



Laconia Links

January 20, 2017 - Edition #271



Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)



Chief Adams recently spent the morning with several dozen residents of Sunrise Towers, answering questions about crime trends, the opiate crisis, motor vehicle laws, and creative solutions to address these issues.

The Laconia Police Department adopted the "Coffee with a Cop" Program last year, and since that time has had over a dozen meetings throughout the City.



If you are interested in hosting an event, please contact Chief Adams at 524-5257, Ext. 324, or email at Cadams@laconiapd.org.

Welcome to *Laconia Links* a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

We look forward to keeping you up to date on our beautiful City!



Please be sure to use extra caution on the ice!

Sledding Hill!!
Located at the end of South Street
8am-10pm
conditions permitting.
FREE!!
Lights on from 4-10 pm if conditions are good and safe. Call Parks & Rec at 524-5046 for more information!

Be sure to call Parks & Rec or check their [website](#) for information on conditions!

Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....



Feed a Friend
January 25th
at 4:00 pm

Hear a story and make bird feeders. For ages up to 3rd grade. Sign up in the Children's Room!

Involves peanut butter.



Teen Movie
"Miss Peregrine's Home
for Peculiar Children"
January 24 @ 3pm

When Jacob discovers clues to a mystery that stretches across time, he finds Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children. But the danger deepens after he gets to know the residents and learns about their special powers.
Rated PG 13.



Adult Spa Crafts
January 30th at 6pm

After the joy and stress of the holidays, join us for an evening program where we will be creating spa crafts. In this program we will make things like bath bombs, sugar scrubs and heat packs to take home and enjoy throughout the winter. This free program is for adults only, sign up is required.

Please bring a clean jar with a lid.

Upcoming Meetings...

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda. Meetings are open to the public. You are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website. Click on a specific meeting for more information.

Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

Water Commission
January 26, 2017, 8:00 am
117 Stark Street
Water Treatment Facility
Conference Room

Meeting
in
Progress

**Please see below for
meetings scheduled
for the week of
January 23 - 27, 2017:**

Trustees of the Trust Fund
January 23, 2017, 10:00 am
City Hall, Mayor's Office

City Council Finance Comm.
January 23, 2017, 6:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

City Council
January 23, 2017, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

Minor Site Plan Committee
January 25, 2017, 2:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

***Become involved in your City
and make a difference!***

Laconia Pride

Laconia School District

Ensuring success with every student, every day, in every way

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017

Laconia High School and Stand Up Laconia hosted Poetry Out Loud on Thursday, January 12th at Wayfarer Coffee Roasters.



Congratulations to Colleen O'Brien for winning the Poetry Out Loud recitation competition! Colleen will proceed to the regional competition in Lincoln, NH.



Ready! For Kindergarten will be Thursday, February 16, 2017 from 5:30-7:30 pm at Pleasant Street School. This is a FREE class for Laconia parents of children birth to age five. Register by calling Kaitlyn at the Laconia School District at 524-5710 or online at: www.readyforkindergarten.org/laconia.

Register early as enrollment is on a "first come, first served" basis!

2016/2017 School Board Members

Ward at-large

Michael Persson
mpersson@laconiaschools.org

Ward #1

Mal Murray
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Barbara Luther
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Ward #6

Heather Lounsbury
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Click [here](#) for our online calendar

SACHEM NATION



Please join us for

8th Grade Parent Night

Where: Huot Culinary Arts Dining Room

When: Wednesday, February 1st 5:30 – 7:00 pm

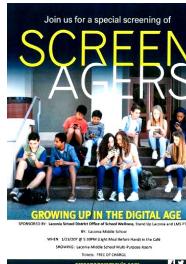
Why?

- ❖ Learn about course offerings at LHS
- ❖ Hear from Department Heads about LHS expectations
- ❖ Learn about summer assignments
- ❖ Information about the student scheduling process
- ❖ Answer all questions

All incoming 9th grade parents and students are invited!

****Refreshments will be served****

Laconia High School



Stand Up Laconia has partnered with the Laconia School District Office of School Wellness and Laconia Middle School's PTO to present the movie Screenagers on Wednesday, January 25, at 5:30 pm at Laconia Middle School, 350 McGrath Street, Laconia. Please join us for this FREE movie, bring your children and grandchildren. A light meal will be served. For more information, check out screenagersmovie.com



NH Humane Society

Over a century of love for those without a voice.



