



# Welcome to Laconia Links!



*April 4, 2025 - Edition #681*

*Beach season will be here before we know it!*

## **Welcome to Laconia Links!**

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to help 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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



It's that time of the year when many residents and businesses have begun their plans to have their driveways and parking lots repaved. Driveway permits are issued by Public Works, located at 27 Bisson Avenue. Please keep in mind that obtaining your driveway permit is easier if you have everything the City needs to review your request when you come in.

### **Larger multi-family complexes (greater than duplex) and commercial property owners**

must start the permit process at the Planning Department in City Hall to determine if their plans meet City zoning regulations. Please bring a sketch or plans of the existing pavement (if any) and of the proposed pavement. The Planning Department will review the concept to ensure your plans meet the City's green space as well as setback and any other zoning regulations. After ensuring your proposal meets the City's zoning regulations, Planning will notify Public Works that they can issue your driveway permit.



## **DRIVEWAY PERMITS**

**Single family residential and duplex property owners** can go directly to the Public Works office to obtain a permit. Please bring a sketch or plans of the existing pavement (if any) and of the proposed pavement. Public Works will review your pavement plan to determine if your plan meets the City's green space and driveway length zoning requirements. Public Works will also review your plan to determine if it conforms with the City's driveway policy. If your plan conforms to the City's driveway policy and meets greenspace and length requirements, Public Works will issue you a permit. If your plan does not meet either zoning regulations or the City's driveway policy, Public Works will explain the next steps that you must take to obtain a driveway permit.

The City's driveway policy is on the City's web site. Click [here](#) to obtain a copy.

Questions?

Please call the Department of Public Works at (603) 528-6379



LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

4.7-4.14 2025

# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 4/7

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

KID

TUE 4/8

Drop-In Tech Help @10am

ADULT

TUE 4/8

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

KID

TUE 4/8

Teen Craft @3:30pm - Glitter Unicornament!

TEEN

WED 4/9

Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 0-3.

KID

WED 4/9

Drop-In Tech Help @2pm

ADULT

WED 4/9

Mystery Book Group @4pm - 'Maisie Dobbs'

ADULT

THU 4/10

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

KID

FRI 4/11

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

KID

MON 4/14

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

KID

## CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

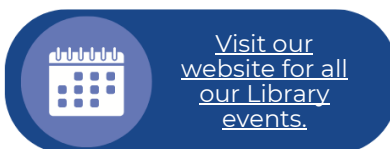
<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: [info@laconialibrary.org](mailto:info@laconialibrary.org)



### 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 10am-Noon **PROGRAM FILLED!**

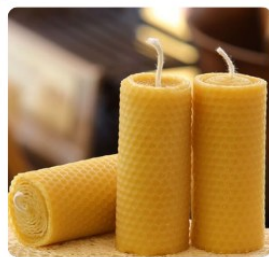
### Homemade Pasta!

Come to this hands-on workshop to learn techniques for making and rolling fresh egg pasta dough. We'll top our pasta with a seasonally-inspired sauce to enjoy together at the end.

April

**5**

2025



Saturday 1-3pm \$35 (Non-Members); \$20 for Members

### Beeswax Candlemaking

Learn how bees turn plant nectar into beeswax, enjoy the sweet aroma of natural beeswax as you make your own rolled and hand-dipped beeswax candles to enjoy at home or give as gifts!

April

**5**

2025



Saturday 10 am - Noon \$25 (Non-Members); \$10 for Members

### Upcycled Papermaking with Larry Frates

In this workshop you will learn the art of creating and processing your own pulp and dipping a screen stretched across a frame into a vat of pulp made from recycled paper.

April

**12**

2025

Additional programs, series, and registration details

**prescottfarm.org**

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





# SPRING Clean Up Day

## LACONIA'S SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday, May 17, 2025

7am – 1 pm

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

Proof of Residency Will Be Required.

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

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

**ACCEPTABLE:** APPLIANCES, WATER  
HEATERS, FURNITURE, BEDS, PLUMBING  
FIXTURES, BAGGED LEAVES, DEMOLITION  
LUMBER, AUTO TIRES (limit 6 tires per  
customer). **NOT ACCEPTABLE:** AUTO  
TAILPIPES, MUFFLERS, RADIATORS,  
ENGINES, BATTERIES, HAZARDOUS  
WASTES, PAINTS OR SOLVENTS.

Electronic waste will not be accepted free of  
charge at this event. E-Waste normal fees for  
disposal will apply. Questions? Please call  
Public Works at 603-528-6379.

**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**



## Attention Property Owners and Contractors:

Starting April 15, 2025, Laconia Fire Department will  
be implementing a new fee schedule for Fire  
Prevention permits and plans reviews as approved  
by the City Council.

Please see the new fee schedule document.

