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## Meetings this week:

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The School Board will hold special sessions with the two superintendent finalists on Monday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m., and on Tuesday, March 18, at 7:30 p.m., in School Board Chambers at the McConnell Center.

To view the March 17 agenda, click [here](#).

To view the March 18 agenda, click [here](#).

Friday, March 14, 2014

## Superintendent finalists topic of School Board special sessions

The School Board Superintendent Search Committee will hold public sessions with the two finalists for superintendent on Monday, March 17, and Tuesday, March 18. Both sessions will be held in School Board Chambers, Room 306, at the McConnell Center, from 7:30 p.m.

Each session will be televised on DNTV Channel 22, and rebroadcast on channels 22 and 95, and available online for on-demand viewing.

The sessions will follow a day-long visit by each candidate, who will meet with staff, students and parents.

The two finalists are Julie Kukenberger, who is scheduled to visit on Monday, March 17; and Lou Goscinski, who is scheduled to visit on Tuesday, March 18. During the televised session at 7:30 p.m., each candidate will deliver a sample budget presentation.

The School Board will meet in nonpublic session at 9 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18 to select a superintendent.

For more information, visit the School District's [website](#), or call 603-516-6804.

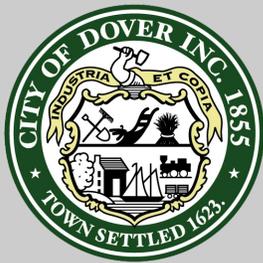
## Zoning Board, March 20, 7 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 20, at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

For a complete list of weekly meetings, visit [www.dover.nh.gov](http://www.dover.nh.gov).

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



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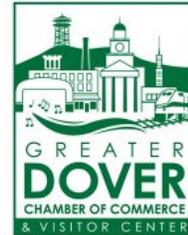
**Recycling Center  
hours:**  
Tuesday, Thursday,  
Saturday  
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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## Dover Chamber forum looks at City's economic position

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee will host an economic forum on Friday, March 21, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., at the Cochecho Country Club. Registration is required.



The focus of the forum is "New Hampshire's Economic Center is Shifting - Dover is Well Positioned."

This forum will be hosted by Briand Gottlob of PoECon Research and will feature presenters Eric J. Chinburg of Chinburg Builders, Inc., and Scott Johnson of Certified Retail Solutions.

Space is limited, so register in advance. This program is sponsored by Public Service of New Hampshire.

To register, or for more information, click [here](#), or call the Chamber at 603-742-2218.

## Main Street's 5K race and Pub Crawl steps off Saturday

Join Dover Main Street for the first race in the Dover Race Series ([www.doverraceseries.com](http://www.doverraceseries.com)), a 5k run, followed by a pub crawl at 13 participating downtown Dover restaurants.



The Run Before You Crawl 5K and Pub Crawl race will be held on Saturday, March 15, at 10 a.m. The pub crawl begins at 11 a.m. the race starts and ends on Chestnut Street, in front of the Dover Transportation Center.

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

The race is underwritten by D.F. Richard and sponsored by Orchard Title, Avalar Advantage Real Estate, Ross Furniture and Relyco.

The Run Before You Crawl 5K and Pub Crawl is part of the 2014 Dover Race Series.

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



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>.



**March 14, 1768** - The town voted that there was no objection to the Parish of Madbury (then part of Dover) being set off as a town, according to the prayer of their petition to the Governor, Council and Assembly.



**March 14, 1918** - The old Dover Point Bridge is swept away by an immense sheet of ice from Great Bay. Over 700 Dover residents, mostly Shipyard workers, are stranded in Newington as a result. The following day, a sheet of ice 11 acres wide and four feet thick damages the bridge further. It is estimated the bridge would not be repaired and open again until late summer of that year. In the meantime, the new route for summer tourists was reported to be from Newburyport, Mass., through Salisbury Beach, Hampton, Rockingham Junction, Newmarket, Durham and along Durham Road to Dover.



**March 18, 1779** - The committee on estates of absentees (Tories who adhered to the royal cause) having advertised for sale in Dover sundry articles as part of the estate of Gov. John Wentworth, among which were named a large and valuable collection of books, and two fine weather glasses, the Assembly" considering that they would be more likely to sell at much greater advantage in the town of Exeter, where there was a constant resort of people from other towns, especially when the General Court is sitting there, than in Dover," ordered the committee to adjourn the sale to that town on the 25th instead. These articles were the "spoils" of the Governor's seat at Wolfeboro, and so far as appears

from the records of the time he was the only loyalist who was so dealt with in the county of Strafford, with the exception of the servant of James McMarster.



**March 19, 1672** - Left. Coffin, who had been ordered to "provide ammunition for the town according to law," is credited with delivering to Capt. Waldron "too baralls of Powder and mach."



**March, 1912** - Col. Daniel Hall is awarded a contract to erect a Soldiers and Sailors Civil War Monument, which he proposed be presented to the City of Dover and placed on the lawn between the Public Library and high school at the time (now the McConnell Center). The eventual completion of the monument in October 1912, followed several years of community efforts to memorialize those who had served during the Civil War. Col. Hall, a veteran and resident of Summer Street in Dover, donated the funds for the statue. The monument was designed by Lewis J. White of Quincy, Mass., and made with 60 tons of granite from Barre, Vermont. According to some reports, a small, copper time capsule of various artifacts was placed behind the second and third stones behind the letter "V" in Dover. The monument was dedicated in October, 1912, to great fanfare. In 2012, a wreath ceremony was held to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the monument. The ceremony can be viewed [here](#).

