



Laconia Links

January 19, 2018 - Edition #322

*Lights of the Colonial Theater on a snowy winter night
(photo compliments of Stephanie Hough-Keniston)*



Updates from the Planning Office...

The City of Laconia is in the process of updating and adopting a new Master Plan. A draft version of a proposed Vision Statement and Land Use Chapter is on the City's website for residents and other interested parties to review and make comments. Please visit the Planning Department's webpage and click on the Master Plan tab to view the draft document and also to submit comments.

The proposed update to the Master Plan is intended to be a significant change in direction for the City's planning and zoning policies. Once the Vision Statement and Land Use Chapter are adopted by the Planning Board (in March or April), the Planning Department and Planning Board will start the process of updating the City's Zoning Ordinance, Site Plan Regulations, and Subdivision Regulations. Other chapters of the Master Plan will also be updated and adopted over the next couple of years.

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@laconianh.gov

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



Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events....



Adult Craft: Painted Rock Cacti Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2 pm or 6 pm, Laconia Rotary Hall

Signup required. Create a fun plant that won't die! Brighten up a windowsill with a potted cactus made out of a little paint and some rocks. (Rescheduled to 1/23 due to snow.)

Teen Life Skills: Resumes Tuesday, Jan. 23, 3-5 pm in the Volpe Room. The Teen Librarian will help you craft a cover letter and resume. This workshop is exclusively for teens, registration is required.

Drop-in Saturday Craft: Coffee Filter Butterflies, Sat. Jan. 20, 10am to noon, Storytime Room
Come make coffee filter butterflies with us for this family craft.
Ages 3 and up.



LETTING GO: STRESS-FREE DOWNSIZING

Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2018, 10 am

Does the mere thought of downsizing strike fear into your heart? Helene Parenteau, one of the first professional organizers in the country, will share her expertise on downsizing based on her 35 years as an organizer. She will cover when to begin the downsizing process, where to start in the house, who wants your stuff (and who doesn't) and more.

Family Craft: Sparkly Icicles Monday, Jan. 22, 4 pm Selig Storytime Room

Make beautiful winter decorations to hang at your house using aluminum foil, glue, and glitter. Drop-in program. Easy, for all ages.



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

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



Meeting
in
Progress

**Please see below for meetings
scheduled for the week of
January 22 - 26, 2018:**

Trustees of the Trust Fund
January 22, 2018, 10:00 am
City Hall, Mayor's Office
[Agenda](#)

City Council
January 22, 2018, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

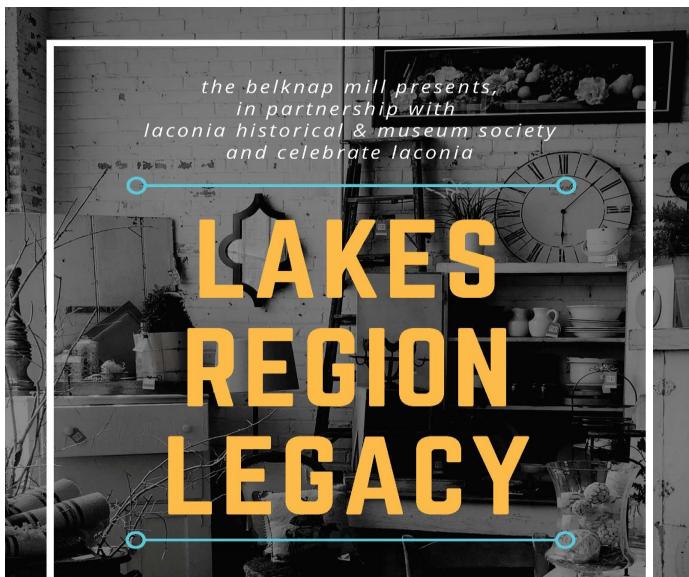
Water Commission
January 25, 2018, 8:00 am
117 Stark St., Water
Treatment Facility
Conference Room
[Agenda](#)

Library Board of Trustees
January 25, 2018, 5:00 pm
Laconia Public Library
Volpe Conference Room

Remember to put out your recycling the week of January 22nd!



Thank you for recycling!



**JANUARY 24, 2018 | 6:00 - 8:00PM
BELKNAP MILL, LACONIA**

Join in a presentation of the national documentary series: "Our American Family" showcasing:

the May and Bolduc families of the Lakes Region, with special guests & exclusive content from producer, Michael Nolan

have questions? operations@belknapmill.org or (603) 524-8813

Need help getting rid of that Christmas Tree now that the holidays are over?

