



## Laconia Links

December 6, 2019 - Edition #415



Members of City Hall staff ready to participate in the Holiday Parade! More photos beginning on [page 6](#)

## Christmas Village 2019 is here!

Don't miss the magic of this year's Christmas Village! Bring your family and enjoy this wonderful community tradition at the Laconia Community Center!

December 6, 6-8 pm

December 7th, 2-5 pm

December 8th, 2-5 pm

*Free with donations accepted and appreciated. Pictures with Santa available for \$3.*



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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)

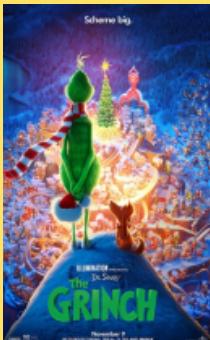
*We look forward to keeping you up to date on our beautiful City!*



*In order for City Hall employees to attend their annual Christmas luncheon, City Hall will be closed during the lunch hour on Friday, December 13th, 2019 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. We apologize for any inconvenience!*

# EVENTS and Programs

## Look what's happening at the Laconia Public Library!



**Movies & More for Kids:  
"The Grinch"**  
Friday, December 13  
3:45 pm  
Laconia Rotary Hall

A grumpy Grinch plots to  
ruin Christmas for the  
village of Whoville.  
Rated PG, 1 hr 25 min.

Children under 10 must be accompanied by  
a caregiver 14 or older; all adults must  
bring a child!

**Holiday Glitter Slime!**  
**Saturday, December 7**  
**9:30-11:30 am**  
**Laconia Rotary Hall**

Come make sparkly  
slime!



For youth of all ages, through teen.

**Holiday Cookies in a Jar**  
**Tuesday, December 10**  
**3:30 pm**  
**Selig Storytime Room**

Put together delicious holiday  
cookies in a jar to make at home.  
Great gifts to give...or eat them  
yourselves!



**Teen & Tween Craft:  
Holiday Soap Making**



WEDNESDAY.  
DECEMBER 11  
3PM

LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY | LACONIALIBRARY.ORG

*Join us in Laconia Rotary Hall to make  
holiday soap! Makes a great gift!*

# 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 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!*

**Conservation Commission**  
December 11, 2019, 6:00 pm  
[Agenda](#)



## MEETINGS

All meetings are held in the  
Armand A. Bolduc City Council  
Chamber in City Hall (formerly  
Room 200A) unless otherwise noted

**City Council**  
December 9, 2019, 7:00 pm  
[Agenda](#)

**Weirs TIF District Adv. Board**  
December 10, 2019, 2:00 pm

**Laconia Human Relations  
Communications Subcommittee**  
December 11, 2019, 3:00 pm  
Lakes Region Mental Health  
Center, Rm. 117  
[Agenda](#)

**Technical Review Comm.**  
December 11, 2019, 10:00 am

# Laconia Pride

## Laconia School District

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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2019



### 2019/2020 School Board Members



#### Ward-at-Large

Robert Champlin

#### Ward #4

Dawn Johnson

#### Ward #1

Mal Murray

#### Ward #5

Stacie Sirois

#### Ward #2

Laura Dunn

#### Ward #6

Heather Lounsbury  
(Chairperson)

#### Ward #3

Aaron Hayward (Vice-Chairperson)



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



Cookie donations for the Laconia Christmas Village  
made by our HTC Culinary Arts Students!



Thank you, Laconia,  
for supporting the benefit for Brianna!

## Winter Parking Ban!

The City of Laconia's winter parking ban is now in effect! From November 1st to May 1st no vehicle is allowed to be parked on a public street between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:30 a.m.

This parking ban allows our City vehicles to safely and effectively keep our streets passable during and after a winter storm. Failure to comply with the winter parking ban may result in your vehicle being towed at your expense.

*Thank you for your cooperation!*

## Reminder!



**Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of December 9, 2019**

**Remember:  
"Glass is Trash"**

*'When in doubt,  
THROW it out'*



## Crown the Community Choice Award

Vote for your favorite holiday decorated home and business today!

**All members of the community can participate and vote for their favorite home and business decorations.**

Voting is open until 12/20; one vote per person; only decorations visible from the street are eligible.