[New-Fee-Schedule---Fire-Department---3132025](#)



## A JOURNEY THROUGH RAIL SERVICE IN THE LAKES REGION .

Frank Judge's passion for railroading began while watching his grandfather's steam engine-driven commuter train arrive at the station in the early 1950s. He became captivated by the railroad during an April 1976 tourist excursion from Laconia to Lincoln.

Frank has since purchased, restored, and operated a wooden 1914 Bangor & Aroostook Railroad caboos on the Wolfeboro Railroad until he relocated to Memphis in 1980 for his career. After returning to New Hampshire in 1986 and acquiring another caboos, his passion for railroading continued to grow.

The Laconia Passenger Station has been a key part of our community's history, serving as a vital transportation hub. Frank will highlight the historical timeline of rail service in Laconia and the evolution of the passenger station.

Free and open to the community.

### THURSDAY

 10 APRIL 2025

 AT 6:30PM

 WOODSIDE @ TAYLOR COMMUNITY



 603-527-1278

 [www.laconiahistory.com](http://www.laconiahistory.com)



**Frank Judge**  
*Presenter*

## An Afternoon with Holocaust Survivor Kati Preston



### LAKEPORT OPERA HOUSE

Brought to you by: Laconia Public Library, Laconia Putnam Fund, and The Laconia Daily Sun.



For more information on this event please check the Laconia Putnam Fund's Facebook page [here](#).

## Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am Sat, April 19th @ LEAVITT PARK



A HUGE egg hunt with 2000 eggs filled with Toys & Candy

Rain or Shine!  
Dress Appropriately

Cookie Decorating and Games inside from 10:00am to 11:30am!

Bring your own Basket!



With a Special Guest Appearance from the Easter Bunny!

Brought to you by Laconia Parks & Recreation and the Leavitt Park Community Club.  
Call 603-524-5046 if you have questions!



# Electronic Waste Collection Day



Fundraising event to benefit:

## Laconia-Gilford Lions Club

When: **Saturday, April 12**

Where: Cinemas 8 Parking Lot

9 Old Lakeshore Road, Gilford, NH

Time: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm



### Items we are accepting:

Mice or keyboard	\$1	Air Conditioner	\$10
Laptop	\$5	Dehumidifier	\$10
CPU / PC Tower	\$5	Microwave	\$10
Servers	\$5	CRT Monitor (<50lbs)	\$20
CD / DVD Player	\$5	CRT Monitor (>50lbs)	tbd*
PC LCD Monitor	\$5	TV < 13"	\$ 5
Camcorder	\$5	TV < 25"	\$20
VCR	\$5	TV > 25"	\$30
Audio Visual Equip.	\$5	Very Large TV	tbd*
Speaker	\$5	Dryer	\$20
Printer	\$5	Gas or Electric Stove	\$20
Copier, Fax, Scanner	\$5	Dishwasher	\$20
Phone System	\$5	Refrigerator	\$20
Phone (land or cell)	\$5	Freezer	\$20
UPS System	\$5	Water Heater	\$20
Humidifier	\$5	Washing Machine	\$20
Car batteries	\$5	Teflon pan	\$ 1
Cords, Cables, Computer Accessories \$5 (Free if recycling something else)			

Anything with a cord not listed will be accepted.

\*The item will be weighed on site and the price determined.

### Items we CANNOT accept:

Oils, paints, thinners, batteries, tires, mercury containing items such as fluorescent & CFL light bulbs or thermometers, smoke detectors, capacitors, ballasts or any other hazardous waste.

***"Don't Throw It Out, Recycle It!"***

Thank you for supporting the Laconia-Gilford Lions



# COMMUNITY CHAT

## a brown bag lunch discussion

Bring your lunch and join us for an hour of open discussion on what's going on in Laconia!

The Belknap Mill - 1st Floor Gallery Room

April 9th  
12Noon-1pm

Joia Hughes  
Economic and Housing Development Director  
City of Laconia  
603-527-1270 x105  
JHughes@LaconiaNH.gov



Department of  
**HEALTH &  
HUMAN SERVICES**

Division for  
Children, Youth  
and Families

## New Hampshire DCYF Foster Care presents: **2025 Statewide Caregiver Curiosity Events!**

Join us for an Informational Event for Prospective Foster Parents near YOU!

YOU'RE INVITED

## Real Life Church

22 Pleasant Street  
Laconia, NH

**Tuesday: April 8, 2025**

- 5pm - 7pm
- Heavy Appetizers and Refreshments
- Foster Care Overview and Licensing Process
- Foster Parent Testimonials
- District Office Staff Meet and Greet

Register via email or QR code

[fosterNH@dhhs.nh.gov](mailto:fosterNH@dhhs.nh.gov)



## April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Ending distracted driving is everyone's responsibility. Please click the above image for more information provided by the National Safety Council.

