

CHARTER WEEK SCHEDULE

Friday 9/30 – Discovery Challenge Commences – General information packet with list of questions to be answered in digital format (photos) can be picked up at Richards Library, Town Office or Newport Historical Society booth at Farmers Market. Information packet will also be available on NHS (www.newportnhhistory.org) and town websites beginning 9/30. (Participants will have until Monday, October 10 to find answers and take photos.)

Saturday 10/1 – Homecoming/250th Anniversary Parade – Groups wishing to participate must sign up. Contact information is available on the Historical Society website, www.newportnhhistory.org. Parade assembles at 9 AM at AutoServe parking lot and at 10 AM proceeds to NMHS. Ring your 250th commemorative bell.

Homecoming Football Game – Newport vs Mascoma - kickoff at Maryn Field at 1:30

Sarah J. Hale Award – 8 PM at the Opera House, free to the public

Sunday 10/2 – South Church Organ Concert – 3 PM – Rev Edward Erb on the organ playing music by John Stanley, Sam Wesley, Handel, Mozart, Mendelsohn’s Sonata followed by anthems sung by the South Church Choir.

Unveiling of Sunapee Street Mural on Coronis building side wall – 3-6 PM
BBQ and music with Nick Scalera & Terry Moore

Monday 10/3 – Celebrating Community – 250 Years and Beyond Book launch and Reception for author/editor, Jayna Huot Hooper will be held at Library Arts Center from 5 to 7 PM. **Signed copies of the book will be available for sale.**

Tuesday 10/4 – ‘Chamber After Hours’ at NHS Museum - 5 to 7 PM Grand opening of the museum for Chamber members of the business community. Newly released book, *Celebrating Community – 250 Years and Beyond* will be **available for sale** along with other NHS products. Refreshments provided by “Two Ladies Catering”.

Wednesday 10/5 – Grand Opening of NHS Museum – 5 to 7 PM for NHS members and the public. Newly released book, *Celebrating Community – 250 Years and Beyond* will be **available for sale** along with other NHS products. Refreshments provided by Newport Historical Society members.

Thursday 10/6– Charter Day Celebration – 4 to 7 PM on the common

1. First day cancellation – Newport Post Office personnel on the common from noon to 5 PM- envelopes will be available from USPS for sale or bring your own envelope/post card with a stamp on it for cancellation with the special 250th logo pictorial postmark.
2. Traditional New England Barn Dance with Dudley & Jacqueline Laufman from 4 – 5 PM
3. Reading of the Town Charter on the bandstand by Dan Cherry, official Town Crier
4. Proclamation Presentation
5. Reading of Newport Commemorative poem by author, Doug Wheeler

6. Red Barn Farm will sell hot dogs – free hot dogs to first 250 people wearing a 250th Anniversary button
7. A reminiscent Popcorn street vendor, Dean Stetson, will be on the common with his newly crafted popcorn wagon.
8. Birthday cake bake-off contest open to the public
 - a) Prizes for winners
 - b) Cake served to public to celebrate “Happy Birthday Newport”
 - c) Townspeople with birthdays on 10/6 will blow out candles on cakes
9. Firing of canon
10. ***Celebrating Community – 250 Years and Beyond*** book **available for sale** along with other NHS products.

Friday 10/7 – Newmont Military Band Concert – 7 PM Band on the Gazebo – Free performance sponsored by Roy & Eeva Malool, brass band with 22 members from all over New England. Dean Stetson, a reminiscent Popcorn vendor and wagon, will be on hand – **Celebrating Community book available for sale**

Saturday 10/8 – Heritage Ball – Nancy Huot & Sandy Cherry Co-Chairs

To Benefit the Class of 2013

Time: 8 to 11 PM

Ticket Price: \$40/per person

Tickets Available: Universal Physical Therapy, Newport Ballroom, NHS booth
At Farmers Market

DJ: Steve Smith

Catering: Courthouse Restaurant – hors d’oeuvres & dessert

Dress: Period costumes and/or formal attire (tux optional)

Raffle: Dinner for 2 at Courthouse Restaurant

Celebrating Community book available for sale

Monday 10/10 Conclusion of Discovery Challenge – Entries submitted via email for judging per packet instructions.

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Newport’s history book, *Celebrating Community – 250 Years and Beyond*, by author/editor, Jayna Huot Hooper, a hard cover, text book size, 460 plus page book will be available for sale beginning Monday, October 3, at the Library Arts Center reception and book launch. Book is priced at an affordable \$30.00. Thank you to the Eagle Times for assisting with publication of the book.

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