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Meetings this week:

Energy Commission, September 29, 5:30 p.m. Friday, September 26, 2015

Registration open for 2015 Citizens' Leadership Academy

Registration is now open for the 2015 Eastern Bank Citizens' Leadership Academy, presented by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and City of Dover. The program will offer Garrison City residents a firsthand look at local government and municipal operations, as well as provide attendees with opportunities to participate in shaping the future of the city. The six week program, which is free of charge to attend, will begin on Thursday, Oct. 8.

"The leadership academy is a valuable opportunity to learn about local governance here in Dover and discover opportunities to become a better informed and involved citizen," said Dover City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr.

This year's Citizens' Leadership Academy will include presentations the city manager; Assistant City Manager, Director of Planning and Strategic Initiatives, Christopher G. Parker; Economic Development Director Daniel Barufaldi; Library Director Cathy Beaudoin; Superintendent of Schools Dr. Elaine Arbour, both fire and police chiefs and Recreation Director Gary Bannon. The program will also include a visit to the North End Fire Station and a bus

The Energy Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

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

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



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tour of the City's Community Services facilities led by Doug W. Steele, Deputy City Manager and Community Services Director.

"The program is structured to give Dover residents and business owners an overview of the roles and responsibilities of the various city departments and a behind the scenes look at how they each support and contribute to the quality of life enjoyed in our community," Joyal added.

The Leadership Academy will meet on the evenings of Oct. 8, 15, 22 and 29, Nov. 4, as well as an afternoon session on Saturday, Oct. 31. Participants are not required to make every meeting, but regular attendance is strongly encouraged.

Those interested in attending the Academy can register online at www.dovernh.org/citizens-leadership-academy or call Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce Community Events Manager, Ryan Queenan, at 603-742-2214. Interested participants are encouraged to register early as this free program is limited to 25 participants.

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit association of businesses, professionals, individuals, and organizations working together to advance the economic well-being of its members and the community. For information on other programs, please call the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 603-742-2218, email info@dovernh.org, or visit www.dovernh.org.



Seacoast Irish Festival steps off Saturday

Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official <u>Facebook</u> page and <u>twitter feed</u> for the latest updates.

Dover Main Street will once again host the Seacoast Irish Festival this Saturday, Sept. 26, from 12 to 6 p.m., at the Rotary Arts Pavilion in downtown Dover.

This year's Seacoast Irish Festival will feature some big names in Irish music, including Grammy award winner and fiddler Eileen Ivers. Other musical acts include the Screaming Orphans, Schooner Fare, Kevin Byrne and Denise Hagan, as well as plenty of food, drink and cheer.

Some parking restrictions will be in place on Henry Law Avenue for the duration of the festival.

For more information about the festival, or to purchase tickets, visit www.seacoastirishfestival.org.

Dover Police, DEA to host drug take-back event Saturday

On Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Dover Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public another opportunity to prevent prescription drug and opioid abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Medications can be brought to the Dover Police Department at 46 Locust St. for disposal. The service is free, anonymous, and no questions will be asked.

"Dover, like communities across the state, is seeing an increase in heroin use and heroin related overdoes," said Dover Police Chief Anthony Colarusso. "We know that the majority of heroin users start with prescription drug abuse and then turn to heroin because it is cheaper and easier to get. If we can prevent prescription drug abuse we are in turn taking steps toward preventing heroin use. We urge all members of the public to safely dispose of the medications in their homes at the Drug Take Back."

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse 80 percent of people who use heroin abused painkillers first. This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public

health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Surveys show that one in five New Hampshire high school students have used a prescription drug that was not prescribed to them.

"Over half of teens report that prescription drugs are easy or very easy to get," according to Dover Coalition for Youth Coordinator Vicki Hebert. "Seventy percent of teens who abuse prescription drugs obtained the medications from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. We are holding this event to allow community members to dispose of their medications and remove the source of temptation from their home."

Dover has participated in the take back initative since the fall of 2010 hosting at least one event a year. During the last five years Dover has collected nearly 1,500 pounds prescription drugs.

"The community has let us know that they are looking for safe ways to dispose of their unused medications by consistently coming out on take back days and turning in hundreds of pounds of unwanted drugs each year," Colarusso said.

Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines-flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash-both pose potential safety and health hazards. The DEA states that unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply.

If you are unable to attend a collection event during the national take back day visit the Food and Drug Administration website at www.FDA.gov to learn about other recommended disposal methods.

For more information about the take back event visit the DEA website at www.DEA.gov. If you want to learn more about how you can get involved contact the Dover

Coalition for Youth at 603-516-3279 or online at www.boverCoalition.org.



'A Closer Look: Storm Management'

DNTV's 'A Closer Look' series wins national award

The City of Dover's storm management episode of its series, "A Closer Look," was recognized recently by the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA), during its 30th annual Government Programming Awards in San Diego, California. Awards were presented on Friday, Sept. 11. Dover's entry, which offers an in-depth look at the City's storm management operations during Winter Storm Juno and the subsequent storms, took second place in the "Profile of a City or County Department" category. First through third place were awarded, along with two honorable mentions.

Dover's entry was among more than 800 received for this year's awards, and the only entry to win from New Hampshire.

The awards program honors excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies. Entries are submitted by local governments across the country.

"Our GPA winners continue to demonstrate excellence in programming and we are thrilled to honor and celebrate

their achievements," commented NATOA President Tony Perez. "We congratulate these winners for actively supporting community programming's role in building stronger, more connected communities."

Entries in the categories cover a variety of programming including, among others, community events, documentary, public affairs and public service, interview/talk show, performing arts, sports, election coverage and children's issues.

"A Closer Look" is produced by the City of Dover's DNTV, and offers a more in-depth look at municipal operations, programs and services, in a documentary style.

"A Closer Look: Storm Management" can be <u>viewed here</u> or by clicking the image above.

The next episode of "A Closer Look," which features the Police Department's patrol division, is in production.

Road closures, parking restrictions in place Sunday for 5K

A number of road closures and parking restrictions will be in place on Sunday, Sept. 27, for Wentworth-Douglass Hospital 5K Run/Walk event, which benefits the Seacoast Cancer Center.

The following streets are affected:

- Old Rollinsford Road will be closed to all nonevent traffic from 8:45 to 10:30 a.m.;
- Southbound traffic on Central Avenue will be detoured to Mount Vernon Street, between Abbott and Reservoir streets, between 8:50 and 10 a.m.;
- Northbound traffic on Central Avenue will be closed at Oak Street for five to 10 minutes at the race start;
- Oak Street will be closed in the southbound direction, only between Central Avenue and Portland Avenue, between 9 and 9:20 a.m;

- Traffic delays are expected at Oak and Park streets in both directions between 9:20 and 10 a.m., as participants cross on their second pass toward the finish;
- Traffic delays are expected at Broadway and Hill Street in both directions, between 9:15 and 9:45 a.m. as participants cross.

The event begins at 9 a.m. with a start and finish point on Old Rollinsford Road, next to WDH. Event parking will be available in the WDH garage, and the medical office parks off Old Rollinsford Road. Dover and Rollinsford police officers and a number of event volunteers will be stationed at points along the course to help manage the flow of traffic.

Parking restrictions will be posted on a section of Broadway, between Pierce and Hill streets, on the day of the event.

More information about the event is available at www.wdhospital.com.



Community Trail expansion project seeks volunteers

With grant funding in place, the City of Dover and Dover Community Trail Advisory Committee are now planning for the expansion of Dover's Community Trail. The three-quarter mile Community Trail



runs from Fisher Street to the Dover Transportation Center.

Grant funding will help expand and improve the trail for year-round use. Among the improvements planned are paving the trail from Fisher Street to Rutland Street on the southern end, as well as creating a more distinct trail and trail head on the northern end of the trail, from Fourth Street to Beckwith Park.

As the planning process continues, the City and trail committee are hosting a meeting for anyone interested in the project or with ideas for the future of the Community Trail. All are welcome to attend, including newcomers, or anyone who uses the trail for recreation, including walking, cycling, running or snowshoeing. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

The Dover Community Trail is an ongoing community effort that began with land acquisition on the former rail bed in the 1990's. The City of Dover, volunteers and committees, community organizations, and business leaders worked together to open the trail.

For more information about the Community Trail, contact the Dover Planning Department at 603-516-6008 or email d.pohli@dover.nh.gov.