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



## CELEBRATE 9 YEARS OF FITNESS WITH US



Saturday, April 12th | 8am-1pm

**Classes, live music, snacks, and a chance to shop!**  
**Come support local small businesses!**



SCAN THE  
QR CODE TO  
LEARN MORE  
ABOUT US

**DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM**  
[INFO@DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM](mailto:INFO@DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM)  
603-581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH



## Miller Pole T-Shirts



Laconia Professional Firefighters Local-1153 is happy to announce we have a new T-shirt design!

This one is very special to us as it is in memory of FF Mark Miller.

Mark passed away in 2004 during a water rescue training. \$3.00 from every shirt will be used to donate a piece of water rescue equipment in Mark's memory.

Let's keep Mark's legacy going!

Shirts can be purchased at Laconia Central Fire Station on North Main Street.

Click [here](#) to read more about Mark and his contributions to the community and the Laconia Fire Department.

## 2025 Curbside Spring Leaf Pickup

During the weeks of April 28 - May 2, and May 12 - May 16 the City's contractor will pick up an additional 10 bags of leaves during these two weeks on your normal trash day. All materials must be placed in paper compost bags.

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



## WE'RE BUZZING WITH GENEROSITY THIS APRIL!



Small actions can make a big impact! When you purchase a reusable \$3.00 Give Back Bag at our selected Shaw's location this month, it will send our organization a \$1 donation to help us further our work!

Shaw's in Belmont has chosen Hands Across the Table to receive \$1 for every reusable bag purchased during the month of April!



shaws.2givelocal.com  
GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS  
Reusable Bag Program



## COMMUNITY HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025 • 5:30 PM

✧ On the day of the observance of *Yom Hashoah*—Holocaust Remembrance Day✧

Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC, 18 Veteran's Square, Laconia

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND](#)



By Janet Langhart Cohen

This one-act play will be presented as a dramatic reading of the imagined conversation between Anne Frank and Emmett Till, two young victims of racially motivated violence sharing their experiences of the hatred that shaped their tragically short lives.

Directed by  
Debbi Finkelstein

THE PROGRAM IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

JOIN US AT 5:30 FOR A LIGHT SUPPER BEFORE THE PERFORMANCE

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND](#)

OR SCAN THE QR CODE

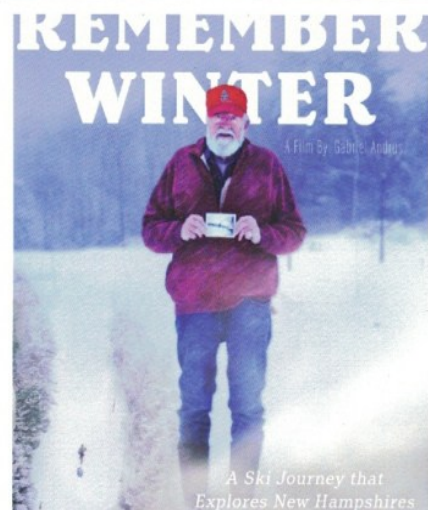


*People become the stories they hear and the stories they tell.*

—Elie Wiesel

Presented by Temple B'nai Israel, Laconia Congregational Church, UCC, and  
The Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia in collaboration with the Laconia Human Relations Committee

## Remember Winter



A film by Gabriel Andrus

Earth Day, April 22nd 6:30 PM at Laconia Public Library

Film will be followed by brief presentation of local climate impacts, solutions and ideas for public involvement.

Sponsored by:

NH Lakes Region Chapter, Citizens' Climate Lobby

Admission Free



Citizens' Climate Lobby

For more info, visit:



<http://bit.ly/4j1guE7>



The Hilliard Road Brush Dump is located at 325 Hilliard Road (603-366-4855). As of April 2nd the facility is now open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 8 am to 3 pm.

Materials accepted are as follows: Clean wood (not painted, stained or pressure treated); branches of trees (no larger than 3" in diameter/3' in length).  
Leaves are not accepted at the Brush Dump.

Residents who want to use this facility must have a Laconia dump sticker or day pass.  
Dump stickers and day passes are available at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall,  
45 Beacon St. East in Laconia from 8:30-4:30, Monday-Friday.

Questions? Call DPW at 603-528-6379 or the Clerk's Office at 603-527-1265.





## Lindsay Poulin Runs the 129th Boston Marathon to Support the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress

On April 21st, 2025, Lindsay Poulin, a beloved member of the Laconia School Community, will tackle the 129th Boston Marathon with a powerful and heartfelt mission: to raise funds and awareness for the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress (MDSC). For Lindsay, this marathon is not only a physical challenge but also a deeply personal commitment to supporting individuals with Down syndrome, a cause close to her heart.