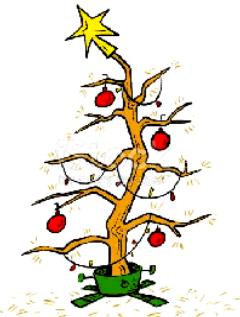
Imperial Hauling, LLC is offering a Christmas tree pickup service to Laconia residents, with proceeds benefitting Lakes Region Community Services Foundation. There is no set fee for this service, affording everyone the opportunity to pay what they choose.

Just leave your tree outside of your house (not at the curb) and provide your address to Imperial by calling or emailing:

603-832-3451, or
info@imperial.com

Pickups will take place through the end of January. An addressed envelope will be left at your door to send in payment.

Imperial is a family-run hauling operation based out of Laconia, offering home clean outs and 10-15 yard open top dumpsters to homeowners and contractors in the Lakes Region.



Since 1975, Lakes Region Community Services has been an essential community partner supporting individuals and families living with developmental disabilities or acquired brain disorders and providing community-wide family supports to enhance quality of life from birth through the lifespan. LRCS serves the residents of Belknap and southern Grafton counties.

Lakes Region Community Services
FOUNDATION
Invest in the Future

Laconia Lacrosse Club Winter Clinics on Sundays - Winter 2018

- Laconia HS Gym, Sunday nights
- **All girls, boys U8, and U10** from 6:00-7:00 pm
- **Boys U12, and U14** 7:00-8:00 pm
- Season starts March 19th

Are you in need of lacrosse equipment???? Email [Laconia Lacrosse Club](mailto:LaconiaLacrosseClub@gmail.com) to see if we have what you need.

- **We will have an equipment sale/swap at one of the open gym sessions in January as well.**

2018 Registration is open

- Laconia Lacrosse Club is "registration free" for the 2018 season
- **NO COST to play if you register by February 28th.**
- All players must hold [valid membership with US Lacrosse](#) to register.

Late FEE begins March 1st: \$100

There will be ONE MANDATORY Calendar Fundraiser in March



City Manager Updates

Three new updates have been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

First, take a look at the updated [**Financial & Operational Trends**](#) report. In this document you'll find financial information for the current year compared to prior years in several departments, such as fire and rescue call data, revenue from motor vehicle registrations and property taxes, police incidents, winter storm costs, overtime costs and much more!

Next, check out the current version of the [**Monthly Economic Development Report**](#). This report contains information pertaining to Laconia's unemployment rate and wages, as well as business and economic development partnerships.

And lastly, the [**Project Updates**](#) report 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.

Contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or
info@laconianh.gov

We hope you find these reports helpful and informative!



Lake's Region Creative Aging Center 17 Church Street, Laconia

is offering exciting new opportunities in
Landscape Painting with local artist Larry Frates.

- ★ Friday, January 19th, 10:00am—12:00pm: Learn to paint the beautiful landscape featured above.
- ★ Friday, January 26th, 10:00am—12:00pm: Learn to paint a second beautiful landscape (to be chosen).

**\$20.00 for each class or register for both classes
by January 16th and pay only \$30!**

Price includes instruction and all the supplies needed to
create a beautiful landscape in each class.

For more information and to reserve your spot,
please call Linda Howard at (603) 273-0125
or lhoward@bm-cap.org



*"Where history and memories
will be made once again."*



Restoration of the Colonial Theater, which originally opened its doors in April, 1914, is underway! To read current information and updates on how the project is coming, just go to the [609mainstreet.org website](http://609mainstreet.org).



CITY OF LACONIA
Notice of Public
Hearing

According to Article V (§5:06) of the Laconia City Charter and other applicable State laws, the City Council will hold a Public Hearing on January 22, 2018 during the regular Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in City Council Chambers, Room 200A relative to :

Resolution 2018-01 relative to NH RSA 72:82, a Statewide Property Tax Exemption for Industrial Construction.

Cheryl Hebert, City Clerk



**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.



Celebrate Recovery

FIND HEALING FROM YOUR HURTS, HABITS AND HANG-UPS

**3RD ANNUAL CELEBRATE RECOVERY RALLY!
JANUARY 25TH, 6-7:30P**

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered recovery program used in thousands of churches world-wide! Celebrate Recovery launched in Laconia, NH in December of 2015 and since that time 104 people have come to CR seeking healing from:

- Drugs
- Alcohol
- Pornography
- Co-dependency
- Anger
- Food Addiction
- Fear of Abandonment
- Anxiety
- Depression
- And more

Through CR participants find accountability, nurturing community and recovery instruction to help them gain victory over their particular hurt, habit or hang-up. Please consider attending our annual CR rally on January 25th and help support CR in Laconia for another year!

