possible by Jasper's Heart, a non-profit organization that supports those who have experienced the loss of an unborn, stillborn or soon-after birth child.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on, insect repellent and a sweater or jacket. Please note: there is no restroom available in the cemetery, so plan accordingly.

Please register for the event for the free event at https://seeyouinmydreams.eventbrite.com. In the case of rain, the event will be held online via Zoom; The organizer will email registered attendees if the event is canceled with a link to attend virtually.

Directions: Enter East Watson Street from its intersection with Central Avenue. Follow East Watson Street until you see a chain link fence on the right. Enter the cemetery at the fence opening and follow the signs/balloons past the large monument, keeping to the right until the road's end. The Memory Garden will be on the right. Park anywhere along the route.



Electricity, fuel and rental assistance available through Community Action Partnership of Strafford County

Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC) provides financial assistance to those who qualify for electricity, fuel and rental bills. If a client was denied before, CACSC encourages them to apply again, as program parameters may have shifted.

Eligible clients may receive a discount on their monthly electric bill, from 8% to 76%, and/or an additional fuel benefit depending on gross household income and household size. Earlier this month, the state legislature allocated \$35 million for a new emergency energy assistance this fall and winter to New Hampshire residents earning from 60% to 75% of the state's median income. Households that do not fall into the traditional fuel assistance program are eligible for the new program. The income requirements for all programs are based on the number of people in a household.

Household of one: \$38,970 to \$48,711
Household of two: \$50,960 to \$63,699
Household of three: \$62,951 to \$78,688
Household of four: \$74,942 to \$93,676
Household of five: \$86,932 to \$108,634
Household of six: \$98,923 to \$123,653
Household of seven: \$101,171 to \$126,463
Household of eight: \$103,420 to \$129,274

The state has not yet implemented the program, but CAPSC urges those who are eligible to apply for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LiHEAP). If clients are determined to be over the income requirements for that program, CAPSC will have their information ready when the state's expanded emergency energy assistance program is finalized. Those who are below the above income requirements would be eligible for regular assistance and should also apply for LiHEAP.

Strafford County residents seeking to apply for assistance should set up an appointment via CAPSC's online scheduler at https://straffordcap.itfrontdesk.com/apptonline/landing.html?client_code=STRAFORD. The appointment scheduler includes all the information clients need to bring to qualify for assistance.

Detailed information about available programs is available at the CAPSC website https://straffordcap.org, including:

- Fuel assistance (LiHEAP): https://straffordcap.org/fuel-assistance/
- Electric assistance: https://straffordcap.org/electrical-assistance/
- Rental assistance: https://straffordcap.org/our-services/housing-homeless-outreach/housing-nherap/

For more information, contact CAPSC at 603-435-2500.

Nighttime work on the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover requires temporarily lane closures

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) began roadway milling and paving operations on the Spaulding Turnpike (NH Route 16) in Dover, in the area of the Dover Toll Plaza, on Thursday.

Weather permitting, the work will be done between the hours of 7 p.m. and 6 a.m., with lane closures being utilized as needed during timeframes of lower traffic flow. Uniformed police officers will be located at the northbound and southbound barrels of the Spaulding Turnpike to control traffic during these operations. Motorists should use caution when driving through the construction zone. The overall duration of this milling and paving work is anticipated to be one week.

The proposed work is part of the Dover-Rochester 29440 project. RS Audley, Inc of Bow New Hampshire is the prime contractor for the \$23 million project, which is scheduled to be completed in June, 2024.







Jennifer Fried

Craig Alie

Audrey Gladu

SEED elects new members

The Seacoast Educational Endowment for Dover ("SEED"), a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting academic excellence in Dover public schools, recently elected three new board members, each to serve an initial two-year term.

The board welcomed Audrey Gladu, A Principal Data Engineer for Liberty Mutual. In addition to her work with SEED, Gladu participates in a seacoast philanthropy committee, facilitates a volunteer tech initiative within a non-profit, and is a member of the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Business from Sacred Heart University, with other certificates in Project Management and Personal Training.

