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Waste Management begins curbside trash and recycling collection July 1

Beginning on Wednesday, July 1, Waste Management, the city's new recycling and curbside solid waste vendor, will begin its five-year contract with the City of Dover. The City Council approved the new contract in February, following a five-year contract with Pinard Waste Services.

"After an extensive review process, the City is excited to welcome Waste Management as its selected vendor for solid waste and recycling collection services," said Community Services Director John Storer. "Although residents will see Waste Management vehicles beginning July 1, very little will change with curbside collection of solid waste and recycling."

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Missed the meeting?

Meetings this week:

Transportation Advisory Commission, June 29, 6 p.m.

The Transportation Advisory Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 29, 2020, beginning at 6 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

McConnell Center Advisory Board, June 30, 7 p.m.

The McConnell Center Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 30, 2020, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 236 at the McConnell Center.

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

Dover Business and Industrial Development Authority, July 1, 4 p.m.

The Dover Business and Industrial Development Authority will hold a regular meeting on

For most residents and businesses, collection routes and days will remain the same, Storer said.

"There may be adjustments on some streets as Waste Management refines its collection process, but the company is determined to make the transition as seamless as possible," Storer added.

Waste Management will continue to collect curbside solid waste in City of Dover trash bags. Other trash bags will not be accepted. Although the cost of Dover trash bags will increase after July 1, bags purchased before July 1 will still be accepted. Beginning July 1, the retail price of City of Dover trash bags will be approximately \$2.34 per 15-gallon bag and \$3.91 per 30-gallon bag.

All non-metal items too large to fit in a Dover trash bag, such as furniture, mattresses, toilets and carpets, will still 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. The cost of bulky item tags will increase to approximately \$10 on July 1.

Although pick-up routes will mostly remain the same, there will be new restrictions on what types of plastics can be recycled. Beginning on July 1, only #1, #2 and #5 plastics will be accepted. Some of the plastics that will not be accepted to recycle include plastic bags, plastic utensils, straws, plastic wrap, tarps, colored cups. Recycling bins that contain nonrecyclable items may not be picked up or flagged with a warning sticker. In addition, recycling contamination can drive up the cost to the city and send affected recycling to a landfill. For a complete list of what goes in and what stays out of your recycling bin, see www.RecycleSmartMA.org.

"The state of single-stream recycling has changed on a global basis," Storer said. "There is a dwindling market for single-stream recycling, so in order to keep recycling fiscally viable, we need cooperation from residents in what gets placed for collection."

Recycling accounts for \$600,000 of the \$1 million increase in the city's new contract with Waste Management.

One way to help reduce the amount of nonrecyclable plastics is to avoid single-use plastics. Last year, the City Council unanimously approved a resolution calling for the voluntary reduction in the use and distribution of non-biodegradable, single-use plastics.

All trash and recycling should still be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on the designated collection day or as early as 4 p.m. the day before.

Curbside trash and recycling pick-up will follow the existing holiday schedule. Collection during a holiday week will be

Wednesday, July 1, 2020, beginning at 4 p.m., in the Council Conference Room at City Hall.

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

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](#).



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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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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: <https://go.usa.gov/xwApG>.

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

Celebrate 4th of July safely

Fireworks illegal in Dover

Police Chief William Breault and Fire Chief Paul Haas are reminding residents that consumer fireworks are not only dangerous, but also illegal to possess and discharge in the City of Dover.

According to city ordinances, "no person, firm, partnership or corporation shall offer for sale, expose for sale, sell at retail, purchase, possess, transport, use or explode any fireworks without a permit."

Permits in Dover are only granted for programs and displays approved by the Fire and Rescue Chief and the Police Chief using Class C fireworks. All displays must be conducted by a trained operator who holds a current license or State of New Hampshire certificate of competency.

With professional fireworks displays cancelled due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic in many communities, including Dover, officials are reminding people that consumer fireworks are dangerous.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, fireworks started an estimated 19,500 fires in 2018, including 1,900 structure fires, 500 vehicle fires, and 17,100 outside and other fires. These fires caused five deaths, 46 civilian injuries, and \$105 million in direct property damage.

In 2018, U.S. hospital emergency rooms treated an estimated 9,100 people for fireworks related injuries; half of those injuries were to the extremities and 34 percent were to the eye or other parts of the head. Children younger than 15 years of age accounted for more than one-third (36 percent) of the estimated 2018 injuries.

In addition to the threat of fire and injury, fireworks can also trigger episodes of post-traumatic stress disorder in some of our veterans and cause extreme distress for pets.