Lindsay's motivation for running the marathon stems from her personal connection to her younger cousin, Nicholas, who has Down syndrome. Nicholas, a joyful and inspiring young man from Massachusetts, has been an incredible source of strength and inspiration to Lindsay. She has witnessed firsthand how the MDSC's resources and programs have positively impacted his life. "It's been incredible to see the positive impact the MDSC has had on Nicholas' life," Lindsay shared. "He's taught us so

much about the power of acceptance, love, and joy, even in the face of challenges. I'm running this marathon to honor him and the community that has supported him."

Beyond her commitment to Nicholas, Lindsay is also running to honor her grandfather, who is legally blind. For years, it has been his dream to run and finish the Boston Marathon, and Lindsay is determined to fulfill that dream for him. "This race is for both Nicholas and my grandfather," Lindsay said. "Their strength and determination have always inspired me, and I want to make this a meaningful moment for our family."

As a Physical Education teacher, Pilates instructor, and coach in the Laconia School Community, Lindsay has spent her career promoting fitness, wellness, and a healthy lifestyle. She has inspired many students, athletes, and community members with her commitment to physical and mental health.

Through her marathon journey, Lindsay aims to raise both funds and awareness for the MDSC, an organization dedicated to promoting the inclusion, acceptance, and extraordinary capabilities of individuals with Down syndrome. The MDSC provides essential resources, advocacy, and education for families, creating a supportive and empowering community.

Lindsay believes in the importance of inclusive opportunities for all families and views the marathon as a powerful platform to advocate for the incredible programs that have made a difference in Nicholas' life and the lives of many others. "I believe in the importance of inclusive opportunities for all families. This marathon is an opportunity to raise awareness and advocate for the programs that have made such a difference in Nicholas' life and in the lives of so many other families."

For Lindsay, the 2025 Boston Marathon will not only be a celebration of her love for health and fitness but also a way to give back to a cause that has shaped her family's journey. She is excited to run for a cause that holds such deep meaning and is determined to make a positive impact on the lives of individuals with Down syndrome and their families.

Your support will help continue the vital work of the Massachusetts Down Syndrome Congress, ensuring that individuals with Down syndrome and their families have the resources they need to succeed and thrive.

If you would like to help with a donation, please use the following: <https://venmo.com/u/MDSC-Boston2025>. Any donation that is sent in via Venmo will be sent to companies that will match your donation.

thank you  
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



## Property Taxes - Deductions and Exemptions



Do you own your home in Laconia and is it your primary residence? Are you a veteran who served our country and were honorably discharged? If so, you may qualify for a veteran credit. If you are 65 years or older and meet the necessary income and asset limits you may qualify for an elderly exemption.

Please check our website at  
<https://www.laconianh.gov/162/Credits>  
and <https://www.laconianh.gov/165/Exemptions>  
to see if you qualify.

The deadline to apply for the 2025 tax year is April 15, 2025.  
Questions? Please call the Assessing Office at 603-527-1268.



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



### HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

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

**March 31st through April 11th**

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

*Curbside  
recycling  
will be  
picked up  
the week  
of April 7!*



The next time you visit City Hall, be sure to stop as you go through the lobby - we have great photographs on display compliments of some very talented Laconia High School students!



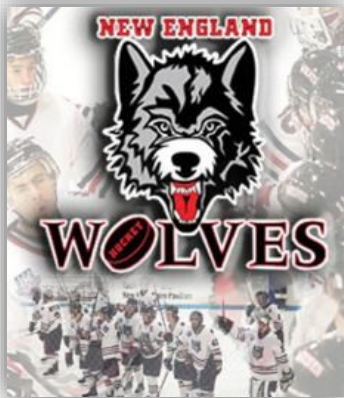
## All Laconia dogs need to be registered by April 30th each year!

To renew **online**: [www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov), Online Bill Pay, Dog Licensing - Please note that when processing your dog tag online, you will need to add the two or three digit prefix (for example 24- or VET-)

By **Mail**: City Clerk's Office, PO BOX 489, Laconia NH 03247, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

1st dog for an owner 65+	\$2.00
Spay/Neutered dog	\$6.50
Unaltered dog	\$9.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$1.00
Civil Fine for failure to register by 4/30	\$25.00
Replacement tag	\$1.50

Please call the City Clerk's Office at  
603-527-1265 with any questions  
or for additional information.



Don't miss these  
New England  
Wolves games  
coming soon!

Eastern Hockey League  
Premier Division  
Northern Regional  
Finals!  
Best of 3 games

Friday, April 4 - New England Wolves vs.  
Seahawks Hockey Club, 4:30 pm

Saturday, April 5, New England Wolves vs.  
Seahawks Hockey Club, 4:30 pm

Sunday, April 6 (if necessary), 11:30 am

All games are at the Hanaway Rink on the campus of  
Plymouth State University, 93 North, Exit 25, north on  
Rt. 175, Holderness, NH

Let's support our local team!



