



November 8, 2024 - Edition #661

*The magic of Christmas Village will be here soon!
(see details on page 21)*



I VOTED.



A sincere thank you to all of our election officials, poll workers, and voters for a huge turnout and another safe and successful election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

A special thank you to the Laconia Parks and Recreation Department for delivering and setting up the polls as well as the City's IT Department and the School Department for the use of their facilities as polling places. Thanks also to Laconia Police for monitoring the polls, and to the staff in the City Clerk's Office for all of their help with the election.

Without all of you, the election last week would not have been as successful as it was.

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

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.



Mark your calendars!

**FALL
LEAF COLLECTION**

**The next Fall Leaf Collection is
scheduled for the week of
November 11 - November 15, 2024.**

**During that week the City's contractor
will pick up an additional 10 bags of
leaves on your normal trash day. All
leaves must be in paper compost bags.**

**Please note that the leaf collection will be
done by a separate truck, not the normal trash
collection truck. Questions? Please call the
Department of Public Works at (603) 528-6379.**

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 11/11

Library Closed - Veteran's Day

MULTI**TUE 11/12**

Death Café @10am - tea, coffee, dessert and discussion.

ADULT**TUE 11/12**

Teen Craft @3:30pm - Fall leaf votive jars!

TEEN**TUE 11/12**

Lego Club @3:30pm - best for ages 6-12.

KIDS**WED 11/13**

Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 3 and under.

KID**WED 11/13**

Mystery Book Group @4pm - "Mother-Daughter Murder Night"

ADULT**THU 11/14**

Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3 -6.

KID**THU 11/14**

Talk: The Abduction of Betty and Barney Hill @6pm

MULTI**MON 11/18**

Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.

KID**TUES 11/19**

Fiction Book Group @10am - "Welcome to the Hyunam-dong Bookshop"

ADULT

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<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](#)

Visit our
website for all
our Library
events.

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-2 pm Preregistration Required
\$40 (Non-Members); \$25 for Members

Handmade Holiday Pies

- Homemade pies reminiscent of grandma's start with fresh, seasonal ingredients and are baked from scratch. Participants will first learn how to make your own pie crust, then learn the secrets of fruit and custard-filled pies. Bring your two pies home to enjoy or freeze them to share during the upcoming holidays! Participants should bring a bag lunch for this 4 hour class.

Nov
23
2024



Saturday, 1-4 pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members

Holiday Wreath Making

- Wreaths made from natural greenery are traditionally festive at this time of year. Learn a little about the history and symbolism of wreaths while you make and decorate your very own using natural materials.

Nov
30
2024



Saturday 10 am-12pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members

Yule Log & Nature Ornament Making

- Interested in the natural beauty of the season? Join us as we craft yule logs and beautiful ornaments using nature's bounty. Yule logs were traditionally decorated and burned at celebrations of the Winter Solstice. Today they're often used as holiday decorations signifying the season of lights. Decorate your own yule log and other nature ornaments and let it be part of your family's tradition in any way that works for you!

Dec
7
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 \$35 (Non-Members); \$20 for Members

Intermediate Soapmaking: Layered Soap

- Learn how to safely make your very own soap using the cold process and add some variety by creating layers using different colors, scents, and textures. Each participant will take home about 10 bars of seasonally scented soap to enjoy.

Nov
9
2024



Saturday, 10 am-12 pm Preregistration Required
\$35 (Non-Members); \$20 for Members

Holiday Yeast Breads

- The flavors of the holidays shine in seasonal sweetbreads. Join us in our teaching kitchen as we learn about baking yeast-raised sweetbreads and create a traditional holiday loaf of your own to take home and finish in your own oven.

Nov
16
2024



Saturday, 1-3 pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members

Felted Soap

- Join us as we encase bars of soap with decorative felted wool packages that you can keep for yourself or give as gifts. The felted wool conserves the soap and makes a nice lather. In this class participants will felt three to four bars of soap brought from home using colorful wool to make their own designs. **Note: This program does not include making the soap. Bring 3-4 bars of soap from home or bring your own homemade soap from a previous soapmaking class at Prescott Farm!**

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16
2024

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American Red Cross CPR/AED Class @ The Downtown Gym!



Saturday, November 9th, 2024:
10:30am-12:00pm

Adult & Pediatric CPR/AED

Participants will be trained how to recognize emergencies, contact EMS, demonstrate how to check a responsive or unresponsive victim, how to care for an adult with a breathing/choking emergency and care for them if in cardiac arrest. 2 hours e-learning on your own time. 1.5 hours of skill time at Downtown Gym. 2 year certification.

