

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



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City Hall hours:

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

Recycling
Center hours:









Several Dover police officers and staff serve as Big Brothers and Big Sisters, including, from left, Jenna Donais, Chief William Breault, Tim David and Brynn Dunne.

Dover Police selected as Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire 2021 Partner of the Year

Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire selected the Dover Police Department as its 2021 Partner of the Year.

Chief William Breault said he was "humbled and honored" that the department was selected for the high honor.

"Our team of 'Bigs' here at the Police Department is truly an amazing and selfless group," Breault said. "I couldn't be any more proud of them and the work that they are doing. They are

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. also doing a great job getting their coworkers to join the program and become Bigs."

Dover Police has partnered with Big Brothers Big Sisters since 2019. Currently, five officers, including Chief Breault, are meeting and mentoring their "Littles." Two more are in the process of being matched with a Little. The department's involvement, called "Bigs with Badges," is part of Dover Police's community outreach efforts.

Breault said he was surprised by how beneficial it's been to become a Big Brother.

"Meeting with my Little is often the best part of my week and helps me reset from the craziness and stress that is part of my regular job," Breault said. "It has helped keep in focus why I became a police officer so many years ago: to make a positive difference in people's lives."

The Police Department will be formally honored at a Big Brother Big Sister virtual ceremony in 2022.



Citywide parking ban in Dover takes effect Saturday night

Due to the anticipated snow arriving on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021, a citywide parking ban will be in effect on Saturday, beginning at 10 p.m. and concluding Sunday, Dec. 19 at 6 a.m., except for the downtown, which is in effect Sunday, Dec. 19 from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. only.

While in effect, no parking is permitted on city streets, sidewalks or adjacent public parking areas. While the ban is in effect, parking is also prohibited in the Third Street and Belknap parking lots, as well as the public parking spaces in the Orchard Street lot. Vehicles in the Fourth Street lot must be parked in the outside spaces only. Parking in the Library lot will be limited to the outermost row facing the Greek Orthodox Church and the outermost row facing Atkinson Street. No parking will be permitted at any other location in the Library lot. The first two floors of the Orchard Street Parking Garage are available for public, metered parking. Paid parking in the Parking Garage is required 24/7, including holidays. The top three floors of the Parking Garage are reserved for permit parking only. Vehicles in violation of the parking ban and related restrictions may be fined and towed at the vehicle owner's expense.

In addition to snow removal, the parking ban allows Community Services crews to treat the roads with salt and sand, and keep areas open for safe travel.

A winter storm watch is in effect for Dover from Saturday afternoon to Sunday morning. According to the National Weather Service, a system of low pressure is expected to develop near Cape Cod on Saturday and move across the region Saturday night and Sunday morning, with a possible accumulation of 4 to 8 inches of snow in Dover. The expected snowfall will be the first accumulation of snow in Dover this season.

The complete forecast for Dover from the National Weather Service can be viewed here: https://go.usa.gov/xPGSn.

For more information about the parking ban, visit the city's winter parking ban page at bit.ly/doverban.

Community Services Director receives Visionary Award from Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment

Community Services Director John Storer was awarded a 2021 Visionary Award from the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment for his department's "outstanding accomplishments."

The Gulf of Maine Council is a Canadian-American regional partnership that provides collaborative leadership on cross-border including ecosystem conditions, water quality, and climate change within the Gulf of Maine watershed. Its mission is to maintain and enhance environmental quality in the Gulf of Maine to provide sustainable resource use by existing and future generations. Its annual Visionary Awards "recognize innovation, creativity, and commitment to protecting the marine environment."



New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
Coastal Program Administrator Steve Couture presented Storer with the award at the Dec. 9
online ceremony. He called John a "visionary leader" working to solve "some of the most
challenging environmental problems in the region, such as the loss of eelgrass in the Great
Bay Estuary."

