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Laconia Public Library's Monthly Newsletter

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General



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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 Sensory Storytime @ 10am Family Craft @ 2pm	28 Lego Club @ 11am	1 Toddler Time @ 10am Wildlife Encounters @ 1pm Drop-In Tech Help @ 2pm	2 Preschool Pals @ 10am Tinker Time @ 3:30pm Evening Non-Fiction Book Group @ 6pm	3 Move & Groove @ 10am	4 Family Drop-In Craft @ 10am
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School Vacation Week

FEBRUARY 27—MARCH 3

Join us for fun in the Children's Room every day this week! Storytime, Legos and Crafts, oh my! And we'll have a VERY special visit from our friends at Wildlife Encounters! We have so much in store for you during February vacation week!

Family Craft: Paint-Scraped Flamingos

Monday, February 27

2pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 5-12

We're starting off winter vacation week with dreams of warmer weather. Stop into the Selig Storytime Room from 2-3 pm to create a flamingo using a fun painting technique! Best for ages 5-12.



Lego Club

Tuesday, February 28

11am

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 5-12

Join us in the Selig Storytime Room for an hour of creative fun! We'll provide the Lego bricks... all you need to bring is your imagination! Best suited for ages 5-12.



Wildlife Encounters

Wednesday, March 1

1pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Newborns—age 12

It's a jungle in here! What better way to spend a chilly winter day than with animal ambassadors from Wildlife Encounters? We'll have a chance to meet lots of interesting animals and see them up-close! Children from newborns to age 12 and their caregivers can join us in Laconia Rotary Hall (the auditorium on the lower level of the library) for this fun animal program!



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Tinker Time: A Bed For Goldilocks

Thursday, March 2

3:30pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

Help Baby Bear get some rest by designing a bed for Goldilocks at Tinker Time! This month we will use loose parts, LEGOs, and more to construct a comfortable spot for Goldilocks to catch some Zzzs. Make sure to bring your imagination and creativity! This program is suited for children 3-12 years old and is held in the Selig Storytime Room.



Move & Groove

Friday, March 3

10am

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Best for newborns-age 6

Let's get moving! In this program geared toward the younger crowd, we'll use scarves, musical instruments, a parachute, and other fun surprises to dance, play, and get those wiggles out! Best suited for newborns to age 6, in the Auditorium.



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Storytimes

Sensory Storytime

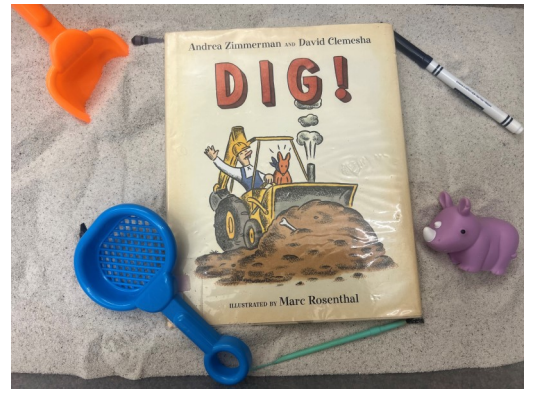
Mondays

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Newborns-age 6

Sensory Storytime has moved to Monday mornings at 10 am! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room for songs, stories, and sensory play followed by an engaging art experience. This program is suited for newborns to children 6 years of age with no sign-up required.



Toddler Time

Wednesdays

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Newborns-age 3

Toddler Time is a fun-filled hour geared toward newborns and toddlers. We'll sing songs, move our bodies, read stories and do a craft each week! Younger or older siblings are always welcome too! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Wednesdays at 10am.



Preschool Pals

Thursdays

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-6

Preschool Pals is geared toward Preschool aged kiddos (3-6 years old). Join Jamie for singing, dancing, crafting, and of course we'll be reading some great books! Younger or older siblings are always welcome too! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Thursdays at 10am.



Move & Groove

Friday, March 17

10am

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Best for newborns-age 6

Let's get moving! In this program geared toward the younger crowd, we'll use scarves, musical instruments, a parachute, and other fun surprises to dance, play, and get those wiggles out! Best suited for newborns to age 6, in the Auditorium.