Price: \$70.00 payable the day of class (cash, check or Venmo)

Please pre- register with Anna by November 1st, 2024:
aswanson@pbhha.org



Gilford Community Church Hosts November Gals' Night Out

The Gilford Community Church is hosting their next "Gals' Night Out" on Friday, November 15, 2024, at 6pm. This month's program will feature a discussion about the Titanic with Linda Barry, along with a delicious dinner catered by Ellie Murphy. Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased in the church office.

Linda Barry lives in Gilford and has been pondering the tale of the Titanic for much of her life. "A marine disaster of epic proportions. The story of the Titanic lives on, over a century after its sinking. And why does it continue to grip our imagination and attention? Many tales of disaster result in most dying OR rescuers arrive and most are saved. The Titanic was a mix: 1500 died and 700 lived. On November 15th, we will step back in time and reflect on the passing of an age through Titanic's story," said Barry.

Located in Gilford at 19 Potter Hill Rd, the Gilford Community Church (GCC) is an inclusive, open community that welcomes believers and doubters, seekers and skeptics, young and old. Viewable live on YouTube, Sunday service at GCC takes place at 10 a.m. To learn more about GCC, or virtually attend service, visit gilfordcommunitychurch.org.

DISTRACTED DRIVING

CAN BE DEADLY —
DEER OR NO DEER.



You never know what might cross your path. Eyes on the road. Hands on the wheel. **All. The. Time.**



Drilling and Blasting

Drilling and Blasting Permit Notice

As a courtesy to the public, we will be publishing blasting and drilling permits that have been issued by the Fire Department.

1. A blasting permit has been issued to Maine Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid until November 18th, for drilling and blasting at 800 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH.

Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours. Please see below for the horn codes:

3 long horns—5 minutes until the blast
2 long horns—2 minutes until the blast
1 long horn—All clear to proceed

Please direct any concerns you may have to Maine Drilling and Blasting at 1-800-370-2338.



Charles Dickens **A Christmas Carol**

Read by Cedric Flower

**TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 10TH**

6:00 PM

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH OF
LAKEPORT
23 PARK ST, LACONIA



Immerse yourself in the joyful spirit of the holiday season with a special reading performance of this cherished Christmas classic.



CHARLES DICKENS ~ A CHRISTMAS CAROL

Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00PM

The Laconia Historical & Museum Society and the United Baptist Church of Lakeport, invite you to immerse yourself in the joyful spirit of the holiday season with a special reading performance of this cherished Christmas classic.

Tickets available:

<https://www.zeffy.com/.../0a2125a9-e3e4-480c-8be0...>



November is
**National Diabetes
Awareness Month**

Click [here](#) for the American Diabetes Association website

**Fall into
a NEW
CAREER**
by attending our
**Regional
Virtual
Job Fairs!**



Employers and
Job Seekers must
register to attend

<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>



BE THE BADGE

APPLY NOW

SALARY RANGE:
\$64,438.30-\$97,843.29
*Certified officers start higher based on qualifications & experience

UP TO \$4,000 SIGN-ON BONUS

NATIONALLY ACCREDITED AGENCY

Are you ready to make a difference and take your law enforcement career to the next level? The Laconia Police Department is hiring dedicated individuals to join our force and be part of something truly impactful.

Starting Patrol Officer Salary Range: \$64,438 - \$97,843 *Certified officers start higher based on qualifications and experience.

BE THE BADGE and be part of our dedicated team making a real impact in the community. Visit <https://bit.ly/bethebadge> to apply now and start your rewarding career in the City of Laconia.

