

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



May 6, 2022



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City Council adopts FY2023 budget

The City Council adopted the City of Dover's fiscal year 2023 budget by an 8 to 1 vote during a special meeting on Wednesday, May 4, 2022.

The final adopted budget is \$180 million, a \$17.2 million, or 10.6%, over the current fiscal year budget. The general fund portion of the budget is \$140,134,191, a \$9,620,087, or 7.4%, increase above the current fiscal year budget. The adopted general fund portion of the budget is \$3,173,706 above the amount allowed by the tax cap, requiring a two-thirds vote by the City Council to adopt.

The estimated tax rate resulting from the adopted budget is \$22.46, a 76-cent, or 3.5% increase above the current tax rate. The state Department of Revenue Administration will certify the

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. official tax rate later this year.

Following the budget adoption, the Finance Director and the City Manager found a scrivener's error in the bottom line budget number that was \$8,600 more than it should have been. City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., will bring a resolution to the City Council on Wednesday, May 11, for a technical correction. The error does not affect any other part of the adopted budget.

The special meeting and vote followed several weeks of budget meetings and workshops, including a budget workshop immediately preceding the special meeting.

Wednesday's budget workshop, special meeting, and documents can be viewed on the city's <u>FY2023 Budget Revealed</u> online resource.

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., first presented his proposed budget on March 23, 2022. Following the presentation, each department head presented its proposed budget to the City Council at subsequent budget workshops.

The Council held a public hearing on the education portion of the budget on April 13, followed by a public hearing on the city portion of the budget on April 20.

Recordings of all budget-related workshops and meetings and all budget-related documents are available on the FY2023 Budget Revealed page.



Dover firefighters among area first responders recognized for saving mother and newborn twins in Rochester

During the Rochester City Council meeting on Tuesday, May 3, first responders from several communities, including Dover, were recognized for saving the lives of a mother and her newborn twins last year.

On the morning of Tuesday, June 15, 2021, Rochester emergency companies were dispatched to an address in Gonic for the report of premature childbirth of twins.

According to the report, after only 24 weeks of pregnancy, an individual went into labor and delivered two children just ahead of emergency crews arriving.

After an update from dispatch, it was quickly decided that additional resources would be needed as both children were in respiratory arrest and the mother was dealing with complications of her own.

Knowing that there were three patients requiring pre-hospital medical care, ambulances were requested from Dover and Farmington as well as E3 from the central station, in addition to an ambulance from Frisbie.

First on the scene was a paramedic from Frisbie Hospital, followed closely by Rochester E2 out of Gonic Station.

Both newborns required immediate CPR. According to Rochester Fire Department Assistant Chief, Timothy Wilder, the situation was "a very stressful and fast-paced environment as these newborns were so small they literally fit in the palm of your hand."

All crews worked expeditiously to prepare the patients for transport to Frisbie Hospital where from there the Barbara Bush NICU Transport Team transported the infants to Maine Medical Center.

"It's important to highlight the teamwork between the four agencies that came together on that Tuesday morning to effectively care for, transport, and deliver three viable patients to the hospital," said Wilder. "These calls to most can be categorized as a 'once in a career' type of call and tonight we would like to recognize the emergency workers that made it happen."

Representing Frisbie Memorial Hospital was Emergency Services Manager, Kevin Monte, presenting medals to Paramedic Rick Morrill, Paramedic Mariel Watson, and Paramedic Amanda Jenkes.

Representing the Farmington Fire Department was Assistant Chief Royal Edgerly, presenting medals to firefighter Cody Guile, firefighter Brett MacHenry, and firefighter Hope Moore.

Representing Dover Fire and Rescue was Fire Chief Michael McShane presenting medals to firefighter/paramedic James Calderone and firefighter/paramedic Hunter Holt. Calderone and Holt were recognized for their contributing efforts to resusciate the twins, who were only minutes old and suffering from cardiac arrest.

Deputy Rochester Fire Chief Jarrod Wheeler presented medals to Lt. Devon Pageau, firefighter Pat Couch, firefighter Matt Woodbury, firefighter Paul Haggenmiller, and firefighter John Boodey.