Kids Programs

Family Craft: Paper Roll Sunbursts

Monday, March 6

3:30pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

We're dreaming of warmer weather ahead with these sunbursts painted with some unexpected materials! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room to make some beautiful, sunny artwork! Best for ages 3-12.



Family Drop-In Craft: Mixed Media Rainbows

Tuesday, March 21

5:30-7pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

Beat the dreary weather blues by creating a beautiful rainbow collage! For ages 3-12 and their caregivers in the Selig Storytime room. No need to sign-up, just drop in!



Tinker Time: For the Birds

Thursday, March 30

3:30pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

Those squirrels keep eating the bird seed out of Old Man Fookwire's bird feeders! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room to create a bird feeder from recyclable materials. Can you figure out a way to make it squirrel-proof? No sign-up is required, but be sure to bring your imagination! Best suited for children ages 3-12, with adult assistance.



Lego Club

Tuesday, March 14 & 28

3:30pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 5-12

Join us in the Selig Storytime Room for an hour of creative fun! We'll provide the Lego bricks...all you need to bring is your imagination! Best suited for ages 5-12.



Saturday Programs

Family Drop-In Craft: Sun Catchers

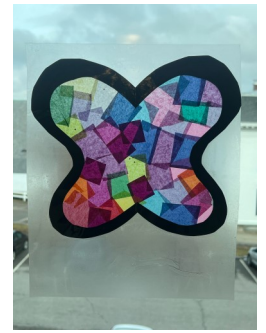
Saturday, March 4

10am-12pm

Selig Storytime Room

Families with Children

While winter drags on outside, create colorful suncatchers to brighten your windows in the Selig Storytime room. For families with children.



Teen and Family Drop-In Craft: Rock Painting

Saturday, March 11

10am-12pm

Selig Storytime Room

Kids through teens

Paint a unique design on a white rock with the library's metallic paint pens. For kids through teens in the Selig Storytime Room.



Family Drop-In Craft: Watercolor Reveal Painting

Saturday, March 18

10am-12pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

You'll be surprised and amazed by the creations you can make all on your own watercolor paints and crayons! Come see what designs appear under your paintbrush! Best for children ages 3-12, in the Selig Storytime Room.