NOVEMBER IS
National Family Caregivers Month



Granite VNA

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

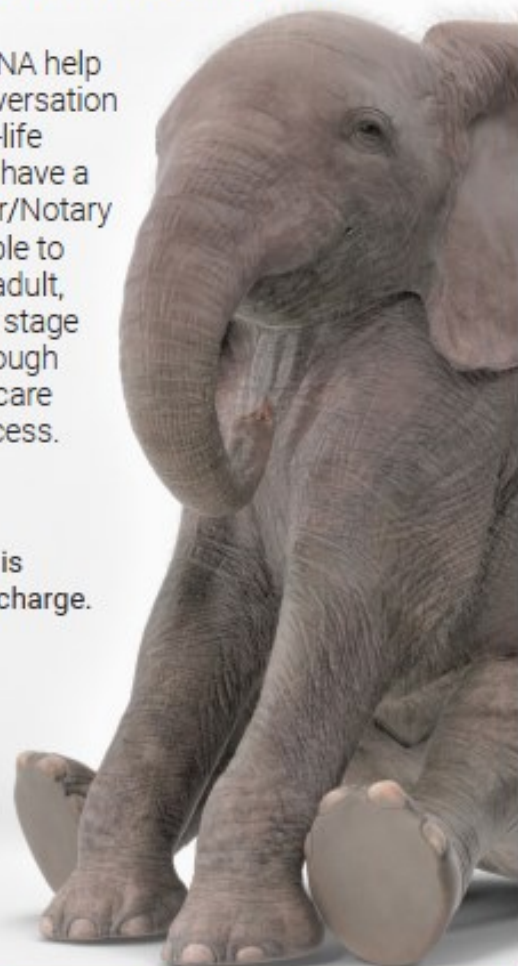
Let's Address the Elephant in the Room!

Walk-In Wednesday
Wednesday, November 20
10 a.m. - Noon

Granite VNA - Laconia
780 North Main Street

Let Granite VNA help start the conversation about end-of-life wishes. We'll have a Social Worker/Notary Public available to support any adult, at any age or stage of health, through the advance care planning process.

This program is offered at no charge.



For more information,
call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664
or visit www.granitevna.org/calendar.

FREE INFORMATION SESSION ON-LINE

Pollinator Gardens and Assessing/Planting on Contaminated Sites



Nov 18th from 2 to 2:45 PM

Zoom event

Information session for municipal staff, conservation organizations, and interested public on identifying and potential use of contaminated lots for pollinator plantings.

RSVP by Nov 17th Email: lisa.morin@nh.nacdnet.net

Once you register by email, a session link will be sent to you

If you call 603-527-5880 to register, please provide an email address.

Topics

Navigating NH DES One Stop Mapper to Id Contaminated Sites

Brownfields Testing and Assessing Assistance from Planning Commission

Pollinator Gardens – potential on contaminated sites

Presentations:

One-Stop Mapper- Contamination Sites

NH Dept of Environmental Services, Melinda Bubier

Brownfields Program Assistance for Lakes Region communities

Lakes Region Planning Commission, Matthew Rose

Pollinator Gardens and Xerces Society case-study

Xerces Society – USDA/NRCS , Catherine Coverdale



For more information:

Belknap County Conservation District

Call/Text 603-527-5880

Email: lisa.morin@nh.nacdnet.net

A joint program of the Belknap, Hillsborough, and Merrimack County Conservation Districts funded thorough the National Association of Conservation Districts.



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 November 12, 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 2024-235-81 AMENDING CHAPTER 235 ZONING RELATIVE TO ARTICLE XIII, ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT, § 235-81, DURATION OF PERMITS

Katie Gargano
City Clerk



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REQUEST TO APPROVE USING WEIRS TIF FUNDS TO REBUILD AND RECONFIGURE WEIRS DOCKS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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REQUEST TO MAKE HOWARD STREET ONE WAY AND NO PARKING ON ONE SIDE OF THE STREET

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **November 12, 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:

ELECTRIC AGGREGATION COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED CONSULTANT FOR COMMUNITY POWER

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

143 Court St. Laconia

8TH
NOVEMBER

VFW

MEAT RAFFLE

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
HOSTED BY THE POST
& AUXILIARY
KITCHEN OPEN

6PM, IN THE HALL



37th Annual Debra Bieniarz Award

Do you know someone in the community who has gone above and beyond for the youth in Laconia? If so, please consider nominating them for this year's Debra Bieniarz Award!!

Each year the Laconia City Council is proud to present this award to a resident of the City based on his/her outstanding service to the youth of our community. This award was established 37 years ago in memory of Police Officer Debra Bieniarz who served the City and its youth with devotion, dedication and distinction. In her honor it's time again to present this award to someone who, like late Officer Bieniarz, has selflessly, tirelessly and enthusiastically improved the lives of our younger generation.

Written nominations will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Friday, November 8, 2024. Please send nominations to the City Manager's Office, City of Laconia, 45 Beacon St. East, Laconia, NH 03246. Nominations may also be e-mailed to NBrown@laconianh.gov. There is no nomination form to fill out, just use your own words to describe what makes your nominee special to our community and its youth, and why they should be considered for this year's award. Please call (603) 527-1270 if you have any questions.

