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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



July 28, 2023



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DOVER CITY COUNCIL

ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

Council to review Vision chapter of Master Plan, hear from Housing Navigator

City Manager goals also on workshop agenda

The City Council will hold a workshop this Wednesday, Aug. 2, at 7 p.m.

The agenda includes a presentation of the Planning Board's recently adopted Vision Chapter of Dover's Master Plan. This chapter captures the long-term view of the city, as told by Dover residents, and serves as the foundation from which all other

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Master Plan chapters are built.

The Council will also receive an update from Planning's Housing Navigator Ryan Pope. The Housing Navigator position is funded through an InvestNH grant to aid the city in analyzing and providing recommendations on updating land use regulations to help increase housing development opportunities.

The City Council will also discuss setting its goals for the City Manager.

[Click here](#) for the complete agenda.

The workshop will be held in City Hall's Council Chambers and televised on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.



Studio Two takes stage tonight for Cochecho Arts Festival Headliner Series

The 37th annual Cochecho Arts Festival's Headliner Series, the festival's signature series, continues tonight, Friday, July 28, with Studio Two. Studio Two pays tribute to the early Beatles years and performs favorite hits that will bring people to the dance floor.



The festival lineup for this week includes:

- Tuesday, Aug. 1, 10:30 a.m.: Juggler Bryson Lang, Rotary Arts Pavilion, Children's Series, sponsored by N. Granese and Sons.
- Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2:30 p.m.: Farmers Market Acoustic Series, 100 Portland Avenue, Guppy Park, sponsored by Seacoast Eat Local.
- Wednesday, Aug. 2, 6 p.m.: Key Elements Band, Rotary Arts Pavilion, part of the Shark in the Park Series, sponsored by 102.1 and 105.3 The Shark.
- Saturday, Aug. 5, 8 p.m.: Toy Story, sponsored by Colony Auto Co. and Roger's Restaurant and Pizza.

Established in 1986, the Cochecho Arts Festival is the most popular Summer Music Festival in the Seacoast. The festival draws over 10,000 people to downtown Dover from the beginning of July through August. This year's festival is underwritten by Orpheum Apartments and Cowork.

All Cochecho Arts Festival events are free to attend and open to the public.

Show your support for the Cochecho Arts Festival by purchasing a First Seacoast Bank Festival Button for \$10. Button holder perks include a free bottle of water courtesy of Kennebunk Savings at the Friday night concerts and entry into the raffle to win a gas grill. All proceeds go directly back to the Cochecho Arts Festival.

For more information, visit <https://www.dovernh.org/cochecho-arts-festival> or call the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 603-742-2218.



StoryWalk blends exercise, literature and indigenous culture at Henry Law Park

The Dover Public Library has debuted the first book of its new StoryWalk, recently installed in Henry Law Park, thanks to a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities

Through an approximately half-mile route beginning at the top of Henry Law Park by Washington Street and Henry Law Avenue, people can enjoy reading "The First Blade of Sweetgrass: A Native American Story," authored by Suzanne Greenlaw and Gabriel Frey, and illustrated by Nancy Baker, while getting exercise and enjoying the sights and sounds of the park. The story winds through Henry Law Park, following the sidewalk of Henry Law Avenue, before returning along the pathway adjacent to the Cochecho River. The story ends in the parking lot behind the New Hampshire Children's Museum, next to Dover Adventure Playground.

"The library staff is honored to provide and maintain this StoryWalk, and we are grateful to the NH Humanities for the grant," said Children's Librarian Patty Falconer. "Our hope is that this experience offers local families information about Native American culture as well as promotes a healthy family activity."

The StoryWalk is part of the StoryWalk Project created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vt., and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Its mission is to promote early literacy, physical activity, and family time together outdoors. The Dover Public Library utilized a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities to purchase and install the display units. The display units are designed to easily change out story books, which Falconer plans to do regularly.

For more information, contact Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.

