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The Laconia Community Center is ready for the holidays!



The first day of winter is almost here!

The City asks that all residents be good neighbors and not park or block sidewalks with their cars and trucks. Blocking sidewalks with vehicles prevents the City from plowing and sanding the sidewalks which causes pedestrians to walk in the streets.

We also ask that snow plow contractors and residents not plow or blow their snow across the street. This is a hazard to drivers that could result in a driver losing control and crashing.

Please be sure to give the City's plow trucks plenty of space as they are plowing the roads. Getting too close behind them may cause salt crystals to spray against your vehicle.

Your help is appreciated!

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.



WINTER PARKING BAN

Winter parking ban began Nov. 1st



Thank you for your cooperation!



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.



LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

12.16-12.23 2024

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 12/16

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

KID

TUES 12/17

Fiction Book Group @10am - "Three Holidays and a Wedding"

ADULT

TUE 12/17

Teen Craft @3:30pm - Glitter ornaments!

TEEN

TUES 12/17

Kids Create! Airdry Clay @5pm - Best for ages 6-11.

KID

WED 12/18

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

KID

WED 12/18

Drop-In Tech Help @2pm

ADULT

WED 12/18

Kids Writing Group @3:30pm - Best for ages 6-11.

KID

THU 12/19

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

KID

FRI 12/20

Move & Groove @10am - Best for ages 6 and under.

KID

MON 12/23

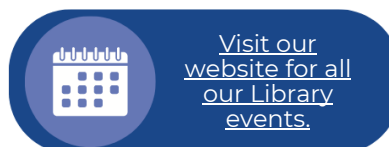
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KID



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](#)



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



Thursday 4-7pm \$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.

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Friday 5-6pm \$15 (Non-Members); FREE for Members

Orionids in the Night Sky

Turn your eyes to the sky as we watch for meteors on the night of the Orionids Meteor Shower. We'll find out what causes 'shooting stars' and make models of what happens when a meteor makes it through the atmosphere. Too cloudy? No worries! We'll gather inside for a tour of the winter night sky.

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

Kids' Homemade Gift Workshop

Let your children learn the joy of gift giving with this unique opportunity to make nature-inspired gifts for the adults in their lives. Participants will be offered several options and will select which gift they want to make. We'll provide the materials and instruction while they add their own unique flair!

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This is a drop-off program (adults must sign children in and out) so the hardest part for grown-ups will be waiting to open the gift. No Peeking!

Additional programs, series, and registration details
prescottfarm.org

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



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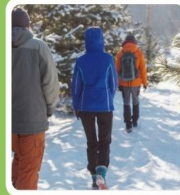


Saturday 1-3pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members

Hand-dipped Taper Candle Making

Light your holiday table with your own hand-dipped beeswax taper candles – As elegant as they are festive!

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

Winter Guided Hike

Join a naturalist for a fun hike around the trails at Prescott Farm. We'll enjoy the sights and sounds of nature, stop to check for signs of animals, and appreciate the winter foliage.

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Tap Into Maple

\$15 (Non-Members); FREE for Members

Join us February & March to experience an old-fashioned New England tradition — making maple syrup! From tapping a tree to tasting delicious maple syrup, you will participate hands-on in every step of the syrup making process.

February
&
March

2025

Additional programs, series, and registration details
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IT'S A Yankee Swap

DECEMBER 24, 2024 • 10:00 AM

Laconia Senior Center
184 Beacon Street West, Laconia, NH
Bring a gift for exchange (\$10 or Less)!

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Meat Raffle

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
HOSTED BY THE POST & AUXILIARY
KITCHEN WILL BE OPEN
6PM IN THE HALL
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH



Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia
presents
*A Celtic
Christmas!*

A lively, foot-stomping evening of Fiddle
& Piano Christmas Music from Wales,
Scotland, Ireland, Nova Scotia, Quebec
and Galicia!

During intermission, take part in a Christmas Cookie
Walk with boxes available to purchase.

December 22, 2024
172 Pleasant Street
Laconia, NH

Concert at 4:00pm
\$25 tickets
\$5 for kids

To reserve tickets call 603 848 2469 or email uusl@myfairpoint.net

**Curbside
recycling will
be picked up
the week of
Dec. 16!**



**In order for City Hall Employees to
attend their annual Christmas
Luncheon, City Hall will be closed
during the lunch hour on Thursday,
December 19, 2024 from
11:30 am to 1:30 pm.**

We apologize for any inconvenience.