"John's positive approach and unwavering commitment to environmental progress have brought much-needed funding and attention toward restoring natural resources, addressing stormwater pollution, and promoting resilience to climate impacts," Couture said. "John's unwavering leadership and personal commitment have had a lasting positive impact on sustainability in New Hampshire and the broader Gulf of Maine watershed."

In accepting the award, Storer said it was "an incredibly humbling honor" and stated that the effort to improve Great Bay water quality is collaborative, from the Environmental Protection Agency crafting a general permit specifically for Great Bay to all the stakeholders involved.

"I'd like to think Dover is being recognized for helping influence the permitting effort, as here in Dover, we've long advocated for a collaborative, adaptive management approach to water quality issues," Storer said. "We're looking forward to rolling up our sleeves and being a part of a long-term commitment to improving water quality."

About the Gulf of Maine: a sea within a sea

The Gulf of Maine is one of the world's most dynamic environments, spanning 36,000 square miles of water that border Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire with the Canadian Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. This semi-enclosed sea is one of the most biologically productive marine ecosystems, nourished by cold ocean waters and characterized by the complex geomorphology of deep basins and shallow banks.

About the Gulf of Maine Council

The governors and premiers of the five Gulf of Maine jurisdictions – Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia – established the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment in 1989. The Council engages governmental and nongovernmental

representatives in a comprehensive approach to management, emphasizing natural linkages over political boundaries and integrating ecological, economic and societal goals. The Council's work to protect and enhance environmental quality and allow for sustainable resource use by existing and future generations is made possible by volunteer and financial support from many partners.

SEED launches annual appeal campaign

Seacoast Endowment for Education in Dover ("SEED"), a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting academic excellence in Dover schools, has just launched its annual appeal campaign, an effort to raise money to fund grants in perpetuity to achieve academic excellence in Dover public schools.

Entering its 10th year of underwriting applications from Dover educators, SEED has donated more than \$250,000 since its inception to Dover public schools, which rank among the lowest in New Hampshire for per pupil spending.

"Our goal is to continue this level of giving to ensure Dover students learn the skills needed to be successful in the 21st Century," said Natalie Koellmer, Chair, SEED Board of Directors. "We can't do it without community support, and we're asking for your tax-deductible donation to help us."

SEED continues to host two grant periods a year to provide innovative curriculum, cutting-edge technology, and tools to Dover students. Funded strictly by philanthropic giving, SEED depends on annual campaign to finance rich learning experiences for Dover students. For more information or to donate, please visit www.DoverSEED.org

Dover Senior Center collecting 'Santa for Seniors' items through Tuesday, Dec. 20

The Dover Senior Center is collecting donations for 'Santa for Seniors,' a Strafford County Meals on Wheels program, through Tuesday, Dec. 20.

Items that area seniors need include:

- Hats, scarves and gloves
- Throw blankets
- Crossword and other gaming books
- Flashlights with batteries
- Paper towels, toilet paper and tissues

Donations are accepted at the Dover Senior Center through 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27. The Dover Senior Center is located in the McConnell Center at 61 Locust St. and is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, contact the Dover Senior Center at 603-516-6436.



Last day for donations to Dover Fire Toy Bank

The 2021 Dover Fire Toy Bank will continue to collect toys through today, Friday, Dec. 17.

The Dover Fire Toy Bank has been coordinated by current and retired members of the Dover Fire & Rescue for more than 42 years. The Toy Bank started out all those years ago helping a dozen families in the city, it has now grown to helping over 350 families. While Christmas typically conjures up visions of Santa and toys, the Toy Bank also provides educational aids, warm clothing, and boots to many children in Dover.

The Dover community - area businesses, seniors, families, school groups, civic groups and others have been very supportive and generous in the past. Donations of toys, games, clothing, personal hygiene items, gift certificates, and monetary donations have enabled us to help those less fortunate. The Toy Bank would not be successful without continued help from the community.