Utilities Commission, Ordinance Committee hear presentation on stormwater utility funding, fees, and credits

The Dover Utilities Commission and the City Council's Ordinance Committee received a presentation on the Stormwater & Flood Resilience Utility Study at its [joint meeting](#) earlier this month.

The presentation provided an overview of how the study was conducted, a stormwater financial analysis, an impervious area analysis, its utility fee structure and credit system recommendations, and how the utility would be administered. The study was prepared by Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., a consultant assisting the city in creating a fully developed plan for the utility to be presented to the City Council by the end of the 2023 calendar year.

Based on feedback and questions from the joint meeting, city staff, and the consultant will provide another update to a DUC and Ordinance Committee joint meeting scheduled for Monday, Aug. 21. Public outreach on the proposed utility will continue into the fall and winter with the City Council poised to hold a first reading for an ordinance to create the utility in December, followed by a public hearing and possible vote in January. If enacted as currently envisioned, the utility would begin at the start of the 2025 fiscal year on July 1, 2024.

The City Council seeks to create a stormwater utility to maintain and improve its vast stormwater infrastructure, which would also help improve the water quality. The annual operating stormwater budget has increased by nearly 45% in the last five years to just over \$1.3 million, mainly due to increasing regulatory requirements. The City Council's Committee to Study Stormwater and Flood Resilience Funding also found the funding inequitable. Under the current funding approach, 55% of the property tax revenue used to fund the City's stormwater budget comes from residential property owners, but these properties account for only 25% of the City's impervious area.

Under the utility model, impervious areas would serve as the basis for determining the stormwater fee on individual properties. Consistent with industry practice and the state enabling legislation, the project team recommends using the median impervious area of single-family parcels of 3,200 square feet as the billing unit for the stormwater fee. The billing unit is typically an equivalent residential unit (ERU). All property owners would be billed based on the number of ERUs of impervious areas on their property. The utility would also provide a credit system to encourage property owners to proactively manage their stormwater impact on the city's system.

For more information on the utility and its need, visit the [Stormwater Management page](#), which includes links to the story map of why the utility is being proposed. It also provides the public to give comments and suggestions through a survey. You can also sign-up to receive email updates by visiting <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters> and adding "Project Updates: Stormwater and Flood Resiliency Utility" to your current email subscription list.

The public is also welcome to contact Environmental Projects Manager Gretchen Young at g.young@dover.nh.gov with any questions.

