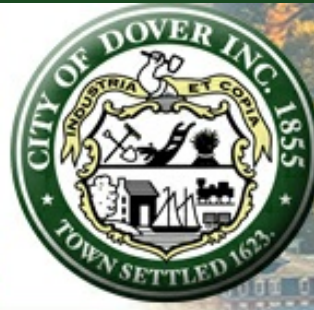


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Dover Open Lands Committee conducts easement monitoring

One of the most important responsibilities of the Dover Open Lands Committee is monitoring properties on which the City holds conservation easements. The purpose of the monitoring is to confirm conservation easement provisions are upheld and the land maintains the conservation values that made it worthy of protection.

Volunteers from the Open Lands Committee, in conjunction with City staff, conduct the monitoring. Sometimes members of the Conservation Commission also assist. Monitoring activities include reviewing the easement deeds and maps before the visit, walking the property (sometimes with the landowner if available), taking photographs of the conditions and then preparing a written report to document the visit.

In 2017, the Open Lands Committee monitored and completed reports for 17 out of 45 total properties. The City provides the monitoring report to the landowner and any public agency with a role in protecting the property.

Since its inception in 2000, the Open Lands Committee has worked with the Conservation Commission to help

Meetings this week:

City Council, March 7, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, March 7, 2017, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

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

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).



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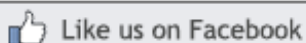
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City Hall hours:

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.



conserve more than 830 acres of conservation land in Dover, leveraging over \$5.8 million in state and federal grant funding. In addition, the OLC holds workshops and tours of conservation lands that are open to the public. To receive updates about upcoming events, follow the Open Lands Committee on [Facebook](#).

If interested in becoming a member or for more information about the Open Lands Committee, call the Planning Department at 603-516-6008 or e-mail Steve Bird at s.bird@dover.nh.gov.

March 2 snowshoe walk cancelled

The Full Moon Snowshoe Walk along the Community Trail, scheduled for Friday, March 2 has been cancelled due to trail conditions. The Open Lands Committee will reschedule a walk on this conserved property along the Cochecho River at a later date.

Still looking for a community walk this Friday? Check out the Art Walk from 4 to 8 p.m. in downtown Dover. More information at doverartwalk.com.



Dover Art Walk marks one-year anniversary

The Dover Art Walk marks its one-year anniversary during this month's walk tonight, March 2, 2018, from 4-8 p.m.



Start at the Washington Street Mill for a book signing with multiple authors at The Art Center along with the opening exhibition of Phoenix Mayet's, "The Face of Feminism Now." Wrong Brain will also host a Comedy Art Showcase.

Visit the downtown stops for a variety of local art on display. Some artists will be on site to discuss their work and provide demos. See the map here:

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<https://doverartwalk.com/map.php>

End at the Falls to get in your votes for the "People's Choice Award" (a write-in at the bottom of your map) and redeem your entry into the raffle with fully stamped maps. Stay for the anniversary cake cutting, announcement of the "People's Choice Award" and raffle drawing for a \$100 Ross Furniture Company Inc gift certificate at 8 p.m.

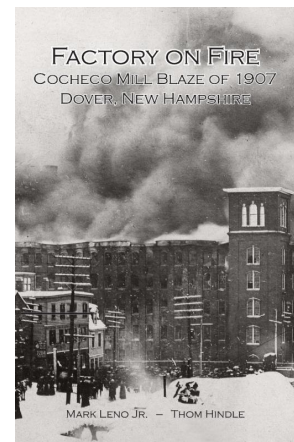
Discover how good it feels to shop local. Don't forget, if you purchase \$30 or more of artwork, you will receive a special Dover Art Walk tote.

For more information, visit doverartwalk.com.

Mill fire book available during March Art Walk

Local historians and former Woodman Museum trustees, Mark Leno, Jr. and Thom Hindle have published a new book on Dover's deadliest mill fire. "Factory on Fire" is the true story of Cocheco Mill No 1 blaze of 1907 that resulted in the deaths of seven and injured many more in a 58 hour fire which began on an extremely cold, 25-below-zero morning on Jan. 26. Based on years of research, using first person accounts of those who were in the

fire and over 50 photographs reproduced from the original 100 year old glass plate negatives, the story of the fire, the mill workers, the heroic rescues from smoke filled windows, firemen battling the extreme weather, and a court trial is brought to life.



