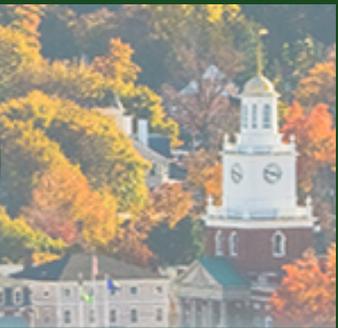
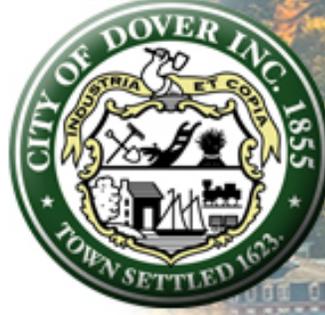


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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



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.

meetings, visit
www.dover.nh.gov.

**School Board, Monday,
Dec. 8, 7 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. in School Board Chambers at the McConnell Center.

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

**Planning Board, Tuesday,
Dec. 9, 7 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

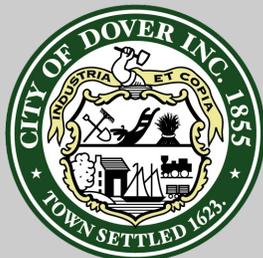
To view the agenda, [click here](#).

**City Council, Wednesday,
Dec. 10, 7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit
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The 2014 Dover Fire Toy Bank is now collecting toys, donations

The Dover Fire Toy Bank has been organized by current and retired members of Dover Fire & Rescue for 37 years. The Toy Bank started by helping a dozen families in the City, and now helps more than 350 Dover families.

The community -- area businesses, seniors, families, school groups, civic groups and others -- have been very supportive and generous in the past. Donations of toys, games, clothing, gift certificates and monetary donations have enabled the toy bank to help those less fortunate each year. Games and toys are fun, but the Toy Bank is also anticipating an increased need for basic, essential items this year. The Toy Bank would not be successful without the community's continued help.

Here is how you can help:

- Collect new toys within your organization for age groups from newborn to 13 years old. If you need a collection box, please call 603-516-TOYS, leave a message and we will get you one for your business;
- Gift cards to area businesses, mall stores, and grocery stores are always appreciated;
- Hand knitted hats and mittens are needed for the cold winter;
- Collect monetary donations within your organization and shop for gifts;
- The Toy Bank will pick up donations at your site or you can drop off new, unwrapped items at these locations, up until Christmas evening: Dover Central Fire Station (9-11 Broadway), South End Fire Station (27 Durham Road) or the North End Fire Station (262 Sixth Street); City Hall, the Dover Public Library, and several local businesses.
- Monetary contributions can be picked up at your

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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location or mailed to following address. Please make checks out to The Dover Fire Toy Bank: The Dover Fire Toy Bank, P.O. Box 1712, Dover, NH 03821-1712.

To help with wrapping or for more information, contact Jenn Myers at 603-516-6300, Brendan Driscoll at 603-516-6153, Matt Adams at 603-516-6153 or Josh Ambrose at 603-516-6153 to help out with wrapping.

To leave a message, call 603-516-TOYS (8697). Join the Toy Bank volunteers at the toy workshop, 124 Washington St. (back lot), to help wrap presents. All ages are welcome.

Dover's annual Christmas Tree Lighting is tonight

The 29th annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Henry Law Park will be held on Friday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m.

This year's Christmas Tree, located in Henry Law Park, was donated by the Brooks family of Berwick, Maine.

Joyful Voices and Nancy Gurick will lead attendees in singing popular Christmas songs around the tree.

Everyone is encouraged to attend this family tradition, held each holiday season, and to bring a weather-appropriate ornament to hang on the tree. After the ceremony, Santa and Mrs. Claus will make an appearance and speak with the children.

Please dress warm and join in for some caroling around the tree.

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

Festival of Trees is today

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and its City Lights Committee are proud to present the fifth annual Festival of Trees on Friday, Dec. 5, from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. at City Hall.



Festival of Trees

At this popular annual event, 30 trees decorated by local businesses and organizations will be on display and available to be taken home by the public through raffles and silent auctions.

For more information, [click here](#).

Dover Police Charities still accepting names for Christmas Basket Program

The Dover Police Department Christmas Basket Program is still accepting the names of needy families residing in Dover to whom they will deliver baskets of food or meals to those in need assistance during Christmas season.

Last year, the program distributed 150 food baskets and provided meals for more than 500 people. The program needs monetary donations, canned goods and nonperishable items. Monetary donations can be mailed to the Dover Police Department, 46 Locust St., Dover, NH 03820, to the attention of Ann Clark.