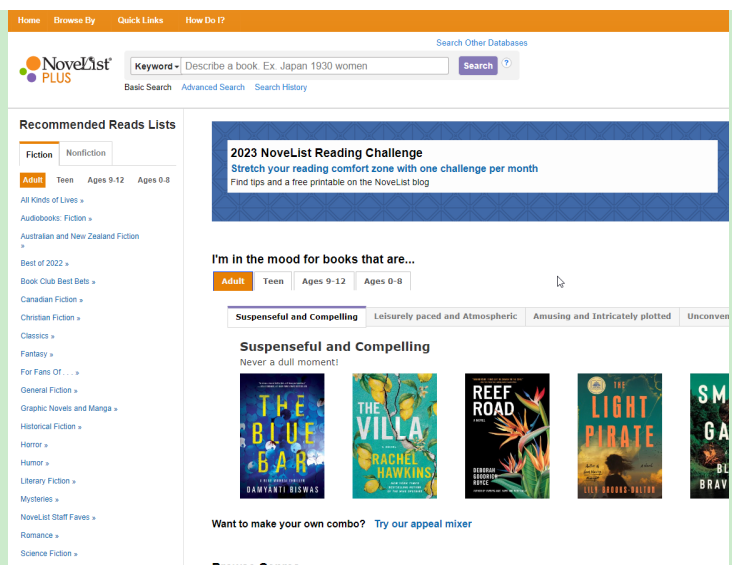


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Teen Programs

Teen Manga Club

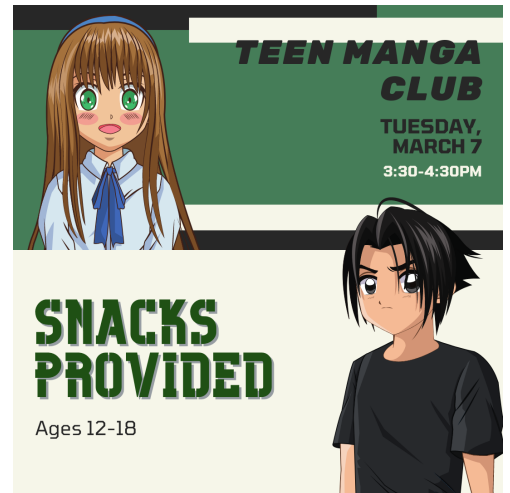
Tuesday, March 7

3:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 12-18

Join our Teen Manga Club to discuss all things manga and help choose the next manga series the library will buy! For ages 12-18 in the Auditorium, snacks are provided.



Teen Craft: Safety Pin Bracelets

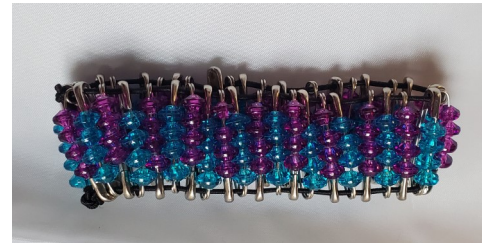
Wednesday, March 15

3:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 12-18

Dive into the library's huge collection of beads to make a Safety Pin Bracelet! For ages 12-18 in the Auditorium.



Teen Art: Pastel Stained-Glass Trees

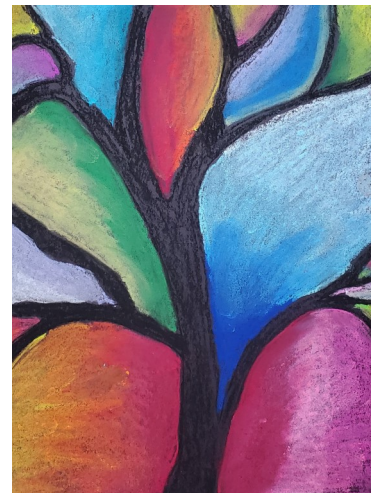
Tuesday, March 21

3:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 9-18

Create a beautiful stained-glass tree with pastels. For ages 9-18 in the Auditorium.



Teen Craft: Melted Crayon Art

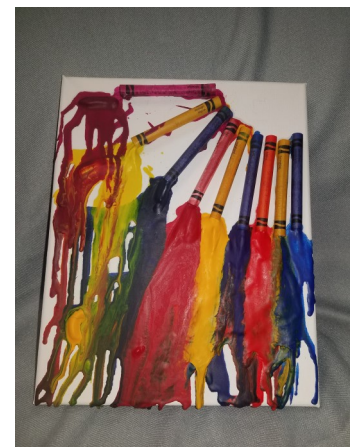
Friday, March 31

3:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 9-18

Celebrate National Crayon Day by creating a melted crayon masterpiece! For ages 9-18 in the Auditorium.



Book Clubs

Evening Nonfiction Book Group: "The Hidden Life of Trees" by Peter Wohlleben

Thursday, March 2

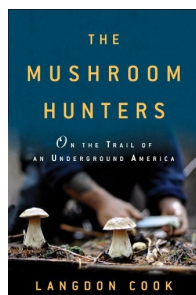
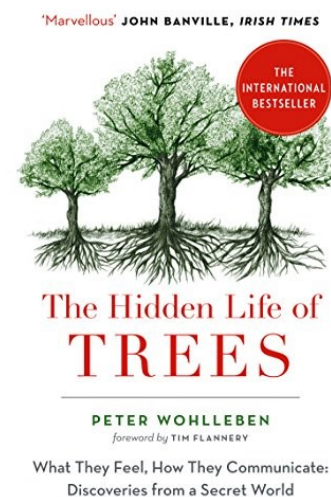
6pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

The Evening Nonfiction Book Group is headed into the woods and will be exploring books with an ecological theme over the course of the next few months. In *The Hidden Life of Trees*, author Peter Wohlleben explores how trees communicate and form social communities with each other in ways that mirror our own families and society.

