



*Yip Ship Productions*

March 10, 2023 - Edition #579

*A misty morning in Laconia  
(photo compliments of Yip Ship Productions)*



## NEW UPDATE

*What colors and marking will the new automated containers have on them so that you know which is for trash and which is for recyclables?*

The colors of the new recycling containers match the color of the green recycling container the City

sold approximately 10 years ago. This allows those property owners who have those cans to continue to use them instead of receiving a new recycling container. Using the same colors for the old and new style recycling container ensures the collection contractor's operator is not confused. The manufacturer will also stamp the lid with the recyclable symbol and the words "Recyclables Only".

The trash container will have a bright yellow top so that the operator knows that the container is a trash container. The lid is stamped with the words "Trash Only".

Property owners with similar containers will not be able to use them to help ensure the contractor is only servicing the quantity of containers allowed per property under the City's Ordinance.

Questions? Please check the [website](#) or call Public Works at 603-528-6379.



## Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to keep you up to date on City of Laconia news and activities. If you would like the newsletter sent to your email each Friday, or if you have changes to your email subscription, please call the City Manager's office at (603) 527-1270 or email us at [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov).





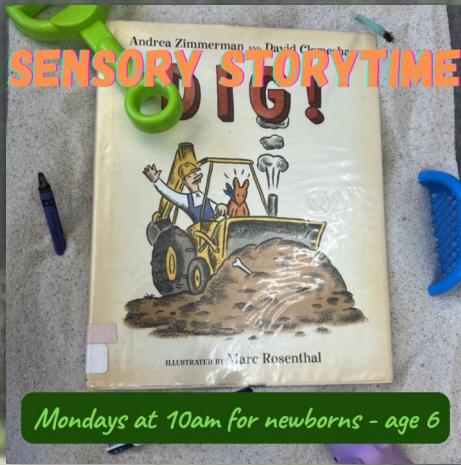
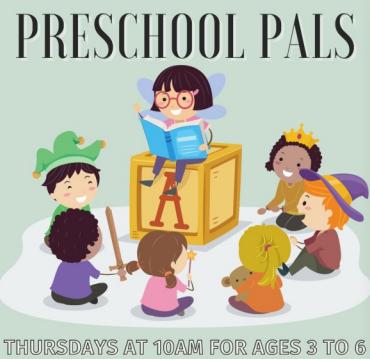
# Laconia Public Library Events and Programs



Click [here](#) to access the Library's Event Calendar for more information on any program you're interested in!

**SHAYLA'S  
TECH HELP**  
Tuesdays at 10am  
Wednesdays at 2pm

Have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Most Tuesdays at 10 am and most Wednesdays at 2 pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm.



Mondays at 10am for newborns - age 6

*Teen Craft*  
*Safety Pin Bracelets*



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15  
3:30PM  
AGES 12-18

*Family Drop-In Craft:  
Watercolor Reveal Painting*



SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 10 AM - 12 PM  
BEST FOR AGES 3-12



*Move & Groove*



SING! DANCE! LEARN!

FRIDAY, MARCH 3 & 17  
Newborns - age 6



**Lego Club**

TUESDAY, MARCH 14 & 28  
3:30 PM  
BEST FOR AGES 5-12



# Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



**Friday, Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:00-2:00**

(while supplies last)

**Lakes Region Community College  
379 Belmont Rd. Laconia, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals.

This event is open to all. No proof of residency or income needed.  
This is a drive thru event. All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.

Sponsored by:



JOIN THE BELKNAP MILL'S ART WALK DURING NEW ENGLAND COFFEE FESTIVAL

**MAY 20TH**  
**9AM-3PM**

INTERESTED ARTISTS  
[Jill@belknapmill.org](http://Jill@belknapmill.org)

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# Urgent Updates

Important updates regarding the 2023 Laconia Little League season

## Evaluations For Minors Players: League Age 7 and 8

Sunday 3/19 (2pm-3pm) & Saturday 3/25 (2pm-3pm)

Location: Laconia Middle School Gymnasium

Note: All players league age 7 and 8 must attend at least one evaluation to be considered for a Minor's team.

## Evaluations For Majors Players: League Age 9 though 12

Sunday 3/19 (3pm-4:30pm) & Saturday 3/25 (3pm-4:30pm)

Location: Laconia Middle School Gymnasium

Note: If not already on a Major's team, player must attend at least one evaluation to be placed on a Major's team. ALL players league age 9 or above must attend at least one evaluation, even if you wish to remain in Minors.

## Team Meet-N-Great (Mandatory for all players and coaches)

Wednesday 4/12 (6pm-7pm)

Purpose: To meet your coaches, your teammates and to pick up mandatory fundraising calendars

Location: Laconia Middle School Gymnasium

## Opening Day

Saturday 4/22 @ 8am (Parade begins at Laconia Court House)

Note: In event of a rain out, opening day will take place Saturday 4/29 @ 8am (Laconia Court House)

## Tap into Maple

Learn Something SWEET in March at Prescott Farm!