Online election guide includes upto-date candidate information

Election volunteers needed

The City of Dover's <u>2015 Municipal Election online</u> <u>resource</u> includes up-to-date information on the Nov. 3 municipal election, including all candidates who have filed

for office to date, polling places, information on registering to vote, and more.

The municipal election is Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2015.

Voters will choose candidates for Mayor, City Council, and School Board, as well as moderators, ward clerks, supervisors of the checklist and selectmen, from each ward.

The City Clerk's office is currently seeking to fill a variety of election volunteer positions. The Clerk's office provides training for election officials. If interested, please contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018 or, for more information, visit the 2015 Municipal Election page here.

Chamber, Dover Listens to host "Conversation with the Candidates"

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce and Dover Listens will host two "Conversation with the Candidates" sessions, which will feature candidates for mayor, City Council and School Board.

The first session will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2015, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will include candidates for mayor and City Council. The second session will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 6 to 8 p.m., and will include candidates for School Board. Both sessions will be held in the McConnell Center cafeteria, 61 Locust St. Use Door #3 to enter the cafeteria.

According to the event organizer, "A Conversation with the Candidates" is intended to allow participants to share top priorities for Dover's representation on the City Council and School Board, and allow voters to learn more about the candidates, talk to others about community issues and how Dover can be best represented by elected officials.

Admission is free. Food will be provided by the Portable Pantry.

Both sessions will be recorded and broadcast later on

Channel 22.

For more information, contact the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce at 742-228 or visit www.dovernh.org/candidates.



Apple Harvest Day 5K registration now open

Registration for the Apple Harvest Day 5K is now open. The first 250 registrants receive a free T-shirt.

This year's Apple Harvest Day is Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015. For the seventh year in a row, the Apple Harvest Day 5K, underwritten by Seacoast Orthopedics and Medicine, will kick off Apple Harvest Day at 8:30 a.m.

For more information, visit the Greater Dover Chamber Commerce <u>website</u>, email <u>info@dovernh.org</u>, or call 603-742-2218.

Sunday hours at the Recycling Center begin Oct. 25

The City of Dover Recycling Center on Mast Road will open for additional weekly hours for several Sundays in October and November.

The Recycling Center will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following Sundays:

- Oct. 25
- Nov. 1
- Nov. 8

- Nov. 15
- Nov. 22
- Nov. 29

The Recycling Center's regular hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For more information about the Recycling Center, <u>click</u> here.

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.

Parking garage permit requests now being accepted

Anyone interested in obtaining a monthly parking permit in the Orchard Street garage can now add their name to a list maintained by the City of Dover Parking Bureau. Current permit holders will have priority. The remaining permits will be issued based on the list. The Parking Garage is on schedule to open in late November.

Permits for the remainder of fiscal year 2016, which ends next June, are \$45 per month. Rates are established each year by the City Council as part of the annual budget adoption. The Parking Commission will review parking related fees during their meetings in the coming months and if any changes are recommended, they will be forwarded to City Council.

Those interested in adding their name to the list should parking@dover.nh.gov. Only email requests are accepted at this time.

For more information, contact the City of Dover Parking Bureau at 603-516-2277 or parking@dover.nh.gov.



Fall leaf collection begins in October

The City of Dover 2015 fall leaf collection will take place on the following weeks:

- Oct. 26-30
- Nov. 2-6
- Nov. 9-13
- Nov. 16-20

Bagged leaves will be picked up on the same day as trash and recycling.

Leaves must be placed curbside in biodegradable paper leaf bags. No brush will be accepted. Paper bags can be purchased at your local hardware or home improvement store.

Grass clippings, leaves, brush and yard waste is accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours.

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

Genealogist to speak at Dover Community Senior Center

Joint the Dover Community Senior Center for a visit from genealogist Pat Cirone on Sunday, Sept. 27, at 2 p.m.

Cirone, who has more than 30 years of genealogy experience, will talk about getting started, tackling "brick wall" problems, how to use technology for family history research, as well as answer questions.

This session is free and open to the public.

The Dover Community Senior Center is located at the McConnell Center, 61 Locust St., Door #1.

For more information, call the Senior Center at 516-6420.