A birthday 400 years in the making



A new banner appeared at City Hall this week, part of the ongoing efforts by the Dover400 committee as it prepares for the city's 400th anniversary celebration in 2023. Dover Fire and Rescue was on hand Sunday, May 1, with its ladder truck to hang the banner at City Hall. Other banners are expected to appear throughout the city in the coming weeks and months. Want to know more about what Dover400 has planned for 2023? Visit www.dover400.org.



Construction work to replace toll booth in Dover begins

Lane closures and lane shifts will be utilized throughout the summer

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) has begun construction work to replace the toll booths on the Spaulding Turnpike (Route 16) in Dover and Rochester. Over the next two summers an All Electronic Tolling (AET) system will be built and the existing toll booths will be removed.

Temporary portable concrete barriers have been installed in Dover and Rochester on the median side of the northbound and southbound barrels near the existing toll plazas and traffic has been shifted into the low speed shoulder to allow for the upcoming reconstruction of the median. These shifts will be in place for approximately three months. In conjunction with these shifts, temporary lane closures will be used as needed.

The work in the median will include the construction of new drainage systems, the construction of roadway select materials and pavement to replace the existing median, and the construction of permanent concrete barriers through the area.

In addition to the work in the median, construction of the foundations for the AET Gantries (overhead support structure with traffic monitoring equipment) will also be completed as part of this phase. This work will be on the outside of the northbound and southbound barrels approximately 600 feet north of the existing Toll Plazas. Temporary portable concrete barrier will be installed on the outside of the travel area to facilitate this work.

For up to date traffic and road construction information in New Hampshire visit: http://www.newengland511.org.



Streets slated for paving this season

The City Council on April 13 authorized the city to contract with Brox Industries, Inc., of Dracut, Massachusetts, to repave 26 roads Community Services has targeted for this season.

The contract with Brox Industries is not to exceed \$1,916,020.

The streets scheduled for paving this season are listed below. The list does not include the sections of roads where water mains were replaced last year, which will also be repaved this year through those project contracts. Those streets include Washington Street from Central Avenue to Main Street, Main Street, and Central Avenue from Abbey Sawyer Memorial Drive to Glenwood Avenue.

- Ayers Lane
- Rover Lane
- Bristol Lane
- Broadway, from Pierce Street to 45 Broadway
- Central Avenue, from Glenwood Avenue to Weeks Lane (night paving)
- Central Avenue, from the railroad crossing Hale Street (night paving)
- Fourth Street, from Washington Street to Cochecho River bridge
- Horne Street, from Ash Street to Sixth Street
- Locust Street, from Central Avenue to Silver Street
- Mallard Lane
- Martin Lane
- Monroe Street
- Morin Street

- Mulligan Drive
- Nantucket Court
- Niles Street
- Oxbow Lane
- Samuel Hanson Way
- Sandpiper Drive
- · Whittier Street, from Sixth Street to Glenwood Avenue
- Coolidge Avenue
- Florence Street
- Ham Street
- Hill Street
- Park Street
- Pearl Street
- Section of Red's Shoe Barn parking lot utilized for the Broadway culvert drainage project

The season's paving schedule is weather dependent and has not yet been set. More information will be available in the coming weeks.



The City Council last month directed City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., to pursue legal action regarding the constitutionality of the New Hampshire House redistricting legislation, signed into law earlier this year. This week, on Tuesday, May 3, the City of Dover filed a petition with the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

At a workshop last month, the Council discussed the law, House Bill 50, which groups Dover's Ward 4 residents into two districts, both combined with other towns. At the workshop, City Attorney Joshua Wyatt discussed whether the state constitution requires the representation of Dover's Ward 4 in the House of Representatives to have at least one district that is not grouped with other towns.

The petition to the NH Supreme Court can be accessed at the links below:

- Petition for Original Jurisdiction Under Supreme Court Rule 11 filing
- Appendix to Rule 11 Petition for Original Jurisdiction



Road closures, traffic restrictions in place Sunday for Moms on the Run 5K

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following road closures for the annual Moms on the Run Mother's Day 5K event on Sunday, May 8. It's the fourth event of the 2022 Dover Race Series.

On Sunday, May 8, the following road closures will be in effect:

- Spaulding Turnpike Exit 7 southbound on and off-ramps, from 9 to 9:30 a.m.
- **Bellamy Road**, in the easterly direction between Alumni Drive and Durham Road, from 9:05 to 10 a.m.
- Rutland Street between Cataract Avenue and Central Avenue, from 9 to 9:20 a.m.
- Cataract Avenue, from 9 to 9:15 a.m.

