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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



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## Let Daylight Saving Time also be a safety reminder

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 2 a.m. While changing your clock, Dover Fire and Rescue also reminds you to change and test the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

That one simple step can help save lives. Everyone is encouraged to use the extra hour they "gain" from Daylight Saving Time to change the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, test alarms and remind friends, family, neighbors and fellow community members to do the same.

## **Meetings this week:**

### **School Board, March 12, 7 p.m.**

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 12, 2018, beginning at 7 p.m., in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

### **Planning Board, March 13, 7 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

### **City Council, March 14, 6 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a workshop session, followed by a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 14, 2017, beginning at 6 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

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

### **Zoning Board, March 15, 7 p.m.**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, March 15,

"Eighty percent of child fire fatalities occur in homes without working smoke alarms," said Dover Fire Chief Eric Hagman. "It's a tragic statistic that could be reduced by adopting the simple habit of changing the batteries in smoke alarms."

According to the National Fire Protection Agency, 71 percent of smoke alarms which failed to operate had missing, disconnected or dead batteries. Changing smoke alarm batteries at least once a year, testing those alarms and reminding others to do the same are some of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce these tragic deaths and injuries.

"The peak time for home fire fatalities is between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most families are sleeping," Hagman said. "Smoke alarm maintenance is a simple, effective way to reduce home fire deaths. Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke alarm can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely."

A working smoke detector doubles your chance of surviving a home fire.

Residents who need assistance changing a smoke alarm battery, or those unable to afford or install a smoke alarm, are asked to contact Dover Fire and Rescue at 603-516-6148.

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## **Reminder: Curbside trash and recycling pick-up on one-day delay**

Due to the recent storm, curbside trash and recycling pick-up was delayed this week. Thursday's pick-up schedule is occurring today, Friday, March 9, and today's pick-up schedule will occur on Saturday, March 10.

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

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## **Main Street's annual Run Before You Crawl 5K is Saturday**

Run, walk or crawl, but don't miss the opportunity to participate in the Dover Race Series 2018 kickoff event. Registration is now open for Dover Main Street's Run Before You Crawl 5K Race and Pub Crawl. This popular event will be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018.



The road race begins at 9:30 a.m. The pub crawl portion of

2017, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

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](#).



**CITY OF DOVER, NH**  
288 Central Avenue  
Dover, NH 03820  
603-516-6000

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

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

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the event is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The 5K road race begins and ends at the Dover Transportation Center. The pub crawl spans 13 participating downtown restaurants.

For more information or to register, please visit [www.runb4ucrawl.com](http://www.runb4ucrawl.com).

## Road closures, traffic restrictions in place for race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures for the fifth annual Run Before You Crawl 5K event, hosted by Dover Main Street and part of the Dover Race Series.

On Saturday, March 10, 2018 between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m., Chestnut Street will be closed to all traffic southbound. Additional partial closures will be in effect during brief periods to accommodate the race on Chestnut, Washington, Whittier and Sixth streets.

The event starts and ends at the Dover Transportation Center. The course follows a clockwise loop of Chestnut, Washington, Whittier, Sixth and Chestnut streets. Dover police personnel and a number of event volunteers will be on hand to help manage the flow of traffic along the race route.

Parking restrictions will be posted and in effect on Saturday morning along Sixth Street, from Hillside Drive to Chestnut Street, and in sections of the Transportation Center parking lot.

COAST bus service and connections at the Transportation Center will be suspended between 9 and 11 a.m. COAST riders will be able to access the bus at nearby Waldron Towers on Green Street. University of New Hampshire Wildcat Transit is not in service this weekend.

Dover Police are coordinating with Pan Am Railways for the temporary suspension of freight trains at the Chestnut Street rail crossing to accommodate the event. Amtrak Downeaster passenger train service southbound at 9:17 a.m. will not be interrupted.

For questions about traffic, contact the Traffic Bureau at 603-742-4646.

## Locust Street parking restrictions in place for building demolition

The parking spaces on the west side of Locust Street,

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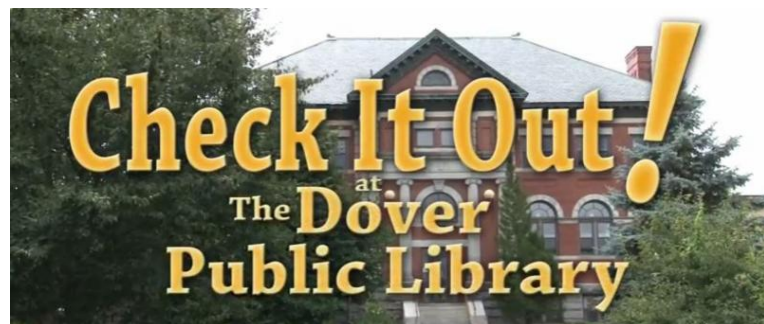
between St. Thomas Street and Washington Street, will be posted as no parking on Tuesday, March 13, to facilitate the removal of the building.

