

May 17, 2024 - Edition #638

Don't miss the free public tour of the NH Veterans' Association Headquarters and campground on Lakeside Avenue this weekend! Details on [page five](#). (photo compliments of Warren Huse)



National Police Week is underway and ends Saturday, May 18th.



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.



As National Police Week comes to an end, let's take a moment to recognize the courageous individuals who risk their lives to safeguard our communities. We honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, may their memory always endure. For additional information on Police Week, please click [here](#).



New Hampshire
GOVERNOR CHRIS SUNUNU

*A message from Governor
Chris Sununu's office....*

"Each day, the men and women of New Hampshire's law enforcement community nobly answer the call to serve, knowing that as they go to work they put their lives on the line for the betterment and protection of our communities," said Governor Chris Sununu. "Thanks to their efforts, New Hampshire is ranked the #1 state in the country for public safety. There are no words to sufficiently convey our gratitude for their extraordinary commitment to the Granite State."

Please click on the image (right) to read the Governor's Proclamation.





MON 5/20

Sensory Storytime
@10am
(babies-6)

TUE 5/21

Drop-In Tech Help
@10am

Fiction Book Club
@10am

Lego Club @3:30pm
(ages 6-11)

WED 5/22

Toddler Time
@10am (babies-3)

Drop-In
Tech Help @2pm

Teen Art Club
@3:30pm
(ages 12-18)

THU 5/23

Preschool Pals
@10am
(ages 3-6)

FRI 5/24

Move & Groove
@10am (babies-6)

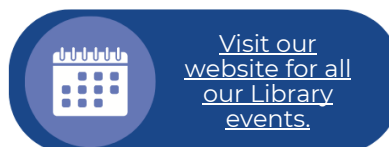
Guided Imagery
Meditation &
Journaling
@11am

Family Board Games
@3pm (families with
children)

SAT 5/25

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

Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!



Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-12:30 pm

Buttercream Floral Cupcakes with Chef Allen

Spring has sprung and flowers abound! In this cupcake decorating class you will learn the basics of buttercream flower piping, how to use a petal tip, flower nail, and tips and tricks to make your flowers the prettiest bouquet!

May
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2024

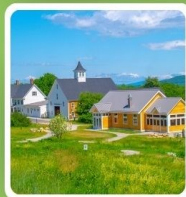


Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

14th Annual Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival is our most popular community event of the year, drawing over 500 people of all ages to our property for a day of fun on the farm. Admission to the public is free!

Sept
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2024



Saturday, 12-1pm (Must Register Beforehand)

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.

June
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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

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-1 pm

Card Weaving

Card or tablet weaving is a way to weave decorative strips of cloth without a loom. Participants will learn to read a card weaving pattern, set up their weaving, and begin weaving. All supplies will be provided, though participants wanting specific colors are welcome to bring their own yarn (contact us for what yarn types will work best).

May
18
2024



Saturday, 1-3 pm

Foraging and Cooking Wild Dandelions

This Vitamin A powerhouse is not just nutritious; it's also delicious! Learn how to gather and make dandelion leaf tea, sautéed dandelion greens, and kid-friendly, dandelion flower fritters.

May
18
2024



Wednesday, 5-6pm (Must Register Beforehand)

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June
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2024

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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



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**

Sponsored by



Sat. May 18, 7pm
Colonial Theatre, Laconia
Sun. May 19, 3pm
Inter-Lakes Auditorium, Meredith

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

GET THE LED OUT

A CELEBRATION OF "THE MIGHTY ZEP"



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IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
LACONIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM SOCIETY

NH VETERANS' ASSOCIATION TOUR



SATURDAY, MAY 18TH 1:00PM

From its establishment following the Civil War to today, as the oldest continuous veterans' association in the United States, learn the unique and interesting history of the NH Veterans' Association and how they utilize this campus today.

This event is free and open to the community.
For more information contact Fred Merrill at fredx@metrocast.net

208 Lakeside Ave, Laconia

603 568-5183

<https://nhva.site/>



Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



Friday, May 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.