Experience an old fashioned New England tradition - making maple syrup.

**Every Saturday in March**

90-minute programs begin on the hour

from 10 am – 3 pm

\$15 pp / FREE for Prescott Farm Members



The majority of the program is outside. Please wear winter boots and dress for the weather. Snowshoes or traction cleats are provided as needed.

For more information or to register: [prescottfarm.org](http://prescottfarm.org)

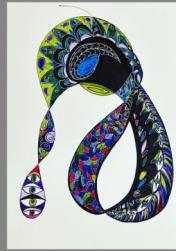
## Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia | 603-366-5695 | [info@prescottfarm.org](mailto:info@prescottfarm.org)



Steve Loughlin, a Director at the Kiwanis Club of Laconia, NH, produces a monthly newsletter for the Club, "Laconia Kiwanis Kronikle". To read the most recent issue and see what our local chapter of Kiwanis is up to, click [here](#). Past issues of the Kronikle can be found [here](#).



## Art For Relaxation

with

### Larry Frates

Tuesdays

1:30-3pm

FREE



Register (603) 387-6775

For people going through cancer & those close to them.

**LAKES REGION CANCER SUPPORT TEAM**

**1 Mill Plaza-Downtown Laconia**

**(Next to City Hall)**



BELKNAP HOUSE  
ONLINE AUCTION  
MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>-18<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

EMPOWER FAMILIES WHILE SHOPPING!

Belknap House provides not only safe shelter for parents and children, also classes and resources to help parents become self-sufficient.

Additional items

Gift certificates,

Self care items, gift baskets, paintings and photography by local artists and more. Items added daily.



1 hr cruise on Miss  
Meredith for 4, many golf  
opportunities,dining,  
handcrafted items: quilts,  
canoe paddles & so much  
more!



Bids will be placed at:

<https://www.32auctions.com/BelknapHouse2023>

Want to donate an item? Please call 527-8097.



## FACEBOOK LIVE

### Partnership for Public Health FACEBOOK page

Come and join us on April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00am on Facebook on and bring your New to Medicare questions and/or any questions you may have regarding Medicare.

My name is Lori Raymond and I have been a Medicare Counselor since 2017 and am happy to be available to answer your questions. I look forward to assisting you.

# Laconia Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast

SUNDAY, March 19th | Belknap Mill  
8 AM - 12 NOON

\$6 Includes  
Pancakes, Sausage,  
Coffee, Tea, Juice



Thank you for supporting  
the Laconia Rotary Club!



**\$6 ADULTS  
\$5 CHILDREN**

PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
ROTARY PARK BANDSTAND REPAIR

FOR INFO, visit [www.LaconiaRotary.org](http://www.LaconiaRotary.org)

## MARCH MADNESS

For



Saturday March 11, 3-7:30pm  
St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall Gymnasium

### Family Fun Activities

Basketball Themed Games for Kids – Sports Bar for Adults  
\$5,000 & \$10,000 Prize Opportunities for Kids and Adults

Food, Snacks, Soft Drinks, Adult Seltzers, Beer  
TVs playing NCAA Men's Conference Championship Games  
Join the NCAA Men's Tournament Bracket Pool and win up \$1,250

### Purchase Brackets Here:

<https://form.jotform.com/Vschuck/ncaa-basketball-bracket>



It won't be long until New Hampshire's black bears will come out of their winter dens looking for food!

Click [here](#) for guidance provided by New Hampshire Fish and Game Department regarding what you should do to prevent bears from being attracted to your property.

# Improve the energy efficiency of your home.

## FREE Home Energy Workshop



### NHSAVES Button Up Workshop

is a 1½ hour presentation about improving the energy efficiency of your home. It covers energy saving tips and NHSAVES energy efficiency programs. Learn about saving electricity, insulation and air sealing, energy audit and weatherization programs, rebates on electric and gas appliances, and other incentives from NH's energy utilities. New Hampshire residents that want to use energy wisely and save money will find the information very useful.

#### WHEN NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVES,



#### PRESENTATION:

Join us for a **NHSAVES** Button Up Workshop

#### WHEN:

**Monday, March 20, 2023, 6:00–7:30 P.M.**  
Light refreshments will be served.

#### WHERE:

Laconia Library  
695 North Main Street  
Laconia, New Hampshire

#### PRESENTER:

**Andy Dunoan, Energy Training Manager, LRCC**

#### QUESTIONS:

Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia  
603-524-6488 • [uusl@myfairpoint.net](mailto:uusl@myfairpoint.net)

#### SPONSORED BY:

NHSAVES: [www.nhsaves.com](http://www.nhsaves.com)

#### LOCAL PARTNERS:

Green Sanctuary Committee of the  
Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia  
The City of Laconia  
Congregational Church of Laconia  
Laconia Gilford Lions Club

Visit [https://nhsaves.com/learn/?resource\\_type=event](https://nhsaves.com/learn/?resource_type=event) for dates and locations of all Button Ups.