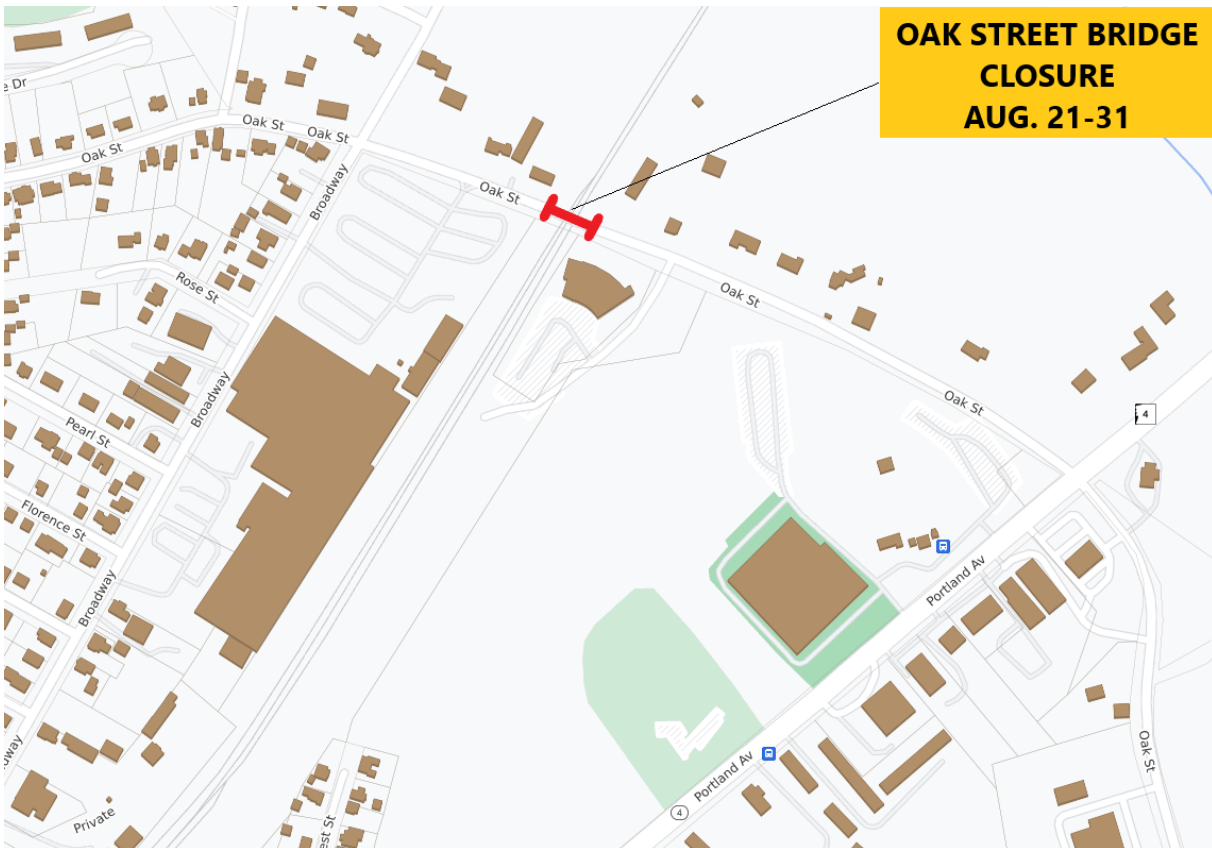
PAVING THIS WEEK

Weather permitting, on Monday, July 31, Continental Paving, Inc., the city's paving contractor, is scheduled to begin work on a group of streets to prepare them for paving. The work includes street milling, driveway trimming, and adjusting roadway structures, such as maintenance holes. Once that work is complete, the contractor will pave the streets. The work is anticipated to be completed over the next several weeks, weather and other conditions permitting.

The streets include Maple Street, Horne Street, Hellman Avenue, Glencrest Avenue, Crescent Avenue, and Grove Street from Sixth Street to Ash Street.

Parking will be prohibited on the streets during work hours, typically weekdays from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., until paving operations are complete.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.



Oak Street railroad bridge closed next month for repairs

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation will close the Oak Street bridge that crosses the railroad tracks between Portland Avenue and Broadway to all traffic for 11 days in August to make bridge repairs.

The NHDOT has scheduled the closure from Monday, Aug. 21, to Thursday, Aug. 31. Only the bridge will be closed. All nearby residents will retain access to their homes; access will also be available to Salmon Falls Stoneware.

The repairs will allow the bridge to be used until it's replaced, currently scheduled for fiscal year 2027, according to the NHDOT's 2023-2032 Ten-Year Plan.

For more information, contact NHDOT at 603-271-3734.

Breaking Barriers: Strengthening Police-Community Relationships

A monthly series fostering transparency, community, and connection.



National Night Out: Tuesday, August 1, 4:00pm - 7:00pm

Dover Police Department - 46 Chestnut Street, Dover, NH

Dover Police to host National Night Out

The Dover Police Department will host a free National Night Out event on Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2023, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the police station, located at 46 Chestnut St.

The public can take tours of the station, see specialized equipment, and interact with officers, including the K9 officer. Community organizations will provide health and safety information, and the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 443 will be cooking free burgers and hot dogs.

"The Dover Police Department recognizes the importance of getting to know the members of our community and the value of positive police-community partnerships," Chief Breault said. "National Night Out is an excellent opportunity for police officers and community members to meet and interact. This goes a long way toward solving community problems together."

National Night Out promotes police-community partnerships to make neighborhoods safer and better places to live.



