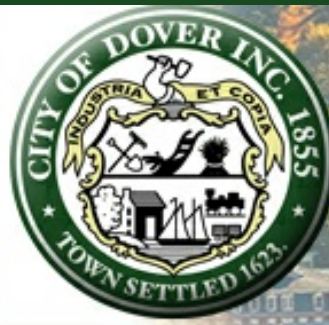


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



January 8, 2021



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CITY COUNCIL

WARD 4 VACANCY

City Council seeks candidates to fill Ward 4 vacancy

The City Council declared a vacancy for the Ward 4 Councilor position at its special meeting Wednesday, Jan. 6, accepting Councilor Joshua Manley's resignation and agreeing to the process of filling the vacant seat at its Jan. 27 meeting.

The City Council declared a filing period would begin immediately and close at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 13. The City Clerk has a form for interested and qualified candidates to declare their candidacy. The form must be returned to the City Clerk's Office by 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 13. The declaration forms are available at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall and online at bit.ly/ward4signup

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

At the City Council's 7 p.m. meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13, each qualified candidate will have an opportunity to make a public presentation to the Council on why the Council should select them to fill the vacant seat. The meeting is open to the public, will be televised on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at <https://dovernh.viebit.com/index.php>.

At the City Council's meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 27, the Council, by majority vote, will appoint a new Ward 4 City Councilor to fill out the remaining term until a new Council is seated on Monday, Jan. 3, 2022. In the instance of a tie vote between two candidates, the Council agreed that a coin toss would determine the winner. City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. told the Council that having public presentations on Jan. 13 would provide an opportunity for Ward 4 residents to voice their opinions to the Council on who they feel would best represent the ward on the Council.

According to [C3-4](#) of the City of Dover [Charter](#), to be a duly qualified candidate, a person must have lived in the City for at least a year, be a resident of Ward 4, and be a registered voter. Section [C1-3](#) of the City Charter spells out the boundaries of Ward 4:

Ward Four begins at the intersection of the Bellamy River and Central Avenue; thence following the center line of Central Avenue northeasterly to the intersection with the Spaulding Turnpike; thence following the center line of the Spaulding Turnpike in a southeasterly direction to Spur Road; thence following the center line of Spur Road southwesterly to Spur Road Extension; thence following the center line of Spur Road Extension in a northwesterly direction to a block line established by the 2000 Census and following said block line in a southwesterly direction to the Bellamy River; thence following the center line of the Bellamy River in a southwesterly direction to a point of intersection at the common boundary corner between Dover and Madbury near the Scammel Bridge; thence following the common boundary line between Dover and Madbury in a northwesterly direction to the center line of the Bellamy River; thence following the center line of the Bellamy River easterly to the point of beginning.

A visual map of the Ward 4 boundaries can be found by [clicking here](#).

The process of creating a vacancy began on Dec. 15 when Manley wrote to Mayor Robert Carrier to announce his resignation from the City Council, where he noted his residence has changed, and he no longer lived in Ward 4 or the City of Dover.

According to [C3-5](#) of the Charter, the City Council must declare the vacancy and set the process of filling the vacant seat. C3-5 of the Charter states that Council vacancies are to be filled a special election unless the vacancy occurs less than a year before the term's expiration. If it's less than a year, then the City Council has the authority by a majority vote to appoint a qualified resident of the ward to fill out the remaining Council term.

The vote to accept Manley's resignation and set the process of filling the vacant seat was passed by the City Council by a 6-2 vote, with Ward 6 Councilor Fergus Cullen and At-Large Councilor John O'Connor voting against it.

For more information about being a candidate for the Ward 4 City Council vacancy, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018 or visit the City's online resource here: bit.ly/ward4vacancy.

With cold weather in the forecast this weekend, regional warming center opens doors today

The Strafford County Emergency Extreme Weather Warming Center in Somersworth will be activated during overnight hours today, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 8, 9 and 10 due to a forecast of potentially life-threatening low temperatures.

The warming center located at 30 Willand Drive, Somersworth, will open at 5 p.m. today, Jan. 8 and remain open until 9 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 9. It will reopen that evening at 5 p.m. and close the following morning, Sunday, Jan. 10, at 9 a.m. The warming center will reopen that evening at 5 p.m. and close at 9 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 11.

Those seeking shelter may arrive anytime between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. during the activation period. Referrals or reservations are not required. COVID-19 coronavirus precautions are in place, including hand hygiene, social distancing, and required masking. Meals are provided each morning and evening when the warming center is activated.

COAST Bus has agreed to transport anyone on their way to the warming center to the closest bus stops at no cost on Friday and Saturday. On Bus Route 1, the nearest stop is the Holy Trinity Church at 404 High St., Somersworth. On Bus Route 12, the closest stop is Key Buick GMC of Somersworth, located at 155 Route 108 in Somersworth. Warming center clients will receive transportation assistance back to their home community or community partner agency of choice each morning when warming center operations close for the day.

On Sunday, when COAST Bus is not in operation, the warming center will dispatch a passenger van to pick up those who need a ride to two locations: the Dover Transportation Center at 33 Chestnut St., Dover, and the Monster Gas Station at 113 S. Main St., Rochester. The van will pick up at the Dover Transportation Center between 4:30-5 p.m. and at the Monster Gas Station between 5-5:30 p.m. Those needing a ride are urged to be at the pickup spot at the earliest scheduled time to ensure a seat in the van. If the van is not full at the first pickup, a second van may not run. Partner agencies are encouraged to assist clients with transportation to the warming center when the bus routes are unavailable.

The warming center is a partnership of the cities of Dover, Somersworth and Rochester to establish an alternative location for a regional warming center to accommodate social distancing and other challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Dover recently purchased the property and equipment for the warming center through a New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority grant.