There are many safe alternatives to fireworks, including:

- Glow sticks
- Red and blue bubbles
- Silly string
- Confetti
- Party crackers

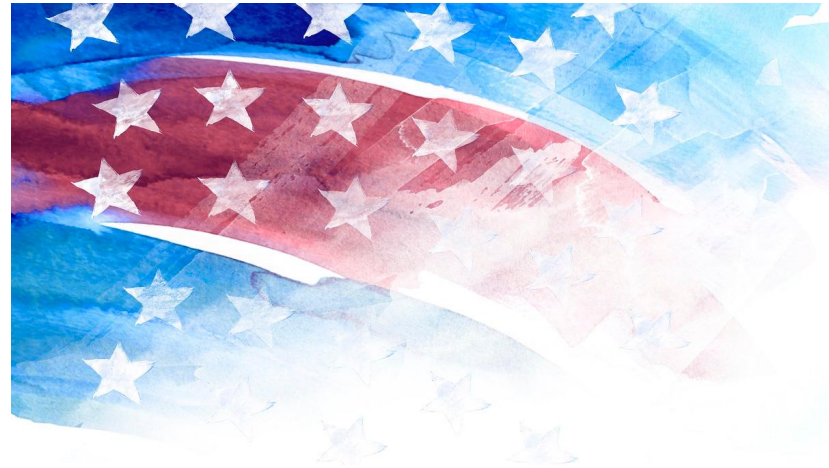
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Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official [Facebook page](#) and [twitter feed](#) for the latest updates.

- Pinwheels

For more information, contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 516-6148.



Upcoming holiday hours for city offices and facilities

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Friday, July 3 for the Independence Day holiday. Regular hours will resume on Monday, July 6.

The Public Library will be closed on Friday, July 3. The Library is currently operating on limited hours and is closed on weekends.

The Fitness Center, located at the McConnell Center, will be closed on Saturday, July 4.

The Dover Indoor Pool will be closed on Saturday, July 4.

Inspection Services, located at the Liberty North End Fire Station, will be closed on Friday, July 3. Regular hours will resume on Monday, July 6.

The Recycling Center on Mast Road is closed on Saturday, July 4.

Independence Day, Saturday, July 4, is a parking holiday. Metered parking is not required on parking holidays.

Dover School District seeks parent input

In a recent letter to parents, Dover Schools Superintendent William Harbron said he is asking parents to provide feedback to the school district via an online survey as officials prepare for the 2020-2021 school year.

"With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the District is confronted with a different planning scenario versus the typical summer planning and coordination," Harbron said. "The "new normal" has resulted in different and challenging way of thinking and planning. In order to allow for ample planning time, the District has been involved in the planning process since late April, with planning ongoing. The District is interested in your observations and feedback on the spring emergency remote learning as well as your insights pertaining to the planning for the new school year. Your input is needed."

In addition to work by staff to prepare for the next school year, Harbron said the district is awaiting additional state guidance in July and the results from several focus groups, including New Hampshire Listens and the Greater School Partnership.

Harbron said the survey is another important source of feedback that will help Dover's educators prepare for the coming school year.

The survey closes on Friday, July 10. To access the survey, [click here](#).

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

Grab and Go program to provide food to children this summer

Summer has arrived, and for many Dover children, that means a decrease in available food, including food distributed over the last three months by the Dover School District. Grab and Go, a nonprofit program that provides food to the children, will offer healthy food to Dover children every week throughout the summer.

Now in its sixth year, Grab and Go has distributed over 10,000 weekend food bags.

Those in need of food this summer can pick up food bags at one of several locations throughout the city. Food bags are generally available at each site for approximately 45 minutes.

The program will run Thursday, June 25, through Friday, September 4.

Pick-up locations and times are as follows:

Thursdays

- Dover Teen Center, afternoon
- Dover Public Library, afternoon
- Garrison Elementary School, 1:15 p.m.
- Whittier Falls, 1:30 p.m.

- Park Street Park, 1:45 p.m.
- Henry Law Park, 1:45 p.m.

Fridays

- Westgate Apartments, 9:30 a.m.
- Woodman Park, 9:30 a.m.
- Strafford Farms, 10 a.m.
- Belknap Street, 10 a.m.
- Dover High School, 10 a.m.
- White Cliffs, 10:30 a.m.
- Rutland Manor, 10:30 a.m.
- Lilac Gardens, 11:45 a.m.
- Redden Gardens, 11:45 a.m.

Grab and Go is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

For more information, email dovergrabandgo@gmail.com.



COAST to launch new system on Monday, June 29

After nearly two years of planning and outreach with riders, community members and financial stakeholders, COAST's redesigned public transit system will launch on Monday, June 29.

Ultimately, the new system was designed to reflect the region's changing travel patterns, and to adapt to COAST's new financial reality. Rad Nichols, COAST Executive Director, remarked, "We recognized a change in where people wanted to travel to and from, as well as the days and hours during which they work and shop, and we knew we'd be working with a diminished overall budget. To determine how our services would best meet our passengers' and communities' needs, we initiated a comprehensive analysis of COAST's operations in the summer of 2018."