- PITMAN'S FREIGHT ROOM, 94 NEW SALEM ST, LACONIA
- \$12 P/PERSON or \$20 P/COUPLE, INCLUDES DINNER MEAL



All proceeds will go to the Water's Edge Church (www.watersedgerecofc.com) and will be used exclusively for Celebrate Recovery in 2018.

More info: www.facebook.com/CRLaconia/

Lake Region Creative Aging Center

17 Church St, Laconia

will be offering a new yoga class to kick 2018 off right!



YOGA

Wednesdays,

January 17th- February 7th, 12:00 -1:00pm

presented by Certified Yoga Instructor Fran Nash. A minimum of 5 students is needed to hold the class. \$30.00 for the 4 - week session.

The potential health benefits of yoga are endless!

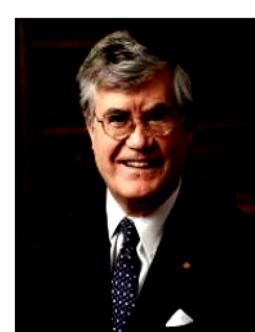
- Increased strength, flexibility, and mind-body awareness
- Stress reduction, improved mood and overall sense of well-being
- Improved respiration, energy, and vitality
- Cardio and circulatory health

Join us and start your journey to better health!

Call Linda Howard at (603) 273-0125
or lhoward@bm-cap.org for more information!



**STAND UP
LACONIA**



INFORMATION

Date - January 25th, 2017
(Snow Date - February 1st)

Time - 5:30 to 7pm

Location: Huot Technical Center
next to LHS

Light Refreshments Provided

Certificates of Attendance Given

**Learn the 5 Signs that Someone
is Struggling...**

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Alanon, Celebrate Recovery,
Greater Tilton Area Family
Resource Center, Navigating
Recovery of the Lakes Region, New
Beginnings, Lakes Region Mental
Health Center, The Family Resource
Center of Central NH and Smart
Recovery

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT -

Clare Persson - SUL Coalition
Director

Email: perssonclare@gmail.com

Phone: 603-387-4270

Judge Broderick was Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Supreme for seven years and served on the court from 1995-2010. During his time on the court his family faced firsthand the effects of mental illness very publicly and they learned to heal. He is now the co-chair of Change Direction, a national mental health awareness campaign dedicated to improving understanding and awareness of mental illness.

EVENTS

Mark Your Calendar

Lakes Region Creative Aging Center

17 Church St, Laconia, NH

Winter Happenings!

Tai Chi 101 continues: Mondays and Thursdays, January 8th - March 29th, 10:30 -11:30am. Sign up for the next class starting in April, on Mondays and Thursdays, 9:30 -10:30am.

Yoga for the active older adult: Wednesdays, January 17th - February 7th, 12:00 - 1:00pm.

Landscape Painting with Larry Frates: Fridays, January 19th & 26th, 10:00 -12:00pm.

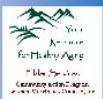
Free Intro Class for Native American Style Flute.

Monday, January 22nd, 11:30 -12:30pm.

Drumming For the Health of It Workshop: Tuesdays, January 23rd, 11:30am -12:30pm (held 4th Tues. of the month).

Learn the Native American Style Flute: Tuesdays, February 6th—March 13th, 11:30am -12:30pm.

Call Linda Howard at (603) 273-0125 or lhoward@bm-cap.org for more information or to reserve you spot.



February 16, 17, 18, 2018



Mark your calendar and cross your fingers for snow and good conditions! Stay tuned for further details or visit the Sled Dog Club website at www.lrsdc.org.

NH Free Tax Help!
Laconia Locations

Appointment Required! Both locations can assist for all ages. Please see below for days of the week appointments can be made:

Community Action Program 121 Belmont Road Laconia, NH (Opens Jan. 24) SCHEDULE ONLINE NOW or dial 2-1-1 for appt. Wed. 5:00PM-8:00PM Thurs. 5:00PM-8:00PM Sat. 9:00AM-1:00PM	Laconia Senior Center 17 Church Street Laconia, NH Call 524-7689 for appt. Wed. (Jan. 31-Feb. 28) 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM Thurs. (Feb. 1 - April 12) 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM
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SPECIAL EVENTS

WINTER CARNIVAL



FREE

February 3, 2018

11:00 - 2:00

Throughout Opechee Park

FREE



All Welcome!

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New England Wolves will
be there volunteering at
the games!!

Thank you Wolves!!

Possible games and activities. None are guaranteed due to weather and conditions.