Home Vote: [bit.ly/LUL19Home](http://bit.ly/LUL19Home)

Business Vote: [bit.ly/LUL19Biz](http://bit.ly/LUL19Biz)



**Each location will have an official Light-Up Laconia sign posted to identify them as part of the competition.**

Questions: [connect@celebratelaconia.org](mailto:connect@celebratelaconia.org)



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New Spectrum Lighting Solutions



Unitarian Universalist Church of Laconia

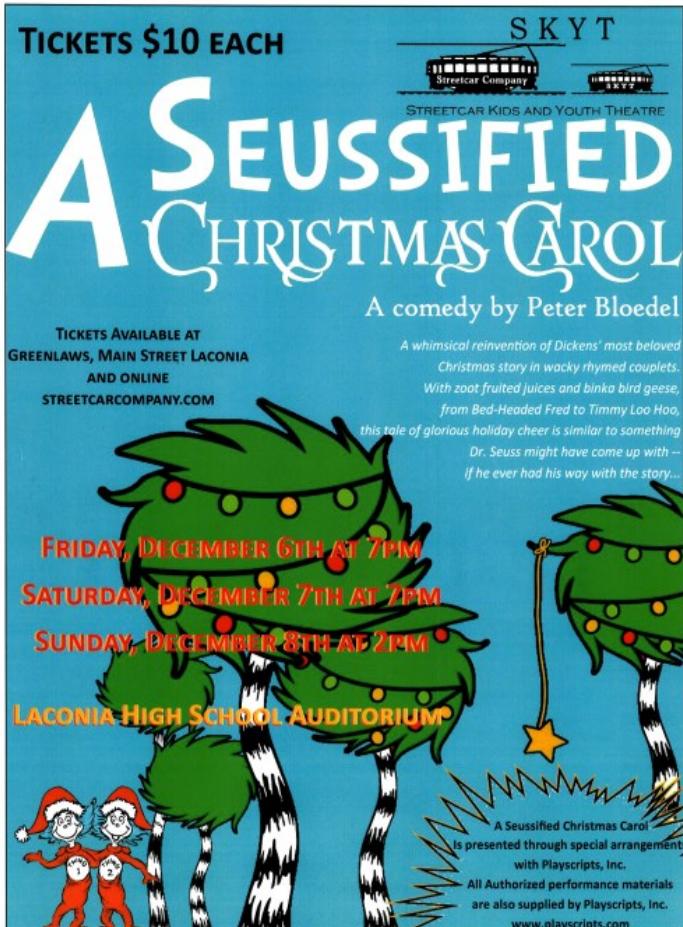
**TWO SHOWS THIS YEAR 2019!**  
**Friday, December 20th at 7pm**  
**Sunday, December 22nd at 4pm**

Join World-renown Violinist - Aniko Geldaze - Pianist - Noelle Beaudin - and Special Guest Vocalist - Jane Berlin Pauley for a foot stomping evening of lively Christmas Fiddle and Piano music in the Celtic Tradition - Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Scotland, Ireland, Galician and Welsh tunes. Enjoy Christmas music the way it used to be - uplifting and celebratory! At intermission choose from hundreds of homemade cookies at the Christmas Cookie Walk; wine is also served.

Tickets are \$15

Unitarian Universalist Church of Laconia - 172 Pleasant Street, Laconia NH  
 Call 603-848-2469 to order tickets

Stop in at Greenlaws Music to purchase in person  
 or visit: <http://www.nhisom.org/> to order online



