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Severe drought conditions persist

Mandatory water use restrictions remain in effect

With severe drought conditions persisting in Dover and southern Strafford County, the City of Dover's mandatory water use restrictions remain in effect. More information, including the emergency order issued by City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr, can be viewed here: <u>https://go.usa.gov/xfhck</u>.

Under the emergency order, the following outdoor water use restrictions are in place:

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Missed the meeting?

Meetings this week:

School Board, August 31, 5:30 p.m.

The School Board will hold a workshop session on Monday, Aug. 31, 2020, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

- No outside lawn watering or irrigation, including automatic sprinklers, automatic irrigation systems, and no unattended lawn watering
- No washing of vehicles, including automobiles, trailers and trucks
- No filling of swimming pools greater than 100 gallons

Hand watering of gardens and new plantings is allowed. Commercial car washes, agriculture operations, flower shops and garden centers are not affected by the restrictions at this time.

Water conservation efforts by all water users, including well users, will reduce the demands on Dover's water supplies, reduce stress on water resources, and ensure sufficient water is available to meet the needs of all customers, as well as emergency operations, such as fire supply. The emergency order will be enforced by public outreach, followed by warnings to those in violation, and fines of up to \$250 per violation, if necessary. For specific questions about the water restrictions, including usage, contact Community Services at 516-6450.

In addition to the mandatory water restrictions outdoors, there are several other ways users can help conserve water, including:

- Cutting back on shower times, only doing full loads of laundry when necessary, and turning off the faucet while brushing teeth, doing dishes and washing hands.
- Replace old water fixtures and appliances that are wasting water. Top-loading washing machines built before 2003 and toilets older than 1994 are known to be the largest water-wasting culprits in the home. Showerheads older than 1994 can also waste a great deal of water, as can older bathroom sink aerators. Selecting ENERGY STAR certified machines and replacing old water fixtures with EPA WaterSense certified fixtures is an easy way to ensure you are choosing products that will save water and perform. For guidance on selecting ENERGY STAR and WaterSense certified products and more water efficiency tips, see the NHDES water efficiency fact sheets at https://go.usa.gov/xfSz4.
- Fix leaks, including running toilets. Running toilets can waste hundreds of gallons a day. Old and worn toilet flappers are often the culprit and are very easy to replace. Also, some toilet leaks can't be heard. Check for a leak by dropping food coloring (12 drops) or a leak detector dye tablet in the toilet tank. Do not flush for 15 or 20 minutes. If the dye shows up in the bowl, you know that your toilet is running.

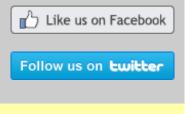
The City's water users can learn more about current drought conditions, outdoor water use restrictions, water efficiency



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

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



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Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official **Facebook page** and **twitter feed** for the latest updates. tips, and drought guidance at <u>http://bit.ly/NHDROUGHT</u>.

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

CURRENT RESTRICTIONS

No outside lawn watering or irrigation, including automatic sprinklers, automatic irrigation systems, and unattended lawn watering



No washing of vehicles, including automobiles, trailers and trucks

No filling of swimming pools greater than 100 gallons



Hand watering of gardens and new plantings is allowed

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN HELP

Conserve water by cutting back on shower times, only doing full loads of laundry when necessary, and turning off the faucet while brushing teeth, doing dishes and washing hands.

Replace old water fixtures and appliances. Fix leaks, including running toilets.



Sign-ups for school meal deliveries begin Tuesday, Sept. 1

Dover's public schools will begin taking online orders for meal deliveries on Tuesday, Sept. 1. Meals will be delivered by school bus to 15 locations throughout the city beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8. Deliveries will occur each week on Tuesdays and Fridays and include breakfast and lunch options.

In a video released today, Dover Schools Business Administrator Michael Limanni explains how meal deliveries will work as the school year begins. The video can be viewed here: <u>https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?</u> <u>hash=W3Dt4I1wfHob</u>.

Dover's public schools are slated to begin remotely for all students on Thursday, Sept. 10.

For more information, visit https://www.dover.k12.nh.us.

NH Listens and Tri-City Chambers to host Candidate Forums

New Hampshire Listens, in conjunction with the Greater Dover, Falls (Somersworth), and Rochester chambers of commerce, will host candidate forums for the Executive Council (District 2) and Sheriff (Strafford County) races on Sept. 1 and Sept. 2, respectively, from 6:30 to



8 p.m. The forums will take place via Zoom, and will be broadcast simultaneously on Facebook. The forums will also be recorded for broadcast on local cable access channels later in the week.