After many months of extensive analysis, design and redesign, outreach, and consideration of feedback received, this past winter COAST announced it had arrived at its new service design. The schedule and/or route traveled of all of COAST's current bus routes will be affected. Additionally, there are several new bus routes that will be introduced. More information about the new system and schedules can be found on COAST's website www.coastbus.org.

Cornerstone features of the new system offer the following benefits:

- Creates separate local routes from routes making regional connections
- Significantly reduces travel times for many of the longest trips (by more than 50%)
- Improves timely connections between routes, making regional travel easier
- Provides hourly frequencies on most routes
- Uses clockface schedules (bus coming to the same stop, at the same time after the hour, every hour) on most routes
- Significantly enhances Saturday service levels
- Extends service coverage to identified areas
- Maintains the current daily span of service to the maximum extent practicable
- Provides greater flexibility to operate routes only when sufficient demand exists
- Makes better use of downtime and bus movements to maximize revenue service
- Represents an overall cost reduction to operate

After also reviewing the fare structure, no changes were proposed to the base cash fare to ride the system (\$1.50). There will continue to be options for purchasing discounted fare media, such as bundled tickets and monthly passes.

As a cost saving measure, two new no-service holidays will be recognized by COAST: Christmas Eve and Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day. These two holidays were chosen based on their traditionally lower ridership numbers.

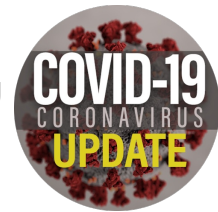
COAST is currently operating at just below its full-service levels because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Between April 1 and May 10, it had completely suspended all fixed route operations due to a lack of availability of personal protective equipment, and concerns for their employees' and passengers' safety due to the increased presence of the virus in the region. On May 11 COAST began what has been a three-phase resumption to services. Currently average weekday fixed route ridership is 45% of pre-pandemic levels and has been on a very positive growth trend each week since service was resumed. Compared with national trends for public transit ridership under current conditions, COAST is doing quite well.

"We are committed to our mission to champion and provide customer-focused public transportation with a commitment to excellence in safety and service," stated Mr. Nichols. "The pandemic has been a significant challenge for our operation to overcome, and just as we were preparing for the launch of our new system. It has been a tremendously difficult spring on all fronts, but our staff has been incredible, and we are ready for next Monday."

Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) has provided public transit service to the Seacoast New Hampshire region since 1982. COAST is a non-profit agency, operating a regional public transit system that relies primarily on federal and local government support to operate. COAST is governed by a board of directors representing the communities served, two regional planning commissions, and many local and state agencies. COAST's vision is to be an innovative leader in providing a broad range of public transportation services, connecting, and coordinating a robust network of transportation options for everyone.

City facilities, services continue to reopen to

The City of Dover continues to reopen facilities and services that had been accessible online, by phone and email during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.



As of today, the status of city services and facilities is as follows:

City Hall

City Hall is open to the public 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.



Additional safety precautions and guidelines will be followed at City Hall, including:

- The building will be open with limited capacity.
- All staff will wear masks. Customers are strongly encouraged to wear a mask. Masks will be available to the public, if needed.
- Clear partitions have been installed in all offices at City Hall to limit in-person contact.
- While in the building, please remain 6 feet apart from others.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be available throughout City Hall.
- All common surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected frequently.

Payment for a variety of bills and services can still be made via a drop box at City Hall. The drop box is conveniently located inside the Locust Street Customer Service Center entrance at City Hall and is accessible during regular business hours. Payments for water and utility bills, property taxes and parking violations can be made via the drop box.

The drop box can also be used for motor vehicle registrations.

Parks and Recreation

McConnell Center

The Fitness Center is open during regular hours, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Access to the Fitness Center will be limited to Door 3.

Precautions are in place for those using the facility, including:

- The Fitness Center will operate at half capacity
- Staff will be wearing masks and visitors are strongly encouraged to wear masks in all common areas
- Cardio rooms will be limited to 4 people at a time
- Time restrictions may be placed on cardio equipment, if needed
- The weight room, Cybex room and dance studio will be limited to 7 people at a time
- It is recommended that patrons call about room availability in advance to working out
- Additional hand sanitizers will be available
- Anyone who is sick or exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 is asked to stay home

The Butterfield Gym is now open.

The Dover Community Senior Center, also located at the McConnell Center, remains closed.

Parks and playgrounds

Some recreation areas are open again to the public, including the Longhill Park Dog Park, pickleball and tennis courts, and the Bellamy Park Disc Golf Course. Several restrictions are and remain in place at these locations until further notice, including prohibited use by those who exhibit and symptoms of the coronavirus, have been in contact with someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days, or are at risk due to known factors including underlying health conditions.

Pickleball and tennis courts are now available first come, first served. Additional pickleball programs, drop-in and recreational play are also now available.