Dover Main Street hosts Restaurant Week Aug. 5-20

Dover Main Street's Restaurant Week returns this summer from Aug. 5 to 20, 2023.

During [Dover Restaurant Week](#), Main Street will give away \$1,500 in gift cards to randomly selected Dover restaurants. Each day, Dover Main Street will hold a drawing and award gift cards to individuals who share their dining experiences on social media. To enter, follow Dover Main Street Restaurant Week on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/doverdines>.

On Saturday, Aug. 12, Dover Main Street will host a live drawing for five \$50 gift cards. To enter the Aug. 12 drawing, present a dining receipt from Aug. 5 or 12 at [Dover Main Street's Movie Night](#) events at the Rotary Arts Pavilion stage. To enter without social media, listen to WTSN with Mike Pomp during the event for a chance to win a \$25 restaurant gift card.

Dover Restaurant Week is underwritten by Breezeline.

For more information and event details, visit <https://www.dovermainstreet.org>.

Upcoming Meetings:

Conservation Commission, Forest Management Subcommittee, July 31, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission Forest Management Subcommittee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, July 31, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

City Council, Aug. 2, 7 p.m

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

Community Housing Needs Committee seeks members

The City Council's newly established ad hoc committee seeks members to aid in its charge to investigate and make recommendations to the Council on ways to better meet the housing needs of the city and its residents.

Created through a May 24 City Council resolution, the Committee to Address Community Housing Needs will be comprised of stakeholders that include representation from the City Council, Planning Board, Dover Housing Authority, Community Action Partnership of Strafford County, members of the business and development communities, and Dover residents representing homeowners, renters, and landlords.

The purpose of this group is to build on related actions already taken by the city, assess barriers to affordability from a variety of perspectives, and propose long-term solutions to encourage the creation and preservation of attainable housing options for all.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Planning Board Technical Review Committee, August 3, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Aug. 3, 2023, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

Part of the committee's charge is to deliver a report of its findings and recommendations to the City Council by Sept. 30, 2024, for consideration and possible implementation.

Want to join the committee? Complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either deliver it to the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Susan Mistretta at s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov. Applications will be brought forth to the City Council's Appointments Committee for consideration.

The city also encourages community members to complete the Community Housing Needs survey, available at <https://polco.us/sxtact>, to aid the committee in prioritizing its agenda. For more information, contact Housing Navigator Ryan Pope at r.pope@dover.nh.gov, with the Planning Department.



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

City of Dover and surrounding towns to hold Hazardous Waste Collection Day

The City of Dover, along with the towns of Rollinsford, Lee and Madbury, will hold a Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the City's Community Services facility, 271 Mast Road.

The goal of Hazardous Waste Collection Day is to allow for the proper disposal of household hazardous materials. Residents of the four communities can bring household hazardous waste to Community Services for safe disposal.

The following household waste will be accepted: fertilizer with acids; bathroom cleaners; brush cleaner; pesticides; car waxes/polish; disinfectants; corrosives; fungicides; creosote; furniture polish paint/stain/finish; insect spray; driveway sealers/tar; metal polish (lead and oil-based); lighter fluid; flea powder; mothballs; rust preventatives; pest strips/traps; gasoline; oven cleaners; solvents; pesticides; radiator flush; photo chemicals; thinner/turpentine; poisons; roofing tar; rug cleaner; wood preservatives; pool chemicals; and wood strippers.

Empty containers are not hazardous. Please dispose of them in your regular trash.

Explosives, asbestos, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks, latex paint, waste oil and antifreeze will not be accepted.

Hazardous Waste Collection Day in Dover is for household residents only. Proof of residency is required.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.



Upcoming events for Dover's 400th anniversary

Dover400, the committee organizing Dover's 400th-anniversary celebration, has events scheduled throughout the summer and year as the city reaches this historic milestone.

