

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



September 19, 2025



CITY OF DOVER, NH

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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,



Council to set voting hours, authorize capital purchases

The City Council meets for its second regular meeting of the month on Wednesday, Sept. 24.

On the <u>agenda</u> is setting the hours for the upcoming Nov. 4, 2025, municipal election. The Council is expected to set polling hours at the city's six wards from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Also on the agenda are resolutions to authorize two capital purchases for Dover Fire and Rescue. One resolution would authorize a \$900,000 expenditure for a new fire pumper truck to be used for everyday EMS emergencies and provide water for an immediate fire attack. The other resolution would authorize spending \$52,400 to equip the department's recently leased garage maintenance space.

The City Council will also consider authorizing the sale of a city parcel of land in Rollinsford that recently went through a competitive bid process.

Thursday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on DoverTV and online at https://dovernh.viebit.com, where it will also be available on demand.

The complete agenda can be viewed here.

Dover Utilities Commission urges water conservation amid extended drought

As regional drought conditions extend into the 10th week, the <u>Dover Utilities</u> <u>Commission</u> this week urged the public to be mindful of their water use and conserve water where possible.

The DUC unanimously made the voluntary water recommendation at its <u>monthly</u> <u>meeting</u> on Sept. 15, as a proactive move after receiving an updated report from city staff on Dover's aguifer conditions.

"The aquifers are beginning to feel the effects (of the drought)," Community Services Director John Storer told the DUC.

Drought conditions worsen locally, statewide

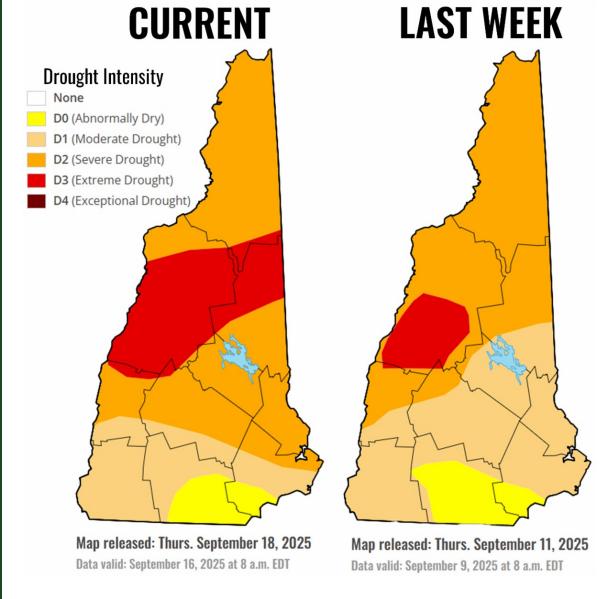
The U.S. Drought Monitor this week upgraded Strafford County's drought designation from moderate to severe, as seen in the image below. Extreme drought conditions grew to nearly 23% of the state this week.

The <u>Drought Monitor</u> first classified drought conditions in the area on July 8, then upgraded it from abnormally dry to moderate drought on Aug. 12.

Some homeowners who rely on private wells are reporting that they are running dry, noting their pumps started running constantly when there was no water pressure.

Ted Diers, assistant water director with New Hampshire's Department of Environmental Services, told WMUR-TV, "What we're encouraging is for people to be very, very careful with their well water, be conservation-minded, use it gently."

Many neighboring communities have implemented mandatory water restrictions, including Exeter, Epping, Hampton, Lee, Newmarket, Newfields, North Hampton, Nottingham, and South Berwick, Maine. Portsmouth and Kittery, Maine, have called for voluntary water restrictions.



The U.S. Drought Monitor showed worsening drought conditions statewide this week. Nationwide conditions are published weekly at https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu.

Ways to conserve water

The public can conserve water in many ways:

- Limit outdoor watering. According to the EPA, irrigation accounts for 30% of residential water use nationally — about 9 billion gallons per day. Avoid irrigating during the day, especially the hottest parts of the day when evaporation is highest.
- Utilize commercial car washes. They are more efficient with water and don't dump dirty water into the storm drains.
- Fixing leaky plumbing conserves water and saves money. Leaking faucets and toilets can waste thousands of gallons a year, leading to increased water bills.
- Be mindful of indoor water use. Take shorter showers, turn off the water when brushing teeth, and run dishwashers and washing machines only when full.