We look forward to hearing from you!



Joia Hughes, the City of Laconia's new Director of Economic Development and Housing, recently attended "Shop Talk" at the Hout Technical Center on Friday, November 1st.

Seniors in the construction and plumbing trades had the opportunity to meet with local contractors to ask questions, make valuable connections and seek apprenticeships.

It was exciting to see the next generation of skilled tradesmen start their careers in the Lakes Region!

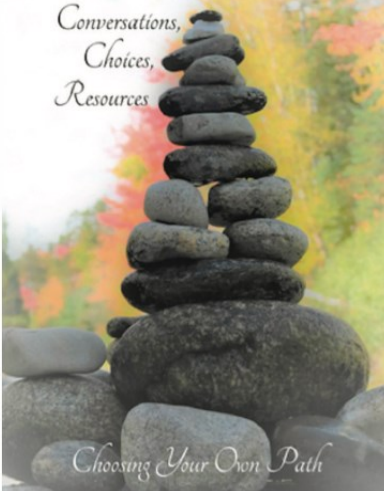
Please see the link below to the Facebook page for the Shop Talk event. There were 23 senior students in attendance from the Plumbing/HVAC and Construction programs and ten building related companies.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/15TpshPs82/>

Navigating Life's Final Journey, A Program on Finding the Way with Peace and Dignity

Navigating Life's Final Journey

*Conversations,
Choices,
Resources*



Choosing Your Own Path

Please invite family and friends to come!

Many of us plan ahead for big events, or to arrange our finances. But few people plan for the last stage of life. Have you given some thought to personal and necessary preparations for when the time arrives? Adults of all ages are invited to attend a free program to hear about this hard topic in a gentle, caring way, and gain vital insights on how to direct final care challenges and needs. The medical maze can often be confusing - come learn how to navigate this frequently overwhelming path with a sense of confidence.

Saturday, November 9th from 9:00am - 12:00pm

Gilford Community Church at 19 Potter Hill Road

Light refreshments provided.

Led by Patricia "Pat" O'Connor, Nurse Practitioner with 40 yrs experience in Palliative Medicine and Hospice.

More details about Pat are available at patocwriter.com

Hosted by Gilford Community Church & Wesley Woods - Homes in Gilford

RSVP to Melissa at Church Office by Wed, Nov. 6th

Phone: (603) 524-6057

Provide name, phone & number attending.



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**

**Curbside
recycling will
be picked up
the week of
Nov. 18!**

Nutcracker Christmas Fair

St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall (Gym)

31 Gilford Avenue (Sacred Heart Campus)

Friday, November 8, 2024 5 - 8 P.M.

Saturday, November 9, 2024 9 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

"O Christmas Tree"
Decorated Tree Raffle

"Snow Queen"
Raffle Table

"Fritz's Silent Auction"

"Home Sweet Home"
Pre-Owned
Items for the
Home

"Cookies To Go"

Homemade
Baked Goods

**FR. MARC'S
FAMOUS
PORK PIES**

"Sweet Treat"
Candy Shop

"Herr Drosselmeyer
Magical Surprise"
Theme Baskets

"Tchaikovsky's"
Jewelry Table

*The Story Book Café
Opens at 11:00 am*

Now Accepting MasterCard and Visa



Too much trash or recycling for your containers!

Residents of single-family homes, duplexes and triplexes can obtain additional containers from the City through the **Additional Container Program.**

Eligible residents for an annual fee can receive this service. The fee is for a calendar year. Residents can begin obtaining their service now although the first year's fee is for 2025.

The cost for the service for the first year is:

<i>Recycle only</i>	<i>Trash only</i>	<i>One set</i>
\$429.00	\$503.00	\$832.00

For more information call
Laconia Public Works at 603-528-6379



City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day



NHIAA Events to be held at Laconia High School's Bank of NH Stadium and LHS Gymnasium!

Laconia High School is honored to be hosting some NHIAA (New Hampshire Interscholastic Athletic Association) championship games.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us to cheer on the teams!

Friday, November 8

Division IV Soccer Championships
Girls: 5:00 pm Boys: 7:15 pm

Saturday, November 16

Football Div. IV State Championship,
1:00 pm

See you there!

Did you know?

A tasteless, odorless, and colorless gas called **radon** is the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers.

Get your **FREE** radon test kit and test your home today!



Radon is a tasteless, odorless, and colorless gas that can seep into your home.

It's also the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers.

