

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



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Dover Pride Cleanup is Saturday

One of Dover Main Street's flagship activities, Dover Pride Cleanup, will be held on Saturday, May 5, beginning at 8 a.m. and concluding by noon.

The Dover Pride Cleanup event starts with a pancake breakfast served by the Kiwanis Club at 8 a.m. in the Mill Courtyard, 421 Central Ave. From there, hundreds of volunteers, with help from the City's of Dover's Community Services Department, will rake, prune, sweep, mulch, weed,

Want to contact your elected representative?

Meetings this week:

School Board, May 7, 6:30 p.m.

The School Board will hold a special meeting on Monday, May 7, 2018, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, click here.

Planning Board, May 8, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 8, beginning at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click here</u>.

City Council, May 9, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 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 dovernh.viebit.com.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

paint and plant their way through multiple sites in the downtown area. Wentworth Greenhouses donates plants for the planters in the downtown core, which volunteers will help install. The event finishes with a pizza lunch back at the Mill Courtyard sponsored by Kendall Pond Pizza. Bottled water and soda is provided by Seacoast Coca-Cola.

Dover Pride Cleanup is an opportunity for community members to give a few hours of time by contributing some sweat equity to make Dover look its best for the coming tourist season. This civic volunteer effort is an important aspect to help keep the downtown area clean and beautiful throughout the spring and summer, and also provides cost savings to the City of Dover.

As always, community volunteers are the key to the success of the project. Individuals, groups, or families can spend just an hour, or come for the entire morning. Locations will be set up by Dover Main Street. Groups or organizations wishing to volunteer for a specific site should can register here.

All participants should bring home gardening supplies, if available, including gloves, brooms, rakes, and other gardening hand tools they may have from home. Other supplies are available on site at the mill courtyard and at the clean-up locations.

For more information, <u>click here</u>, or call 603-740-6435.



City Council adopts FY19 budget

By a vote of 7-2, the City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2019 budget on Wednesday, May 2, during a special meeting. The special meeting followed several weeks of budget workshops, meetings and public hearings.

The special meeting for budget adoption <u>can be viewed</u> <u>here</u>.

The preceding workshop can be viewed here.

A special page devoted to the fiscal year 2019 budget, which includes the proposed budget, <u>can be found here</u> at the City's <u>Budget Revealed online resource</u>.

Road closures and parking restrictions in place for Saturday



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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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road race

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces the following road closures and parking restrictions for the Children's Museum of New Hampshire's annual 5K Run/Walk event.

On Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 9 a.m., the following downtown streets will be closed briefly to all traffic. These closures should last about 10 to 15 minutes:

- Central Avenue, from Second to Washington Streets
- Main Street at Chapel Street
- Portland Avenue at Chapel Street

Additional roads will be closed for longer periods of time:

- Henry Law Avenue from Washington to Hanson streets, 8 to 11 a.m.
- Washington Street from Main to River streets, 9 to 10
- Gulf Road from Atlantic Avenue to Baer Road, 8:45 to 10 a.m.
- Cocheco Street. 9 to 10 a.m.
- Fairway Drive, 9 to 10 a.m.

Motorists should expect delays on Portland Avenue, Atlantic Avenue, and Oak Street. Dover police personnel and a number of event volunteers will be on hand to help manage the flow of traffic along the race route. The start and finish point for this event is at Henry Law Park.

Parking restrictions will be posted and in effect in the following areas on Saturday morning:

- Henry Law Avenue, from Washington to George streets
- Portland Avenue, from Main to Cocheco streets

Event parking for participants will be available in the Orchard Street parking garage, the Third Street or Transportation Center parking lots, or on River Street.

For more information, contact the Police Department's Traffic Bureau at 742-4646.



Locust Street lot closed permanently

The Locust Street parking lot is now closed permanently. The closure is in conjunction with the development of the adjacent parcels at 104 Washington St., which includes additional parking spaces on Washington Street, and the expansion and realignment of the Chestnut Street and Washington Street intersection.

All other parking areas will remain open. Temporary restrictions may be necessary during construction.