MOMMA CAT

Life on the streets is tough for cats in any season. Contrary to what humans think, that they can fend for themselves, survival skills are not inherent and have to be learned. Little Momma Cat found herself homeless in the heat of last summer. Happily, a concerned citizen brought her to New Hampshire Humane Society rather than turning a blind eye to her obvious distress.

Momma Cat, so named at our shelter, is the epitome of sublime tranquility. She has realized humans can be trusted, will take care of her and are a source of pleasure and companionship; she's just a little leery of your advances at first, but loves that tickle under the chin.

She relishes the company of other cats and creates calmness in our feline social room. Should you be interested in adopting a new pet, think of Momma Cat first. She has those Zen like qualities that will exude peace in your home. Namaste!

Check www.nhhumane.org for more details or call the Humane Society at 524-3252.

We're on Facebook at facebook.com/nhhumane!

City Manager Updates

The following update has now been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

Be sure to check out the [Project Updates](#) report which provides a concise update of projects in the community.

In this report you will find everything from road projects to the latest information on the Master Plan update.

We hope you find this report helpful and informative!

Contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or info@city.laconia.nh.us



From the City Clerk's Office

Boat and Jet Ski Registrations



Process your boat and jet ski registrations when you conduct other business in City Hall. It's quick and easy! We are open Mon. thru Fri., 8:30 to 4:30. Call the Clerk's Office at 527-1265 with questions.



Reminder!

The next recycling collection week begins Jan. 23, 2017!

Recycling Made Easy



Play Hazeltine National in January!

Indoor Charity Golf Tournament Hosted by Laconia Rotary Club

All proceeds will support the Laconia Rotary Club charities!



4-Person Scramble

\$160 per team

Open Division

Women's Division

Senior Division

The tournament will be held at
Golf Club at Patrick's Place

18 Weirs Rd, Gilford, NH 03249

*Tee Times available throughout
the month of January*

Cash, Checks (payable to Laconia Rotary) and Credit Card online at www.laconiarotary.org accepted.

Call now to schedule your team!

TOP PRIZES

OPEN DIVISION: Dinner for 8 at the Local Eatery

WOMEN'S DIVISION: Dinner for 8 at Fratello's Italian Grille

SENIOR DIVISION: Golf for 4 at Laconia Country Club

And all teams will be entered in a random drawing to win other great prizes!

Register your team at
603-387-2597 and pay at the
Golf Club at Patrick's Place
(or by credit card at
www.laconiarotary.org)

Contact Dan Wilkins, TGC Golf Pro,
to register your team of 4

603-387-2597





Laconia Fire Department

Link to Fire Dept.'s Website [here](#)



On January 16th at 4:08 pm Laconia, Gilford, and Belmont Fire Departments were sent to 32 Appleton Street in the Lakeport section of Laconia for smoke in a house. The occupant advised that smoke was coming from the wall around her wood stove.

Laconia Engine 1 arrived 8 minutes later and Captain Shipp reported a 2-story wood frame house with smoke pushing from the soffit and eaves. He requested a 1st alarm, which brought in cover trucks to the empty fire stations and called back off-duty firefighters. There was obvious fire in the exterior wall around the area of the wood stove. The flames were spreading upwards through the wall to the second floor and attic.

An attack hose was deployed to the outside of the home where the wall was opened so firefighters could stop the spreading fire. As the additional crews arrived on scene they were sent to the second floor and attic to check for fire extension. Crews deployed a second hose to the inside of the home and opened the wall all around the wood stove. The fire was under control in 20 minutes. The crews remained on scene until 6:00 pm ensuring that there were no hidden flames in the old home. The occupant was staying with relatives for the night. Damage is estimated at \$30,000. Belmont, Meredith, and Stewart's EMS covered the City and handled three additional calls during the fire.





Winter Programs

at Prescott Farm
January-March 2017

Snowshoe Strolls

Saturdays in January & February; 10-11:30 OR 12:30-2:00
\$10/person (\$8/person Members)/person with pre-registration;
\$12 at the door

Moonlit Walks

Fridays, January 13 & Feb. 10 and Saturday, March 11; 6:00-7:30
\$10 (\$8 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$12 at the door



"The Art of Seeing:" An Intro to Animal Tracking

Saturday, January 14; 2:30-4:00
\$10 (\$8 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$12 at the door

WildQuest Winter Camp (for ages 6-12)

Monday-Friday, February 27-March 3; 9:00-3:00.
\$235/week or \$47/day (\$185/week or \$37/day Members)
Extended care is available.