Workshops are organized by Plymouth  
Area Renewable Energy Initiative, (PAREI)  
[www.PlymouthEnergy.org](http://www.PlymouthEnergy.org) • 603-536-5030

The workshops are FREE thanks to funding provided by





## Opechee Garden Club Announces Horticulturist Martina Howe

Opechee Garden Club is pleased to announce that Horticulturist Martina Howe will provide information on container gardening on April 3, 2023 at 1PM. The presentation will take place at the Gilford Community Church, Potter Hill Road, Gilford, NH. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

Have you ever wondered what to plant? What type of container and soil to use? How to keep the plants happy all summer? Join us as Martina guides us through the process of container gardening. Martina will bring examples of various planting mediums, containers and plants. She will explain how the various combinations, combined with the environment they are in, will impact watering and maintenance. She is happy to answer any questions you may have including what's new and different and how to create the container you desire.

Martina and her husband Andy owned Beans and Greens for thirty-three (33) years. They sold the retail portion of the business two (2) years ago. They continue to raise the vegetables, which are sold wholesale to various businesses including Beans and Greens. It is there that you will find Martina in the greenhouses and her flower garden.

To learn more about the Opechee Garden Club, please visit our [website](#) or our [Facebook Page](#).

If you are interested in joining the Opechee Garden Club, please send an email to:  
[Opecheegardebclub2012@gmail.com](mailto:Opecheegardebclub2012@gmail.com).

# APPLY NOW - SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APRIL 1ST



**LAKES REGION STUDENTS ATTENDING HIGHER EDUCATION 2023 - 2024**

**APPLICATION ON OUR WEBSITE**

[Applicants | Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation \(lrscholarship.org\)](http://lrscholarship.org)

**OUR DONORS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO AWARDING SCHOLARSHIPS TO YOU!**

Completed qualified application packets (with all required documents) received by March 1, 2023 will qualify to be entered into a special bonus award raffle! One winner will be chosen at random and will win a BONUS \$275 Scholarship Award.

**QUESTIONS??**

Email - [scholarship@lrscholarship.org](mailto:scholarship@lrscholarship.org)  
 Call - 603-527-3533

**Karen Switzer**  
**Executive Director**

**Chris Guilmett**  
**Assistant Director**



Home | Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation  
[www.lrscholarship.org](http://lrscholarship.org)

NOELLE BEAUDIN PRESENTS

# AMERICAN HURDY-GURDY CONCERT



A musical extravaganza bringing a modern music sound to an ancient instrument

MARCH 17TH, 2023 | 7 PM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF LACONIA

TICKETS \$20 | CALL 603.848.2469

WWW.DEATHBYGURDY.COM

## Backflow Testing

### LACONIA WATER WORKS BACKFLOW TESTING RATE CHANGE

At their regularly scheduled meeting on January 3, 2023, the Board of Water Commissioners voted to proceed with increasing its backflow rates. The fees for testing backflows were raised to \$50 per test for 1 or 2 devices and \$40 per test for 3 or more devices.

This increase is necessary as the cost of our operation and maintenance of the department has been steadily rising.

### LACONIA RESIDENTS: DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR DOGS!

It's time to register your dogs for 2023!

To renew **online**: [www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov), Online Bill Pay, Dog Licensing

By **Mail**: City Clerk's Office, PO BOX 489, Laconia NH 03247, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

1st dog for an owner 65+	\$2.00
Spay/Neutered dog	\$6.50
Unaltered dog	\$9.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$1.00
Civil Fine for failure to register	\$25.00



***All dogs are to be registered by April 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.***

### RABIES CLINICS!!

Be sure to check the City Clerk's website [here](#) for information regarding upcoming Rabies Clinics in our area.

# Our yesterdays

*Our sincere thanks to Warren D. Huse, the Laconia Historical and Museum Society, and the Laconia Daily Sun for providing a glimpse into our community's past.....*



## THEN . . .

The A.J. Lessard & Sons Inc. Tydol-Veedol service station at the intersection of Union Avenue and Stark Street, Lakeport, is seen in the early 1960s. Arthur Lessard had begun, at 1027 Union Ave., in the 1940s with a small wooden grocery store called Twin Gables. By the early 1950s, the structure had been greatly expanded and, by 1963, replaced by the modern station. Founder Lessard died in 1954 and the company was known in its later years as A. Lessard & Sons. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



## . . . AND NOW

The Lessard station continued in business through 1978, the building later being occupied by Auto East Inc. until the early 1980s. The structure was demolished in 1982. O'Reilly Auto Parts and VIP Tires & Service, 1033 Union Ave., built on the site in 1998. Red house at left, 1047 Union Ave., was built by James Irwin Sr. and, for a time in later years, was the bed and breakfast called the Tin Whistle Inn. In both photos, Stark Street is off-photo at right. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)

# Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center  
**Every Saturday in March**

## Tap into Maple

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March at Prescott Farm!