Parks and playgrounds are no longer closed, but an advisory is in effect. Please remember:

- Playground equipment is not sanitized

- Stay home if you are sick
- Wash hands before and after use
- Avoid touching surfaces
- Use of parks and playgrounds is at your own risk

For more information, contact Dover Recreation at 516-6401.

Dover Indoor Pool

The Dover Indoor Pool is open.

During the first phase, the Indoor Pool is open only to Dover residents 17 years and older. Only adult lap swim will be allowed at this time. Lap swimming will be broken down into one-hour swim blocks, followed by a 30-minute block for staff to clean the facility. Patrons will exit the facility no more than 15 minutes after their swim block has ended.



All swimming is arranged by reservation only. To make a reservation, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/recreation/aquatics/index.html> and follow the instructions to sign up.

For additional information, including new guidelines and restrictions, visit <https://go.usa.gov/xwQuy>.

Dover Public Library

The Dover Public Library is open with limited hours and new restrictions. For patrons who choose not to visit in person, the Library will continue to offer its Pickup Service on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m.



to 12 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. See library.dover.nh.gov for more information about the Pickup Service.

The Library is now open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. open with the following restrictions:

- The hours of 9 to 10 a.m. will be reserved for elderly or medically vulnerable patrons.
- Patrons with any symptoms of COVID-19, including fever or cough, should not enter the building.
- The Library is requesting that all patrons wear masks. Masks will be provided to those who need one.

- A maximum of 22 patrons will be allowed in the building at a time and of those 22, eight will be allowed in the Children's Room.
- The parking lot door, near the Children's Room, is the designated entrance, and the front door will be the exit. This does not apply to patrons in need of the elevator, or families exiting the Children's Room.
- Patrons will be allotted one hour to be in the building to give computer users enough time to get their work completed. However, patrons are asked to keep their visits as short as possible.
- Please follow all social distancing protocols. Decals on the floor denote 6-foot spacing at service desks.
- Please no food and drink in the building due to the fact that patrons would need to remove their masks to consume.
- Please return all materials in our outside book drops. All books will be quarantined for three days and will be checked in on the fourth day.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at all service desks.
- The DVD collection has been relocated to the Lecture Hall to allow for more spacious browsing.

For more information, call the Library at 516-6050 or email libraryquestions@dover.nh.gov.

Community Services

The Community Services facility on Mast Road is open to the public during regular hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.



The Recycling Center on Mast Road has remained open during its regular schedule of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The 10-vehicle limit has been lifted.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility on Middle Road is open again to septic, RV and sludge deliveries.

The chapel at Pine Hill Cemetery is open but appointments are encouraged. To contact the chapel for an appointment, call (603) 516-6480.

Public Welfare

Public Welfare, located at the McConnell Center, is open. Please use Door 3 or Door 7 at the McConnell Center. Public Welfare can also be accessed by appointment. Contact the office by phone at 516-6500 to set up an appointment.

Interviews may also be conducted over the phone, instead of in person. Necessary paperwork can be mailed to the office at Dover Public Welfare, 61 Locust St., Dover, NH 03820, faxed to the office or placed under the office door.

Some forms are available online at the [Public Welfare website](#).

Those eligible for welfare benefits must still qualify financially and apply to other programs for which they are eligible.

Public Meetings

Most public boards, commissions and committees are now meeting in person. Provisions are in place to accommodate physical distancing by public body members and the public, including additional audio and visual equipment and overflow space.

See the City of Dover's [website for a calendar of upcoming meetings](#).

Elections

Due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic, the Secretary of State's office has made provisions for all voters to register to vote by mail and to request absentee ballots for any reason.



Under new guidance, voters can now register by mail during the COVID-19 pandemic and can request an absentee voter packet from the City Clerk's Office or from the New Hampshire Secretary of State. Voters need to fill out a registration form and provide election officials with a copy of a current photo ID, as well as a copy of a bill, bank statement or other document with a name and address.

Voters also need a witness, who will be allowed to stand 6 feet away or behind a window, to watch the voter sign their form and to attest by affidavit to the voter's identity.

Forms must be returned by mail or in person to the City Clerk's office.

The state's complete guidelines [can be viewed here](#).

Absentee ballot requests [can be downloaded here](#) from the City of Dover's website. Absentee ballot requests must be returned by mail to the City Clerk's Office at City of Dover, NH, City Clerk, 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820. The completed form can also be returned via the public drop box, located inside the Customer Service Center vestibule at City

Hall.

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

Utility service calls and interior assessing inspections

Beginning Monday, July 6, city staff will resume interior water and sewer utility service calls. These services calls will be made by appointment. During these service calls, city staff will wear masks, as well as eye protection and gloves. Staff will maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others.

Also on July 6, the Assessing Office will resume interior inspections. Inspections will be made by appointment. Inspectors will wear masks and maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others. They can be identified by a city issued identification card.

