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## News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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### Meetings this week:

#### **City Council, July 6, 7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

Friday, July 1, 2016



## City celebrates 4th of July with music and fireworks

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

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

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

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

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

Public safety officials stress safety and the law

In the following public service announcement, Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr., and Fire Chief Eric Hagman discuss fireworks, safety and the law.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit [www.dover.nh.gov/dntv](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv).

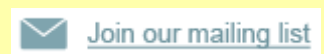
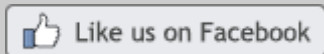
For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).



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

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



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## Founding Fathers return to Dover for the reading of the Declaration of Independence

Dover kicks off Independence Day with its annual reading of the Declaration of Independence. Garrison Players Arts Center performers Don Briand as John Adams, Tom Dunnington as Benjamin Franklin and Rich Salvati as Thomas Jefferson will read the Declaration at 9 a.m. on the steps of Dover City Hall (288 Central Ave). Mayor Karen Weston will also speak.

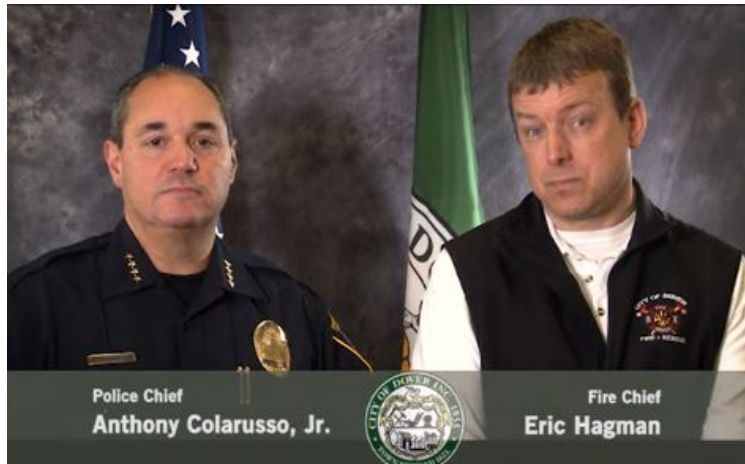
This is the 16th year the Garrison Players have been a part of the Dover Independence Day celebration.

Garrison Players Arts Center (GPAC) is a nonprofit, volunteer-based community theatre group dedicated to enriching the cultural life of the area by presenting high-quality theatrical performances geared for family audiences. Established in 1953, the players encourage people of all ages to enjoy and participate in the many facets of the performing arts, and to help maintain the Garrison Players Arts Center.

For more information about auditions, shows or GPAC, visit the website at [www.garrisonplayers.org](http://www.garrisonplayers.org).

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## City offices closed July 4

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Monday, July 4, for Independence Day. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, July 5.

The Public Library will also be closed July 4.

Trash pick-up and curbside recycling will be delayed by one day the week of July 4.



## Nelson Street construction begins week of July 4

Construction work on Nelson Street and the upper part of Atkinson Street is expected to begin the week of July 4. Work will include roadway and sidewalk reconstruction, as well as upgrades to underground utilities throughout the neighborhood.

For more information about this project, contact Assistant City Engineer Gretchen Young at 516-6450.

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## New traffic patterns in effect for Chestnut Street

Crews have completed striping on Chestnut Street to accommodate traffic pattern changes. These new traffic patterns are now in effect.

The new traffic patterns and street markings are as follows:

- The double-yellow line on Chestnut Street, between Fourth and Third streets in the direction of Washington Street, will be revised to guide motorists to a new through-lane;
- A dedicated left-turn-only lane will be marked for motorists turning left onto First Street from Chestnut Street;
- A dedicated left-turn-only lane will be marked for motorists turning left into the Transportation Center parking lot from Chestnut Street;
- To help guide motorists, a painted island will be installed in the area between the railroad tracks on Chestnut and First streets.
- A parking bay will be installed at the outermost lane on Chestnut Street, from First Street to the crosswalk by the Post Office;
- A painted island will be installed on Chestnut Street from the location of the Post Office, in the direction of First Street, to facilitate a single through-lane in either direction;
- A bus pull-out area will be created by the Post Office, at the location of the existing crosswalk;
- A bus pull-out area will be designated in front of the police station.

In the coming weeks, additional work will include:

- The crosswalk adjacent to the Post Office will be relocated towards Washington Street. Handicapped accessible tipdowns will be installed, along with a bumpdown on the Post Office side of the crosswalk.

For more information, contact City Engineer Dave White at 603-516-6450.

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## Hourly on-street parking rates increase 25 cents July 1 today

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces that meter rates for on-street spaces will increase from 75 cents to \$1 per hour starting today, Friday, July 1, 2016. The increase was authorized by Dover City Council as part of the recently adopted fiscal year budget and fee schedule.

Meter rates will not change for the parking garage and surface parking lots. In addition, there are no changes to



the rates for all-day parking on River Street or at the Transportation Center.

The last meter rate increase was in 2009 when the Orchard Street and Belknap Street lots, and Henry Law Avenue, were the only metered locations. The remainder of the downtown was metered in 2011.

"This increase was recommended by the Parking Commission several months ago based on a recognition and belief in the importance to the City of a vibrant active central business district, which in large part depends on adequate and convenient parking," Colarusso said. "The additional parking capacity provided in the new parking garage is an important advancement, but it became important to carefully manage our parking capacity to assure maximum benefit."

For more information, contact the Parking Bureau at 516-6132.




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>.