## When Seconds Count...



**Which would you rather have  
 to protect your home?**

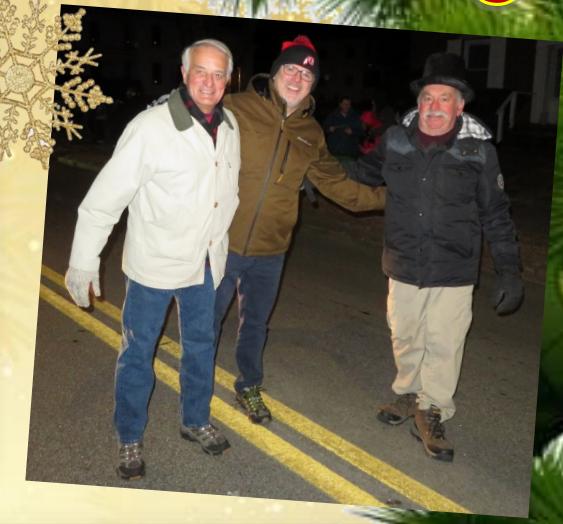
**We need your help!**

If you're able, please shovel out the fire hydrants close to your home or business. In a fire seconds count! Remember to clear a 3 foot perimeter round the hydrant, especially towards the street. Clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work.

A common question that is asked is why do I need to clear the hydrant, won't the Fire Department clear the hydrant? The answer is yes, they will as soon as they can. However, the Fire Department still has to respond to emergency calls. The City of Laconia has over 600 hydrants to clear and we could really use your help!

**The life you save could be your own!**

# Holiday Parade 2019



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*Our sincere thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin for the photos!*

# Laconia Parks and Recreation



## Family Cookie Decorating

Wed Dec 18th 6:00p-8:00p

\$10.00/family

\$2.00 each additional person families of 5 and more

Bring your family to come decorate sugar cookies!

Must register & pay by Dec 14th

## Santa's Calling

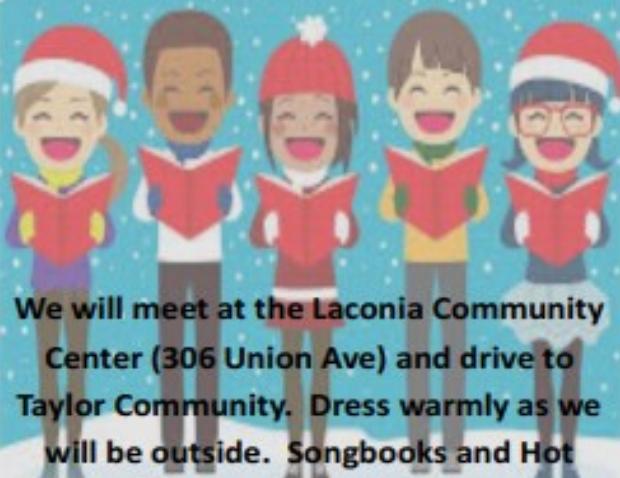
Tuesday Dec 10!

Every year we are lucky to have Santa come to the Laconia Parks and Rec Department to call the kids of the Lakes Region! He will begin calling kids at 6:00pm.

Call our office at 603-524-5046 to pre-register your child before December 9th.

## Christmas Caroling

Wed Dec 11th at 5:30p



We will meet at the Laconia Community Center (306 Union Ave) and drive to Taylor Community. Dress warmly as we will be outside. Songbooks and Hot Cocoa will be provided! Call to register by December 9th.

## 2020 LACONIA SNOW MAN

### BUILDING CONTEST!!!!



December 1st through March 1st!

Make a Snowman and send a photo to [parks@laconianh.gov](mailto:parks@laconianh.gov)  
Check Facebook and Instagram for submissions!



We will announce the winner on Wed March 4th!

# Reminders from the City Clerk's Office...

## Did you know?

...that you can renew your vehicle registration online?  
Visit our website [here](#) to start your on-line vehicle  
Registration.

**Skip the lines and have your registration  
mailed to you!**

Do you want an email reminder? Call the City Clerk's  
Office at (603) 527-1265 or email us at [cityclerk@laconianh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@laconianh.gov)



### Do you need a birth, marriage, death, or divorce certificate?

Apply for it through the City of  
Laconia website [here](#).

Follow the instructions and we will  
mail your document to you at the  
address you provide. If you have  
questions, please call the City Clerk's  
Office at (603) 527-1265.



### Do you want to register your dog online?



Visit our website's Dog  
Licensing page [here](#)!

Do you need to update your dog's  
rabies vaccination information?