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

Sponsored by
caring neighbors.



988
is Always
Here to Help

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE

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 603-524-8000 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.

Resident Beach Stickers!



Resident beach stickers for Bond Beach or Weirs Beach are now available at the City Clerk or Tax Collector offices! Two stickers per household, \$15 each (or \$25 for two if purchased at the same time). Please bring your vehicle registration with you.

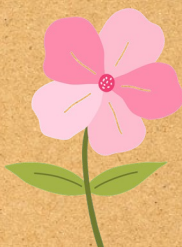
A beach pass will allow you to use Bond Beach (the City's resident and taxpayer-only beach), and to park at Weirs Beach parking lot for free, provided there is space available.

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



**Curbside recycling
will be picked
up the week of
May 20!**

**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**



BINGO NIGHT

Join us for our first-ever
Community Night as we
kick off our **NH Gives**
fundraising efforts!

LET US KNOW YOU'LL BE
JOINING US, SCAN HERE:

TUESDAY, JUNE 11TH | DOORS OPEN 6 PM
96 DANIEL WEBSTER HWY UNIT 11
BELMONT, NH 03220

CONTACT NHGIVES@603UNITED.ORG WITH ANY QUESTIONS

\$5 AT THE DOOR

VFW Auxiliary Post 1670

Laconia, 143 Court St
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

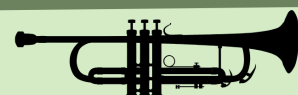
THE TALL GRANITE BIG BAND

MAY 25, 2024

POTLUCK WELCOME AT 6 PM
BAND STARTS @ 7 PM
\$10 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

*This 18 piece band is based in Concord, and is
dedicated to Swing and danceable jazz!*

To Benefit Laconia VFW Post 1670





Parenting with Resilience

Learn about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE's) and how trauma can effect children's development and behavior.

Caregivers will learn strategies to persevere through tough times, as well as techniques for encouraging resilience in children.

HYBRID COURSE

Participants can choose to attend in person at our office at 719 North Main St. Laconia, NH OR virtually via Zoom

When: Wednesday evenings 6:30-8pm

6-week series begins May 22, 2024

Register at: www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration

Or email tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6:00pm and on-site childcare *may be available* if reserved at the time of registration, space is limited.

 **FAMILY RESOURCE
CENTER**

Engage. Empower. Inspire.



The Linden
Foundation



WHAT IF I NEED LONG-TERM CARE?

Long-term care (LTC) refers to a range of services and support that help you perform everyday activities. LTC may include medical care, therapy, 24-hour care, personal care, and custodial care (homemaker services). Medicare usually does not cover LTC services. However, if you need care, there are other organizations and forms of insurance you can try.

Medicaid is a state and federal program that provides health coverage if you have a limited income. Medicaid will pay for nursing home care. Benefits also coordinate with Medicare.

Long-term care insurance (LTC) generally covers nursing home stays, limiting your health care costs. However, it can be costly and requires good health for certain policies.

An **Area Agency on Aging** may be able to provide information and assistance to connect you with services in your area.

Faith-based organizations and charities may offer services, financial assistance, and/or referrals to other organizations in your area.



Local senior centers may have programs that can deliver meals, provide transportation and shopping assistance, and offer case management. To find senior centers in your area, call your local AAA.

Geriatric care managers are health and human services professionals who work privately with you and your family to create a plan of care that meets your needs.

State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs) can help you understand your Medicare coverage, including when Medicare will cover skilled nursing care services and hospice.



SHIP

State Health Insurance
Assistance Program

shiphelp.org 877-839-2675

LACONIA HOUSING

Laconia Housing will be holding its' next Board Meeting on Thursday, May 23rd, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

The Zoom invite link to join is on our website at:

www.laconiahousing.org/board-info

Questions? Please call us at: 603-524-2112

Mark Your Calendars:

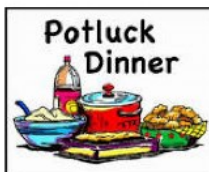
VFW Auxiliary Post 1670

Laconia, 143 Court St

Friday, June 7th – 6pm



Come Join us for a Night of Fun!!



