

March 17, 2023 - Edition #580

*A beautiful view of the sun beginning to set on Lake Winnisquam
(photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)*



Automated Curbside Solid Waste Collection is Coming May 1, 2023!

**Seniors! Don't forget you can order
smaller trash and recycling containers if
you would like by April 1st.**

If all residents in a single-family home on a public road are over 65 years old or disabled, a 64 gallon recycling container may be requested (in place of a 96-gallon container) by using the order form below. Additionally, these homeowners can also request one 32-gallon trash container instead of a 64 gallon trash container).

ORDER FORM

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.



**NH Maple Weekend is March 18-19! See pg. 5 for
details on Prescott Farm's tours, or visit the
NH Maple Producer's website!**



New Hampshire
Maple Producers
Association, Inc.

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.

PRESCHOOL PALS



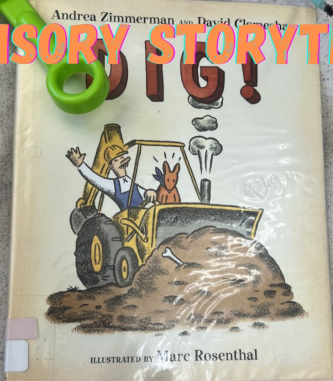
THURSDAYS AT 10AM FOR AGES 3 TO 6

TODDLER TIME



Wednesdays at 10am for newborns to age 3

SENSORY STORYTIME



Mondays at 10am for newborns - age 6

Storytime Craft



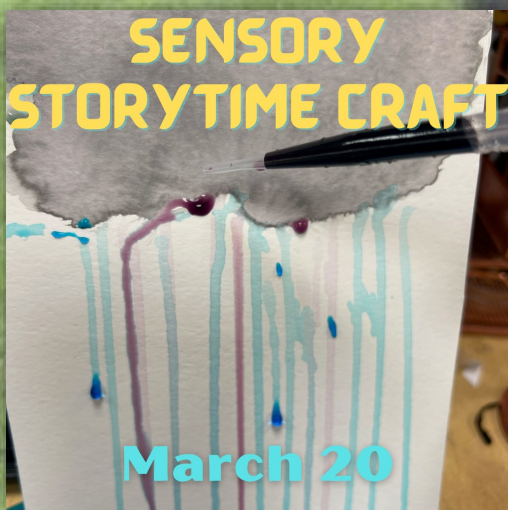
MARCH 22 & 23

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



SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2 PM

SENSORY STORYTIME CRAFT



March 20

Family Drop-In Craft: Mixed Media Rainbows



TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 5:30-7 PM
BEST FOR AGES 3-12

Adult Art Night: Textured Air-Dry Clay Bowls



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22
5:30-7:30PM



LACONIA WATER DEPARTMENT
988 UNION AVENUE
(603) 524-0901



HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

As part of our continued effort to maintain drinking water quality, Laconia Water Department will be flushing hydrants

March 20th through March 31st

While this may produce discolored water, it is not harmful. Simply run the cold water until it clears. There could also be some fluctuation in pressure for a short period of time. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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



Kiwanis
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

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

Registration is at 8:30am

Warm Up at 8:45am

Competition begins at 9:00am

Walk-ins are welcome!

Register here



**Bank of
New Hampshire**



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**

**Curbside
recycling
will be
picked up
the week of
March 27!**

SPRING
**The first day of Spring
is Monday March 20th!**



STARTS IN APRIL

Lakes Region Memory Cafe

Laconia Public Library
695 North Main Street

Second Thursday of Each Month
1:30 - 3 p.m.

The Memory Cafe is a joyful and creative social experience for people with memory loss and their caregivers to gather with others in a positive and engaging environment.

In Collaboration With:



For more information, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85815 or visit www.granitevna.org.

This program is offered at no charge. Registration is not required.

Masks are strongly encouraged.

Please note this gathering does not serve as a support or respite group.

Inclement Weather: Lakes Region Memory Cafe will be cancelled if Laconia schools are closed.