Motorists should expect delays at the Central Avenue/Mill Street/Exit 7 South intersection, and a lane shift along Route 108 from Rutland Street to Bellamy Road. Dover police personnel and event volunteers will help manage traffic flow along the race route. The 5K event begins and ends at the Dover High School on Alumni Drive.

The event benefits Zebra Crossings, a non-profit organization that works to enrich the lives of youth with chronic medical conditions by fostering greater self-confidence, a sense of independence and a desire to realize their full potential through fun and engaging enrichment programs that build a strong and caring community support network for families. For more information, visit https://www.zebra-crossings.org/run/.

For questions about traffic, contact Dover Police Lt. Marn Speidel at 603-742-4646.



Southbound Central Avenue detour next week near Wentworth-Douglass Hospital

Next week, the Central Avenue North Water Improvements contractor will complete mainline trench restoration on upper Central Avenue. The work will require a combination of alternating traffic and a detour for southbound Central Avenue motorists depending on the work area.

Planned traffic control schedule for week of May 9

Morning of Monday, May 9

- Work is on Central Avenue between Merry Street and Lowell Avenue
- One way traffic alternated by flaggers will be required through the work area

Midday of May 9 through Thursday, May 12

- Work area will be between Lowell Avenue and Abbey Sawyer Memorial Drive
- Southbound Central Avenue traffic will be detoured around the project area via Lowell Avenue and Mount Vernon Street.
- Northbound traffic will travel through the work area; motorists should anticipate lane shifts.

Friday, May 13

- Contractor will begin trench restoration for lateral connections on the east side (hospital/Hannaford side) of Central Avenue.
- · One way traffic alternated by flaggers will be required through the work area

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

Section of Mount Vernon Street closed to through traffic May 10

Mount Vernon Street will be closed to through traffic at 34 Mount Vernon St. from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, with a rain date of Wednesday, May 11. The closure is between Sixth Street and Hough Street and is necessary for utility work.

Section of Sixth Street closed to through traffic May 11 and 12

To accommodate utility work, Sixth Street will be closed to through traffic at 537 Sixth St. from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 11 and Thursday, May 12. The closure is between Wildwood Lane and Foxtail Ridge. Traffic detours will be posted.



Christine Boston, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services for the Dover School District, left, and Dover Police Chief William Breault were two of the panelists at a recent webinar on mental health challenges in Dover.

Dover's first responders, schools discuss mental health challenges

The City of Dover's first responders, emergency providers, social service organizations, and schools are facing an increase in mental health crises. They discussed how Dover is responding to these challenges at a recent webinar, the first in a series.

The webinar was hosted by the Center for Ethics in Society at Saint Anselm College, and moderated by Laura Knoy, the former host of The Exchange on New Hampshire Public Radio.

The panelists included Dover Police Chief William Breault; Christine Boston, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services for the Dover School District; Christopher Kozak, member of the Strafford County Public Health Network Advisory Committee and Dover Mental Health Alliance; and Suzanne Weete, Community Education and Engagement Manager for Community Partners.

For those who missed the live webinar, it can now be viewed online at https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=HvtxNmyUiRXr.



Noreen Biehl takes the stage as Citizen of the Year at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce Awards Gala on April 28, held in Eliot, Maine.

Dover Chamber celebrates award winners

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce recently held is annual Awards Dinner at the Regatta Banquet and Conference Center in Eliot, Maine, recognizing its 2022 award winners: Noreen Biehl (Citizen of the Year); Hope on Haven Hill (Nonprofit of the Year); Martineau Electric (Business of the Year); Rebecca Proctor (Community Arts Champion); Erica Cooke (Educator of the Year); Wentworth-Douglass Hospital (Community Impact Award).

Not able to attend, or want to catch it again? The event can be viewed online here: https://dovernh.viebit.com/player.php?hash=TfhtzKJpiaej.



THE TIME TO GIVE BLOOD IS NOW

Donate blood and help Dover rise to the challenge

Last month, the municipal leaders of Dover, Durham and Newmarket challenged each other in

a friendly competition to see which of the three communities can donate the most blood to help shore up blood reserves for the American Red Cross. The community is off to a great start, but more donors are needed to put Dover ahead.