Canned goods and perishable items can be dropped off at the Police Department, 46 Locust St.

For those unable to drop off items at the station, call 742-4646 and a pick-up will be arranged.

The deadline is Friday, Dec. 19. Baskets will be delivered Saturday, Dec. 20.



Tour Santa's Castle with Dover Youth to Youth

Dover Youth to Youth will host its seventh annual Santa's Castle at the McConnell Center in downtown Dover on the two weekends before Christmas. Each night children and their families will be able to tour several rooms in Santa's

Castle and meet Santa and many of his elves and other costumed characters.

During the first weekend the event will be held on Saturday and Sunday Dec. 13 and 14, from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Over the second weekend the Castle will be open 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.

Sign up now for a call from Santa

Dover Recreation and Dover Rotary Club have made special arrangements for Santa Claus to telephone children under six years of age from Santa's Workshop at North Pole Headquarters.



Santa calls will take place on Monday, Dec. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Santa forms are now available at all Dover Recreation facilities (McConnell Center, Pool and Arena) and the Dover Public Library Children's Room. Forms are also available [online here](#).

A Santa form must be filled out and submitted to receive a call. No requests will be taken over the phone.

This service is free due to the generosity of the Dover Rotary Club.

Deadline to get forms into Dover Recreation is Saturday, Dec. 13, by noon.

For more information, call Dover Recreation at 516-6401.



Dover 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."

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.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

City of Dover offers floodplain education program

As a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), the City of Dover is required to adopt new

floodplain maps next year. The maps were prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as part of a nationwide program to update coastal flood hazard maps. In an effort to raise awareness about the changes and to make it convenient to review, the City's Department of Planning and Community Development has posted the maps to its website under the "Maps" heading [here](#).

"Our goal is to inform our property owners about the changes and to keep them up to date on the process to adopt the new maps," said Christopher Parker, Director of Planning and Community Development. "At the same time, we're using the release of these new maps as an opportunity to educate our property owners about the City's floodplain management program."

Also available online are the current floodplain maps, which were adopted in 2005. Property owners in or near an existing floodplain are encouraged to review both the current (2005) and proposed (2014) floodplain maps to compare and contrast. The Department's website includes an index to assist property owners in finding the right map for their property. Hard copies of both the current and proposed maps are available for viewing at the Planning Department office, located on the first floor of City Hall, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

To coincide with the release of the revised maps, the Planning Department has prepared a "Flood Information" brochure to raise awareness of the City's floodplain management efforts and its participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The brochure, which was made possible through grant funding through the Northeast Regional Ocean Council (NROC) New England Coastal Community Resilience Initiative, will be mailed to all property owners within the current and proposed floodplains, as well as to all property owners within one hundred feet of those areas.

"We are excited about raising floodplain awareness," said Tim Corwin, Assistant City Planner. "The grant funding provides a unique opportunity to educate and to maximize our outreach efforts." The brochure is also available on the Planning Department's webpage, and features information on flood insurance, construction standards, and flood preparation tips.

The draft floodplain maps are expected to be finalized by FEMA in March with an effective date estimated to be in September. Corwin says that the finalized maps should reflect minor changes to street names and other geographic features that staff brought to the attention of FEMA after an initial review of the draft maps in the spring and fall.

Between the finalization of the maps by FEMA and their effective date, the City will need to amend its floodplain ordinance (currently Chapter 113 of the City Code) in order

to incorporate the new maps. The adoption of the revised maps will require a public hearing before the Planning Board which in turn requires a letter of notification to be sent to all property owners within the City. The adoption process will also require a public hearing before City Council. Planning Department staff will also ask the Planning Board to consider amendments to the existing floodplain regulations to bring them into conformance with current NFIP standards. The proposed ordinance amendments are a result of both an internal staff review as well as recommendations made to the City by the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning.

The Planning Department anticipates some property owners who find their properties now located in a floodplain will be interested in appealing that determination. If any property owner believes they are adversely affected by the new floodplain maps, they may file a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) with FEMA once the new maps are adopted. Information on the LOMA process can be found on FEMA's webpage [here](#). Corwin notes that although an appeal could have been made during the 90-day review and appeal period that ended on Dec. 1, 2014, "most property owners will find that the LOMA process is the far more economical approach to take."

To help answer questions and to provide further education on the rights and responsibilities of property owners in the floodplain, the Planning Department anticipates partnering with the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning to host a public workshop in the spring.