**SHARE YOUR VOICE
TAKE OUR SURVEY**

**Your voice holds the power to shape a
healthier water future.**

What's Covered:

Explore what you know about your tap water and help us understand what's important to you.

Your Impact:

By taking the survey, you're contributing to wisdom that guides water quality efforts.

Incentive:

Complete the survey for a chance to win one of twenty-five fixed-mount or handheld water-saving showerheads, making your contribution even more rewarding.



SCAN ME

Scan the QR code
to participate!



**2025 Transfer Station
Stickers and Beach Stickers**

2025 Transfer Station stickers and beach stickers will both be available for sale at the City Clerk's Office starting December 16! Transfer Station stickers are \$25 each and are good for the calendar year.



Beach stickers are \$15 each, \$25 for two, and free for those who are over 65 or who have a handicap plate or placard. Please note that for both the Transfer Station stickers as well as the beach stickers, a valid vehicle registration for the vehicle must be presented at the time of purchase for the vehicle the sticker will be put on.

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



Helping Hands for the Lakes Region

Website (under development): HHLRNH.org

FB Page www.facebook.com/groups/2611445905792257/

Previously known as **Helping Hands - Senior Support for Lakes Region**, this grass-roots organization has been offering Senior and Disabled Adult Services throughout Belknap County from the start of COVID shut-downs in March 2020. Fully volunteer based, we provide support, at no charge to recipients, including rides, errands, phone check-ins, light homecare and maintenance, food-household items, referrals and more, currently through HHLR FaceBook page. We also have a "closet" of available donated items: durable medical equipment for loan, and medical or personal hygiene supplies for free. If you have questions, suggestions, want to volunteer, or need assistance, please contact us on the FaceBook page, call (603) 273-5410, or send to new email info@HHLRNH.org. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dependent on donations or fundraisers to provide services. To support our work, please consider purchasing a Fundraiser Calendar online by Dec 31st for a chance to win great prizes in Jan 2025! Special thanks go to the generous local businesses and individuals who donated our prizes.



Fundraiser Calendar January 2025

				The Vault Hair Cut	1	Arbonne Gift Basket	2	Pumpot \$20 GC	3	Odus Hair Salon \$50 GC	4		
				Osborne's Garden Center \$40 GC		Arbonne Joie's \$20 GC		Irwin Auto NH State Inspection (\$45 value)		Whale's Tale 2 Pizzas (\$100 value)			
Common Man \$25 GC	5	Beans & Greens \$20 GC	6	Sacred Tree Herbs \$25 GC	7	Laconia Pet Center \$25 GC	8	Patrick's \$25 GC	9	Healing Lakes Chiropractic	10	Fall Theme Gift Basket	11
Arbonne Joie's \$20 GC		Thirty-One Tote (\$40 value)		Gilford Village Store \$40 GC		Arbonne Joie's \$20 GC		TBones & Cactus Jack's \$50 GC		Exam & Adjustment (\$85 value)		Pizza Express \$30 GC	
Sweet Home Cleaning Services 2-Hour In-Home Cleaning	12	The Breeze \$25 GC	13	EM Health Corp \$50 GC	14	Used 28 New Boutique \$25 GC	15	Dunkin's \$25 GC	16	Arbonne Joie's \$20 GC	17	Odus Hair Salon \$50 GC	18
		The Blooming Farm \$25 GC		All My Life Jewellers \$50 GC		99 Restaurant \$25 GC		The Playroom Five 2-hour Play Sessions (\$32 value)		Laconia Pet Center Dog Gift Box		Pampered Chef Gift Basket	
Salon Amara \$40 GC	19	doTerra Gift Basket	20	Liberty Tax Services \$100 GC	21	Healing Lakes Chiropractic	22	Piche's \$50 GC	23	One Hour Massage	24	367's Ink & Co \$20 GC	25
Relief or Health Coaching Session		Arbonne Joie's \$20 GC		Craft Beer Exchange \$15 GC		60-Minute Massage (\$85 value)		Miss Ellen's One Dozen Cupcakes		Irwin Auto NH State Inspection (\$45 value)		Standy's Pit Stop \$20 GC	
Tribal Glow Esthetics \$100 GC	26	Inflatable kayak (\$150 value)	27	Squam Lakes Science Center & Pizzas (\$100 value)	28	Mini Photo Shoot (\$75 value)	29	Irwin Auto Full Recondition Service (\$250 value)	30	Laconia Country Club Round of Golf for 4 People w/ Cart (\$600 value)	31		
Laconia Pet Center Cat Gift Bag		Hamford \$20 GC				Coach Purse (\$150 value)							

Calendars are \$10 each or 3 for \$25!