Exterior property inspections resumed on June 1.

For more information, or to verify an inspector's identification, call the Assessor's Office at 516-6014.

All services and facilities

For more information, including a list of available services and city facility access, see [our online resource here](#).



Prohibition on evictions ends July 1

The governor recently announced that his emergency order prohibiting owners of non-restricted property and restricted property from initiating eviction proceedings, will end July 1. However, for eviction notices issued since March 17, 2020, the landlord must provide at least 30 days notice to vacate the premises. The order does not apply to eviction notices issued before March 17, 2020.



Recognizing that many tenants are challenged in paying rents due to COVID-19, the governor has also authorized \$35 million from the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund to support those in need of housing assistance as a result of COVID-19. Of the allocated \$35 million, \$20 million will be initially expended, with \$15 million being held in reserve, for rent stabilization and housing support. All initial disbursement of funds will be available through New Hampshire's five Community Action Program (CAP) agencies.

The program has two components: one-time assistance grants and a short-term rental assistance program.

- The one-time assistance grants cannot exceed \$5,000 and can be used to assist households with:
- Past-due rent from April 2020 forward for households that fell behind on rent due to either increased household expenses or lost household revenue as a result to COVID-19;
- Past-due housing/household related expenses that may impact an individual's/families' ability to remain housed; and/or
- Other housing related one-time expenses that if not paid impact the ability to maintain housing.
- The short-term rental assistance to maintain or secure permanent housing includes assistance for:
- Past-due rent that was not paid due to a COVID-19 related inability to pay and ongoing rental assistance on a short term basis. The rental assistance will decrease over time as households regain stability; or
- First month's rent and ongoing short-term rental assistance to assist with initial costs to facilitate the transition of working households from shelters into permanent housing.
- Program payments will be made directly to the landlord or provider, and this program will end by Dec. 30, 2020.

Residential tenants unable to make rent payments, or who are falling behind, can reach out for assistance to:

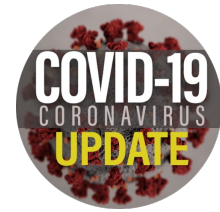
- **Dover Public Welfare**; 603-516-6500; s.gaston@dover.nh.gov; bit.ly/doverwelfare
- **Community Action Partnership of Strafford County**, 577 Central Ave., Suite 10, Dover, NH 03820; 603-435-2500; cap@cap.org; straffordcap.org.
- **DHHS Bureau of Housing Support**, 271-9196, or dhhs.bhhs@dhhs.nh.gov
- **Dial 2-1-1**

Business tenants and landlords may be eligible for financial relief through federal and state resources. For more information about assistance available to landlords and



Woodman Museum opens for 2020 season on Wednesday July 1

The Woodman Museum will open for the season on Wednesday, July 1, the museum announced Thursday. The museum was scheduled to open in April but remained closed due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic. Recent guidance from the state now allows the opening of museums.



While open, new restrictions will be in place at the Woodman Museum, including:

- Tour reservations are required, and can be made online at www.woodmanmuseum.org or by calling 603-742-1038.
- The museum will offer five 90-minute tours per day, Wednesday through Sunday (the museum will be closed July 4 and 5 for the holiday), at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m. to allow for cleaning between tours. There will only be one tour offered per time slot, and no more than 10 people per tour group. Cost is a flat rate \$10 per person (the senior discount rate) and there are no fees to order online.
- As always, members of the Woodman Museum are free but still need to register for a date and time online or by phone. If members are bringing guests, register for the guests only (10 or less total in group including members) and members will just show their member card when they arrive with their guests.
- Again, each group tour will be 90 minutes in duration, led at a distance by a Museum Docent, and will visit multiple buildings on our campus. The usual docent narration will be replaced, for now, by video narration at points throughout the Museum, but your Docent will be available to answer questions. To fully enjoy the tour, each visitor should possess the ability to climb several sets of circa 1800's staircases, but the main floors of two buildings are handicapped accessible and available to all. Please keep your ticket, as it is good for one free admission, for a return visit, during the 2020 season.

What's new at the Woodman?

- In the Fosters Gallery is a season-long exhibition celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Woman's Suffrage Movement. Learn about local Dover Suffragette Marilla Ricker, and other women from around the State that contributed to the 19th Amendment to the Constitution allowing women the right to vote.
- In the Military History area, see the new room dedicated to honoring Vietnam and Korean War Veterans, and in the WWI & WWII area, certain artifacts have been brought out of storage and put on display for the first time in many years as part of our rotating exhibits.
- Finally, due to a very generous donation from the Tasker Family of Dover (Tasker Funeral Home), come visit the 1880's era Funeral Hearse Coach shed, a new and amazing permanent exhibit, and much, much more.

