

## News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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The Parking Commission

Friday, October 16, 2015

# Road closures and parking restrictions in place Saturday for Cochecho road race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the second annual Cocheco Challenge Half Marathon footrace.

On Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015 at 9 a.m., the 13.1-mile footrace will begin on Central Avenue in front of the First Parish Church and will end on nearby Church Street. Brief street closures will be in effect on Central Avenue, Silver Street, and Arch Street to accommodate the 9 a.m. start. Motorists should expect -- and give way to -- runners wearing numbered race bibs on any Dover roadways between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. These include Washington Street, Tolend Road, Glen Hill Road, County Farm Cross Road, Sixth Street, Glenwood Avenue, Horne Street, Fourth Street, Atkinson Street, and Nelson Street.

Church Street will be closed to all traffic between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Parking restrictions will be posted in the following locations on Saturday, Oct. 17:

will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 19, 2015, at 8:30 a.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 <a href="https://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv">www.dover.nh.gov/dntv</a>.

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



#### CITY OF DOVER, NH

288 Central Avenue Dover, NH 03820 603-516-6000

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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- Sixth Street, even-numbered side only, between Horne and Grove streets;
- Washington Street, even-numbered side only, between Arch and Atkinson streets;
- Church Street, both sides between Locust and Academy streets.

This event is organized by the First Parish Church, the oldest parish in Dover, and will raise funds to maintain and repair the 1829 church building, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. The course is USA Track and Field certified and includes a footbridge crossing over the Cochecho River.

For more information about the event, including a course map and registration information, <u>click here</u>.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Police Sgt. and Traffic Bureau Administrator Marn Speidel at 603-742-4646.

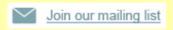
## Supervisors of the Checklist in session Oct. 24 and Oct. 30

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015, from 11 to 11:30 a.m., at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave. They will be in session again on Friday, Oct. 30, 2015, from 7 to 7:30 p.m.

During this session, supervisors will register new voters, change party affiliation, addresses and names, and make other necessary corrections to the checklist. This is also the last opportunity for voters to change party affiliation before the Presidential Primary.

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

Dover Main Street hosts downtown



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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.

### Trick-or-Treat event Oct. 24

Dover Main Street and downtown Dover merchants are once again ready to scare up some fun during the annual Downtown Trick-or-Treat event on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Enjoy trick-or-treating while walking around historic downtown Dover. This Dover Main Street event is always a hit with children, who love to walk from store to store and receive treats from downtown merchants.

Trick-or-treaters can visit the Dover Main Street table at the Cocheco Mill Courtyard for a map of participating merchants. The first 500 trick-or-treaters to visit will receive a free Trick-or-Treat bag.

This year's event will also include a costume parade and storytelling by Shawn Middleton, sponsored by the Noggin Factory.

Dover Main Street's free Downtown Trick-or-Treat This event is sponsored by Federal Savings Bank.

For a list of participating businesses, or for more information, <u>click here</u>.



### Trick-or-Treat in Dover is Oct. 30

Trick-or-Treat in Dover is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 30, 2015, from 5 to 8 p.m.

For more information, contact the Recreation Department at 516-6401.

## Dover Chamber seeking nominations for annual awards

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for their Business of the Year, Citizen of the Year, Non-Profit of the Year and Volunteer of the Year awards. Winners will be announced at the Annual Awards Dinner Jan. 22, 2016.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, Dec. 4.

For more information, or to nominate a business, organization or person, <u>click here</u>.

## Basketball sign-ups now open at Dover Recreation

The City of Dover Recreation Department now offers basketball sign-ups for all ages.

Dover Recreation offers programs for a variety of ages and ability, including kindergarten through high school, as well as men's leagues for players 18 and over, 35 and over, and 50 and over.

For more information, <u>click here</u>, or call 603-516-6401.

Early sign-ups help everyone plan and ensure a spot. For youth programs, early sign-ups also save money.