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](#).






LACONIA SENIOR CENTER  
(603) 524-7689

## 2025 ACTIVITIES



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30 – Meatball Sub	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—Corn Hole, Puzzles & Games 11:30 – Taco Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Word Find & Crossword Puzzles
7	8	9	10	11
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30—Board/Card Games	10:30—Bone Building by Hannaford 11:30 – Mediterranean Beef Stir Fry	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30– Chicken Provencal	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Adult Coloring
14	15	16	17	18
10:30—Share Your Stories/Photos & Coffee Social	10:30—Corn Hole, Puzzles & Games 11:30 – Chef Salad	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30– Chicken Alfredo	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:00—Easter Craft
21	22	23	24	25
10—Adult Coloring 10:30—Puzzles & Games	10:30—LR VNA Adv. Directives (Part 2) 11:30– Chicken Teriyaki	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—Powerback Rehab Health Clinic 11:30– Chicken Veg. & Bean Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10– Corn Hole
28	29	30		
10—Movie & Snack 	10:30—CAPBM Area Center Presentation 11:30 – BBQ Pulled Pork	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo		Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal

# NH VETERANS VIRTUAL HIRING AND RESOURCE FAIR

Thursday, April 24, 2025  
11:00am to 1:00pm

Connecting the Military Community  
with Veteran-friendly businesses  
in New Hampshire

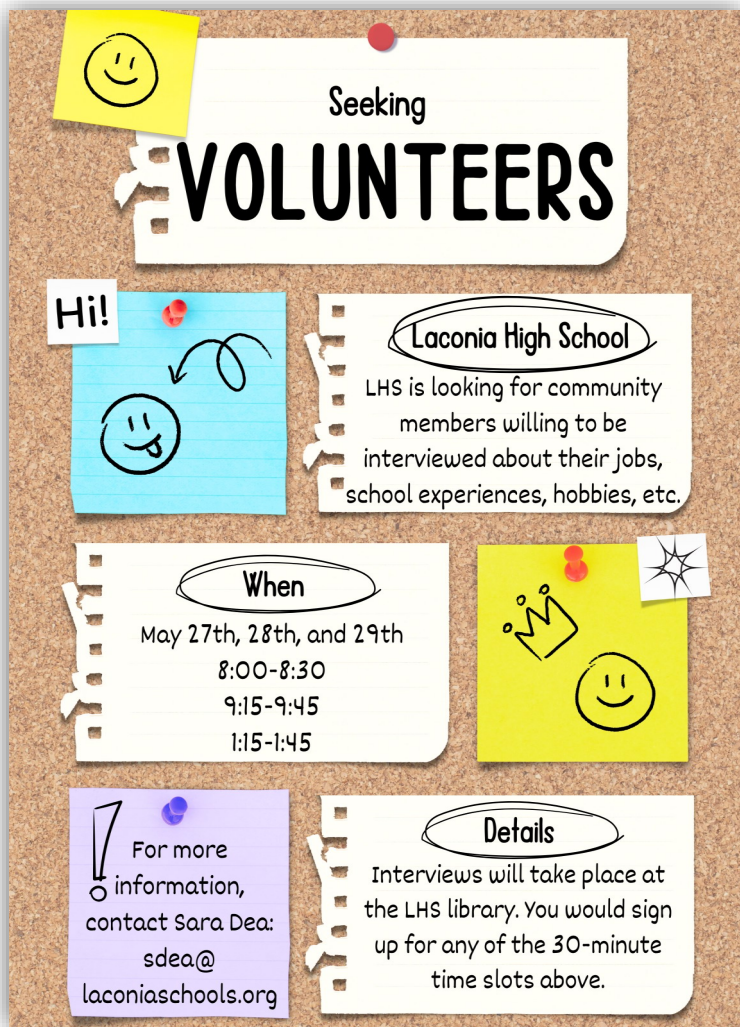
<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>

click or  
scan to  
register!



Employers and Job Seekers must register to attend  
Please contact JobFair@nhes.nh.gov with any questions





**Seeking**

# VOLUNTEERS

**Hi!**

**Laconia High School**

LHS is looking for community members willing to be interviewed about their jobs, school experiences, hobbies, etc.

**When**

May 27th, 28th, and 29th

8:00-8:30  
9:15-9:45  
1:15-1:45

**Details**

Interviews will take place at the LHS library. You would sign up for any of the 30-minute time slots above.

For more information, contact Sara Dea: [sdea@laconiaschools.org](mailto:sdea@laconiaschools.org)



## Advanced Manufacturing Summit Thursday, 4/24 9:00AM - 11:00AM

@LRCC  
379 Belmont Rd.  
Laconia, NH



Help us shape the future  
of manufacturing in NH!