We will be offering a Potluck for all of you that join us



Chef Mark will have the Kitchen open with amazing food too!



Queen of Hearts drawing will be at 7pm



~Raising money for our Veteran & Community Projects~

“Thank you so much for your Support”

craft fair

May 18th 2024
from 11am to 4pm
at The VFW
143 Court St. Laconia, NH

entry
Free

Crafts - Food - Fun- Raffles
Direct Sales-Fine Art - House Decor
Plush Items - Sweet Treats

ALL PROCEEDS FROM RAFFLES GOES TO
THE VFW AUXILIARY POST 1670

Email Dragnflyevents@gmail.com for more info



This Skin Cancer Prevention Month, learn how to get the most protection from your sunscreen, presented by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

- Apply it 15 minutes before you head outside with a broad spectrum at least SPF 15.
- Reapply every 2 hours and more frequently if you've been swimming, sweating or toweling off.

Find more tips [here!](#)

Preparing for Future Health Care Needs

PREPARE DOCUMENTS FOR YOUR FUTURE HEALTH CARE NEEDS.

Many people assume that their family members would automatically be able to make decisions about medical treatments if they were to become incapacitated. However, rules vary greatly from state to state:

- Your family may have to go through a costly and time-consuming court process to get the legal right to make medical decisions for you.
- Your family members may disagree on who should make medical decisions on your behalf.
- Someone unfamiliar with your preferences may be placed in charge of your treatment choices.

Here are different types of documents that can help you prepare for your future health care needs:



A **living will** is a written record of the type of medical care you would want in specified circumstances.



A **health care proxy** is a document that names someone you trust as your proxy, or agent, to express your wishes and make health care decisions for you if you're unable to speak for yourself.



An **advance directive** often refers to a combination of the living will and health care proxy documents. If you have an advance directive, be sure to give those documents to the hospital each time you are admitted.



A **power of attorney** is a document that names someone you trust as your agent to make property, financial, and other legal decisions on your behalf.

Take Action:

1. Prepare documents for your future health care needs. Consider a health care proxy, living will, advance directive, and power of attorney.
2. Discuss the contents of any future care documents with your family members, your health care providers, and anyone else you feel should know.
3. Contact your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) for help with Medicare coverage.



SHIP
State Health Insurance
Assistance Program

BOLDUC PARK Youth DAY



You're invited to play golf and disc golf FOR FREE!
You must be 8 years old or up and kids under 14
MUST be accompanied by an adult!



09 JUNE

1PM - 3PM

BOLDUC PARK

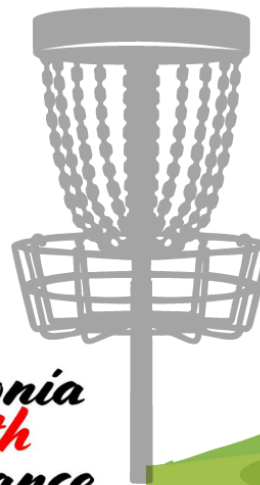
282 Gilford Avenue on the
Laconia/ Gilford Town Line

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Email name, phone number, and email
to jvano@ppnh.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call Bolduc Park at 603-524-1370



Laconia
Youth
Alliance



Laconia Multicultural Festival

**Laconia Multicultural Festival Presents
Dogs From Around The World**

As part of the International Flag Parade

Join us on Saturday September 7th in downtown
Laconia at 10:00 am to celebrate our international canine family
members!

Registration/release forms attached.
Questions please contact Ann Saltmarsh at

saltmarsh2@comcast.net

To register online, please visit the Laconia Multicultural Festival website:
<http://laconiamulticulturalfestival.org>

Meet at the Bank of New Hampshire Parking Lot at 9:30 am. Parade route goes
from parking lot to Pleasant Street to Hanover Street and down Beacon Street
East to Rotary Park.

