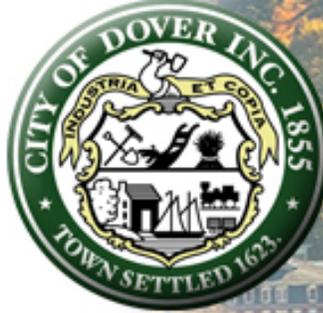




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For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).

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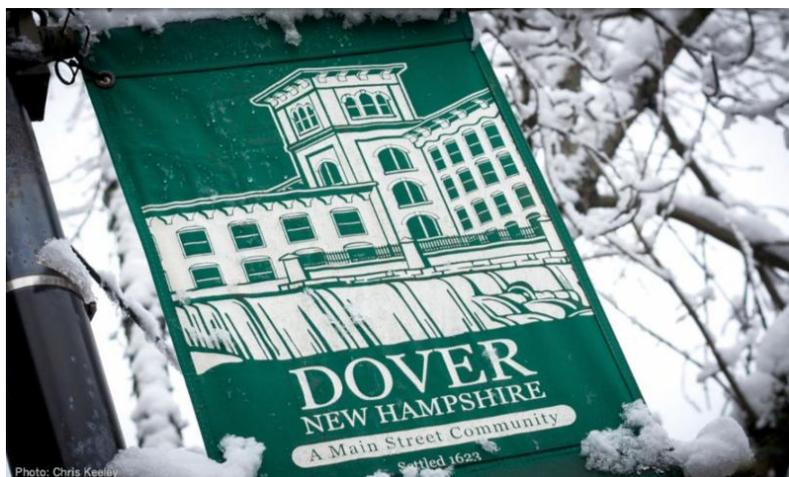
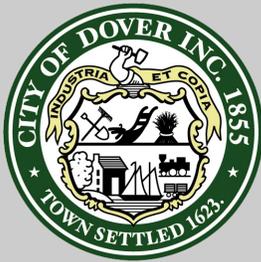


Photo: Chris Keeley

Workshop to focus on Dover's climate change strategy

How might changes in rainfall, temperature, storms and rising sea-levels affect the City of Dover? Be part of the response and join fellow residents for a workshop on helping Dover prepare for climate change. The workshop, "Preparing for Climate Change in Dover: Gaining Insights and Charting a Course," will be held on Thursday, Jan. 22, 2015, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the McConnell Center cafeteria, 61 Locust St.

During the workshop, residents will learn about regional climate change, how it might affect Dover, and specific actions that can help the city prepare. The workshop is open to all, including residents and businesses, City board and commission members, and City staff and elected officials.



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

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

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Refreshments will be provided.

The workshop follows role-play simulation sessions that began in 2012. These sessions presented residents with hypothetical climate-related problems that needed to be solved together.

The January workshop is the third in a series planned through the winter of 2015.

Space is limited. RSVP online at tinyurl.com/doverclimate3 or to City Planner Steve Bird at 516-6008 or s.bird@dover.nh.gov.

The workshops are led by a steering committee, which includes representatives from City staff, boards, and residents. A web page dedicated to this project is available [here](#).

The project is funded by a federal grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, awarded to the New Hampshire Coastal Program, and managed by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension and NH Sea Grant.

For more information, contact Steve Bird, City Planner, at 516-6008.

Spaulding Turnpike speed limit to increase to 65 mph through Dover

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation will soon increase the existing speed limit from 55 mph to 65 mph on a section of the Spaulding Turnpike from Exit 9 in Dover through Exit 16 in Rochester, excluding the segment through the toll plaza in Rochester.

This posted speed limit change will be in effect with the installation of new speed limit signs, which is expected to be completed by Jan. 1, 2015.

The speed limit change follows a study conducted this year to determine the appropriate limit on the Spaulding Turnpike following the completion of the multi-lane divided highway through Exit 16. The change is being implemented following input from NH State Police.

The speed limit south of Exit 9 will remain at 55 mph.

For more information, contact the NHDOT at 603-271-3734.

Recycling Center to accept Christmas trees

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road will begin accepting Christmas trees on Saturday, Dec. 27, 2014, during regular hours.

Trees must be free of all ornaments, lights, tinsel, tree bags and tree stands or they will not be accepted.

Trees can be disposed of in the brush pile.

The Recycling Center is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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

City Hall, administrative offices, closed on Christmas Day

City Hall and administrative offices will be closed on Thursday, Dec. 25, for Christmas. Regular hours at City Hall will resume on Monday, Dec. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The Public Library is also closed Christmas Day.