**July 6, 1690** - Two companies under the Captains Floyd and Wiswall, who were scouting, discovered an Indian track, which they pursued until they came up with the enemy at Wheelwright's Pond in Lee (then a part of Dover), where a bloody engagement ensued for some hours; in which Wiswall, his lieutenant, Flagg, and sergeant Walker, with twelve more, were killed, and several wounded. It was not known how many of the enemy fell, as they always carried off their dead. Floyd maintained the fight after Wiswall's death, till his men, fatigued and wounded, drew off; which obliged him to follow. The enemy retreated at the same time; for when Captain Convers went to look after the wounded, he found seven alive, whom he brought in by sunrise the next morning, and then returned to bury the dead. (Belknap)



**July 8, 1707** - John Bunker and Ichabod Rawlins, both of Dover, going with a cart from Lt. Zachariah Field's garrison to James Bunker's for a loom, were assaulted by many Indians, and both slain. The enemy, supposed to be 20 or 30 in number, slaughtered many cattle for the Jones's at the same time, to the number of 15 or more. (Pike)



**July 5, 1792** - From the pages of the Dover Phoenix: "We are informed from good authority that a canal is to be dug from Winnepesaukee pond to unite the waters with Cochecho River - and that a subscription is filling for that purpose - and we hear that a gentleman of Property in Portsmouth has offered 500 pounds towards the undertaking - and considering the rage for Canal cutting - it will be accomplished with ease - as 'tis said, that the water in the pond at the time of the great freshet, a few years since, overflowed, and found their way into Cochecho River."



**July 4, 1807** - "On this day the Federalists of this town celebrated the anniversary of the day on which America became independent in the true spirit of Freemen. The day was ushered in by the discharge of cannon and ringing of the bells. At 10 o'clock, A.M. a procession was formed at Mrs. Tebbetts' by Ezra Green, Esq. the Marshal of the day; consisting of about sixty gentlemen of this and the neighboring towns who (preceded by a number of gentlemen musicians of this town who generously volunteered their services in promoting the amusements of the day) marched to the Meeting-house. The public exercises commenced with an appropriate ode, composed for the occasion by Henry Mellen, Esq. which was sung and played by a select band of musicians in a style of superior excellence, after which an interesting, patriotic and elegant oration was delivered to a brilliant and highly gratified audience by Moses Hodgdon, Esq. in which the orator forcibly and correctly traced to their sources the causes of the democratic faction in our nation, the various measures by which they ascended to power, and the causes of the present deplorable situation of our beloved country. The performance being closed by another ode prepared for the occasion, the company repaired to the Court House and partook of an elegant dinner which was provided for the occasion by Mrs. Lydia Tebbetts, the hall and table being ingeniously and elegantly decorated, after which the following toasts were given accompanied by discharge of cannon and appropriate music and among the rest that much admired one entitled the "Embargo" was sung by Henry Mellen, Esq. The utmost harmony prevailed through the day which was closed in the full expectation of a glorious resurrection of the cause of truth and federalism."

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Click the image above to view a video about the work under way

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# Summer reading programs under way at Dover Public Library

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

Special events planned throughout Library's summer reading program include:

- **Wednesday, July 6, from 6 to 8 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Join us for a MarioKart Tournament. This event is for kids going into fifth grade and above, and registration is required. Pizza and refreshments will be served.
- **Monday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Storyteller Simon Brooks will entertain us with folktales, myths, and legends.
- **Tuesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will bring their program "Amazing Adventures: Healthy Minds Spark Makers" to the library.
- **Wednesday, July 20, from 2 to 4 p.m.** on the front lawn of the McConnell Center: Come and climb our 24-foot portable climbing wall. This event is for children four years and older. A parent must sign a release form provided by Vertical Dreams.
- **Wednesday, July 27, at 10 a.m.** at the Seymour Osman Community Center: Ilze Luneau, who has performed on national shows and at professional and college sporting events, will demonstrate her trick basketball skills.
- **Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.:** Celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday! Pass through Platform 9 3/4 then be sorted into wizarding house. Participate in magical classes including Wand Making, Herbology, Potions, and Care of Magical Creatures. Snacks will be provided in the Great Hall (Library Lecture Hall) and students are welcome to test their flying skills with a friendly game of Quidditch on the McConnell Center's front lawn. Participants will also compete in a Horcrux Scavenger Hunt and trivia contest for Harry Potter prizes.
- **Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m.** on the front lawn: We will wrap up our summer reading program with our final celebration. TJ Wheeler will entertain us with his family-friendly blues music. Traditional lawn games and food will also be part of this fun-filled evening.

But wait, that's not all. Every week there will be a new sports-themed craft at our Creation Station. Stop in anytime to make and take your creation. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., there will be a drop-in Family Storytime featuring books, songs, fingerplays, and games. Friday mornings are for our youngest patrons. "Mother Goose on the Loose", a special program for infants through two years olds with a caregiver, will begin at 10 a.m. From 10:30-11 a.m. we will offer



"Toddler Exploration Time" featuring sensory activities. Our popular "Music with benji" program at 11 a.m. will get the whole family singing and dancing. Every Saturday during the summer reading program is a "LEGO Saturday". Come in anytime between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to build with our Legos and Duplos.

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

### **And for teens?**

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

### **How about adults?**

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

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

Saturday, July 23, 2016  
6:00pm

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

Click the image above or [here](#) for more information

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## City of Dover employment opportunities

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

The City of Dover is now hiring the following positions:

- **Engineering Document Manager**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker - Utilities**
- **Lifeguards**
- **Swim instructor**

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

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## Your City needs you!

## City boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

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

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

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

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



City of Dover Boards and Commissions

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

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

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

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### 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.

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## MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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### 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](#).

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### 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](http://www.dovernh.viebit.com) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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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](#).

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