

April 26 2024 - Edition #635

Photo taken from Opechee Point looking north toward Bond Beach
(photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)

PUBLIC INPUT SESSION



As part of the regulated process for this federally funded project, the City is hosting a Public Input Session. The meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM** in Council Chambers at Laconia City Hall, located at 45 Beacon Street E in Laconia, NH. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a general overview of the Centenary Avenue Bridge, summarize the findings from the September 15, 2023 charette, and receive input from the general public before the City begins the design process. Your attendance would be appreciated and feedback is encouraged.

City of Laconia
Public Input Session
Wednesday, May 15,
2024 - 6:00 PM
Laconia City Hall
Laconia, NH

The City of Laconia
is proceeding with the
project involving the
Centenary Avenue Bridge.

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.



LACONIA RESIDENTS: TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

All Laconia dogs need to be registered by
April 30th each year!



To renew **online**: www.laconianh.gov, Online Bill Pay, Dog Licensing
By **Mail**: City Clerk's Office, PO BOX 489, Laconia NH 03247, 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
Mailing fee	\$1.00

Please call the City Clerk's office at 603-527-1265 with any questions..



MON 4/29

Sensory Storytime
@10am (babies-6)

TUE 4/30

Drop-In Tech Help
@10am

WED 5/1

Toddler Time
@10am (babies-3)

Drop-In
Tech Help @2pm

Writing Group
@6pm

THU 5/2

Fiber Arts Group
@10am

Preschool Pals
@10am (ages 3-6)

Tinker Time
@3:30pm (ages 6-11)

Evening Nonfiction
Book Group @6pm

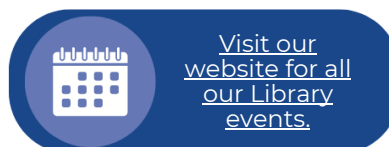
FRI 5/3

Guided Imagery
Meditation &
Journaling
@11am

SAT 5/4

For descriptions and more, visit our online calendar!

<http://laconialibrary.org>
follow us: @laconialibrary
call: (603) 524-4775
text: (603) 556-4666
email: info@laconialibrary.org
[Sign-up for our monthly email newsletter](#)



Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Goss Reading Room Closed

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-12 pm

Growing Mushrooms at Home

Learn how to grow shiitake, wine caps, and other mushrooms at home. Participants will home with a fully inoculated log and sawdust inoculated with wine caps so you can enjoy your own freshly harvested mushrooms as early as later this year!

Apr
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2024



Saturday, 1-4 pm

Intro. to Home Cheesemaking

This hands-on workshop will cover the basics of how to make simple, delicious cheese in your own kitchen. Each participant will take part in making a batch of fresh mozzarella, ricotta, and paneer which will be made from start to finish in the class.

Apr
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2024



Wednesday, 5-6pm

Discovery Tour

Discovery Tours are a one-hour, free overview of all that Prescott Farm has to offer. You will see and hear how our team expands participants' understanding and appreciation of the natural world through a variety of programs promoting education, social connections, and wellness.

May
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2024

Additional programs, series, and registration details

prescottfarm.org

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH (603) 366-5695 info@prescottfarm.org

Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-12 pm

Native Bee Homes

Be a pollinator and wildflower hero by building a cozy home for solitary, mason bees that you can take home. In the spring, watch for female mason bees laying eggs in your hotel.

May
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2024



Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

Creating Watercolor Pencil Prints

A monotype is a type of mono-print, which is a one-of-a-kind print. You will create a series of prints from images that are produced by being transferred from one surface to another. It is painted directly on the plate, then transferred to paper for the final image.

May
4
2024



Saturday, 9-10am

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Kiwanis
LACONIA



Bike 'n' Board Safety Day

Saturday, May 18th 9:30a-12:30p

Opechee Park & Laconia Skateboard Park
North Main Street, Laconia

A community safety event providing opportunities for bicyclists & boarders to practice and develop skills.

Helmet Fitting, Bike Registration, First Aid Tips for Riders, Bike & Board Inspections, BIG Games, Skill & Practice Stations, Ebike Demonstrations, raffle and more!