Strafford County Integrated Delivery Network (IDN), Region 6 (Strafford County/Seacoast) staffs the warming center. Strafford County received a grant that covers staffing costs during life-threatening weather conditions for up to 60 days beginning on Jan. 1.

Contact scwarmingshelter@gmail.com or 1-857-323-0388 for more information. There is also a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SCEmergencyShelter/>.



ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

City Council resolutions address EPA permit

On the City Council agenda for its meeting Wednesday, Jan. 13, are two resolutions related to the final nitrogen discharge permit for Great Bay issued last month by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The Council held a workshop on the permit and its potential implications on Jan. 6, which can be viewed on-demand by [clicking here](#).

The EPA issued the final permit Tuesday, Nov. 24, and it becomes effective Monday, Feb. 1, 2021. The wastewater treatment plants covered by the general nitrogen discharge permit have until Thursday, April 1, 2021, to submit a "Notice of Intent" to the EPA that it will be covered by it. Part of the permit regulations requires treatment plants to meet seasonal average load limits for total nitrogen.

The 13 wastewater treatment plants that would be covered by the permit include Dover, Rochester, Portsmouth, Pease Tradeport (Portsmouth), Exeter, Durham, Somersworth, Newmarket, Epping, Newington, Rollinsford, Newfields, and Milton.

Part of the Jan. 6 workshop discussion was about cost-sharing with other communities covered by the general permit for water quality monitoring, nitrogen pollution tracking, and reporting the findings to the EPA. One resolution is cost-sharing the services of the environmental engineering firm, Brown and Caldwell, with the City of Rochester to develop a research and monitoring plan related to the EPA permit. Dover's portion would be \$21,843, according to the resolution.

The other resolution would authorize the City to continue to contract with the environmental law firm, Aqualaw, PLC, to assist the City through counseling and representation on an as-needed basis regarding permit compliance.

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. said he expects to bring additional resolutions in the coming weeks related to the EPA permit.

The City Council meeting begins at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 13, in the Council Conference Room at City Hall. It will be televised on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at <https://dovernh.viebit.com/index.php>.

Upcoming Meetings:

**School Board, Jan. 11,
7 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Jan. 11, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Council Conference Room at City Hall. To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Planning Board, Jan.

City boards provide many ways to let your voice be heard, from home

The City of Dover reminds residents that it is easy to participate in public meetings without attending in person. Public participation is vital for City of Dover operations and future planning.

Dover residents, business owners and property owners may contact any public board or commission, such as the City Council or School Board, by utilizing specific email addresses or contact information that reaches all members at once. People can also call 516-MEET (6338) and leave a message that will be forwarded to the appropriate public

12, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Council Conference Room at City Hall. To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

City Council, Jan. 13, 7 p.m.

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body. To be heard ahead of a particular meeting, call or email at least two hours before the meeting begins.

As with speaking at a public hearing or Citizens' Forum, phone messages and emails sent to all board members will be retained as part of the meeting minutes and are subject to New Hampshire's Right to Know law, RSA 91:A.

City Council, School Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings and workshops are televised live on Channel 22 and available for on-demand viewing at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

Other boards and commissions have audio recordings of their meetings that are usually available the next day. You may download these audio recordings from the meeting minutes page of the public body.

To see all of the City's boards, commissions and committees, visit www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018.

School district announces budget schedule

The Dover School District recently announced its anticipated 2021-2022 school budget timeline with a presentation to the School Board of the proposed outline of spending by Superintendent of Schools, Dr. William Harbron.

The School Board will conduct weekly presentations starting in January to work through and adopt a final budget that will be presented to the Dover City Council in March. Citizens are encouraged to get involved, stay informed, and be engaged in the process. The fiscal year 2022 budget schedule is as follows:

- **January 25:** Budget workshop – Superintendent and Business Administrator present budget to the School Board
- **February 1:** Budget workshop
- **February 8:** Budget workshop
- **February 15:** Budget workshop
- **February 22:** School Board to adopt its budget
- **March 2:** School budget due to City Manager (tentative date)

For more information, head to <https://www.dover.k12.nh.us/>.

**Carbon
Monoxide
Safety**



Family's carbon monoxide scare a reminder to be safe when heating your home

Dover's Fire Chief, Paul Haas, credits carbon monoxide detectors with preventing a potential tragedy this week for a local family.

Haas said on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at 1 a.m., Dover Fire & Rescue crews responded to a call for a carbon monoxide (CO) detector activation.

"The family of four was asleep at the time and were woken up just before one in the morning by their combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors going off," he said.

The engine company from the North End fire station responded and was met at the door by the homeowner, who was unsure about the cause of the alarm. The Fire & Rescue crew entered the home with specialized gas detection meters.

"They immediately recorded readings over 60 parts per million in the living spaces, and almost 100 parts per million in the basement," Haas said.

After isolating the cause to a poorly running furnace, crews shut down the furnace and ventilated the entire house, eventually bringing the readings down to zero. The family was able to remain in the house overnight in a section isolated from the affected area.

"The levels discovered in the home were not life threatening due to the early notification resulting from the family's proactive steps in installing CO detectors, and by calling 911 after they went off," Haas said. "With this occurring around midnight, had no detectors been in the house, the levels would most certainly have climbed to a life-threatening level, and the family would have been exposed to them, while sleeping, for hours. This family took the proactive steps to ensure their safety, and it's a strong lesson for the rest of us in the importance of installing interconnected smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas, usually undetectable without the assistance of a meter."