"We are thrilled to be cooperating with the Tri-City chambers on this effort," says NH Listens Director and Co-Founder Michele Holt-Shannon. "Despite the ongoing pandemic, we have found a way to provide citizens with the opportunity to get to know the candidates vying for election to these two critical offices."

The forums are free to attend but pre-registration is required. To register for the Executive Council forum, visit <u>dovernh.org/executivecouncil</u>. To register for the Sheriff forum, visit <u>dovernh.org/sheriff</u>. Zoom links will be emailed to all registered attendees prior to the forums.

NH Listens is a civic engagement initiative of the Carsey School of Public Policy at the University of New Hampshire. NH Listens partners with public officials, organizations, and leaders in all sectors to gather broad input that can lead to improved practice and policy. For more information visit <u>carsey.unh.edu/new-hampshire-listens</u>.





Supervisors of the Checklist in session Tuesday, Sept. 1

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 1, 2020, from 7 to 7:30 p.m., at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave.

During this session, supervisors will register new voters, make changes of address and name, and make other necessary corrections to the checklist.

Party affiliation cannot be changed during this session.

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

Preprocessing of absentee ballots to occur on Friday, Sept. 4

The New Hampshire Legislature has authorized early processing of absentee ballots for the 2020 elections. Early absentee ballot processing in Dover will occur on Friday, Sept. 4, 2020, in the auditorium at City Hall.

Preprocessing times are set by ward, as follows:

- Ward 1 1 p.m.
- Ward 2 2 p.m.
- Ward 3 2 p.m.
- Ward 4 9 a.m.
- Ward 5 To be determined
- Ward 6 11 a.m.

Absentee ballots returned after this date will be processed on Election Day, Sept. 8.

The preprocessing of absentee ballots is open to the public.

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

Absentee ballots available for Sept. 8 State Primary Election

Dover City Clerk Susan Mistretta reminds voters that absentee ballots for the State Primary Election on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020 are available at the City Clerk's Office. Applications for an absentee ballot are <u>available online here</u> or at the City Clerk's Office.

Voters are urged to request and return absentee ballots as soon as possible to avoid postal delays.

Any registered voter unable to vote on Election Day, or who cannot make it to the polls because of a disability, religious observance, due to employment obligations, or any reason relating to COVID-19, may request an absentee ballot from the City Clerk's Office in person or by mail.

Returning an absentee ballot by mail requires a signed affidavit, which is included with the ballot and return envelope. If voting by absentee ballot due to COVID-19, sign under "Absence Because of Religious Observance or Physical Disability."

The City Clerk's Office, located in the Customer Service Center at City Hall, is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The mailing address is 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820.

For more information, call 516-6018 or visit <u>https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/election-information/</u>.

Not registered to vote? It's not too late

Residents not yet registered to vote for the State Primary Election on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020 can register in person at City Hall or by absentee registration. Requirements for absentee voter registration can be found at sos.nh.gov.

To register in person, visit the City Clerk's Office at City Hall during regular hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. New voters can also register during the next session of the Supervisors of the Checklist on Tuesday, Sept. 1, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. The Supervisors of the Checklist session will be the last chance to register to vote before the Primary Election. Unregistered voters can also register to vote on Election Day, Sept. 8.

You can check your registration status at sos.nh.gov.

All new voters must complete a voter registration form. To vote, you must be a New Hampshire resident who will be 18

years of age or older on the day of the next election, and a United States citizen. There is no minimum period of time you are required to have lived in the state before being allowed to register.

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

City Clerk's Office open limited hours on Labor Day for election requests

The City Clerk's Office, located in the Customer Service Center at City Hall, will be open on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7, from 3 to 5 p.m., for election information and requests only. The office will not be staffed for other business on Labor Day. City Hall's other administrative offices will be closed on Labor Day.

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

Election officers needed in all wards

The City Clerk's Office is seeking election officers to help staff Dover's polling places during upcoming elections, including the State Primary in September and the General Election in November.

The City Clerk's office provides training to all election workers. These are paid positions. Election workers must be at least 18 years old and a Dover resident.

Election officers assist with a variety of duties on election day, including aiding voters, maintaining order, opening and closing the polls, and processing the vote counts. Election workers are needed in all of the City's six wards.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at 516-6018 or email City Clerk Susan Mistretta at <u>s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov</u>.