Experience an old fashioned  
New England tradition –  
making maple syrup.

90 minute programs begin on the hour from 10 am – 3 pm.

**Registration & FMI: [prescottfarm.org](http://prescottfarm.org)**

## Plastic Recycling



Clean Soft Plastics Only

We are Going GREEN Laconia!!

Congratulations to you for continuing to turn over to us all of your clean SOFT plastics for repurposing. You are succeeding in keeping these out of the landfills, keeping them from littering our neighborhoods, and avoiding our Lakes' waters from being polluted.

The Green Sanctuary members of The Universalist Unitarian Society of Laconia, together with the Laconia-Gilford LIONS Club members, will be out in front of our little white church at 172 Pleasant Street in Laconia from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm on Saturday, March 18th.

Last month YOU set a collection record of 622 pounds. We look forward to seeing you there!



## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES



Please see the Public Hearing Notices on this page which have been published in the Laconia Daily Sun. In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community. If you have questions regarding any Public Hearing shown, please call City Hall at 603-527-1270 and we will be happy to direct you to the appropriate department. Thank you for staying informed about what is happening in City government!



### CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **March 13, 2023** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**ACCEPTANCE OF A 2023 NH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (NHDES) EXOTIC AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,530.00.**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



### CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **March 27, 2023** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF THE FORMER LAKESHORE SPUR, A 3.63 +/- ACRE AREA OF STATE OWNED DISCONTINUED RAIL CORRIDOR, PART OF THE CONCORD-LINCOLN CORRIDOR IN LACONIA**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



Laconia Senior Center 524-7689

## MARCH 2023 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Bingo 10-12 <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	2 BNH fraud Protection 10: to 11:AM <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b>	3 Bingo 10-12 <b>Movie 12:30—2:30 PM</b> w/snack & drink
6 VNA Foot Care 9-1 by appt  <b>Coffee Social 10-11</b> Manicure by Brenda 11-12:30 by appt	7 Activity Mtg. 10: AM  Beef Stew w/ vegetables Fruit Cup Warm dinner roll	8 Bingo 10-12 <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	9 <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	10 Trivia Thyme 10-11 by VN  <b>Movie 12:30—2:30 PM</b> w/snack & drink
13 <b>Visiting Angles 10:AM</b>  Coffee Social 10-11	14 Scrapbooking 9-11  ** Country Singer Don Smith 11-12	15 Bingo 10-12  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	16 Hearing Clinic @ 10:15  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	17 Bingo 10-11 <b>St Patrick's Dinner</b> Traditional Corn Beef  <b>Movie 12:30—2:30 PM</b> w/snack & drink
20 Bank of NH Fraud Protection 10:AM—11:AM  <b>Earnie Bolduc talk on Maple Syrup 11:AM</b>	21 Knitting / Sewing 9-11  BP Clinic @ 10:30 Sweet & Sour Chicken, Brown Rice	22 Bingo 10-12  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	23 Thrift Shop Crawl 9-12 RSVP  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	24 Healthy Heart Healthy You 10-11 by VN  <b>Movie 12:30—2:30 PM</b> w/snack & drink
27 Breaded Chicken Strips Seasoned Potato Wedges Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Fruit Cup	28 Scrapbooking 9-11  <b>Foot Care by Maddy</b> by appt 9-12	29 Bingo 10-12  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	30 Laconia Mental Health talk on SAD 10:AM—11:AM  <b>Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM</b> by appt.	31 Bingo 10-12  <b>Movie 12:30—2:30 PM</b> w/ice cream sundaes

### A message from the Laconia Senior Center...

Another week has passed, and we are getting closer to **SPRING!!** You can almost smell it in the air. The activities Committee has been working very hard to bring in what you want and are asking for. We have several new activities coming your way.

March 13 we have Coffee Social at 10AM. Also, we will be having Tracie from the Visiting Nurses talk to us on some different topics. Don't forget Don Smith, country singer, on Tuesday from 11:AM to 12:PM. He will be playing just for you. Bingo on Wednesday at 10AM. Thursday the Hearing Clinic is free for all 60 and older. We also are having the St. Patrick traditional dinner on Friday at 11:30 AM.

**Please RSVP before Tuesday at 603-524-7689** and wear your **Lucky Green**. We will also have a movie at 12:30 PM with a snack and drink. Rock the Irish! On March 23 we have scheduled a bus tour to four thrift stores. The bus will leave the center at 9AM and return at 12PM. We have a challenge and you will be told prior to leaving the Center. There is one spot open, so **RSVP to MST Bus Co. at 603-225-1989** to get your spot on the bus. We are going to have so much fun!