In support of the Helping Hands for the Lakes Region (HHLR) mission, 100% of the funds raised will go directly back into local communities to assist our elderly and disabled adult neighbors!

To learn more about HHLR or to purchase raffle calendars, please visit our new website (it is still a work in progress!) at www.HHLRNH.org or scan the QR code to the right for direct access to a secure payment option.

You may also contact us directly on Facebook for purchases.

A receipt can be provided upon request.

Every day throughout the month of January 2025, a name will be drawn to win the prize listed on that day. On days that two prizes are listed, two winners will be drawn. If you buy multiple calendars, you will be eligible to win multiple prizes!

Winners will be announced on our website and on our Facebook page. Additional info about the prizes and our donors is also available in both locations. Prizes will be mailed, hand-delivered or available for pick-up at the end of each week.

Thank you for your support and good luck!

Hope Ministries - First United Methodist Church
Wesley Way (off Rte. 11A) Gilford, NH

FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER DECEMBER 25TH

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30pm – DINNER AT 1:00pm

Ham dinner & all the extras!

Potatoes – Candied Carrots – Green Bean Casserole – Rolls
Homemade Desserts

Reservations Are Required
Call 524-3289 by Dec. 20th

Please leave your name & number of people eating.



VOLUNTEERS needed for serving and clean-up on the 25th.
Please call 603-455-9455 and leave your name and phone #.
(Volunteers must call in advance.)



Weirs Community Park Blood Drive

Thursday, Dec. 26th
10:00am - 3:00pm

Weirs Community Center
25 Lucerne Ave, (Same Building as Weirs Fire Department) Weirs Beach, NH

- Drop In or Schedule your appointment at RedCrossBlood.org using <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html> donation-time or download the Blood Donor App.
- Invite your spouse or significant other. Share the love as you share the lifesaving gift of blood together.
- Invite a friend to our drive. Donating blood is always more fun with a friend, so bring one along or in place of your donation

Each donation can help save up to three lives, so by meeting our goal,
we can touch so many lives in our community and around the country.

For an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Give Something that Means Something®

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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Put a **FREEZE** on Winter Carbon Monoxide Dangers

Did you know?



Carbon monoxide (CO) is a gas you cannot see, taste, or smell. It is often called **"the invisible killer."**

As you stay cozy and warm this winter, stay fire smart!



Install and maintain CO alarms inside your home to provide early warning of CO.



Make sure **vents** for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace **are clear** of snow and other debris.



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(603) 524-7689

DECEMBER 2024 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2	3	4	5	6
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10-12 Decorate Center	9—10 Decorate Center 10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30—Chicken Strips	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo 12:15—Decorate Cookies & Cookie Walk	10:30 Ping Pong & Corn Hole 11:30—Beef Vegetable Barley Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Puzzles & Games
9	10	11	12	13
10—Coffee Social 10:30—Knit & Crochet	UNH Ext: Snack Smart, Stretch Strong @ 10:30 11:30—Sweet & Sour Meatballs	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic 10:30—Healthy Living by Lakes Region VNA 11:30— American Chop Suey	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong
16	17	18	19	20
10—Puzzles, Games, Ping Pong/Corn Hole	Aging in Place by Granite VNA @ 10:15 11:30—Stuffed Pasta w/Marinara	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30— Holiday Meal: Braised Beef	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Puzzles & Games
23	24	25	26	27
10—Coffee Social 10:30—Ornament Making	10—Yankee Swap *(\$10 or Less Gift)* 11:30— Meatballs in Marinara	Closed for Holiday 	10—Puzzles & Games 11:30— Sweet & Sour Chicken	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong
30	31	1		
10—Movie & Snack 	10:30—Corn Hole & Ping Pong 11:30— New Year's Lunch: Chicken Thighs Tagine	Closed for Holiday 		*Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal



**EAT, DRINK &
RAISE MONEY!**

COME SUPPORT A DOUGH RAISER TO BENEFIT

**Altrusa Club of
Laconia**

DATE:

December 19th, 2024

VALID AT:

**122 Laconia Rd,
Tilton NH 03276
603-286-4079**

UNO® will
donate up to
20%
of your check

**DINE-IN
OR
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Please present this certificate at the time of payment to have up to 20% of your check's value, excluding tax and tip, donated to the organization above. Not to be used with other coupons or discounts. Tickets are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking area. Valid only for the date listed above.