This is not a school sponsored event

LIGHT UP GREEN FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Light Up Green is part of Mental Health America's Mental Health Month campaign, in which they ask buildings and structures across the U.S. to light up green, the color for mental health awareness, throughout May.

JOIN THE LAKES
REGION MENTAL
HEALTH CENTER
AND MENTAL
HEALTH AMERICA IN
LIGHTING UP GREEN
FOR MENTAL
HEALTH AWARENESS
THIS MAY!



CONTACT DEVELOPMENT@LRMHC.ORG
OR CALL 603-524-1100 EXT 219 TO GET INVOLVED!

One in five people will experience a mental health condition in a given year, and 50% of people in their lifetime. Mental health affects us all, and awareness benefits us all.

Celebrate the joy of reading with the NH Humane Society through our incredible Telling Tails program!

Telling Tails isn't your average reading program. It's a unique opportunity to foster youth literacy and promote pet socialization in a fun and meaningful way. Imagine the magic of a child reading their favorite story to a furry friend, their eyes lighting up with every turn of the page!

Our self guided appointment only sessions ensure a safe and personalized experience for readers of all ages. Whether you're a bookworm looking to share your love of literature or an animal lover eager to make a difference, telling Tails has something for everyone.

Join us in spreading the love of reading and the joy of companionship. Visit nhhumane.org/programs to learn more and get involved today!



TELLING TAILS

LEARN MORE AT WWW.NHHUMANE.ORG/PROGRAMS



Temporary / Seasonal Positions



The City of Laconia Parks & Recreation Department is seeking Seasonal employees for the 2024 season.

Beach Caretakers (\$15.00/hr) - Ensure beach safety and cleanliness throughout the Beach Season. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Day Camp Counselors (\$15.00/hr) – Directly supervise campers at Opechee Day Camp. Must be at least 18 years old.

Parks Maintenance (\$15.00/hr) – Assist in parks landscaping and upkeep throughout the city. Must be at least 18 years of age.

Lifeguards (\$15.00/hr) - Ensure beach safety and cleanliness throughout the Beach Season. Must be at least 16 years of age.

If you are interested in joining our team, please call 603-524-5046 or e-mail parcs@laconianh.gov for an application.

EOE/ADA



Saturday, April 27 is National Drug Take Back Day! Safely dispose of your unused or expired medications at Laconia Police Department between 10:00 am and 2:00 pm.

This initiative, led by the Drug Enforcement Administration - DEA, educates our community about the potential for abuse of prescription medications while providing a safe, convenient, and responsible means for disposing of unused and expired medication. This service is free and anonymous.

For more information about the Drug Take Back initiative, please visit <https://www.dea.gov/takebackday>.

**Saturday
April 27, 2024
10AM - 2PM**



**Laconia Police Department
126 New Salem St.
Laconia, NH 03246**



BOLDUC PARK GOLF COURSE IS OPEN - GOLF LESSONS BEGIN SOON!

Bolduc Park's 9 hole golf course is now open daily at 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line. Bolduc Park offers an affordable opportunity to play golf for a donation of \$10 for 9 holes. Play Disc Golf for a \$6 donation. All proceeds go to maintain the courses for the general public's use. Carts, golf clubs and discs for disc golf are available to rent.

Now is the time to sign up for golf lessons offered in 3 week sessions for \$100. Golf clubs are provided. Play free all week during lessons. Full scholarships are available for income qualified youth. Youth lessons are 5:30pm–7pm on Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23 and another session June 6, 13, 20. Adult lessons are 5:30pm–7pm on Thursdays, May 11, 18, 25 and another session June 8, 15, 22.

Bolduc Park receives funding from The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction which makes it possible to offer free golf lessons and free access to the golf and disc golf courses and cross country ski trails for income qualified youth.

Send an email to golf@bolducpark.com to inquire about these opportunities for children and teens. Call 603-524-1370 for general information about Bolduc Park.