Here's how to help:

- Collect new toys within your organization for age groups from newborn to 12 years old. If looking for a specific need to fill, the infant and 9-12 age groups are always in need for both boys and girls. If you need a collection box, please call 603-516-TOYS, leave a message and we will get you one for your business.
- Purchase gift cards to area businesses, mall stores, and grocery stores are always appreciated.
- Shop for hats and mittens, gloves and scarves that are needed for the cold winter. These gifts help ensure each child receives these essentials.
- Collecting monetary donations within an organization and shopping for gifts helps greatly. If you don't have time to shop for these items, the Toy Bank will do it for you.

Toy Bank volunteers will pick up donations on site or drop off new, unwrapped items at these locations: Dover Central Fire Station (9-11 Broadway), South End Fire Station (27 Durham Road) or the North End Fire Station (262 Sixth St.) by Friday, Dec. 17. Toy collection boxes are also located at the following locations and local businesses:

- Kennebunk Savings, 701 Central Ave.
- Wentworth Home, 795 Central Ave.
- · Herbal Path, 835 Central Ave.
- Hannoush Jewelers, 863 Central Ave.
- Statix, 827 Central Ave.
- Timeless Salon, 1 Webb Place
- · Wentworth Health Partners, 10 Members Way, fifth floor
- Watson Fields, 201 Watson Road
- Holy Rosary Credit Union, 490 Central Ave.
- Harvey's Bakery, 376 Central Ave.
- Brick House, 2 Orchard St.
- St. Mary Academy, 222 Central Ave.
- TD Bank, 353 Central Ave.
- Noggin Factory, 53 Washington St.
- Dover Ice Arena, 110 Portland Ave.
- Philbrick's Sports, 161 Portland Ave.
- Tasker's Funeral Home, 621 Central Ave.
- Greater Dover Chamber Of Commerce, 550 Central Ave.
- Peoples United Bank, 537 Central Ave.
- Moose Lodge #443, 45 Chestnut St.
- Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St.
- Everproven Crossfit, 50 Crosby Road
- Dr. Peterson Dentistry, 240 Locust St.
- · Sawyer Mills Apartments, 1 Mill St.
- Dover Honda, 1 Dover Point Road
- Patty B's Restaurant, 34 Dover Point Road
- · Bellamy Fields, 150 Garrison Road
- Maple Suites, 30 Holiday Drive

The final collection day for toys at the locations above is today, Friday, Dec. 17.

Monetary contributions can be picked up on location or mailed to Dover Fire Toy Bank, P.O. Box 1712, Dover, NH 03821-1712. Please make checks payable to The Dover Fire Toy Bank.

For more information, call 603-516-TOYS (8697).

Dover Holiday Shop Small Spectacular continues

Win gift baskets filled with goods from local shops

With the growing fear that holiday gifts could be stuck on cargo ships, many are looking toward locally-owned shops to fill their Christmas and holiday season wish lists. Those who shop downtown Dover will find shelves stocked with unique one-of-a-kind gifts and can even be entered to win gift baskets as a bonus for shopping local.

SUPPLIES SHOP IN THE PRIZES

Through Monday, Dec. 20, shoppers who spend at least \$10 at five participating downtown retail shops may enter to win locally filled gift baskets brimming with home goods, apparel, local treats, and gift cards to area shops. To enter the gift basket raffle, customers can

pick up a raffle ticket at any of the 27 participating businesses and attach their receipts to it. Completed tickets may be dropped off at Noggin Factory, My Country Story, or Ryder Street Co. located downtown. Mayor Robert Carrier will choose the winners at a drawing held at 6 p.m. on Dec. 21 at Ryder Street Co. It will be broadcast live on the store's Facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/Ryderstreetco.

A complete list of participating retail shops, including a map of each location, is available via the PocketSights website: https://pocketsights.com/tours/tour/Dover-Dover-Holiday-Shop-Small-Spectacular%21-6403. PocketSights also offers a smartphone app that provides a walking tour of the participating locations.