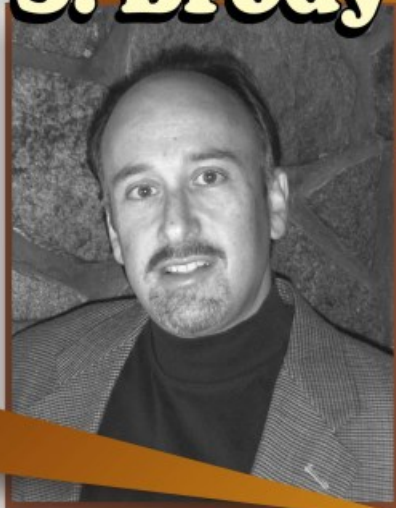
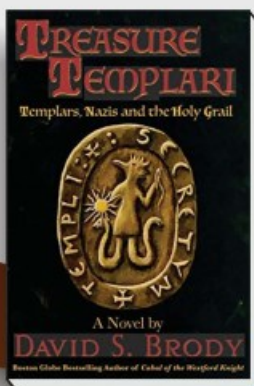
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THE LACONIA PUTNAM FUND
presents

AUTHOR

David S. Brody



**Mr. Brody will be discussing his new book,
- "Templars, Nazis and the Holy Grail" -**

The Ghent Altarpiece painting is the most stolen piece of artwork in world history. During World War II, the Nazis pilfered it, believing that the painting's Knights Templar symbology and iconography—in particular, secret Templar seals used by the Order during medieval times—were encrypted clues leading to the Holy Grail and other lost Templar treasures. Why did the Templars choose the enigmatic symbols depicted on the seals? And do the answers help lead us to the lost Templar treasure?

**Wednesday, March 29, 2023
6:30 pm at Woodside Building
at the Laconia Taylor Community
227 Ledges Drive - Laconia**

Free Admission - First Come, First Seated - No Tickets Required

Like us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/LaconiaPutnamFund>



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

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia | 603-366-5695 | info@prescottfarm.org



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!



Lakes Region Mental Health Center (LRMHC) has partnered with GoodNatured Juice and Smoothie Bar in Laconia to provide a FREE Mental Health Resource Library. A list of resources and books was composed by LRMHC staff members with a wide variety of topics related to mental health. You may purchase a book through our Amazon Wish List and ship directly to our office in Laconia by visiting https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/285RVIWZT8WUA/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex.

For any questions about this program or suggestions on resources that you would like to see, please contact our office at 603-524-1100 x219.



About Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Lakes Region Mental Health Center is the NH-designated community mental health center serving 24 towns in Belknap and Southern Grafton Counties. A non-profit, private corporation founded in 1966, LRMHC provides integrated care to children, adults, elders and their families who are living with- and recovering from- mental illness and/or emotional distress. LRMHC professionals provide the highest quality of care, and by working in partnership with other health care providers, hospitals, law enforcement, corrections, courts, school districts, social workers and public health officials, LRMHC is able to provide a continuum of care for patients and improve the quality of life in the Lakes Region. In Fiscal Year 2022, LRMHC's 200+ employees served 3,512 children, adults and families and provided over \$372,000 of charity care. For more information, visit lrnhc.org or call 603-524-1100.

About GoodNatured Juice and Smoothie Bar

Locally owned and community driven, GoodNatured provides a variety of nutrient-dense and healthy meal options. In addition to menu items, GoodNatured works to support farmers, producers, and artists in getting their brand and names out into the community. Through monthly artist highlights and stocking some of their favorite local products, they love to see other local businesses thrive! Visit GoodNatured at 569 Main Street in Laconia or online at goodnaturednh.com.

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 through 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)

Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



Friday, Mar. 31st 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:



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,



NHSaves.com

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:

Laoonia Library
695 North Main Street
Laoonia, New Hampshire

PRESENTER:

Andy Dunoan, Energy Training Manager, LRCC

QUESTIONS:

Unitarian Universalist Society of Laoonia
603-524-6488 • uusl@myfairpoint.net

SPONSORED BY:

NHSaves: www.nhsaves.com

LOCAL PARTNERS:

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

Visit 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 • 603-536-5030

The workshops are FREE thanks to funding provided by



EVERSOURCE





Think Twice Before Buying Easter Chicks

With Easter coming soon, you'll be seeing ads for Easter chicks. Aww...aren't they cute? However, the City considers chickens, even the cute little chicks, to be livestock and NOT pets. In most areas of the City, livestock including chickens are not allowed to be kept on the property.

