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Police Department, City Council recognize annual awards recipients

The Dover Police Department this week held its annual awards banquet at Ember Wood Fired Grill. The award recipients were also recognized with a proclamation by Mayor Robert Carrier and the City Council.

The Police Department's award recipients this year are:

Employee of the Year:

Officer Christopher
Plummer received the
award in recognition of his
attributes in many areas,
to include his work as the

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Know what's "In the Bin"

Missed the meeting?

Meetings this week:

City Council, March 4, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, March 4, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

The topics of the workshop are the City's recent wage and classification study, proposed rezoning, and the City's Master Plan and Strategic Plan.

To view the 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.

Whittier Falls liaison officer where he worked tirelessly to better the quality of life for Dover Housing Authority residents. Chris transitioned back to the patrol bureau where he proved to be an asset working to train new officers and improve the



quality of department wide trainings in the area of use of force. Chris has spent a lot of his free time and efforts to help create more realistic and advantageous trainings for fellow officers. Officer Plummer's 15 years of experience as an officer, his time in the Drug Task Force, his experience as a Team Leader with the Strafford County Regional Tactical Operations Unit, and his positive attitude and enthusiasm for police work make him an asset to the Dover Police Department and worthy of the recognition as the Dover Police Department's 2019 Employee of the year.

Mission Award: Officer
Alison Couch. The Mission
award recognizes the
employee who meets the
department's mission while
consistently maintaining the
appropriate balance between
enforcing laws and providing
customer service while
continuing the department's
community policing efforts.
Officer Couch lead the
department in criminal
arrests, while also



maintaining an above average number of citizen community policing contacts. Officer Couch was able to do this while also fulfilling her responsibilities as a field training officer. Officer Couch is not only a valuable member of the department, she is an outstanding role model for new officers.

Outstanding Partner

Award: American Legion Post #8. In addition to gifting over \$7,000 to the Dover Teen Center, the membership of the



American Legion has shown consistent compassion and dedication to ensuring that the teen center can continue its mission of supporting at risk youth.

Chief Daniel Smith Award for Exceptional Service: Officer Brynn Dunne, Officer David Collis, Officer Michelle Murch, Officer Jenna Donais and Detective Andrew Courter are the 2019 recipients of this award which is given is employees who have gone above what is normally expected while

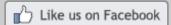


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Recycling Center hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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serving the citizens of the community for their continued efforts as Big Brothers and Big Sisters in the first in New Hampshire "Bigs and Badges" program that matches police officers with youth in the community. The officers donate their own time to meet with their "littles" weekly.

Looking Beyond the Traffic Stop: Officer Allison Couch. This award is given to recognize the officer who self- initiates investigations, makes arrests, or develops informants through the use of effective traffic enforcement and/or field contacts.

Creative Innovation Award: Dispatcher John Nelson for his hard work and technical abilities in troubleshooting, repairing and maintaining phone and radio system issues, saving the department and city money in costly repairs.

Traffic Officer of the Year: Officer Michael Volpe who led the department in traffic enforcement efforts.

Community Officer of the Year: Officer Killian Kondrup who led the department in citizen community policing contacts. Community Contacts, which encourage officers to be more social and accessible to the public in a non-enforcement type of interaction, include stopping by local schools, rest homes and



parks to make conversation with people in a friendly manner.

Chief's Marksmanship Award: Officer Bryon Lynch

Ridings Memorial Marksmanship Awards: 1st place, Officer Nate Goard; 2nd place, Detective Tim Burt; 3rd place, Officer Bryon Lynch.



Warmer weather prompts ice safety warning from Dover Fire and Rescue

Because of this winter's uneven temperatures, including warmer weather this week, Dover Fire and Rescue officials are asking people to be safe on the ice.

"We're urging anyone heading out onto the ice to be extremely cautious," said Fire Chief Paul Haas. "It's important to check the thickness of the ice before going out on any frozen waterbody. The recent warm weather, as well as this winter's fluctuating temperatures, have made ice conditions unpredictable."

Haas urges all parents to have a conversation with their kids and remind them not to venture out on any ice surface without an adult accompanying them.

Anyone walking onto the ice should carefully assess ice safety by using an ice chisel or auger to determine ice thickness and condition, Haas said. Continue to do this as you get further out on to the ice, because the thickness of the ice will not be uniform all over the waterbody.

Though all ice is potentially dangerous, the U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory in Hanover, N.H., offers a "rule of thumb" on ice thickness: There should be a minimum of six inches of hard ice before individual foot travel, and eight to 10 inches of hard ice for snow machine or All-Terrain Vehicle travel.