Sign-up for the book group is required, copies of the book are available at the Library. Call: (603) 524-4775 or Email: info@laconialibrary.org to register; held in the Auditorium.



Future Meetings will be held:

- Thursday, April 6 at 6pm we will meet to discuss *The Mushroom Hunters: On the Trail of an Underground America* by Langdon Cook.



Mystery Book Club: Mick Herron's "Slow Horses"

Wednesday, March 8

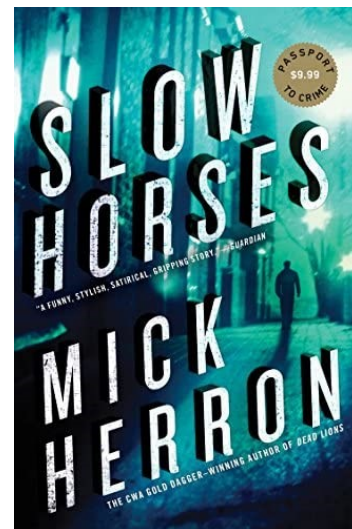
4pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

Slough House is where the washed-up MI5 spies go to while away what's left of their failed careers. River Cartwright, one such spy, is bitter about his failure and about his tedious assignment transcribing cell phone conversations. When a young man is abducted and his kidnappers threaten to broadcast his beheading live on the Internet, River sees an opportunity to redeem himself. But is the victim who he first appears to be?

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Adult Programs

A Walk Back in Time: The Secrets of Cellar Holes

Wednesday, March 8

6:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

Northern New England is full of reminders of past lives: stone walls, old foundations, a century-old lilac struggling to survive as the forest reclaims a once-sunny dooryard. What forces shaped settlement, and later abandonment, of these places? Adair Mulligan, Executive Director of the Hanover Conservancy, explores the rich story to be discovered in what remains behind. See how one town has set out to create an inventory of its cellar holes, piecing together the clues in the landscape. Such a project can help landowners know what to do if they have archaeological sites on their land and help stimulate interest in a town's future through

its past. This program is brought to you in partnership with New Hampshire Humanities.



St. Patrick's Day with the New England Irish Harp Orchestra

Saturday, March 25

2pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults, Families welcome

The New England Irish Harp Orchestra has been performing since 2005 and has been featured at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum, the Balsams Wilderness Luxury Resort, the ICONS Festival, and on New Hampshire Public Radio. Their delightful music is performed by a community of members, ranging in age from 20 to 80. New England Irish Harp Orchestra's main passion is bringing joy through music. Their performance of traditional Irish tunes, along with original pieces, is sure to delight your senses. Held in the Auditorium for adults, with families welcome.



Adult Programs

Adult Art Night: Textured Air-Dry Clay Bowls

Wednesday, March 22

5:30-7:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

In our Adult Art Night Program, we will be creating a textured bowl using air dry clay and acrylic. This creative art project for adults provides all materials



to make one bowl.

Join the fun in the Auditorium! Sign-up is required as space and supplies are limited to 15 adults for this art lesson. Call, email, or text the Library to reserve your spot. Phone: 524-4775, Text: 556-4666, Email: info@laconialibrary.org. Let's get creative!



Spring Seasonal Coloring

Friday, March 31

2:30-4:30pm

Volpe Room

Adults

Please join us for a 2-hour coloring session inspired by Spring. We will provide

pages and many coloring tool favorites but please feel free to bring your own! We will be meeting in the Volpe room near Non-Fiction accompanied by some instrumental music. Can't wait to see you there!

Drop-In Tech Help

Tuesdays @ 10am

Wednesdays @ 2pm

Volpe Room

Adults

Drop in during our hour of technical help and have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Held most Tuesdays at 10am and most Wednesdays at 2pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm dates. There will be no Tech Help on March 21 or 22.



Local History Resources

LOCAL HISTORY ROOM

The Local History room contains many resources for historical and genealogical research, included in this collection are:

- Laconia City Directories
- Town histories
- Laconia town reports
- Laconia High School yearbooks
- Genealogies
- Cemetery records
- Environmental reports

HISTORY VERTICAL FILES

Librarians have maintained a collection of newspaper and magazine articles, pamphlets, brochures, photographs, postcards, and other ephemera relating to people, places, businesses, organizations, and events in Laconia.