Simply e-mail us a copy at  
[cityclerk@laconianh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@laconianh.gov)

**Remember that dog licenses are  
due by April 30<sup>th</sup> of every year.** If  
you would like an e-mail reminder  
please call or email us with your email  
address. (603) 527-1265



**LAKES REGION SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Benjamin Greene  
Conductor

**Holiday POPS Concerts**

Saturday December 14, 7:30pm  
Sunday December 15, 3:00pm  
Inter-Lakes Auditorium  
Rt. 25, Meredith, NH

**TICKETS**  
\$20 Adult / \$10 Student  
[www.LRSO.org](http://www.LRSO.org)  
800-838-3006  
Meredith: Innisfree Bookshop  
Laconia: Greenlaw's Music

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Tues, Dec. 10th** | **\$20** to your community  
for every test drive taken  
on **12/10/2019**

**Irwin Ford | Lincoln**  
59 Bisson Ave  
Laconia, NH 03246

**YOU can help**  
Your Community earn **\$6,000!**

**DRIVE 4UR COMMUNITY**

**Kiwanis® CLUB OF LACONIA, NH**

**IRWIN**

**TAKE A FREE TEST-DRIVE AND EARN UP TO \$6,000 FOR YOUR COMMUNITY**

The more people who drive, the more you'll earn for your community.

**Opechee Garden Club Annual Greens Sale December 7th**

The Opechee Garden Club will host its popular Christmas Greens Sale which will take place on Saturday, December 7, from 9 am to 2 pm at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse, 334 Elm St, Laconia.

Balsam Fir Wreaths, handmade in New Hampshire with fresh greens and creatively decorated by Garden Club members, or undecorated, will be available for sale, along with centerpieces and loose boughs to complete your Christmas decor.

Funds raised are used to support charitable efforts in the local area. These efforts include scholarships through the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation and civic gardens. If you are interested in joining the Opechee Garden Club, please send an email to [Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com](mailto:Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com).



# ONE STOP EDUCATOR

**Educator's One Stop Resource  
for Monthly Fire & Life Safety Quick Teaching Topics**



This November/December Holiday Edition of **ONE STOP EDUCATOR** offers support and provide fire and life safety educators with teaching information and links discussed from this month's edition of the **SAFETY EDUCATOR NEWSLETTER**. It will also enable students wishing to participate in the 3rd grade Annual Fire & Life Safety Calendar Contest.



## TEACHING KITCHEN SAFETY

The holidays are filled with lots of fun cooking opportunities BUT it is really important that students are taught and understand how they can be safe in the kitchen. Use this time of year to teach and/or reinforce kitchen and cooking safety skills for a safer holiday season!

### Students Ages 6-8 can help by:

- Opening Packages
- Using a butter knife to spread toppings like frosting and peanut butter
- Measuring ingredients
- Setting the table
- Stirring ingredients in a bowl
- Clearing the table

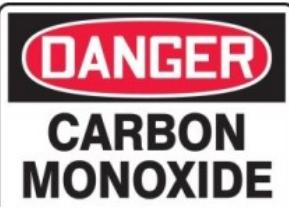


**Click the icons below** to visit links and to learn more on safety in the kitchen, jobs for all age groups, send home a great parent information newsletter and experiment with some great Sparky the Fire Dog® Recipes!



## CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY and AWARENESS

### November Calendar Contest Topic Material



Carbon Monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn certain fuels are potential sources of carbon monoxide. Vehicles and generators running anywhere indoors, even in a garage, will produce high levels of carbon monoxide. Help your students and their families learn more about carbon monoxide and its symptoms by visiting the links below.

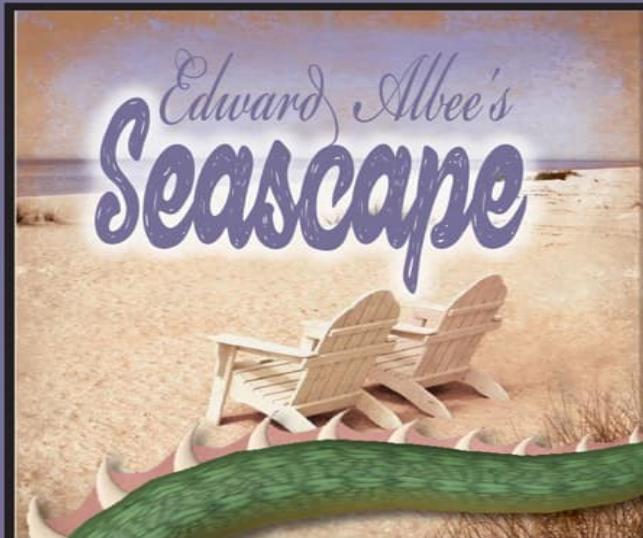
[MORE INFO](#)
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## HOLIDAY SAFETY AWARENESS