Signed copies of the 180-page book will be available for \$20 on Friday, March 2 at the new Art Center on the first floor in the Washington Street mill during the Dover Art Walk from 4-8 p.m.

Mark and Thom will be on hand to answer questions and talk about the fire.

For more information, contact Thom Hindle at thom@imagesofthepastgallery.com.

Main Street's annual Run Before You Crawl 5K is March 10

Run, walk or crawl, but don't miss the opportunity to participate in the Dover Race Series 2018 kickoff event. Registration is now open for Dover Main Street's Run Before You Crawl 5K Race and Pub Crawl. This popular event will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018.



The road race begins at 9:30 a.m. The pub crawl portion of the event is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The 5K road race begins and ends at the Dover Transportation Center. The pub crawl spans 13 participating downtown restaurants.

For more information or to register, please visit www.runb4ucrawl.com.

Want to contact your elected representative?

The City of Dover makes it easy to reach out to your local, state, county and federal elected officials by providing contact information for City Councilors, state representatives and the New Hampshire congressional delegation.



Visit the City's online resource, [Find My Representative](#), for a complete list of local, county, state and federal elected officials, including contact information.

Want to contact your City Councilor, or wondering which councilor represents your ward? You can find out [more information about the City Council here](#).

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the City of [Dover's interactive ward map](#). The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information can be found [here](#).

2018 NH High School Short Film Festival now accepting entries

The New Hampshire Division of Film and Digital Media is accepting submissions through March 31 for the 2018 New Hampshire High School Short Film Festival. Now in its 11th year, the Festival is a competitive showcase for the state's youngest filmmakers and has become one of the marquee

film events in the state.

Films submitted for consideration are previewed and scored by the Festival selection committee. Originality, cinematic storytelling and technical execution are the primary scoring elements. All films, regardless of type or genre, are judged on the filmmaker's ability to effectively captivate an audience through cinematic expression.

The films with the highest scores will be screened at the annual two-hour New Hampshire High School Short Film Festival, which takes place at Red River Theatres in Concord on May 19, 2018, beginning at noon. Festival selections will also be screened on "New Hampshire Day and Night" at the New Hampshire Film Festival in Portsmouth and at the SNOB Film Festival in Concord.

In order to be considered, films must be produced exclusively by students in grades 9-12 who are currently enrolled and attending a New Hampshire public or private high school, or who are residents of New Hampshire and enrolled in high school elsewhere. New Hampshire homeschooled students ages 14-18 are also eligible. Adult involvement in the project is limited to on-screen talent and / or serving as a faculty adviser. Films can be no longer than seven minutes, including titles and credits, and must have been produced after May 20, 2017. They do not have to have been created as part of a school project.

There is no entry fee. For the first time, Festival entries must be submitted online. For more information, visit nhstudentfilm.com.



Waterfront blasting operations ongoing through March 15

Crews from Severino Trucking Company and Maine Drilling and Blasting will continue blasting operations on Dover's waterfront development site through March 15, 2018. Blasting is scheduled Monday through Friday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., and will consist of a single blast each day. The remainder of work each day will consist of removing material.

The blasting site is the area known as "the bluff," a steep area of ledge that borders River Street. The ledge is being excavated as part of the City's waterfront development project. Blasting began on Jan. 22.

Although blasting operations are not loud, the ground within the vicinity of the blasting may tremble.