Other upcoming events include:

Through Aug. 11: Dover 400 Cochecho Arts Festival. A summer-long festival full of music and art is held in Henry Law Park. View the Friday Night Headliner and Children's Show schedule: <https://www.dovernh.org/cochecho-arts-festival>

Through Aug. 11: Dover Artists Exhibition. A special exhibition featuring Dover artists in the new Backstage Gallery, 1 Washington St., Suite 1177.

Aug. 5: Dover Artists Exhibition. An opening reception at the new Backstage Gallery, 1 Washington Street, Suite 1177, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Aug. 5: Cochecho Arts Festival Creative Arts Showcase. Local artists will showcase their work in Henry Law Park from 12 to 4 p.m.

Aug 11: Milestone Anniversary Celebration, Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce. Join the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce in celebrating several chamber members' milestone anniversaries in one combined celebration from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Stay up-to-date on the latest events by visiting dover400.org.

This week in DOVER HISTORY

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

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here](#).

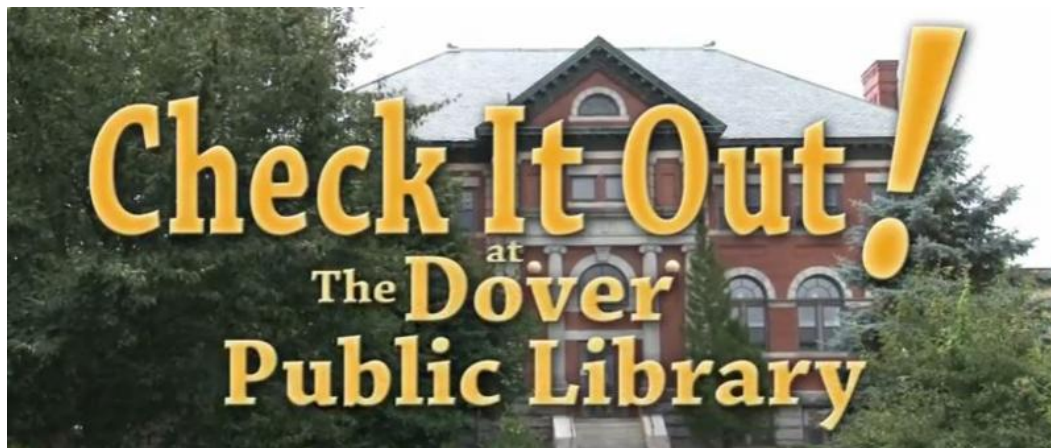
Aug. 2, 1793 — A fiery meteor of uncommon size was seen in Dover on this day. The meteor was reported to continue to grow in size until it appeared larger than the sun.

July 31, 1848 — Alfred I. Sawyer, the founder of the "Sawyer Woolen Mills," died on this day at age 49.

Aug. 4, 1858 — The City Council appointed a committee to confer with the Cocheco Manufacturing Co. about a lease to the city of their land on the Cochecho River, known as the "Grove," for a public park.

Aug. 3, 1933 — Dover's third City Hall, a grand building that also included an Opera House, caught fire and was destroyed on this day. The loss was estimated at \$250,000, or nearly \$6 million in today's dollars. The current City Hall was built at the same location.

July 30, 2010 — It was revealed on this day that Tuttle's Farm on Dover Point, then the oldest family-operated farm in the country, was up for sale. The farm was started by John Tuttle in 1632 and had been in the family for 11 generations. The 133-acre farm wouldn't sell until 2013, when it was purchased by Matthew Kozazcki of Newbury, Mass., who owned Tendercrop Farm in Newbury and Wenham, Mass. The former Tuttle's Farm would become Tendercrop Farm's first New Hampshire location.



White House By The Sea: A Century Of The Kennedys at Hyannis Port

Hyannis Port, Mass., is synonymous with the Kennedy family. It is where, for a hundred years, America's most storied political family has come to celebrate, bond, play, and grieve. It is also the setting of so many events we remember: JFK giving his presidential acceptance speech, Jackie speaking with a Life magazine reporter just days after her husband's assassination, Senator Edward Kennedy seeking refuge after the Chappaquiddick crash, Maria Shriver and Arnold Schwarzenegger tying the knot—and even Conor Kennedy courting pop star Taylor

Swift. Anyone who has lived in, worked at, or visited the Kennedy compound in Hyannis Port has had a front-row view of history.