Trash pick-up and curbside recycling will be delayed by one day, beginning Thursday.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



Check out the musical light show at Dover City Hall

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce City Lights Committee has taken its holiday decorating of downtown Dover to the next level.



This year, the committee has decorated the front of Dover City Hall with lights that dance to music playing on your car radio. Motorists are encouraged to park in the designated 10-minute parking spots in front of City Hall, Monday through Friday, 4 to 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 4 to 10 p.m., and tune the radio to 90.5 FM to enjoy the show.

The light show was designed by Dover resident and high school junior Luke Dobson, who for the past four years has created the popular light show now known as "Luke's Lights" on Overlook Drive.

The display will last from Friday, Dec. 4, 2014, to Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015.

Viewers are encouraged to move along every 10 minutes to give everyone the opportunity to take in the show.



Last weekend to tour Santa's Castle with Dover Youth to Youth

Dover Youth to Youth will hold the final tour of its seventh annual Santa's Castle at the McConnell Center in downtown Dover on Saturday, Dec. 20, from 2 to 6:30 p.m.

During the tour, students from Youth to Youth will guide visitors through Rudolph's stable, Santa's toy room, Mrs. Claus's Kitchen and other parts of the Castle. Along the tour children may choose to take part in a variety activities, including such things as decorating a cookie in Mrs. Claus' kitchen, make crafts in Santa's toy shop, write a letter to Santa, or make "reindeer food" in the stable.

Families touring Santa's Castle will also meet Santa's Elves, various costumed characters, and Santa himself. Families are welcome to bring a camera and take pictures or video of their children with Santa.

Santa's Castle is designed for children ages nine and under, but the whole family is invited. The cost is \$8 per child and \$4 per adult. However, a whole family can take the tour for a maximum of \$25. Proceeds support the anti-drug activities of Dover Youth to Youth. Santa's Castle is sponsored by radio station WTSN and The BAY.

Entrance to Santa's Castle will be from the Saint Thomas Street side of the McConnell Center (Door #7). Parking is available in the parking lot located behind the Dover Public Library and on the street by the District Court.

For additional information, go to the Youth to Youth web site at www.DoverY2Y.org or call the Dover Police Department's Community Outreach Bureau at 516-3274.

Dover Youth to Youth is an organization made up of middle and high school students who meet after school to conduct activities and events that promote a drug-free life style. Youth to Youth is coordinated by the Dover Police

Department and it is a component of the Police Department's Community Outreach Bureau.



Dover N.H. Holiday Parade 2014

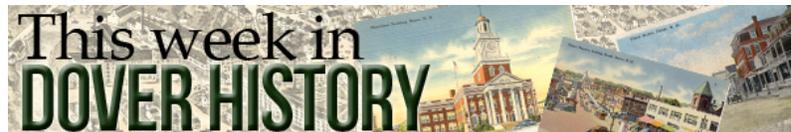
Miss the Holiday Parade? Catch it again online and on Channel 22!

Did you miss this year's annual Holiday Parade? you can catch it again online, in [high definition here](#), at [DNTV](#) on demand, and on Channel 22.

This year's holiday parade was organized by the Dover Children's Center and underwritten by Liberty Mutual.

The theme of this year's parade was "Christmas Around the World."

DID YOU KNOW?



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>.



Dec. 21, 1658 - It was voted that the meeting house on Dover Neck be underpinned, and catted and sealed with boards, a pulpit and seats convenient be made, and a bell purchased, to be paid for by a rate upon each man's estate according to the law of the country.



Dec. 25, 1692 - A doeful and tremendous noise was affirmed to be heard in the air nigh Capt. Gerrish's garrison, which continued with a little intermission near half an hour.



Dec. 24, 1715 - The "multiplicity of public houses occasioning many disorders," the Assembly enacted that there should be but six taverns in Portsmouth, three in Hampton, two in Dover, one at Oyster River, two at Exeter, two at New Castle, and one in the parish of Newington, and that "all other tipling houses be suppressed."



Dec. 23, 1757 - Samuel Heard of Dover, a soldier in the Crown Point Expedition, in Col. Nathaniel Meserve's regiment, having represented to the Assembly his indigent circumstances and his not being able to subsist himself by reason of the loss of his leg in May, 1756, and the late grant made him by the government being spent, it was voted that he be allowed the sum of thirty pounds, to be delivered him as occasion may require, by Capt. Thomas Wk. Waldron.