Dover's blood drive will be held Wednesday, May 25, from 12 to 5 p.m. in the McConnell Center. Schedule a time to donate at https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=DOVERWINS.

As a thank you, American Red Cross will raffle three prizes at each community blood drive with the first prize of \$250, second prize of \$100 and third prize of \$50. Everyone who donates will be automatically entered into a raffle.

The American Red Cross is facing a national blood crisis, its worst blood shortage in a over a decade, which is posing a risk to patient care. Now more than ever, these blood drives in Dover, Durham and Newmarket are needed to help save lives.

American Red Cross will determine the challenge winner by calibrating which municipality gets the best "capacity utilization" on the day of blood donations.

Capacity utilization means that if a city/town's target collection amount set by American Red Cross in advance was X units, and it collected X units, it achieved 100% capacity utilization. If it collects less than X units, then that percentage is what will be used in comparisons. The American Red Cross is the judge and the jury to determine which community is the winner. The winning community leader will be taken out to lunch and have his lunch paid for by the other two community leaders.

Preregistration is required. Schedule a time to donate at https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=DOVERWINS. For eligibility requirements, click here. First-time donor? Click here to find out what to expect.

Great Dover Chamber of Commerce seeks volunteers to hang flags

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce City of Lights Committee is seeking volunteers to help hang American flags on Central Avenue in preparation for Memorial Day. The primary flag hanging date will be Friday, May 13 starting at 10 a.m. Flags will also be hung from May 11 to May 18.

If you would like to volunteer during any of these times, please email Hope at hope@dovernh.org or call the Chamber at 603-742-2218 with any questions.





Dover Pride Clean Up Day is Saturday, May 14

Dover Main Street will hold its annual Dover Pride Clean Up Day on Saturday, May 14, 2022. The event takes place from 8 a.m. to noon, followed by a "thank you" pizza lunch.

Dover Pride Clean Up Day is a great opportunity to get out of the house and do something for your community. Volunteers are needed for raking, weeding, edging, sweeping, mulching and picking up litter at sites throughout the downtown. Volunteers are urged to bring work gloves, rakes, brooms, gardening tools, wheelbarrows and shovels.

Registration opens at the Cocheco Mill Courtyard beginning at 7:30 a.m., with work beginning at the downtown sites at 8 a.m. The "thank-you" pizza lunch, courtesy of Kendall Pond Pizza, begins at 11:30 a.m.

This is a rain or shine event.

For more information or to register in advance, email info@dovermainstreet.org or visit: https://dovermainstreet.org/event.php?id=48.



City Council to meet next on Wednesday

Will open public hearings on proposed expansion of Heritage Commission, additional stop signs on Mount Vernon Street

The City Council will hold two public hearings at its Wednesday, May 11, regular meeting.

The first public hearing is on a proposed ordinance to increase the size of the Heritage Commission from five to seven members. The proposed ordinance, sponsored by Councilor Linnea Nemeth, would also allow the staggering of Commission membership terms so that they do not all expire simultaneously and broaden parts of the Commission's responsibilities. At its March 7 meeting, members of the Heritage Commission had sought City Council clarification on what it meant to "Survey and inventory all cultural resources," as it states currently in the Commission's responsibilities. The proposed language would have the Commission "survey and inventory all cultural and historic resources, in order to plan for preservation and include valuation," among other proposed updates. Find the complete draft of proposed changes in the May 11 agenda materials.

The other public hearing is on a proposal to add stop signs on Mount Vernon Street at the intersection of Abbot Street and Roosevelt Avenue, on Coolidge Avenue at the intersection of Pearl Street, and on Pearl Street at the intersection of Park Street. The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended these changes.

The Council will also take up a couple of budget-related items at the meeting. One is a technical correction for the bottom line budget number the City Council adopted on May 4 due to a scrivener's error. The other is an FY2022 transfer appropriation to the General Fund.

<u>Click here</u> for the complete agenda and materials. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on Channel 22 and https://dovernh.viebit.com, where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.

Upcoming Meetings:

Conservation Commission, May 9, 5:30 p.m.

The Conservation Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

School Board, May 9, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in School Board Chambers, Room 306, at the McConnell Center.