We were very pleased to have guests from the Holderness School come and volunteer their time to spruce up our much-needed windows. We will be having a surprise coming later in the month, so watch for our new windows. They are going to be beautiful. Thank you, Holderness School and the students that put in their efforts to make us shine. Starting next month, our Easter Dinner is April 6 with an Easter Bonnet Parade. Come on April 5 at 10:AM, to make your own hat; you will need to bring in your own bonnet. More games have been added on Wednesday and Friday at 10:AM – 12:PM; Scrabble, Cribbage, Cards, and so much more coming. I am looking into a couple more bus tours that will be determined real soon when the logistics (all bus rides are free) get worked out. We've brought back scrapbooking and the supplies can be ordered. Are you ready to knit or crochet for elders in the nursing homes? Come in and we will provide the yarn so you can work those fingers like no tomorrow. Several agencies will be joining us to discuss different topics, so keep reading the upcoming newsletters. Don't forget this month is Maple Syrup season! Get out and get your fresh local maple syrup. On March 20, Ernie Bolduc will join us to discuss the process of making Maple Syrup. YUM!!!

I hope to see you at the Laconia Senior Center for some coffee, tea, or even a treat. Meet and greet new and old friends. We are friendly, arms opening and welcoming.

Laconia Senior Center Manager  
Debbie Haskell  
603-524-7689, X 7201

A bad attitude is like a flat tire, you can't go anywhere until it is changed.



# IRS Certified Volunteers Providing FREE TAX PREPARATION

IRS VITA/TCE return preparation sites are operated by certified volunteers. Site operating hours and services offered may be limited. In addition, by law, some sites provide priority services to seniors. Please be advised that you may not be immediately served. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

## Will Prepare

- Wages, salaries, etc. (Form W-2)
- Interest Income (Form 1099-INT)
- Dividends Received (Form 1099-DIV)
- State Tax Refunds (Form 1099-G)
- Unemployment Benefits (Form 1099-G)
- IRA Distributions (Form 1099-R)
- Pension Income (Forms 1099-R, RRB-1099-R, CSA-1099)
- Social Security Benefits (Form SSA-1099, RRB-1099)
- Simple Capital Gain/Loss (Form 1099-B) *limited*
- Sale of Home (Form 1099-S) *limited*

- Prior Year and Amended Returns
- Self-Employed Income (Form 1099-MISC, Form 1099-NEC and Form 1099-K) *limited*
- Gambling Winnings (Form W-2G)
- Cancellation of Debt (Form 1099-C) *limited*
- Health Savings Accounts (Form 1099-SA) *limited*
- Itemized Deductions *limited*
- Education Credits (Form 1098-T)
- Child Tax Credit
- Earned Income Credit
- Health Insurance Statements (Forms 1095-A, B or C)

## Will Not Prepare

- Schedule C with net loss, depreciation or business use of home
- Complex Schedule D, Capital Gains and Losses
- Form SS-5 (request for Social Security Number)
- Form 8606 (non-deductible IRA)
- Form 8814 (child taxed at parent's tax rate)
- Form SS-8 (determination of worker status for purposes of federal employment taxes and income tax withholding)
- Parts 4 & 5 of Form 8962 (Allocation of Policy Amounts, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage)

- Form W-7 (application for Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) )
- Returns with casualty/disaster losses



Please see a professional preparer for assistance with complicated returns.

## What to Bring

- For married filing jointly, both spouses must be present
- Original photo identification such as driver's license, school, employer, military, or state id for you and your spouse (if married)
- Social Security cards or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number documents for you, your spouse, and dependents
- Birth dates for you, spouse, and dependents
- A copy of last year's tax return
- All Forms W-2 and 1099

- Forms 1095-A, B or C (ACA Statements)
- Information for other income
- Information for all deductions (including charitable contributions)/credits
- Total paid to daycare provider and their tax ID number
- For direct deposit of refund, proof of account and bank's routing number
- For prior year returns, copies of income transcripts from IRS (and state, if applicable)

**Site Name:** LAKES REGION VITA

**Location:** 184 Beacon St West Laconia (Laconia Senior Center)

**Days:** Tuesdays 5 - 8pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm. 1/31/23 through 4/18/23

**CALL 211 TO MAKE APPT OR ONLINE NHTAXHELP.ORG. Make sure to choose VITA**

**DO NOT CALL THE SENIOR CENTER!!!!**



IRS e-file is fast, more accurate, secure, and simple.



## FEELING LUCKY?

Looking for Love? You're in luck! We are excited to announce the first major adoption event of 2023!