Find additional resources at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's <u>WaterSense</u> online resource.

Track water use, get leak alerts with 'Eye On Water'

The city's public water customers can monitor their water usage with the Eye On Water online portal and mobile app. The system helps track daily, monthly, and yearly consumption; users can also sign up to receive alerts for potential leaks. Access the portal at https://eyeonwater.com/signup. Customers will need their account number from their

Road closures, parking restrictions in place this weekend

Saturday, Sept. 20

Partial closure of Oak Street from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Oak Street will be open one-way from Portland Avenue eastbound to Atlantic Avenue from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Saturday, Sept. 20. It will be closed in the other direction. The closure is for Hot Rod City and Paintworks to host their annual open house, motorcycle and car show at 99 Oak St., and have overflow parking along Oak Street.

Sunday, Sept. 21

FGH Elmentary Horne Street 5K, Fitness Walk

Dover Police Chief William Breault announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the 14th annual Frances G. Hopkins Elementary School at Horne Street 5K Run and Fran's Fitness Walk on Sunday, Sept. 21.

To accommodate the event, which begins at 9 a.m., the following road closures are in place for through traffic:

- Sixth Street: northerly from Grove Street to Whittier Street (9 to 9:30 a.m.);
- Horne Street: both ways between Glenwood Avenue and Redden Street (8:45 to 10 a.m.);
- Whittier Street: both ways from Sixth Street and Glenwood Avenue (9 to 9:45 a.m.)
- Glenwood Avenue: easterly from Sixth Street to Whittier Street (9 to 9:45 a.m.)

Residents should expect detours or delays on Sixth Street, Whittier Street, Horne Street, and Glenwood Avenue between 9 and 10 a.m. Dover police personnel and event volunteers will manage traffic flow on the race route. The event starts and finishes at Frances G. Hopkins Elementary School, 78 Horne St., Dover.

On Sunday morning, parking will be prohibited on Conifer Commons (off Glenwood Avenue) and portions of Sixth and Horne streets. Event parking is available at the school and on some nearby neighborhood streets.

The race and fitness walk benefits the <u>school's parent teacher group</u> and is the seventh of 10 events in the <u>2025 Dover Race Series</u>. Register for the event at <u>Race Roster</u>.

Contact Dover Police Lt. Marn Speidel with any traffic-related questions at 603-742-4646.



Filing period for Municipal Election closes today

The filing period for candidates seeking Mayor, City Council, School Board or election officer positions in the November municipal election continues through 4 p.m. today, Friday, Sept. 19. The filing period opened on Monday, Sept. 8.

Interested candidates must file a written declaration with the City Clerk during the filing period if they want to appear on the municipal ballot for the Tuesday, Nov. 4, 2025, election.

All elected positions are two-year terms that begin in January 2026. Visit the <u>2025</u> <u>Municipal Election webpage</u> for information on the elected positions, qualifications and compensation.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 603-516-6018.



Amanda Gagne, left, First Seacoast Bank assistant vice president and Dover branch manager; and Rick Donovan, right, First Seacoast Bank president; present a check to Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce President Margaret Joyce, center, to underwrite this year's Apple Harvest Day.

First Seacoast Bank returns as Apple Harvest Day underwriter

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce (GDCC) is pleased to announce that First Seacoast Bank will once again underwrite Apple Harvest Day, now celebrating its 41st year. Apple Harvest Day is a day-long family event featuring 300 vendors, great food, live entertainment, and more.



Annual Apple Harvest Day will take place on Saturday,

Oct. 4, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The inaugural Apple Harvest Day was held in 1985 and now draws more than 60,000 people to downtown Dover, making it one of the most popular regional festivals. The event features 300 vendors, two different entertainment stages, children's entertainment, two food courts, and the Apple Harvest Day 5K Road Race.

"We are excited to welcome residents and visitors alike to Dover's premier fall festival," says GDCC President Margaret Joyce. "As downtown parking is limited on Apple Harvest Day, free shuttle buses will be operating all day from our remote parking location at 50 Liberty Way, off Sixth Street."