In addition, the row of parking spaces closest to the building in the Locust Street lot will also be closed starting Tuesday morning.

Parking areas will reopen when safe. The restriction in the Locust Street lot will most likely continue throughout the week. It will be determined daily when to reopen the lot.

Locust Street lot permit holders unable to find a space in the remaining section of the Locust Street lot may park in the permit parking only spaces in front of the City Hall Customer Center entrance between Hale Street and St. Thomas Street on Locust Street itself. These are the spaces where marked police cruisers once parked and do not include the spaces in the small, adjacent parking lot.

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



## Soggy Po' Boys to perform at Dover Public Library

The Friends of the Library are delighted to sponsor a New Orleans style jazz concert on Tuesday, March 20 at 7 p.m.

by Dover's own Soggy Po' Boys. Born on a snowy Fat Tuesday night of 2012, the Soggy Po' Boys have been honing their craft of New Orleans music in their home town of Dover, New Hampshire. The New Orleans-flavored band plays more than a hundred shows every year, from festivals and concerts, to politics-infused burlesque collaborations and street parades. We believe that this is their first time in a public library and we promise it will not be quiet once the joint starts rockin'! Please join us for some great music.

The performance is free and will be held in the Library's Lecture Hall.

For more information, call the Dover Public Library at (603) 516-6050.



## Calling All Peeps to the Dover Public Library!

The Dover Public Library is looking for creative Dover residents, Dover students, or Dover Public Library cardholders to enter our annual "Peeps Show" Contest this April.

Here's how it works: Build a diorama using Peeps of any color or species in a standard size shoe box. The theme is anything literary; recreate a scene from your favorite book, play, or poem. The first 100 entries will receive a free plush Peep bunny or chick.

Those 17 or older are invited to compete in the Adult Division, while peeps, er, people 11 to 16 may enter the Teen Division. Children ages two to six are invited to enter the Kids Division, and ages seven to 10 may enter in the Youth Division. On the back of your standard size shoe box, please include your name, address, phone number, and title of your "Peeps Show". All Peeps displays may be dropped off at the Dover Public Library beginning Monday, March 19 through Saturday, March 31.

The Peeps will be displayed in the library for all to enjoy. The winner of each division will receive a \$25 Target gift card, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Prizes will be awarded on Monday afternoon, April 2.

Peeps should be picked up by 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 7. All Peeps not picked up by the deadline will be discarded or eaten.

For more information, call the Dover Public Library at 516-6050.

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## K'Nex Car Racing Competition and Library Scavenger Hunt at the Dover Public Library March 10

### **Get ready, set, go!**

The Library will host a K'Nex Car Racing Competition for children in grades K and up on Saturday, March 10 at 2 p.m. Children will be assigned to a team to design and create their car. Racing will take place after the cars are built. Prizes will be awarded to teams for the fastest car and longest distance traveled. All materials will be provided.

### **How Well Do You Know Your Library? We Challenge you to the Library Scavenger Hunt!**

Join us on Saturday, March 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for a Library Scavenger Hunt. Children in grades K-12 are welcome to participate. Work alone or as part of a team to find items scattered around the Library. Prizes for the fastest fully-completed hunt will be awarded in three age divisions: Grades K-4, Grades 5-8, Grades 9-12.

These programs are free to all kids and do not require pre-registration.

For more information, call the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.





## 'Bridge to our Future' event connects students with careers

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will host "Bridge to our Future: Connecting Students and Businesses," on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, from 3 to 5:30 p.m., at the Wentworth-Douglass Hospital Garrison Wing Conference Center.

This event is an opportunity for high school students to explore potential career paths, engage with employers and contribute to the future workforce.

Among the professionals and industries represented at the event are healthcare, government and public policy, information technology and programming, law, science and engineering, communications and marketing, hospitality, military, public safety, arts and culture, media, science and engineering, human services and various trades.

Refreshments and light snacks will be provided.

The event is sponsored by the Coheco Financial Group.

To register or for more information, visit [www.dovernh.org/bridge](http://www.dovernh.org/bridge) or call 603-742-2218.



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 here](#).



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



**March 11, 1806** - The town votes to give a premium of ten cents to any person killing a crow within the limits of the town the present year.



**March 9, 1842** - Died, John B. H. Odiorne, aged 50 - for many years a well known Dover business man. He was in Dartmoor prison, in England, at the time of the massacre of American prisoners, in the war of 1812.



**March 10, 1865** - The invitation extended to General Benjamin Butler some weeks since, to address the citizens of Dover, was fulfilled this evening, the engagements of the General having prevented his speaking at an earlier day. The City Hall was crowded and hundreds were unable to obtain admission. Hon. D. M. Christie presided and introduced General Butler in a few fitting remarks, who then proceeded to address the audience, speaking for an hour with great eloquence and effect. The meeting was closed with several patriotic songs by Mr. Pope of Washington, and music by the Dover Cornet Band.