December, 1923 - The B&M Railroad gate tender at Third Street is found dead early in the morning beside the tracks. The gate tender lived at the corner of Silver and Rutland streets, and, as always, walked to work across the railroad bridge between Washington and Third streets. He apparently suffered a heart attack and died near the tracks at the Third Street end of the bridge. His body was discovered shortly thereafter and the medical examiner called. The medical examiner was still in bed at the time of the call and said he would need to get dressed and have breakfast before setting out to the scene. Under the law at the time, a body could not be moved until the medical examiner arrived and granted permission. A doctor at the scene pronounced the gate tender dead and called the medical examiner to seek permission to move the body. The medical examiner refused. Because of fog and other poor driving conditions, the medical examiner did not arrive for another three hours. The whole episode, and the

unfavorable publicity it aroused, generated intense criticism of the medical examiner system.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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, 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.

Dover seeks volunteers to help host submarine

The City of Dover will be a host community for a submarine expected to arrive at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The submarine has not yet been determined.

In anticipation of the arrival, the City of Dover is seeking community members or groups to assist the committee preparing for the submarine's arrival. Those interested are asked to contact Recreation Director Gary Bannon at g.bannon@dover.nh.gov or 603-516-6401.

The Host Community Program adopts a submarine for the duration of the availability at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. The community welcomes the officers, crew and families of the ship and includes them as part of their community. It is a partnership -- the submarine crew enjoys the community's hospitality and in return, the community receives a helping hand and a unique feeling of involvement in the lives of naval personnel.

As an example, crewmembers may be invited to join in a civic project, tutor in the schools, or participate in holiday

events. It is a wonderful opportunity for the community to get to know the Navy and their sailors and introduce the crews and their families to the many treasures found in our Seacoast community. The crew experiences first-hand the warmth and strong support from the Seacoast. There is a special relationship that is built as a result of the Host Community Program.

City's boards and commissions keep our community vibrant

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, including new members to fill vacant positions.

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about how to apply for boards and commissions, 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 the City's website at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

DESTINATION DOVER



If you can Get To It!, you could win a fistful of Dover Dollars

Would an extra \$500 help with holiday shopping? To help local businesses and customers find the ample parking areas downtown, the Get To It! campaign hosts a weekly scavenger hunt on Thursdays between 12 and 4 p.m.

Participants can enter to win the \$25 Dover Dollars weekly prize and enter to win a \$500 Grand Prize. The weekly scavenger hunt continues on Thursdays through Dec. 18. Dover Mayor Karen Weston will draw the grand prize winner from all entries on Dec. 22.

For clues, tune in to Z107, 95.3 the Bull, The Bay 98.7 FM, the SHARK 102.1/105.3 FM and WOKQ between 11 a.m.

and 12 p.m. on Thursdays, follow the Dover Chamber and City of Dover on Facebook and Twitter or visit the Get To It! website to find out the clue every week. The clue will direct you to one of the supplemental parking areas in downtown Dover that is now available during the development process where a representative from the city will have an entry form for you to fill out and bring to a local business that may use the particular lot.

For more information, visit www.drivingdover.com.

City offers free downtown valet parking this weekend

In anticipation of a busy holiday season for downtown Dover businesses, the City of Dover will provide complimentary valet parking service for users of the Orchard Street parking lot each Friday and Saturday through Saturday, Dec. 20. Visitors to any downtown business, including bars, restaurants and stores, are welcome to enjoy this free service.

Atlantic Parking Services will have valets stationed in the loading area on Orchard Street, in front of the Orchard Street Chop Shop and The Brick House, from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. each night. There is no cost to motorists. Tipping valet drivers is optional.

"Valet parking expands the capacity of the downtown parking system on nights we anticipate an increase in visitors", said City of Dover Parking Manager Bill Simons.

This complimentary valet service is the part of the "Get to It!" initiative, which aims to keep visitors informed about available parking throughout the downtown during the construction of a new police station and public parking garage on Orchard Street.

"The holidays are a busy time for our downtown merchants," said City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr. "We want to make sure visitors know ample parking is available and that businesses are easily accessible during development activity in our thriving downtown," said City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr.

During the construction of the new police facility and parking garage, which is expected to conclude in November 2015, residents and visitors can stay up to date on downtown parking options and traffic flow by visiting a website created specifically for that purpose, www.drivingdover.com. The website and valet service are both part of the "Get To It!" initiative, which is funded solely

by parking revenue.

For more information, contact the City of Dover Parking Bureau at 603-516-2277 or parking@dover.nh.gov.

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 [here](#).

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 in late January.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, Dec. 12.

For more information, or to nominate a business, organization or person, visit the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce [website](#) or call 603-742-2218 for more information.

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