Durham, Newmarket officials clean Dover fire truck after losing 2020 Census Response Rate Challenge

Newmarket Town Manager Steve Fournier and Durham Town Administrator Todd Selig arrived in Dover this week ready to scrub, fulfilling a promise to wash a Dover fire truck under the watchful eye of Dover City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. The town leaders lost the challenge after the City of Dover took the top spot in the friendly competition between Dover, Newmarket and Durham. The competition first began during the 2010 Census.

Dover led with 67.7 percent participation in the 2020 Census by the competition deadline, May 15, followed by Newmarket at 66.4 percent and Durham at 54.9 percent. The state average as of May 15 was 59.5 percent.



Newmarket Town Manager Steve Fournier cleans the wheel of a Dover fire truck after losing the 2020 Census Challenge between Dover, Newmarket and Durham. Newmarket won the competition in 2010.



Durham Town Administrator Todd Selig cleans the wheel of a Dover fire truck after losing the 2020 Census Challenge between Dover, Newmarket and Durham.

In the 2010 challenge, Newmarket won with 71 percent of its residents mailing in their Census responses. Dover came in second place with 68 percent and Durham third with 67 percent.

In addition to the local officials, the event was also attended by state and Census officials, as well as U.S. Rep. Chris Pappas, who reminded everyone there is still time to complete the Census.

The event can be viewed here. <u>https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?</u> <u>hash=gR36JDIPt0DK</u>

The 2020 Census counts every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia, and five U.S. territories. The census provides critical data that lawmakers, business owners, teachers, and many others use to provide daily services, products, and support for residents and the community. Census data informs federal funding for more than 100 programs, including school lunches, highway construction and education.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts. As a result of population changes between 2000 and 2010, eight states gained seats in the House of Representatives and 10 states had fewer seats in the House of Representatives. The count is mandated by the Constitution and has been done every 10 years since 1790.

For more information about the 2020 Census, visit 2020census.gov.

Census Bureau adapts operations to

ensure everyone is counted

As the U.S. Census Bureau continues to monitor the impacts COVID-19 has on 2020 Census operations, changes to operations are being deployed to ensure the safety of staff and the public while maximizing the number of households that respond on their own to the 2020 Census.

"We are taking steps and adapting our operations to make sure everyone is counted, while keeping everyone safe," said Census Bureau Director Dr. Steven Dillingham. "Our commitment to a complete and accurate 2020 Census is absolute. In this challenging environment, we are deploying these tactics to make sure we reach every household in every community. If you haven't responded, the time to respond is now! Responding to the 2020 Census online, on paper, by phone, or in person with a census taker, helps secure vital resources for your community."

Over 63.5% of households have responded to the 2020 Census. People can still respond <u>online, over the phone or by</u> <u>mail</u> - all without having to meet a census taker.

The Census Bureau will follow up with some nonresponding households by phone

In order to supplement our capabilities to send census takers to households in person, the Census Bureau is training census takers to follow up with households by phone. Using information provided to the Census Bureau and third-party purchased data, the Census Bureau has a strong contact list for both landlines and cellphones assigned to houses on the Census Bureau's address list. These phone calls will enable the Census Bureau to have maximum flexibility for conducting field operations, and is one more method that census takers can use to reach nonresponding households... If a voicemail is available, the census taker will leave a message asking the household to call one of the Census Bureau's call centers.

Census takers have begun following up with households nationwide. Census takers will continue to follow up with nonresponding households in person, and will follow CDC and local public health guidelines when they visit.

If no one is home when the census taker visits, the census taker will leave a "Notice of Visit" with information about how to respond <u>online</u>, <u>by phone</u> or <u>by mail</u>, to encourage response. During Census Bureau tests, the "Notice of Visit" proved successful in encouraging people to respond on their own to the census.

The Census Bureau will mail an additional paper questionnaire to nonresponding households

To encourage more households to respond on their own to the 2020 Census, the Census Bureau is contacting nonresponding households by mailing an additional paper questionnaire to some households that have yet to respond.

The Census Bureau is sending a seventh mailing, including a paper questionnaire, in late August to early September to the lowest-responding census tracts.

The Census Bureau is emailing households in lowresponding areas

The Census Bureau recently announced that households in low-responding areas would be receiving emails to encourage response to the 2020 Census.

The emails will go to all households that the Census Bureau has contact information for in census block groups with a <u>response rate</u> lower than 50%. This will include households who may have already responded. In total, the Census Bureau expects to email more than 20 million households in these low-responding areas. The email messages will come from <u>2020census@subscriptions.census.gov</u> and will give recipients the option to opt out of receiving future messages.