Keep in mind that thick ice does not always mean safe ice. It is possible for ice to be thick, but not strong, because of varying weather conditions. Weak ice is formed when warming trends break down ice, then the slushy surface refreezes. Be especially careful of areas with current, such as inlets, outlets and spring holes, where the ice can be dangerously thin. Frozen rivers and streams should never be considered safe to walk on.

Haas said it's important to remember that small bodies of water tend to freeze thicker, but rivers and lakes are more prone to wind, currents and wave action that weaken ice. Haas added people shouldn't gather in large groups nor drive large vehicles onto the ice.

If you do break through the ice, don't panic. Move or swim back to where you fell in, where you know the ice was solid. Lay both arms on the unbroken ice and kick hard. This will help lift your body onto the ice. Carry a set of ice picks; they can help you pull yourself out if you do fall through the ice; wear them around your neck or put them in an easily accessible pocket. Once out of the water, roll away from the hole until you reach solid ice.

Ice safety is also very important for snowmobilers. Don't assume a trail is safe just because it exists; ask about trail conditions at local snowmobile clubs or sporting goods shops before you go.

For more information, contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 603-516-6148. For emergencies, dial 911.



Dover Arts Commission awards City Arts Grant to local author

The Dover Arts Commission is pleased to announce the selection of Emily Cook as the recipient of its winter 2020 City Arts Grant. City Arts Grants are awarded to individual artists and arts organizations to create visual art, music, dance, theatre, film, and literary projects that benefit the residents of Dover and enrich the cultural life of the city.

Cook earned her B.A. in environmental studies and visual art from Eckerd College in 2008, with a focus on endangered species and islands. She received her M.A. from Prescott College in 2018, focusing on environmental education through storytelling. Her children's book, "I Saw An Åga," is the capstone piece to a curriculum she developed to improve avian ecological literacy on the island of Rota, in the U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).

Åga, also known as the Mariana crow (Corvus kubaryi), are critically endangered, and are now only found in the wild on Rota. One problem for Åga and their conservation is lack of education and misidentification. Many people do not know about Åga or the Mariana Islands, and people often mistake other birds for Åga. "I Saw An Åga" takes readers on a colorful journey around the island of Rota, introduces unique birds, and develops avian identification skills.

Cook plans to hold readings and activities at the Children's Museum of New Hampshire, local elementary schools, and Apple Harvest Day. As an environmental professional trained in environmental education, her cross-disciplinary presentations include citizen science, coloring projects, and environmental lessons to improve ecological literacy and

cultural awareness.

"I look forward to increasing awareness about Åga and the Mariana Islands, while also fostering a sense of wonder and care for local birds," Cook said.

The deadline for the next round of City Arts Grants is May 1.

To assist applicants in preparing their proposals, the Dover Arts Commission will host a Grant Information Session on Monday, March 16, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., in the Community Room at the Dover Police Station, 46 Chestnut St. The Community Room is located on the first floor and accessible from the main entrance or from the parking garage. The grant application can be downloaded at https://go.usa.gov/xdp4p. The application and related information should be reviewed prior to the training session.

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 artistic talent within the city. 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 <u>i.hamor@dover.nh.gov</u>.

Registration open for Main Street's road race and restaurant crawl

Dover Main Street, a non-profit dedicated to downtown revitalization, is pleased to announce registration is now open for its annual Run Before You Crawl 5K Road Race and restaurant crawl to be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020. The race and restaurant crawl is sponsored by SmuttLabs Brewery and Kitchen.



The kick-off to the 2020 Dover Race Series, Run Before You Crawl 5K will start at 9:30 a.m. and wind its way through downtown Dover, NH. At 11:00am the race transitions to a restaurant crawl with fun and free food offered at several local Dover eateries. Sponsor Smuttlabs Brewery and Kitchen will feature the live Keltic Band, Penhallow, between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

"We are so excited for this year's race, a record of 15 restaurants have curated yummy offerings for our racers and crawlers," said Erin Tellez, Dover Main Street Chair. "Special thanks to our friends at Smuttlabs for underwriting the event."

Participating restaurants and featured bites include:
BrickHouse (Irish Stew), Cinco De Mayo (Chile Verde), Empty
Pint (Chili), La Festa Brick and Brew (St Patrick's Pie),
Thompson Tavern (Irish Sliders), The Farm Bar and Grill
(Bangers 'n Mash), Smuttlabs Brewery & Kitchen (Beer
Pretzel Bites), Ember (St Patrick's Day Sausage), Asia
(Peking Dumplings), Cara's Irish Pub (Irish Stuffing in Puff
Pastry), Suppas (Potato Skins), Wing Itz (Bangers 'n Mash),
Blue Latitudes (Chili Dusted Chips), Thirsty Moose Tap
House (Chili) and Fury's Publick House (Colcannon).