Only hard 6'-8' leashes allowed. NO RETRACTABLE LEASHES.
Dogs must be under owner control at all times.

PLEASE be courteous and be sure to clean up after your dog. Thank you!



This year's Multicultural Festival will be here
before you know it! And again this year you won't
want to miss the "Dogs From Around The World"
parade as part of the International Flag Parade.

We are looking for participants and their furry
friends - if you have questions, please contact
Ann Saltmarsh at saltmarsh2@comcast.net.

To register online, please visit the Laconia
Multicultural Festival website [here](#).

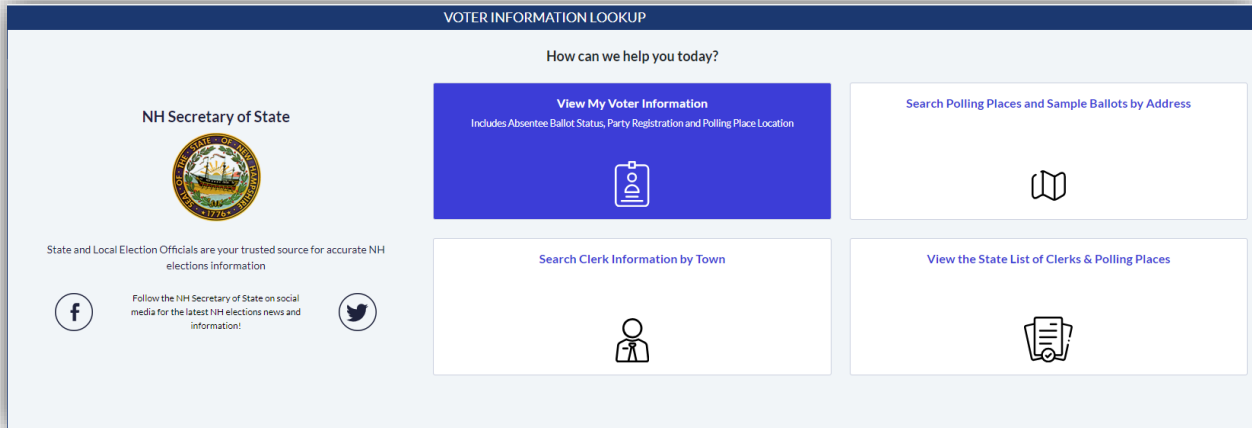
Registration and release forms are available as
shown below:

[Registration Form](#)
[Release Form](#)

We hope you can join us!

Election News

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



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



At the May 13, 2024 Laconia City Council meeting Mayor Hosmer presented a Proclamation declaring May as Mental Health Month in the City of Laconia. Shown (left) is Maggie Pritchard, CEO of Lakes Region Mental Health Center, accepting the Proclamation.



Please click on the image (left) to read the Proclamation in its entirety.





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 Wear your Kentucky derby hat day! 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-Foot and Blood pressure Clinic - Granite VNA *By Appointment* 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- Activities committee meeting</p>	<p>9 9:30-10:30am- <u>Mother's Day Brunch</u></p> <p>11:30am-Congregate meal</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- Franklin VNA blood pressure clinic 10:00- Strategic Caring Solutions Talk 11:30am-Congregate meal</p>	<p>17 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
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<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-Congregate meal 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>

TIME FOR LUNCH

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

Mental Health Awareness Month

LAKE REGION
COMMUNITY
SERVICES
Empower. Engage. Inspire.



May is Mental Health Awareness Month!

Join us in celebrating the importance of mental and behavioral health all May long. Mental health is a key component of individual and family strength and resilience. For more information about mental health resources, visit [naminh.org](https://www.naminh.org).

For help navigating your community's mental health resources, Family Resource Center staff are a good place to start; visit <https://www/lrcs.org/> to see how LRCS can support you!

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 ...