### December Calendar Contest Topic Material

As families begin to decorate for the holidays take a moment to teach students how to be helpful and more aware with these fire smart tips. **Click the icons below for links.**





A STAGED READING AT THE BELKNAP MILL | LACONIA

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MISIASZEK TURPIN, PLLC  
THE LAW OFFICE OF DAVID H. BOWNES, P.C.

**DEC 6 - 7PM  
DEC 8 - 2PM**

**AN IMAGINAITIVE  
PULITZER PRIZE WINNING  
COMEDIC DRAMA**



Edward Albee's Seaside is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York.

## **CARDBOARD WANTED!!**

Gather all of those corrugated cardboard boxes you're sure to accumulate this holiday season...flatten them down, pile them up and bring them to the bin behind the City garage at 257 Messer St. to be compacted and recycled! Cardboard recycling is clean and easy. Corrugated cardboard only please! No cereal, soda/beer or shoe boxes, and no bubble wrap or air pillows.

Please help us save solid waste/recycling tax dollars by dropping off your cardboard.

Cardboard recycling is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Questions? Please call  
DPW at 528-6379.**



## **X-COUNTRY SKIING AND SIGN UP FOR LESSONS NOW OPEN AT BOLDUC PARK**

Winter is early and so is the start of the X-Country Ski Season at Bolduc Park. All 10 kilometers of trails are groomed and ready for skiing for a modest donation at the not for profit, all volunteer run Bolduc Park Association property at 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line. Snow Shoeing and Disc Golf are available all winter. Youth and Adult X-Country Ski lessons will be offered by instructors Stevens Hill, Paul Warnick and Van Shirley. Lessons are held four Saturdays, January 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 10am. Sign up with your town Parks and Recreation Department or call or visit the Bolduc Park Clubhouse at 524-1370. More volunteers are always welcome to staff the Clubhouse or help maintain the facility and enjoy free access to the golf and winter sports facilities. Wish to volunteer? Call Bob at 387-4208.



Shown above are Bolduc Park Superintendent, Bob Bolduc and X-Country Ski Instructor, Stevens Hill announcing the opening of X-Country Skiing and Lessons at Bolduc Park!

## New Horizons Band Holiday Performance



Please join us for a special holiday performance by the New Horizons Band, featuring several Taylor Community residents, under the direction of Chorus Director Debbie Gibson, Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. This free event is open to the public.

### *Laconia Origins and Rediscovery with Pat Tierney*

Pat Tierney is a Laconia native who's lived in New Hampshire most of his life. Since assuming the reins as Executive Director of Laconia Historical and Museum Society in 2015, Pat has continued to present and oversee monthly Society programming and quarterly Library exhibits while maintaining the Laconia Archive.

As a transplant survivor since 2012, Pat's goal has been to continue to speak to New Hampshire's first and best story, which is Laconia and its origins. He also works to increase public awareness for the story while making a case as to why the Lakes Region and the original Province of Laconia should be New Hampshire's Official Home of the New England Charter (1620-1635).

Everyone is invited to join us Monday, Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building for Pat's presentation on Laconia Origins and Rediscovery. This free event is open to the public.

Pat is a NH Justice of the Peace as well as the Historian and Worshipful Master of Laconia's Mount Lebanon Lodge #32 which celebrated its 200th Charter anniversary in June. Pat also serves as the Noble Grand for the Belknap County IOOF Chocorua Lodge #51 also based in Laconia. A member of the Actors Equity Association and the Barnstormers Summer Theatre since 1982, he's had the distinct privilege to work and tour with professionals and friends worldwide.