An official USA Track and Field certified course, registration for the 5k and Pub Crawl is only \$40 for adults and \$10 for Kids 12 & under. There are options to do only the pub crawl (\$20) or only the road race (\$25). The first 200 registered runners will receive a long-sleeved race.

To register head to www.dovermainstreet.org/race.

Join the Mayor and Superintendent for coffee March 14

A "Coffee with the Mayor and Superintendent" will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2020, at 9 a.m. at the Gourmet Table at Dover High School.



Coffee with the Mayor and Superintendent is open to everyone and provides an opportunity for discussion on all city and school matters of interest.

Coffee will be provided.

Applications for veterans tax credit due by April 15

Veterans who qualify for the All Veterans' Tax Credit must complete an application by April 15. State law allows municipalities to extend tax credits to all veterans who have served at least 90 days and honorably discharged from the military.

According to the law, "A person shall qualify for the all veterans' tax credit if the person is a resident of this state who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that Title 10 training for active duty by a member of a national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph;

provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. "

The 2020 credit, which covers the 2020 tax year bills in December 2020 and June 2021, allows for a tax bill reduction of \$660. The 2021 tax credit will be \$750.

The tax credit will be subtracted each year from the property tax on a qualifying veteran's residential property.

An application for the All Veterans' credit must be made prior to April 15 during the current tax year.

For more information, contact the City Assessor's Office at 516-6014 or visit https://go.usa.gov/xddxK.



Still time to provide input on City's Consolidated Plan

Listening sessions, survey and public hearing are opportunities for feedback on priorities

The City of Dover's Department of Planning and Community Development is developing a Consolidated Plan to identify how Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are distributed. The Consolidated Plan will describe community needs, resources, priorities, and proposed activities to be undertaken under certain Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs, including CDBG.

Each year, the city accepts applications from public service agencies, qualified individuals and eligible organizations for grant funds from the CDBG program. The federal funds are distributed to organizations and projects that are found to best address development needs identified by the community. Eligible CDBG activities include, but are not limited to, acquisition of property, development or improvement of public facilities, clearance or demolition, public services, and special economic development activities.

The City of Dover will hold a series of Listening Sessions to gather community input related to Dover's CDBG program. Information gathered during these sessions will assist in the development of the Consolidated Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice. These CDBG documents are used by local decision makers to prioritize annual CDBG funding allocations for community-based projects, programs and organizations over a five-year period. Draft versions of both documents, which will incorporate

feedback from the Listening Sessions and other outreach efforts, will be made available for public review in late March.

Individuals, organizations, agencies and programs are invited to attend the Listening Sessions to learn more about the Consolidated Plan, CDBG program and provide comments about critical community issues, needs and opportunities. The remaining Listening Sessions are scheduled as follows:

McConnell Center, Room 306

61 Locust Street, Dover Saturday, Feb. 29, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Horne Street Elementary School, Cafeteria

78 Horne Street, Dover Tuesday, March 3, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

City Hall, First Floor Conference Room

288 Central Avenue, Dover Wednesday, March 4, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

In addition to attending any of the Listening Sessions, the public may take an online survey. The anonymous survey will require approximately 15 minutes to complete.

The survey can be accessed here: https://conta.cc/38tOzc3.

The public will also have an opportunity to provide input at an upcoming public hearing. The Planning Board will hold a public hearing regarding the City of Dover's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the development of a new Consolidated Plan and efforts to affirmatively further fair housing on Tuesday March 10, 2020, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. Information received at the public hearing will be used to help develop Dover's FY21-25 Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan serves as the guiding document for identifying priority issues to be addressed through annual CDBG funding.

To learn more about Dover's Community Development Block Grant program visit https://go.usa.gov/xdRrM.

The City of Dover has been a CDBG entitlement community for over 25 years. The HUD program provides annual grants on a formula basis to entitled cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income people. HUD awards grants to entitlement community grantees to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services. Entitlement communities develop their own programs and funding priorities.

For more information, contact Dave Carpenter, Community Development Planner, at d.carpenter@dover.nh.gov or (603)

516-6008.

Public comment period on EPA draft permit extended through April 8

If approved, federal mandate will cost Dover and the region hundreds of millions of dollars

A public comment period on a draft nitrogen discharge permit recently issued by the Environmental Protection Agency for Great Bay remains open through April 8, 2020. The EPA recently extended the comment period by 30 days after several requests, including from the City of Dover.

The draft permit's requirements, if adopted, would likely cost \$100 million in Dover alone, and could top \$1 billion across all communities in the Great Bay watershed.

