

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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Meetings this week:

Planning Board, June 14, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers, at City Hall.

Friday, June 10, 2016



Chamber announces 2016 Cochecho Arts Festival lineup

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce this week unveiled the 2016 lineup for the annual Cochecho Arts Festival. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the festival.

For a complete list of this year's performers and events, visit the <u>Cochecho Arts Festival page here</u>.

The festival continues to grow and this year will feature over 40 live performances in just six weeks that include the Tuesday Children's Series, Wednesday Farmers Market Acoustic Stage and Shark In The Park, Friday Night Headliner Series and Opening Acts, Dinner and a Movie Series and Theater on the Cochecho.

Established in 1986, the Cochecho Arts Festival is the most popular Summer Music Festival in the Seacoast. The festival draws over 10,000 people to downtown Dover from the beginning of July through August.

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

Zoning Board, June 16, 7 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 16, 2016, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

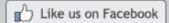


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City Hall hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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



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City to celebrate 4th of July with music and fireworks

The City of Dover's annual 4th of July fireworks display will be held on Monday, July 4, 2016. Fireworks begin at 9:15 p.m.

Henry Law Park and the surrounding downtown areas are the best locations to view the fireworks.

The fireworks display will be preceded by a performance of the 39th Army Band at the Rotary Arts Pavilion, from 7 to 9 p.m. Food and novelty vendors will be available at Henry Law Park.

The rain date for the fireworks display is Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

For more information, contact Recreation Director Gary Bannon at 603-516-6401.

DHS Jazz Band, Choir offer free concert tonight

The Dover High School Jazz Band and Sound Waves Jazz Choir will perform a free jazz concert at the Rotary Pavilion stage at Henry Law Park on Friday, June 10, at 7 p.m.

The concert will feature Charlie Jennison on saxophone and flute playing along with both groups. Jennison has performed with many legends, including Rosemary Clooney, Buddy DeFranco, Joan Rivers, and Joe Williams to name a few.

Several vocalists will be featured in the concert performing some well-known standards. Sasha Jost will sing "Dream a Little Dream." Katlyn Brillard will sing "Mr. Zoot Suit" along with the band, and Meghan Curran will give her rendition of the Peggy Lee favorite, "Fever." The band will perform some classic swing and some funky charts.

The groups are directed by Jim Butka.

Stay of social with your City

Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official <u>Facebook</u> page and <u>twitter feed</u> for the latest updates.

Brief road closure in place Sunday for Garrison race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures and traffic restrictions for the Garrison Elementary School 5K event.

On Sunday, June 12 at 9 a.m., Garrison Road and Shaws Lane will be closed briefly to accommodate the start of this race. This closure should last about 10 minutes.

Race participants will also run in the Birch, Hemlock, Linda, Riverdale, Arbor, and Morningside neighborhood. Motorists may experience traffic delays at the intersection of Back River and Garrison Roads, and at the intersection of Shaws Lane/Tideview Drive.

Dover Police officers and citizen volunteers will be on hand to help facilitate the flow of traffic.

There are no parking restrictions in effect. Event parking for participants will be available in the Shaws Lane ballfield parking lots.

The Garrison Elementary School has facilitated an afterschool program for its students to increase physical fitness and help them learn important values of healthy living. The culmination of this program is a 5K road race, that is geared toward the students and their families, but open to the public.



Special event helps celebrate Dover Community Trail

Hikers, bikers, walkers and strollers celebrated National Trails Day, June 4, 2016 at the Rotary Trailhead of Dover's Community Trail.

The Community Trail Advisory Committee organized the event, featuring balloons for the children and a special appearance of Rasa and CJ. Rasa and CJ carried Dover police officers Joe Caproni and Michelle Murch to the event. They delighted children and families alike, listening to their

questions and standing still for petting. Special thanks to them, to Nicole's Hallmark and Shaw's supermarket for donating balloons, and to Donna Benton and the Dover Planning Department for ongoing support and participation at the event.