The Census Bureau is using email addresses that households have provided in response to another Census Bureau program, or received from states (such as from their WIC, SNAP or TANF programs) or from a commercial list.

In addition to contacting households through these new methods, the Census Bureau is increasing other outreach efforts during one last push to encourage everyone to respond to the census online, by phone or by mail. The Census Bureau recently announced that it has launched <u>Mobile Questionnaire Assistance</u>, a program that offers assistance with responding at locations, such as grocery stores and pharmacies, in low-responding areas.

Additionally, the Census Bureau has expanded its paid advertising, launching a series of new advertisements aimed at increasing online response. Now, 45 non-English languages are receiving some level of paid media support.



Next phase of Community Trail improvements begins Sept. 8

Construction will require partial closures while work is ongoing

On Aug. 12, the City Council awarded the construction contract for Phase III of the Community Trail to SUR Construction, based in Rochester. SUR expects to begin construction of the trail on Tuesday, Sept. 8. This work includes completing the trail from Fisher Street south to Central Avenue, and upgrading the trail head on Fourth Street, at Downeast Energy.



SUR will begin the work on the Central Avenue/Fisher Street portion, but will also access the Fourth Street area at the same time. Due to the construction, these areas of the trail will be unavailable temporarily. The public will continue to have access to the bulk of the rural portion of the trail, and the urban portion from Fisher Street to the Transportation Center.

Improvements to the Fisher Street to Central Avenue portion of the trail include drainage work, pavement, benches and landscaping. A trailhead is planned for Central Avenue. At the Fourth Street portion, a trail head and an updated Americans with Disabilities (ADA)-compliant ramp to the trail will be created. The final element of the project is signage along Chestnut Street and Fourth Street to guide users between the Transportation Center trail head and Fourth Street.

This work is being completed thanks to a grant from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation, which covers 80 percent of the cost. The land needed for the trail easement was donated by Downeast Energy, Summit Land and Sixth Street Station Condos.

The work is expected to be completed around Thanksgiving, and as portions are completed, they will be opened to the public for use. Please watch Dover Download and the Community Trail Facebook Page for more information.



Traffic and parking restrictions in place for drainage work

Community Services crews will begin upgrades to drainage systems on the following streets beginning Tuesday, Sept. 1, weather permitting:

- George Street
- Sonnet Street

The work is expected to last one week. While the work is ongoing, the roads will be open only to local traffic and onstreet parking will be prohibited from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

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

Horne Street water main replacement work continues

Work to replace portions of the water main on Horne Street will continue the week of Aug. 31. The work will be conducted by a private contractor, MacKinnon & Sons.

While the work is underway, there may be minor disruptions in water service. The City of Dover will provide advance notice of water disruptions, when possible. In addition, Horne Street will be closed to through traffic each day work occurs from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., from Hough Street to Ash Street.

Additional work on Horne Street will continue next year. The City's Capital Improvements Program (CIP), which proposes funding for significant capital projects over six years, includes the reconstruction of Horne Street, including sidewalks, in fiscal year 2026.

For more information, contact Community Services 516-6450.



Dover schools receive PPE donation

The Seacoast Educational Endowment of Dover ("SEED"), a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting academic excellence in Dover schools, is pleased to announce it has received a significant donation of personal protective equipment ("PPE") from Shads Advertising Company. Valued at \$12,835, the PPE will be disbursed across the Dover School District in time for the new school year.

Initiated by Dover resident and employee of Shads Advertising, Jennifer Coffin, the donation includes 3,500 KN-95 masks and 210 bottles of hand sanitizer.

"I commend the job the Dover school district administration has done with the amount of thought and effort put into figuring out the best options for the new school year," said Coffin. "I am fortunate enough to be in a position make this essential donation possible."

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Even though the Dover School Board unanimously voted to adopt a virtual learning model, teachers and staff will be required to teach from their classrooms, in their buildings.

"We are grateful for generous gift," said William Harbron, Superintendent of Dover Schools. "This will help us protect our people as we bring staff together in person to allow for a higher degree of coordination and continued improvement of remote environment."

According to the CDC, schools play a critical role to enable students to receive both academic instruction and provision of other critical services and supports. By strictly implementing mitigation strategies, schools will be able to meet the needs of their students and community, while reducing the risk of COVID-19 spread. The District will reevaluate every few weeks for possible changes in the virtual model.

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For more information about SEED, to become a sponsor, volunteer, or donate, please visit <u>www.doverseed.org</u>.