This Lung Cancer Awareness month, test your home for radon! Request your **FREE** test kit today: <https://bit.ly/3HcmOaF>





2024

**NEW HAMPSHIRE FOOD BANK
MOBILE FOOD PANTRY**



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8 - LACONIA

12:00 - 2:00pm (while supplies last)

Lakes Region Community College, 379 Belmont Rd.

Please note: Food distributions take place on a **first-come, first-served** basis and are **while supplies last**.



FOR A LIST OF UPCOMING MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES, VISIT:
NHFOODBANK.ORG/MOBILE

HOW TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



WHO
did you see



WHAT
did you see



WHEN
you saw it



WHERE
it occurred



WHY
it's suspicious

**TO REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITIES**
and describe specifically what you observed.
If there is an emergency, call **9-1-1**.



"If You See Something, Say Something" used with permission of the NY Metropolitan Transportation Authority.



Service Line Inventory and Replacement Program Notice

New federal Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) were issued to all water systems across the United States, requiring a detailed inventory of all service lines and their materials by October 16th, 2024. Laconia Water submitted our inventory of all 6570 services, and determined which services would require further attention (see chart below).

Service Line Material Classification	Definition	Total Number of Service Lines (REQUIRED to be reported under the LCRR)
Lead	Any portion of the service line is known to be made of lead. ²	0
Galvanized Requiring Replacement (GRR)	The service line is not made of lead, but a portion is galvanized and the system is unable to demonstrate that the galvanized line was never downstream of a lead service line	57
Non-Lead	All portions of the service line are known NOT to be lead or GRR through an evidence-based record, method, or technique.	6,340
Lead Status Unknown	The service line material is not known to be lead or GRR. For the entire service line or a portion of it (in cases of split ownership), there is not enough evidence to support material classification.	173
	TOTAL	6,570

If you are an owner of a service line that is either unidentified, or needing replacement, you will receive a letter from Laconia Water Works containing more information. If you DO NOT receive a letter, this means that your service line is not requiring any further work at this time.

Our next course of action is to identify all unknown service materials, to then classify as needing replacement or acceptable as-is. Once all lines requiring replacement are identified, we will work with property owners to replace these lines before the federal requirement of 2037. For those owners with unknown lines or lines requiring replacement, sampling for lead is available to you at no cost. We would be happy to answer any questions and can be reached at the following:

Service Line Inquiries

Nicholas Schwarz
Project Manager
(603)524-0901
nschwarz@laconianh.gov

Lead Sampling Inquiries

Eric Messier
Water Quality Supervisor
(603)524-1096
emessier@laconianh.gov



CELEBRATING
125
YEARS



SEASON OF REMEMBRANCE

Join us in celebrating and remembering those close to you who have died by placing their name(s) on our online honor roll. The people you remember as part of **Season of Remembrance** need not have been part of the Granite VNA Hospice program, they only need to hold a special place in your heart.



Your donation to Granite VNA supports our hospice services and provides the means needed to serve all in our community regardless of a patient's ability to pay.



New this year:
A handblown glass keepsake ornament from Granite VNA's Jeff Lamy will be sent to those who make a gift of \$250 or more.

Participate Today!

Visit granitevna.org or scan the QR code to submit names online!



30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH | Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro



BRIDGES TO THE PAST LACONIA'S HISTORIC BRIDGES

Please join us for a discussion about Laconia's bridges
November 23, 2025 at 10am-11am
Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon Street East, Laconia

Please join us for a

Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 15 December

143 Court St. Laconia
Sign up at the VFW or call 603-524-9725
Party starts @ 1 Santa @ 3pm
Ice Cream Sundae Bar
Cookie Walk, Photo Booth
Face Painting & Games



Feelin' Fine!
Barbershop Quartet Concert
Sunday November 17th at 3:00 pm



Tickets for \$25 per person may be purchased at the door or reserved by calling 603-848-2469 or emailing uusl@myfairpoint.net.

Enjoy beautiful harmonies of favorite songs and join in the fun of a rousing sing-along. Intermission with refreshments.

Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia
172 Pleasant Street, Laconia, NH



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THE DOWNTOWN GYM

6TH ANNUAL SANTA SHUFFLE

SATURDAY/ NOVEMBER 30 / 9AM

Fun Run & Elf Walk
Families, kids and pets welcome!
Costumes encouraged.
Raffles and snacks.