Haas credited the preparation of the family, their early call to 911, and the skilled response of the responding Dover firefighters in recognizing and isolating the carbon monoxide hazard in preventing what could likely have been a community tragedy.

Haas reiterates carbon monoxide poisoning due to poor or incorrectly installed heat sources account for a number of calls every year. Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide. A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.

Haas adds that CO detectors can be purchased at most hardware and retail stores. If a CO detector activates, call 911.

Here are some tips about CO detectors:

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds, they all sound. Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that has the label of a recognized testing laboratory.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds, check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call Dover Fire and Rescue.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel declare that it is safe to

reenter the home.

- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO — only use outside.

In addition, Dover Fire and Rescue urges everyone to have an evacuation plan, in all weather. In the winter, fire officials recommend leaving a warm coat by the door, know where your keys are and leave the building immediately when a smoke detector or fire alarm goes off. Closing the door to a home or apartment is also important, as an open door can cause a fire to spread faster.

Here are some heating safety tips from Dover Fire and Rescue:

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer’s instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.
- When using alternate heating sources, such as an emergency generator, a fireplace, wood stove or space heater, make sure they are properly ventilated.
- Always operate a generator outdoors and away from your home.
- Improper use of heating devices can lead to dangerous carbon monoxide buildup in the home. Be sure to use a carbon monoxide detector when heating your home, including from sources such as pellet stoves, gas stoves, gas fireplaces, and oil or gas heating systems.

For more information, contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 516-6148. Call 9-1-1 to report emergencies.

Heating Safety

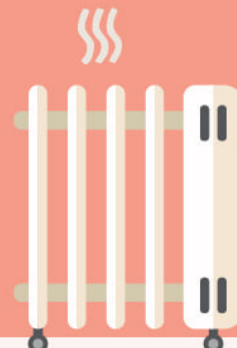


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Heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths

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- **Never use your oven to heat your home**
- **Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year**
- **Remember to turn off portable heaters when leaving the room or going to bed**
- **Only plug one heat-producing appliance into an outlet at a time**



Property taxes and utility bills can now be paid online

The City of Dover has recently added online payment options for the payment of property taxes, utility bills and other miscellaneous bills in addition to other online payment services already available, such as renewing motor vehicle registrations and dog licenses and paying parking tickets.

The payment options for property taxes, utility bills and miscellaneous bills are located on the Billing and Payment page that can be found by [clicking here](#) or by using the "Pay My Bill" button on the home page of the City's website at www.dover.nh.gov. Payment of property tax bills is only available for current year tax bills and is not available for properties with a prior year's tax lien. Utility billing is for water and sewer bills. Miscellaneous billing is for the payment of impact fees, inspection fees, McConnell Center rent, and the City's bag and the tag program, as well as other bills.

Each payment option requires information to locate the bill to be paid. Property tax payment requires either the owner's name, property address or parcel number. For a utility bill payment, a customer would need the owner's name or the Service ID (SID) number. An invoice number is required for miscellaneous billing.

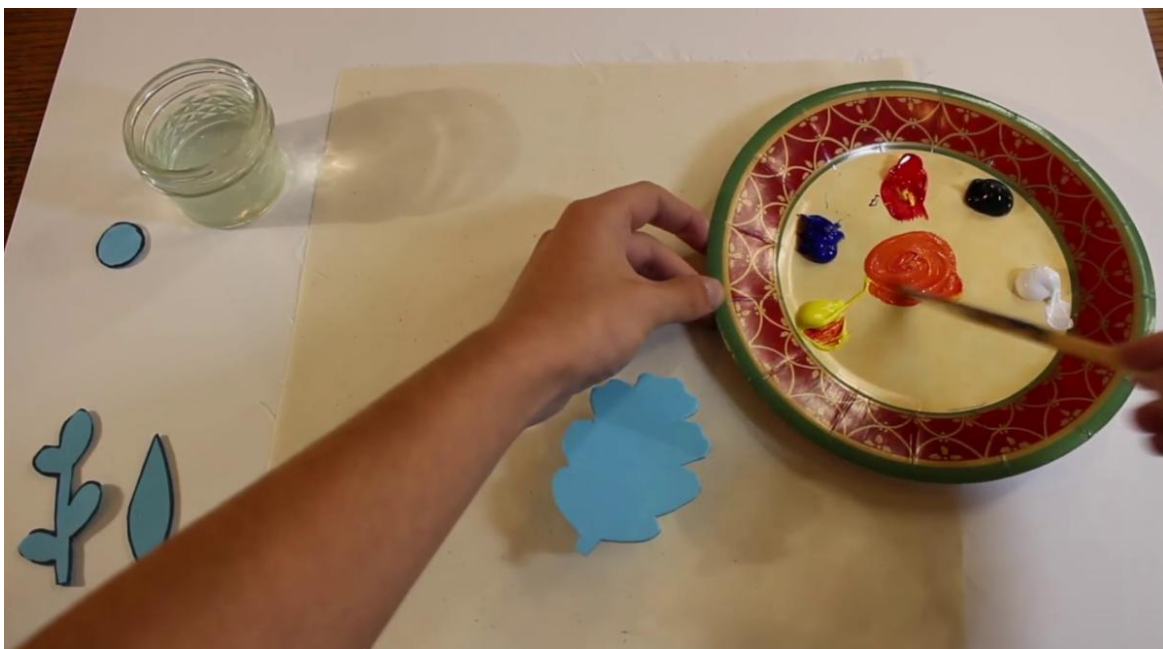
Payments can be made via a credit card or by electronic check, known as ACH (automated clearing house). The bank routing and account numbers are needed to complete an ACH transaction. Credit cards accepted include Mastercard, Visa and Discover. American Express is not accepted.