City assessors perform inspections year round

In addition to performing citywide assessments of property during revaluation, assessment inspections of properties occur for a number of additional reasons, including:

- Cycle inspections are conducted on a rotating basis, ensuring the property database is current and accurate. Notices for cycle inspections are sent out prior to the inspections;
- Properties with active building permits, or to follow-up ongoing construction;
- Properties that have sold, and;
- Properties with appointments arranged by the property owner.

When doing general field work, assessing inspectors wear a bright yellow vest and carry City of Dover identification. Assessing vehicles are marked with a magnetic sticker stating Assessor's Office.

For more information, including to verify the identity of an inspector at your property or in your neighborhood, contact the Assessing Office at 603-516-6014.

STOPPING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 ISN'T JUST ABOUT YOU.

IT'S ABOUT PROTECTING EVERYONE AROUND YOU.



How cloth face coverings help slow the spread of COVID-19

COVID-19 spreads mainly from person to person through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, talks, or raises their voice (e.g., while shouting, chanting, or singing). These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be



inhaled into the lungs. <u>Recent studies</u> show that a significant portion of individuals with COVID-19 lack symptoms (are "asymptomatic") and that even those who eventually develop symptoms (are "pre-symptomatic") can transmit the virus to others before showing symptoms.

To reduce the spread of COVID-19, CDC recommends that people wear cloth face coverings in public settings when around people outside of their household, especially when other <u>social distancing</u> measures are difficult to maintain.

The City Council recently unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the use of face coverings in public to help prevent the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus.

Why it is important to wear a cloth face covering

Cloth face coverings may help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others. Wearing a cloth

face covering will help protect people around you, including those at <u>higher risk of severe illness</u> from COVID-19 and workers who frequently come into close contact with other people (e.g., in stores and restaurants). Cloth face coverings are most likely to reduce the spread of COVID-19 when they are widely used by people in public settings. The spread of COVID-19 can be reduced when cloth face coverings are used along with other preventive measures, including social distancing, frequent handwashing, and cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces.

The cloth face coverings recommended here are not surgical masks or respirators. Currently, those are critical supplies that should be reserved for healthcare workers and other first responders. Cloth face coverings are not personal protective equipment (PPE). They are not appropriate substitutes for PPE such as respirators (like N95 respirators) or medical facemasks (like surgical masks) in workplaces where respirators or facemasks are recommended or required to protect the wearer.

For more information,

visit <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/about-face-coverings.html</u>.



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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.

Sept. 3, 1667 - At a public town meeting it was ordered that every Indian who should kill a wolf and bring the head to some public officer, should have thirty shillings and no more, and the former order concerning Indians killing wolves was annulled.

Aug. 29, 1722 - On petition of the representatives of the town of Dover for a special act to "exempt the town from keeping a grammar school during the Indian war," it was voted that they keep a school for reading, writing and arithmetic." The petitioners had stated that the settlements of the inhabitants of the town were, "scattered over the whole township so that in no one place six houses were within the call for help."

Aug. 31, 1827 - Died at Brunswick, Maine at the residence of his son, Col. John Waldron, aged 87, a native and life long resident of Dover. He was a Colonel in the Army of the Revolution, marching his Regiment of 700 men whom he had himself enlisted, to Cambridge when the war broke out. He was prominent also in civil affairs, having served as moderator of town meetings about 30 years in succession, and represented the town and district in both branches of the Legislature.

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Sept. 4, 1838 - Due to a great scarcity of water, the mills are reduced to half-day operation.

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Aug. 30, 1842 - Stephen Tuttle and William Ellison, young men about 19 years of age, were drowned by the upsetting of their boat near Dover Point.

Historic Walking Tours: Summer 2020

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will offer its Historic Walking Tours on a limited basis throughout the summer of 2020. There will not be a set schedule; rather, tours will be conducted by request depending on the availability of our volunteer tour guides. The three tours offered include Downtown Walking Tour, Pine Hill Cemetery Tour, and Historic Homes Architectural Tour.

Group size will be limited to no more than 10 and participants will be required to wear masks. Participants will also be encouraged to bring their own water, wear comfortable shoes, and wear a head covering. Tours run about 90 minutes long.

To schedule a tour, call the chamber at 603-742-2218 or email <u>info@dovernh.org</u>. The fee for the walking tours is \$10 per person, with a \$25 limit for families.

If interested in becoming a tour guide, contact the Chamber at 603-742-2218 or info@dovernh.org.