SIGN UP
SCAN QR CODE



or visit
DowntownGymLaconia.com

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Downtown Gym Gems
Challenge Team for the Greater
Lakes Region Children's Auction

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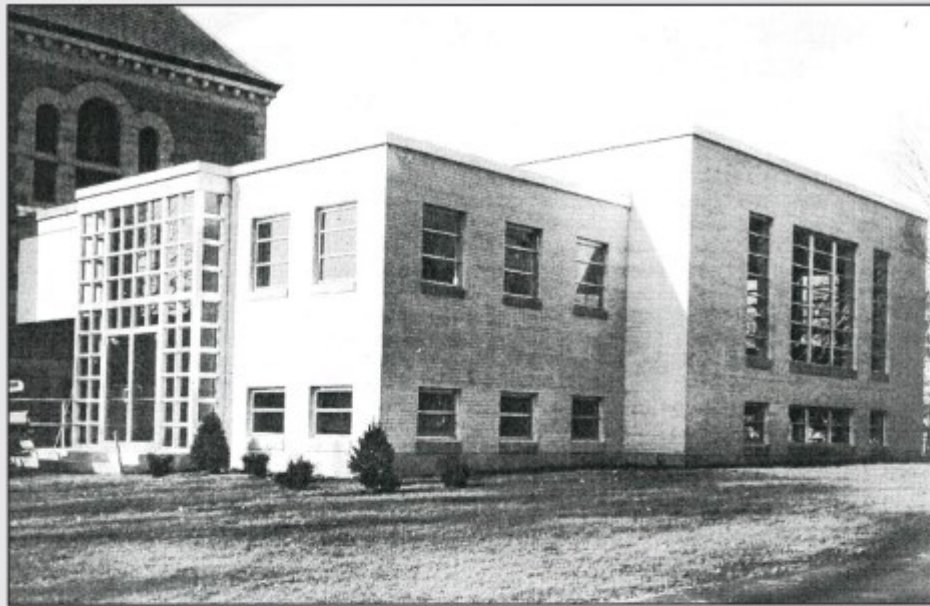
Cookies Needed for Christmas Village!

**A request to all of our talented bakers out there....
Christmas Village needs your help! We are looking for
a total of 300 dozen cookies to be passed out to our
visitors at this year's Christmas Village.**

**So let's get baking and help contribute to the magic
of Christmas Village. Cookies can be dropped off at the
Parks and Rec Community Center (306 Union Avenue)
during the first week in December between 8:30 am and
4:30 pm. Your help is greatly appreciated! Questions?
Please call Parks and Rec at 603-524-5046**

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 ...

From 1957 until 2004, the Martha Prescott Addition provided an auditorium, children's room, staff lounge and workroom at the Laconia Public Library. Trustees were considering plans, 25 years ago this week, for a \$5.4-million renovation and expansion — increasing space from 17,000 to 27,000 square feet and parking from eight spaces to 37, along with upgrading the electrical system to allow for Internet access and computer cataloging. (Laconia Public Library)



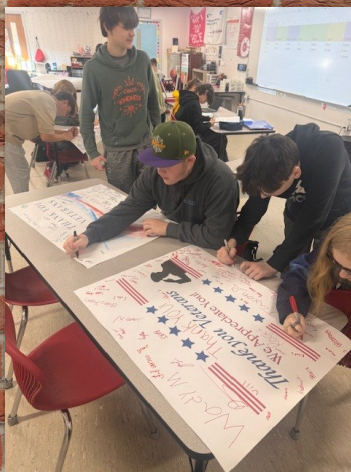
... AND NOW

A new parking lot was completed in late 2001, and an electrical upgrade in 2002, with the addition of wi-fi in July 2003. The 1957 addition was razed during the summer of 2004 and the exterior of the new addition was completed in late spring 2005, with opening of the new facilities, July 15, 2005. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



Here's a glimpse into our Project Extra after-school activities at Woodland Heights school! From arts and crafts to academic support and STEM Projects, students are diving into fun and engaging activities that inspire creativity, teamwork and learning. After-school time is all about exploring new interests, building skills, and making great memories together!

Below are photos from the recent Veteran's Day Celebration at the high school. Please click on this [video link](#) for the presentation of our veteran family members and veteran alumni.