For more information about First Seacoast Bank, visit firstseacoastbank.com. To see which vendors have signed up for Apple Harvest Day, visit appleharvestday.com. To register for the Apple Harvest Day 5k Road Race, go to dovernh.org/AHD5k.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit association of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working together to advance the economic well-being of its members and the community. For details on Dover Chamber membership and other programs, or for a schedule of activities, call (603) 742-2218 or visit dovernh.org.

Feedback sought on draft Future Land Use Map

The City of Dover is updating the <u>Land Use Chapter</u> of the city's Master Plan this year and seeks public feedback on its draft <u>Future Land Use Map</u>.

The Land Use Chapter seeks to provide a clear future land use strategy and roadmap, guiding future growth and development while preserving Dover's valued resources.

The Future Land Use Map visually represents the city's future land use strategy and illustrates where and how land use will be guided and shaped.

After reviewing the draft map, we want to <u>hear from you</u> what you value most about your neighborhood, what Dover should preserve or strengthen, and where change or improvement is especially important on the map.

Planning staff are working alongside the project Steering Committee and our consultant partner, Resilience Planning and Design, to draft the chapter and will be looking for this feedback to guide the Future Land Use Map and the overall chapter. A draft of the chapter is expected to be presented to the Planning Board, with a public hearing, in November 2025.

To review the draft map, with land area descriptions, click here.

To provide feedback on the draft map, click here.

Upcoming Meetings:

Downtown Dover TIF Advisory Board, Sept. 22, 3 p.m.

The Downtown Dover TIF Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 22, 2025, beginning at 3 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Waterfront TIF Advisory Board, Sept. 22, 3:30 p.m.

The Waterfront TIF Advisory Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 22, 2025, beginning at 3:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

Transportation Advisory Commission, Sept. 22, 6 p.m.

The Transportation Advisory Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Sept. 22, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., at the Police Department, 46 Chestnut St., Community Room.

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

Dover Housing Authority, Sept. 23, 12 p.m.

The Dover Housing Authority will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2025, beginning at 12 p.m. at 62 Whittier St., Dover.

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

Planning Board, Sept. 23, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in





On the Agenda: Planning Board, 9/23/2025

In this video, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton reviews what's on the agenda at the next Planning Board meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2025. The video can be viewed by clicking the image above or at https://dovernh.viebit.com/watch? hash=0cVCFeCE88fTrZed.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting will be broadcast live on DNTV and streamed live online.

Want to keep up on other projects and planning and community development initiatives in the City of Dover? Subscribe to the Planning Department's newsletter, the Dover Planning Review. To sign up, visit bit.ly/doverdownload and select Dover Planning Review.



Current bid opportunities with the City of Dover

Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

City Council, Sept. 24, 6 p.m.

The City Council will hold a nonpublic session on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025, beginning at 6 p.m., in the City Manager's Office at City Hall.

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

City Council, Sept. 24, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2025, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

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

Planning Board, Planning Technical Review Committee, Sept. 25, 10:30 a.m.

The Planning Board's Planning Technical Review Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Sept. 25, 2025, beginning at 10:30 a.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

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

City Council Ad-Hoc Committee to Address Community Housing Needs, Sept. 25, 4:30 p.m.

The City Council Ad-Hoc Committee to Address Community Housing Needs will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Sept. 25, 2025, beginning at 4:30 p.m., in the First Floor Conference Room, City Hall.

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

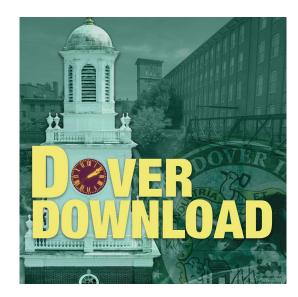
For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit https://www.dover.nh.gov/governme nt/open-government/public-meetings/.

The City of Dover is currently accepting bids for the following projects:

- Book Relocation for Dover Public Library
- <u>Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicle</u>
 Improvement Project

Current bid documents can be accessed on the Finance Department's <u>bid page</u>. Vendors can also join the City's bid list by visiting the site.

For more information, contact the Finance and Purchasing Office at 603-516-6030.