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The Altrusa Club of Laconia is teaming up with Uno Pizzeria & Grill in Tilton for a Dough Rai\$er event for lunch, dinner or takeout! Please come join us on December 19th. Just print this flyer and bring it with you.

Thank you for your support!



**Children
Christmas
PARTY**

15th Dec 2024-1:00PM

Deadline for sign-ups 29th Nov
Newborn - 12 years old
(Sign up at the post)

LOCATION

VFW POST 1670
143 Court Street
Laconia, NH 03246

- Cookie Walk
- Sundae Buffet
- Surprise visit from Santa

Any questions please contact
the VFW @ 603-524-9725
during normal business hours



*Happy Holidays from the City of
Laconia Planning Department!*

City Curbside Solid Waste Collection during the winter for residents and businesses with curbside collection

Where and how to place your solid waste containers during the winter to ensure the containers can be emptied

Treat your solid waste containers as a mailbox! What happens If you do not dig out your mailbox after a snowstorm? The Post Office does not deliver mail!

For solid waste collection if you put your solid waste containers behind snowbanks, they cannot be emptied.

For rural area residences and businesses without sidewalks -

Place your containers in your driveway near the edge of the road, or dig out an area in the snowbank to create an opening in which to place your containers. Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers. The depth of the opening only has to be deep enough to provide 1 foot of clearance from the back of the container.

For residents and businesses in areas of the City with sidewalks -

Place your containers in your driveway near the edge of the road.

If you do not have a driveway or the driveway is too small and:

Where the sidewalk is against the curb at the edge of the road, dig an opening through the snow bank out to the street in which to place your containers.

Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers.

If there is a grass or gravel area between the sidewalk and the edge of the road:

Place the containers in your driveway near the edge of the road, or dig out an area in the snowbank to place your containers.

Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers. The depth of the opening only has to be deep enough to provide 1 foot of clearance from the back of the container.

Please do not place your containers out for collection before 7 pm the night before your scheduled collection day, and bring them back to the residence or business at the end of the collection day. Do not leave your containers on the sidewalk so that pedestrians can use the sidewalk. If collection is canceled due to a major snowstorm, please bring the containers back onto your property so that the City's plow crews can keep the streets and sidewalks open for your use.

Will the contractor collect containers during a snowstorm? The contractor will provide curbside solid waste collection service during a minor to moderate snowstorm.

The contractor and Public Works consider canceling collection services when forecasters are predicting blizzard or near blizzard conditions. If the contractor decides to cancel collection due to the forecast, the City will post the cancellation notice on the City's [website](#) in the banner section on the top of the City's home page. For those residents who have signed up to receive City alerts, you will receive an e-mail informing you that solid waste will not be collected and the collection schedule for the remainder of the week. If you are not yet signed up to receive alerts and wish to do so, please sign up [here](#).

Solid waste collection and snow plowing –

Public Works leaders and crews will adjust their plowing procedures during minor to moderate storms to minimize the impact of plowing on scheduled curbside collection. Please help the City by following the recommendations in this notice. Call Public Works at 603-528-6379 with questions or for more details.

Sand is available!

Laconia residents needing sand for their driveways or walkways during icy weather can get sand from our Department of Public Works.

There is a sand pile for residential use located at our DPW garage at 257 Messer Street.

Residents can get a maximum of two five-gallon pails (or the equivalent). Please do not take sand from our facility on Bisson Avenue; it is for City use only to maintain our streets and sidewalks.

Questions? Please call (603) 528-6379.