Union Avenue, Laconia, is seen in the early 1920s before construction of the Laconia High School (which would occupy space, off-photo at right). The first LHS building, at this location, opened 101 years ago, in 1923 and will shortly observe its 100th graduation exercises. The large frame structure at extreme left still exists, serving a number of businesses. Until October 1925, trolley cars of the Laconia Street Railway traveled this stretch of Union Avenue, providing service from the South End to The Weirs. (Laconia Public Library)



... AND NOW

The houses in the earlier view occupied what is now the front lawn, entrance drive (an extension of Dewey Street) and semi-circular bus loading area. The white building at left is the Vaillancourt Block, built in 1924 as a bakery. Off-photo, to the right of the original High School building, are the so-called 'Practical Arts Building' (opened in 1936) and the most recent building (2013) of the J. Oliva Huot Career and Training Center, which had opened in the earlier buildings in 1983. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)

DOWNTOWN GYM &
TRAINING CENTER PRESENTS...

Spring Fling!

Friday, May 31st | 7-10pm
Dancing, Nibbles & Cash Bar
at the Conference Center
on Blueberry Lane
\$25 admission

All proceeds benefit the
Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction

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TWN** THE 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

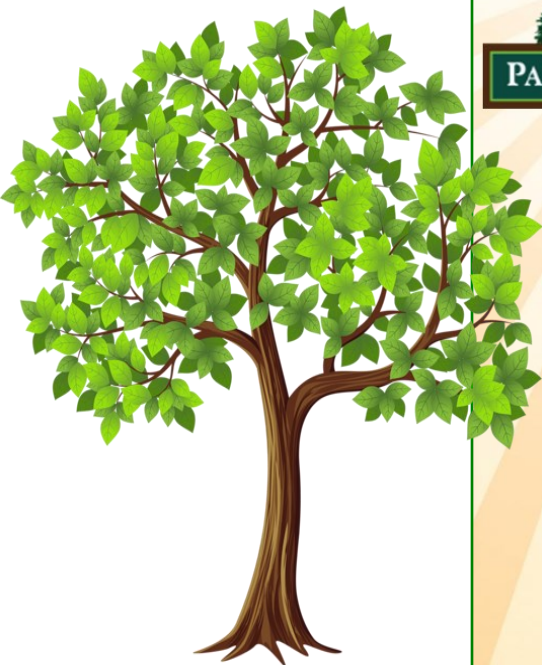


The City Manager presented an overview of the proposed 2024/2025 Fiscal Year budget to the City Council at their meeting on April 22, 2024.

Individual departments will present their budgets as follows:

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

All meetings are open to the public and we encourage and appreciate your input. 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.



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 parks@laconianh.gov for an application.

EOE/ADA



FOR RELEASE - May 14, 2024

The 2024-25 School District budget was presented to the City Council last night by the School Board Chairperson Jennifer Anderson, Superintendent Steve Tucker, Assistant Superintendent Amy Hinds, and Business Administrator Diane Clary. Educational Assistants of Laconia (EAL) President Kelley Couture joined our team to provide information about the EAL contract, which is included in next year's budget. The budget was passed by the School Board on May 7th with a goal of supporting the strategic goals that focus on Academics (including literacy, teaching and learning, and assessment), Student and Staff Wellness, and Community Resources and Engagement. [Please see this link to the School District's budget presentation.](#)



Pictured above is EAL President Kelley Couture presenting the City Council information about the new collective bargaining agreement.

The City Council (pictured below) took action on three (3) agenda items that directly impact schools in a positive way last night:

1. Approval of a **new, 3-year EAL agreement** to support our paraprofessionals, speech assistants, administrative assistants, registered behavior technicians (RBTs), and secretaries.
2. Approval to use \$2.3 million in reserves of the school district to continue **Phase 2 of the Laconia High School construction project**, which includes renovating the locker rooms and adding ventilation to the Math Wing of the 1936 building. The current project includes ventilating the 1923 building, upgrading and individualizing the bathrooms, and renovating the kitchen where food is served to our students at LHS.
3. Approval for the development of a **plan to pay retention bonuses to city employees**, including those who work for the Laconia School District.