The Dover Community Trail has two completed sections. The rural section follows the Cochecho River from the Watson Road Bridge, under the Spaulding Turnpike to Fourth Street. The urban section begins at the Rotary Trailhead at the back of the train station parking lot and continues under Silver Street to Fisher Street.

Over the next year the trail will be extended from Fisher Street to Rte 108. Amenities will be added along the way and a new trailhead will be established with upgraded access to the trail at Fourth Street.

More information and maps are available on the Community Trail <u>Facebook page here</u> and on the <u>City's website here</u>. Maps available at the Dover Chamber of Commerce as well.

The Dover Community Trail Advisory Committee welcomes new members at any time.

For meeting times or more information, contact the Planning Department at 516-6008 or visit the links above.

Summer reading programs start June 21 at Dover Public Library

Are you ready for a summer full of fun and games?

"On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!", the Children's Summer Reading Program at the Dover Public Library, begins on Tuesday, June 21. From 2 to 4 p.m. that day, the event kicks off with a Summer Celebration. Register for the program during this time and enjoy crafts, food, and visitors from Holy Rosary Credit Union and Texas Roadhouse. Everyone who attends will also be entered into a raffle for a special prize. Don't worry, if you can't make it to this event you can sign-up anytime during the six-week program.

When students entering grades K-6 sign-up, they choose which team they would like to be on: Bruins, Celtics, Patriots, or Red Sox. Throughout the summer, check the scoreboard in the Children's Room to see which team is reading the most minutes. Which one of our beloved New England teams will prevail?

Preschoolers are encouraged to register for the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program and complete a summer reading activity sheet. Not only will participants enjoy some great books, audiobooks, and ebooks, they will also have the opportunity to earn prizes.

Special events are also planned throughout the program, including:

- Saturday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Snap Circuit Fun! The Dover Shockwave Robotics Team members will be on hand to help kids build projects with Snap Circuits. This is a great way to introduce kids to electrical circuits while having fun.
- Tuesday, June 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: We will learn about "The Wonderful World of Bats". After the presentation, kids will make their own bat T-Shirt.
- Thursday, June 30, at 2 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: Don't miss the amazing magician Norman Ng. His show will truly astound all members of the family.
- Wednesday, July 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: Join us for a MarioKart Tournament. This event is for kids going into fifth grade and above, and registration is required. Pizza and refreshments will be served.
- Monday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: Storyteller Simon Brooks will entertain us with folktales, myths, and legends.
- Tuesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will bring their program "Amazing Adventures: Healthy Minds Spark Makers" to the library.
- Wednesday, July 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. on the front lawn of the McConnell Center: Come and climb our 24-foot portable climbing wall. This event is for children four years and older. A parent must sign a release form provided by Vertical Dreams.
- Wednesday, July 27, at 10 a.m. at the Seymour Osman Community Center: Ilze Luneau, who has performed on national shows and at professional and college sporting events, will demonstrate her trick basketball skills.
- Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday! Pass through Platform 9 3/4 then be sorted into wizarding house. Participate in magical classes including Wand Making, Herbology, Potions, and Care of Magical Creatures. Snacks will be provided in the Great Hall (Library Lecture Hall) and students are welcome to test their flying skills with a friendly game of Quidditch on the McConnell Center's front lawn. Participants will also compete in a Horcrux Scavenger Hunt and trivia contest for Harry Potter prizes.
- Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m. on the front lawn: We will wrap up our summer reading program with our final celebration. TJ Wheeler will entertain us with his family-friendly blues music. Traditional lawn games and food will also be part of this fun-filled evening.