Chickens, ducks, guinea hens, pigs, goats, and other agricultural animals are not permitted in most districts in the urban/suburban districts in Laconia.

Agriculture and agricultural animals are permitted in the RR1 (Residential Rural), RR2 (Residential Rural Corridor) and AI (Airport Industrial) districts.

In the CR (Commercial Resort) district, agriculture and the animals typically associated with agriculture are only allowed by Special Exception granted by the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

If you're not sure what zoning district you live in, check your tax card on the City [website](#) or call the Planning office at (603) 524-1264 to find out.

A good idea is to keep your chick purchases to the pink marshmallow kind!



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.



Just Duet for the Colonial Theatre!

Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative, a program of the Belknap Mill and the resident theatre company of the Colonial Theatre, is looking for musical theatre performers to audition for a new fundraising event - Just Duet: Broadway Style to benefit the Colonial Theatre.

On May 20, at 7pm Powerhouse and Spectacle Live, the management company for the Colonial, are working together to raise funds to support Powerhouse's Colonial Series and the Colonial Theatre Advancement Fund. The latter is designed to raise money for continued improvements to the backstage areas and investments in additional theatre equipment and amenities to benefit all who use the Colonial.

The fundraiser will be a friendly singing competition featuring pairs of performers from around the state. Each partnership will prepare an up-tempo and ballad musical theatre song to present on the 20th to win the support of the judges and the audience. The duos will be charged with being creative in costuming, props, and choreography and present a complete musical theatre performance. There will be prizes awarded to the pairs that garner the most points, but ultimately this will be a fun community event to raise funds for live theatre at the Colonial. Auditions are open to any pair of performers 18+, regardless of experience or connection to Powerhouse. To find out all the details about auditions and to register go to <https://www.belknapmill.org/justduet>. So find your favorite scene partner, whether it is a spouse, friend, sibling, parent or other and prepare your act today - audition videos are due by April 2. Tickets for the event are on sale as of 3/10 via the Colonial Theatre website - <https://coloniallaconia.com>.

For all the news on Powerhouse and all the exciting programs at the Belknap Mill go to belknapmill.org

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

It's time to register your dogs for 2023!

To renew **online:** 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



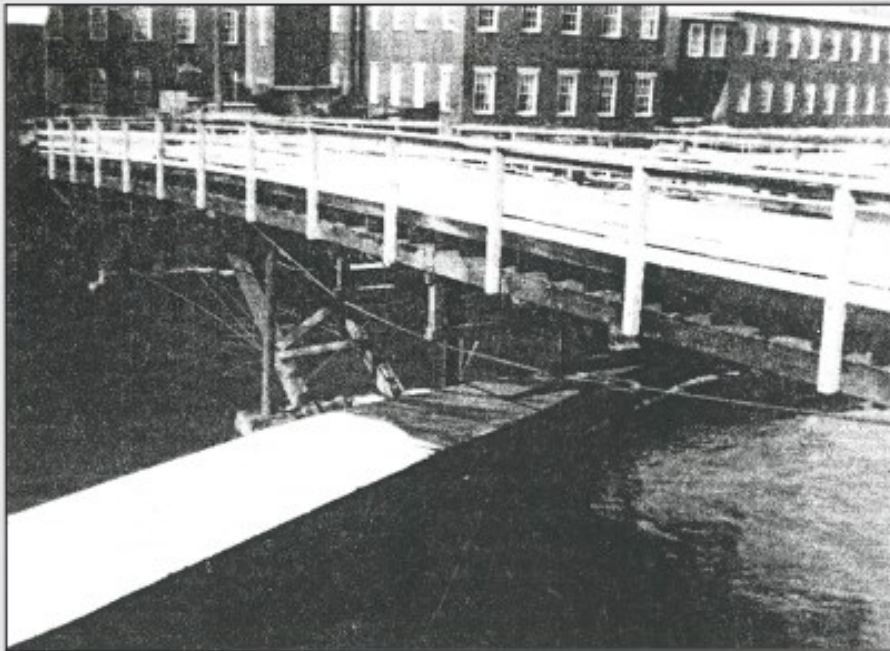
***All dogs are to be
registered by April 30th
of each year.***

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 ...