Jennifer Fried is a realtor with Great Island Realty and a classical musician. A mother of triplet sons, Fried previously served on the board of the Seacoast Area Mothers of Multiples (SAMOM) organization as well as the board of the Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra. She is a graduate of Northwestern University and the Eastman School of Music.

Craig Alie is currently the Chief Revenue Officer for Computershare, a global financial services firm. He has extensive prior experience leading corporate strategy, sales, marketing and client relationship teams. A native of Dover and a graduate of Colby College with a Bachelor's degree in Economics, Alie and his wife Diane live in the seacoast area and are the parents of two sons.

"We are so excited to have these dedicated community members sharing their time and talent with SEED," said Erin Tellez, Chair SEED Nominations Committee. "I am consistently impressed by the caliber of people SEED attracts, that speaks directly to the good work of the entire board." In addition to these new members, SEED accepted a fresh officer slate for 2022-2023: Tobey Arkwell, President, Mindy Marcouillier, Vice President, Jason Gaskell, Treasurer, and Julie Black, Secretary. Other members include: Stacey Angers, Markus Brave, George Dailey, Deb Fennesey, Andrea Kersha, Lori Nollet, Maureen Staples, and Erin Tellez. Special thanks to outgoing members Natalie Koellmer and Pat Duffy for their years of service.

SEED is celebrating its tenth anniversary promoting the teaching and learning of 21st century skills to create a legacy of academic excellence in Dover public schools. To date, more than \$275,000 has been granted to educators to purchase tools and curriculum. To learn more about SEED, please visit http://www.DoverSEED.org.

Upcoming Meetings:

Arts Commission, October 3, 7 p.m.

The Arts Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 3, 2022, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in Room 323, at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

School Board, October 3, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 3, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 306, School Board Chambers, at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

DBIDA, October 4, 4 p.m.

The Dover Business and Industrial Development Authority will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 4,

Energy Commission seeks candidates to fill vacancy

The Dover Energy Commission has an opening for a new member. If you have knowledge, experience, and/or interest in the field, please apply to join the talented team and participate in helping to shape Dover's energy future. The citizen-led Energy Commission is tasked with advising other boards and committees on energy plans and sustainable practices such as energy conservation, energy efficiency, energy generation, and zoning practices. If interested in joining the Energy Commission, please complete an application and submit it to the City Clerk's Office by email or in person at the office at City Hall. Questions about the Energy Commission can be addressed to EnergyCommission-All@dover.nh.gov.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

2022, beginning at 4 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

Community Trail Advisory Committee, October 4, 5:30 p.m.

The Community Trail Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

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

City Council, October 5, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at 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/.

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 <u>www.dovernh.viebit.com</u> to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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

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



with a look back at the week in Dover's history.

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

Dover400 reveals new ornament

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th anniversary, has unveiled its fourth design of a five-piece collector's set of ornaments in celebration of Dover's 400th birthday. Produced by Hampshire Pewter, this souvenir features Dover's Cochecho Falls in the early 1890s.

The Falls are the iconic natural landmark of Dover and have always been the center of activity.

"We hope this year's ornament will cause you to reflect on the wonderful 400-year history of our community," said Sam Allen, Dover400



Board of Directors.

Annually leading up to 2023, a new design is released, each featuring a distinguished piece of Dover history and culture. Prior ornaments have featured Dover's famed Garrison Hill Tower, built in 1913; the beloved landmark, Damn Garrison House; and the 100-year-old Central Fire Station.

Ornaments can be purchased in person for \$20 at Dover City Clerk's Office, the Dover Chamber of Commerce, or the Dover Library. The group will also have ornaments available at its table during Apple Harvest Day, on October 1, 2022.

Dover400 is currently underway with several fundraising initiatives: \$400 for 400, a campaign seeking \$400 from 400 people; The 1623 Society, a special opportunity to recognize direct ties to Dover with a donation of \$1,623; and selling branded merchandise and promotional items.