# Arts Commission survey looks to gauge impact of the arts in Dover

In an effort to gather information that will help further Dover's cultural footprint in New Hampshire, the Dover Arts Commission has created an online survey for local businesses to complete to help identify the impact of the arts and culture in Dover.

Part of what makes Dover such a vibrant community is

the variety of arts and cultural events that occur throughout the city. By participating in the 'Culture Counts in Dover NH' survey, local businesses will be helping the Dover Arts Commission take inventory of the resources available for citizens to enjoy. Recording the importance of arts and culture in the city allows the commission to continue exploring funding opportunities for the greater arts community.

Businesses that participate in the survey will have an opportunity to be featured in future newsletters currently being developed by the Arts Commission, and may be included in future Dover Download email blasts. These newsletters will help to publicize the arts and culture events happening in Dover's business community to the citizens of Dover and beyond.

The survey can be <u>accessed here</u>. To receive a link to the survey via email, or for more information, e-mail <u>ArtsCommission-All@dover.nh.gov</u>.

The Dover Arts Commission serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council and City Manager, and works to enhance an appreciation and awareness of arts and culture in the community through increased dialogue and participation of citizens.



## Online election guide includes upto-date candidate information

### Absentee ballots now available

The City of Dover's <u>2015 Municipal Election online</u> <u>resource</u> includes up-to-date information on the Nov. 3 municipal election, including all candidates who have filed for office to date, polling places, information on registering to vote, and more.

The municipal election is Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015.

Voters will choose candidates for Mayor, City Council, and School Board, as well as moderators, ward clerks, supervisors of the checklist and selectmen, from each ward.

Absentee ballots for the 2015 municipal election are now available. Absentee ballots are available at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave., and online here. Absentee ballots must be returned to the City Clerk's office.

The City Clerk's office is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



# Planning Board and City Council receive FY2017-22 Capital Improvements Program

The City of Dover's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) for fiscal years 2017 through 2022 was presented to the City Council and Planning Board at a joint meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2015.

The Planning Board and City Council will continue to review the CIP over the next several weeks. The City Council is expected to vote on the proposed CIP in November or December.

The CIP is a tool which outlines a schedule for the next six years for capital projects and purchases over \$25,000 which maintain and improve the community infrastructure.

According to Christopher G. Parker, Dover's Director of Planning and Community Development, Dover is excited to release the proposed CIP for the Council and Planning Board's review and hopes the community is interested in learning about future capital improvements in the works. CIP projects range from complex road reconstructions to routine maintenance and replacement of equipment.

The CIP is updated annually and involves input sessions with the Planning Board and City Council, including public hearings. The Planning Board will forward its recommendations to the City Council, after which the City Council will discuss and ultimately approve the CIP in November.

To view the updated CIP projects visit the City of Dover's <u>CIP web page here</u>. Contained within the page is a video overview of the plan as well as a map locating projects proposed in the first year of the program.

For more information, contact the Dover Planning Department at 516-6008, email the Director of Planning and Community Development, Christopher G. Parker at <a href="mailto:c.parker@dover.nh.gov">c.parker@dover.nh.gov</a>, or simply stop in the Planning Office located on the first floor of City Hall.

## Chamber, Dover Listens to host "Conversation with the Candidates"

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and Dover Listens will host two "Conversation with the Candidates" sessions, which will feature candidates for mayor, City Council and School Board.

The first session will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will include candidates for mayor and City Council. The second session will be held on Tuesday,

Oct. 27, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will include candidates for School Board. Both sessions will be held in the McConnell Center cafeteria, 61 Locust St. Use Door #3 to enter the cafeteria.

According to the event organizer, "A Conversation with the Candidates" is intended to allow participants to share top priorities for Dover's representation on the City Council and School Board, and allow voters to learn more about the candidates, talk to others about community issues and how Dover can be best represented by elected officials.

Admission is free. Food will be provided by the Portable Pantry.

Both sessions will be recorded and broadcast later on Channel 22.