For well more than a century, flumes like the one visible at lower right carried water from the Avery Dam to the turbines which powered the mills on both sides of the Winnepesaukee River. The wooden Mill Street Bridge was closed to all but foot traffic in 1949, and to all traffic, including pedestrians, in May 1956. Eil of the Busiel Mill, seen up river in distance at right, was demolished in February 1971. (Laconia Public Works Department photo, 1954)



... AND NOW

The flume on the south bank of the Winnepesaukee River was still in use for some years after World War II by the Guild-Northland Mills, which were experiencing a shortage of waterpower in 1948. (See 'Our Yesterdays' for 75 Years Ago.) The flume was removed in September 1972. The wooden Mill Street Bridge was replaced, in September-November 1958, by the current steel footbridge, which opened, Nov. 13, 1958. The 1972 City Hall is visible, right of center, beyond the Busiel Mill. The hydro-electric plant at extreme right went on line in 1986. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)



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 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:

RESOLUTION 2023-09 - RELATIVE TO ACCEPTANCE OF INVESTNH MUNICIPAL PER UNIT AWARD #MPU22-100 GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,000.

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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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



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

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RESOLUTION 2023-07 - RELATIVE TO RE-ADOPTING AND SETTING THE AMOUNTS ESTABLISHED FOR THE OPTIONAL AND ALL VETERANS' PROPERTY TAX CREDIT

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:

RESOLUTION 2023-08 - RELATIVE TO A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR A FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,057.

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



Laconia Senior Center 524-7689

MARCH 2023 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	2 BNH fraud Protection 10: to 11:AM Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM	3 Bingo 10-12 Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
6 VNA Foot Care 9-1 by appt Coffee Social 10-11 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 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	9 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	10 Trivia Thyme 10-11 by VN Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
13 Coffee Social 10-11	14 Scrapbooking 9-11	15 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	16 Hearing Clinic @ 10:15 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	17 NO Bingo 10-11 St Patrick's Dinner Traditional Corn Beef Movie 12:30—2:30 PM
20 Bank of NH Fraud Protection 10:AM—11:AM Ernie Bolduc Maple Syrup Production @11:AM	21 Knitting /Sewing 9-11 BP Clinic @ 10:30 Sweet & Sour Chicken, Brown Rice	22 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	23 Thrift Shop Crawl 9- 12 RSVP Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	24 Healthy Heart Healthy You 10-11 by VN Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
27 10AM Diabetes/Franklin VNA—Jackie Country Singer Don Smith 11:AM	28 Scrapbooking 9-11 Foot Care by Maddy by appt 9-12	29 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	30 Laconia Mental Health talk on SAD 10:AM—11:AM Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	31 Bingo 10-12 Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/ice cream sundaes

Laconia Senior Center Newsletter
Your Resource for Healthy Aging

Happy St. Patrick's Day
Laconia Senior Center

Spring in 4 days!!!! We have new and exciting events coming our way! You won't want to miss the excitement. By appointment, foot care from the VNA and Maddy, is back. Manicure by Brenda is always pleased to make you sparkle, by appointment. On Fridays added in is Movie of the Week, picked out by the Gilford Library. Free Tax prep by appointment is until April 5th. Bookings are being filled daily, so call and make your appointment ASAP. The Visiting Nurse has some awesome games planned. Country Singer, Don Smith will be joining us on 3/27/23 @ 11:AM. Activities this month are Scrapbooking, Knitting, Crocheting, Sewing, Thrift Shop Crawl. The bus is full for the Thrift Shop Crawl and will leave the Senior Center 9:AM sharp. But we have more trips planned, watch the calendar. BP Clinic and the Hearing Clinic. We also have added new games, besides Bingo. On 3/20/2023 Ernie Bolduc @ 10:AM will be discussing the process for Maple Syrup. Don't miss all the buzz about what is happening and we always welcome your ideas and thoughts. What do you want to do or have happening? This is your Center and we are here to please.