Parking spaces on St. Thomas Street, between the Dover District Court and the McConnell Center, are available after 5 p.m. each weekday and all day on Saturday and Sunday. The parking garage on Orchard Street is also available.

For more information, contact the Parking Bureau at 516-6132 or parking@dover.nh.gov.



Drainage work to close northern entrance to Shaw's Plaza

The northern entrance of Shaw's Plaza, directly across from Morin Street, will be closed to all traffic today Friday, May 4, 2018, for drainage work. Traffic will be diverted to the south entrance of the plaza.

Today's work is expected to conclude by 4 p.m.

The entrance will be closed again next week, Monday through Wednesday, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, for additional drainage work.

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



"Maple Square" bench dedication to honor Ray and Jackie Guillemette

On Saturday, May 5, at 12:30 p.m., City officials, family and friends will unveil and dedicate a newly installed bench in front of Harvey's Bakery. The location will be named "Maple Square" in honor of Ray and Jackie Guillemette and their many years of community service.

The family will be in attendance, along with Dover Mayor Karen Weston and Deputy Mayor Bob Carrier.

Harvey's Bakery is located at 376 Central Ave.

Crews to begin citywide hydrant flushing on Sunday

The Community Services Utilities Division will begin flushing fire hydrants throughout the City on Sunday, May 6, 2018. This phase of hydrant flushing will occur on dead-end streets and is expected to take one week.

Crews will work at night from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Hydrant flushing is essential to maintain water quality and allow adequate fire flows throughout the distribution system. No disruption of water service is expected. Residents may notice some discoloration of the water. This is temporary and does not pose any threat to public health.

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



Next Dover Art Walk is tonight

The next Dover Art Walk is Friday, May 4, 2018, from 4-8 p.m.

In addition to the 15 stops on the Spring map, enjoy this season's first pop-up tables and live music in the Cochecho Courtyard. Earcraft Music is sponsoring the entertainment, featuring Joel Glenn Wixson and Chris Cyrus.



Visit the downtown stops for a variety of local art on display. Some artists will be on site to discuss their work and provide demos. Join The Art Center at the Washington Street Mills for the opening of "New Beginnings" and live music by Jemma Wixson and Two Days From Monday. End at the Falls to redeem your entry into the raffle with fully stamped maps by 8 p.m.

For more information, visit doverartwalk.com.



Coming up at the Dover Community Senior Center

What Matters To Me on Tuesday, May 8 and 15, from 1-2:30 p.m. Hosted by Wentworth Hospice, this special two-part workshop is designed to help seniors uncover their quality of life wishes and communicate them to their family, friends and healthcare providers. Free and open to the public. For more information and to RSVP, call Linda Jarvis at (603) 516-6420.

Stroke Education Workshop on Wednesday, May 9 at 11:30 a.m. Hear from the experts at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital on stroke diagnosis, risk factors, prevention and more! For more information and to RSVP, call Linda Jarvis at 516-6420.

Clear Caption presentation on Thursday, May 10, at 1 p.m. Come learn about this free federal program that can set you up with a captioned phone if you are hard of hearing. No cost for the phone, service or installation. Please RSVP to Linda at 516-6420.

Iceland travel presentation on Tuesday, May 15, at 2 p.m. The Dover Community Senior Center will travel to Iceland for 9 days in June 2019. You do not need to be a member to travel with the Senior Center. Please RSVP to Linda Jarvis at 516-6420. http://ow.ly/xL4b30jlfRw

The foot and heel pain workshop on Wednesday, May 16, at 11:30 a.m. Dr. Dan Lombardi will reveal how to eliminate your foot and heel pain for good without the use of medication, injections or surgeries. RSVP to Linda Jarvis at 516-6420.

Bike/Walk to Work Day is May 18

On Friday, May 18, Seacoast residents are encouraged to ride their bike or walk to work. Commuters that leave their car at home to enjoy the fresh air are invited to a Free Alternative Commuter Breakfast at Dover City Hall from 7-9 a.m.