Laconia High School



CRIBBAGE

Night
Team Tournament Style



Free Community Event

Prizes and Refreshments

HIGH HAND - HIGH CRIB - FLUSH CRIB -
MOST 19 HANDS - TOP 3 TEAM SCORES -
LOWEST TEAM SCORE

FRIDAY, NOV. 15TH

LHS GYMNASIUM | FROM 5:30 - 9:00 PM

Scan the QR code to register as a team or individual. Individuals will be paired to create teams. Registration closes Friday 11/8/2024



HOSTED BY THE OFFICE
OF EXTENDED
LEARNING

Event Director: Mandi Stefanik
astefanik@laconiaschools.org
(603) 566-3831



Granite
VNA

CELEBRATING
125
YEARS



A Matter of Balance

Granite VNA

Opechee Room
780 North Main Street, Laconia

**Mondays,
November 4 - December 23**
10 a.m. - Noon

Inclement weather date, December 30

You're as young as you feel!

Don't let the fear of falling limit your activities! "A Matter of Balance" classes provide you the tools needed to gain confidence and learn simple fall prevention strategies including home safety and physical activity.

Registration required.



 St. Mary's Bank

To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664,
visit granitevna.org/calendar,
or scan QR code.

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND
PRESENTS

TIM SAMPLE

Maine's Native Humorist



**TIM'S
LAST LIVE
SHOW IN
NH!**

Friday, Nov. 15, 2024 at 7pm
at The Colonial Theater Laconia, NH

After 50 plus years as a performer, Tim is retiring next year. ..Don't miss this last chance to enjoy Tim's comedy performance, guaranteed "family friendly". There's absolutely no foul language, no angry, mean spirited "jokes", just a refreshing evening of laughter and fun for all ages.

STANDBY TICKETS
AVAILABLE DAY OF SHOW
NOVEMBER 15TH AT 6:45PM

GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET
HOLDERS MUST BE SEATED
PRIOR TO 6:45 PM.

**Free Admission - General Seating, First Come First Seated;*

Colonial Theater 609 Main Street,
Downtown Laconia, NH.
1-800-657-8774 • www.coloniallaconia.com

Light Up the Belknap Mill

A Community Tradition!



Honor a cherished person or commemorate a meaningful event by gifting a light that will shine brightly until January 2025.

Join us in bringing warmth and light to the Belknap Mill this season! The beloved tradition of lighting the windows returns, and we invite you to participate.

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Belknap Mill Museum

Where Art and History come to life!

25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246 | www.belknapmill.org

Let's come together to create a dazzling display of hope and remembrance.
Light up the Mill and let your spirit shine!

Click [here](#) to gift a light.

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild - Lakes Region, NH

The Belknap Quilter's Guild will present a lecture by Pat Speth "Five Inch is a Cinch", November 13 at 6:45 pm at the Belknap Mill. Fee is \$5.00 for nonmembers. Please contact Cheryl Goldenberg at twin2th29@gmail.com for more information.

According to Pat Speth's website (patspeth.com), Pat's quilting was as follows. It began in 1988 when she purchased a wool quilt batting from her Grandmother's auction. "I checked out a stack of quilt books from the library and fell in love with the patterns and designs, I knew I could not stop with just one quilt."

Pat started working with 5 inch squares as a basis for her quilt making in 1993 after attending her first retreat. She was asked to do a program for her guild in 1997 using the 5" squares, which gave her the push to explore new uses and techniques for working with the squares. Pat, while working a full time job, started on the book, *Nickel Quilts* in 1998 and was able to have it ready for the publishers in June 2001. After juggling her full time job and her quilting for many years, Pat moved into a full time quilting career in July 2003. "I have found my passion in life, and I can't imagine doing anything else."

Five Inch is a Cinch

How Nickel Quilts Are Created –This trunk show is sure to get quilters fired up about using 5" squares of fabric and many of the ideas can also be adapted for using other precuts; such as 2 1/2" strips and layer cakes. Pat will show a great assortment of quilts from her collection and will focus on the blocks in the quilts and the simple components they are made from. Quilts for all skill levels will be shown.



WINTER PARKING BAN

Winter parking ban begins
Nov. 1st



As of November 1st, vehicles and trailers cannot be parked on a public street from midnight to 6:30 am. This ban allows Public Works crews to plow snow piles back against the curb and clear snow from the streets when there is little traffic on the street.

Vehicles parked on a public street during this time may be ticketed or towed at the discretion of the Chief of Police or the Public Works Director. The fine for parking on a public street during these hours is \$25.00.

Thank you for your cooperation!



WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER

MEDICARE QUESTIONS??

PPH Invites you to come to an open session @ Laconia Senior Center



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024

9 am – 10:30 am

184 Beacon St. West, Laconia, NH



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](#)!