Public comments must be submitted by the close of the comment period on March 9 either in hard copy form or electronically to: Michael Cobb (Cobb.Michael@epa.gov), U.S. EPA, Region 1, 5 Post Office Square, Suite-100 (06-1), Boston, MA 02109-3912.

Officials from Dover and throughout the Great Bay region attended a public hearing earlier this week to voice concerns to the EPA about the draft permit.

Dover's City Council recently approved a resolution that urges additional peer review of the draft permit. The Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit, or NPDES, will regulate nitrogen levels in the Great Bay watershed, including the levels of nitrogen discharged from wastewater treatment facilities.

The City of Dover has worked for decades to reduce nitrogen in the estuary, investing significantly in science-based wastewater technology and infrastructure.

The City of Dover is calling for a comprehensive and scientific peer review of the EPA's draft permit prior to issuing the final permit.

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. said the new draft permit is a change in course from the previous draft permit, focusing now on nitrogen concentration levels for all 13 communities whose wastewater treatment facilities discharge into Great Bay. The new proposed levels and how they will be enforced have raised a number of concerns, including the cost to upgrade the wastewater and stormwater management systems to meet those requirements.

"We have a track record of reducing nitrogen that flows into Great Bay," Joyal said, adding that city staff and the City Council have made significant wastewater system

improvements that help diminish the amount of nitrogen discharged into Great Bay. "That's the right thing to do for the health of Great Bay. Nevertheless, we have concerns that the levels being proposed in this permit are unnecessarily restrictive and, frankly, unattainable given the science as we know it today. There's a significant cost in even trying to achieve what would be required by the permit. We're talking on the scale of hundreds of millions of dollars."

Following a draft permit issued for Dover by the EPA in 2011, the city has been working with the EPA, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, and other municipalities in the Great Bay estuary to seek options that are less costly and scientifically sound. The Great Bay Municipal Coalition conducted a peer review of the nitrogen criteria cited by the EPA and NHDES and found the data to be unfounded.

Community Services Director John Storer said the draft permit's proposed yearly nitrogen loading threshold of 100 kilograms per hectare is not based on relevant scientific studies of nitrogen levels and eelgrass growth.

"Experts have dismissed the validity of setting a theoretical loading rate without considering the unique characteristics of the estuary, and have instead recommended that a quantitative, estuary-specific analysis is required to effectively guide watershed management actions," Storer said. "It would be more scientifically objective to focus on actual measured concentration of total nitrogen within the estuary, which is what would directly impact water quality."

Recent studies show measured total nitrogen concentrations dropping significantly and the eel grass population shows signs of rebounding.

"Our criticism of the theoretical 100 kilograms per hectare loading rate is that it does not consider what the actual nitrogen levels are within the estuary," Storer added. "Our experts suggest targeting a desired end point total nitrogen concentration, and then working to determine what loading rate protects estuary health and eel grass."

Eel grass was flourishing in the mid-1990's when nitrogen loading rates were documented in excess of 200 kilograms per hectare, which is more than double what is currently being proposed.

In addition, Storer said "our hope was to receive a permit that allowed for a truly adaptive management program, and one that would foster collaboration for further data collection and analysis to help improve estuary health. But the permit is mandating compliance with something we feel is impossible to achieve, nor is it supported by current science. Unless the permit is modified, it will have significant economic impacts on our community, and will act as growth limiting ordinance."

At a recent City Council workshop, Joyal and Storer reviewed the draft permit with councilors and explained the potential ramifications to taxpayers and water and sewer system ratepayers. The presentation to the City Council can be viewed in its entirety here:

https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=UfLPvLi60Xj6.

American Red Cross lifeguard training courses offered at Dover Indoor Pool

There will be two American Red Cross Lifeguard Training Courses held at the Dover Indoor Pool this spring on March 22-26 and April 26-30. Participants will gain the knowledge and skills needed to prevent and respond to aquatic emergencies. The course includes the latest science in first aid, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer, emergency cardiac care, as well as the latest lifeguarding rescue skills and safety protocols. Students must be at least 15 years old by the last day of the class.

The following prerequisites must be fulfilled:

- Swim 300 yards continuously.
- Tread water for 2 minutes.
- Starting in the water, the participant must be able to swim 20 yards using front crawl or breaststroke, surface dive 7-10 feet, retrieve a 10-pound object, return to surface, swim 20 yards back to the starting point with the object and exit water without using a ladder or steps within 1 minute, 40 seconds.

No refunds will be given for failure to pass prerequisite requirements. All course dates MUST be attended in order to pass the course.

The times for the March 22-26 classes are:

- Sunday, 1-5 p.m.
- Monday, 4-9 p.m.
- Tuesday, 4-9 p.m.
- Wednesday, 4-9 p.m.
- Thursday, 4-9 p.m.