### *Taylor Community Holiday Craft Fair and Bazaar*

**Taylor Community will host a Holiday Craft Fair and Bazaar, Saturday, Dec. 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the community's Woodside Building. Admission is free. Included will be local crafters, a bake sale, door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, white elephant table and silent auction. Be sure to save the date!**





\* \* \* Tis the season to be jolly

# HOLIDAY LIGHTING EXTRAVAGANZA

Located in Downtown Laconia and put on by New Spectrum Lighting in partnership with Fit Focus and The City of Laconia.

Thank you to everyone involved for this spectacular lighting display bringing holiday cheer and excitement to downtown Laconia! This 1st annual event is one you and your family won't want to miss.

So come on down soon to view this wonderful and magical display of lights!

Contact: [\(newspectrumlighting@outlook.com](mailto:newspectrumlighting@outlook.com)  
**(603)-828-1601**



NH State Fire Marshal's Office presents...

**NOV/DEC 2019**



## HOLIDAY SAFETY EDUCATOR

A Family Fire & Life Safety Education Newsletter

Click [here](#) to read the most recent newsletter from the NH State Fire Marshal's Office!

Count Your Blessings

## PROPERTY TAX BILLS WERE MAILED 11/14/19!

Property tax bills were mailed on Thursday, November 14, 2019. [They are due on Dec. 16, 2019.](#)

Payments are accepted by mail and at the counter in City Hall during normal business hours. Regular office hours are Monday – Friday 8:30-4:30; also, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month the Tax Office (and others) will be open until 6 pm. For your convenience outside of business hours there is a drop slot located on the side door of City Hall.

We are now accepting credit cards over the counter and online. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover are accepted.

Convenience fees apply to all credit card transactions.

Please call the Tax Office at 527-1269 if you have any questions.

11th Annual.



# Holiday Bazaar

SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 14th  
9AM - 3PM  
25 Beacon Street E Laconia, NH



Wesley Arts of First United Methodist Church  
presents

**The Carter Mountain Brass Band**  
Debbi Gibson, Conductor



**"A Little Bit of Christmas"**

First United Methodist Church  
Rt. 11A (18 Wesley Way)  
Gilford, NH  
December 8, 2019  
3 PM  
Dessert & Reception following

Donation \$8. Students Free. Info 524-3289

Pemigewasset Choral Society

Season 47

*Gloria*



Vivaldi *Gloria* and Other Seasonal Selections

Will Gunn, Music Director • Laura Belanger, Accompanist  
With the Pemigewasset Choral Society Chamber Orchestra

Thursday, December 5, 7:30 p.m. • Gilford Community Church, Gilford, NH

Friday, December 6, 7:30 p.m. • St. Paul's Catholic Church, Franklin, NH

Sunday, December 8, 3 p.m. • Silver Center, Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH

*Admission to all concerts is by donation at the door.*



Pemigewasset Choral Society • P.O. Box 115, Plymouth, NH 03264 • pemichoral.org

The Family Resource Center  
of Central New Hampshire  
is thankful for...

**Generous Holiday Wish Granters!**

**Whether you are gearing up for a  
shopping spree on Black Friday  
or staying as far away from the crowds,  
you can be part of making Holiday Magic  
for children in our area.**

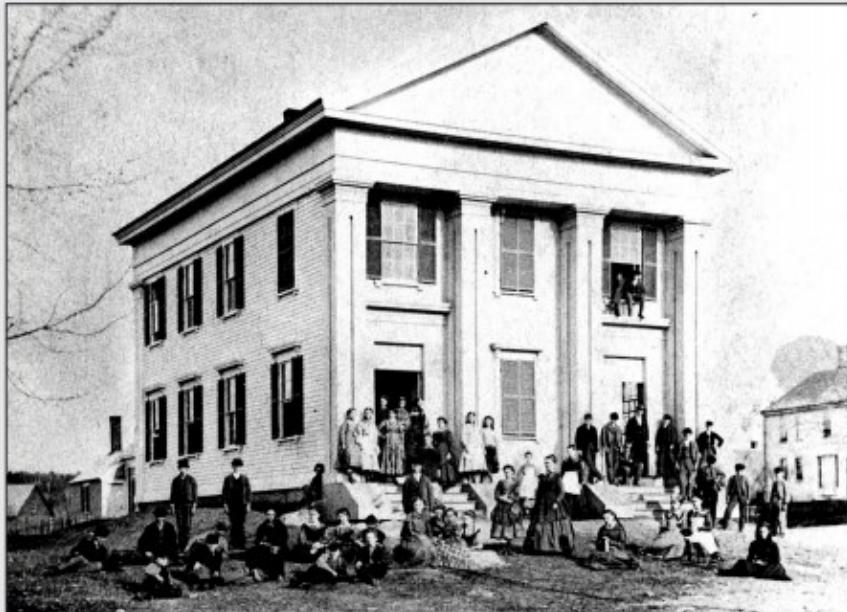
**Feel free to take an ornament to purchase  
a gift for a child in our community!**