This collaborative event brings together industry leaders, state partners, educators, and workforce development experts to explore the future of advanced manufacturing in New Hampshire.

### Highlights

- ★ Meet & Greet (Light Refreshments)
- ★ Keynote – Commissioner Taylor Caswell, NH Department of Business & Economic Affairs
- ★ LRCC Advanced Manufacturing Tour

### Opportunity

- ✓ Connect with industry experts
- ✓ Share insights with state leadership
- ✓ Learn about key workforce development initiatives

FREE EVENT  
REGISTER  
by 4/22



LRCC Campus  
379 Belmont Rd.  
Laconia, NH 03246

LRCC  
(603) 524-3207

[LRCC.edu](http://LRCC.edu)



# 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](mailto:handsacrosstt@gmail.com)



## SATURDAY MAY 24, 2025

### MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND BENEFITTING

### HONKY TONK CHICKS

### VETERANS COUNT

easterseals-nh

TICKETS & MORE INFO  
[www.tbinh.org](http://www.tbinh.org) or  
scan the QR Code

Country Music Tribute Show

### INTER-LAKES HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, MEREDITH

### SHOWTIME 7:30 PM

**EVENT SPONSORS**

Audi, InterLakes Family Dental, Miracle Farms, The Lakes Region Business Directory

**MEDIA SPONSORS**

The Sun, Mix 94.1, WSCV 106.9 FM



Tuesday, April 8, 2025 - 10:00 am to Noon

## REP. CHRIS PAPPAS OFFICE HOURS

Laconia City Hall  
2nd Floor, Meeting Room 200B  
45 Beacon St. E.  
Laconia, New Hampshire

CONGRESSMAN  
**CHRIS PAPPAS**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE'S 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

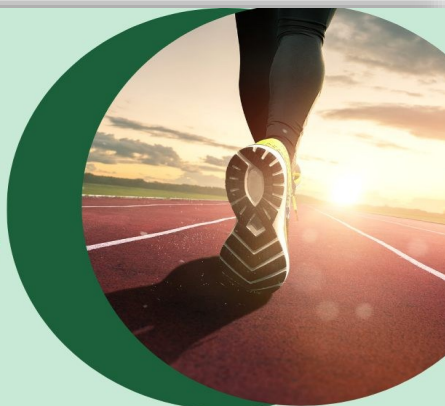


A member of Congressman Chris Pappas's staff will be visiting Laconia to answer questions and provide information about federal resources and programs. Congressman Pappas's office can help constituents with federal issues, including Social Security, VA benefits, passports, IRS, and more.

For more information on these office hours, please email [Nbrown@laconianh.gov](mailto:Nbrown@laconianh.gov), or call 603-527-1270. For general information from Congressman Pappas's office, please visit <https://pappas.house.gov> or call 603-285-4300.



Lakes Region  
Mental Health Center



**InSHAPE**

**Track Walking Group**

- 📅 Thursdays at 10:00am
- 📍 Laconia Track
- 🕒 All levels welcome
- 📧 [inshape@lrmhc.org](mailto:inshape@lrmhc.org)

## Franklin VNA & Hospice **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

April 22nd - May 27th  
Tuesdays from 1:00pm - 3:00pm  
75 Chestnut St, Franklin

*Five FREE small-group sessions provided in a supportive environment to discuss loss and identify coping skills that can aid in the grieving process.*

*You don't have to grieve alone.*

To Register call 603-934-3454  
or email [cmurray@franklinvna.org](mailto:cmurray@franklinvna.org)



Earth Day is April 22, 2025!

Learn more about Earth Day in New Hampshire provided by the NH Department of Environmental Services by clicking the image (above).



# Belknap Mill Quilters Guild

The Belknap Quilters Guild will present a lecture by Frances Arnold "Viewing the World through Quilt Colored Glasses" on Wednesday, April 9th, at 7:20 PM or our new location at Laconia Community College, 379 Belmont Road, Laconia NH 03246 in the Academic Commons Building.

Frances Arnold is an award winning quilter whose work has been exhibited in Houston, Paducah and QuiltCon.

Description: Travel across five continents to examine how we, as quilters, view the world. She will discuss the places where we gain inspiration, whether it be an exotic palace in India or a carpet found in a local hotel. Finally, she will explore methods and ideas for turning those inspirations into wonderful quilts.

[www.francesquilts.com](http://www.francesquilts.com)



There is a \$5.00 fee for non members for in person or on zoom. Please email [info@BMQG.com](mailto:info@BMQG.com) to enroll and for more information.