Download the free app available for iPhone and Android at https://pocketsights.com/.



Connection to Lowell Avenue water plant focus of next week's Central Avenue work

The Central Avenue North Water Improvements project contractor will connect the new water main to the Lowell Avenue Water Treatment Facility next week. The contractor will then work on Central Avenue by Merry Street if time allows.

The contractor will be working on Lowell Avenue near the intersection with Central Avenue; however, the work is expected to have minimal traffic impact to Central Avenue motorists,

though it will impact Lowell Avenue residents. Lowell Avenue will be closed from Central Avenue to Mount Vernon Street.

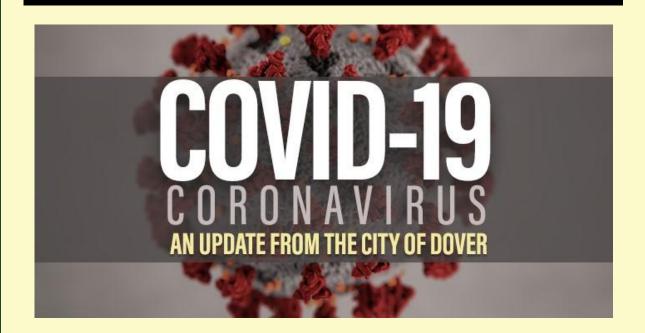
The contractor plans to work at the site Monday, Dec. 20 through Thursday, Dec. 23. On Monday and Tuesday, the contractor will prepare the area for the connection.

Water shut off planned for Wednesday, Dec. 22, to Lowell Avenue neighborhood

On Wednesday, Dec. 22, the water will be shut off from approximately 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. to allow the contractor to connect the new water main to the Lowell Avenue Water Treatment Facility. The shutoff will affect Lowell Avenue, Page Street and a few properties on Mount Vernon Street and Central Avenue. Community Services workers will provide notices to affected properties 24 hours in advance of the shutoff.

If time allows after completing the connection, the contractor will work on Central Avenue by Merry Street to replace a section of sewer pipe. If that work occurs, traffic on Central Avenue will be reduced to one lane, alternated by flaggers.

No work is scheduled on Christmas Eve, Friday, Dec. 24.



Key things to know about COVID-19 vaccines

Everyone 5 years and older is eligible to get a free COVID-19 vaccination.

Everyone 16 years old and older who is fully vaccinated should get a booster shot.

COVID-19 vaccines are effective at helping protect against severe disease and death from the virus that causes COVID-19.

The benefits of COVID-19 vaccination outweigh the known and potential risks, which are rare.

People who are fully vaccinated can resume many activities they did before the pandemic. However, people should wear a mask indoors in public if they are in an area of substantial or high transmission.



Children who get COVID-19 can get very sick, require hospitalization, and even die. Schoolaged children can also spread the infection at home and in school. Vaccination helps prevent infection and serious illness among children and slows the spread of COVID-19. More: https://bit.ly/3GLtqKX.

What is the Omicron variant?

On November 26, 2021, the World Health Organization classified a new COVID-19 variant as a variant of concern and named it Omicron. As of December 4, 2021, Omicron has been identified in the United States and is reported now in more than 20 countries.

Health officials and the CDC have been actively monitoring and preparing for this variant and continues to work diligently with other U.S. and global public health and industry partners to learn more.

The virus that causes COVID-19 is constantly changing, and new variants of the virus are expected to occur. Sometimes new variants emerge and disappear. Other times, new variants persist.

The recent emergence of the Omicron variant further emphasizes the importance of vaccination, boosters, and <u>general prevention strategies</u> needed to protect against COVID-19. Everyone 5 and older should get vaccinated and boosters are recommended for everyone 18 years and older.

For more information about COVID-19 variants, visit the CDC's online resource here.

