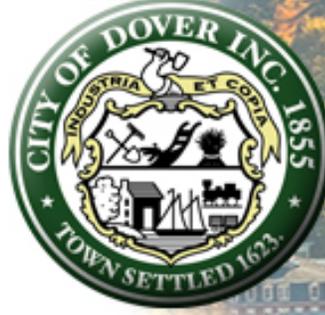


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## News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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### **Meetings this week:**

#### **Planning Board, May 27, 7 p.m.**

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 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).

Friday, May 23, 2014

### Detailing Dover, Demographically



A COMMUNITY PROFILE

Statistics from Calendar Year 2013

January 2014

#### Dover At A Glance

Dover, founded in 1623, is the oldest continuous settlement in New Hampshire and the seventh oldest in the United States. The permanent settlement occurred in what is now the Dover Neck area.

Initially, Dover was an independent colony named Northam. In 1692 Northam became



#### Our Mission:

To provide affordable, high quality municipal services and

## City of Dover updates demographics in community profile

Many people know that Dover was founded in 1623, and is the oldest continuous settlement in New Hampshire. People know that Dover added more residents between the 2000 and 2010 census than any other New Hampshire community. But do they know how many books were checked out of the Dover Public Library in 2013? Do they know how much paper was recycled in 2013, compared to tons of trash collected?

Beginning in 2013, this information and more has been made available in one newsletter-style document. Dover's department of Planning and Community Development has compiled statistics and demographic information about the City and in January it began updating that report. This community profile offers a glimpse into Dover's population growth and other demographics, such as vital records,

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



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housing starts and ages, vehicle registrations, income and cultural and recreational activity.

Also included is climate information, and general geographic information about Dover and southeastern New Hampshire.

Finally, there is information about Dover's economic health and municipal operations.

The updated profile focuses on calendar year 2013, and includes information about the 2013/2014 municipal budget. The profile is updated annually in January based upon data about the previous year.

Christopher Parker, AICP, Dover's Director of Planning and Community Development assembled the document and believes it has many uses.

"I can see citizens using it to learn more about their community," Parker said. "I also see people from outside of Dover who want to learn more about us, as they plan to relocate or are investigating Dover as an option, using this resource to find out more about the community."

Parker stresses the document is a good one source document for basic community information.

"It is a foundation piece," he said. "If you like what you read, you can then make calls or send emails to appropriate offices or departments to learn more about the City."

The report, titled "Detailing Dover, Demographically," is available on the City's website, [www.dover.nh.gov](http://www.dover.nh.gov). It is one of many reports on the Planning Department's Document and Reports page,

<http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/planning/planning-documents/index>, and is listed as Dover's Demographic Report (2014). Readers may also view last year's report to compare information. Additionally, it is available in the Planning Department's office.

For more information, contact the City of Dover Department of Planning and Community Development at 516-6008.



## Dover Memorial Day ceremony is Monday

Memorial Day services in Dover will be held on Monday, May 26, 2014, at 6 p.m., at Pine Hill Cemetery.

The ceremony will include the National Anthem, a guest speaker, and the playing of Taps. Mayor Karen Weston will give opening remarks.

The ceremony is organized by the Dover Veterans Council.

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## City Hall, administrative offices closed for Memorial Day

City Hall and administrative offices will be closed on Monday, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, May 27.

Due to the holiday, trash pick-up and curbside recycling will be delayed by one day all week.

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## Meeting in Dover aims to help curb underage drinking

Alcohol use among our nation's youth is a significant public health and economic problem. In New Hampshire, underage alcohol use is the number one youth drug problem and is six times more likely to kill young people than all illegal drugs combined.

In an effort to curb underage alcohol problems, communities across the country are organizing a nationwide series of town hall-style meetings. Nineteen of these sessions will be held in New Hampshire. Locally, the Dover Coalition for Youth is hosting one in Dover.

The meeting will take place at the McConnell Center Café in Dover from 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28. Light refreshments and free child care will be provided. The event is open to participants from all sectors of the community to both attend and share ideas. Parents and caregivers of children 2-15 years old are specifically encouraged to attend.

The meeting will provide data on the alcohol problem in Dover and share information on how to send age appropriate messages to youth. Participants will gain knowledge and skills how to talk to kids as young as two years old and continue the conversation through elementary, middle and high school.

The Town Hall meeting is intended to increase understanding of the risks associated with underage drinking, as well as to encourage the community, families and individuals to address the problem in Dover and the surrounding area.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is sponsoring this national initiative, with the goal that these meetings will generate energy and leverage action leading into the month of May, in which National Prevention Week occurs.

The Dover Coalition for Youth is a community organization tasked with improving the quality of life in Dover for youth and families by preventing the harm caused by substance abuse. The Coalition is the means by which we hope to bring all of the elements of the community together to take on underage drinking, marijuana and prescription drug abuse.