BELKNAP MILL'S ARTS IN THE PARK

Summer Concert Series

Free
Rotary Park
Concert: 6-8p

 <p>Friday, May 31st The Ferns Family Band</p>	 <p>Friday, July 26th Audrey Drake Band</p>
 <p>Friday, June 14th North River Band</p>	 <p>Friday, August 9th Dakota Smart</p>
 <p>Friday, June 28th Duncan Idaho Band</p>	 <p>Friday, August 23 Hot Skillet Club Band</p>
 <p>Friday, July 12 Boston Rovers</p>	 <p>Friday, September 6th Rockin Daddios Sock Hop & Classic Car Show</p>

Founding Sponsor- Laconia Putnam Fund
www.belknapmill.org






Firefighter - Paramedic

Firefighter - AEMT

STARTING RANGE—FF/PARAMEDIC: \$60,902-70,679.39

STARTING RANGE—FF/AEMT: \$56,186.55-65,242.89

(+3% Cola Raise July 1)

HIRING BONUS UP TO \$4,000.00 (PAYABLE AT 90 DAYS)

(STARTING RATE OF PAY BASED ON EXPERIENCE)

Be A Part of a Growing Department in a fast pace environment with a progressive Fire/EMS division

Largest Department in the Lakes Region. Opportunities for department to pay for you to become a paramedic and ample other training opportunities. 11 paid holidays, paid training, overtime after 4 months, new equipment on order.

Come find your forever home!

Laterals increased pay and shorter probation time.

Must Possess a current CPAT or meet the eligibility requirements for Lateral Transfer.

Minimum Qualifications Are: High School Diploma, Pro-Board FF2, NREMT Advanced EMT or Paramedic, and CDL-B... BUT...

We will consider any combination of qualifications and provide the required training to the right person. Those who do not meet the above minimum qualifications are encouraged to apply!

A completed City application form, cover letter, and resume is required and may be mailed or delivered to:

Laconia City Hall Finance Office Attn: Employment

45 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246

EOE/ADA

Due by 5/31/2024



Find Ways to Fill Your Caregiver Toolbox!

Caregiving can add stress to our physical and emotional health. This **ONLINE**, interactive workshop helps family caregivers learn the tools they need to help manage the difficulties in caregiving while considering their own well-being.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Six Wednesday Afternoons
May 22-June 26
2 - 3:30 p.m.

Scan the QR Code or call to register
(603) 224-4093, ext. 85664

This program is offered at no charge!



Underwriting by:



www.granitevna.org/calendar



Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Annual Art Auction

Show your support for
Mental Health Awareness Month

View the art in person inside participating businesses listed on our website or attend the Open House.

Ready to make your bid? Scan the QR code next to the item or visit **BiddingForGood.com/LRMHC**

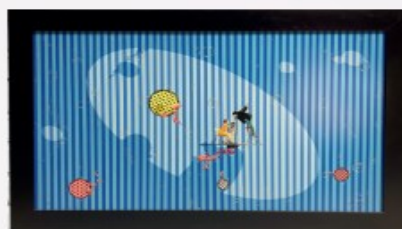


May 1-31 Auction

Thursday, May 23rd
6:00-8:00 pm

Open House Art Reception
Lakes Region Mental Health
40 Beacon St. E

BID NOW!



603-524-1100

lrhmc.org

40 Beacon St. E. Laconia, NH
81 Highland St. Plymouth, NH

Mark your calendar for the 2024 NH Pumpkin Festival!

Saturday, October 26, 2024

NEW HAMPSHIRE
**Pumpkin
Festival**

LACONIA, NH
USA



More information
available [here!](#)

🎃 Get ready for an electrifying extravaganza! Hold onto your hats and carve out some time because the NH Pumpkin Festival is back and bigger than ever! It's time to circle the date, secure your accommodations, and rally your squad-whether they're ghostly ghouls, ace cornhole players, enthusiastic shoppers, foodie connoisseurs, or pumpkin admirers. This year, the festival is bursting with new surprises, promising an unforgettable experience for all who dare to join. From leisurely strolls to scenic drives or even a boat ride adventure, there's no wrong way to immerse yourself in the magic of autumn in NH's Lakes Region. So, come one, come all, and bask in the mesmerizing glow as we unveil the ultimate celebration of fall across Laconia! 🍁

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild

The Belknap Mill Quilter's Guild is delighted to present a workshop by David Sirota on Thursday, May 9th – called **Connect 5** at the Belknap Mill, Third Floor, from 10 AM to 4 PM. Tuition this year is \$42.00 for BMQG members and \$47.00 for non-members. I urge anyone interested to register without delay!