For the health and safety of everyone, all visitors will be required to wear a mask. If you do not have a mask the museum will provide one for you.

If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, or if you are not feeling well, we request that you wait until you are completely symptom free, to schedule a tour. Also due to Covid restrictions, public restrooms will be provided by outdoor Porta-Potties.

For questions about tours, to purchase a membership, or questions about visiting the museum, call 603-742-1038, Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. or visit www.woodmanmuseum.org.



Woodman Museum to hold dedication ceremony for John Parker Hale historic marker

The Woodman Museum will hold a dedication ceremony for a new State of New Hampshire Historic Marker, honoring Dover's Sen. John Parker Hale, on Wednesday, July 8, at 10 a.m. The ceremony will be held in front of the John Parker Hale House on the Woodman Museum campus, 182 Central Ave., Dover. The new historic marker is sponsored by the Woodman Museum.

Sen. John Parker Hale served as a lawyer and the a town moderator for Dover, a representative in the state Legislature, and the attorney for the district of NH at various times until his election to the House of Representatives in 1843. It was here that Hale would begin to make a name for himself as a staunch abolitionist. His views would cost him his seat in the House and his place in the Democratic Party after he was the only Democrat to vote against the annexation of the slave-state of Texas. On March 4, 1847, Hale would be elected into the U.S. Senate as an independent Democrat.

Sen. Hale continued his battle against slavery throughout his appointment with such acts as introducing a resolution in 1848 that would have abolished slavery in Washington D.C. He would return to his former career as a lawyer to represent four men who were caught freeing a fugitive slave by the name of Frederick Wilkins imprisoned in Boston.

Later in 1852, Sen. Hale would lose his seat in the senate, but not before he was nominated as the presidential candidate for the abolitionist Free-Soil Party. He would run as a third-party candidate and lose against our 14th President and only President from New Hampshire, Franklin Peirce. Following this, Hale would move to New York City and again serve as a lawyer.

His best-known case would be in 1854, where he represented four abolitionist who obstructed the execution of fugitive slave Anthony Burns. Hale would return to the Senate, this time as a Republican, in 1855; again, continuing his fight against slavery as he argued against the existence of the institution in Kansas following the Kansas-Nebraska Act of 1854. Ten years later, Hale would be appointed by President Abraham Lincoln as the minister to Spain; one of the last appointments made by President Lincoln before his assassination.

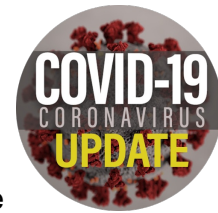
Hale would serve this appointment for four years until he returned home to Dover, NH in 1870. His health would deteriorate after he returned home. Shortly after returning, he suffered a stroke. For the next three years, Hale's health would fluctuate. In July on 1873, Hale would fall and break and dislocate his right leg at the hip. The injury would lead to his death on Nov. 19, 1873. Hale is buried right down the road at Pine Hill Cemetery.

The Woodman Museum, in historic Dover, is considered one of New England's finest early 20th century style museums featuring natural History, local history, and art exhibits.



Local restaurants offer outdoor dining, open up to limited indoor dining

Under reopening guidance from the state, restaurants are allowed to offer outdoor dining if an area can be set up safely and with the coordination and approval from the City. After seeking permits to open and working with city officials, including the Office of Economic Development and Inspection Services, many local restaurants have been approved for outdoor dining. Some locations are using existing decks or outdoor dining space, while others have been authorized to use adjacent parking areas. The city has provided temporary traffic barriers where needed.



All applications for a temporary outdoor dining permit are reviewed by Inspections Services, Dover Police, Dover Fire and Rescue and Community Services. The permits are provided at no cost to the restaurants.

Restaurants approved for outdoor dining are:

- **The Nook**
- **Stafford Farms**
- **Newick's Lobster House**
- **Thompson's Tavern**

- The Farm
- Patty B's
- Weathervane
- Sonny's Tavern
- Chapel & Main
- Silver Fountain Inn
- 2 Home Cooks
- Stalk
- Adelle's Coffeehouse
- Flight Coffee
- Harvey's Coffee Shop
- Castaways Boathouse
- Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 443
- Garrison City Beerworks
- Blue Latitudes
- Panera Bread
- Earth's Harvest
- Lickee's and Chewy's
- Roost
- Five Guys
- Margarita's
- Roger's Pizza
- Cara's Irish Pub
- Dover Brickhouse
- Ember
- 99 Restaurant
- Slow Burn Lounge
- Far Out Diner
- Empty Pint
- Dover Natural Foods
- Cochecho Country Club
- La Festa Brick and Brew
- Wing-Itz
- Thirsty Moose Taphouse

City staff will continue to process applications and work with restaurants seeking a temporary permit for outdoor dining.

State requirements for outdoor dining require that these areas be cleaned and disinfected, as appropriate, and that outdoor space be clearly delineated and distanced from people walking by. The complete guidelines can be viewed here: <https://go.usa.gov/xvsQE>.