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## 12th annual Dover Public Library Poetry Contest

The Dover Public Library is pleased to announce its 12th annual Student Poetry Contest for grades K-12. Prizes will be awarded in six different categories: Grades K-2, 3 and 4, 5 and 6, 7 and 8, 9 and 10, and 11 and 12. Poems will be judged on originality, style and creativity.

Deadline for entry is April 16. Students may pick up information about the contest at the Dover Public Library, any Dover school library, or at <http://library.dover.nh.gov>.

All participants are invited to attend an "Evening of Poetry" on Monday, May 19, at 6:30 p.m.; refreshments will be served.

Students are invited to read their poetry at this event, but this will be purely voluntary.

For more information about the contest, contact Denise LaFrance at 603-516-6082.

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## Dover Chamber seeking scholarship applicants

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee is seeking applications for their student scholarship. One recipient will be awarded \$1,000 to use for post-secondary education, courtesy of Measured Progress. Click [here](#) to download an application. Applications are due by Wednesday, April 30.

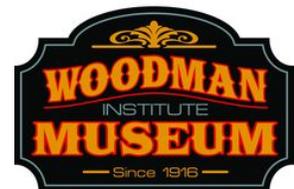
The Chamber is also accepting nominations for the 2014 Educator of the Year Award.

For more information, visit the Greater Dover of Chamber's [website](#) or call 603-742-2218.

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## Woodman Museum opens for new season April 2

The Woodman Museum, one of the Seacoast's oldest historical attractions, will open for its 98th season with many new exhibits and extended hours on April 2.



This year the museum will celebrate the 175th anniversary of photography with Tintypes to Digital, an exhibit that takes visitors back to the early days of photography when people took photographs with a camera and not a telephone.

The museum will also open the new carriage barn exhibit as part of the 2014 list of events scheduled.

The museum's hours are Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information or to schedule a group tour, call 603-742-1038.

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## City seeks volunteers to help with Master Plan update

Are you wondering how to make a positive contribution to the future of Dover? Here's one way to help:

The Dover Planning Board and the Planning Department are seeking Dover residents interested in volunteering on a new committee assembled to update a chapter of the Dover Master Plan. The Land Use chapter, which was prepared in 2007, needs an update. As part of the process, the Planning Board is creating a steering committee to oversee the work and to ensure ample opportunity for public participation during the process. The steering committee will consist of five to seven members and will work closely with the Planning Department and the planning consultant hired by the City. The goal is to form a steering committee that is diverse in interests and areas of expertise. This process is expected to take approximately six months.

The Master Plan, which is a blueprint for the City's future development and acts as both a reference and policy document, is updated every five to 10 years by the Planning Board. The Master Plan is designed to help a community meet change responsibly, guiding its growth in an orderly manner.

If interested in serving on the steering committee, please contact City Planner Steve Bird at 603-516-6008 or [s.bird@dover.nh.gov](mailto:s.bird@dover.nh.gov).

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## City's boards and commissions keep 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.

There are a number of vacancies on current boards and commissions.

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.

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*The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens*

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## Volunteer gardeners needed

The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens depends on volunteers to help maintain and tend to the gardens enjoyed by the public each year. More volunteers are needed to help tend to the gardens, as well as assistance with website maintenance, historical research, database management and steering committee leadership.

To become a volunteer, visit [joeparksgarden.org](http://joeparksgarden.org) for more information.

The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens is located between 400 Central Avenue and Chestnut Street, along the banks of the Cocheco River, and forms a series of beautiful gardens filled with wild flowers, unique rhododendrons, mountain laurel, hostas, daylilies and countless other plants, many relocated from Joe Parks' own gardens. Formerly a neglected area along the river, the Riverwalk Garden was planned by Dover horticulturalist Joe B. Parks, built by more than hundred volunteers, and dedicated in June, 2008. Joe was extremely proud of the fact that all of the work at the Riverwalk Garden was done by volunteers. The garden features a Japanese Garden installed and maintained by Dover High School horticulture students, Lorraine's Corner, a meditation and healing garden installed and maintained by Amy's Treat and dedicated in memory of Dover resident Lorraine Goren and several sculptures created and installed in the garden by art students from Dover High School. Each garden is maintained by a volunteer garden tender.

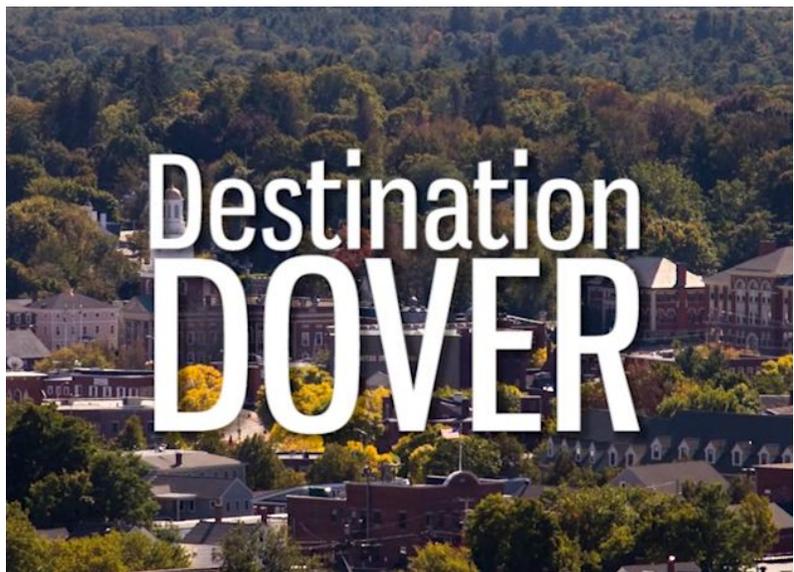
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Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

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](#).

## 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 the City's website at [www.dover.nh.gov/dntv](http://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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