Join Dover Public Library virtually on Tuesday, Aug. 1 at 7 p.m. for “White House by the Sea: A Century of the Kennedys at Hyannis Port.” The ZOOM webinar is presented by author Kate Storey, who wrote a book by the same name and uncovered the sweeping history of an American dynasty that has left an indelible mark on our nation’s politics and culture. The webinar is in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library. To attend the virtual program, those interested will need to sign up on the Dover Public Library’s website to receive a link.

Drawing from more than a hundred conversations with family members, friends, neighbors, household, and security staff, Storey delivers a rich and textured account of the Kennedys’ lives in their summer refuge.

Storey is the senior features editor at Rolling Stone. She was previously a staff writer at Esquire, covering culture and politics, and has written long-form profiles and narrative features for Vanity Fair, Marie Claire, Town & Country, and other publications. She lives with her family in New Jersey.

This program is free and open to the public.

For more information or to sign up and receive a link, visit the library’s website at library.dover.nh.gov or call (603) 516-6050.

Tracing the history of your home: Learn how

Join the Library on Monday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at the Dover Public Library for an informative free program on how to trace the history of your (Dover area) house.

Have you ever wondered about your house’s past? When was it built, and why? Who owned it, and what happened to the occupants? Whether you’re seeking documentation for historic status or are just plain inquisitive, tracing a property’s history and learning about the people who lived there can be a fascinating and fulfilling project. Researching your home means becoming a local detective.

Using a combination of print and electronic resources, architectural and historical information, maps, obituaries, city directories, and census information, former Library Director Cathy Beaudoin will present the best ways to begin tracing your property.

Cathy Beaudoin has been researching local residences and Dover neighborhoods for decades. She will primarily focus on Dover and Strafford County information sources, but the general suggested methods can be applied to almost any house, anywhere. Knowing your home’s history certainly will make you feel more connected and involved with its past, and you’ll probably uncover some intriguing stories, too.

For more information, please call the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.

This Week at the Library

Dover 400th Scavenger Hunt July 1 through Aug. 31

Learn all about Dover’s history with our Dover 400th Scavenger Hunt! Using historical markers, monuments, and some online sleuthing, complete at least 15 of the 40 missions in the ActionBound app to be entered into a raffle for \$75 Dover Dollars and some Library & Dover 400th swag. Complete all 40 and be entered three

Tuesday, August 1, 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 adventure, strategy, and imagination. The group will meet every Tuesday night; come when you can. No experience or materials are required – all skill levels are welcome!

times. Learn more:

<https://en.actionbound.com/bounds/user/doverpubliclibrary>

July Cookbook Club Recipe Swap

Join us for a good, old-fashioned recipe swap. Throughout July, bring in a favorite recipe (or multiple favorites) or upload the recipe to our Google Form. There will be a recipe binder at the main circulation desk for patrons to browse and make copies of recipes. If you make one of the recipes from the swap, please send a picture to be shared on our social media pages. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

August VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *How to Grill Everything* by Mark Bittman. 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. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. We will share your creations on our social media pages. Photos can be sent to Emily at e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, July 24-Saturday, July 29 Donation Drive for Pope Memorial Humane Society

Let's help out our furry and feathered friends at Pope Memorial Humane Society by collecting some of their greatest need items! Suggestions include: Dry dog and cat food; Wet and dry kitten food; Clay non-clumping cat litter; Bleach; Paper towels; Gloves; Trash bags (39 gallon or larger); Hay (any brand); Rabbit food (any brand); and Thermal cat mats. Donations will be accepted at the Adult or Children's circulation desk. View full wish list of items: <https://popememorialcvhs.org/how-you-can-help/wish-list/>

Monday, July 31, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Researching your house's history with Cathy Beaudoin - HYBRID

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Wednesday, August 2, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Adult Knitting Group

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

Wednesday, August 2, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. All Abilities Chapter Book Club

Adults with all abilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. The first book will be *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. Session ends with activities and crafts and some socializing.