Knitting for Total Beginners

February 11 & 25; 2:30-4:30
\$30 (\$28 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$35 at the door
Part of "We Can Do It" Series: Traditional Homesteading Skills for the Modern Family (monthly classes)

Register online today and SAVE or call 603-366-5695 to save your spot!

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

"Through preservation and education, Prescott Farm celebrates the interconnections between our community and the natural systems that sustain us all."

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www.prescottfarm.org

Public Works Department

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM *Your assistance is greatly appreciated!*

All Laconia households play a vital role in preventing neighborhood sewer system blockages. Please do your part to protect and maintain the City's significant investment in the sanitary sewer collection system. Click [here](#) to find out what is not allowed to be disposed of in the toilet or down the drain, and the proper way to dispose of such items. Questions? Please call Matt Mooney, DPW, at 528-6379, Extension 303.



Tues., January 31 and Thurs., Feb. 2nd from 6 - 8 pm

Saturday, Feb. 4th from 9 am - 1 pm

2 evening classes at the Laconia Community Center.

Saturday field trip, then in the outdoor classroom
for the real world setting.

Anyone welcome above the age of 8.

Minimum # of participants is 8; maximum is 20.

Registration deadline - January 27th.

Register early so you are not left out!

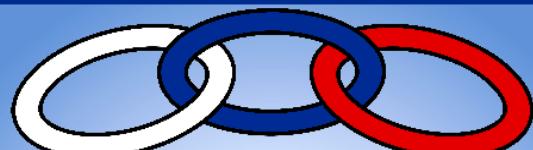
Questions? Call Parks & Rec. at 524-5046

NH Fish & Game “Let’s Go Fishing” ICE FISHING CLASS

FREE!



Laconia Historical and Museum Society
Symposium Series



THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS CHOCORUA LODGE #51



MONDAY, JANUARY 23 7:00PM

Laconia Public Library
Rotary Hall

**GAIN INSIGHT INTO THE ODDFELLOWS
AND THEIR LONG HISTORY IN LACONIA**

www.LaconiaHistory.org

FREE class for

Laconia Parents of
children

birth to age five

Learn games to share
with your child

FREE

Toys and
games

FREE

Childcare

Where: Pleasant Street School

When: February 16, 2017

Time: 5:30-7:30*

*First time attendees need to arrive by 5:30p.m. to receive a READY! Notebook, bag, and orientation. All returning parents need to arrive by 6:00 p.m.

Register by calling Kaitlyn at the Laconia School District at 524-5710 or online at www.readyforkindergarten.org/laconia

Register early as enrollment is on a “first come, first served” basis!

Returning parents-please re-register each season.

**READY!
for Kindergarten**

Ready for K! is a joint initiative of the
Laconia School District & LRCS Family
Resource Center of Central NH,



A Medication Collection and Disposal Box is located
in the lobby of the Laconia Police Department for your
convenience in disposing of old or unused prescription drugs
in a safe manner. Open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk.
The collection box is accessible 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week!





2017 Winter Workout Dates for Laconia Little League

Come warm-up with Laconia Little League before our 66th Season!

When: Saturday, January 21 4 – 6 PM Laconia Middle School
 Saturday, February 18 3 – 5 PM Laconia Middle School
 Saturday, March 11 4 – 6 PM Laconia Middle School

Who: Boys and Girls who live or go to school in Laconia, Gilford, Belmont, Gilmanton, Bristol, New Hampton, and Meredith

Ages: League age 5-12 – This includes boys and girls born on or before August 31, 2012.

Cost: FREE – no commitments!

What to bring? Please bring indoor shoes (no cleats, no boots or wet shoes), a glove, water to drink, and lots of energy!!

Can parents help? Laconia Little League welcomes potential coaches to lend a hand during the Winter Workouts, as well during the season

Mark your calendars with these dates and times!

Current Players – Online registrations are now open!! Visit our website: www.LaconiaLL.org to register online!