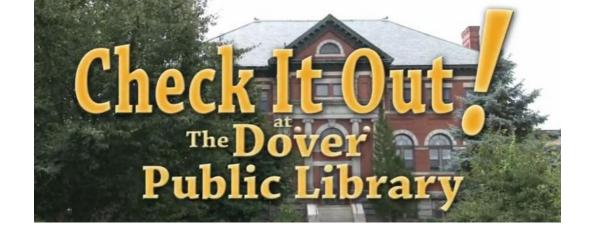
For more information about the collection, or to become a sponsor, volunteer or donate, please visit www.Dover400.org.

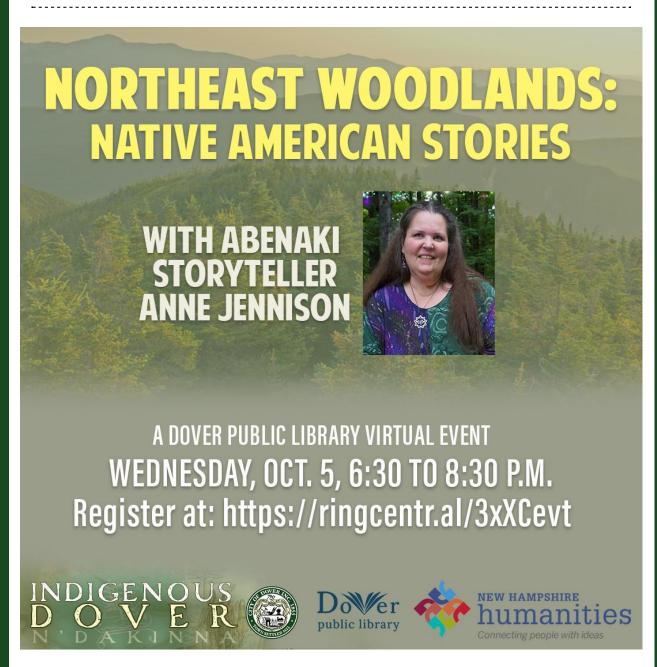


The following events are from a variety of historical records, sources and texts about the history of Dover.

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, <u>located here</u>.

- **Oct. 6, 1842** The cornerstone of the new Town Hall was laid this day, on which occasion appropriate remarks were made by Hon. John P. Hale. A variety of pamphlets, papers, coins and other matters, were deposited in a box under the corner stone, including a sketch of Dover, map of the village, list of Town Officers, newspapers published in town, etc.
- Oct. 7, 1852 Five persons were killed and a large number badly injured by a railroad collision near the Weirs. On the train were John H. Smith and Richard B. Cater of Dover, both of whom died.
- **Oct. 5, 1858** The State Fair was held in Dover this year, only the second time held in the city, on the Ricker field. The attendance was large and the receipts were "\$6,000, a larger sum than ever before taken."
- **Oct. 6, 1925** Foster's Daily Democrat in Dover announced it would publish a play-by-play account of the World Series between the Pittsburg Pirates and Washington Senators on this day. That afternoon, the paper began announcing the series from the office, play-by-play, through a megaphone.
- **Oct. 1, 1998** It was a close call for 14 Dover Middle School students on their way home when a 50-foot Ash tree crashed down on the hood of their bus, just missing the windshield. Thankfully, no students were injured. The tree fell as a result of high wind gusts. The wind that day had caused widespread issues and road closures throughout the city that day.





Native American Stories from the Northeast Woodlands with Anne Jennison

Celebrate the rich and diverse cultural traditions of Native Americans with Anne Jennison's storytelling performance, featuring stories from the Abenaki and about Northeast Woodlands Indigenous traditions.

On Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m., listeners will be taken on a virtual spell-binding and entertaining journey through a series of traditional stories from "How Turtle Flew South for Winter" to "The Great Battle Between Chipmunk and Bear." Prepare for an interactive storytelling experience filled with humor, drama, and moments of wonder! The program is virtual and suited to all ages. Sign-up is needed to receive a link to the program.