There are fees associated with online payments collected by the payment processing company. For utility billing, there is a \$6.95 fee for the online transaction. For paying property taxes or miscellaneous billing by credit card, the fee is 2.5 percent of the payment. The fee for an ACH transaction is \$1.

The billing page also provides links to other online bill options, including vehicle registration and dog license renewals and the payment of parking tickets.

"We are always striving to find better ways to serve the City's residents and businesses," said Finance Director Daniel Lynch about the new online payment system. "We hope our customers find value in using this service."

For more information, contact the City Clerk/Tax Collection Office at 516-6018.



Arts Commission grant recipient demonstrates mill

fabric sculpture in how-to video

City Arts Grants recipient Marielle Carpentier created a [how-to pillow-making video](#) as a companion to her foam and fabric Dover Mills sculpture on display in the Children's Room of the Dover Public Library.



The Dover Arts Commission selected Carpentier as the Spring 2020 grant recipient for her "Cochecho Mills History in Fabric" proposal, which provides a permanent sculpture of an early mill and a history teaching tool at the library. Carpentier's artwork is a simplified representation of the first cotton mill built in Dover in the early 1800s, which were followed by several more, forming the Cochecho Manufacturing Company.

Carpentier has called her sculpture, where children can remove sections of the replica mill connected by Velcro, interactive and "extremely child friendly, as it is essentially a giant pillow."

As part of the \$1,500 grant, Carpentier had planned to hold a workshop to help children learn about the history and make their own fabric pillows. However, because of the ongoing COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, holding an in-person workshop was not feasible. Instead, Carpentier created an 18-minute, step-by-step how-to video for families to make pillows at home.

"Today, we will be able to go back in time and imagine that we are one of the workers in the factories, printing our own design on to the fabric provided," Carpentier says in the video (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kiusXovXY2Q>).

She includes a brief history of the Dover Cotton Factory that became the Dover Manufacturing Company and later the Cochecho Manufacturing Company. Carpentier highlights that the Cochecho Manufacturing Company's many fabric samples still exist and provides a link to The Henry Ford website that has a scanned version of an [1880 design sample book](#). Carpentier used these examples when selecting the fabrics when creating her mill sculpture.

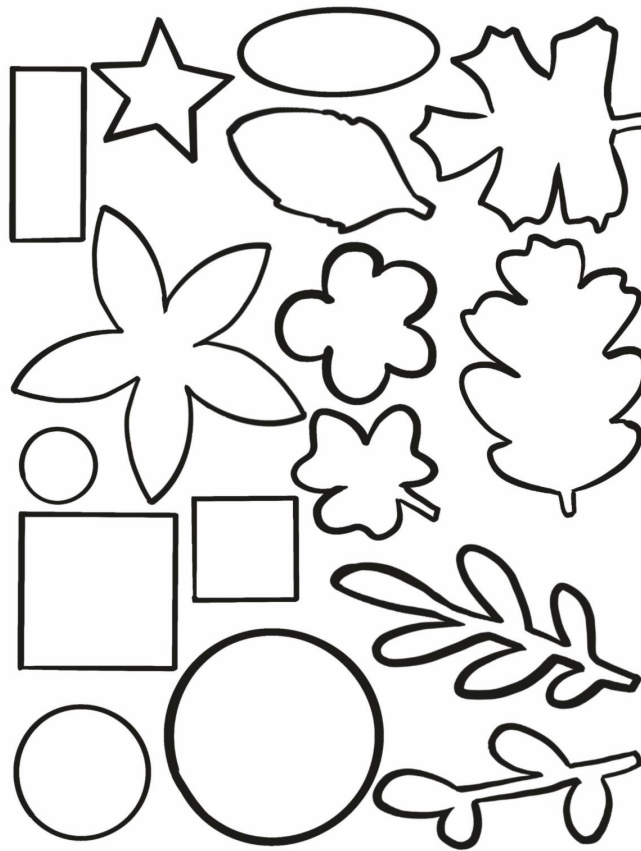
Carpentier had made and delivered 62 pillow making kits to the library for children to make at home; however, the kits ran out quickly. To help those who didn't receive a kit but want to make a pillow, Carpentier provided a supply list for the project.

- One kid's foam sheet
- Any design template printed on paper (template can be viewed below)
- One square-inch wooden block
- Two (or more) square tip paintbrushes
- A small sewing kit
- One square foot of muslin fabric or any white cotton fabric
- One square foot of patterned cotton fabric
- Acrylic paint in black, white, red, blue, and yellow. Can buy in bulk if multiple kits are being made.
- 1oz-2oz plastic lidded jars
- A little under half a pound or 6-8oz of polyfill for stuffing (a 5lb box of polyfill should stuff 10-15 of these pillows)

City Arts Grants are awarded by the Dover Arts Commission to individual artists and arts organizations to create visual art, music, dance, theatre, film, and literary projects that benefit Dover's residents and enrich the cultural life of the city.

The Dover Arts Commission is an advisory board to the Dover City Council tasked with developing and promoting programs, forums and exhibits that highlight the city's artistic talent. The Arts Commission works to enhance awareness of and appreciation for the arts through increased dialogue and citizen participation.

For more information about City Arts Grants or the Dover Arts Commission, email Jane Hamor at j.hamor@dover.nh.gov.



Recycling Center accepting Christmas trees

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road is still accepting Christmas trees, during regular hours.

Trees must be free of all ornaments, lights, tinsel, tree bags and tree stands or they will not be accepted.

Trees can be disposed of in the brush pile.

The Recycling Center is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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

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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, [located here](#).