Debbie Haskell
Senior Center Resource Manager

Takeout Option!!!!
We are still offering meal options at the Center in takeout form on Mondays & Thursdays
A \$2 donation is suggested for each meal
For more information or to sign up please call:
The Laconia Senior Center @ 524-7689

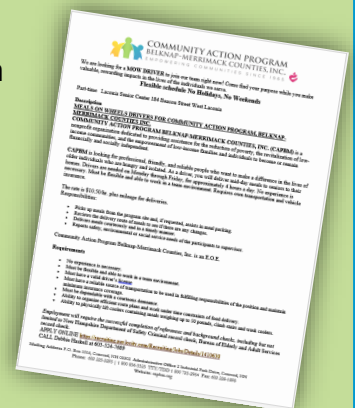
ServiceLink
www.belknapmerrimack.org

Elder Services—Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. 225-3295

Please click on the image (left) to read this week's Laconia Senior Center Newsletter!

Community Action Program's Meals on Wheels is looking for a driver to join their team!

Please click on the image (right) for more information.





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.



Laconia Historical & Museum Society 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Virtual & Ongoing Programming

Available when the time is right for you!



Family History Services

Genealogy and house history services provided by LHMS experienced researchers.



History to Go

Engaging and interesting presentations for club meetings and small gatherings or events.



Laconia's Historic

Walking Tour ~ Downtown

Self-guided and volunteer guided walking tours available by appointment. Begins Spring '23.



LHMS Facebook Page

Online programing, historical information, and something interesting everyday!

Special Programming & Events



"Our Yesterdays" Presentation Series

Presentations held throughout the year introducing various topics and stories of historical interest in and around Laconia.

Lake City Steeplechase - May

Follow the WOW Trail in a footrace between two of Laconia's most historically significant churches, St. Joseph Catholic church in downtown to the United Baptist Church of Lakeport. Encounter obstacles along the way much like those of the original Steeplechase held in Ireland in the 18th century.



Laconia's Township Day - July 15

Pass the day in downtown celebrating Laconia becoming a town of it's own! Hear about the Great Catastrophe that was the impetus to the formation of Laconia while enjoying music, entertainment, demonstrations and more!



Historic Laconia Scavenger Hunt - September 23

Laconia has secrets to find and stories to tell! Get your team together today and start preparing to learn about Laconia's rich history and hidden gems during this family friendly event!



A Gravelly Historical Cemetery Tour - October 29

Join LHMS volunteers for a walking tour through one of Laconia's cemeteries and learn intriguing facts about some of our city's past residents.



Celebrating Laconia's Veterans - May & November

Two months dedicated to the lives of Laconia veterans. Programming will include presentations, exhibits and events in collaboration with local veteran associations.



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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 adora-
ble pups and kittens will be on the hunt for new
homes.

Don't worry! Pictures will be posted on our Fa-
cebook page closer to the weekend.
We hope to see you there so you can add more
love to your home and create some beautiful
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Questions about adopting or the event? Please
contact adoptions@nhhumane.org

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with

Larry Frates

Tuesdays

1:30-3pm

FREE

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LAKES REGION CANCER SUPPORT TEAM
1 Mill Plaza-Downtown Laconia
(Next to City Hall)



FACEBOOK LIVE

Partnership for Public Health FACEBOOK page

Come and join us on April 4th, 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 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 lhmslpl@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!!



Thank you in advance for your help!



Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction Awards \$525,000 to 60 Nonprofits

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction (GLRCA) last week distributed \$525,000 in grants to 60 area nonprofit organizations at a luncheon event at the Huot Career and Technical Center that also included a workshop on digital marketing. The 60 nonprofit leaders gathered their checks during the meet-and-greet event that also offered lunch prepared by students at the Center.



Above - Corina Locke of SnapRoot Creative Digital Marketing presents to nonprofits during the luncheon (Photo compliments of Jaron Jenkins)

Corina Locke, the creative director of SnapRoot Creative Digital Marketing, an agency that collaborates with the Auction, offered the talk on how nonprofits can use an online software graphics program called Canva to enhance the posting they are doing on social platforms like Facebook.