Anne Jennison is a traditional Native American storyteller with both European and Abenaki heritage. Jennison has been sharing Indigenous lesson stories for over 30 years with audiences of all kinds. With master's degrees in both storytelling and history, she brings a wealth of cultural and historical knowledge to enrich her retellings.

When she is not giving storytelling performances, Jennison is the chair of the state's Commission on Native American Affairs and a member of the Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective. She is also an affiliate faculty member for the University of New Hampshire's Native American and Indigenous Studies and co-creator of the "People of Dawnland," an Abenaki/Wabanaki interpretive exhibit at Strawbery Banke Museum.

This program is free and open to the public. It was made possible with support from New Hampshire Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Humanities. Learn more at www.nhhumanities.org.

For more information about this storytelling event or to sign up, visit the library's website at <u>library.dover.nh.gov</u> or call 603-516-6050.

The Week at the Library

October VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of Half Baked Harvest Super Simple by Tieghan Gerard. Throughout the month of October, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. We will share your creations on our social media pages.

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

Sunday-Saturday, Oct. 2-8, All Day Costume Swap

Drop off your gently used costumes starting on Sunday, October 2. Families can pick out a costume anytime on Friday, October 7, and Saturday, October 8.

Sunday, October 2, 2 to 4 p.m. VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: Teens

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Discord with Dungeon Master Andrew. This group will meet every other Sunday and there is no commitment to attend all sessions. All skill levels are welcome to play. Registration required.

Monday, October 3, 6 to 8 p.m.
Dungeons & Dragons: Adults
Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with

Wednesday, October 5, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adult Knitting Group

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels welcome

Wednesday, October 5, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime

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

Wednesday, October 5, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Adult Chapter Book Club

Adults with disabilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. Our first book will be Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling. We will end with activities and crafts related to the book and some time for socializing.

Wednesday, October 5, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Abenaki Storyteller Anne Jennison
Celebrate the rich and diverse cultural lands
of Native Americans with Abenaki
Storyteller Anne Jennison's performance of
traditional Northeast Native American
storytelling.

Registration required.

Thursday, October 6, 10 to 11 a.m.

Game Master Brandon. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for two hours of 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.

Tuesday, October 4, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Mother Goose on the Loose

For babies through 2 years and parent/caregiver, Mother Goose on the Loose is a 30-minute program with nursery rhymes, songs, puppets, other props and short stories. A joyful and fun gathering that promotes early literacy skills.

Tuesday, October 4, 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 two hours of 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, October 4, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Genealogy Group

Whether you're new to genealogical research or a seasoned pro, this group is a great way to meet others who share the same passion, can give you advice in your research, and listen to your newly-discovered family histories.

Cover 2 Cover Book Group

Join us on the first Thursday of every month to discuss a book. October's selection is *The Year of Silence* by Kiranada Sterling Benjamin. Copies of the book can be borrowed at the Adult Circulation Desk. New members are always welcome.

Thursday, October 6, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Arts and Crafts Storytime

For children ages 3-6, each session focuses on a different theme. Books, songs, rhymes, and art activities will all be part of the fun.

Registration required.

Friday, October 7, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Shake Your Rattle and Roll, Baby!

This program is for babies and toddlers-2 years. Dance to silly songs, sing rhymes, count to 5 with puppets and rock out with drums and instruments. Featuring a different genre or musical artist each week.

Friday, October 7, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Sensory Storytime

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

Saturday, October 8, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. All Levels Yoga

This is a great opportunity for beginners to give yoga a try in a safe, welcoming environment and for experienced individuals to find a new place to continue their growth. Plan to bring your own mat and any props of preference.



Dover Rotary to hold mobile document shredding event Oct. 8

On Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, the Rotary Club of Dover will host a mobile shredding event from 9 a.m. to noon at St. John's Methodist Church, 28 Cataract Ave., in Dover.

The event offers shredding for the community in partnership with New England Security Shredders, LLC.

Proceeds from the event supports Dover High School's Interact Club and its efforts to help 15

girls attend school through Heifer International, a global nonprofit working to eradicate poverty and hunger through sustainable, values-based holistic community development.