Snowman Building

Face Painting

Snowshoe Relay Races

Ice Skating

Skillet Toss

Snow Painting

Sled Pulling Competition

Winter Biking

Softball Games

Gaga Ball

3 Legged Races

Crafts

Tug-O-War

Storytelling

Warming Hut

Bonfire w/ Marshmallows

Chili and Soup available for a buck a cup!!

There may be even more activities to come as well!

Call the Parks and Rec office at 524-5046 with questions regarding which activities are being held due to conditions or weather. We hope to see you there!!

Your Voice, Your Choice

Make planning for the future your New Year's Resolution



Sunday, February 11, 2018 2:00 - 4:00 PM

Beane Conference Center - 35 Blueberry Lane, Laconia

FREE Seminar on Advanced Care Planning:

Central New Hampshire VNA & Hospice • Dr. Marianne Jackson, "Busting the Myths" Presentation • Greater Laconia Ministerial Association • Wilkinson-Beane Funeral Home • Margaret Demos, Estate Planner- Martin, Lord and Osman, PA • LRGHealthcare

Learn the differences in financial planning vs. health care planning.

Explore how Advanced Care Planning can relieve conflicts and provide security for family.

*Show date of Feb. 18, 2018



To register, please call Angela at
603.524.8444, ext. 2337

LRGHealthcare
care. compassion. community.



**This year's
Laconia
Motorcycle
Week is
June 9 – 17!**

Property owners planning to have vendors, parking, music, campground, tents, etc. must have their applications submitted by **April 13** for the **May 2** Special Events meeting. Contact the Planning Dept. now at **527-1264** for questions and other related information. You can get the application on the website on the Special Events page under **Planning** or [here](#).



TED Talk: Brain Benefits of Sleep

There is nothing quite like a good night's sleep. What if technology could help us get more of it? Dan Gartenberg may have some answers. Join us Wednesday, January 31 at 2 p.m. in Taylor's Woodside Building to find out the future of sleep technology. A guest panel will be available to answer questions on sleep and sleep apparatus.

The event is free and open to the public.



**Coming soon! Watch for
details in upcoming
newsletters, or visit
www.nhhumane.org.**



Musical Entertainment by Bob Rutherford January 24



Bob Rutherford's passion is songwriting and he loves what he does. As an only child, creating alone has been something he's always done and each one of his compositions is a musical diary of a specific time in his life.

If you missed Bob's last performance at Taylor Community, be sure to mark your calendar for Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the Taylor Home Atrium. This free event is open to the public.

This fun-filled show includes a variety of popular music, so come enjoy the stories and let the combination of music and lyrics take you back to somewhere you may – or may not have – been before.



Creativity in Hard Times: The Federal Music Project of the 1930s

Leslie Amper has created a lecture/piano recital program with images and historical recordings of the performance and educational activities of the Great Depression. Included are live performances of piano music, which was among 6,000 new American works written during the time of such difficulty.



The event, co-sponsored by the Laconia Historical and Museum Society, is Monday, Jan. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. This free program is open to the public. Featured composers include Florence Price, William Grant Still, Roger Sessions, Ruth Crawford and Aaron Copeland. Amper's engaging and informative program clearly presents the vibrant contribution the Federal Music Project made to peoples' lives all over the United States during the Great Depression.



WMUR's Haley LaPoint at Taylor Community, January 31

Born and raised north of Topsfield, Mass., Haley LaPoint has been interested in weather since she was a young child. She would often spend hours in front of the family camcorder with a large map pointing out the next big weather system coming up the coast.

Today as a meteorologist for WMUR, LaPoint reports live from active weather situations and produces special weather content for TV, mobile and the WMUR website. Join us as she discusses forecasting New Hampshire weather Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. This free event is open to the public. Please note this event was previously scheduled for Jan. 10.

LaPoint began her career in Fargo, N.D., at KVLY-TV & KXJB-TV. While in Fargo, she received the Certified Broadcast Meteorologist seal from the American Meteorological Society - the first TV meteorologist to receive this seal in the Fargo television market. The CBM seal, as it's known, is a newer, more rigorous certification. She carries this distinct certification with her to WMUR. In 2013, LaPoint was elected to the American Meteorological Society (AMS) Board of Broadcast Meteorologists.



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



**January 29:
National Puzzle
Day**

Monday, January 29th is National Puzzle Day!

Come to the Senior Center and join us to celebrate puzzle making. We always have a daily puzzle and all are welcome!

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

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and suggestions!*

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Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers,
City Manager
City's Website:
www.laconianh.gov



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager: Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assessor - Deb Derrick	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert	
City Manager.....	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing Clerk Mike Giovanditto	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
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 - Matthew Canfield	
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 - Gail Denio	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
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David Bownes (Ward 2)	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
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Visit the City's website at:
www.laconianh.gov