Jan. 10, 1800 — Died, Colonel Theophilus Dame, aged 73. He was a Canadian by birth, and had been an officer in the British service, but became a citizen of Dover about 1768. He was Sheriff of the County from its formation in 1773 until the time of his death, and as such had charge of the Jail, and was at all times a leading citizen.

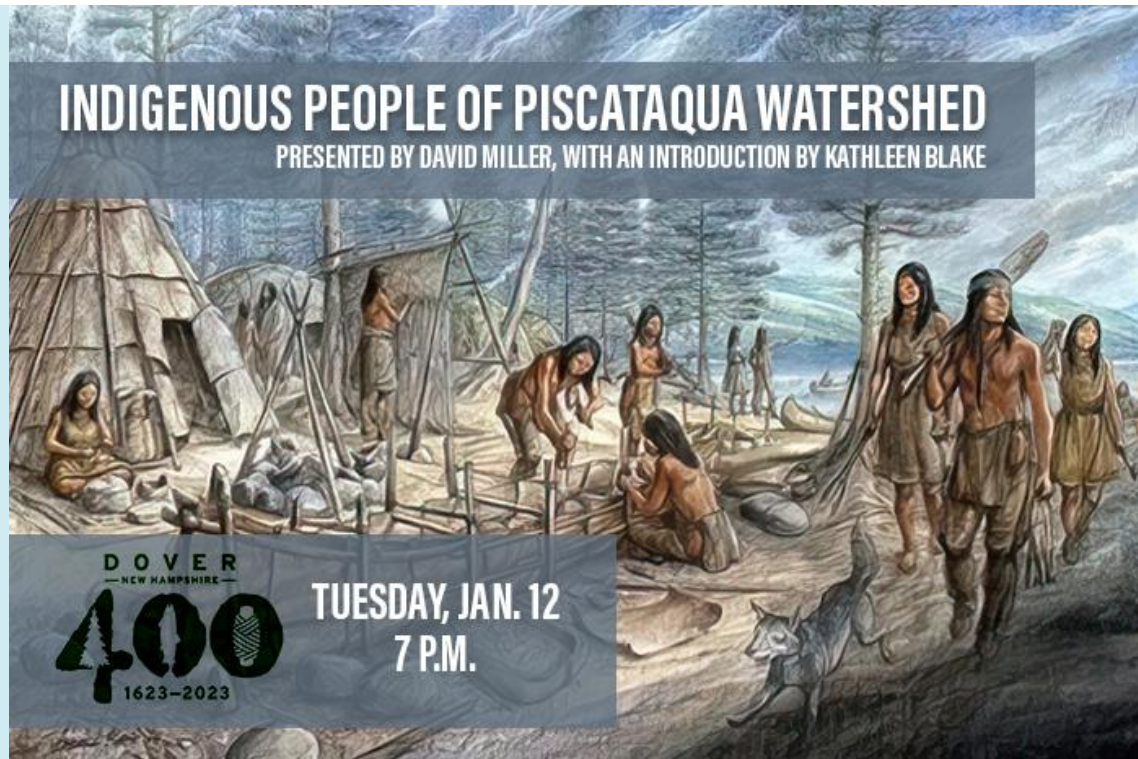
Jan. 9, 1841 — Benjamin Hodgdon, aged 70, was instantly killed by falling beneath his cart wheel on Franklin Square.

Jan. 11, 1850 — At 10 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 11, 1850, there was a fire in the store of H.S. Plumer & Company, in the Cocheco Block. The firefighters had assistance from the Cocheco Manufacturing Company, and succeeded in confining the fire to the store in which it originated, but the stock, save for a small amount which was removed, was ruined, with at a loss of about \$9,000, insured in the Cocheco Mutual of Dover for \$3,500, and the Atlantic Company of Exeter for \$1,500. Plumer & Company lost their books of account and it was also at first

thought a large sum in money. In the same issue of the Gazette which chronicled the fire, there is published a letter from a writer calling himself "Philo", commending the partners as highly worthy young men who had met with a great business calamity and urging a public assistance to re-establish them. The cause was supposed to have been the falling of a pile of cotton goods onto a stove. The damage to the building was between \$1,500 and \$2,000, and a very wet night slowed the progress of the fire.

Jan. 14, 1884 — The Dover Public Library opens to the residents of Dover with 4,508 volumes and an author and title catalog. The librarian, Miss Garland, recalled opening day, "The work had been carried on incessantly up to within a few minutes of the hour of opening; but about five minutes before two, she sat down in a great depression of mind. Had it been worthwhile, and would anybody come? The clock struck two and the door creaked open. Three high school boys rushed up the stairs. Following them was a woman who had been sent by her sick son at home. Close behind her were more high school boys and some men. Then came a few ladies who had not wanted to push. In a few seconds the room was full. With very unsteady knees she rose to her work. "Ivanhoe" was the first book wanted. The mother of the sick boy went home with "Adventures of a Young Naturalist". Thus did the Library begin its ministry to the sick. There were 180 people registered and 160 took books that first day. A rousing success, the Dover Public Library recorded 2,300 borrowers during that first year and in its first decade of operation circulated over half a million volumes.

Jan. 9, 1944 — Fire at the garage of the Wentworth Bus Company at the corner of Milk and Mt. Vernon streets destroyed four busses and a taxi.



Dover's 400th committee to host historical lecture series

Series begins Jan. 12 with "Indigenous People of the Piscataqua Watershed"

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th Anniversary, recently announced it will host a historical lecture series chronicling Dover's significant past, starting in January 2021 and continuing every month throughout 2021. Each presentation will be held at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month starting on Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2021. Initially, the series will be virtual lectures.

The first session will pay tribute to the Native people who occupied our region prior to colonization by white settlers. Dover resident and Native American Kathleen Blake will

introduce the series with a Land Acknowledgement: a formal statement that recognizes Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and respects the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories.