Where to get the vaccine locally

Vaccines are available at most local pharmacies, including walk-in service at some. To schedule an appointment, visit <u>vaccines.nh.gov</u> and click on "Find COVID-19 Vaccines". The link will bring you to the national site where you can search for vaccines by zip code and vaccine type.

In addition to local pharmacies and providers, the State of New Hampshire is providing vaccines at several fixed sites. The closest fixed site to Dover is:

On-Site Medical Services

306 North Main Street, Rochester
Monday-Friday 10 am to 7 pm; Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Walk in only, no appointment necessary
Vaccines offered: Pfizer, Moderna, J&J
https://www.on-sitemedservices.com/vaccinationlocator

For additional locations and options, visit vaccines.gov.

COVID symptoms or need to confirm you aren't infected? Get tested

Many health insurance plans cover COVID-19 tests without a copay, coinsurance, or deductible for persons with symptoms of COVID-19. Locations throughout the state offer COVID-19 tests, including hospitals, pharmacies, primary care offices, urgent care centers. The State of New Hampshire is also offering free at-home saliva test kits through a partner agency, Vault Medical Services, which can be ordered online at https://learn.vaulthealth.com/nh/.

Tests for active COVID-19 disease are available in locations across New Hampshire and include both the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test and the rapid antigen test. The PCR test is for persons with or without symptoms of COVID-19. The rapid antigen test is for persons with symptoms and within a specific timeframe after onset of symptoms.

The federal government has contracted with Walgreens and Rite Aid pharmacies to offer COVID-19 tests at no additional costs for persons without insurance with symptoms of COVID-19. Visit the website of these pharmacies or contact your local Walgreens or Rite Aid pharmacy to learn more about their free testing program.

Persons who do not have insurance or have a health insurance plan that does not fully cover the cost of tests may also have testing paid for by a New Hampshire Limited COVID-19 Testing Benefit. To apply online for the Testing Benefit, please visit NH EASY at https://nheasy.nh.gov and click on "COVID-19 Testing". Additional information about other DHHS programs and benefits, including different Medicaid plans that cover more than COVID-19 testing services, are on the NH EASY website.

Dover area COVID-19 testing locations:

CVS (Ages 3 and up)
50 Sterling Way, Dover
Type of test: PCR
https://cvs.com/minuteclinic/covid-19-testing

Rite Aid (Ages 4 and up)
679 Central Avenue only, Dover
Type of test: PCR
https://riteaid.com/pharmacy/services/covid-19-testing

ConvienentMD

14 Webb Place, Dover Type of test: PCR

https://convenientmd.com/covid-19-testing/

Walgreens (ages 3 and up)

1 Glenwood Ave., Dover Type of test: PCR and Rapid

https://walgreens.com/findcare/covid19/testing?ban=covid vanity testing

Quest Diagnostics (Ages 2 and up)

311 Route 108, Somersworth (inside Goodwin Health Center)
5 Clark Way, Somersworth
Type of test: Rapid

https://patient.questdiagnostics.com/no-cost-covid-test?utm_campaign=2021-5-CIIP-CIIP-Consumers&utm_medium=Vanity&utm_source=QuestCOVID19-com&utm_term=Paid-Owned

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital

789 Central Ave., Dover
Type of test: PCR
Scheduled through affiliated PCP only

ClearChoiceMD Urgent Care

Fox Run Mall, 50 Fox Run Road, Newington Type of test: PCR https://ccmdcenters.com/coronavirus2019

Upcoming Meetings:

Ordinance Committee, December 20, 8:30 a.m.

The Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 20, 2021, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

Transportation Advisory Commission, December 20, 7 p.m.

The Transportation Advisory Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 20, 2021, beginning at 6 p.m., in the training room at the Dover Police Department on Chestnut Street.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

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



Don't Trash Dover to hold Litter Collection Walk on Saturday

Join Don't Trash Dover on Saturday, Dec. 18, for a one-hour Litter Collection Walk, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Participants will meet at the front entrance of Dover Middle School, 16 Daley Drive. The group departs at 9:30 a.m. sharp and returns to same location at 10:30 a.m. sharp with litter collected for a group photo.