Here is David's description of this workshop:

"Connect 5" 52 x 52

I LOVE the look of inset circles because of their simplicity. The blocks are clean, crisp, flat and sleek. Inset circles are a great accent to any quilt, especially for fussy cutting. So, the main purpose of this class is to learn how to inset the circles. Once you know the technique, the sky's the limit.

David explains that he uses **both** sides of each fabric for contrast; after all, he says with his typical humor, we pay for *both sides* of the fabric! Please see attached for samples.

Anyone who would like to see the supply list can find it HERE: www.Quiltmavendave.com

Please note that the only way to register for this workshop is to contact Cheryl Goldenberg, Program chair at twin2th29@gmail.com

Franklin 
VNA & Hospice

1st Annual

5K RUN & WALK



SATURDAY
APRIL 27, 2024 AT 9AM

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE CALL RYAN HOWE
603-934-3454
rhowe@franklinvna.org

Start/Finish at Paul Smith
Elementary School
41 Daniel Webster Dr.
Franklin, NH
9am

REGISTRATION \$35 PER PERSON

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NH/Franklin/FranklinVNAandHospice5kRunWalk>

HELP US BRING IN SPRING!

Laconia Rod and Gun Club

First Live Entertainment since 2014

Dances in April • LIVE MUSIC

April 6 - Fuzz Boxx

April 13 - Sold Out Souls

→ April 27 - Freddie Partridge

Great People Having Great Memories

Open Kitchen For Snacks
Non-Smoking Function Hall
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Band starts at 7pm • \$10 Cover

Laconia Rod and Gun Club
358 S Main Street - Laconia

All proceeds help Laconia Rod and Gun Help The Community



LAKES
REGION
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA

Benjamin Greene, Conductor



Sinatra

My Way
The Good Life
Nice 'n' Easy
Summer Wind
I've Got You Under My Skin
and many more!

feat. **MICHAEL GALLAGAN**

Sat. May 18, 7pm
Colonial Theatre, Laconia

Sun. May 19, 3pm
Inter-Lakes Auditorium, Meredith

Tix: www.LRSO.org
\$10 - \$30

Sponsored by




HISTORY HAPPENED HERE!




A Day to Discover the Stories of Laconia

Saturday, May 11th 9:45am-3:00pm

Explore the rich history of Laconia by trolley, by rail or by foot!
Choose to try several experiences or indulge in one, and create a unique narrative of your own!




For more information and to register for a tour scan the QR code,
visit laconiahistory.org or follow us on Facebook






Election News

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR PARTY AFFILIATION IS? To check, please visit:
<https://app.sos.nh.gov/viphome>

VOTER INFORMATION LOOKUP



How can we help you today?

NH Secretary of State




State and Local Election Officials are your trusted source for accurate NH elections information


Follow the NH Secretary of State on social media for the latest NH elections news and information!


View My Voter Information
Includes Absentee Ballot Status, Party Registration and Polling Place Location




Search Polling Places and Sample Ballots by Address



Search Clerk Information by Town



View the State List of Clerks & Polling Places



If you wish to change your Party Affiliation, please come to the Laconia City Clerk's Office during regular business hours with your Photo ID. No Party Changes can be made after June 4, 2024, until after the State Primary on September 11, 2024