Blake is an alumna of UNH and Plymouth State University. She is an indigenous mother and grandmother, as well as a retired environmental and biological sciences teacher and school administrator. She is the current chair of the NH Commission on Native American Affairs, an affiliate member of the UNH Indigenous Studies Minor Program, and a member of the Indigenous New Hampshire Collective Collaborative.

Immediately following Blake's introduction, David Miller will present "Indigenous People of the Piscataqua Watershed" and share his extensive research which has uncovered many of the Wabanaki/Abenaki lifeways. Miller will explore what he calls the "Great Bay Paradise" that existed in up to 20 Native villages bordering the rivers of our region. Attendees will learn about both the proven data, garnered through maps and early documents, and also hear some intriguing speculation regarding the many still-unknown facts about early Native people.

Miller is a former Social Studies teacher specializing in American Intellectual History, a curriculum developer, and K-12 school principal. After retirement, he was President of the Rochester Historical Society for 10 years. Miller is currently finalizing a Social Studies curriculum component: a 50-page "Chronology of the History of Indigenous People of New Hampshire from the Paleoindian period to Today" with accompanying research materials.

Use this link to register for the presentation: <https://ringcentr.al/34VxkAx>.

Upcoming lectures include:

- Relationships between the early white settlers and the Natives
- Tales from the Dirt: archaeology of the early colonial landscape at Dover Point
- Dover's Rev. Jeremy Belknap and the American Revolution
- History of the Cocheco Cotton Mills
- Dover railroad history
- Dover regiments in the Civil War
- Dover Booms as a 19th Century Shipping Port
- Treasures of the Woodman Museum
- Downtown Dover During the early 20th Century
- Dover's service in the two World Wars

The series will also feature a lesson on how to trace the history of your Dover house. Each presentation is free and open to the public, but pre-registration is required. To sign up for the January 12, 2021 lecture, please visit <https://ringcentr.al/34VxkAx> or click on the RSVP link at <https://www.Dover400.org>.

Dover400 is currently underway with its first fundraising campaign, "\$400 for 400" an effort to solicit 400 donors at \$400 to celebrate Dover's 400th Anniversary. All proceeds will support the activities planned throughout 2023. For more information, please visit www.Dover400.org.

About Dover400

Established in 1623, Dover was the first European permanent settlement in New Hampshire. Dover400 is a group of appointed volunteers gathered to plan and organize the City's 400th birthday celebration which will include historical re-enactments, fireworks and parades, school involvement, souvenirs and more.

Dover400 is comprised of fourteen enthusiastic citizens from diverse backgrounds who are all committed to one purpose: ensuring a Dover is recognized and celebrated for this momentous event. Members include: Kevin McEneaney, Chair; Sam Allen, Vice-Chair; Nicole Desjarlais-Paulick, Secretary; Kathleen Morrison, Treasurer; Deborah Ballok; Cathy Beaudoin; Bob Carrier; Angela Carter; Guy Eaton; J. Andrew Galt; Zachary Koehler; Tom Massingham; and Karen Weston.



Regional health networks urge patience as vaccine distribution rolls out

Strafford County and Seacoast Public Health Networks are asking for the community to be patient about COVID-19 vaccine information. Please do not call health care offices, fire or police departments, emergency medical services or local officials until you are individually directed to do so by the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, regional public health networks or your health care office. If you have questions, please call 211.



“It is not necessary to call and get your name on a list at this time,” said Scott Schuler, Incident Commander for Strafford County and Seacoast Public Health Networks. “Your patience will help prevent overwhelming our health care system.”

There has been a significant increase of calls and inquires to local call centers and health care offices. Reducing call volume will assist health care workers and first responders.




As vaccine availability increases and process details are finalized, information will be made available to the public.

In the meantime, please continue to avoid un-masked interactions with people outside of your immediate household. Health officials say they are seeing an increase in community spread of COVID-19 and increased hospitalization of people infected with the virus.

Questions? Call 211.

For more information on New Hampshire’s COVID-19 vaccine plan visit <https://www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/vaccination-planning.htm>.


When can I get a **COVID-19 VACCINE** in NH?

 PHASE 1	 PHASE 2	 PHASE 3
PHASE 1A <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High-risk health workers• First responders• Older adults living in residential care settings PHASE 1B <ul style="list-style-type: none">• People ≥ 75 years old• Medically vulnerable at <i>significantly</i> higher risk with 2 or more conditions<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family caregivers of those medically vulnerable persons, ≤ 16 years old not eligible for vaccine• Residents and staff of residential facilities for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities• Corrections officers and staff working in correctional facilities• First responders and health workers not already vaccinated	PHASE 2A <ul style="list-style-type: none">• People 65 - 74 years old• K-12 school and childcare staff PHASE 2B <ul style="list-style-type: none">• People 50 - 64 years old	PHASE 3A <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medically vulnerable <50 years old at <i>moderately</i> higher risk with 1 or more conditions PHASE 3B <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyone else not already vaccinated
DECEMBER - MARCH*	MARCH - MAY*	MAY and BEYOND*

Additional details are coming soon.
Contact your healthcare provider for more information and visit [NH.gov/COVID19](https://www.nh.gov/COVID19) for updates.

ReadyNH.gov
TAKE ACTION. BE SAFE.

*Estimated time frame depends on vaccine doses allocated to New Hampshire from the federal government and vaccine uptake.



Statewide mask mandate in effect

On Nov. 19, Gov. Chris Sununu issued an emergency order instituting a statewide mask mandate.

The mask mandate will remain in effect through Jan. 15, 2021.