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

Planning Board, May 10, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting, on Tuesday, May 10, 2022,



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.

beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

City Council, May 11, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting, on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Planning Board Technical Review Committee, May 12, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2022, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in 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/.



Upcoming election deadlines:

Deadline to change political party affiliation before the September state primary is May 31

The last day a registered voter can change their party affiliation before Sept. 13, 2022, state primary is May 31, 2022. Per state law, voters may not change their party affiliation 90 days before a primary.

Voters domiciled in Dover may change their party affiliation at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave., or at the Supervisors of the Checklist meeting on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at 7 p.m. in the City Clerk's office.

Candidate filing period for county, state or federal office is June 1-10

The filing period for candidates seeking elected county, state or federal office in New Hampshire this year is from June 1 to 10, 2022. Find information about running for office on the Secretary of State's Running for Office webpage.



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

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest European permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located here.

May 9, 1838 — The town voted to loan surplus revenue deposited with the town by the General Government to the legal voters in equal proportions.

May 6, 1841 — The Hon. Daniel M. Durell died this day at age 71. He was apparently in the enjoyment of good health, had ridden out on horseback during the day, and was seen walking on the street with his usual vigorous step until late in the afternoon. About six o'clock he was found by his family dead in the yard near his residence. The deceased was one of Dover's most opulent and distinguished citizens and in the course of a long and active life, had filled many offices of trust and importance. He was a graduate of Dartmouth College of the class of 1794 and commenced the practice of law in Dover as early as 1797. From 1807 to 1809, he was a member of the United Stated Congress from New Hampshire. He afterwards represented Dover in the New Hampshire Legislature, and in 1814 was appointed Chief Justice of the District Court of Common Pleas, an office which he held until the Judiciary system was changed and the Court abolished. In 1830 he was appointed United States District Attorney for New Hampshire and held the office until 1834.

May 9, 1919 — Dover exceeds its goal for Victory Loan war bonds, reaching \$574,550, more than \$5,000 over the city's goal. Bond purchases were reported to continue at a steady pace that day. The United States began issuing Liberty Bonds in 1917 to raise money for World War I.

May 7, 1976 — Dover Schools Superintendent Bernard Ryder states that class trips to Boston are no longer permitted in response to reports of growing violence in the Massachusetts capital. Dover was joined by Portsmouth in banning class trips to Boston. According to the Associated Press, Boston at the time was "plagued by racial violence, generally associated with efforts to integrate the city's school system."

May 10, 1999 — Dover was officially named a Main Street community during a ceremony at the Capital Center for the Arts in Concord, joining two other communities — Goffstown and Jaffrey — as the newest Main Street members, alongside Berlin, Derry, Durham, Lancaster, Littleton, Meredith, Milford, Plymouth and Wilton. Efforts to designate Dover as a Main Street community began in the fall of 1998, with the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce leading the effort. Although the national and state Main Street program has changed since the formation of the program, Dover Main Street remains active today, organizing several popular events, including the annual Clean Up Day, which will occur this year on May 14. Visit www.dovermainstreet.org for more information.

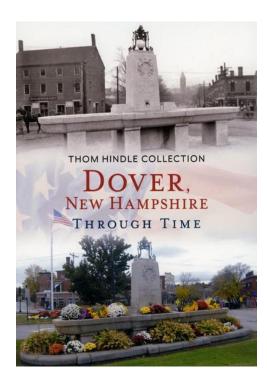
Book featuring images of Dover over time available at City Hall, Dover Chamber

Copies of "Dover, New Hampshire Through Tim," by local historian and photographer Thom Hindle, are available for sale at the City Clerk's Office and Dover Chamber.

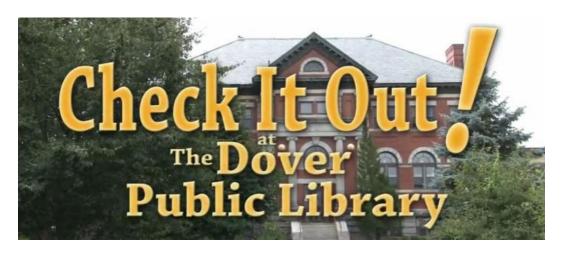
The 96-page book features over 185 past and present photographs. Photos from the past are reproduced from original negatives printed in sepia tone and presented in full color.