The times for the April 26-30 classes are:

- Sunday, 1-5 p.m.
- Monday, 12-6 p.m.
- Tuesday, 12-6 p.m.
- Wednesday, 12-6 p.m.
- Thursday, 12-4 p.m.

Cost for the full course is \$200. Cost for recertification is \$100.

For more information or to sign up, contact Erika Friedman at (603) 516-6427 or e.friedman@dover.nh.gov.



During colder weather, Dover's warming centers are open to provide relief.

For those seeking to warm up, several City of Dover public facilities are available during regular business hours as warming centers, including the McConnell Center, Public Library and City Hall.

Additional overnight warming centers are available in the tricity area during cold weather.

For an up-to-date list of warming centers, visit the City of Dover's online warming center resource at bit.ly/doverwarmingcenters.

Census participation critical to state and federal funding for Dover

Between March 12 and March 20, invitations to participate in the 2020 Census will start arriving in households across the country.

Dover Mayor Robert Carrier is urging all residents to participate in the Census, which will help determine state and federal funding for Dover over the next decade.

"Response is important because statistics from the census are used in distributing funding for school lunches, hospitals, roads and much more," Carrier said.



The invitation will include

instructions on how to respond to the 2020 Census online or by phone. By April 1, most households will have received an invitation delivered either by mail or by a census taker. In areas of the country that are less likely to respond online, a paper questionnaire will be included in the initial mailing to households. Reminder mailings will be sent to households that do not respond, and in the fourth mailing every household that has not yet responded will receive a paper questionnaire.

Once households receive invitations, please respond to the 2020 Census by using the provided Census ID. If a household is unable to enter the Census ID people can still respond, by providing an address. Whether people respond online, by phone or by mail, it is important to respond right away.

Below is a timeline of how and when the Census Bureau will invite households to complete the 2020 Census questionnaire:

- March 12-20: Initial invitations to respond online and by phone will be delivered by the U.S. Postal Service.
 Areas that are less likely to respond online will receive a paper questionnaire along with the invitation to respond online or over the phone.
- March 16-24: Reminder letters will be delivered.
- March 26-April 3: Reminder postcards will be delivered to households that have not responded.
- April 8-16: Reminder letters and paper questionnaires will be delivered to remaining households that have not responded.
- April 20-27: Final reminder postcards will be delivered to households that have not yet responded before census takers follow up in person.

If a household does not respond to any of the invitations, a census taker will follow up in person sometime between May 13 and July 31. A sample of the 2020 Census paper questionnaire and preview of the online questionnaire is available, along with more information about when most people will receive their invitations in the mail.

The 2020 Census questionnaire is available online and by phone in English and 12 additional languages: Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Russian, Arabic, Tagalog, Polish, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, and Japanese. These 13 languages cover the language needs of over 99% of all U.S. households. To help ensure a complete count of everyone, the Census Bureau will also provide video language guides, print language guides and language glossaries in 59 non-English languages, including American Sign Language, Braille, and Large Print.

The U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years. Census statistics help determine the number of seats each state holds in the U.S. House of Representatives and how billions of dollars in federal funds are allocated to state and local communities for the next 10 years.

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

Dover group to hold planning session for Swap Day and Repair Cafe

Don't Trash Dover, a group of local volunteers, will hold a Swap Day/Repair Cafe planning session on Saturday, Feb. 29, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Dover Community Senior Center, located at the McConnell Center. The Swap Day/Repair Cafe, which will be held in the fall, is a great way to save money, save space, and save stuff from going into a landfill unnecessarily.

Don't Trash Dover shares efforts being made to reduce litter in Dover and to encourage awareness of its effects on the environment.

For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/groups/201985717259565/.

Help create shamrocks for the Central Avenue bridge

Dover Gardening And Beautification, a Dover Main Street group of volunteers, will hold a shamrockmaking session at 11 a.m. on Sunday, March 1, in the cafeteria at the McConnell Center. Children are welcome.



After the shamrocks are finished, the group will deliver them to the rail flower boxes on the Central Avenue Bridge and replace the Valentine hearts.

For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/groups/1473302736080740/.



2020 Winter Guard and Percussion Show is March 1

Dover High School hosts the 2020 New England Scholastic Band Association (NESBA) Winter Guard and Percussion Show on Sunday, March 1 from 12 to 5 p.m. at Dover High School.

DHS Winter Guard and Percussion will be perform along with 24 Percussion and Winter Guard Teams from around the region.

Concessions will be set up with a variety of hot foods and snacks.

Please note entrance fee and concessions are cash only. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors 65 and older and students.