MICROFILM

The following newspapers are preserved on microfilm:

- Laconia Democrat Jan 1849 – Nov 1941
 - News & Critic Mar 1889 – Nov 1945
 - Laconia Citizen Jan 1926 – Sept 2016
 - Laconia Daily Sun June 2000 – present
- Articles can be emailed, or saved to a flash drive. Newspapers appear as they were originally published, and are not indexed.

OBITUARY INDEX

Library staff can perform a name search to assist in locating local obituaries that may be saved or emailed from microfilm. Please note: the Index is incomplete. Our volunteers are currently helping to digitize our index.

<https://www.laconianh.gov/736/Local-History-Genalogy>

Publishing in March

ADULT BOOKS COMING SOON

Non-Fiction

- *The Story of Disney 100 Years of Wonder* by John Baxter & Bruce Steele (Release Date: 3/7)
- *The Transcendent Brain: Spirituality in the age of science* by Alan Lightman (Release date: 3/14)
- *Poverty, By America* by Matthew Desmond (Release date: 3/21)
- *Humanly Possible: Seven hundred years of humanist freethinking, inquiry, and hope* by Sarah Bakewell (Release date: 3/28)
- *Love Stories* by Trent Dalton (Release date: 3/28)

Fiction

- *Countdown* by James Patterson (Release date: 3/20)
- *I Will Find You* by Harlan Coben (Release date: 3/14)
- *Loyalty* by Lisa Scottoline (Release date: 3/28)
- *On the Line* by Fern Michaels (Release date: 3/28)
- *Earth's the Right Place for Love* by Elizabeth Berg (Release date: 3/21)



TEEN BOOKS COMING SOON

Teen Titans: Robin by Kami Garcia (Release date: 3/7)
Stateless by Elizabeth Wein (Release date: 3/14)
A Long Stretch of Bad Days by Mindy McGinnis (Release date: 3/14)
Enter the Body by Joy McCullough (Release date: 3/14)
Three Drops of Blood by Gretchen McNeil (Release date: 3/21)
Stars and Smoke by Marie Lu (Release date: 3/28)
Into the Light by Mark Oshiro (Release date: 3/28)

To place a hold, email info@laconialibrary.org or fill out this form: <https://www.laconianh.gov/FormCenter/Laconia-Public-Library-6/Patron-Request-Form-72>



CHILDREN'S BOOKS COMING SOON

J Fiction

Twenty questions by Mac Barnett (Release date: 3/14)
The world and everything in it by Kevin Henkes (Release date: 3/28)
Palace of books by Patricia Polacco (Release date: 3/7)
Party hearty Kitty-Corn by Shannon Hale (Release date: 3/28)
We don't lose our class goldfish by Ryan Higgins (Release date: 3/28)

J Nonfiction

The tree and the river by Aaron Becker (Release date: 3/14)
Zap! Clap! Boom!: the story of a thunderstorm by Laura Purdie Salas (Release date: 3/28)
How old is a whale? by Lily Murray (Release date: 3/7)
Birds everywhere by Camilla de la Bedoyere (Release date: 3/7)

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Irish Reads

Fiction

- *Off the Map* by Trish Doller (Release date: 3/7)
- *Love and Luck* by Jenna Welch
- *Princes of Ireland* by Edward Rutherford
- *The Irish Girl* by Santa Montefiore
- *Factory Girls* by Michelle Gatten
- *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer
- *Morgan Llywelyn*

Non-Fiction

- *On Every Tide: The Making and Remaking of the Irish World* by Sean Connolly
- *The Immortal Irishman: The Irish Revolutionary Who Became an American Hero* by Timothy Egan
- *Tell Everyone On This Train I Love Them: Essays* by Maeve Higgins



#TBT

Calling all of the Laconia March Madness fans, take a look at this old photograph of Laconia Basketball Champions 1912-1913!