June 5-14, 2024 State Filing Period



Laconia Senior Center 603-524-7689

MAY 2024 ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>*Calendar is subject to change</p> <p>*See other side for Thursday's Congregate meal menu</p>		<p>1 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10:00am- Men's only coffee hour</p>	<p>2 <u>Wear your Kentucky derby hat day!</u> 10-11:15am: Fraud prevention with Meredith Village Savings Bank 11:30am- Congregate</p>	<p>3 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p>6 10-11:00am-<u>Foot and Blood pressure Clinic - Granite VNA *By Appointment*</u> 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p>7 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p>8 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10-11:00am- <u>Activities committee meeting</u></p>	<p>9 9:30-10:30am- <u>Mother's Day Brunch</u></p> <p>11:30am-<u>Congregate meal</u></p>	<p>10 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 11:00- cooking 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p>13 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 9-12:00pm- Board Games 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p>14 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p>15 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 11am-12:00-National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day- bring your favorite recipe to share</p>	<p>16 10:30-11:30- <u>Franklin VNA blood pressure clinic</u> 10:00- Strategic Caring Solutions Talk 11:30am-<u>Congregate meal</u></p>	<p>17 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p>20 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 9-12:00pm- Board Games 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p>21 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p>22 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:00am- Artfully Aging Art class with Partnership for Public Health</p>	<p>23 10:00am- Book club and swap 11:30am-<u>Congregate meal</u></p>	<p>24 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p>27 The center is closed for the holiday.</p>	<p>28 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p>29 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10am-12:00- Corn hole games</p>	<p>30 11:30am-<u>Congregate meal</u></p> <p>12:30pm- May birthday celebration</p>	<p>31 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>



Click [here](#) for our Thursday Lunch Menu Offerings. Every Thursday at 11:30 am!



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**

Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of May 6!

RECYCLE RIGHT
Never Put Plastic Bags in Your Recycling Bin
THEY GET TANGLED IN THE SORTING EQUIPMENT AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

2024 Curbside Spring Leaf Pickup

During the weeks of April 29 - May 3, and May 13 - May 17 the City's contractor will pick up an additional 10 bags of leaves during these two weeks on your normal trash day. All materials must be placed in paper compost bags.

Please note that yard waste will be collected by a separate truck, not the normal trash collection truck. Questions? Please call the Department of Public Works at 603-528-6379.

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 ...

Keewakwa Abenaki Keenahbeh - "The Defiant One" - a sculpture by Peter Wolf Toth, stood at Opechee Park, Laconia, from Sept. 23, 1984 until July 1, 2019, when it disintegrated. (Photo, taken April 7, 2017, courtesy of W. Stephen Loughlin, whose video of the dedication ceremony, Sept. 23, 1984, can be viewed at <https://tinyurl.com/yc85mfua>)



... AND NOW

The base remains, awaiting installation of a 3D copy of the original. Click [here](#) to read "Defiant One falls, is copied, awaits restoration." New Laconia Middle School, opened September 2, 2008, replacing the 1961 Memorial Middle School in earlier photo. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



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](#).



**It's a sure sign of spring!
The Winter Parking Ban has
now been lifted.**

Thank you for your cooperation this past winter to allow our Public Works crews to more easily plow the streets and keep us all safe.



**LACONIA'S
SPRING
CLEAN-UP DAY**
Saturday
May 4, 2024
7am – 1 pm

**FREE - BRING YOUR DISCARDS TO THE
TRANSFER STATION ON MEREDITH
CENTER ROAD, LACONIA.
RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLDS ONLY. NO
COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES OR
HAULERS. Proof of Residency Will
Be Required.**

To help minimize wait times, the City recommends that residents use the following schedule when coming to the Transfer Station:

TIME	FIRST LETTER OF LAST NAME
7 to 9 am	A through and including G
9 to 11 am	H through and including N
11am to 1pm	O through and including Z

ACCEPTABLE: APPLIANCES, WATER HEATERS, FURNITURE, BEDS, PLUMBING FIXTURES, BAGGED LEAVES, DEMOLITION LUMBER, AUTO TIRES
(limit 6 tires per customer).

NOT ACCEPTABLE: AUTO TAILPIPES, MUFFLERS, RADIATORS, ENGINES, BATTERIES, HAZARDOUS WASTES, PAINTS OR SOLVENTS.

Electronic Waste WILL NOT be accepted free of charge at this event. E-Waste normal fees for disposal will apply.

Questions?

Please call Public Works at
603-528-6379.



DOWNTOWN GYM &
TRAINING CENTER PRESENTS...

Spring Fling!