Wednesday, August 2, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Slate Paint Night

Come paint one of the slates from the old roof. Simply decorate and doodle, or go all out and paint your slab from edge to edge. This is NOT A CLASS, but a chance to relax and be creative. All levels of ability are welcome. *Registration required.*

Thursday, August 3, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Multilingual Book Group

Educators from the UNH Community Literacy Center will lead this group which will feature a different language each week. There will also be an art activity based on the theme. This program is geared towards students in grades kindergarten through 3. Caregivers are not required to attend, but are always welcome. *Registration required.*

Thursday, August 3, 5 to 8 p.m. Magic the Gathering

Join us every Thursday evening to play Magic the Gathering. Collect cards, build decks, and duel other players. All ages and skill levels welcome. No materials required.

Thursday, August 3, 6 to 7:30 p.m. How to Knit a Sock

In this program you will learn how to knit a sock. You must be already be comfortable with casting on, knitting and purling, and knitting in the round. We will be knitting a



Avoid input fees for permits and licenses by using new online application system

The City of Dover utilizes an online permitting system to streamline the process of applying for and renewing permits and licenses, submitting construction plans, and scheduling inspections.

Available 24 hours a day, the city's portal for permits, plans, and licensing at <https://permits.dover.nh.gov> allows customers to utilize the system without entering a municipal building. The portal has about 60 applications for permits, plans, and business licenses, ranging from driveway permits to health licenses. Customers can view the status of their application at any time, pay fees online, receive email alerts when a permit or license is issued, and download that permit or license from the site. The online process ensures timely review and processing of incoming permits.

Beginning July 1, 2023, the city now charges a “permit input fee” to cover the administrative cost for customers who seek to have city staff input permit data into the portal. The charge is \$40 an hour, prorated to the actual time to input the information into the system. The fee was instituted by the City Council when it adopted the [FY2024 budget](#) and accompanying [schedule of fees](#). Manual entry of permits may extend the review and processing times.

Customers who have questions on how to input the information into the online system can contact the city without incurring an input fee. For more information, contact Planning Department at 603-516-6008 or Community Services at 603-516-6450.

Accredited organic land care training this fall now open for registration

In partnership with Non-Toxic Portsmouth and Non-Toxic Dover, the Northeast Organic Farming Association's Organic Land Care Program is offering a four-day, in-person course on the principles and practices of organic land care. The course provides 30 hours of instruction and site visits led by expert practitioners and leads to certification as an accredited organic land care professional (AOLCP) after meeting all attendance and testing requirements.

Topics include:

- Site analysis
- Soil health
- Organic amendments
- Planting and plant care
- Organic turf management
- Stormwater management
- The business of organic land care

The training will be held at the Portsmouth Historical Society located at 10 Middle St., Portsmouth, Monday, Oct. 30 through Thursday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The cost is

\$600 for early registration before Sept. 15, 2023, after which the price increases to \$650.

Register at <https://bit.ly/3q1T0sG>.

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including the:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Heritage Commission
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Arts Commission
- Arena Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Utilities Commission
- Committee to Address Community Housing Needs

The complete list of boards and committees can be found at www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Susan Mistretta at s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review applications.

City of Dover employment opportunities

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

- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Police Officer**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Firefighter / EMT**
- **Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator**
- **Laborer - Public Works, Streets, and Stormwater**
- **Director of Human Resources**
- **Deputy Library Director**
- **Assessing Clerk**
- **Maintenance Mechanic Utilities**
- **Foreman Water & Sewer Pump Stations**
- **Maintenance Specialist**
- **City Clerk/Tax Collector**
- **Police Systems IT Technician**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Swim Instructor**

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