Dover schools to hold kindergarten, first-grade registration

Dover elementary schools are now accepting appointments for kindergarten and first-grade registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. To be eligible, children entering kindergarten must be five years old by Sept. 30, 2020; and children entering first grade (if not currently in Dover public kindergarten), must be six years old by Sept. 30, 2020. In addition, to complete the registration process, parents and guardians must provide a copy of a birth certificate, proof of residency, proof of immunization and physical exam, and, if necessary, court documents stating custodial rights.

The schedule is as follows:

Horne Street School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Morton at 516-6756 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 3, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 4, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 5, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Woodman Park Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Rouillard at 516-6700 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 3, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 4, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 5, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Garrison Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Lilakos at 516-6752 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

• Tuesday, March 3, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;

- Wednesday, March 4, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 5, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

As part of the registration process, parents registering children for kindergarten are asked to select a one-hour slot for an early screening skills check of their child.

These sessions will be held at the three elementary schools on the following dates:

- **Garrison Elementary**: Tuesday, April 21; Wednesday, April 22; and Thursday, April 23.
- **Horne Street**: Tuesday, April 14; Thursday, April 16; and Monday, April 20.
- Woodman Park: Tuesday, April 14; Wednesday, April 15; and Thursday, April 16.

For more information, contact the schools at the phone numbers above.



Coming up in Dover schools

Monday, March 9, 7 p.m., McConnell Center, Room 306 School Board meeting

> Friday, March 27, No school Teacher Workshop

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





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.



March 4, 1834 - The mills of the Cocheco Manufacturing Co. stopped for three days in consequence of a turn out of the female operatives, occasioned by a reduction of their pay.



March 3, 1842 - Dennis Halleran, aged 50, was killed by the caving of the earth, while at work in an excavation on the railroad near the village.



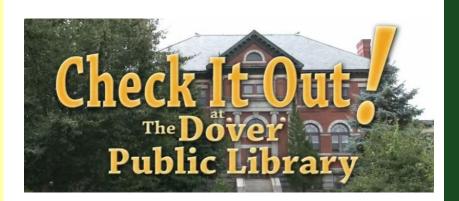
March 1, 1858 - A public meeting in the Town Hall, at which the war with Mexico, the Texas question, and other matters were discussed by General Sam Houston and Horace Greeley.



March 2, 1860. - Abraham Lincoln of Illinois, since known to the country as "the martyr President," addressed the Republicans of Dover on the politics of the day.



March 4, 1865 - The bells were again rung and a National salute fired in honor of the inauguration of President Lincoln for his second term, and of the glorious victories of the armies of the Union "marching on" through the Carolinas.





Library presentation to focus on rise and fall of the gundalow

Step back in time as you discover the rise and fall of the workhorse gundalow at the Dover Public Library's program on Tuesday, March 10 at 7 p.m. presented by Dane Drasher. Dane's presentation, The Piscataqua River Gundalow and the World in Which it Sailed: 1650 - 1900, uses pictures, words and his five-foot working gundalow model to help you understand how the vessel came to be and evolved over the span of 250 years. Learn about the daring skippers and surprisingly varied cargos that made their way through seacoast New Hampshire's serpentine waterways.

Why was the gundalow so successful? What precipitated her downfall? Gain insight into how this humble vessel can teach traditional American values of ingenuity, tenacity and endurance.

By understanding and embracing the unique history of our gundalow you will gain a newfound sense of pride in your seacoast New Hampshire roots.

New multilingual book club at Dover Library

The Dover Public Library has partnered with the Community Literacy Center based at the University of New Hampshire to present a six session Multilingual Book Club.

This is a unique opportunity to introduce children to the myriad of languages that are spoken in our communities. Families with children ages birth through five are invited to attend any and all sessions on Thursday mornings from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. beginning on March 5 and ending on April 16 (There is no session on March 19).

Each session will feature an interactive presentation of a picture book written in a language other than English. The

reading will be followed by a related art activity.

For more information, and to register for this program, please visit http://library.dover.nh.gov or call the Dover Public Library's Children's Room at 603-516-6052.

This program is free and open to the public.

This Week at the Library

Saturday, February 29, All Day Take Your Child to the Library Day in the Children's Room

Help us celebrate the national program Take Your Child to the Library Day! Pancakes with Elmo from 9-11 AM, local author/illustrator Aaron Risi at 11-12 PM, and special raffles, snacks and crafts all day.

Saturday, February 29, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lego Saturday in the Children's Room

Imagine, create and build with Legos and/or Duplos. Drop-in anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to meet old friends and make new ones as you work on building challenges.

Saturday, February 29, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Author/Illustrator Aaron Risi in the Children's Room Aaron Risi, author and illustrator of *A Moose with a Uke*, will entertain families with original songs based on his picture

book.