These are exciting developments that will have a positive impact on students, staff, families, and the wider school community in Laconia that were made possible by the collective effort of the staff, administration, our School Board, and the City Council.

Have a great night!

JOIN US AT
LAKES REGION MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
40 BEACON ST. E, LACONIA

OPEN HOUSE & ART WALK

THURSDAY
MAY 23, 2024
6-8PM

**7:00 PM: MAYOR HOSMER
ON "THE IMPORTANCE OF
COMMUNITY"**

WITH SUPPORT OF THE LACONIA HUMAN
RELATIONS COMMITTEE &

ENDOWMENT
for Health



Soft Plastics and Styrofoam Recycling & Pet Food Collection Saturday, June 22nd

The Universalist Unitarian Society of Laconia, together with the Laconia-Gilford Lions Club, is collecting clean soft plastics and Styrofoam in front of the church at 172 Pleasant Street in Laconia from 11am until 1pm on Saturday, June 22 (NOT May 18 as originally planned). Dog and cat food will also be collected for the Community Action Food Pantry.

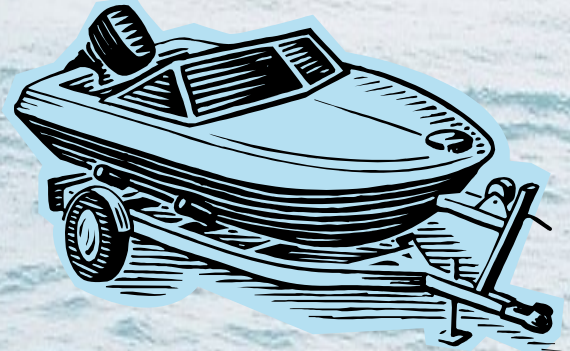
To help our neighbors and our environment, please bring the clean soft plastics (and Styrofoam) you've been saving for proper repurposing. We are grateful for your continuing enthusiasm to remove plastics from landfills and in support of our efforts to help one another!

thank you

News

From the City
Clerk's Office

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



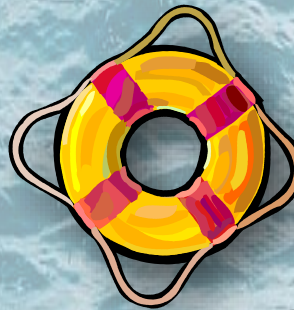
Did you know you can process your boat registration at the same time as you conduct other business at City Hall?

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.**



BICYCLE SAFETY



In honor of Bicycle Safety Month, the Laconia Police Department emphasizes the significance of helmet use.

Every bike ride should begin with putting on a helmet. But it's equally important that you ensure a proper fit so your helmet can best protect you.

Size can vary between manufacturers, and it may take time to ensure a proper helmet fit, but your life is worth it. It's usually easier to look in the mirror or have someone else adjust the straps.

Have a safe summer!



**Kiwaniis
LACONIA**



Bike 'n' Board Safety Day

Saturday, May 18th 10:30a-12:30p
Laconia Skate Park Parking Lot

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, Skill & Practice Stations, raffle and more!



This is not a school sponsored event

— DAVID CLARK'S — ALL ABOUT JOEL

BILLY JOEL TRIBUTE
SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024

INTER-LAKES COMMUNITY AUDITORIUM, MEREDITH



LIVE PERFORMANCE AT 7:30 PM

BENEFIT FOR

THE LAKES REGION FOOD PANTRY

Lakes Region Food Pantry Event Sponsors



TICKETS JUST
\$40
TBINH.ORG

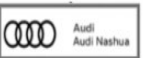


OR IN PERSON AT

- *Innisfree Booksellers
Meredith & Laconia
- *Cackleberries Garden Shop
Meredith
- *The Thrift Shop
Moultonborough



Event Sponsors



CAN'T ATTEND?