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## Supervisors of the Checklist in session June 3

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, from 7 to 7:30 p.m., at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, 288 Central Ave.

During this session, supervisors will register new voters, change party affiliation and addresses, and make other necessary corrections to the checklist.

This session is the last opportunity to change party affiliation before the Sept. 9, 2014, State Primary Election.

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

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## Missed the State of the City? Watch it online on DNTV-22

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce sponsored the annual State of the City address on Friday, May 16, held at the McConnell Center Cafe. The event was sponsored by Public Service of New Hampshire.

During the event, City officials including City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., discussed the state of the city and various projects and initiatives.

The event can be seen on DNTV Channel 22. To view the [program guide](#) for Channel 22, click [here](#).

It can also be viewed online. To visit the City of Dover's on-demand video content, visit DNTV online, or click [here](#) for a direct link to the event.

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## Help Dover prepare for climate change

On Thursday, May 29, from 2 to 4 p.m., the City of Dover and the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve will host a workshop to discuss the results of the New England Climate Adaptation Project (NECAP), and to assess how the City should prepare for projected increases in precipitation, temperature, sea level, and extreme weather events.

The workshop will be held at the McConnell Center, 61 Locus Street, Room 305 in Dover, and is open to the public. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Casey Stein at [steincr@mit.edu](mailto:steincr@mit.edu) or 518-265-1683.

Over the last two years, the City of Dover Planning Department participated in NECAP with partners at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Science Impact Collaborative, the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Consensus Building Institute. With the help of climate scientists at the University of New Hampshire, the NECAP team produced a Summary Risk Assessment for Dover, laying out how a changing climate could impact the town. The team also engaged more than 100 participants from the Dover region in workshops last fall, during which attendees participated in a mock decision-making process about how to deal with increasing stormwater flooding risk in a fictional coastal community similar to the City of Dover.

During the workshop, NECAP team members will present on the findings from all of these activities and discuss what they mean for Dover. NECAP and city staff will also engage workshop participants in discussion about future City efforts to prepare for and manage climate-related risks.

The Climate Change Risk Assessment for Dover is available on the NECAP website at [necap.mit.edu](http://necap.mit.edu).

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

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## 2012 National Geographic Adventurer of the Year at Dover Library June 2



On Monday, June 2, at 7 p.m., the Dover Public Library will host an inspiring program of adventure, hardship, pain, and triumph. Author and speaker Jennifer Pharr Davis, author, three-time Appalachian Trail thru-hiker, and 2012 National Geographic Adventurer of the Year, will discuss her 2011 record-breaking trek, completing the entire Appalachian Trail in 46 days! You're sure to be motivated by the stories of this world class athlete and wilderness adventurer.

In 2011, with the support of her husband and a dedicated group of volunteers dubbed the "Pit Crew," Jen hiked, stumbled, and sometimes crawled the 2,181 mile Appalachian Trail at an average of 47 miles per day, becoming the fastest person to hike the trail and the first woman to ever set the mark. She's been featured in the New York Times, the Washington Post, NPR's Talk of the Nation, Guideposts Magazine, and the CBS Morning Show.

But Jen's story is not about records or numbers; it's about endurance, faith, and most of all, love. She will speak about the many challenges and lessons that presented themselves along the trail, showing slides from over 12,000 miles of long-distance hiking completed on six different continents. After her presentation, she will be signing copies of her new book, "Called Again: A Story of Love and Triumph", which Kirkus Reviews called "an inspired exploration of the meaning of commitment."

Jennifer has authored five books, including three North Carolina guidebooks and two Appalachian Trail memoirs. She has also written features for numerous hiking magazines. Her record-breaking Appalachian Trail hike won Ultrarunning Magazine's "Female Performance of the Year". And in 2012, National Geographic named her one of ten "Adventurers of the Year".

Jennifer is founder and owner of Blue Ridge Hiking Company, where she and her staff of dedicated guides strive "to make the wilderness accessible and enjoyable through written and spoken word, instruction and guiding," for novice and experienced hikers alike. Jennifer lives in Asheville, North Carolina, with her husband Brew and their one-year-old daughter Charley.

This program is made possible with funds from the Friends of the Dover Public Library.

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

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## Neighborhood meeting to focus on Silver Street zoning changes

The City of Dover is currently updating the zoning regulations for the areas surrounding Silver Street, the goal of which is to celebrate and support some of Dover's most historic neighborhoods. The intent is to create a new zoning district named the "Heritage Residential District" which will have dimensional and use regulations that are specifically tailored to the unique characteristics of these historic residential neighborhoods. A neighborhood meeting to discuss the proposed regulations for the Heritage Residential District will be held on Monday, June 2, 6:30 p.m. at Woodman Park School.