*Thanks and
have a
safe winter!*

LACONIA HOUSING

Laconia Housing will be holding its' next Board Meeting on Thursday, Dec 19th, 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



MAKE AN ORNAMENT

DECEMBER 23

10:30 AM

LACONIA SENIOR CENTER
184 BEACON STREET WEST, LACONIA



'TIS THE SEASON TO DRIVE SOBER

- PLAN FOR A SOBER RIDE HOME AND IF YOU NEED TO, DESIGNATE SOMEONE TO HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE.
- IF YOU CHOSE TO DRINK, DON'T DRIVE IMPAIRED. CALL A SOBER FRIEND, RIDESHARE OR TAXI, OR TAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO GET HOME SAFELY.
- IF YOU'RE HOSTING AND SEE SOMEONE WHO IS ABOUT TO DRIVE IMPAIRED, TAKE THEIR KEYS AND HELP THEM GET HOME SAFELY.





HOLIDAY DINNER & PARTY



Date: December 19, 2024

Laconia Senior Center
184 Beacon Street West, Laconia

9:30 AM - Crafts with Mona
10:30 AM - Special Music
11:30 AM - Holiday Dinner

Come Dressed in Your Favorite Holiday Outfit!

UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST!!

IF YOU NEED A RIDE, PLEASE CALL THE BUS: #603-225-1989

PLEASE R.S.V.P. #603-524-7689



Department of Public Works

CHRISTMAS WEEK

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON
CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES...
PICK UP DELAY DURING
CHRISTMAS WEEK!**

Christmas Day is on Wednesday,
December 25th. There will be no trash
collection on Christmas Day.

Wednesday's collection will be on
Thursday, and each remaining day's
collection during Christmas Week will
be delayed by one day.

Please note that the Transfer Station will
be closed on Wednesday, December
25th, but open for its normal hours (7:30
am - 3:30 pm) the rest of the week.

Questions? Please call (603) 528-6379.



Bulk
Trash
Pickup

*Metal bulky pickup will be Tuesday,
Dec. 31 rather than Jan. 1 due to the
New Years holiday.*

December 21, 2024

FIRST
DAY
of
Winter

*Get outside with your family and
enjoy the many fun winter activities
the Lakes Region has to offer!*

You're Invited!

Mayor Hosmer invites you to support the
Belknap Mill at the

MAYOR'S NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL

December 31, 2024
8 pm - Midnight

This year the Belknap Mill celebrated its 201st
year!

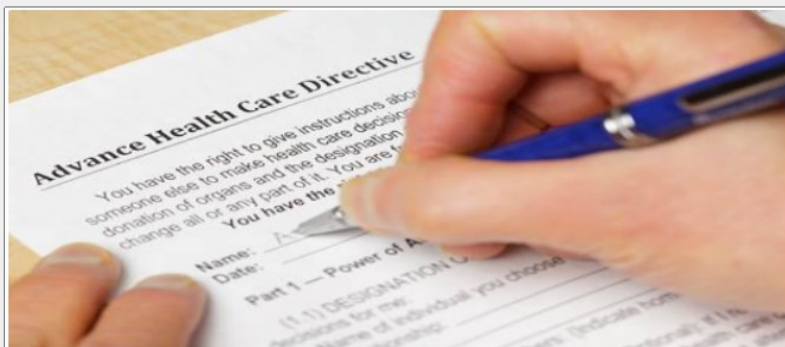
Mix and mingle in your holiday cocktail attire.

Enjoy speakeasy vibes, hors d'oeuvres, music,
dancing & open bar!

Gratuity and donations appreciated!

Tickets are \$201 per pair

Tickets



Advance Care Planning Walk-In Session

Friday, January 17, 2025
1:00-3:00 PM

Franklin VNA & Hospice
75 Chestnut St, Franklin

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

For more information,
call (603) 934-3454 or
email info@franklinvna.org

Franklin
VNA & Hospice

A Franklin VNA & Hospice Social Worker/Notary Public will be available to:

- Discuss your end-of-life wishes and how to have the conversation with your loved ones about your decisions
- Review your Advanced Directives to make sure they reflect your decisions
- Assist with filling out your Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare and/or Living Will
- Provide information on resources or services that may benefit you or your family members.

Carter Mountain Brass Band Presents Popular Christmas Concert

Kick off the Christmas season with Carter Mountain Brass Band's "Tis the Season...", Friday, Dec. 13th at 7:00 PM at the First United Methodist Church in Gilford.

Conductor, Debbi Gibson, has chosen a program that features music from the Classical period to the Contemporary, including traditional Christmas carols. Also included is the popular audience-participation sing-along. As an extra bonus, the music will be interspersed with Christmas poems and stories making for a lovely evening of music and mirth.