Ticket info [here!](#)

Friday, May 31st | 7-10pm
Dancing, Nibbles & Cash Bar
\$25 admission

All proceeds benefit the
Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction

**DWN
TWN** DOWNTOWN GYM
TRAINING CENTER
WHERE YOU TRAIN FOR LIFE!

Scan the QR code to the right to register
DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM
603-581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH



Government

Budget

*The City Manager
presented an overview of
the proposed 2024/2025
Fiscal Year budget to the
City Council at their meeting
on April 22, 2024.
Individual departments will
present their budgets on the
following dates:*

May 13, 6pm: School Department
May 20, 6pm: Parks & Rec and Library
May 28, 6pm: Water, Planning and Code
June 3, 6pm: Police, Public Works and Fire
June 10, 6pm: Finance and Administration

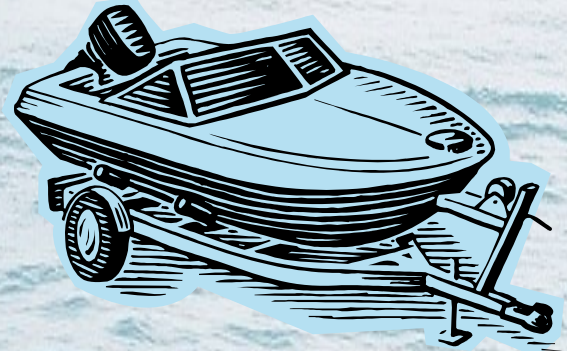
All meetings are open to the public and we encourage and appreciate your questions and comments. Meetings are held in City Hall in the Armand A. Bolduc Council Chamber. We hope to see you there!

Please click [here](#) to view the budget on our website.

News

From the City
Clerk's Office

It's Not Too Early to Get Your 2024 Boat Registration!



Did you know you can process your boat registration at the same time as you conduct other business at City Hall?

It's easy and convenient! Just bring in your photo identification and prior year's registration (if you have it) and we can get the paperwork out of the way so you will be ready to put your boat in the water!

No waiting for your registration to be mailed back to you! Get it done early and conveniently at the City Clerk's Office. We are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

****Please make checks payable to
City of Laconia****

**In accordance with RSA 270-E:5, II (c) an
additional \$5 will be collected for each
registration processed as an
authorized agent .**



**Questions?
Please call the City
Clerk's office at
603-527-1265.**



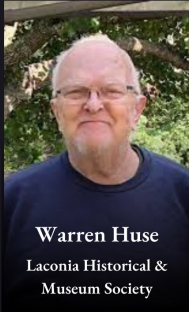


Ask the Historian

For more information visit laconiahistory.com

Get your burning questions about Laconia's history answered by our local historical experts!

**Special appearances by or support from other local historical experts may occur.*



Warren Huse
Laconia Historical & Museum Society



Ginger Ryan
Lakeport Freight House Museum



Robert Ames
Webmaster
WeirsBeach.com

Submit your inquiries via Facebook on the LHMS page or email your question to lhmslpl@metrocast.net with subject line *My Burning Question* until July 1st.

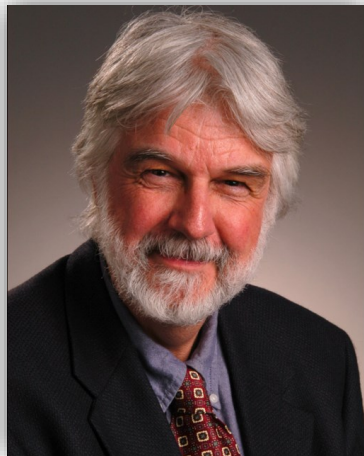
All responses to the questions will be recorded by Alan MacRae and will be broadcasted on the Society's social media channels and other platforms, starting August 2024.

The Laconia Historical & Museum Society invites the Laconia community to submit their most burning questions about the people, places, and events that have shaped Laconia's story. LHMS is bringing together three experienced historians of Laconia history for a year-long program, *Ask the Historian* to answer these questions.

Warren Hues, Ginger Ryan, and Robert Ames will accept questions through June 2024.