Many of the images from the collections are displayed locally in restaurants, banks, medical and professional offices. The book was printed in England by Fonthill Media. Many photographs in the book appear in print for the first time.

Thom Hindle is a commercial photographer, local historian and a former trustee and curator at the Woodman Museum. He has preserved over 100,000 original negatives taken by New England photographers from early 1900s to present.



Signed copies are available at Dover City Clerk's office at City Hall or at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center. The book costs \$24.





Library receives grant to help digitize early issues of Foster's Daily Democrat

The Dover Public Library recently received a \$9,950 grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation to digitize the Foster's Daily Democrat from 1873 to 1926.

The grant will help further the Dover Public Library's strategic goal of providing better access to historic information.

The digitized format of the Foster's Daily Democrat will allow the papers from 1873 to 1926 to be fully searchable and accessible to all via the Library's website.

The Dover Public Library prides itself on fostering curiosity in every segment of the community by providing a wide range of resources and experiences, both virtually and in a dynamic physical environment.

To find out more about the Dover Public Library and all the programs and services it has visit library.dover.nh.gov.

The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation is New Hampshire's statewide community foundation, founded in 1962 by and for the people of New Hampshire.

NH Humanities Program at the Dover Public Library

All are welcome to attend the upcoming NH Humanities program at the Dover Public Library, either in-person or virtually on Monday, May 9 at 6:30pm. The program is entitled "Hooked: Narratives of Addiction, Recovery and Redemption" to be presented by Kate Gaudet. No registration for this free program is required unless you'd like to attend virtually. To register for virtual attendance, see the library's event calendar at http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/library/events/.



During National Mental Health Awareness Month and in the midst of New Hampshire's opioid crisis, we are far from the time when addiction was an unfamiliar and even taboo subject. Narratives of addiction and recovery have become their own genre, with familiar shapes and forms that reflect deep cultural ideas about morality, free will, and social responsibility. The popularity of such narratives has created opportunities for empathy and understanding; they have also fostered particular beliefs about how addiction and recovery work. This talk will explore some of the most common stories about addiction, providing tools for understanding on a narrative and structural level. From this foundation, we will explore whether the familiarity of some stories might create barriers to recognizing different experiences of addiction or approaches to recovery, and think about where we might find more diverse accounts to inform our understanding of and response to addiction.

Katherine Gaudet is a scholar of the history of reading. She is Associate Director of the University Honors Program at the University of New Hampshire, where she is also a member of the Humanities faculty. She has published on topics including suicide, bankruptcy, and education in early America, and teaches courses on the narrative structures of topics like addiction, epidemics, and criminality. In 2015 she received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to develop a course called "What Is a Criminal?" and is currently editing an essay collection of the same title, forthcoming in 2022. (See more here: whatisacriminal.org.) She is also a freelance writer and editor. She lives in Saco, Maine with her husband, daughter, and son.

For more information about NH Humanities see their website at https://www.nhhumanities.org.

The Week at the Library

May VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *The Lost Kitchen* by Erin French. Throughout the month of May, 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.fortin@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Monday, May 9, 10 to 10:45 a.m. Beyond Books: Program STEM

"Beyond Books: A Preschool Discovery Program" is for children ages 3-5. Each session will focus on a different subject. Register for this Monday series to learn about STEM. We will start with books, then go beyond with hands-on activities to explore the topic further.

Monday, May 9, 4 to 4:45 p.m. Big Kids Storytime Wednesday, May 11, 10 to 11 a.m. Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club

Dover Public Library's book group dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book will be *Age of Empathy* by Frans de Waal. Pick up a copy at the front desk or listen to it as an audiobook through Hoopla

Wednesday, May 11, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Family Storytime

Kids of all ages with an adult will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and activities.

Registration required.

Wednesday, May 11, 6 to 7 p.m. Teen Advisory Board

The Teen Advisory Board is a group of 7-12 graders who are interested in shaping the library's programs and services aimed at middle and high-school students. Members attend monthly meetings in order to share their ideas, help to plan future events/ services and work toward making the library a teen-friendly space in our community.

Wednesday, May 11, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Kids in grades K-2 are invited to join us for a storytime with more in-depth, challenging picture books. Registration required.