Saturday, February 29, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday Matinee in the Lecture Hall

Artic Dogs: Swifty the fox discovers a devious plan to drill beneath the Arctic surface to unleash enough gas to melt all the ice. With help from his friends, Swifty and the gang spring into action to save the day.

Sunday, March 1, 2 to 3:45 p.m. Classic Cinema Sunday in the Lecture Hall

The Trail of the Lonesome Pine (1936): Deep in the undeveloped backwoods of the Blue Ridge Mountains, two young men are caught in the midst of an ancient and bitter feud between two families and fighting for the romantic attention of a beautiful woman starring Henry Fonda, Sylvia Sidney, and Fred MacMurray.

Sunday, March 1, 2 to 3 p.m.

Unleashing the Poet Within in the Trustees Room
In writing and revising poems, poets are able to express
hardships, loss, joy and a multitude of emotions that are
otherwise hard to express. In this lecture/discussion based
course, participants will gain an understanding of poetical
tone, imagery, and rhyme schemes and develop a
unique literary voice. This 6-week course is taught by Shane
Morin. It is not necessary to attend all six classes, but you will

get the most out of the course if you do.

Monday, March 2, 10 to 11 a.m. Family Place Workshop in the Lecture Hall

Spend time together, play, make friends and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development during this enjoyable five-week workshop series. For caregivers and children one to four years old. Topics include early literacy, child development, speech, hearing and language, nutrition, and music, play and health. Register once for the entire series. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Monday, March 2, 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. Preschool Storytime in the Storytime Room

Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend this program which includes stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets. Crafts and films are also offered several times each session.

Monday, March 2, 6 to 8:15 p.m. March Movie Madness in the Lecture Hall

Watch nominated movies from the 2020 Oscars on Monday evenings in March. This week's film, Jojo Rabbit, had major nominations for Best Supporting Actress Scarlett Johnansson and for Best Picture. Rated PG-13.

Tuesday, March 3, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Make a Drop Spindle and Learn to Spin in the Makerspace

Winter time is a great time to learn how to spin. In this class you will make a drop spindle from a dowel and some old CDs. Then try your hand a spinning (turning wool into yarn), and learn how to ply multiple strands together.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Tuesday, March 3, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Preschool Storytime in the Storytime Room

Children ages 3-5 are invited to attend this program which includes stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets. Crafts and films are also offered several times each session.

Wednesday, March 4, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Family Storytime in the Lecture Hall

Kids of all ages and their caregivers are invited to join for a family storytime. Books, songs, rhymes, games and activities are all part of the fun.

Wednesday, March 4, 4 to 4:30 p.m. Family Yoga in the Lecture Hall

Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to try out this fun introductory yoga class. Learn some basic poses to share with your child. No experience necessary.

Wednesday, March 4, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Kids vs. Adults Trivia Night in the Lecture Hall

Are you smarter than a 5th grader? Gather some friends and test your wits. Prize awarded (and bragging rights) to the winning team. Pre-register your team and get 5 bonus points!!! 5th grade and up invited to attend.

Thursday, March 5, 10 to 11 a.m. Morning Book Group in the Trustees Room

Join the book group to discuss "A Stranger in the Woods" by Michael Finkel. Copies of the book are available at the Library.

<u>Thursday, March 5, 10 to 10:45 a.m.</u> Toddler Storytime in the Storytime Room

Toddlers and their parents or caregivers are invited to attend a 45 minute program which includes stories, fingerplays, songs, puppets, and crafts. These storytimes are intended for toddler and parent/caregiver to share one-on-one.

Thursday, March 5, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Multilingual Book Group in the Storytime Room

Families with children ages birth through five are invited to this unique book club. During each of the six sessions, a representative from the Community Literacy Center of UNH or a parent will read a picture book in a language other than English. After the interactive presentation, there will be a related art activity. Come to as many sessions as your schedule allows. REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

Thursday, March 5, 6 to 8 p.m. Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Older in the Learning Center

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons at the library with Dungeon Master Dave Wolk! The group will meet every Thursday and there is no commitment to attend all meetings. No experience or materials are required and all skill levels are welcome to play.

Friday, March 6, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Mother Goose on the Loose in the Lecture Hall

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

Friday, March 6, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Great Books Discussion Group in the Trustees Room
Interested in reading classic works of literature and improving
your listening, reading, and communication skills at the same
time? If so, then consider participating in
a discussion group project based on great works themed
around the topic of Poetics. Discussion excerpts are available
on the library website or ask for the list at the desk. New
members are always welcome.

Saturday, March 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lego Saturday in the Children's Room

Imagine, create and build with Legos and/or Duplos. Drop-in anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to meet old friends and make new ones as you work on building challenges.