Seacoast Area Bike Riders (SABR) have partnered with two regional planning commissions, commuteSMART seacoast, local bike shops and other businesses to sponsor 10 free alternative commuter breakfasts in communities all around the Seacoast. To register or for a list of all participating communities, visit www.seacoastbikes.org/bike-walk-to-work-day.html.

Bike/Walk to Work Day is just one of the many activities planned to celebrate National Bike Month. SABR has several events planned around the Seacoast to provide residents more ways than ever to join the healthy, dollar-saving, congestion reducing, breeze-in-your-face fun. Visit seacoastbikes.org to learn more.



Spring street sweeping under way

City of Dover Community Services crews began spring street sweeping on April 23. Street sweeping operations begin at 3:30 a.m. and continue for two consecutive eighthour shifts throughout the day.

Work is expected to be complete prior to the end of June.

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



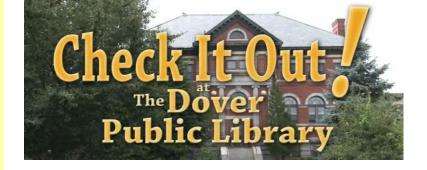
DHS Music Department to host evening of jazz June 7

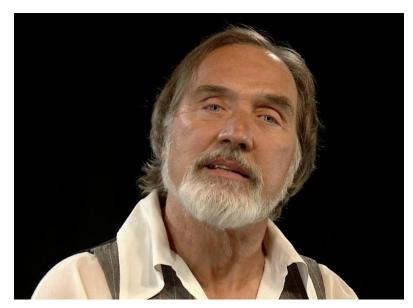
Enjoy a great evening of music downtown on Thursday, June 7, as the Dover High School Music Department, in partnership with the Dover Parents Music Club, performs at Henry Law Park, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

You'll hear jazz, pop, soul, and blues from both the Jazz Band and Soundwaves Chorus. Back again by popular demand is local singing legend Sharon "Sugar" Jones.

Bring out the whole family to sing along and watch these young musicians shine.

For more information, visit the event page here.





Stephen Collins portrays Walt Whitman at Dover Public Library on May 15

The Friends of the Dover Public Library are once again pleased to host actor and stage performer Stephen Collins on Tuesday, May 15 at 7 p.m. in the Library's Lecture Hall. His one-man show, "Unlaunch'd Voices: an Evening with Walt Whitman" opens as the elderly Whitman celebrates his 70th birthday. He begins to reminisce and to question his success as a man and a poet. He recalls a mystical experience in his 37th year that inspired him to write poetry.

As the performance continues, Whitman transforms into his younger self and we learn the story behind his seminal work, "Leaves of Grass". He explores his preoccupation with the self and his struggles with his sexuality.

In the second part of the performance, Whitman's life is changed forever by the Civil War. He discovers his life's most important work: nursing the wounded soldiers in hospitals. Through his poetry and readings, we see Whitman grow into a mature artist who is at peace with himself, God, and death.

"Unlaunch'd Voices" relies on as much of Walt's actual words and dialogue as possible. Whitman made invaluable contributions to modern poetry and free verse. His worth lies in his humanity, his individuality, his struggles, and his joyfully inclusive view of life. Stephen Collins as Walt Whitman will leave the audience with new insight into this

great man and great poet, and with an appreciation of Whitman as an eternally free spirit.

Join the Library for this free theatrical performance.

For more information, call (603) 516-6050.

Fake news: What is the real story?

On Tuesday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m., the Dover Public Library will host a nonpartisan discussion with White House press veteran Randall Mikkelsen presenting his program "Fake News: What is the real story"? The wave of 'fake news' that flooded Facebook and other social media during 2016's election campaign was a wakeup call. Big changes have overtaken the way we get news in the United States, and how it is produced. These changes have given us the opportunity to be better informed. They also require us to be more careful consumers, so we can recognize distortion, propaganda and outright lies.

Join a nonpartisan discussion with White House press veteran Randall Mikkelsen, a managing editor at Thomson Reuters, on how to understand what we are getting in the social-media driven news landscape and how to tell the real from the fake.