Monday, May 9, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Hooked: Narratives of Addiction, Recovery and Redemption

UNH professor Kate Gaudet explores narratives of addiction and recovery and what they say about our society. This program is funded by the NH Humanities Council. Please register to watch virtually

Tuesday, May 10, 6 to 8 p.m.
Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group
Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with
Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group
is for new and veteran role-playing gamers
to join us in the library for two hours of
adventure, imagination, and strategy. The
group will meet every Tuesday night, though
you do not need to have attended previous
sessions to enjoy your first game. No
experience or materials are required and all
skill levels are welcome to play.

Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friends of the Dover Public Library
Regular meeting of the Friends of the Dover Public Library to discuss business, including upcoming fundraisers and requests for funds by the library. Anyone interested in joining the Friends and participating is welcome to attend to see what the group is all about. The Friends' are currently looking for Membership and Programming Chairs.

Creativity Corner

What are you making? Come share your creations with others. Talk about why you create. Talk about your process. Share ideas. Get help with challenges you are facing. Be inspired and inspiring.

Thursday, May 12, 10 to 10:45 am
Beyond Books: Program Arts and Crafts
"Beyond Books: A Preschool Discovery
Program" is for children ages 3-5. Each

session will focus on a different subject.
Register for this Thursday series to explore arts and crafts. We will start with books, then go beyond with hands-on activities to explore the topic further.

Friday, May 13, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Shake Your Rattle and Roll, Baby!

This program is for babies and toddlers-2 years (older siblings always welcome). We will dance to silly songs, sing rhymes, count to 5 with puppets and rock out with drums and instruments. Featuring a different genre or musical artist each week.

Saturday, May 14, 2 to 4 p.m. Snapology Madrigal Magic Workshop

In this Encanto-inspired Lego bricks workshop, participants will embrace their inner magic and develop models representing the qualities that make them special. Using their imaginations, they will get a clear understanding of how they would help the community with their special gifts.

Best suited for children ages 5-9.



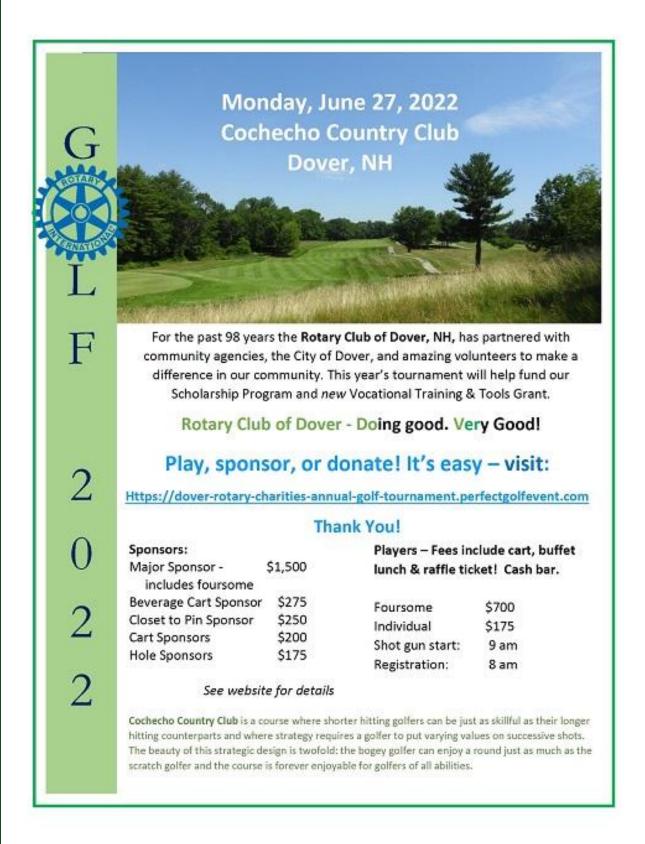
Dover Rotary to host annual charity golf tournament June 27

The Dover Rotary Club will host its annual Dover Rotary Charities Golf Tournament on Monday, June 27, 2022 at the Cochecho Country Club in Dover. Participants will enjoy a funfilled day of fellowship, friendship and golf while raising funds for student scholarships.

