

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



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Dover High School Homecoming features football rivalry, food drive

On Friday night, the Dover High School Football Team will host the Spaulding High School football team for homecoming. The public is invited to help celebrate the annual homecoming by attending the pre-game activities and football game. It is a wonderful opportunity for families.

Dover High School, as part of homecoming, is participating in New Hampshire Tackles Hunger to support the Dover Community's local food pantries.

Meetings this week:

School Board, Oct. 2, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Oct. 2, 2017 in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.

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



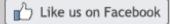
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288 Central Avenue Dover, NH 03820 603-516-6000

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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Fans are encouraged to bring nonperishable food items to the football game.

Parents with elementary school and middle school age students are strongly encouraged to attend with their children.

"Let's make it a great homecoming for Dover High School and our community," said Superintendent of Schools William Harbron.

For more information, contact Dover High School at 516-6900.

Clerk's office unable to process motor vehicle registrations during state computer upgrade, Oct. 6-10

The Dover City Clerk's office will be unable to process motor vehicle registrations from Friday, Oct. 6 to Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017 while the state installs a new computer system. The new system is expected to be online beginning Wednesday, Oct. 11, and registrations will resume at that time.

The installation of the new system, known as VISION, by the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles will affect vehicle registration processing statewide during this time.

Motorists registering a new vehicle, with a temporary plate, or renewing a registration are asked to be mindful of the interruption in service, as the City Clerk's office will be unable to process motor vehicle registrations while the installation is under way.

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

For more information about the implementation of the state's new VISION system, visit www.nh.gov/dmv.



District 13 special election will be held Tuesday, Oct. 24



Stay social with your City

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

A special election for state representative in District 13, representing Ward 1 in Dover, will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 24, 2017.

The special election follows the resignation of state Rep. Isaac Epstein on June 30.

The three candidates for the seat are:

- Guy John Eaton, Republican
- Casey M. Conley, Democrat
- Brian C. Shields, Libertarian

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

Polling times and places will be posted once approved by the City Council.

An online resource for the special election is <u>available</u> <u>here</u>.



Municipal Election is Nov. 7

The municipal election is Tuesday, Nov. 7, 2017. Voters will choose candidates for City Council, School Board, and all ward positions, including moderators, ward clerks, supervisors of the checklist and selectmen.

The filing period is now closed. A complete list of candidates for Mayor, City Council and School Board can be found at the 2017 Municipal Election page here.

Sunday hours at the Recycling Center begin Oct. 22

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 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the following Sundays:

- Oct. 22
- Oct. 29
- Nov. 5
- Nov. 12

- Nov. 19
- Nov. 26

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, call 516-6450.

Citywide hydrant flushing continues

The Community Services Utilities Division will continue flushing fire hydrants this week. Hydrant flushing is expected to take six weeks.

Crews will work at night from 7 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. Residents may notice more discoloration than usual. Hydrants were not flushed last year due to the drought. The water remains safe. Allow water to run until clear.

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



Documenting coral reefs with 3D technology

All over the world, coral reefs face drastic declines in health due to disease, over fishing, rising ocean temperatures, and increased coastal development. Until recently it has been difficult to document these changes, due to lack of detailed baseline information on growth and degradation of coral colonies.

The Dover Public Library is proud to present Yasmeen

Smalley-Norman, 2016-2017 Fulbright Scholar, who is dedicated to bringing coral reefs to life with new technology. Smalley-Norman will share her unique perspective on this urgent problem in her presentation, "Documenting Coral Reefs with 3D Technology." The presentation will be based on Smalley-Norman's recent experiences as a Fulbright Scholar in the Philippines, where she created over 150 3D models of corals, many of which were endangered and vulnerable species. Please join us on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017, 12 p.m., at the Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St., Dover, NH, to learn about coral reef ecosystems and the high-resolution 3D mapping technology that is providing a new tool to monitor the health of reefs.

Smalley-Norman, a professional underwater photographer, marine science communicator, and conservationist, has travelled the globe to document the endangered wonders of our oceans through her extraordinary images and 3D mapping. A scuba Divemaster and Explorers Club student member, she holds a BFA and BS degree in photography, supplemented by her experiences as a Women Divers Hall of Fame scholarship recipient, Our World-Underwater Scholarship Society intern, and Fulbright Scholar.

The program is free and open to the public.