Named for Carter Mountain in New Hampton, NH, this band reflects the rich heritage of brass music from the 16th century through the 19th century and into the present day's modern music.

Based in Gilford, NH, the Band presents a series of summer concerts each year as well as a fall concert and Christmas concerts. They have appeared on bandstands throughout New Hampshire, as well as in Maine and Boston.

Following the concert a special dessert will be served in the church's Fellowship Hall. A donation of \$10.00 (Students free) is requested at the door. The church is located at 18 Wesley Way (off Rt 11A) near the 3-11 bypass in Gilford NH. Church phone (603) 524-3289.





NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS!

Property tax bills were mailed on December 9, 2024 and are due January 10, 2025.

Questions about your assessed value should be directed to the Assessing Office at 603-527-1268. Questions about payments should be directed to the Tax Office at 603-527-1269.

Payment options are: In-person, at the City Clerk's office, the drop box on the side of City Hall, through the mail at PO Box 489, Laconia, NH 03247, over the phone at 1-855-906-0411 or online at www.laconianh.gov

Please note there is a fee of 3.25% for all credit/debit card transactions and a \$0.40 fee for all ACH transactions that are done online. There is a 2.99% fee for all credit/debit card transactions done at the counter in City Hall.



Join us for our annual 603 United Soiree!

Escape the cold and join us for a night of dancing, hors d'oeuvres, & drinks, at one of the finest venues in the Lakes Region – the Lakeport Opera House!

The 603 Soirée is a night to kick off the New Year, mingle, and raise awareness and funds for 603 United.

The night will begin at 6pm, with Teebz Music Entertainment, heavy Hors d'Oeuvres from Fratellos and late night pizza from South End. Specialty cocktails, beer/wine (cash bar) and auction items will be for sale.

Bring your friends, family, dress up or dress down and come dance the night away!

P.S..... Tickets will go fast! To purchase your tickets now, please visit our website [here](#).