Join us at the NH Humane Society on March 17 - 19 when we will be open and celebrating luck from 11am to 3pm each day. Some adorable pups and kittens will be on the hunt for new homes.

Don't worry! Pictures will be posted on our Facebook page closer to the weekend. We hope to see you there so you can add more love to your home and create some beautiful forever families.

Questions about adopting or the event? Please contact [adoptions@nhhumane.org](mailto:adoptions@nhhumane.org)



### Which Climate Solutions Work for You, our Community, and the World?

Come Explore Climate Solutions using MIT's EN-ROADS Climate Policy Simulator

with Peter Dugas  
EN-ROADS Ambassador

Are you:  
Concerned about climate change?  
Would like to know what solutions work best?

Find out how to explore which technologies and policies work best for addressing climate change.

Laconia Public Library, Auditorium  
March 11th 2023, 1-3 PM

Sponsored by:  
NH Lakes Region Chapter, Citizens' Climate Lobby.  
Admission Free, RSVP at:

[www.eventbrite.com/e/which-climate-solutions-work-for-you-our-community-and-the-world-tickets-545321289657](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/which-climate-solutions-work-for-you-our-community-and-the-world-tickets-545321289657)



## BELKNAP MILL PRESENTS BELL & BRICK

### *Event Details*

Thursday, March 16th  
Tickets: \$10  
Doors Open: 6:30p  
Concert: 7-8p



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## Katie Dobbins

# LACONIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM SOCIETY



The Laconia Historical & Museum Society has undertaken an important project focusing on Laconia's Veteran history. This project is separate and different from the project LHMS is supporting at Laconia High School.

LHMS is seeking any information and/or photos of the structures and members of the various Veterans organizations in the City of Laconia, including Lakeport and the Weirs. These organizations include; the American Legion Post 1, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1670, the John Perley G.A.R Post in Laconia and the Darius A. Drake D.A.R Post in Lakeport and The New Hampshire Veterans Association.

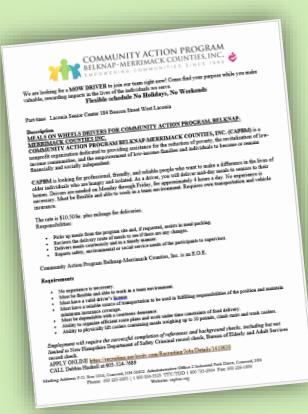
We are also interested in any information from the Army and Navy Club, which was located in the Laconia Gas and Electric Block during the early 1900's, The Mary Butler Chapter of the D.A.R. and the Woman's Relief Corps.

Any original material, such as photos or handwritten documents will be digitally archived into the LHMS permanent collection under the individual or family name and the original items will be returned. However, LHMS will accept donations of original items into the permanent collection should an individual or family choose to do so. This information is being collected for an informative presentation to be held in May 2023.

As well, an exhibit focusing on the personal stories of Laconia's veterans will be created for display in November. LHMS is collecting photographs and written information on veterans themselves – these could be newspaper articles or notices, handwritten letters, journal or diary entries or family memories. There is no limit to when or how long the veteran served or whether the veteran is alive or deceased. The information can be shared with LHMS by friends, family members, or fellow service men or women. As this is an exhibit of Laconia veterans, we do ask that the veteran has lived in Laconia at some point in their lives or lives in the City currently.

If you have information or know of someone who may have information regarding these associations, or if you or someone you know is a veteran and would like to share their story, please contact LHMS by email at [lhmspl@metrocast.net](mailto:lhmspl@metrocast.net) with the subject line – Laconia's Veterans.

Laconia Historical & Museum Society looks forward to sharing this part of Laconia's history with you!!



Community Action Program's Meals on Wheels is looking for a driver to join their team!  
Please click on the image (left) for more information.





Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 am on **Sunday, March 12th**.

Don't forget to put your clocks forward one hour before you head to bed on Saturday evening.

Spring will be here soon!



**CITY MANAGER'S  
OFFICE**



The following update has now been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City! Check out the new [Financial and Operational Trends Report](#) which provides financial information for the current year compared to prior years in several departments, such as fire and rescue call data, revenue from motor vehicle registrations and property taxes, police incidents, overtime costs and much more!

We hope you find this report helpful and informative!

 **Kiwanis**<sup>®</sup>  
CLUB OF LACONIA, NH 1st Annual



# FREE THROW COMPETITION

**FREE TO ALL LAKES REGION BOYS & GIRLS**

**SATURDAY  
MARCH 25th  
9:00am till 12:00pm**

**Laconia Middle School  
150 McGrath St, Laconia, NH**

Registration is at 8:30am  
Warm Up at 8:45am  
Competition begins at 9:00am  
Walk-ins are welcome!