**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.

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## How to contact your elected representatives

The City of Dover makes it easy to reach out to your local, state, county and federal elected officials by providing contact information for City Councilors, state representatives and the New Hampshire congressional delegation.





Visit the City's online resource, [Find My Representative](#), for a complete list of local, county, state and federal elected officials, including contact information.

Want to contact your City Councilor, or wondering which councilor represents your ward? You can find out [more information about the City Council here](#).

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the City of [Dover's interactive ward map](#). The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information [can be found here](#).

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## Time to renew dog licenses

Dog licenses for 2018 are now available. All dogs must be licensed by April 30 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering.

Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or [online](#).

In addition to online licensing, rabies information can also be updated online and the certificate mailed to the City Clerk's office. A checking account is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, [click here](#).

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

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## Dover School District preschool program now accepting applications

Do you have a preschool-aged child? Are you looking for a preschool program where your child can learn and grow?

The Dover District Preschool Program is an integrated preschool that addresses the developmental needs of children with and without disabilities and celebrates children as unique individuals, nurturing their growth and development. The program is currently accepting applications for community children ages 3-5. A tuition application and background information form is required to be entered into the lottery for school year 2018-2019.

Tuition is determined by the number of sessions attended per week and paid in three installments.

For more information and to view or download the forms, [click here](#).

Completed application and background form should be sent to Jennifer McCarthy at [j.mccarthy@dover.k12.nh.us](mailto:j.mccarthy@dover.k12.nh.us) or mailed to: Woodman Park School, Dover District Preschool Program, 11 Towle Ave., Dover, NH 03820.

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## Dover schools to hold kindergarten, first-grade registration

Dover public schools will soon hold kindergarten and first-grade registration for children as follows:

- Children five years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering kindergarten;
- Children six years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering first grade (if not currently in Dover public kindergarten).

### **Horne Street School**

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Morton at 516-6756 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

### **Woodman Park Elementary School**

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Rouillard at 516-6700 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

## Garrison Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Lilakos at 516-6752 to set up an appointment.

Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

As part of the registration process, parents registering children for kindergarten are asked to select a half-hour slot for an early screening skills check of their child.

These sessions will be held at the three elementary schools on the following dates:

- **Garrison Elementary:** Tuesday, April 3; Wednesday, April 4; and Thursday, April 5.
- **Horne Street and Woodman Park schools:** Tuesday, April 17; Wednesday, April 18; and Thursday, April 19.

For more information, contact the schools at the phone numbers above.

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## Applications for "All Veterans" tax credit due by April 15

Veterans who qualify for the newly adopted All Veterans' Tax Credit must complete an application by April 15. The Dover City Council adopted the All Veterans' Tax Credit on Nov. 8, 2017, following a revision to state law that allows municipalities to extend tax credits to all veterans who have served at least 90 days and honorably discharged from the military.

According to the law, "A person shall qualify for the all veterans' tax credit if the person is a resident of this state who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that Title 10 training for active duty by a member of a national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph; provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. "

The All Veterans' Tax Credit will be phased in over a period of three years to match the existing veterans' credit of \$500. For veterans who qualify for the All Veterans' Tax Credit, but didn't previously qualify for the existing veterans' credit because they didn't serve during a

designated timeframe for a qualifying war or armed conflict, the credit will be phased in over a period of three years.

For 2018 the credit will be \$167. The 2019 credit will be \$333. The 2020 credit will be for the full amount of \$500.

The tax credit will be subtracted each year from the property tax on a qualifying veteran's residential property.

An application for the All Veterans' credit must be made prior to April 15 during the current tax year.

For more information, contact the City Assessor's Office at 516-6014 or visit <http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/finance/tax-assessment/applications/index.html>.



## Support the Dover Veterans Park with engraved brick donation

A new City park to honor all veterans is expected to be constructed and open this fall, in time for Veterans Day. The park will be located on the front lawn of the McConnell Center.

To help fund the construction and maintenance of the Dover Veterans Park, park organizers have launched a brick donation campaign. The bricks will be installed on the entrance walkway and engraved with the name, military rank and branch and years of service for individual service members. Bricks can be purchased by anyone wishing to honor a veteran who has served our country. A red 4-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$50. A larger 8-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$100.

Brick donations can be made [online here](#).

The Dover Veterans Park was first proposed by a committee consisting of Mayor Karen Weston, City Councilor John O'Connor, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., and Recreation Director Gary Bannon. The City Council

subsequently included some funding for the park in the annual Capital Improvements Program. The McConnell Center was chosen as an ideal location because it is near some of the City's memorial monuments and named after Capt. Joseph McConnell, a Dover native, Korean War Veteran, and the first Triple Jet Ace.

The Dover Veterans Park is intended to recognize all veterans.

For more information about brick donations, visit [www.dover.nh.gov](http://www.dover.nh.gov) or call the Dover Recreation Department at 516-6410.

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## MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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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 seeking applications the following positions:

- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Seasonal maintenance worker**
- **Lifeguards**
- **Swim instructors**

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

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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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## 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 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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## 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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