Enterprise Park and Beyond: The Work of the Dover Business Industrial Development Authority

In the latest episode of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Tim Dargan and Scott Johnson, former chair and vice chair of the Dover Business Industrial Development Authority. Listen wherever you get your podcasts or at https://bit.ly/46gsGtf

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:

- Recreation Advisory Board
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Utilities Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

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 Jerrica Vansylyvong-Bizier at j.bizier@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.



Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board, Planning Board or Waterfront Committee meetings on DTV, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

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



Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

We want to hear from you. In each edition of Dover Download, we're looking for your response to our question of the week. A new poll will appear each week in Dover Download, along with the results for the previous week. Participating is easy. Click on the link below to cast your vote.

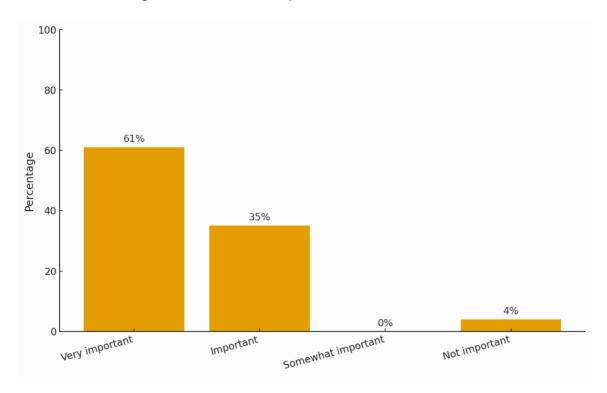
This week's question:

"Would you recommend Dover as a weekend getaway to visitors?"

Let us know here: https://polco.us/muwzkb

Please note that if you don't already have an account with Polco, the city's polling system, you will be asked to create one. Responses are anonymous.

Here are the results from last week's poll, which asked, "How important is it for the City to invest in drainage and stormwater improvements?"





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 <u>located here</u>.

Sept. 21, 1843 — The Washington Street Freewill Baptist Meeting House was dedicated on this day. The congregation shared a new two-and-a-half-story Greek Revival building with the denomination's printing office: worship services met upstairs while the press operated on the ground floor. That printer was the Free Will Baptist Printing Establishment, which published The Morning Star, a weekly paper that became a vigorous anti-slavery voice in New England, as well as a youth paper called The Myrtle. The original church/print shop stood off today's Washington Street near the former Myrtle Street walkway. In 1868, the Washington Street congregation sold its share, built a new brick church at Washington and Fayette streets (rebuilt after an 1882 fire), and the printer later relocated. The Freewill Baptist movement itself had New Hampshire roots, organized in 1780 under Benjamin Randall.

Sept. 20, 1853 — Gas lights were first used in Dover this evening, the mills and many stores having been supplied with it by the Gas Co., which was established this year. Sept. 19, 1860 — A fire on Dover Landing destroyed the storehouse at Young's tannery and a large quantity of goods, including flour, salt, and lime. Dover Landing was the wharf district at the head of tide on the Cochecho River, Dover's working waterfront at the time. For roughly two centuries it functioned as the city's small port, lined with wharves, warehouses, and riverfront industries. Because the Cochecho was shallow and tricky at low tide, flat-bottomed gundalow barges evolved to move bulk goods; they could load and unload at the Landing around half-tide. Typical cargoes included staples like flour and salt, building materials such as lime, and other provisions—exactly the kinds of goods lost in the fire. The Young family (notably brothers Nathaniel and Jeremy Young) owned both wharfage and a tannery at the Landing, tying leather production directly to river trade. Tanning and related crafts were core New England industries in the early-to-mid 1800s, increasingly mechanized by the Civil War era, which is one reason they had a sizable inventory on hand in a Landing storehouse.

Sept. 23, 1977 — After nearly a year of closure and reconstruction, the Washington Street Bridge officially reopened. The New Hampshire Department of Public Works and Highways had originally closed the bridge because it was deemed unsafe for traffic. State and local officials gathered for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to mark the occasion. For months, traffic had been rerouted through alternate routes, including Main Street and Central Avenue, creating delays and congestion. When the bridge reopened, traffic was initially limited to one lane as workers installed final safety features and traffic patterns. The reopening helped restore easier access between Dover's downtown and surrounding neighborhoods, easing a major transportation bottleneck that had frustrated residents and businesses alike.