"We hope that our residents and property owners will take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about the NFIP and our floodplain construction standards," Corwin said. "We believe our floodplain property owners should understand both their rights and responsibilities."

In the meantime, the City continues to work on its application to the NFIP Community Ratings System (CRS). Participation in the CRS program will bring reduced premiums to the holders of flood insurance policies for properties located within the City's floodplains (preferred risk policy holders are not eligible for the discount). Although the typical discount for a participating New England community ranges from 5 to 15 percent. This discount could result in significant savings as flood insurance premiums are expected to rise over the next several years.

For questions, contact Tim Corwin, Assistant City Planner at 603-516-6008 or t.corwin@dover.nh.gov.

First tax bill due Dec. 29

The City of Dover's property tax rate for fiscal year 2015 has been calculated by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration and certified at \$26.01 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

There are four components to the tax rate: The City portion, local education portion, state education, and Strafford County. The tax rate of \$26.01 is broken down as follows:

The breakout of the components of the property tax rate and the change over the prior year is as follows:

- City: \$10.09, an increase of 10 cents over the previous year;
- Local education: \$10.50, a decrease of four cents over the previous year;
- State education: \$2.49, a decrease of two cents over the previous year;
- County: \$2.93, no increase over the previous year.

Tax rate calculations by the state Department of Revenue Administration were delayed this year in many communities, including Dover.

Tax bills were mailed to property owners last week. The first half of the tax bill is due Dec. 29. The second half of the tax bill is due by June 1, 2014.

For more information, contact the City of Dover Tax Assessment Office at 603-516-6014.

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.

Winter parking ban in effect

A citywide winter parking ban began Dec. 1, 2014 and will conclude April 1, 2015.

The ban requires that no vehicle be parked on any city street or sidewalk between the hours of 1 and 6 a.m., and is not limited to nights with snow in the forecast. Vehicles may park in city controlled parking lots during this time without the need for a parking permit; however, daytime restrictions for each particular parking lot will be enforced.

The Library, Third Street, Transportation Center and School Street parking lots have designated areas where overnight parking is allowed. Drivers should look for signs in the lots indicating which rows are available.

Vehicles found in violation of the winter parking ban will be issued a \$15 parking ticket. Vehicles interfering with snow removal may be towed.

The city will also enact an emergency parking ban for the downtown area, when needed, to facilitate snow removal. The emergency parking ban will be announced by 3 p.m. each evening and take effect at 1 a.m. the following morning. When the emergency parking ban is in effect, any car parked on a downtown street will be towed. Notification of the emergency parking ban will be conducted through local media, the City of Dover website, cable channel 22 and Dover Download.

Downtown restaurants, bars and other late night business are encouraged to sign up for an e-mail notification of an emergency parking ban by contacting the Parking Bureau at parking@dover.nh.gov or by calling 516-2277.

Streets included in the emergency parking ban area are: Chestnut Street; Main Street; Chapel Street; School Street; First Street; Second Street; Locust Street from Washington to Silver Street; Washington Street from Belknap to River Street; Central Avenue from Sixth Street to Silver Street; Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth streets (Central to Chestnut); Henry Law Avenue from Central Avenue to George Street; Broadway from Central Avenue to St. John Street; Hale Street; St. Thomas Street from Central to Locust Street; Locust Street from Hale Street to Washington Street.

A map is available [here](#).

For more information on the winter parking ban or the emergency parking ban can contact the Parking Bureau at 516-2277.



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.

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. 6, 1773 - The "institution of slavery" existed, (though it could hardly be said to flourish) in Dover, until after the Declaration of Independence. On Dec. 6, 1773, Col. Otis Baker bought of Henry Ward of Newport, Rhode Island, "a negro boy named Cato," which boy the aforesaid Ward, for and in consideration of the sum of "one thousand four hundred pounds, old tenor," promised the said Baker to "defend to him and his assigns forever, against the lawful claims of all persons whatsoever." On June 4, 1777, Col. Baker gave Cato his freedom, the certificate of emancipation being signed by Jeremy Belknap as a witness. By the census of 1775 there were "26 negroes and slaves for life " in Dover in that year. These were mostly emancipated by their nominal owners during the revolution, or all became free by general consent and the adoption of the State Constitution soon after. Many of them, however, remained for life in the families which they had served as slaves, preferring the protection of their old masters to the larger liberty which was offered them.



Dec. 9, 1775 -The Committee of Safety, being required to take charge of a company of Tories sent from New York, ordered 19 of them to be sent to the Dover jail, 28 to Exeter, 14 to Amherst and 7 to Portsmouth.