Restaurants seeking to offer outdoor dining must complete an application for temporary outdoor seating. The application can be downloaded on the City's Inspection Services web page, or directly here: <https://go.usa.gov/xvsQU>.

Restaurants in Dover are able to open for indoor dining at 50 percent capacity, according to revised guidelines released by the state. Under the guidelines, restaurants are able to open at 50 percent capacity as long as dining parties can be seated 6 feet apart. Staff must continue to wear masks for both indoor and outdoor dining.

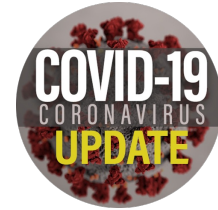
Dover health officials will conduct spot inspections to help ensure the new guidelines are implemented.

The revised guidelines for the food service industry can be viewed here.

Many restaurants in Dover continue to offer take-out, delivery and curbside pick-up. For an updated list of Dover restaurants open for take-out, curbside pick-up and delivery, visit the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce here: <https://www.dovernh.org/takeout-restaurants>.

Dover Trivia enters final week

Congratulations to last week's winners Valerie S. (\$100 to Jewelry Creations) and Paula D. (\$100 to Dover Natural Marketplace) who've both won gift cards to local businesses. Thank you to Profile Bank for sponsoring last week's Dover Trivia.



Download this week's Dover Trivia card from [dovernh.org](https://www.dovernh.org), sponsored by F.W. Webb Company.

Answer as many questions as you can, and email your completed card to info@dover.nh.org. Each week, two winners will be drawn at random from the completed trivia cards. The winners will each receive a \$100 gift card to a local business. Winners will be announced each week in the Chamber of Commerce's Peek at the Week e-newsletter and in the City's Dover Download e-newsletter.

New trivia cards will be available each week throughout the month of June. The final drawing is July 3.

For more information, or to download this week's trivia card, visit <https://www.dovernh.org/>.

PPP funds still available

The Paycheck Protection Program provides small businesses with funds for payroll costs and other eligible non-payroll costs.

More than \$100 billion in PPP funds are still available. The recent passage of the Paycheck Protection Flexibility Act allows small businesses to use funds up to 24 weeks with the option of extending the life of the loan from two years to five. SBA will forgive loans if funds are used as intended.



Small businesses and eligible nonprofit organizations, veterans organizations, and tribal businesses described in the Small Business Act, as well as individuals who are self-

employed or are independent contractors, are eligible if they also meet program size standards.

A number of local lenders in Dover are available to process loan applications. For a list of lenders eligible to accept Paycheck Protection Program applications, visit <https://www.sba.gov/paycheckprotection/find/?address=03820>.

The program is open until June 30, 2020, but businesses should apply as soon as possible.

For more information, visit the SBA's Paycheck Protection Program page here: <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options/paycheck-protection-program-ppp>.

Businesses with no existing relationship with an SBA lender can contact the office for assistance at newhampshire_do@sba.gov.



Measure the dimensions of your yard

Whether you are interested in overseeding a lawn, adjusting the soil pH with lime, top dressing with compost, or applying fertilizer, you will need to know the dimensions of the lawn area in order to purchase and/or apply the correct amount of seed, lime, compost, or fertilizer. Overapplying compost or fertilizer, in particular, can create water quality problems in lakes, rivers, and bays downstream, so it's very important to apply only what's needed, if it's needed. Here's a handy guide to measuring lawn dimensions and calibrating a spreader to make sure you are applying only what's needed and no more: <https://extension.unh.edu/resource/calculating-lawn-fertilizer-rates-fact-sheet>



This series provides tips for growing healthy lawns and protecting water quality while we are spending more time at home. This is a perfect opportunity to adopt habits that we

have put off because we didn't have as much time at home. Enjoy the season of growth while keeping yourself and others safe. Learn more tips for [water quality friendly lawn care here](#).



Spring street sweeping continues

Citywide street sweeping by Community Services crews continues this week. Street sweeping operations begin weekdays at 3:30 a.m. and continue for two consecutive eight-hour shifts throughout the day.

Work is expected to be complete prior to the end of June.

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



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](#).



June 27, 1656 - James Rollins was presented for neglecting to attend meeting, and was admonished and ordered to pay the fees of the court, which were 2 shillings and 6 pence.



June 28, 1723 - Men were impressed for scouting and cutting a road from "Winnipishoky" pond to Dover, and the treasurer was directed to supply them with provision and ammunition,

and that no sons under age or servants be admitted to take up any of their wages, without their parents or masters consent.



June 30, 1842 -The cars of the Boston & Maine Railroad crossed the Cochecho for the first time, arriving at the new Depot on Franklin Square at 10 o'clock, which with the bridge across the river was completed a few days previously.