**Pre-Register:**  
Text- 603-630-5531  
kiwanishoop@gmail.com

**Register Early for a  
FREE gift** (while supplies last)

**Boys & Girls Age Brackets**

- 6-7 years old
- 8-10 years old
- 11-13 years old

Benefits Lou Athanas Basketball League & Gilford Parks & Recreation Basketball League



For more information please contact the City Manager's office at 603-527-1270, or email [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)

**March**

What are the 5 primary nutrients for mental health?

- B vitamins: B vitamins support your body's processes at a cellular level.
- Omega-3: Omega-3 fatty acids play a vital role in your brain structure and function.
- Minerals: Minerals.
- Amino acids: Amino acids.

**Concord Happenings:**

- Mar 10th to 17th shopping at Local Walmart, Dollar Store, Sally's.
- Join us Mar 19th for games and win prizes.
- Mar 19th - Laconia Lion Society
- Mar 17th movie and popcorn starting at 1:00 pm.
- Mar 22 Nutrition with a nutritionist talk about food. Our resident expert joins us once again to help us navigate the confusing world of eating healthy.

**Upcoming Laconia Location Events:**

- Monday March 13th join us for a Field Trip to Prescott Farms for a Discovery Tour from 12-1pm. This is a FREE event. Transportation will be provided. Please pack a bag lunch.
- Wednesday March 18th @ 2pm - Rock Painting
- Friday March 24th @ 10am - Creating your own "Vision Boards"
- Wednesday March 29th @ 10am - Budgeting Meals & Healthy Recipe Options

## MARCH 2023

Click the image (left) to read the current edition of "One Peer to Another" newsletter!



### ONE PEER TO ANOTHER Laconia, NH

Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm	Tuesday 8:30am - 4:30pm	Wednesday 8:30am - 4:30pm	Thursday 8:30am - 4:30pm	Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
<p><b>Contact Program Director</b> <b>Miranda</b> <b>One Peer To Another</b> <b>603-528-7742</b> <b>328 Union Ave</b> <b>Laconia NH 03246</b> <a href="mailto:miranda@onepeer.org">miranda@onepeer.org</a></p>		<p>9am Check-In 10am Gratitude 11am Worldview 1pm Self-Reflection 2pm Mutuality 3pm Deep Breathing Techniques</p>	<p>1</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Ted Talk 11am Wants &amp; Needs 1pm How am I feeling? 2pm Open Discussion 3pm Music Therapy</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9am Open Discussion 10am Healthy Relationships 11am Arts &amp; Crafts 1pm Walk &amp; Talk 2pm Moving Towards 3pm Journaling</p>
<p>6</p> <p>9am Open Discussion 10am IPS Topics 11am Peer Discussion 1pm Limits &amp; Boundaries 2pm Short-Term Goals 3pm Chair Yoga</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Dealing w/ Anxiety 11am What I like about me 1pm Long-Term Goals 2pm Deep Stretching 3pm Open Discussion</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Self Reflection 11am Healthy Relationships 1pm Emotional Wellbeing 2pm Rock Painting 3pm Music Therapy</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9am Open Discussion 10am True Emotions 11am Strategies to Cope 1pm Decision Making 2pm Stress Management 3pm W.R.A.P</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Meditation 11am Sit &amp; Stretch 1pm WOW Trail Walk 2pm Personal Healing 3pm Music/Movement</p>
<p>13</p> <p><b>FIELD TRIP!</b> <b>(We provide transportation)</b> <b>Prescott Farm</b> <b>Discovery Tour (FREE)</b> <b>12 pm-1 pm</b> <b>Pack Lunches!</b></p>	<p>14</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Journaling 11am Walk &amp; Talk 1pm Boundaries 2pm Coping Skills 3pm Sit &amp; Stretch</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9am Open Discussion 10am Music Therapy 11am Chair Yoga 1pm Deep Breathing 2pm Staying Present 3pm Ice Breaker Game</p>	<p>16</p> <p>9am Check-In 10am Emotional Meter 11am WOW Trail Walk 1pm Self Care 2pm Mindfulness 3pm Looking within ourselves</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9am Open Discussion 10am Ted Talk 11am Self Reflection 1pm Sit &amp; Stretch 2pm Meditation 3pm Peer Connections <b>Happy St. Patrick's Day!</b></p>
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## Public Events at Taylor Community - Laconia, NH

*\*All events listed are free and open to the public\**

### Bank of New Hampshire Music Series

Thank you to the Bank of New Hampshire for sponsoring the 2023  
Taylor Community Music Series.

#### **Jordan Tirrell Wysocki - *March 13th at 6:30 p.m.***

Bringing fresh energy to traditional Celtic music, Jordan is an award-winning New Hampshire-based fiddler/singer. Join us for this musical event held at Woodside.