## Ladies of the LAKE Designer Bag BAZINGO



AT LEAVITT PARK - LACONIA

FRIDAY APRIL 18

Doors open at 5pm - Games start at 630pm

BYOB and The Fantastic Full Circle Food

Truck will be there

Pre buy game card packages start at \$30 ( \$40 on event day )

15 Designer Games!

Get your tickets here →

[www.ladiesofthelakenh.com/shop](http://www.ladiesofthelakenh.com/shop)



**SMITTENS**  
Bridal, Wedding, Event, Party  
603-993-0120

**2025  
SPONSORS**

**ELECTRIC CONNECTION**  
Reliable Electrical Resources

All proceeds go to  
The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction

KeithMurray  
Loans.Com

**LESS HARD SURFACE  
RESTORATION**

**Kara Financial, LLC**  
www.KaraFinancial.net

**BERKSHIRE  
HATHAWAY**  
VERANI REALTY  
603-224-2400

**GREATER LAKES REGION  
CHILDREN'S  
AUCTION**

DEL R. GILBERT & SON BLOCK CO., INC.

## HOWLS & HARDSCAPES DOG FOOD DRIVE

A benefit event for the huskies of  
The Husky Halfway House Foundation

Dog Food Collection - April 1st, 2025 - May 15th, 2025  
Drop off at all 4 Gilbert Block Locations

Raffle Drawing & BBQ - May 17th 2025  
at the Laconia Open House 9am - 2 pm



Looking for donations of bagged dog food in exchange for a chance to win pavers, firepit, or other prizes! We are asking that food brands be Purina One Chicken, Proplan, Diamond Naturals, Eukanuba, or Victor.

Please No food with artificial colors as it tends to upset the dog's belly.

for more information, please contact chelsea.gilbertblock@gmail.com or text-6033872185





# Save the Date!

## Upcoming Mobile Food Pantry



**Friday, April 11, 12:00pm-2:00pm**

*First-come, first-served. While supplies last.*

**Lakes Region Community College  
379 Belmont Rd. Laconia, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring a truckload 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



## OPECHEE DAY CAMP

**is looking for  
SUMMER COUNSELORS**

Contact Laconia Parks & Rec for info

Call 603-524-5046 or E-mail

[PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV](mailto:PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV)

# May 2025 Regional Virtual Job Fairs

## Lakes Region

**Thursday, May 15, 2025 | 11am - 1pm**



employers and  
job seekers must  
register to attend

<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>

click or  
scan to  
register!





# KIDS' Fishing Derby

May 17, 2025

Hosted by Laconia Rod & Gun Club

Calling all kids 15 and under...

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

8am to 1pm  
BBQ Lunch Provided

Pre registration held on April 6th from 10am-1pm  
Laconia Rod & Gun Function Hall  
358 South Main Street, Laconia (located next to Vista)  
(Please follow the signs to the back door)

Contact Lisa at 455-6563 if you are unable to register on 4/6/25

GREATER LAKES REGION  
CHILDREN'S AUCTION



Sponsored by the  
Café Déjà Vu Pub Mania Team



## EGG My Yard!

How would you like to wake up to a yard filled with candy & toy stuffed eggs?

We will come out after 8PM the night before Easter.  
We will scatter (not hide) the eggs in your yard.  
(Laconia, Meredith, Belmont, Gilford area!)

22 EGGS - \$20  
45 EGGS - \$40  
70 EGGS - \$60  
95 EGGS - \$80  
120 EGGS - \$100

**CALL, TEXT OR EMAIL TODAY!**

We have a limited supply so order early!

**April 15th deadline**



**(603) 998-1418 or [ynotynot@peoplepc.com](mailto:ynotynot@peoplepc.com)**

We can send you a registration form or stop by Café Déjà Vu

We will also recycle the empty eggs if you bring them to Café Déjà vu after

2025

Discover

**WILD**

New Hampshire Day!



**ADMISSION IS FREE!**

**SATURDAY - APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**10am-3pm**

AT THE  
N.H. FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT,  
11 HAZEN DRIVE, CONCORD, N.H.  
VISIT: [WILDNH.COM](http://WILDNH.COM)

Fun family day features live animals,  
big fish, hands-on activities,  
and exhibits by outdoor  
and environmental groups.

Brought to you by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Dept.



Sponsored by the







## **Laconia Middle School Tours Plymouth State University**

**On Thursday, March 27, seventy-two students from Laconia Middle School went to Plymouth State University. They were able to tour the campus and then explore a career pathway of their choice in Robotic and Game Design, Meteorology, Environmental Science, Athletics, Human and Human Performance, Theater and Performing Arts, and Graphic Design. Students gained information about the campus and about their chosen pathway. Students concluded their trip with a delicious lunch in PSU's café and a picture with PSU's mascot. Thank you to Gear Up Navigator, Leslie Castonia for organizing this trip.**





**FRANKLIN VNA AND HOSPICE**  
**5K RUN/WALK**

Paul Smith Elementary School  
 41 Daniel Webster Dr.  
 Franklin, NH

**APRIL 26, 2025**  
 9:00am START  
 10:15am AWARDS

Registration  
 \$35.00 Adult  
 \$25.00 Child

Sign up at:  
<https://franklinvna.org/fundraisers/>  
 Or Contact Ryan Howe (603)934-3454 / [rhowe@franklinvna.org](mailto:rhowe@franklinvna.org)



**HOMEteam**  
 Helping You Get Home Smart



**First Time Homebuyer Seminar**

Looking to Buy a Home?