Saturday, March 7, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday Matinee in the Lecture Hall

Frozen 2: After hearing a mysterious voice call out to her, Elsa travels to the enchanted forests and dark seas beyond her kingdom -- an adventure that soon turns into a journey of self-discovery. Rated: G







Coming up at the Dover Community Senior Center

Monday, March 16, 11:15 a.m. in the McConnell Center Knee and Hip Pain Workshop with Dr. Dan

Do you have difficulty walking, spending quality time with your spouse, kids or grandkids, or you are getting frustrated because you had to give up your favorite hobby? Dr. Dan will

discuss how you can get back to the activities you love to do. He will also share the number one best thing you can do to make Total Joint Replacement a successful option. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420.

Monday, March 23, 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. in the McConnell Center

Lisa Winton of Rogers Hearing Solutions

FREE 15 minute appointments are offered on the 4th Monday of each month with the following services available: hearing screenings, hearing aid checks and cleaning, as well as basic hearing aid repairs that can be done on-site. Call Linda at 516-6420 to schedule an appointment.

Wednesday, April 15, 2020 Sex Please, We're Sixty

Shake those winter blues with a raucous romp that proves that fun and games don't stop at any age. When the local lothario's Viagra gets mixed up with a new ladies' little blue pill, he suddenly has all the symptoms of menopause, complete with hot flashes and mood swings. Hilarity ensues! \$110 members/\$120 not yet members. Includes transportation, buffet lunch, the play, a cabaret show following the play, and all gratuities.

Wednesday, April 22, 2 p.m. in the McConnell Center America's Music Cities Travel Presentation

Learn about the Dover Senior Center's trip to Nashville, Memphis and New Orleans in April 2021! RSVP to Linda at 516-6420. To learn more, visit:

https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1017875

Monday through Thursday, May 11-14, 2020 Visit Ottawa, Canada's Capital City

Join the Dover Senior Center on a trip to Ottawa. Tour highlights include spectacular blooming tulip displays, Parliament and Embassy Row, Canadian Museum of History, Royal Mounted Police Stables and a cruise on the Rideau River. \$739 per person/double occupancy. For more information, contact Linda at 516-6420.

Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2020 Gloucester Lobster Cruise

Board the Beauport Princess Cruise Ship and enjoy a New England Clam Bake during this two and a half hour cruise. Afterwards enjoy shopping and sightseeing in scenic Rockport. Price includes bus transportation from the Dover Arena Park and Ride. \$115 members/\$125 non-members. For more information, call Linda at 516-6420.

Monday through Tuesday, Sept. 8-9, 2020 Red Sox vs. Yankees at Yankee Stadium

Join the Dover Senior Center on a trip to New York City for a sightseeing tour and Red Sox vs. Yankees ball game at the spectacular new Yankee Stadium. Enjoy visiting Rockefeller Center, Times Square and the 9/11 Memorial Museum. Tour includes hotel, transportation, breakfast, game tickets and

museum admission. For more information, contact Linda at 516-6420.

Monday through Monday, Sept. 14-21, 2020 Pacific Northwest and California Trip

Join the Dover Senior Center on a trip to the Pacific Northwest featuring Washington, Oregon and California. RSVP to Linda at 516-6420. To learn more, visit: https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/964441

CITY OF DOVER (3) SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements, project newsletters and updates

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? <u>Sign up now</u> to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, development and construction project updates, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

City of Dover employment opportunities

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

The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- Parking Enforcement Officer
- Prevention Programmer
- Custodian, Library
- Truck driver, Utilities
- Camera operator
- Lifeguard
- Swim instructor

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



Know what's "In the Bin": How to keep your your recycling clear of contamination

The City of Dover would like to remind residents that only the items listed below should go in your household recycling bin:

- Metal: Food and beverage cans.
- Glass: Bottles and jars.
- Plastic: Bottles, jars, jugs and tubs.
- Paper and Cardboard: Mixed paper, newspaper, magazines and boxes.

When we recycle properly, materials can get to their next best use, which helps protect the environment by conserving natural resources, saving energy and reducing 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 sends it to a landfill. It's important to know when an item is not recyclable and to place it in the trash. Follow these simple recycling guidelines:

- 1. Recycle all bottles, cans and paper.
- 2. Keep items clean and dry.
- 3. No plastic bags of any kind.

Not sure if an item is recyclable? When in doubt, visit https://www.recyclesmartma.org/. Enter the item name and click search.

Knowing what's "In the Bin" can help avoid contaminated loads of recycling, which are being rejected at processing centers and disposed as trash. These contaminated loads of recycling result in additional charges to the city.

For more information, please contact the Recycling Center at 603-516-6450 or refer to the <u>Talking Trash brochure</u>.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

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