Sept. 20, 2001 — A memorial service was held at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Portsmouth for Michael and Kathleen Shearer, who had recently moved to Dover and were among those killed aboard United Airlines Flight 175 on Sept. 11, 2001. The Shearers, married nearly 40 years, had built what they described as their dream house at Osprey Landing on Dover Point just five months earlier. Michael, 63, recently retired from Lucent Technologies, and Kathleen, 61, ran a doll-making business. Friends and family remembered them as devoted to each other, to their two daughters, and to a wide circle of loved ones across the country. The Rev. Will Saunders told more than 500 mourners that the couple's "love affair continued unabated until 9:06 a.m. on the morning of September 11," when the plane they were aboard was crashed into the south tower of the World Trade Center. The Shearers had lived in several states before settling on the Seacoast. They enjoyed time together in Portsmouth, where they were often seen at Café Brioche on Saturday mornings. But Dover Point became their final home, a place with the view Michael had always wanted.



Local Rotarians, from left, Nick Pellmen, Harry Cheney, Phil Rinaldi, Maggie Sinclair, and Ram Ramdev, fill carts with healthy snacks for Dover's elementary school children. Not pictured is Gregg Dowty.

Dover Rotary donates snacks for elementary school children

Healthy snacks during the school day provide fuel for learning, but too often, children come to class without anything extra to eat or drink. Thanks to feedback from Dover's elementary school teachers about the needs of these young learners, Dover Rotary formed its Kids Closet program four years ago to fill the needs identified by local teachers.

Each year, Rotarians gather at the local BJ's to fill multiple carts with healthy snacks and then deliver them the same day to all three elementary schools in Dover: Woodman Park, Garrison School, and Horne Street School.

Project Chair Gregg Dowty noted that hunger makes concentrating on learning difficult and this program makes a difference during their school day.

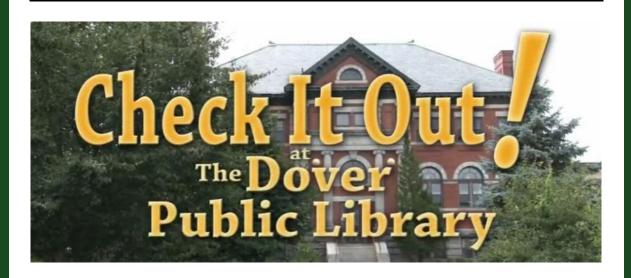
"It's a good feeling when you can help kids learn and thrive during the school day," Dowty said. "Too often, kids who come to school without snacks are hungry and feel left out and embarrassed during snack breaks. We are filling that gap with our annual shopping sprees while doing good in Dover."

Kids Closet purchased \$1,200 in large-quantity snacks which provided more than 3,300 individual snacks for the three elementary schools to be replenished in the spring and donated \$1,200 in gift cards for the guidance counselors to use at their discretion to support kids in need as part of the project's \$15,000 annual budget. Rotary's Shoe and Boot program also gave counselors vouchers for parents with limited funds to purchase discounted shoes and boots for their children at Red's Shoe Barn.

In addition, Dover Rotary supported the Dover Police Department ACERT (Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team) with \$500 in gift cards and SCCAP Head Start with another \$500 in gift cards to use for similar purposes. It recently provided \$7,500 in gift cards for children in the 21st Century Learning Program of the Seymour Osman

Community Center at the Dover Housing Authority to be used for backpacks and school supplies.

The Rotary Club of Dover, New Hampshire's current annual donations of more than \$150,000 support multiple projects including scholarships, the Rotary Garden at Henry Law Park, Community Giving Grants, Milk & Egg and Shoe & Boot programs, Senior Visits, Dictionary Literacy Project, Middle School Student of the Month, Gifts of Warmth for the Unsheltered, Vocational Training & Tools Grants, Child Enrichment Program, Kids Closet, local and international projects. Learn more at doverrotary.com.



This Week at the Library

Monday, Sept. 22, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
STEM Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306
Children aged 3-5 are invited to
participate in a science storytime this Fall.
Each week, children will discover a Fall
theme, utilizing stories, songs, and
games, and highlighting a STEM activity.
Registration required.