The Litter Collection Walk is open to all and is a great way to get some exercise and meet new people, while helping out the community.

Don't Trash Dover provides the bags and has litter grabbers available to loan, if needed. Those with their own litter grabbers are encouraged to bring them. Gloves are recommended.

For more information, visit https://fb.me/e/14ICXRVgA.

Tri-City warming center open daily

The Strafford County Extreme Weather Warming Center (Warming Center) at 30 Willand Drive in Somersworth is open daily through April 1, 2022. The hours of operations are Monday through Friday from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m., and all day and night on the weekends, holidays and winter storm days.

The Warming Center is a partnership of the cities of Dover, Somersworth and Rochester and the Community Action Partnership of Strafford County (CAPSC). CAPSC provide staffing and oversight at the Warming Center through the winter season. CAPSC also seeks community

help, including meal donations and volunteering at the Warming Center. CAPSC has created sign-up links for interested community members.

To donate meals, sign-up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-meals1.

To volunteer at the Warming Center, sign-up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-novdec. CAPSC will provide training opportunities in December. Email Dan Clark at december. Email Dan Clark at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-novdec.

For donated staple items for the Warming Center, sign-up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4aa5a728a2fec70-warming.



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 European 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.

Dec. 21, 1658 — It was voted that the meeting house on Dover Neck be underpinned, and catted and sealed with boards, a pulpit and seats convenient be made, and a bell purchased, to be paid for by a rate upon each man's estate according to the law of the country.

Dec. 24, 1715 — The "multiplicity of public houses occasioning many disorders," the Assembly enacted that there should be but six taverns in Portsmouth, three in Hampton, two in Dover, one at Oyster River, two at Exeter, two at New Castle, and one in the parish of Newington, and that "all other tippling houses be suppressed."

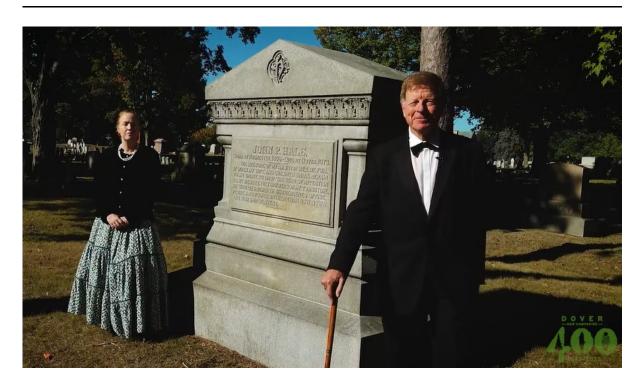
Dec. 23, 1757 — Samuel Heard of Dover, a soldier in the Crown Point Expedition, in Col. Nathaniel Meserve's regiment, having represented to the Assembly his indigent circumstances and his not being able to subsist himself by reason of the loss of his leg in May, 1756, and the late grant made him by the government being spent, it was voted that he be allowed the sum of thirty pounds, to be delivered him as occasion may require, by Capt. Thomas Wk. Waldron.

Dec. 18, 1785 — Andrew Peirce is born. Peirce, who would serve as Dover's first mayor, was born in Portsmouth Dec. 18, 1785, but nearly all his life was a resident of Dover, having filled, during his active and eminently useful life, almost every office in the gift of his fellow citizens. He was Speaker of the Legislature in 1823; Senator of the 5th District in 1825 and 1826; Counselor in 1827 and 1828; and in 1850 was a member of the Convention which was called to revise the Constitution of the State. When Dover was incorporated as a city, Col. Peirce, as an honor especially due him, was elected its first Mayor. For eighteen years he served as Clerk of the Strafford Courts, and for a term of years was Cashier and President of the Dover Bank. Of the First Congregational Church he was a Deacon for 24 years. In politics Col. Peirce was originally a Republican, and with that ardent love for his country which characterized his life and was breathed in his latest prayers, he, as Captain, led his company into the field on the occasion of Portsmouth being threatened in the War of 1812. (Dover Enquirer)

Dec. 17, 1999 — Then Dover Mayor Wil Boc and his wife, Carol, attend a cocktail reception at the White House, at the invitation of President Bill Clinton. The function, hosted by the President and his wife, Hillary Clinton, was held for friends and supporters.