The June 2 meeting serves as a follow up from an initial meeting held on April 23 at the Silver Fountain Inn.

"The purpose of the April 23 meeting was to introduce the residents and property owners in the area to some of the preliminary concepts for the proposed Heritage Residential District," said Assistant City Planner Tim Corwin. The meeting also included an exchange of ideas on how the zoning regulations could be adjusted to help support the historic homes and the primarily residential uses in the area.

Based on the feedback from the April 23 meeting, Planning Department staff and Jeff Taylor and Associates, the project consultant, have revised some of their preliminary concepts for the proposed zoning district and have prepared a draft Table of Use containing the proposed regulations. In addition, the boundaries of the proposed district have been expanded to include Washington Street from Arch Street to the Community Trail, Towle Avenue, Clifford Street, Woodman Park Drive, Parker Street, and Rutland Street from Silver Street to Fisher Street. Revised

maps of the area will be ready for viewing at the June 2 meeting.

The Planning Department anticipates a large turnout on June 2.

"We were extremely pleased that approximately 75 people took the time to attend the meeting on April 23," said Christopher Parker, Director of Planning and Community Development. "It's clear that our residents are active and engaged and care about their neighborhoods."

Corwin emphasizes that, as with other projects undertaken by the Planning Department, "public input drives both the process and the product. Public participation is key to ensuring that any zoning changes enacted reflect the values of the community."

Recognizing that several residents had questions about the Silver Street reconstruction, Douglas Steele III, Community Development Director, will be on hand to provide information about that project. The focus of the meeting, however, will be a discussion of the draft zoning regulations and the Heritage Residential District project.

The draft Table of Use for the proposed Heritage Residential District is available for viewing on the Planning Department's website.

For more information about the project, contact Tim Corwin, Assistant City Planner, at 516-6008 or by e-mail at [t.corwin@dover.nh.gov](mailto:t.corwin@dover.nh.gov).



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>.



**May, 1921** - The Dover telephone system was hit hard by the Aurora Borealis. The magnetic storm burned out fuses and put more than 100 local phones out of order. Great damage was done to the big switchboard on the top floor of the Strafford Bank building.



**May 24, 1728** - The several towns in the Province, in the valuation of their lands for the purpose of taxation, having adopted the practice of valuing them in one town at one rate and in other towns at not half that value, the Assembly voted for the purpose of making a more equal proportion that in Dover, Portsmouth, Exeter, and other towns, with the exception of Londonderry and Kingston, the valuation should be six shillings an acre, and in the two latter towns five shillings per acre. Also "that all Negro, Indian and Mulatto slaves be valued at 20 pounds per head."



**May 25, 1713** - The inhabitants of Bloody Point, with a portion of those adjoining them in Portsmouth, petitioned the General Assembly to be made a separate and distinct parish from Dover and Portsmouth. The parties were heard on the 16th of July, and it was "ordered that the petition be granted, and the place made a parish by themselves, and that they forthwith establish an able, orthodox, and learned minister among them, and be henceforth acquitted from the support of the ministry of Dover and Portsmouth. His Excellency Governor Dudley named the parish at Bloody Point, Newington.



**May 26, 1720** - For the "conveniency of the inhabitants to go down to Oyster River," the Selectmen laid out a highway "beginning on the south side of Edward Euines house and so to go southerly between John Bussell's land and Joseph Daniels' twenty acre lot and running down to Lt. Joseph Jones' land and so turning west and be south by said Jones' line keeping the same breadth of two rods and so running to said Jones' northwest corner bound mark then turning south and by east by said Jones' line taking off a corner of Thomas Willies' land keeping the same breadth till it comes to ye highway that leads to the King's thoroughfare road between the two white pines standing by the said road."



**May 28, 1863** - Died, Dr. Noah Martin, aged 62. He was elected Governor of the State in 1852 and '53, and held various other offices. "As a physician he stood high in his profession, had an extensive practice, and accumulated a

large estate. As a politician, he enjoyed the confidence of his party, adhered with fidelity to its principles and usages, and received its highest honors." He died suddenly of apoplexy, having been in his usual health up to within an hour of his decease.

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## Temporary sign permit renewals in Dover due July 1

The City of Dover Planning Department is reminding the business community that renewals of temporary sign permits are due by no later than July 1, 2014. The City's Zoning Ordinance allows temporary signs for businesses located in the Central Business District (CBD), the Cochecho Waterfront District (CWD), the Thoroughfare Business (B-3) District, and the Gateway (B-5) District. Temporary signs are not permitted in any other zoning district.