While there is no cost, the Club is asking for a suggested donation of \$5 per bag or \$10 per box to help support community philanthropy. Please make sure bags or boxes of documents do not contain plastic, plastic bags, batteries, cardboard or metal, except for staples and paper clips.

For more information, contact Melissa Lesniak at 603-475-7476, Cate Rafferty at 603-498-6551 or Meg Keil at 603-984-7417.

Mobile Document Shredding Event!

Saturday, October 8th 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

St. John's United Methodist Church 28 Cataract Avenue, Dover

SUGGESTED DONATION

\$5 PER BAG \$10 PER BOX

presented by



Center Celebrates 50 Years

Students, staff, board and volunteers, past and present are invited to join the celebration on Tuesday, October 4, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the front lawn of the McConnell Center. There will be tours of the center, exhibits on the history of DALC and the



opportunity to share and reminisce with friends old and new. Learn more about the celebration at https://www.doveradultlearning.org/history/.

To share your memories of the Dover Adult Learning Center, visit https://form.jotform.com/222192893189063.

The Dover Adult Learning Center of Strafford County helps all adults who seek to learn enhance their skills and improve their lives through education, job preparation, high school completion, and enrichment classes. It has been recognized as an Outstanding Adult Education Program by the US Secretary of Education several times in its 40 plus year history, is one of the three largest Adult Education Programs in New Hampshire.



The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce announced three new board members at its recent annual meeting at The Sassy Biscuit Co.

Dover Chamber welcomes new board members at annual meeting

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently held its annual meeting at Sassy Biscuit Co. to welcome incoming board members and pay tribute to outgoing board members.

The three incoming board members are Benjamin Lord of Chapel + Main, Benjamin Bradley of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, and Kevin Foley of First Seacoast Bank.

Ben Lord is a restaurateur with over 25 years in foodservice and hospitality. Ben is the coowner of Chapel + Main Brewpub in Dover and Black Birch in Kittery. He has served on several seacoast nonprofit boards, including The Dance Hall and Kittery Block Party. Lord grew up in Dover. He is an alumnus of St. Thomas Aquinas (1995) and Keene State College (2001).

Ben Bradley currently serves as Director of Government Relations and Public Policy for Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, a Mass General Brigham community hospital. Ben is the vice chair of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital's senior management council and was an integral part in the Hospital's Incident Command during the peak of COVID-19. He has been a member of the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee since 2017 and currently serves as the chair.

Kevin Foley is the Vice President and Director of Retail Banking & Sales at First Seacoast Bank. Kevin has devoted his career to making a positive difference for the customers and communities that he and his teams serve. He regularly attends civic and professional networking events and values the collaboration of community. He has volunteered for organizations such as the Special Olympics of Maine, Ending Hunger in Maine and Wreaths Across America.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce also thanked outgoing board members Dennis Burke of Mr. Electric and Jeff Hughes of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital, and introduced Renee Touhey-Childress of the Dover Children's Home as board chair.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit association of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working together to advance the economic well-being of its members and the community. For information on programs, please call the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 603-742-2218, email info@dovernh.org, or visit www.dovernh.org.

Citizens Leadership Academy: A firsthand look at local government

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Dover, will once again produce the Eastern Bank Citizens Leadership Academy this October. The free program offers Garrison City residents a firsthand look at local government and municipal operations and provides attendees an opportunity to help shape the future of the city.

"Eastern Bank is proud to sponsor Citizens Leadership Academy again this year," says Eastern Bank Branch Manager Brian Main. "We feel it is important for people to be a part of their community, and this program is a great way to experience the different parts of our local government."

The 2022 Citizens Leadership Academy will meet on October 6, 13, 20, 22, 27, and November 3. Each year this program brings together people from diverse segments of the community interested in meeting and working with others to address key issues critical to maintaining and improving Dover's quality of life. It will increase citizens' knowledge of the community and introduce them to opportunities to become more involved as active community members.