Dec. 8, 1811 - Died, Mr. Samuel Bragg, Jr., editor and printer of the Dover Sun. "In the death of Mr. Bragg the town of Dover has experienced a great loss. He was a very industrious and enterprising man of steady habits and attention to his business. He had by his assiduity and great diligence acquired a very handsome property, when about twelve months since, while absent on a journey he was in a moment stripped of almost every dollar by the all-devouring element of fire. This disaster took such hold of his mind, as, after a while, to produce a dejection of spirits, and invite a complication of disorders which has thus early put a period to his mortal existence."



Dec. 8, 1818 - The Dover Franklin Academy was incorporated this year, receiving a liberal endowment for the times from public spirited citizens, the chief of which was in the land on which it stands and several lots on Central street adjoining, the gift of Daniel Waldron. "We are happy to be able to inform the public that the Academy in this place, so much needed and so long expected, was on Saturday last solemnly dedicated to God and to Science; that it is now opened for the reception of students, and that about 25 have already commenced their studies in various departments of literature and science. The dedicatory services were commenced by appropriate sacred music, performed in scientific style by a select choir. This was followed by a very devout and appropriate prayer by Rev. Mr. Clary. Mr. Andrew G. Thayer, the preceptor elect of the institution, then delivered to a numerous, brilliant and highly gratified audience an Address, in which were portrayed in true glowing colors, the blessings of religious, moral, literary and scientific education, and the several duties of teachers and pupils, in such a manner as to evince his thorough acquaintance with the subject, and to afford a flattering expectation that his election to the office of preceptor will be a lasting blessing to all who may enjoy the benefits of his instruction."



Dec. 9, 1830 - The Dover Relief Society is organized. The Hon. William Hale is named president, and Asa A. Tufts is named treasurer and secretary. The society was formed "to investigate poverty and public health problems, consists of a statement on the potential dangers of manufacturing to community norms and a report on living and working conditions among local manufacturing employees: young workers leaving schools; overcrowded and unhealthful housing; excessive hours of work."

IN THE SCHOOLS

JBC to hold visioning sessions for high school, CTC project

A Joint Building Committee was formed last spring to oversee a rebuild and/or renovation of the Dover High School and Career Technical Center. The JBC is looking for community members to participate in four Visioning Sessions with educational consultant Frank Locker, to be held at the high school from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17, Monday, Jan. 12, Thursday, Dec. 18, and Friday, Jan. 16.

Participants will be required to attend all four sessions. This

will be one of the largest projects Dover has undertaken since the construction of the high school in 1967. The JBC knows the importance of input from the entire community.

Interested community member applicants should electronically submit their name, address, email and phone number to Melissa Glidden at m.glidden@dover.k12.nh.us no later than 4 p.m., Wednesday Dec. 10, 2014. In order to ensure these sessions represent the entire Dover community, please indicate if you are a:

- Public school parent
- Non-public school parent
- Non-parent resident

Applicants will be notified on Friday, Dec. 12, to review the timeline and confirm commitment.

Those selected will be working with a group comprised of approximately 45-50 members:

- 3 JBC members;
- 3 Dover School District administrators;
- 20 DHS-CTC staff members;
- 10 students from the High School and/or Career Technical Center;
- 10-14 community members.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Strafford County residents can find help during Recovery Day

Are you or a loved one struggling with drug addiction? Help is available and recovery is possible. Join us on Saturday, Dec. 13 for Strafford County Community Recovery Day. The Garrison Wing at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital will be filled with prevention, treatment and recovery resources from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come get connected to resources necessary to take the next steps towards your own recovery or to assist a loved one in getting the help they need. Counselors will be available on site to assist those looking to find resources ranging from individual and group counseling to residential treatment programs. An "Amnesty Box" will be available where attendees can anonymously dispose any illicit drugs, prescription drugs or paraphernalia with no questions asked.

This program is being coordinated by the Police Chiefs of Strafford County and the Strafford County Sheriff's Office, in collaboration with community resources.

For more information contact Carrie Conway at 603-516-7195.

Dover Children's Home to host Christmas Concert Dec. 7

The Dover Children's Home will host "A Child's Christmas in Dover", a special holiday concert by the talented choirs, bands, soloists, dancers, and bell choir of St. John's Methodist Church, on Sunday, Dec. 7, at 6:30 p.m., at the Dover High School auditorium.

Ring in the season with joyous, inspiring holiday music.

Admission is by donation. All proceeds benefit Dover Children's Home.

For more information, contact Donna Coraluzzo at 603-742-4289, ext. 12, or dcoraluzzo@doverchildrenshome.org.



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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