July 2, 1847 - President Polk and suite passed through Dover this day, in a special train, on his way to Portland.



June 29, 1859 - The hottest day of the season, and the warmest for three years, the thermometer rising to 98 in the shade. Friday morning, July 1, the mercury was down to 45. Frost was visible in many places. Frost again appeared in August.



Summer reading at the Dover Public Library

Green and White, Reading Unites! is under way and will continue to Friday, July 31. In an effort to bring the community together during this challenging time, we will set one goal for readers of all ages. Can kids, teens, and adults altogether read 3,000 books during the eight-week summer reading program? Watch the progress on the book tracker on the front lawn of the library. At the end of the program when the goal is met (we know you can do it!) everyone who participated will be entered in a raffle for a chance to win one of many gift cards. All prizes will be from Dover businesses in order to support our city.

Our summer reading program for 2020 will look different from past years, but will still include books, crafts, activities, and prizes. Each week during the program, families can take home a "Summer Fun Bag" which will include a craft, a STEM activity, and some small toys. The first bag will also include a "Writing Box" for families to use throughout the program. Each week a new "Write About It" challenge will be offered. There will be virtual storytimes, book groups, and other online activities to engage patrons of all ages.

To join in the challenge, go to our website library.dover.nh.gov and register for the program.

For more information, email p.falconer@dover.nh.gov or call 603-516-6052.

This Week at the Library

Friday, June 26 through Tuesday, June 30, All Day **Weekly Teen Tikok Challenge**

Are you a teen TikTok wizard? Show us your magical abilities by joining in our third weekly Teen TikTok Challenge of the summer! This week's pick is #wipeitdown - use a mirror and something to wipe with to reveal your alter ego, then tag us on TikTok using @doverpubliclibrary or #doverpubliclibraryteens, or send your videos to Emily at e.fortin@dover.nh.gov.

Saturday, June 27, 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Knitting and Crocheting Group Front Lawn Meetup

Bring your own chair or blanket (and maybe some bug spray) and join us on the front lawn for a knitting and crochet meetup! We ask that everyone follows all the social distancing guidelines for a safe and comfortable crafty gathering. Come share all your Finished Objects and Works in Progress with the group!

Sunday, June 28, 2 to 4 p.m.

VIRTUAL Dungeons & Dragons: 18 and Under

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

Monday, June 29, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Read to a Librarian

You can choose what works best for your child, phone or computer and schedule reading time for your child to keep practicing their reading skills this summer! You can pick from any title we have on Hoopla so a librarian can read along with them easily. **Please register for this program and you will get a specific time slot.**

Monday, June 29, 3 to 4 p.m.

VIRTUAL Teen Graphic Novel Book Group

Teens entering grades 7-12 are invited to join in for a virtual discussion of *Nimona* by Noelle Stevenson. A National Book Award Finalist, *Nimona* tells the story of a young shapeshifter with a mysterious past and a knack for villainy whose small acts of mischief escalate into a vicious battle. *Nimona* is available for checkout on Hoopla Digital. **Please register for this program and login information for Ring Central will**

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Tuesday, June 30, 10:30 to 11 a.m.

The Girl Who Drank the Moon - Book Club Wrap Up

This is it! We finished *The Girl Who Drank The Moon* by Kelly Barnhill. This will be the wrap up on this book when we discuss our opinions and reviews on this Newbery Winner. For Grades 3-7. **Please register for this program and you will receive an email 48 hours prior to the event with the log-in information.**



**Northeastern Ballet Theatre begins
summer classes July 6**

Are you a ballet dancer who has been taking classes via Zoom and would love to get back into the studio this summer? From July 6 to Aug. 29, Northeastern Ballet Theatre (NBT) will offer a wide variety of classical ballet classes for ages 3 through adult, and for all abilities, beginner through professional, at both their Dover and Wolfboro studios, as

well as on Zoom.

Northeastern Ballet Theatre is the artistic vision and passion of its founder Edra Toth, former prima ballerina for Boston Ballet Company, who has built a life teaching children and adults the joy of dance. Instructors at NBT teach the art and discipline of ballet. NBT is not a recital-driven school and their dancers do not do compete. Students are given the opportunity to perform in professional NBT ballet productions throughout the year, which are optional, including an annual production of The Nutcracker.

NBT is adhering to the governor's guidelines to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, including limited class size, deep cleaning of the studio and social distancing when appropriate.

For information about class offerings this summer, visit <http://www.northeasternballet.org/summer>. To register or find out more, call (603) 834-8834 or email info@northeasternballet.org.

CITY OF DOVER 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? [Sign up now](#) 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, [click here](#). 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:

- **Police officer**

- **Firefighter/EMT**
- **Librarian I**
- **Media Services Technician**
- **Truck driver, Utilities**
- **Seasonal maintenance worker**
- **Summer day camp counselor**

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

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

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