"We were glad to see everyone enjoying their meal and feeling grateful not only for their grant but for the chance to network with other nonprofit leaders and to learn from Corina," said Jaimie Sousa, chair of the Auction board. "It was a great opportunity to get everyone together."

Grants will be used by the local nonprofit organizations to fund wide-ranging programs that support local children and families in need. These programs address needs that are vital to the well-being of children in our communities, including food and housing insecurity and related emergency assistance; afterschool programs, recreation, education and the arts; childcare and related family resources; and healthcare, including victim outreach and support and preventative health and wellness training. The Auction had \$686,398 in requests in 2022 from 65 nonprofits and awarded \$525,000 to 60 agencies. For specific distribution information, visit <https://www.childrensauction.com/whereourmoneygoes>.



Above - Nonprofit attendees pose for photos with Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction Board members (Photo compliments of Jaron Jenkins)

Sousa is pleased with the 2022 Auction results. "In 2020 and 2021, while still impressive, our fundraising was impacted by the financial pressures of the pandemic. I am beyond thrilled to see the Auction emerging stronger than ever with a new fundraising record set in 2022," she said. "These funds are significantly improving the lives of local children by ensuring their basic needs are met, and they have opportunities to thrive. There are so many people from the Lakes Region and beyond that made this possible, and we cannot thank you enough for your generous contributions." Sousa also thanked the Auction's board's Distribution Committee, which reviews all the grant applications and makes recommendations on funding.

"We are so lucky to have a group of truly dedicated community volunteers who carefully review every application to ensure that we are best meeting the requirements and wishes of the children in need in our local communities," said Cindy Hemeon-Plessner, chair of the Distribution Committee. "Because of the committees' strength with problem solving, analysis, empathy and community awareness, we are able to ensure all who donate, bid and volunteer that the funding is being spent wisely."

The next round of grant applications will be due by Oct 15. For more information about the GLRCA application and funding process, visit www.childrensauction.com/applyforfunding.

In the past 41 years, the Auction has distributed \$8 million to nonprofit organizations in the community. Learn more about the Auction at www.childrensauction.org, or follow the Children's Auction on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or LinkedIn.



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

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For more information on
Taylor Community please
call us at 603-524-5600



News from the Public Works Dept.

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.

APPLY NOW - SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APRIL 1ST



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[Applicants | Lakes Region
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**OUR DONORS ARE LOOKING
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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
Call - 603-527-3533

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Assistant Director

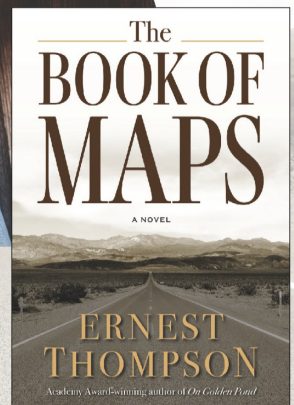
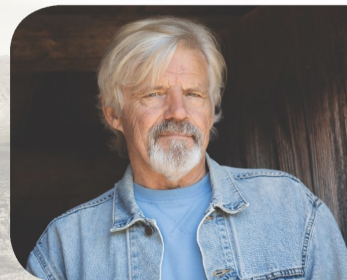


Home | [Lakes Region
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www.lrscholarship.org

— Meet the Oscar-winning Author of *On Golden Pond* —

THURSDAY, MARCH 23 | 6:00 PM

for a conversation about his debut novel and book signing



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— *Carly Simon*



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Monday through Friday
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SENIOR RESOURCES

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(603) 528-6945 is the first number
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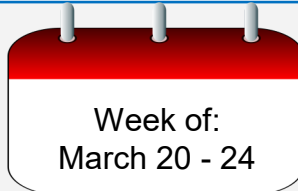
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City Meetings



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](http://www.laconianh.gov). 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 20, 2023, 3:30 pm
[Agenda](#)

Parks & Recreation Commission

March 20, 2023, 6:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Water Commission

March 20, 2023, 6:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Conservation Commission

March 20, 2023, 6:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Zoning Board of Adjustment

March 20, 2023, 6:30 pm
[Agenda](#)



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	

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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:
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