If you have any questions, please email Laconia Little League at LaconiaNHLL@gmail.com



Join us for a special screening of

SCREEN AGERS



GROWING UP IN THE DIGITAL AGE

SPONSORED BY: Laconia School District Office of School Wellness, Stand Up Laconia and LMS PTO

WHEN: 1/25/2017 @ 5:30PM (Light Meal Before Hand) in the Café

SHOWING: Laconia Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

Tickets: FREE OF CHARGE

screenagersmovie.com



Assessing

The abatement filing period is now open until March 1st. This is the process by which taxpayers can dispute their final 2016 value. Applications for abatement are available in our office or can be mailed upon request, by calling 527-1268.

We always recommend owners get a copy of their Property Record Card to verify its accuracy and confirm if any changes have been made.

Please call the Assessing Office at 527-1268 with questions.

[**Click** for
Assessing
Department](#)



A License is a...



Lost dog's ticket home.



Questions? Call
the Clerk's Office
at 527-1265

Friendly Reminder!

**Dogs are due to be licensed
by April 30, 2017!**

Failure to register by April 30th is a violation of RSA 466:13 and subject to a Civil Forfeiture of no less than \$25 in fines and court fees plus any late fees.

Please come into the City Clerk's Office, or use our convenient on-line service ([click here](#)).

Altered dog (or puppy under 7 mos. old)	\$6.50
Unaltered dog	\$9.00
Senior (1st dog for owners over 65)	\$2.00
Replacement tag	\$1.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$1.00
Civil fine for failure to register by 4/30	\$25.00



WildQuest Winter Camp

At Prescott Farm

Monday - Friday, February 27-March 3, 2017; 9:00-3:00

\$235/week or \$47/day (\$185/week or \$37/day Members)*

For children ages 6-12. Extended care is available.

It's a special time of year—chilly and sparkly white outside, and there are so many fun things to do! Winter camp is one of our favorite programs—it has a "personality" that is so different from Spring and Summer camps because we see Prescott Farm from such a different perspective!

Depending on the weather, the week will be a mix of:

- Animal tracking & Snowshoeing adventures
- Sledding
- Winter games such as "Weasels & Voles"
- Snowcrafts such as building "quinzhees" or igloos
- Going on a Winter Quest
- Exploring the frozen pond
- Winter-themed arts & crafts projects
- Maple Sugaring
- Stories around the campfire



Please Note: Please dress campers for being outside in the cold, including warm coats, snowpants, hats, mittens/gloves, warm socks and insulated boots. We highly recommend dressing in layers and prefer wool and fleece fabrics (rather than cotton) as they stay warmer if they get wet. Please send an extra change of clothes, socks and mittens. Campers should also bring along an indoor pair of shoes.

You can register by the day or for the full week.

***PLEASE NOTE THAT REGISTRATIONS, PAYMENT AND PAPERWORK MUST BE RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 21. FEES FOR REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER 2/21/17 WILL BE \$260/WEEK OR \$52/DAY (\$210/WEEK OR \$42/DAY MEMBERS).**

****Offer valid if you register your child for a full week of camp (not individual days) and refer a friend that also registers for the full week. The \$10 will be returned as a rebate check on the first day of camp.**



NEW!

Keep your camper warm with a Prescott Farm Kids' Gnome Hat. Recycled fleece repels water and dries quickly!

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www.prescottfarm.org

Licensed by:





Don't forget !
ServiceLink
Resource Center
(1-866-634-9412 or
528-6945)....it's the first
number to call for
senior services.

The Laconia Senior Center (LSC) is here for YOU!!

The Senior Center is a hub of activity for seniors in the area, no matter where they live. We provide community dining, accompanied by warmth and fellowship in a family-like atmosphere. The sooner you stop by for a visit, the sooner you will find your new "home" and "family". Hurry in...we can't wait to meet you!

*Laconia Senior Center is located at
17 Church Street in Laconia.
Questions? Call 524-7689*

We hope you have enjoyed this Edition of Laconia Links

We welcome your input, comments and suggestions!

Feel free to contact us at the City Manager's office, 527-1270, or by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers,
City Manager
City's Website:
www.city.laconia.nh.us



**CITY OF LACONIA
PHONE DIRECTORY**

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager: Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assessor - Deb Derrick	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Mary Reynolds	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Evan Rathbun	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing Clerk - Cheryl Hebert	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
Police Chief - Christopher Adams	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
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Mayor Edward Engler	630-4484
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Visit the City's website at:
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