#### **Rick Clogston and the Red Hat Band - *March 15th at 6:30 p.m.***

Join us for this mix of classic rock, country, blues, folk, funk, soul, oldies, newies, jazz-ish, and their own original material. This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **Jud Caswell - *March 17th at 2:00 p.m.***

Jud gives listeners a front-row seat to his engaging manner and storytelling.  
This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **Meadowlark Trio - *March 19th at 3:00 p.m.***

Join us for a night of classical string music. This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **John Paul McGee - *March 20th at 6:30 p.m.***

Join us for a night of music. This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **Gary Hodges Trio - *March 26th at 3:00 p.m.***

Gary Hodges is a founding member of the Artful Noise string Quartet. Join us for a night of classical string music. This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **Suzuki Strings - *March 28th at 6:30 p.m.***

Suzuki Strings is a group of violinists, ages 4-15, from all over the State on NH. This event will be held at Woodside.

### Lectures

#### **The Grand Opera Houses of Laconia with Brenda Kean - *March 13th at 1:00 p.m.***

Join us for this presentation on the historical opera houses of Laconia. This event will be held at Woodside.

#### **The Salvatore Family Farm - *March 15th at 2:00 p.m.***

The Salvatore Family Farm is a small farm located in Chichester, NH specializing in growing organic saffron. This event will be held at Woodside.



Bloomin' 4 Good Program



## It's grow time!

For this entire month of March 2023,

Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation will receive \$1 from every specially marked Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet sold at:

Hannaford  
1425 Lakeshore Road, Unit D, Gilford NH



Throughout the month of March, Hannaford Supermarket's Bloomin' 4 Good Program will be supporting the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation! This is the perfect time of year to brighten up the inside of your home! A portion of every Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet sold at Hannaford Gilford will go to Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation. Shown above (l to r): Chris Guilmett, Assistant Director Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation, Gina, Key Floral Florist and Brett Geer, Customer Service Manager at Hannaford Gilford.



## CITY OF LACONIA - NOTICE SEASONAL 10 TON WEIGHT LIMIT

Effective at 6:00 am on Monday, March 13, 2023, trucks whose gross weight exceeds 10 tons are prohibited from using all streets in the City except for State roads, the City's arterial routes and routes to industrial parks. A map of posted City streets can be found [here](#).

Trucks over 10 tons may still use roads with seasonal weight limits when issued a permit by the City's Department of Public Works. Permits are granted in two types of situations as shown below:

### Blanket authorizations for:

- Contractors providing City services such as solid waste and recycling collection
- Private emergency services such as cleaning sanitary sewer lines
- Heating fuel companies such as heating oil and propane

Blanket authorizations cannot be used for any other use except that authorized on the permit.

### One-Time permits are typically used for deliveries and collections such as:

- Building supplies, construction equipment, household goods, furniture
- Roll-off solid waste containers
- Automobiles to dealerships



Please call the Public Works Department at (603) 528-6379 for more detailed information.

# City of Laconia

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CITY HALL HOURS:  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Monday through Friday  
(603) 527-1270

## SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center  
(603) 528-6945 is the first number  
to call for senior services.



### Concerned About a Loved One's Driving?

► **Look** for signs the person may need to stop driving, such as accidents, traffic tickets, complaints, or anxiety about driving at night.



<https://www.nia.nih.gov>

NIH  
National Institute  
on Aging

Changes in a person's health may affect their driving skills over time.

Click [here](#) to learn about ways for help to keep the older drivers in your life safe and what to look out for.



### City Meetings

Week of:  
March 13 - 17

Public participation and citizen input is a vital part of City government. Below is a list of meetings scheduled for the upcoming week. As agendas become available they will be posted on the City's [website](#). Also, printed copies of any agenda are available in the City department in charge of a particular Board or Commission. You are invited and encouraged to participate in any of our public meetings. [All meetings are open to the public and are held at Laconia City Hall, unless otherwise noted:](#)

#### Laconia Human Relations Committee

March 13, 2023, 3:30 pm

#### Agenda

#### Public Works Subcommittee

March 13, 2023, 6:00 pm

#### Agenda

#### City Council

March 13, 2023, 7:00 pm

#### Police Commission

March 15, 2023, 3:30 pm

#### Finance Subcommittee

March 16, 2023, 6:30 pm

#### Agenda

#### Board of Assessors

March 16, 2023, 5:30 pm



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below must be preceded by 603)

Airport .....	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing .....	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk .....	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager .....	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement .....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation .....	527-1264
Conservation Technician Taylor Daigle	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ....	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) ....	366-2229
Library .....	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation .....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel .....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Police (Administration) .....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) .....	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office).....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station) .....	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax.....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water .....	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

#### City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer .....	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1) .....	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2) .....	524-7054
Henry Lipman (Ward 3).....	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4).....	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5).....	524-6360
Tony Felch (Ward 6) .....	998-1418

General Council E-mail:  
[citycouncil@laconianh.gov](mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov)

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