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

Free social media workshop at the Dover Library

Ace Your Image, a 10-year branding and digital marketing agency located in Berwick, Maine will provide a Beginners Social Media Workshop on Thursday, Oct. 5, 2017, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Dover Public Library.

The workshop is for those who need to learn the basics and who prefer in-person and/or hands-on training with Facebook and Instagram business accounts. Ace Your Image has provided social media marketing services to local businesses for more than two years.

The free workshop is open to 30 students.

A laptop or tablet is a must for the optimal learning experience. Time does not permit for training on mobile phones. Bring a paper and pen for questions and answers. Coffee is provided.

RSVP by Oct. 2, 2017 at www.ayiworkshop.com.

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



Register now for the Apple Harvest Day 5K Road Race

The Apple Harvest Day 5K
Road Race, underwritten by
Seacoast Orthopedics & Sports
Medicine, kicks off the
Seacoast's premier autumn
street festival on Saturday, Oct.



7, 2017. The 5K Road Race starts on River Street and ends on Washington Street in downtown Dover.

The USTAF certified course runs directly through the Apple Harvest Day festival site on Washington Street and Central Avenue, and then winds through historic Dover on a rolling course that is suitable for beginner runners and walkers, as well as advanced racers.

The first 250 runners to register will receive a free T-shirt.

For more information or to register, click here.

The race is directed by No Finish Line Running and is part of the Dover Race Series.



Fall leaf collection begins in November

The City of Dover 2017 fall leaf collection will take place on the following weeks:

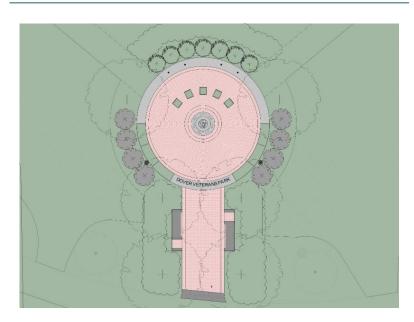
- Nov. 6-10
- Nov. 13-17
- Nov. 20-25
- Nov. 27-Dec. 1

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 are also accepted at the Recycling Center during regular operating hours, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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



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 <u>www.dover.nh.gov</u> or call the Dover Recreation Department at 516-6410.



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.



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.

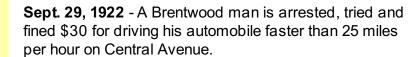


Oct. 4, 1841 - A very severe storm doing much damage to shipping. Snow fell in considerable quantities, covering the tops of hills and giving them the aspect of midwinter.



Oct. 5, 1859 - The State Fair was held this year, for the second time in Dover, on Ricker field. The attendance was large and the receipts "\$6,000, a larger sum than

ever before taken."



"Tomorrow's Environment" showcases a new generation of environmental leaders

Join New Hampshire's younger environmental leaders at "Tomorrow's Environment: A Conversation with a New Generation of Leaders", on Thursday, Oct. 12, 6:45-8:30 p.m., at the McConnell Center cafeteria in Dover. These young leaders will discuss the changing environment and actions that can be taken for a healthier future.

The presenters are: natural resources and earth systems scientist, Heather Ballestero; solar entrepreneur and Director of the New Hampshire Clean Tech Council, Mike Behrmann; Executive Director of the NH Sustainable Energy Association, Kate Epsen; UNH graduate student and co-founder of Energize360, Henry Herndon; New Hampshire poet, touring cyclist, and storyteller Devi Lockwood, who has spent the last three years traveling in 16 countries on a mission to record 1,001 stories on water and climate change; and local activist/organizer on a range of social and environmental issues, Dan Pontoh.

The rotating roundtable format will allow every guest the opportunity to converse with each presenter.

Immediately following the forum, there will be an opportunity for 15 guests to share their personal climate change stories with Devi Lockwood and, perhaps, become one of her 1,001 stories.

"Tomorrow's Environment" is a nonpartisan presentation of the Energy and Environment Action Group of the Dover Democratic Committee. Seating is limited and tickets are required. Register at:

http://www.dovernhdemocrats.org/special-events/tomorrows-environment.

For more information, contact Bill Baber at wsbaber@gmail.com.

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 hiring the following positions:

- Truck Driver, Streets and Stormwater
- Engineering Document Coordinator
- Seasonal maintenance worker
- Lifeguards
- Swim instructor

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

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 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>.