Dec. 22, 2004 — Then Assistant City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. is appointed as interim city

manager following the resignation of City Manager Paul Beecher, who accepted a new position in Arizona. Joyal first joined the City of Dover as an intern in 1992 and was hired the following year as assistant to the city manager. He became the assistant city manager in 1995 and was appointed as permanent City Manager in 2005, a position he still holds today.



Catch the replay of Dover400's presentation of "Voices From the Cemetery"

Dover400, a committee of residents organizing Dover's 400th Anniversary, concluded its 2021 virtual lecture series this week with "Voices From the Cemetery", an historical and entertaining montage which visits with two dozen prominent and provocative citizens from Dover's past. Each is buried at Pine Hill Cemetery, but each comes back to life in this production, which was filmed in September 2020 for the Woodman Museum.

Several Pine Hill Cemetery re-enactment events have taken place over the past decade with inperson tours, but this version was created solely on film, without crowds, due to the pandemic. The Dover400 Committee is grateful to the Woodman Museum and to filmmaker Mike Gillis for allowing us to show the film online.

"Voices From the Cemetery" features some familiar characters that have appeared in reenactments before, but also some new and interesting faces and stories which will guarantee new historical knowledge about our city, and also perhaps a laugh or two. Watch the movie to enjoy, among the cast, sea captains, governors and senators, a Civil War nurse, an eccentric curmudgeon, Dover's first mayor and his wife, two hilarious librarians, a renowned painter, a couple of impressive female entrepreneurs, Dover's first hanging victim, a prominent druggist, the secret fiancé of John Wilkes Booth, and of course, the Weeping Bride will make an appearance too.

The film can be viewed at https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=nU1Ni9YzLSns.

The earlier eleven lectures in the series (presented January through November) can be viewed online if you missed them. They consecutively cover Dover history from the early 17th to the mid-20th centuries and can be found here: https://dovernh.viebit.com/index.php? folder=Dover400 or on the Dover400.org website.

Dover400 is currently underway with two fundraising campaigns, "\$400 for 400", an effort to solicit 400 donors at \$400 to celebrate Dover's 400th Anniversary; and also "The 1623 Society" with membership available for a donation of \$1623. All proceeds will support the activities planned throughout 2023. Donations may be sent to Dover400, 24 Chestnut St., Dover, NH



The Week at the Library

December VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of 5
Ingredients by Jamie Oliver. Throughout the month of December, 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. 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.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, December 20, 3 to 4 p.m. Monday Afternoon Book Group

Join virtually via Ring Central or in-person at the Library to discuss *Exhalation* by Ted Chiang. Copies of the book are available for borrowing at the library. Please register for this event if you plan to attend virtually.

Monday, December 20, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Monday Evening Book Group

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Chiang. Copies of the book are available for borrowing at the library. Please register for this event if you plan to attend virtually.

Tuesday, December 21, 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.

Thursday, Dec. 23, All Day Teen Take & Make Kits: Yarn Hats

Teens entering grades 6-12 are welcome to bring home a Take & Make Kit filled with supplies needed to make a mini yarn hat. Kits will be available beginning December 23, and can be picked up in the Teen Loft (one per teen, please) while supplies last!

Friday, Dec. 24 - Sunday, Dec. 26 Library Closed for Christmas Holiday





Representatives from the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently welcomed Strafford Farms as a valued member of the chamber recently at the restaurant's 58 Rochester Road location in Dover.