Where allowed, temporary signs require a permit issued by the Planning Department. The permit is valid for one year, and can be renewed annually. The Planning Department administers temporary sign permits so that all permit renewals are due on July 1, every year. For signs located on a City sidewalk or within a City right-of-way, the permit application must be accompanied by a hold harmless letter (included with the application form) and proof of insurance.

In addition, temporary signs located in the CBD or CWD Districts must demonstrate compliance with the "mill motif" design criteria. Originally developed in the 1980s to help ensure that signage in downtown is reflective of Dover's historic character, these criteria as applied to temporary signs were recently modified by the Planning Board.

Tim Corwin, Assistant City Planner, explains that the design criteria modifications are intended to provide "additional flexibility for the City's business owners, while at the same time ensuring that temporary signs meet some basic design standards to help maintain an attractive downtown."

In connection with the permit renewal deadline, the Planning Department will perform an on the ground inventory of temporary signs some time after July 1. The purpose of this effort will be to ensure that all temporary signs on display in the City of Dover have a permit.

"Our goal is always equal and fair enforcement of our

regulations," Corwin said.

For temporary signs on display in districts where temporary signs are not permitted, City staff will contact the business displaying the sign and ask that it be removed.

Applications for temporary sign permits can be found on the Planning Department website. Copies are also available at the office of the Planning Department, located on the first floor of City Hall, open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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## Get CPR and first aid certified at DALC

Dover Adult Learning Center will hold a CPR certification class on June 3, which offers certification in adult, child, and infant CPR, as well as AED. The class will also teach how to recognize and care for heart attack, stroke, and choking victims.

In the First Aid class on June 5, participants will learn how to handle situations such as breathing problems, allergic reactions, bleeding wounds, bites and stings, poisonings and more.

Classes can be taken separately. Each class runs from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., and costs \$30. All participants receive a certification good for two years.

For more information call the Dover Adult Learning Center at (603) 742-1030.

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## Free Art Rocks program kicks off Cochecho Arts Festival

The Cochecho Arts Festival is back in town for its 28th year of bringing the arts to Dover. A summer of fun will kick off with an Art Rocks free community art collaboration project on Saturday, May 24, from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., at the Children's Museum of New Hampshire.



Join local artist Beth Wittenberg as participants collaborate to make a rocking decoupage guitar that will be on display at the Cochecho Arts Festival all summer long.

For more information call 603-742-2218.

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## Guided walking tours of historic Dover

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will once again offer Guided Walking Tours of Historic Dover on Saturday mornings this summer, from May 24 through Sept. 13. Tours begin at 10:30 a.m.

Tours begin at the Dover Chamber and will leisurely stroll through Dover's Historic Downtown area, with numerous stops along the way during which the Guide will point out places of interest, offer historical perspective, and share stories and anecdotes about the people, places and events that have helped shape Dover.

Reservations are recommend and can be made by calling 603-742-2218.

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## 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.

The boards and commissions below are now seeking to fill vacancies for regular and alternate seats:

- Arena Commission
- Conservation Commission
- Energy Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Utilities Commission
- Zoning Board of Adjustment

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.

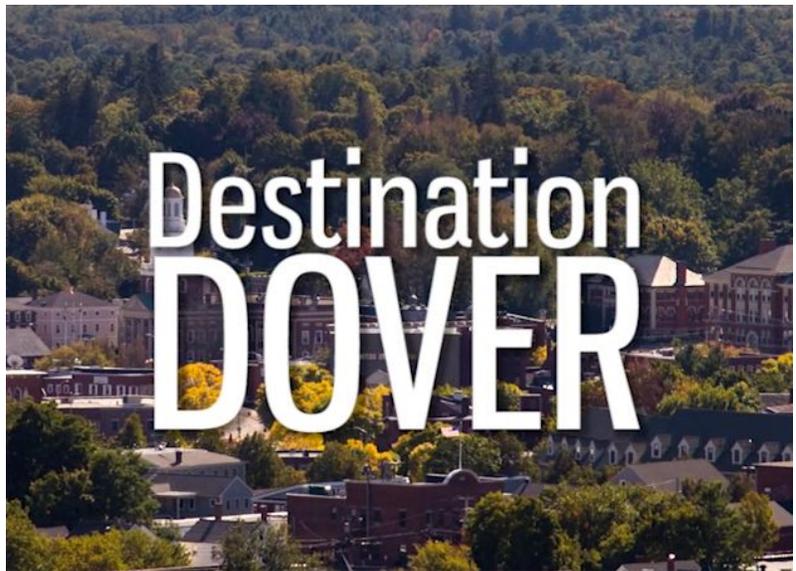
For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

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## Stay social with your City



Want the latest announcements and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official [Facebook page](#) and [twitter feed](#) for the latest updates.



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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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## 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.

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