"Especially in our current social-media-driven news landscape," says Mikkelsen, "we need to learn how to tell the real from the fake."

Mikkelsen has worked as a political and financial journalist with Reuters since 1988. He has covered many of the major news stories of our era, including the fall of the Soviet Union, the war on terrorism, and the financial crisis. Randall was a front-row member of the White House press corps for nearly seven years, where he covered the Justice Department, the CIA, and other Washington agencies. He has won awards from the Society of American Business Editors and Writers, and from the North Dakota Newspaper Association.

The program is free and open to the public.

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





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.



May 7, 1667 - A meeting of the selectmen of Dover and Portsmouth was held in Portsmouth, for "remedying several inconveniences," and it was mutually agreed and ordered between them that as by custom the public charges both of Court and County had been carried on by each town distinctly for the time past, for the future all charges should be borne jointly by the County, and a County Treasurer chosen according to law. Captain Waldron, Deputy to the General Court, was instructed to make known to the Court the papers received from Major Shapleigh, and also not to engage the town by compulsion to build fortifications. Likewise, to consult with the Deputies of Portsmouth concerning the enlargement of the County. The selectmen ordered the three half-penny rate made over the whole town, to be delivered to Captain Waldron by the several constables, and for him to dispose of the same according to the selectmen's order from time to time.



May 10, 1708 - Philip Chesley, Ezekiel Wentworth, John Downing and John Tuttle were appointed a committee to join with the selectmen for the repairing or building of such bridges as were thought necessary over such river or rivers as belong to the town. It was also voted that as "several persons made scruples about paying their mill rents according to the conditions made with the town," John Tuttle, the treasurer, was "empowered to use all lawful means by action or other ways about recovering the same."



May 4, 1779 - One of the most violent thunder storms which was ever known in the maritime parts of New Hampshire, occurred this day, at noon. A cloud rose in the N.W. and another in the S.W. at the same time: they crossed each other, and the former passed very near the earth; a very black darkness came on, the lightning was an incessant glare, and the thunder a continual peal for about an hour. Many trees, several barns, mills and dwelling houses were struck; cattle and sheep were killed in the pastures in several towns; and a valuable new house built for religious worship, at Somersworth, was set on fire and consumed. Its steeple had a metallic vane and spindle, but no conductor to the earth. The bell was melted and fell while in a state of fusion, and no piece of it larger than a musket ball could be found.



May 6, 1841 - Died, Hon. Daniel M. Durell, aged 71. He was apparently in the enjoyment of good health, had ridden out

on horseback during the day, and was seen walking on the street with his usual vigorous step until late in the afternoon. About six o'clock he was found by his family dead in the yard near his residence. The deceased was one of Dover's most opulent and distinguished citizens and in the course of a long and active life, had filled many offices of trust and importance. He was a graduate of Dartmouth College of the class of 1794 and commenced the practice of law in Dover as early as 1797. From 1807 to 1809, he was a member of Congress from New Hampshire. He afterwards represented Dover in the State Legislature, and in 1814 was appointed Chief Justice of the District Court of Common Pleas, which office he held until the Judiciary system was changed and the Court abolished. In 1830 he was appointed United States District Attorney for New Hampshire and held the office until 1834.



May 5, 1864 - The Strafford Guards of Dover were ordered to Fort Constitution for 60 days - the two companies of Heavy Artillery stationed there having been ordered south.

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, <u>Find My Representative</u>, 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 <u>more information about the City Council here</u>.

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the City of <u>Dover's interactive ward map</u>. The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information <u>can</u> be found here.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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:

- Camera operator
- Lifeguard I
- Swim Instructor I
- Sports Instructor III Track
- Playground supervisor
- Playground counselor
- Gym attendant
- Summer day camp counselor

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, <u>click here</u>.

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? <u>Sign up now</u> 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, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

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, <u>click here</u>.

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, <u>click</u> 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 <u>www.dovernh.viebit.com</u> to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



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 <u>here</u>.