For more information, contact the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 742-228 or visit <a href="https://www.dovernh.org/candidates">www.dovernh.org/candidates</a>.

# Sunday hours at the Recycling Center begin Oct. 25

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road will open for additional weekly hours for several Sundays in October and November.

The Recycling Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following Sundays:

- Oct. 25
- Nov. 1
- Nov. 8
- Nov. 15
- Nov. 22
- Nov. 29

The Recycling Center's regular hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the Recycling Center, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

## 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? <u>Sign up now</u> 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.

# Parking garage permit requests now being accepted

Anyone interested in obtaining a monthly parking permit in the Orchard Street garage can now add their name to a list maintained by the City of Dover Parking Bureau. Current permit holders will have priority. The remaining permits will be issued based on the list. The Parking Garage is on schedule to open in late November.

Permits for the remainder of fiscal year 2016, which ends next June, are \$45 per month. Rates are established each year by the City Council as part of the annual budget adoption. The Parking Commission will review parking related fees during their meetings in the coming months and if any changes are recommended, they will be forwarded to City Council.

Those interested in adding their name to the list should parking@dover.nh.gov. Only email requests are accepted at this time.

For more information, contact the City of Dover Parking Bureau at 603-516-2277 or <a href="mailto:parking@dover.nh.gov">parking@dover.nh.gov</a>.



# Fall leaf collection begins in October

The City of Dover 2015 fall leaf collection will take place on the following weeks:

- Oct. 26-30
- Nov. 2-6
- Nov. 9-13
- Nov. 16-20

Bagged leaves will be picked up on the same day as trash and recycling.

Leaves must be placed curbside in biodegradable paper leaf bags. No brush will be accepted. Paper bags can be purchased at your local hardware or home improvement store.

Grass clippings, leaves, brush and yard waste is accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours.

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



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "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.



Oct. 18, 1649 - The Court being informed of a great misdemeanor committed by Edward Starbuck of Dover, with profession of Anabaptism, for which he is to be proceeded against at the next Court of Assistants, if evidence can be prepared by that time, and it being very far for witnesses to travel to Boston at that season of the year, appointed Captain Thomas Wiggin and Mr. Edward Smith to take the testimony of the witnesses for the prosecution of Starbuck, whose offence, apparently, was the wearing of his hair beyond the statute length, "after the manner of ruffians and barbarous Indians," which had been decreed by the Court to be "sinful."



Oct. 21, 1657 - It was ordered that all the inhabitants should have a respect to the order made concerning the falling of timber, which was that no man should fall above five trees for clapboards or pipe staves before he had wrought them up into those articles. Whoever violated this order should be liable to the penalties before specified, and Joseph Austin was chosen for Dover Neck and Thomas Footman for Oyster River to see that the order was enforced, being allowed one half of the fines which were incurred. Any other inhabitant who should inform and prove violations of the order should have the like part of the fines.

Oct. 18, 1734 - A petition of Christina Baker, praying for liberty to keep a house of public entertainment was read; the prayer of the petitioner granted, with liberty to bring in a bill accordingly. (Mrs. Christina Baker was a daughter of Capt. Richard Otis, and with her mother and others was taken captive, in infancy, by the Indians, in their attack on Dover, as related in 1689.)

**Oct. 16, 1840** - Died, Moses Hodgdon, Esq., Counselor at Law, aged 66, one of the oldest members of the Strafford County Bar, having commenced practice in 1801. He had represented Dover in the Legislature and at the time of his death was president of Strafford Bank and of the Savings Bank for the County of Strafford.

Oct. 19, 1860 - William H. Davis was found on the Upper Factory Road, about a mile and a half from the City Hall, badly injured from wounds of which he soon after died. His death was supposed to have been caused by injuries inflicted by some person unknown.

Oct. 18, 1927 - The clubhouse of the Cochecho Country Club is destroyed by fire.

### MUNICIPAL MATTERS

# City of Dover employment opportunities

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

To see what positions the City is seeking to fill, <u>click here</u>.

## 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 upto-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>.