Community members can submit inquiries via Facebook on the LHMS page or email questions to lhmslpl@metrocast.net with the subject line *My Burning Question* until July 1st. All questions are welcome, and more than one question is encouraged!

All responses to the questions will be recorded by Alan MacRae and will be published on the Society's social media channels and other platforms, starting August 2024. If you have any inquiries regarding this program or other LHMS activities, please contact the Society through lhmslpl@metrocast.net or call 603-527-1278.



Holocaust Remembrance Day Program

In observance of Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day, Temple B'nai Israel, the Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia, the Congregational Church of Laconia, and the Laconia Human Rights Committee are proud to present a program to promote the importance of speaking out against injustice. The program will feature a screening of the acclaimed documentary "Defying the Nazis: The Sharps' War," followed by a question-and-answer session led by Dr. Larry Benaquist.

The community is invited to come together on **Saturday, May 4th, at 1:00 pm** at the Congregational Church of Laconia, located at 18 Veterans Square in downtown Laconia (across from the train depot). This marks the second year the Congregational Church has hosted a Yom HaShoah event for the community.

"Defying the Nazis: The Sharps' War," sheds light on the heroic efforts of Unitarian Minister Waitstill Sharp and his wife Martha. The Sharps, from Wellesley, Massachusetts, risked their lives to save countless Jews and refugees fleeing Nazi persecution across Europe. The film, which premiered on PBS in 2016, was produced by legendary filmmaker Ken Burns and Artemis Joukowsky, III, and is based on the book by Joukowsky, grandson of the Sharps.

Following the documentary screening, a question-and-answer session will be led by Larry Benaquist, Ph.D. Dr. Benaquist is an Emeritus Professor of Film Studies at Keene State College, where he founded the film studies program and played a key role in establishing the Holocaust and Genocide Studies major. He also has extensive experience teaching courses related to film and the Holocaust. Dr. Benaquist played a significant role in the production of "Defying the Nazis," contributing his expertise and research. His personal experience and insights will add a unique dimension to the program.

Light refreshments will be served during the Q&A session. All are welcome to attend this free community program.





GET INVOLVED WITH ELECTIONS YOUR WARD NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

Current Openings for the upcoming Elections:
Supervisor of the Checklist: (Register New Voters)

Ward 2

Selectmen: (Assist Moderator, Count Ballots)

Ward 2

Ward 5

Ballot Clerks: (Check in Voters, Hand out Ballots)

Ward 2

Ward 5

Please contact the City Clerk as soon as possible for more information about these positions. Call the City Clerk's Office at 603-527-1265 or email cityclerk@laconianh.gov. Must be a registered voter and a resident of the Ward.

Ward 2 votes at the in the Gym at St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall at 31 Gilford Ave.

Ward 5 votes at the in the Gym at Woodland Heights Elementary School 225 Winter St.

2024 Election Dates & Polling Hours:

New Hampshire State Primary Election September 10, 2024, 7am-7pm

New Hampshire State General Election November 5, 2024, 7am-7pm



Belknap Mill Society Elects New Directors

The Belknap Mill Society recently elected two new directors. Alan MacRae, owner of Alan MacRae Photography, who has been a longtime supporter of the Mill: "As a Laconia native, the presence of the Belknap Mill has always been a part of my life. I'm honored to serve as a member of the board, working with the other directors to preserve this important piece of Laconia's history."

F. Andre Paquette, who was one of the first Belknap Mill directors in 1976, was also elected to the board this month: "It's an honor to be able to contribute to the role of this historical monument in the life of the Lakes Region and the State of New Hampshire." Board Chair Peter Ellis said, "It is a pleasure to welcome Alan and Andre to the Belknap Mill Board of Directors. Thank you for being willing to step forward and assume the responsibilities and dedication that is required of board members."

The Belknap Mill's mission is to preserve the Belknap Mill as a unique historic gathering place and to celebrate the Lakes Region's cultural heritage through the arts, education and civic engagement .



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KIDS' Fishing Derby

May 18, 2024

Hosted by Laconia Rod & Gun Club

Calling all kids 15 and under...