But wait, that's not all. Every week there will be a new sports-themed craft at our Creation Station. Stop in anytime to make and take your creation. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., there will be a drop-in Family Storytime featuring books,

songs, fingerplays, and games. Friday mornings are for our youngest patrons. "Mother Goose on the Loose", a special program for infants through two years olds with a caregiver, will begin at 10 a.m. From 10:30-11 a.m. we will offer "Toddler Exploration Time" featuring sensory activities. Our popular "Music with benji" program at 11 a.m. will get the whole family singing and dancing. Every Saturday during the summer reading program is a "LEGO Saturday". Come in anytime between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to build with our Legos and Duplos.

And one more thing.... we will take the program on the road this year. On Fridays from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. we will be at the Seymour Osman Community Center. Participants in the summer reading program will be able to report their reading time, get prizes, and return and check out books. There will also be a storytime with crafts and activities.

And for teens?

The Library will host a Teen Summer Reading Program. Sign-up beginning June 21 for your chance to win amazing prizes including tickets to Canobie Lake Park, Water Country, and The Works, plus lessons at Indoor Ascent, merchandise from Red Alert Skate Shop, Kindle Fires, and free pizzas from Weeksie's, Kendall Pond, and La Festa. The program is simple: earn raffle tickets for reading, the more you read the better chance you have of winning a prize. Choose which of our eight prize packs you'll put your raffle tickets in. Please join us for the MarioKart Tournament on Wednesday, July 6, the Climbing Wall on Wednesday, July 20, Harry Potter's birthday celebration on July 30, and the "end of program" party with entertainment by TJ Wheeler on Aug. 2 at 6 p.m. Find more details on our website at <u>library.dover.nh.gov</u> or call the Library at 516-6050 for more information.

How about adults?

Join our Summer Reading Program to "Exercise your Mind-Read" this summer and have some fun. After all, why should kids be the only ones excited about Summer Reading Programs? If you want to be eligible for prizes, be sure to fill out a review slip, either online through our website under "Summer Reading/Adult", or in person at the library. This will be your entry to win weekly prizes. We'll compile the list of what everyone has read and share it anonymously so you can discover some new titles for your to-read list! The theme this year emphasizes fitness and wellness. The program starts June 21 and runs through Aug. 2. The grand prize will be a new Fitbit Flex. To be eligible for the grand prize, participants must read at least five books and fill our review slip for each.

Online survey to help with new chapter of City's Master Plan

The City of Dover is now developing a new chapter of the Master Plan, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter. This new chapter will bring together a range of resources and issues considered critical components of what helps make Dover a unique place.

Specifically, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter will address the following: energy, natural resources, historic and cultural resources, coastal management, natural hazards and social capital.

The City of Dover completed a comprehensive, community-wide visioning process as part of its master planning process in 2012. Dover's Master Plan can be found online here. The topics to be addressed in the new Stewardship of Resources Chapter were identified during the visioning process. The topics were considered to be of such importance that they are found across five of the eight overarching vision themes upon which the Vision Chapter is based. These themes are:

- 1.0 People and Community
- 2.0 Downtown
- 4.0 Municipal Government and School Services
- 5.0 Open Space and Recreation
- 7.0 Sustainability

The Stewardship of Resources Steering Committee is seeking input from the community. As part of the outreach plan, a survey has been prepared to allow citizens, business leaders, and other stakeholders in the community a chance to provide input. The survey can be found on the Master Plan page linked above or here.

The Dover Master Plan is a critical community resource. Participation in the survey will help develop a strong new chapter of the Plan.

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.



Please Save the Date for our 100th Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser!

Saturday, July 23, 2016 6:00pm

Under the tent at the Woodman Museum 182 Central Avenue, Dover, NH

Click the image above or <u>here</u> for more information

Dover Library now offers free borrower's card to those who work or attend school in Dover

The Board of Trustees of the Dover Public Library is pleased to announce newly expanded eligibility for obtaining a borrower's card at the Dover Library. Previously, free library cards were available only for Dover residents and Dover business owners. A new policy, now in effect, additionally allows those who work in Dover or who attend school in Dover, even if they are non-residents, to register for a free DPL card.