For the past 98 years, the Rotary Club of Dover has partnered with local businesses, community agencies, the City of Dover and volunteers to make a difference in the community. This year's tournament will help fund the Rotary's scholarship program and a new vocational training and tools grant.

Registration and sign-in begin at 8 a.m. inside the clubhouse, followed by a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Online registration and advance payment is recommended. A buffet lunch will be held at 1:30 p.m., followed by the raffle and prizes.

To make a donation, learn about sponsorship opportunities or register as a participant, visit: https://dover-rotary-charities-annual-golf-tournament.perfectgolfevent.com/registration.



Dover Arts Commission presents "Keep Dover Wild," seeks artists

On Saturday, May 14, the Dover Arts Commission will present "Keep Dover Wild," during which wildflowers will pop up all over downtown. Businesses may sign up to have their windows decorated for free with spring flowers by talented local artists. Artists may sign up to paint

native New Hampshire blooms, such as the Pink Lady Slipper and lilacs, on storefronts creating a corridor of flowers down Central Avenue. All chosen artists will receive a small stipend and materials.

Keep Dover Wild takes place during Dover Pride Clean Up Day. The public may participate by volunteering to help distribute supplies, set up, clean up and cheer.

Businesses, artists and volunteers may sign up at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfbBzZ8R6ZEOHeQflUINyrmgwYGolC8DcvbMNFv AC7tgA7Ulw/viewform

The Dover Arts Commission promotes the arts in Dover, advocates for artists, highlights local talent, and engages the Dover community. Learn more about the Arts Commission at https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/arts-commission/.

Second neighborhood meeting for Whittier Street Sidewalk project is Wednesday

Community Services will hold a second neighborhood meeting about the upcoming Whittier Street Sidewalk Construction project on Wednesday, May 11, at 6 p.m. at the Public Works facility at 271 Mast Road.

Representatives for the project contractor, GW Brooks & Son, Inc., of Freedom, will be at the meeting to discuss the project schedule. The meeting will also include a review of the project goals and anticipated temporary impacts. All interested parties are encouraged to attend this public meeting.

Sign up for project email updates at https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters and add "Project updates: Whittier Street Sidewalk Improvements" to your current email subscription list. There is also a dedicated project page.

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



Coming up:

Fairy House & Gnome Home Spring Celebration

Friday, May 13 -Sunday May 15

Regular museum admission will include tons of fairy and gnome fun this weekend! Fairy & Gnome houses will be on display in the park, and at local businesses, and families can build their own to take home or add to the display! Visitors can dress up in their favorite fairy, gnome, prince, princess, knight in shining armor, or even unicorn and dragon attire! Special performances will include a visit by Lindsay and her Puppet Pals on Saturday, May 14, and a special fairy-themed Mini Ballet Performance by Musical Arts of Dover on Sunday, May 15. Online reservations are required: https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/fairy-house-gnome-home-spring-celebration

Calling All Makers!

Join us at the 10th annual NH Maker Fest, Saturday, June 4, 10am-3pm. The deadline to apply to participate in the Fest as a Maker is **Friday, May 13th**. We're looking for Makers of all kinds, experience levels, and ages. Engineers, scientists, bakers, tinkerers, artisans, homesteader, performers, musicians are all welcome to apply! Learn more here and apply today:

https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/nh-maker-food-fest

Car or Cash Raffle Ends Thursday, June 16, 2022

Only 775 tickets will be sold for this annual museum fundraiser. Tickets are \$100 each and one winner will get to choose between \$25,000 towards a new Nissan from Port City Nissan, or \$20,000 cash! Get your tickets here: https://childrens-museum.org/things-to-do/events/car-raffle

COVID-19 vaccines and testing

Vaccines are available at most local pharmacies, including walk-in service at some. For more information, visit <u>vaccines.nh.gov</u> and click on "Find COVID-19 Vaccines".

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



For more information about COVID-19 testing, including where to get tested, visit the State of New Hampshire's online resource at https://www.covid19.nh.gov/resources/testing-guidance.

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:

- Firefighter/EMT
- Police Officer
- Public Safety Dispatcher
- Parking Enforcement Officer

- Account Clerk II
- Camera operator
- Truck driver: Utilities
- Lifeguard
- Swim Instructor I
- Summer Day Camp CounselorLaborer Public Works Streets and Stormwater
- Prevention Programmer

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

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