"Citizens Leadership Academy graduates are encouraged to initiate discussions with other residents as well as business and government leaders, and contribute their knowledge, imagination and energy towards the betterment of the community," says Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce President Margaret Joyce.

This year's Citizens Leadership Academy will include presentations from: City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., Deputy City Manager/Director of Planning and Strategic Initiatives Christopher G. Parker, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton, Library Director Denise LaFrance, Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Harbron, Fire Chief Michael McShane, Police Chief Bill Breault, Community Services Director John Storer and Recreation Director Gary Bannon.

"Citizens Leadership Academy is a great opportunity to learn more about local governance in Dover and discover how to become a better informed and involved citizen," says Dover City

Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. "The program provides participants with an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the various city departments and a behind-the-scenes look at how these departments each support and contribute to the quality of life we enjoy in our community."

Participants are not required to make every meeting, but regular attendance is strongly encouraged. This program is free-of-charge and open to Dover residents. You can register online at www.dovernh.org/citizens-leadership-academy. For more information, call the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at (603) 742-2218 or email events@dovernh.org.

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Dover Middle School 5K race serves as annual fundraiser

The Dover Middle School Parent Teacher Association is pleased to announce the return of its annual fundraiser, the DMS Pumpkin Dash 5K will be held on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022, at Dover Middle School, 16 Daley Drive, in Dover.

The race begins at 8:30 a.m. and winds through an official USA Track and Field certified course. Part of the Dover Race Series, the DMS Pumpkin Dash 5K will award prizes to the overall top male and female, as well as the first and second place male and female finishers in the nine age categories.

Registration is \$20 for adults; \$10 for ages 14 and under; and a special \$5 registration fee is available for all Dover Middle School Students. The first 200 registered participants will receive a complimentary event T-shirt. Visit https://raceroster.com/events/2022/63990/dover-middle-school-pumpkin-dash-5k to register.

Sponsor and volunteer opportunities are available.

For more information, please contact the race director, Kimberly Alexander, at kimberlyp.alexander13@gmail.com or 603-320-0332.

REGISTRATION OPEN!



THANKSGIVING DAY (11/24) 5K at 8:30am

PLACE: Shaw's Lane, Dover, NH

ENTRY FEE: \$25; \$12/Grade 4 & under

ON RACE DAY: \$30; \$15/Grade 4 & under

www.doverturkeytrot.com

Dover Turkey Trot returns this Thanksgiving

The annual Dover Turkey Trot is now open for registration.

This 5k road race on Thanksgiving morning, Nov. 24, is designed for runners and walkers of all ages and abilities. The Dover Turkey Trot is the final race of the Dover Race Series and Garrison School's largest fundraiser.

Sign up family, friends and children and make the Dover Turkey Trot a Thanksgiving morning tradition.

For more information, visit <u>www.facebook.com/doverturkeytrot</u> and <u>www.doverturkeytrot.com</u> to register.

Dover Holiday Parade seeks volunteers, sponsors and participants

Cochecho Friends, a local volunteer organization, is organizing the 2022 Dover Holiday Parade, the theme of which will be, "Holiday Countdown to Celebrating our Past, Present, and Future."

The parade will be held on Nov. 27, the Sunday after Thanksgiving. The parade organizing

committee, which has been meeting since spring, seeks volunteers to help prepare for this year's event, including in the days leading up to the parade. Volunteers are needed to assist with safety, fundraising/sponsorship, and logistics, and to fill other committee positions. Parade organizers are also seeking marching bands, along with commercial and non-profit groups, youth organizations, and other parade participants.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Lori Nollet at CochechoFriends@gmail.com or Dennis Shanahan at d.shanahan@dover.nh.gov.

Additional information about the parade, including participant, sponsor and volunteer information, can be found at https://cochechofriends.com/.

City of Dover employment opportunities

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

- Police Officer
- Public Safety Dispatcher
- Assessing Technician
- Deputy Tax Collector
- Librarian I
- Account Clerk II
- Lifeguard
- Swim Instructor I
- Parking Enforcement Officer
- Deputy Director Operations and Construction
- Arena Attendant

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

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