Tuesday, Sept. 23, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Baby Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306
For babies 0-24 months with caregiver. A joyful, half-hour lap sit story time with books, songs, movement, and rhyme.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 10 to 10:30 a.m.
Family Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306
Children of all ages with caregivers are invited to attend this program with stories, fingerplays, songs, and puppets.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 11 am to 12 pm
All Abilities Music Club
Great Bay Services, Dover
Join us for a lively sing-along to your
favorite tunes.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Drop-In Open Art Lab for Kids

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Get Lit! Book Club
Otto Pizza
431 Central Ave., Dover

Join the Library's adult book group to discuss *The Push* by Ashley Audrain. Copies of the book will be available to borrow at the main circulation desk of the library. All are welcome!

Thursday, Sept. 25, 10 to 10:45 a.m.
Arts and Crafts Storytime
McConnell Center, Room 306

Arts and Crafts Storytime is for children ages 3-5 who are ready to attend storytime independently, without a caregiver. Each session will focus on a different theme. Books, songs, rhymes, and an art activity will all be part of the fun. *Registration required*.

Thursday, Sept. 25, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cocheco River Writers McConnell Center, Room 306

Join a community of local writers on the fourth Thursday of every month. Discuss ideas, get tips, and share your work with others in a low-key, inviting atmosphere. Whether you want to write creatively for fun or for publication, this group is a great way to hone your craft!

McConnell Center, Room 306

Kids of all ages are invited to bring their imagination and creativity to the Drop-In Open Art Lab. We will have a variety of supplies available for you to use to create artwork of your own design.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Art Forgery Group: American Gothic McConnell Center, Room 306

Do you dream of being an art forger? Give it a try! Each month we will take on replicating a famous work of art. Come every time, or just come for the pieces that interest you. We'll start off with a brief history on the piece, as well as an overview of the techniques and the medium. We will have pastels, watercolors, colored pencils, markers, and more at your disposal to render your imitation. Feel free to bring your own art supplies as well. This is not a class. We will have a reference photo on the overhead projector. Just come paint, draw, relax, and socialize. This program is intended for teens and adults. This month painting is Grant Wood's American Gothic. Registration required.

Friday, Sept. 26, 10 to 11 a.m. Family Place Workshop City Hall Auditorium

Spend time together, play, make friends and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development during this enjoyable 5-week workshop series. For caregivers and children one to four years old. Topics include early literacy, child development, speech, hearing and language, nutrition, and music, play and health.

Registration required.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2 to 3 p.m. Altoid Tin Trinket Boxes McConnell Center. Room 306

Kids in grades 3–6 are invited to transform an ordinary Altoid tin into a personalized stash box or mini wallet using cardstock, felt, washi tape, stickers, and more! Registration required.



CITIZENS LEADERSHIP



Citizens Leadership Academy offers behind-thescenes look at local government

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Dover, will once again produce the Citizens Leadership Academy this October. The free program offers Garrison City residents a firsthand look at local government and municipal operations and

provides attendees an opportunity to help shape the future of the city.

The 2025 Citizens Leadership Academy will meet on Oct. 9, 16, 23, 25 and 30, as well as Nov. 6. Each year this program brings together people from diverse segments of the community interested in meeting and working with others to address key issues critical to maintaining and improving Dover's quality of life. It will increase citizens' knowledge of local government and introduce them to opportunities to become more involved as active community members.

"Citizens Leadership Academy graduates are encouraged to initiate discussions with other residents as well as business and government leaders, and contribute their knowledge, imagination and energy towards the betterment of the community," says Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce President Margaret Joyce.

Citizens Leadership Academy includes presentations from: City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr., Deputy City Manager/Development and Strategic Initiatives Christopher G. Parker, Director of Planning and Community Development Donna Benton, Library Director Denise LaFrance, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Christine Boston, Fire Chief Perry Plummer, Police Chief David Terlemezian, Community Services Director John Storer and Recreation Director Kevin Hebert.