**Please return unwrapped gift  
(with ornament attached)  
by Tuesday, December 10th**

 **FAMILY RESOURCE  
CENTER**  
Engage. Empower. Inspire.

# Our yesterdays

*Our 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 . . .

The Gilford Academy, which gave its name to Academy Square and Academy Street, Laconia, was an educational institution from 1850 to 1886, when it was moved to a new site, adjacent to the Harriman Block, at the corner of Court and Main streets. Before it was razed during the city's Urban Renewal Program, it was home to the Miss Sharon, and later, the Court House, diners. (Laconia Public Library)



## . . . AND NOW

The old Academy was replaced, in 1886, by a new, brick Laconia High School, which served until today's Union Avenue LHS was built, in 1923. The old High School was vacant for a time before being recalled to service as an elementary school. Finally, in 1978, the first floor was remodeled for the Laconia District Court. In 2005, the city transferred the structure to the state and a \$4.7-million renovation made possible use of the entire building as well as providing additional space. (Adam Drapcho/The Laconia Daily Sun)

Since there was no newsletter last week, please see the next page for an additional edition of "Our Yesterdays"....

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**THEN . . .**

This was the lower end of the Laconia Main Street, in the mid-1960s, with the Normandin Block at left, adjacent to the Winnipesaukee River, and 'Baldi's Corner' (The Laconia Fruit Co.) at right, with Union Avenue just off-photo at right. Five of the old buildings at the Main Street-Union Avenue corner were demolished in mid-January 1968 and the Normandin Block was razed in mid-September of that year as part of the city's Urban Renewal Program. The space thus cleared was initially seen as a new location for the First Methodist Church and, perhaps, a hotel, with a parking garage on the other side of Main Street (to the left of the photographer), in the Rowe Court area. (Laconia Public Library)



**. . . AND NOW**

As events turned out, plans changed and the proposed hotel was built on the site intended for the parking garage and the parking garage (seen here at extreme left) was built on the east side of Main Street in the Downtown Mall. (The old 'Baldi's Corner' is off-photo at right.) The Methodist Church was unable to reach agreement with the Laconia Housing and Redevelopment Authority on a site in the Downtown and ultimately relocated to Gilford Avenue in Gilford, where its new church was consecrated, Oct. 5, 1969. In November 1973, Stewart Park was dedicated, in memory of Paul N. Stewart, who was serving as chairman of the LHRA at the time of his death. (Adam Drapcho/The Laconia Daily Sun)

# Look what's happening at the Belknap Mill!

## Grammy Award Winning Guitarist Ed Gerhard December 7, 2019

Ed will perform a pre-holiday concert with a mix of non-holiday and Christmas favorites. A great family event, all ages are welcome! Admission \$25.00. All tickets will be held at the door. Tickets are available at the League of NH Craftsmen in Meredith & Greenlaw's Music in Laconia. Purchase tickets online [here](#) or call the box office at 664-7200.

The annual food drive for the Laconia Area Food Pantry will be held again this year. Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to donate.



## Socks, The Belknap Mill Christmas Elf

Visiting the Belknap Mill & Laconia  
until December 24th

Socks has arrived and has been spotted  
visiting our friends in Laconia!

Follow us on Facebook to keep up with his  
adventures this month. Visit the Belknap Mill  
Monday-Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm & Saturday,  
9:00am-4:00pm and enjoy the Socks Storywalk  
in the Power House.