Per the order, everyone over the age of 5 in New Hampshire must wear mask or cloth face coverings over their noses and mouths when in public spaces, indoors or outdoors, when unable to maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from persons outside their own households.

According to the emergency order, “public spaces” include any part of private or public property that is generally open or accessible to members of the general public. Public spaces include, but are not limited to, lobbies, waiting areas, outside plazas or patios, restaurants, retail businesses, streets, sidewalks, parks, beaches, elevators, restrooms, stairways, parking garages, etc.

The mandate does not apply to the following:

- Educators, students, and staff within K-12 schools;
- Any person with a medical condition or disability that prevents wearing a mask or other face covering;
- Any person consuming food or drink or sitting at a restaurant or table to eat or drink;
- Any person engaged in physical strenuous physical activity;
- Any person giving a religious, political, media, educational, cultural, musical, or theatrical presentation or performance for an audience;
- Any person who is deaf or hard of hearing, and any person while communicating with an individual who is deaf or hard of hearing or who has a disability, medical condition, or mental health condition that makes communication with that individual while wearing a mask or face covering difficult;



- Any person obtaining or providing a service that requires the temporary removal of a mask or face covering;
- Any person asked to remove a mask or face covering to verify an identity for lawful purposes; or
- Any public safety worker actively engaged in a public safety role and when a mask or face covering would seriously interfere in the performance of their public safety responsibilities.

The mandate also does not apply to individuals who decline to wear a mask or cloth face covering because of a medical or developmental issue or difficulty breathing.

The entire order [can be viewed here](#).

What you should know about COVID-19

COVID-19 can present with a wide range of symptoms including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, runny nose, nasal congestion, sore throat, fatigue, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or loss of taste or smell. Any person who develops new symptoms should stay home, limit their contact with others, immediately contact their healthcare provider and get tested for COVID-19. Guidance for self-quarantine is available at: www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-quarantine-covid.pdf.



Whether or not you are experiencing symptoms, multiple testing options throughout the State are available to potentially exposed individuals. For persons without health insurance or a primary care provider, testing is available and can be scheduled by calling (603) 271-5980 or through completing the online form at business.nh.gov/DOS_COVID19Testing. Other options can be found here: www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/testing-guidance.htm.

COVID-19 continues to circulate in our communities, so all people need to protect themselves and help prevent further community spread, by:

- [Stay at least 6 feet away from others](#), whenever possible. This is very important in preventing the spread of COVID-19.
- [Cover your mouth and nose with a mask](#) when around others. This helps reduce the risk of spread both by close contact and by airborne transmission.
- [Wash your hands](#) often with soap and water. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- [Avoid crowded indoor spaces](#) and [ensure indoor spaces are properly ventilated](#) by bringing in outdoor air as much as possible. In general, being outdoors and in spaces with good ventilation reduces the risk of exposure to infectious respiratory droplets.
- [Stay home and isolate](#) from others when sick.
- [Routinely clean and disinfect](#) frequently touched surfaces.

For more information on COVID-19 in NH, please visit www.nh.gov/covid19/.

Source: New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

Stay informed with the city's COVID-19 updates

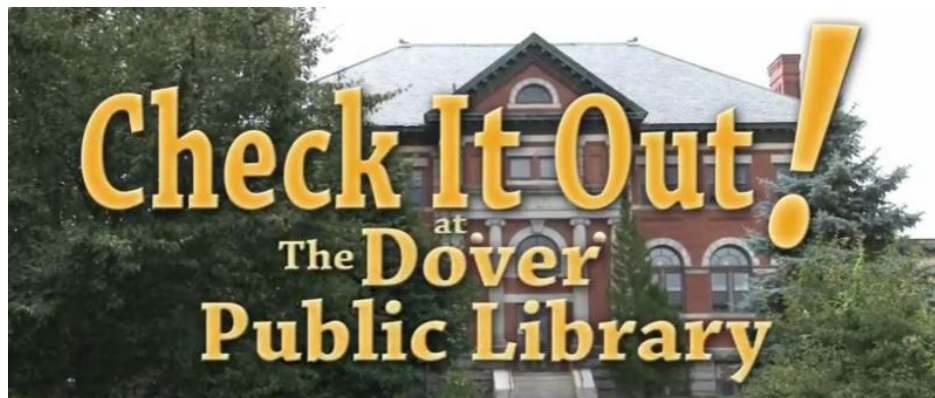
Want to receive the latest information about the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic and how it affects your community? Sign up for the City of Dover's email updates and you'll receive helpful information from local and state health officials about the pandemic, including how you can protect yourself and others, how to safely enjoy the holidays, what to consider before traveling, and much more.



To start receiving the email updates, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select COVID-19 updates

from the list of city newsletters.

For more information, visit the City's COVID-19 online resource at <https://www.dover.nh.gov/services/covid19.html>.



Remembering the Holocaust 80 years after

The Holocaust is one of the most studied topics in history and still leaves people wondering how something so horrific could have taken place.

Presenter Mick Grzonka hopes to provide some answers in his virtual presentation: “The Duty to Remember – But What? Holocaust 80 Years After” at the Dover Public Library on Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Dover Public Library and their Friends group.

The carefully researched lecture will provide some historical context of events in Nazi Germany and the reason behind the Nazi regime’s rise to power. It will also shed light on the background against which the Pogrom Night, and later, the Holocaust took place. Finally, Gronzka will explore how common, “normal” people were convinced to contribute to the horrors. There is something for everyone in the presentation – even those familiar with the topic. Discussion will follow the program and attendees are encouraged to ask questions.