"Citizens Leadership Academy is a great opportunity to learn more about local governance in Dover and discover how to become a better informed and involved citizen," says Dover City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr. "The program provides participants with an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the various city departments and a behind-the-scenes look at how these departments each support and contribute to the quality of life we enjoy in our community."

Participants are not required to make every meeting, but regular attendance is strongly encouraged. This program is free of charge and is open to Dover residents. Attendees can register online at www.dovernh.org/citizens-leadership-academy. For more information, call the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at (603) 742-2218 or email events@dovernh.org.

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HILLTOP FUN CENTER, Somersworth, NH WEDNESDAY, October 8, from 5-8pm

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Mini Golf for Mental Health

JOIN US FOR A CHARITY MINIGOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT DOVER MENTAL HEALTH ALLIANCE!

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by September 29

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Register \$25 PER PERSON / \$20 for kids 12 & under REGISTRATION INCLUDES 18 HOLES OF MINI GOLF, pizza before we play, dessert and raffle prizes after!

Sponson \$1,000 TITLE-IST UNDERWRITER

• Your logo on all scorecards

- Your logo on all scorecards
- Our lunch sponsor
- Sponsorship on two holes, #1 & #18
- · Press release mention
- · Shout-outs on social media
- · 4 free registrations

\$500 BIRDIE SPONSOR

- Your company name on all scorecards
- Sponsorship on one hole
- Shout-outs on social media
- 2 free registrations

\$250 PUTT-PUTT SPONSOR

- · Sponsorship on one hole
- · Shout-outs on social media

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YOUR PARTICIPATION HELPS US BUILD A COMMUNITY THAT IS EDUCATED, RESPONSIVE, AND CONSCIOUS OF THE IMPACT OF MENTAL ILLNESS!

For more information email Suzanne Weete at suzanneweete@communitypartnersnh.org



AARP Smart Driver Course at the Dover Community Senior Center

AARP Smart Driver, the newly updated driving refresher course from AARP Driver Safety, will be offered at the Dover Community Senior Center, 61 Locust St., Door #1, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Sept.25. The class will be taught by certified volunteer instructor Lisa Marchi.

Since 1979, AARP Driver Safety has helped more than 20 million people stay safe, educated, and confident on the road. AARP Smart Driver course participants will learn:

- Valuable defensive driving skills
- Proven safety strategies
- How to stay current with the latest driving technologies
- The current rules of the road, specific to your community
- How to manage and accommodate common age-related changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time

This course now includes new videos and updated course content, so you will have the most up-to-date information.

Many participants may be eligible for a multi-year insurance discount after taking the course. Check with your insurance agent to see if you are eligible. There are no tests required to pass the course.

The course costs \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for non-members of AARP. Participants can register at the Senior Center by pre-payment of the class fee via cash or check (payable to AARP). You should plan to bring a bag lunch or snacks to get you through the day as there will be one 30-minute lunch break. You must complete the course to receive your certificate.

Space is limited and this course is open to the public, so sign up early. You can register by

dropping your cash or check (payable to AARP) at the Senior Center.

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:

- Fire/Life Safety Inspector, Part-Time
- Parking Enforcement Officer, Per Diem or Part-Time
- Police Officer
- Wastewater Pump Station Operator
- Swim Instructor, Part-Time
- Lifeguard I, Part-Time
- Fire Fighter/AEMT
- Truck Driver Streets
- Laborer Public Works Streets & Stormwater
- Diesel Mechanic
- Heavy Equipment Mechanic
- Utilities Laborer
- Truck Driver Utilities
- Public Safety Systems IT Technician
- Deputy City Engineer
- Gym Attendant, Part-Time
- Utilities Technician
- Heavy Equipment Operator I-Utilities
- Pubic Works Supervisor-Streets, Drainage, Snow

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

Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- District Float School Nurse
- Paraprofessionals
- Platform Manager
- Substitute Nurses
- MTSS Building Coordinator
- Attendance Secretary
- Interventionist
- DALC Teacher-English for Speakers of other Languages (ESL)
- DALC Teacher of Adult Foundational Skills and HSE Preparation
- Ski Coach
- Noon Aides
- District Student Support Counselor
- Freshman Boys Soccer Coach
- Girls Middle School Volleyball Coach
- Freshman Girls Soccer Coach

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