This seminar introduces the key steps of buying a home and teaches you how to build your team of home buying professionals to guide you through each step!

What's included:

- "Realizing the American Dream": A complete manual detailing how to buy your home.
- **One-on-One Counseling:** A certified counselor will assess your situation and help develop a road map to purchase your home.
- **Credit Report:** Included at your one-on-one counseling appointment.
- **Pizza Lunch:** Included at this class.

Save \$40 with promo code LAKES40

Pre-Registration is required!  
 \$69 Class Fee  
 Up to two attendees per household

Location:  
 Lakes Region Community Developers  
 193 Court Street  
 Laconia, NH 03246

Date:  
 Saturday  
 April 26, 2025  
 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m

Questions?  
 Tanya Hannigan  
 866-701-9097  
[thannigan@hometeamnh.org](mailto:thannigan@hometeamnh.org)

Register Now!  
[www.HOMEteamnh.org](http://www.HOMEteamnh.org)  
 866-701-9097

Accessible alternatives and interpreters available upon request.

**SIGN UP FOR ALERTS ON NEWENGLAND511.ORG**




7:23  
 NE  
 New England 511

89 East  
 Construction: Hooksett I-93 SB  
 Mile 30.4 to Hooksett Tolls , 2 left lanes closed

93 South  
 Construction: Hooksett I-93 SB  
 Mile 30.4 to Hooksett Tolls , 2 left lanes closed

NH  
 Construction: Hooksett I-93 SB  
 Mile 30.4 to Hooksett Tolls , 2 left lanes closed

Text Message + SMS

Q W E R T Y U I O P  
 A S D F G H J K L  
 Z X C V B N M  
 123 space return

That moment when you realize "that" coworker was right... and you should have signed up for alerts on [newengland511.org](http://newengland511.org).

Instead of getting stuck in traffic and wishing you had planned ahead, sign up for personalized traffic alerts and make informed traffic decisions. Stay ahead of delays, explore alternate routes, and keep your commute stress-free.

Don't learn the hard way - sign up for personalized traffic alerts today and stay ahead of delays!



# 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 ...

**Court Street, Laconia, is seen in the 1950s, looking west from Bay Street (off-photo at right). Temple B'Nai Israel is glimpsed at left, and LaPlante's Market is at right. In the distance, close inspection will disclose Harold T. Whittum's Mobil service station, beyond the market, at right. Dutch elm disease has yet to attack the stately elms lining the highway. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)**



## ... AND NOW

**The temple is still there, but with an addition. Just beyond it, Howland's (later Hi-Fi Furniture) is now Platinum Salon & Spa. On the right, the little market was most recently home to Jack the Clipper's barber shop. The Whittum service station is now Citco and part of Stafford Oil. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)**



# PUBLIC HEARINGS

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 **April 14, 2025** 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:

### **PETITION TO ACCEPT HILLCREST DRIVE AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **April 14, 2025** 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:

### **PETITION TO ACCEPT JANES AVENUE AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **April 14, 2025** 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 2025-221-41, TIME LIMITS AND FEES, ADJUSTMENT OF THE PARKING TIME LIMIT RESTRICTIONS TO ALLOW FOR A ONE HOUR EXTENSION PERIOD USING A PAY BY APP SYSTEM FOR CITY METERED PARKING ON LAKESIDE AVE, AND SETTING THE FEE FOR THAT ONE HOUR EXTENSION PERIOD AT \$3.00 PER HOUR**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **April 14, 2025** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

### **RESOLUTION 2025-10 RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND A USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT (COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,250.00 TO HELP FUND THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A CRITICAL EVIDENCE AND EQUIPMENT STORAGE FACILITY PROJECT FOR THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



# City of Laconia

Laconia City Hall  
45 Beacon St. East  
Laconia, NH 03246  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)  
[info@laconianh.gov](mailto: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!

### Take Care of Yourself as a Caregiver



## 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 - Grey Draper	
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](mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov)

Visit the City's website at:  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)

## Upcoming Meetings

Week of  
April 7 - April 11

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:**

### Water Commission

April 7, 2025, 5:30 pm

### Agenda

### Laconia Putnam Fund

April 8, 2025, 9:00 am

### Agenda

### Laconia Human Relations Committee

April 8, 2025, 3:30 pm