Grzonka came from Germany to the U.S. in 1996. A Ph.D. chemist by trade, he applied scientific, bilingual research techniques to Martin Luther, his times and his writings. He is the author of a book on the German Reformation titled “Martin Luther and His Times”. He currently resides in New Hampshire.

The Duty to Remember will be held live online through Ring Central and registration is required to access the login information. This program is free and open to the public.

For more information or to register, visit library.dover.nh.gov or call the Library at 603-516-6050.

The Week at the Library

Through Thursday, Jan. 31, All Day VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Soup Swap* by Kathy Gunst. Throughout the month of January, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the books and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the books. We will share your creations on our social media pages throughout the month. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or

our region prior to colonization by white settlers. Dover resident and Native American Kathleen Blake will introduce the series with a Land Acknowledgement: a formal statement that recognizes Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of this land and respects the enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous Peoples and their traditional territories. David Miller will share his extensive research which has uncovered many of the Wabanaki/Abenaki lifeways and explore what he calls the

tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Sunday, January 10, 2 to 4 p.m.
VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Under

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Roll20 with Dungeon Master Aidan. The group will meet every other Sunday and there is no commitment to attend all sessions. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play. **Please register for this program and you will receive an email 30 minutes prior to the event with the login information.**

Monday, January 11, 6 to 7 p.m.
Teen Advisory Board in the Lecture Hall
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 in order 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

Tuesday, January 12, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime in the Lecture Hall
Families are invited to join us for storytime in the Lecture Hall. Kids of all ages with an adult will enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes. A craft will be available to take home. Please register for this event since attendance is limited to 5 groups. Groups will be appropriately distanced and please wear a mask.

Tuesday, January 12, 6 to 8 p.m.
Dungeon World RPG: 18 and older in the Lecture Hall

Drop in and play the Dungeon World role-playing game 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. Sessions will be socially distant indoors in the Lecture Hall. Please ensure at least six feet of space between yourself and other attendees and that you wear a mask while in the library.

Tuesday, January 12, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
VIRTUAL Gatsby in Connecticut with Richard Webb
This special event with author Richard Webb, author of "Boats Against the Current : the Honeymoon Summer of Scott and

"Great Bay Paradise" that existed in up to 20 Native villages bordering the rivers of our region. Register at:
<https://ringcentr.al/34VxkAx>

Wednesday, January 13, 9 am to 12 pm
Read WITH a Librarian

Sign up to have a librarian read with your child! Depending on your child's age and reading ability your child might want to only be read to OR they may read to us! Either way this a great opportunity to gain reading confidence and encourage a love for reading! Once you register we will be in touch with you by Tuesday evening to schedule a time that works best for your schedule between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. This program is best for Toddlers/Preschooler through age 9.

Wednesday, January 13, 10 to 11 a.m.
Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club in the Lecture Hall

Dover Public Library is starting a new book group dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book will be *A Better Man* by Michael Ian Black. You can borrow a physical copy or read it on Hoopla. Reach out with any questions, comments, and future book recommendations to a.soniabolduc@dover.nh.gov. Registration required.

Wednesday, January 13, 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Online Storytime

Check out a new session of Miss Tina's storytime. This storytime and all previous recordings may be viewed at: <https://bit.ly/2z4EDcp>

Thursday, January 14, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime in the Lecture Hall

Families are invited to join us for storytime in the Lecture Hall. Kids of all ages with an adult will enjoy stories, songs, and rhymes. A craft will be available to take home. Please register for this event since attendance is limited to 5 groups. Groups will be appropriately distanced and please wear a mask.

Friday, January 15, 9 to 10 a.m.
Global Poetry Society in the Lecture Hall
The Global Poetry Society is dedicated to exploring poetry from around the world. The first meeting will feature works of Native American poets with journeys to Asia, Africa, South America, and more coming in future weeks. Between sessions, registrants will be emailed a reading list of freely accessible poems posted by The Poetry Foundation, which will introduce the poets and cultures that will be discussed at the

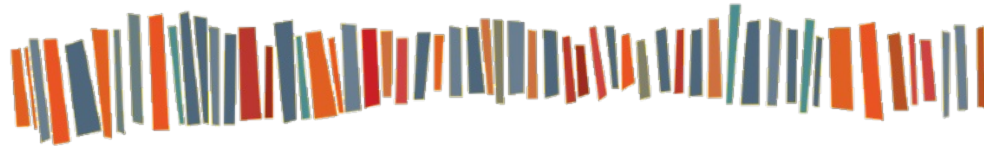
Zelda", discusses the 5 months the newly married couple spent in Westport CT and how the author discovered how significant that honeymoon was in shaping the character and story made famous in "The Great Gatsby," one of America's classic novels. Register at:
<http://ringcentr.al/3bdoSke>

Tuesday, January 12, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
VIRTUAL Dover 400th Series: Indigenous People of the Piscataqua Watershed

Dover's 400th Anniversary will host a historical lecture series chronicling Dover's significant past. The first session will pay tribute to the Native people who occupied

next meeting. Meetings will be held every other Tuesday. This program is free and open to the public. Registration is required.

Friday, January 15, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
VIRTUAL Mother Goose on the Loose
Mother Goose On the Loose is back! Please join Miss JoJo for lots of songs, rhymes, stories and silliness! This program is for babies through Pre-K, siblings are always welcome. You will be required to submit your library card information upon registering as this program is for patrons of DPL only. Once you are approved, you will be provided with a secure link to our virtual session via Ring Central.



City's boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future.

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, [click here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, [click here](#).

Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office in person, by mail, or by email. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

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:

- **Police Officer**
- **Laborer I**
- **Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator**
- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Electrical Technician**
- **Truck drivers**
- **Legal Assistant**

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

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.

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online

meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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