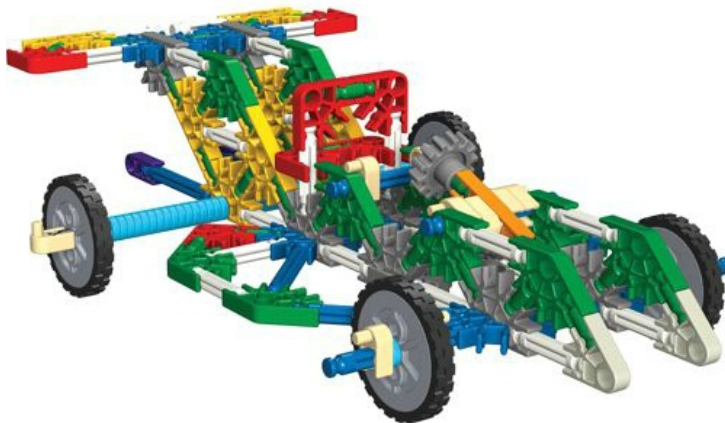
Prior to blasting, abutters within 1,000 feet of the work were notified of blasting operations. Public abutter meetings about the blasting were held on Nov 1 and Dec. 22. Abutters were offered the opportunity to have Maine Drilling and Blasting conduct a preblast survey of their property.

The five-acre bluff is part of the City's 12-acre waterfront parcel slated for development. The bluff's 3.7 acres of ledge will be excavated to street level to allow for more buildable land. The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee, which oversees the project, approved a concept plan last year that calls for 226 residential units, 9,000 square feet of commercial space and a 4,000-square-foot restaurant on the City owned waterfront property. The committee recently completed a request for qualifications from developers interested in the property.

Severino began preparing the bluff for excavation in December 2017 by removing trees and stumps. Severino expects to remove 62,000 cubic yards of rock from the excavation.

For more information about the waterfront development project, contact the Planning Department at 516-6008.





K'Nex Car Racing Competition and Library Scavenger Hunt at the Dover Public Library March 10

Get ready, set, go!

The Library will host a K'Nex Car Racing Competition for children in grades K and up on Saturday, March 10 at 2 p.m. Children will be assigned to a team to design and create their car. Racing will take place after the cars are built. Prizes will be awarded to teams for the fastest car and longest distance traveled. All materials will be provided.

How Well Do You Know Your Library? We Challenge you to the Library Scavenger Hunt!

Join us on Saturday, March 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a Library Scavenger Hunt. Children in grades K-12 are welcome to participate. Work alone or as part of a team to find items scattered around the Library. Prizes for the fastest fully-completed hunt will be awarded in three age divisions: Grades K-4, Grades 5-8, Grades 9-12.

These programs are free to all kids and do not require pre-registration.

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



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 here](#).



March 5, 1668 - Voted that Capt. Waldron, Ensign John Davis and Mr. Job Clements are empowered to treat with the selectmen of Portsmouth about running the line from Canney's Creek and Hogsty Cove, and what they shall do shall be a final determination of that difference and stand as a town act as if the town were all present.



March 2, 1674 - In choosing town officers this year, the town voted that Nicholas Hanson should " officiate no longer as a seller of pipe staves." The surveyor of highways for last year was to stand for this year.



March 2, 1795 - At the town meeting, the selectmen were empowered to send the bell on the meeting house to Europe to the foundry where it was cast, to get it cast over again. It was also voted not to build a work house for the employ of the town's poor. On the petition of Walter Cooper to have the town " accountable for the future maintenance of a poor negro woman now in his family," the town voted that it would not be accountable.



March 4, 1806 - A new line of stages for the accommodation and convenience of passengers who wish to travel between Boston and Portland, the upper road, was established at this time. It left Boston & Portland, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 o'clock A.M., met at Richardson's tavern in Durham the same evening, exchanged passengers, and returned next day. "Those persons who put their names down first for a passage, before the stage starts, will have the preference, and no more than nine passengers will be taken." Nathaniel W. Ela, Dover, was one of the ten proprietors issuing the notice.



March 2, 1860 - Abraham Lincoln visits Dover.

Time to renew dog licenses

Dog licenses for 2018 are now available. All dogs must be

licensed by April 30 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering.

Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or [online](#).

In addition to online licensing, rabies information can also be updated online and the certificate mailed to the City Clerk's office. A checking account is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, [click here](#).

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

Dover School District preschool program now accepting applications

Do you have a preschool-aged child? Are you looking for a preschool program where your child can learn and grow?