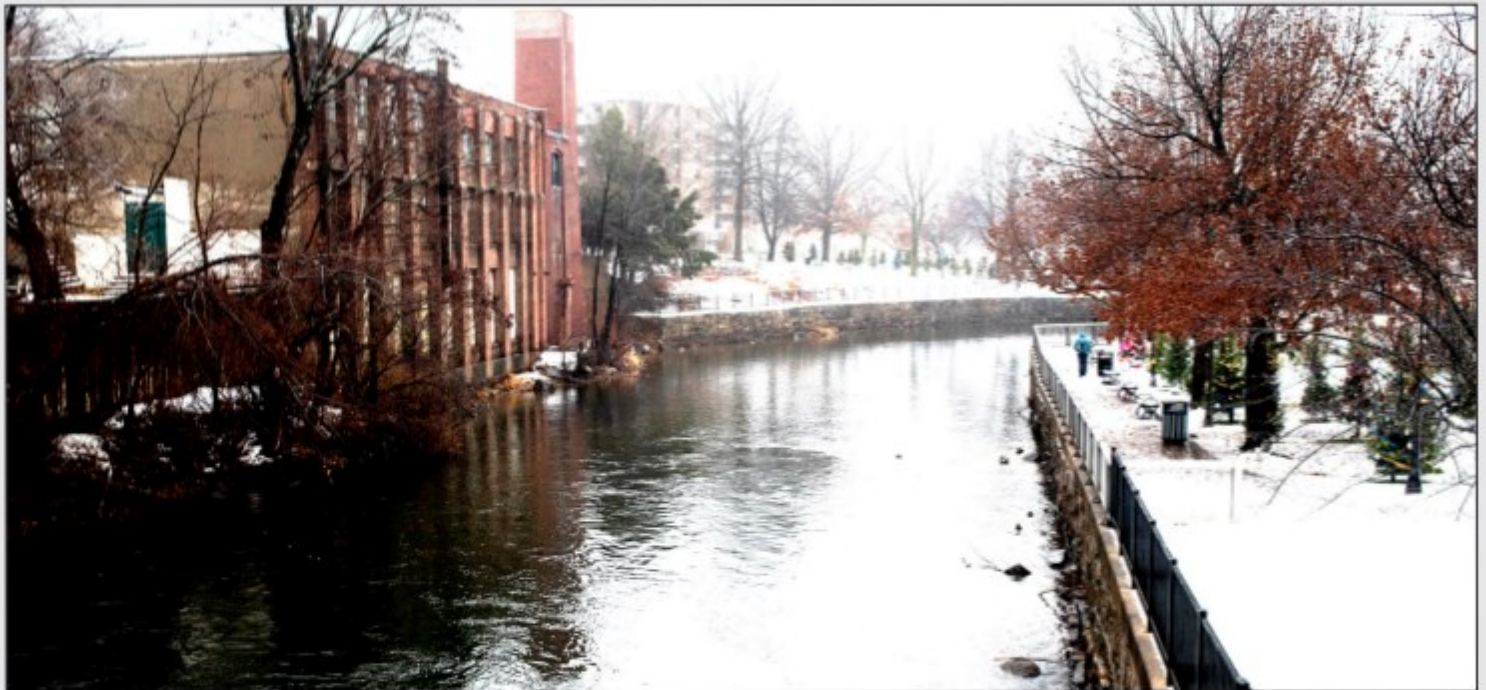
Our yesterdays

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 ...

Looking down river from the Mill Street Bridge, Laconia, in the 1870s, (from a George Tebbetts stereopticon view), both banks are lined with hosiery mills, none of which still exist. At center left, the Gilford Hosiery Co., with its dramatic stair tower fronting on Union Avenue, dominates the scene. Fire, Feb. 8, 1875, wiped out the mills at extreme left, which included a grist mill. At right, an outbuilding of the Belknap Mill (off-photo, further right) occupied the river bank. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

The 1922 Pitman Hosiery Co. mill is seen at left, with Stewart Park, created during the city's Urban Renewal Program of the late 1960s-early 1970s beyond it. On the right side of the river, all of the old structures beyond the Belknap Mill were razed during Urban Renewal. Rotary Riverside Park (at right) was developed in 1996-1997. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



PSS Project Extra decorated a tree at the Belknap Mill over the Thanksgiving weekend. Staff, students and parents helped decorate trees with ornaments the Project Extra participants made in their after school program. Everyone enjoyed hot cocoa, a book reading of the "Night Tree", and caroling.

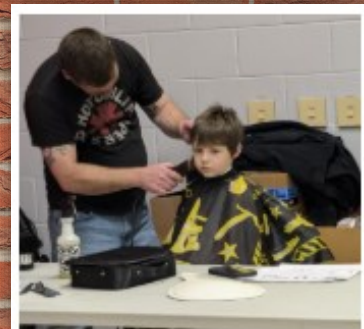
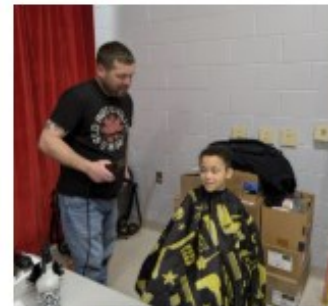


Haircuts for the Holidays

The staff and families of Pleasant Street School would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the talented hairdressers who generously donated their time and skills at our annual "Haircuts for the Holidays" event on Monday, December 9, 2024. Thanks to their efforts, over 60 students received free haircuts just in time for the holidays! Special thanks to:

- Liana Crowell - Independent Hair Stylist, Laconia, NH
- Jackie Fitton - Head First Salon, Tilton, NH
- Heather Blanco - Head First Salon, Tilton, NH
- Matt Wilson - Wilson Barber Shop, Laconia, NH

This cherished event wouldn't be possible without the generosity and dedication of these amazing stylists. Thank you for making a difference in our students' lives and helping them look and feel their best this holiday season!



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SENIOR RESOURCES

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



Good news! The definition of a public assistance household to include Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP) payments has been revised! Now, only one other household member, in addition to the SSI applicant or recipient, needs to receive public assistance. This change could help more people receive a higher SSI payment.

For more information, click the image above.



City Meetings

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

Zoning Board of Adjustment

December 16, 2024, 6:30 pm

Agenda

Water Commission

December 16, 2024, 5:30 pm

Agenda

Public Works Subcommittee

December 18, 2024, 5:00 pm

Agenda

Laconia Police Commission

December 18, 2024, 2:00 pm

Agenda



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below
must be preceded by 603)

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement	527-1293
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	

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Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

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