This Week at the Library

Friday, August 28 through Monday, August, 31, All Day

VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of Katie Lee's*Endless Summer Cookbook*. Throughout the month of August, 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. 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 tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, August 31, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. 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 Sunday 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.

Monday, August 31, 8:30 to 9:45 p.m. Movies on the Front Lawn

Enjoy the throw back film, Matilda (1996), starring starring Danny DeVito, Rhea Perlman, and Mara Wilson. Story of a wonderful little girl, who happens to be a genius, and her wonderful teacher vs. the worst parents ever and the worst school principal imaginable. Showing will be limited to the first 50 people. No registration is required. Attendees are welcome to bring a snack and a blanket or chair to sit on. In order to stay safe, the library will be practicing social distancing measures and ask that movie-goers wear a mask when they are not seated. Rated PG

Tuesday, Sept. 1 through Wednesday, Sept. 30, All Day VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *The Magnolia Table* by Joanna Gaines. Throughout the month of September, 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. 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 tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

<u>Thursday, September 3, 10 to 11 a.m.</u> Morning Book Group on the Front Lawn

Join us for a monthly book group the first Thursday of each month. Registration for Zoom meeting required in case of inclement weather.

<u>Thursday, September 3, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.</u> VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Under

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons LIVE online through Zoom with Dungeon Master Griffin! The group will meet every other Thursday 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.



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, <u>click here</u>.

To download an application for board and commissions, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>. 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.

Trash and recycling reminders

Waste Management, the City's new solid waste and recycling vendor, began curbside pick-up on July 1. Although pick-up routes mostly remain the same, residents are reminded that:

- The pick-up time on your regularly scheduled collection day may be different than it was prior to July 1. To ensure trash and recycling are picked up, please remember that all items must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on the designated collection day or as early as 4 p.m. the day before.
- <u>By City ordinance</u>, the maximum weight of trash bags is 35 pounds. Waste Management may reject trash bags

that exceed the weight limit. Bags should be tied or sealed and should not be overloaded. Please note that the smaller, 15-gallon bags are rated for 20 pounds maximum.

- Dover trash bags can be purchased from a variety of local merchants, as well as the City Clerk's Office, the Community Services facility on Mast Road, and the Recycling Center. For a list of local merchants selling Dover trash bags, visit <u>https://go.usa.gov/xfXAs</u>.
- Curbside trash and recycling pick-up will follow the existing holiday schedule. Collection during a holiday week will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week beginning on the holiday. For a list of holidays, see the city's website here: <u>https://go.usa.gov/xwApG</u>.
- All non-metal items too large to fit in a Dover trash bag, such as furniture, mattresses, toilets and carpets, require a bulky item tag. Bulky item tags can be purchased at the City Clerk's Office, the Community Services facility on Mast Road, the Recycling Center and at most locations where city trash bags are sold.

There are new restrictions on what types of plastics can be recycled. Only the items listed below should be placed in your household recycling bin:

- **Plastic:** Only #1, #2 and #5 plastics are allowed. Bottles, tubs, jugs, jars only. Bottle caps can be recycled if removed, washed, and placed back back on the bottle. Loose caps, which fall through processing screens, cannot be recycled. NO PLASTIC BAGS.
- Glass: Bottles and jars only. Rinse and dry.
- Cardboard, cartons, paper: Newspaper, magazines, office paper and junk mail only. Flatten, then place in recycling bin, paper bags, or bundle and tie. Rinse and dry. No plastic bags.
- Metal: Aluminum, tin and steel cans. Rinse and dry.

Note: The City of Dover discourages the use of single-use plastics including, but not limited to, plastic straws, disposable plates, cups, utensils, light-weight plastic bags, beverage containers and razors.

Clean recycling means materials can get to their next best use, which helps protect the environment by conserving natural resources, saves energy and reduces greenhouse gas emissions. Placing items in recycling bins that are not recyclable such as Styrofoam, light bulbs, plastic flower pots and bags, contaminates the entire load and may send it to a landfill and will cost us more. Recycling bins that contain nonrecyclable items may not be picked up or flagged with a warning sticker.

Follow these simple recycling guidelines:

- Recycle all bottles, cans and paper.
- Keep items clean and dry.

• No plastic bags of any kind.

For more information, <u>visit the city's website here</u> or contact Community Services at 516-6450.

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- Police Officer
- Director of Public Welfare
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Deputy City Attorney
- Parking Enforcement Officer
- Arena maintenance/lce resurfacer
- Lifeguard
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