The Dover District Preschool Program is an integrated preschool that addresses the developmental needs of children with and without disabilities and celebrates children as unique individuals, nurturing their growth and development. The program is currently accepting applications for community children ages 3-5. A tuition application and background information form is required to be entered into the lottery for school year 2018-2019.

Tuition is determined by the number of sessions attended per week and paid in three installments.

For more information and to view or download the forms, [click here](#).

Completed application and background form should be sent to Jennifer McCarthy at j.mccarthy@dover.k12.nh.us or mailed to: Woodman Park School, Dover District Preschool Program, 11 Towle Ave., Dover, NH 03820.

Dover schools to hold kindergarten, first-grade registration

Dover public schools will soon hold kindergarten and first-grade registration for children as follows:

- Children five years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering kindergarten;
- Children six years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering first grade (if not currently in Dover public kindergarten).

Horne Street School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Morton at 516-6756 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Woodman Park Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Rouillard at 516-6700 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Garrison Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Lilakos at 516-6752 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

As part of the registration process, parents registering children for kindergarten are asked to select a half-hour slot for an early screening skills check of their child.

These sessions will be held at the three elementary schools on the following dates:

- **Garrison Elementary:** Tuesday, April 3; Wednesday, April 4; and Thursday, April 5.
- **Horne Street and Woodman Park schools:** Tuesday, April 17; Wednesday, April 18; and

For more information, contact the schools at the phone numbers above.

Applications for "All Veterans" tax credit due by April 15

Veterans who qualify for the newly adopted All Veterans' Tax Credit must complete an application by April 15. The Dover City Council adopted the All Veterans' Tax Credit on Nov. 8, 2017, following a revision to state law that allows municipalities to extend tax credits to all veterans who have served at least 90 days and honorably discharged from the military.

According to the law, "A person shall qualify for the all veterans' tax credit if the person is a resident of this state who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that Title 10 training for active duty by a member of a national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph; provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. "

The All Veterans' Tax Credit will be phased in over a period of three years to match the existing veterans' credit of \$500. For veterans who qualify for the All Veterans' Tax Credit, but didn't previously qualify for the existing veterans' credit because they didn't serve during a designated timeframe for a qualifying war or armed conflict, the credit will be phased in over a period of three years.

For 2018 the credit will be \$167. The 2019 credit will be \$333. The 2020 credit will be for the full amount of \$500.

The tax credit will be subtracted each year from the property tax on a qualifying veteran's residential property.

An application for the All Veterans' credit must be made prior to April 15 during the current tax year.

For more information, contact the City Assessor's Office at 516-6014 or visit <http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/finance/tax-assessment/applications/index.html>.



Support the Dover Veterans Park with engraved brick donation

A new City park to honor all veterans is expected to be constructed and open this fall, in time for Veterans Day. The park will be located on the front lawn of the McConnell Center.

To help fund the construction and maintenance of the Dover Veterans Park, park organizers have launched a brick donation campaign. The bricks will be installed on the entrance walkway and engraved with the name, military rank and branch and years of service for individual service members. Bricks can be purchased by anyone wishing to honor a veteran who has served our country. A red 4-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$50. A larger 8-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$100.

Brick donations can be made [online here](#).

The Dover Veterans Park was first proposed by a committee consisting of Mayor Karen Weston, City Councilor John O'Connor, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., and Recreation Director Gary Bannon. The City Council subsequently included some funding for the park in the annual Capital Improvements Program. The McConnell Center was chosen as an ideal location because it is near some of the City's memorial monuments and named after Capt. Joseph McConnell, a Dover native, Korean War Veteran, and the first Triple Jet Ace.

The Dover Veterans Park is intended to recognize all veterans.

For more information about brick donations, visit www.dover.nh.gov or call the Dover Recreation Department at 516-6410.

City of Dover employment opportunities

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

The City of Dover is now seeking applications the following positions:

- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Clerk/Typist I - water and sewer billing**
- **Lifeguards**
- **Swim instructors**

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

CITY OF DOVER SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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, [click here](#). An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

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 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.

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, [click here](#).

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

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

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



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 [here](#).