## Lobby Exhibit: Loving Laconia - Stephen F. Hall Through December

Prints of Stephen's artwork are available at the Belknap Mill for \$60 with a generous contribution by the artist of \$20 of each print purchased being donated to the Belknap Mill. Thank you Stephen! Prints of the Colonial Theater and St. Joseph Church are available immediately, others will take 2-4 weeks for delivery. NEW! A painting of the Gale Memorial Library just added to this exhibit!

Exhibit open to the public: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 9 am-4 pm



A twist on a Festival of Trees this exhibit features the creative talents of local amateur artists tasked with decorating a cut out tree shape with only one restriction... "be creative, anything goes!" Children and adults from Holy Trinity Pre-School, Lakes Region Childcare Services, Acton Academy, Taylor Community, Spaulding Youth Center, Woodland Heights Elementary School, Laconia High School, Belknap County 4H SPIN students, the Laconia Senior Center and young visitors to our Yuletide Traditions event have taken the given task to heart!

Riverside Gallery is open Mon.-Fri., 9 am - 5 pm.

# Laconia Water Department



## Prevention Better Than Reaction

As the Water Department is nearing its completion of our annual winter preparation/prevention program, this is a reminder for our customers to keep in mind the potential of water pipes freezing.

If the temperature inside a house gets below 32 degrees Fahrenheit (0 degree Celsius) it's likely that the water supply pipes and the drain traps will freeze. When water freezes it expands 9 percent, and if there is no room for expansion it's possible that the pipe will develop a crack and eventually leak once the ice thaws out. Fixing a ruptured pipe can be expensive, but the damage from uncontrolled water leakage can easily reach into the thousands of dollars.

The majority of the calls received for frozen water pipes and water meters are a result of inadequate heating and cold air drafts where piping is located in the home. It is recommended that property owners check their property for these conditions and identify the location of their water meter and shutoff valve before an emergency.



The property owner is ultimately responsible for repairs to the piping within the home or building. The Water Department will replace frozen or damaged meters. Customers will be charged for the cost of the replacement of the meter and service calls, as applicable.

If for any reason you cannot stop the flow of water from a broken pipe, call the Water Department's 24-hour emergency number at 524-0907.

# Public Works Department

The City's new 2020 Curbside Recycling Collection Calendar is now available!

Click on the image (left) to access a full-sized version of this two-page calendar and related recycling information.

Keep track of recycling dates, holiday trash pick-up delays, how to dispose of corrugated cardboard, what can and cannot be recycled, dates of special yard waste collections and more!





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

### Holiday Safety Tips for Seniors!

- Use basic decorations that won't create clutter.
- Keep extension cords out of the way of walking areas
- Remove candles and replace with bright center pieces, or use battery powered candles.

**Have a safe and happy holiday season!**

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

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Airport .....	524-5003
<i>Airport Manager: Marv Everson</i>	
Assessing .....	527-1268
<i>City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert</i>	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
<i>City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert</i>	
City Manager.....	527-1270
<i>City Manager - Scott Myers</i>	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
<i>Planning &amp; Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen</i>	
Conservation .....	527-1264
<i>Finance Director - Glenn Smith</i>	
Finance .....	524-3877
<i>Finance Director - Glenn Smith</i>	
Licensing .....	528-6331
<i>Licensing - Lindsey Allen</i>	
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Fire Dept. (Central Station) .....	524-6881
<i>Fire Chief - Kirk Beattie</i>	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) .....	366-2229
<i>Fire Chief - Kirk Beattie</i>	
Library .....	524-4775
<i>Library Director - Randy Brough</i>	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
<i>Parks &amp; Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek</i>	
Personnel .....	524-3877
<i>Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumoeil</i>	
Police (Administration) .....	524-5257
<i>Police Chief - Matthew Canfield</i>	
Police (Crime Line) .....	524-1717
<i>Police Chief - Matthew Canfield</i>	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
<i>Public Works Director - Wes Anderson</i>	
Public Works (Transfer Station) .....	528-5822
<i>Public Works Director - Wes Anderson</i>	
Tax .....	527-1269
<i>Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen</i>	
Water.....	524-0901
<i>Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman</i>	
Welfare.....	527-1267
<i>Welfare Specialist - Gail Denio</i>	

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