Tickets now available for Night at the Woodman Museum III

Back from its successful run last year, Dover's Woodman Museum will present Night at the Woodman Museum III - Voices from the Cemetery, during Columbus Day weekend, Oct. 10, 11, 12.

With a new location the popular event will include 18 scenes of Dover history that will come to life during the hour and a half tour through the grounds of Dover's historic Pine Hill Cemetery. Tour Guides will lead visitors through the large grounds of one of Dover's oldest cemeteries introducing them to historical characters ranging from sea captains, local business and political leaders to soldiers. The production includes a cast of 50 volunteers.

Tickets are now on sale at the Woodman Museum. Reservations are required.

During the tour visitors will learn about early Dover settlers, their strange laws and about the punishments that took place in the late 1700s; Hear the sad story of Elisha Thomas, a revolutionary soldier who was hung after a fight; See Annie Woodman, the benefactress of Dover's Woodman Museum and speak to Jonathan Sawyer about his large woolen mill. Guest's will also meet a civil war soldier who was at Gettysburg and meet Captain William Flagg whose crew captured a British cannon during the War of 1812. You'll also meet Marilla Ricker who ran for governor even before women could vote.

With an actual 1890's horse-drawn hearse in the background visitors will see life through an overworked Dover nurse's eyes during the civil war and later meet "President" Mary Dow. There are also a couple of sea captains who make an appearance and just what is a Gookin? Come to the Night at the Woodman Museum III event and find out. These are just some of the many characters you'll meet that will tell of their notable events in the third annual Night at the Woodman Museum production.

This event is a major fundraiser for the Woodman Museum, a 99-year old local museum located at 182 Central Ave. in Dover.

Tours consisting of a maximum of 16 people each will take place 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday Oct. 10, Sunday, Oct. 11, and Monday, Oct. 12.

Tours leave the Ricker Memorial Chapel on the Pine Hill Cemetery grounds every 15 minutes and will last approximately 90 minutes. The cemetery entrance is located at 131 Central Ave. in Dover. The event will be rain or shine and guests are asked to wear comfortable walking shoes.

Night at the Woodman Museum III is underwritten by Dermatology and Skin Health.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child (under 12). Reserve early to guarantee a time. For tickets, call the museum at 603-742-1038 or 603-970-0227. Additional information can be found at www.WoodmanMuseum.org.



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.



Sept. 27, 1648 - It was ordered that all such person or persons that shall be found absent without lawful cause from the town meeting shall for such default pay a fine of six shillings. It was also ordered that Richard Pinkham shall beat the drum on Lord's day to give notice for the

time of meeting and to sweep the meeting house for the which he shall be allowed six bushels of Indian corn for his pay this year and to be freed from rates.



Sept. 28, 1703 - First snow, very cold. (Pike)



Sept. 30, 1707 - Old Widow Horn was taken by the Indians near the lower corner of Capt. Gerrish's field, as she travelled the road. The same day several troops passed the road, both before and after she was taken. (Pike)



Sept. 26, 1750 - An Indian named Nambrous, belonging to the Penobscot tribe, was arrested for attempting to kill Moses Wingate of Dover by stabbing him with a knife; but there being no evidence to convict him, the court, Hon. Ellis Huske, Chief Justice, considering that the Indian natives were making war upon the people of New England, referred the question of his discharge to the Council, which body advised the Governor to give orders to the sheriff to detain the Indian and his squaw till further orders.



Sept. 29, 1820 - Died, Hon. William King Atkinson, aged 56. He was born in Portsmouth, and was a nephew of George King, who inherited the property of Theodore Atkinson who died in 1779. George King was a relative of Atkinson and changed his name to George Atkinson when he became his heir. He died without issue, and the large entailed Atkinson estate became the property of his nephew, William King, who also assumed the name of Atkinson. William King Atkinson graduated at Harvard College in 1783, commenced the practice of law in Dover about 1786, was Register of Probate from 1787 to 1819, Attorney General of the State, and Judge of the Superior Court, and from his large wealth and official position was for many years one of Dover's most eminent citizens.



Sept. 29, 1922 - A Brentwood man is arrested, tried and fined \$30 for driving his automobile faster than 25 miles per hour on Central Avenue.

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 postions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

To see what positions the City is seeking to fill, <u>click here</u>.

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> <u>here</u>.

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 upto-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>.