Annual Taylor Community Indoor Yard Sale and Craft Fair Nov. 9!

Start your holiday shopping early at the Taylor Community Indoor Yard Sale and Craft Fair!

Volunteers at Taylor Community are busy gathering items donated by the residents, organizing and pricing them for the event to be held on Saturday, November 9, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Woodside Building, located at 435 Union Avenue in Laconia. In addition to these gently used items of all kinds, local crafters will be there selling their creations. You'll find seasonal and holiday decorations, quilted pieces, photography, baked goods, jewelry, jams and jellies, and handmade greeting cards, to name a few.

Proceeds from the Indoor Yard Sale, crafter table rentals, the bake sale and the jewelry table are donated to the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction and the TC Sunshine Fund. Come early for the best selection, find a special treasure, and support a good cause!

NOVEMBER 2024 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p><i>*Activities are subject to change*</i></p> <p><i>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal*</i></p>				1
				9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Puzzles & Games
4	5	6	7	8
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10—Coffee Social	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30 —Pasta Bolognaise Sauce	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10—Fraud & Scams (TD Bank) 10:30: Franklin VNA BP Clinic 11:30— Meatloaf & Gravy	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong
11	12	13	14	15
<i>Closed for Holiday</i> 	10—Puzzles, Games, Ping Pong/Corn Hole 11:30 —Southwestern Texas Stew	9-10:30 Medicare Information w/PPH 9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 10:30—Visiting Angels Presentation 11:30— Shepherd's Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Puzzles & Games
18	19	20	21	22
10—Coffee Social 10:30—Knit & Crochet	10:30-James Tremblay Band (Special Music) 11:30— American Chop Suey	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	Give Thanks! 11:30— Thanksgiving Dinner	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong
25	26	27	28	29
10—Movie & Snack 	UNH Ext: Snack Smart, Stretch Strong @ 10:30 11:30— Chicken Parmesan	10-12 Prize Bingo	<i>Closed for Holiday</i> 	<i>Closed for Holiday</i> 

Christmas Village!

December 5, 6, 7 & 8

Thursday & Friday 6:00 ~ 8:00pm

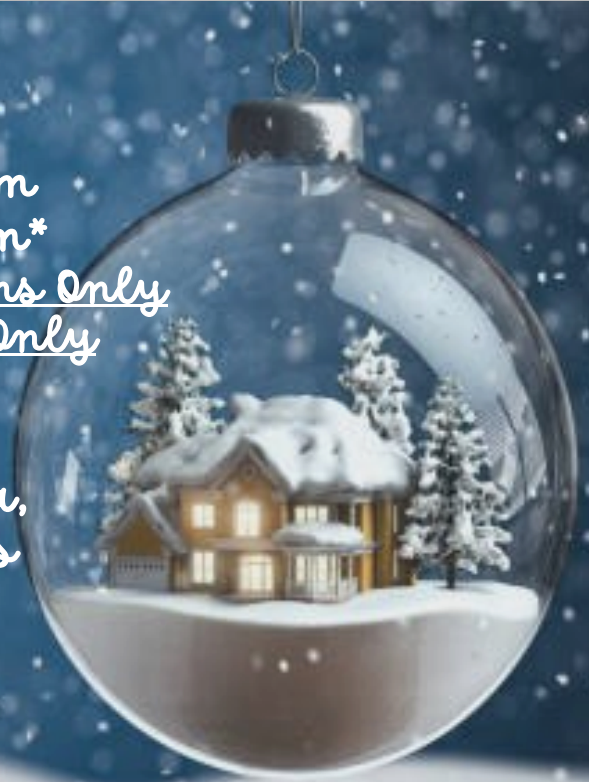
Saturday & Sunday 2:00 ~5:00pm*

*Saturday 10am - 12 noon - Senior Citizens Only

Sunday 10am - 12 noon Handicapped Only

FREE with donations accepted and appreciated. Come see Santa, Mrs. Claus and all their friends from the North Pole.

Laconia Community Center
306 Union Avenue



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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.

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT | OCT. 15-DEC. 7

WHAT ARE
YOUR BEST
COVERAGE
OPTIONS?



The
Medicare
Open
Enrollment
Period is
October 15
to Dec. 7,
2024.

Learn more
[here!](#)



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](#). 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

November 12, 2024, 7:00 pm

Laconia Human Relations Committee

November 12, 2024, 3:30 pm

Laconia Putnam Fund

November 12, 2024, 9:00 am



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	
Economic Development &.....	527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
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

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