Bring your fishing pole, hooks, bobbbers and worms to Gunstock Ski Area Pond for this FREE event!

**8am to 1pm
BBQ Lunch Provided**

Pre-registration held on April 13th from 1-4pm

Laconia Rod & Gun function hall

358 South Main Street, Laconia (located next to Vista)

(Please follow the signs to the back door)

Contact Lisa at 455-6563 if you are unable to register on 4/13/24



"Many Voices,
United in Prayer"

10th Annual Lakes Region Interfaith National Day of Prayer Breakfast

Safe Shelter Feeds the Soul

Keynote Speakers: Asheena Miller, Lead Street Outreach Housing Specialist for CAPBM, Inc. and Detective Steve Orton, Master Patrol Officer for Laconia Police Department

Program Topic: Hope in Education - Strategies for Supporting Our Unsheltered Neighbors

WHEN

Thursday, May 2nd, 2024
from 7:30am to 9:30am

WHERE

St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall
31 Gilford Ave, Laconia, NH

7:30am

8:15am

9:30am

♦ Buffet Breakfast Begins

♦ Program Commences

♦ Program Concludes

TICKETS ARE \$15 EACH

To purchase your tickets: please contact your faith community, Chris Ray by phone (603) 528-2920 / by email crayjr@gmail.com, or stop by St. Andre Bessette Parish Office at 277 Union Ave, Laconia.



Proceeds from the breakfast will be donated to the Community Action Program of Belknap-Merrimack Counties (CAPBM), Inc.

The National Day of Prayer enables us to recall and teach the way in which our founding fathers sought the wisdom of God when faced with critical decisions. It stands as a call to us to humbly come before God, seeking God's guidance and God's grace upon us as people.

Lakes Region Interfaith Prayer Breakfast was started as a means of bringing together people of different backgrounds and affiliations to celebrate the blessings of the year, and join in inclusive fellowship for the spiritual renewal of community, state and nation.



FREE

Full Course Hot Meal

Wednesdays

5 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME!

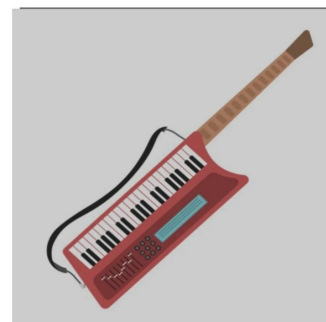
Hands Across The Table

St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall

31 Gilford Ave Laconia

PO Box 6553, Laconia, NH 03247
Email: handsacrosstt@gmail.com

BRIAN CONWAY



APRIL 27, 2024

6 PM POTLUCK

7 PM MUSIC STARTS

LACONIA VFW POST 1670

143 COURT ST

\$10 PER PERSON AT THE
DOOR



Monday, May 20, 2024
Laconia Country Club

Noon shotgun start

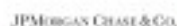
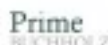
Proceeds from the Laconia Golf Classic will support emergency services in the Concord Hospital health system.



**SCAN QR CODE
or visit ch-trust.org
to register!**



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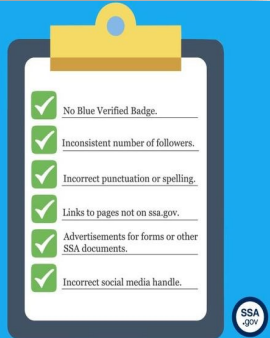


CITY HALL HOURS:
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Monday through Friday
(603) 527-1270

SENIOR RESOURCES

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

Can you
spot a
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imposter?



Beware of fake Social Security pages. Social Security will never ask for sensitive information through social media as these channels are not secure.

Social Security does not conduct business

through direct messaging on WhatsApp/Facebook messenger/text messaging or Instagram. Click [here](#) to learn more about how to spot an imposter social media account.



City Meetings

Week of:
April 29 - May 3

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:**

Electrical Aggregation Committee

April 30, 2024, 4:30 pm

Agenda

Special Events Review Committee

May 1, 2024, 12:00 noon

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
Codes Director Joe Gray	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
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	
Planning & Zoning	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director Rob Mora	
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
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

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