Strafford Farms joins Dover Chamber

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently held a ribbon cutting ceremony to welcome Strafford Farms Restaurant as a member of the chamber.

Located at 58 Rochester Rd in Dover, Strafford Farms serves as the home to three family-owned restaurants: Strafford Farms Restaurant, The Loft, and The Back 40 Grille and Ice Cream.

Strafford Farms Restaurant is open daily and offers family dining for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The Loft, which is upstairs, offers lunch and dinner and a wide selection of beer, wine and drinks. The Back 40 Grille and Ice Cream is open year-round.

The restaurant offers online ordering as well, as they can bring lunch and dinner directly to your car or you can go inside to pick it up. They offer family-style dinners to go and have the ability to prepare meals for large parties. Strafford Farms also has a function room available. They are open Wednesday through Sunday, and closed Monday and Tuesday.

You can contact Strafford Farms by calling 603-742-7012 or visiting them online at www.straffordfarms.com.



Text DoverNH to 99411 to receive parking ban alerts
Sign up for text alerts at bit.ly/dovercodered
Sign up for e-mail alerts at bit.ly/doverdownload
Current ban status: bit.ly/doverban or 516-PARK





CMNH admission passes make GREAT stocking stuffers!

Now through the end of December 2021, purchase five CMNH admission passes, and we'll gift you the fifth one for FREE. Just use the code PLAYFIVE when purchasing online. Admission passes never expire, but online reservations are still required when planning your visit.

Purchase CMNH admission passes here for \$11/each: https://tinyurl.com/tye2e6zn

Jingle Bell Extravaganza at the Children's Museum of NH

Instead of waiting in long lines to meet Santa, play in the Museum while you wait! Purchase tickets for this Sunday's event until 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11.

Sunday, Dec. 12, 1 to 2:30 p.m. or 3-4:30 p.m.

Price includes everything, including museum admission, visit/photo with Santa, and fun holiday activities and crafts: \$15 for Members or \$20 for Non-members per person and children under 12 months of age are free.

Tickets: https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/jingle-bell-express

Family New Year's Eve Celebration

Friday, Dec. 31, 9 a.m. to noon Friday, Dec. 31, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Included with Museum admission. Online reservations required: https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/family-new-years-eve-celebration

Gift someone you love free admission to the Children's Museum of NH for one year!

A Children's Museum of NH Membership gives families free access to all the museum offers for one year! Gifting a Membership to someone you love is easy. Choose the Membership level, and purchase it online "as a gift". You will have the choice of having the Membership certificate mailed to you, or mailed directly to the family you are gifting to. The Membership certificate details what level of membership, a place for you to add a custom message, and a portion that the family will need to fill out with their information and bring with them the first time they visit CMNH. Gift Memberships are not activated until that certificate is presented at the museum for the first time. Memberships can be purchased online anytime, but if you want the certificate to arrive before Christmas please purchase before noon on December 15: https://childrens-museum.org/membership/families

Annual Holiday Artisan Faire at the Woodman Museum

The Annual Artisan Faire at the Woodman Museum will feature the work of local fine artists and craftsmen with a focus on New Hampshire based artists and artisans. Each piece is handcrafted with styles ranging from traditional to contemporary. The show incorporates a diverse range of creative mediums.

The show will take place in the Thom Hindle Gallery, in the 1825 Keefe House on the campus of the Woodman Museum. The house provides an intimate and one-of-a-kind shopping experience, and the gorgeous architecture highlights the beauty of the artwork.

The show is produced by the Woodman Museum and is open Wednesday through Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., beginning December 8 and continuing through December 23.

For more information, visit www.woodmanmuseum.org.

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:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant Electrical Technician
- Engineering Technician
- Deputy Director of Information Technology
- Library Assistant, Adult Circulation
- Assistant City Engineer
- Maintenance Specialist I
- Police Social Worker
- Police Officer

- Public Safety DispatcherCustodian

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

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