You can still support
the Lakes Region Food Pantry.
Donate tickets to First Responders.
Visit tbinh.org



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

lrnhc.org

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



Seeking

VOLUNTEERS

Hi!



Laconia High School

LHS is looking for community members willing to engage in conversations with high schoolers about community.

When

May 23rd & 24th
8:00-8:30
9:15-9:45
1:15-1:45



What

Be interviewed by a small group of 9th graders for about 30 minutes. Share life experiences with each other.



Email
sdea@
laconiaschools
.org

Join us at the Belknap Mill!

BELKNAP MILL FIBER ARTS CIRCLE

**2ND TUESDAY
OF THE MONTH
1PM-4PM**



Bring your projects!
25 Beacon Street East



**4TH SATURDAY
OF THE MONTH
10AM-1PM**



BELKNAP MILL FAMILY CRAFT DAY

**SATURDAY
MAY 18TH
10AM-1PM
DROP IN**



FUN FOR ALL AGES

Introduction to Garment Knitting on Sat. afternoons begins in June at the Belknap Mill. Knit a short sleeve top using authentic Belknap Mill yarn! Basic knitting skills needed such as casting on, knitting, purling, knitting in the round on circular needles, and binding off.

To register visit: belknapmill.org/classes





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

VOTE FOR
COLONIAL THEATRE - LACONIA

FOR BEST LIVE THEATER VENUE

Voting for Union
Leader's Readers'
Choice is open!
Vote for Colonial
Theatre - Laconia for
Best Live Theater
Venue to show your
support! Voting through
May 21.
Vote here!



NH
GIVES

JOIN
US!

JUNE 11-12TH
5PM - 5PM

NHGIVES.ORG #NHGIVES

Our 4 step process
to help us during
NH Gives



1

Find us on NH Gives and select fundraiser & Become a fundraiser for 603 United

2

Click "Manage Profile" at the top of the following page. You'll be directed to GiveGab - this is the same log-in that you just created from NH Gives

3

Personalize your fundraising page! Make it unique! Add photos, tell your story for why you support and believe in 603 United

4

SHARE! Post on your social media, email, text, and blast your personal link to meet your goal!

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING TO
HELP US DURING NH GIVES

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT
NHGIVES@603UNITED.ORG



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **May 28, 2024** 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:

ORDINANCE 2024-194-24 (1) – AMENDING CHAPTER 194, SOLID WASTE ARTICLE III, DUMP AND DISPOSAL FEES

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



THE HOST OF



Jimmy Failla

NOVEMBER 23
THE COLONIAL THEATRE

COLONIALLAACONIA.COM



BELKNAP MILL'S
ARTS IN THE PARK
Summer Concert Series

FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH
NORTH RIVER BAND
6PM-8PM
ROTARY PARK

Founding Sponsor Laconia Putnam Fund

City of Laconia

Laconia City Hall
45 Beacon St. East
Laconia, NH 03246
www.laconianh.gov
info@laconianh.gov



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.

NCOA's BenefitsCheckUp Can Help



Visit BenefitsCheckUp.org

Millions of older adults miss out on saving money through benefits programs simply because they don't apply.

The National Council on Aging can help you get more information! Just click on the image (left).



City Meetings

Week of:
May 20 - May 24

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:**

City Council - Finance Subcommittee
May 20, 2024, 5:00 pm

Water Commission
May 20, 2024, 5:30 pm
Agenda

City Council Budget Presentation - Parks and Rec and Library
May 20, 2024, 6:00 pm

Zoning Board of Adjustment
May 21, 2024, 6:30 pm

Downtown TIF District Advisory Board
May 22, 2024, 9:00 am
Agenda

City Council - Government Operations & Ordinances Subcommittee
May 22, 2024, 2:30 pm

City Council - Public Works Subcommittee
May 24, 2024, 2:30 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
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:
citycouncil@laconianh.gov

Visit the City's website at:
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