Employees at any Dover store or business, or students attending any Dover school, now qualify for a free library card. You must apply in person at the library and you must show valid proof (e.g. a recent pay stub) that you work or attend school in Dover. Also required is a picture ID (e.g. driver's license or school ID) that displays your current home address. Cards are valid for one year from date of issue and must be renewed (with annual proof of qualification) every year.

Now the extensive resources of the Dover Public Library, including print materials, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, ebooks, story times, databases, museum passes, computer and Kindle loans, instructional classes, downloadable and streaming services such as Overdrive and Hoopla, and even enrollment in the Summer Reading programs will be open to everyone in Dover whether you live, work or study in our city. Library staff look forward to welcoming, registering, and assisting all new borrowers.

For more information on what's required to qualify for a free DPL library card, please call 603-516-6050.

Portion of Sixth Street closed Wednesday afternoons for Farmer's Market

Beginning Wednesday, June 1, 2016, and continuing every Wednesday through Oct. 5, a small segment of Sixth Street between Central Avenue and Chestnut Street (next to the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce) will be closed from 1:15 to 6:30 p.m., for the Seacoast Growers Association's annual Farmers Market.

For more information on the Farmer's Market, click here.



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, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, 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 Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm.



June, 1792 - The State Legislature sits in the new Court House, recently completed in Dover, making Dover the state Capitol. In this court house, many of the state's most famous attorneys were heard, including Daniel Webster, Jeremiah Mason, Ichabod Bartlett and Jeremiah Smith. It is written that Daniel Webster, while living in Portsmouth, would ride horseback through Newington, across the

Piscataqua River bridge, on to Leighton's Hill where he would call on William King Atkinson, and together they would ride in a most friendly manner to the Dover Court House, where all day they would wage fierce legal battles. The United States District Court would also convene here for a time, with Judge John Sullivan presiding. The Courthouse was later converted into tenements, and in the 1920s, a garage and gas station.



June, 1812 - The "Dover Cotton Factory" is incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000, the first attempt at manufacturing on an extensive scale in this town. As the lower falls were owned and occupied by the Waldron family, who would not sell their saw and grist mills, the Cotton Factory had to erect its first mill at the falls, two miles up the river, at a point ever since called the Upper Factory. The first mill was built under the direction of John Williams. The first yard of cloth was woven there in 1814. It was kept in operation until about 1840.



June 16, 1862 - A heavy frost destroys corn in many places in Dover.



June 12, 1921 - The Dover Board of Assessors announced the total inventory valuation of the City for 1921 as \$13,677,024. This included mills and machinery at \$1,121,621, and 580 horses, 4 oxen, 889 cows, 92 sheep, 55 hogs, 3,913 fowl, 71 vehicles and 4 boats.



June, 1982 - A lawsuit filed by Dover-based Clarostat Manufacturing Company shareholders against the company's chairman, Glen Swanson, is dropped. Dissident shareholders had tried to remove Swanson from his post, maintaining he had not attended a company annual meeting in seven years. Swanson lived in Los Angles. In addition, shareholders argued that Clarostat had not paid dividends since 1962. Clarostat officials argued the funds had been reinvested. After the suit was dropped, the shareholders' common stock was bought out by Clarostat for \$1.78 million cash and \$201,000 in legal fees. Swanson, still in California, was allowed to remain as chairman. Clarostat was then a \$20 million electronic parts producer and employed many hundreds of people while in operation in Dover.

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 hiring the following positions:

- Public Welfare Technician III
- Facilities Project Manager
- Custodians
- Engineering Document Manager
- Seasonal Maintenance Worker Utilities
- Lifeguards
- Swim instructor

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

Your City needs you! City boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future.

For more information about the important role of the City's boards and commissions, please view the video below. Click on the image to view.



City of Dover Boards and Commissions

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, click here.

To download an application for board and commissions, click here. Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

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



Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

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, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

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

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail <u>here</u>.

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