



Laconia Links

January 10, 2020 - Edition #420



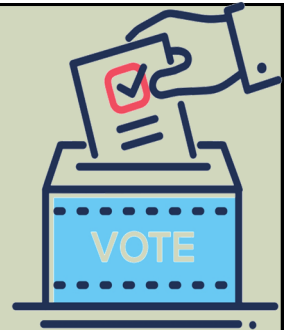
*An unusual type of duck has been visiting the river behind City Hall....an adult male Hooded Merganser.
(Photo compliments of Karen Santoro)*

News

From the City Clerk's Office

We need your help! We are looking for a Moderator and Ward Clerk for Ward 3 for all of our local, State and Federal elections. Both the Moderator and Ward Clerk positions are paid positions.

If you are interested, please call the City Clerk's Office at 527-1265 and ask to speak with City Clerk Cheryl Hebert.



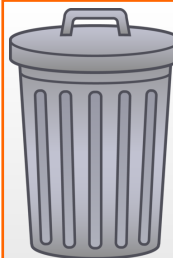
Thank you for your help!

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!



Public Works Department

Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 20th

Notice to Residents on Curbside Collection Routes

There will be NO DELAY in curbside collection of trash on Jan. 20th, Martin Luther King Day. Collections for the entire week will be on their regular schedule.

For questions or additional information, please call DPW at 528-6379.

EVENTS and Programs

Look what's happening at the Laconia Public Library!



**Coffee and
Community
Conversation**
Tues., Jan. 14
10am to 12pm
Mowbray Rm.

Guest speaker: Lori Oakley, Wellness Coach. Lori will be discussing what she offers to the community. Come and join us for coffee and refreshments! Open to everyone! For more information contact Jill at 524-4775, Ext. 16.



**Family Craft:
Fluffy Penguins**
Tuesday, Jan. 14
4:00 pm
Selig Storytime
Room

Come and join us in creating a fluffy penguin with cotton balls! All families are welcome!

**Teen Book
Club**
Wednesday,
Jan. 15, 3 pm
Laconia
Rotary Hall



This is an "Any Book" Book Club. Come discuss what books you are loving (or hating!) right now. Get a first look at new books and graphic novels before they circulate and write book mark reviews to add to your favorite books in the Teen Room! For grades 6-12.

Seasonal Coloring
Monday, Jan. 13
10-11:30 am
Volpe Room



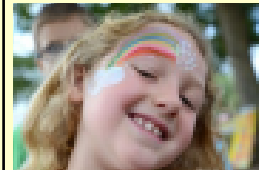
Coloring with light music and conversation. All supplies are provided. Come enjoy and relax!

**Great Gatsby
Screening**
Tues., Jan. 14
6:00 pm
Laconia Rotary
Hall



Celebrate the Roaring 2020s with us! Watch the original Great Gatsby film adaptation, have some themed refreshments, and wear your finest dapper or flapper attire! (Costumes are optional). Rated PG, 2 hr. 24 min.

**Teen & Tween Event:
Glow Face Painting**
Friday, January 17, 3 pm,
Laconia Rotary Hall



Paint your friend's face or your own hands!

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!*



MEETINGS

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

City Council

January 13, 2020, 7:00 pm

Police Commission

January 15, 2020, 3:00 pm

Laconia Airport Authority

January 16, 2020, 4:00 pm
Airport Conference Room

Board of Assessors

January 16, 2020, 5:00 pm
Room 200B

Laconia Pride

Laconia School District

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019

Mark Your Calendars!

Announcing the

2020



Recitation Contest!

Poetry Out Loud

At the Laconia Public Library

January 16th at 5PM

Join us for Laconia High School's Annual Poetry Recitation Contest!

This year's participants are:

Victoria Abate	Aiden Eldridge
Brendan Allen	Emma Fabian
Bryce Baird	Mia Lynch
Rebecca Boisvert	Jazmyn Schumacher
Madison Brooks	Cassie Sousa
Ayden Duncan	Ava Whitton

Dates to Remember

Jan. 10: ESS Kindergarten Show at 1:45 PM

Jan. 13: PSS VIPSS Meeting 6PM

Jan. 15: PSS Grade 4&5 Music Concert at 6PM

Jan. 16: ESS Write Night from 6-7PM

Jan. 20: MLK Jr./Civil Rights Day- No School

Jan. 21: ESS Spelling Bee for Grades 2,3,4, & 5 at 1:30 PM

Jan. 21: School Board Meeting at 6:30 PM

Jan. 22: WHS PTO Meeting at 6:30 PM

Jan. 23: PSS Stem Presentation at 9:45 AM

Jan. 23: WHS Spelling Bee at 6PM

Jan. 23: Elementary Band Concert at LMS starting at 6:30 PM

Click [here](#) to Read the January Newsletter
From the Office of School Wellness



click the above logo to access the 2020-21 school year calendar

1-NIGHT CULINARY CLASSES AT LRCC

January 17th & January 24th

These single-night, professional cooking classes cover two of the essential skills any chef should possess. Chef Patrick Hall & Chef William Walsh will guide you through a combination of discussion, demonstration & hands-on preparation of the select menus shown below. Sharpen your culinary skills at LRCC!

Couples & individuals welcome! All ingredients & equipment provided!

CLASS COST:

\$65 for individuals

\$95 for couples

(Limited space for both events)

Soups, Stews & Chowders

Friday, January 17, 2020, 5:00 – 8:30 pm



A casual introduction to basic cooking skills, knife cuts & culinary terminology, including techniques for preparing different Soups, Stews & Chowders.

MENU:

- Pasta Fagioli —
- Kielbasa Cheddar Soup —
- Corn Chowder —
- Clam Chowder(s) —
- Beef Burgundy —

Call 603-524-3207 to register today!
Or click [here](#) to print and mail in your registration, or reserve your space on-line!

Sauté 101

Friday, January 24, 2020, 5:00 – 8:30 pm



A casual introduction to basic cooking skills, knife cuts & culinary terminology, including classic sauté techniques using a variety of ingredients.

MENU:

- Chicken Marsala —
- Mediterranean Shrimp —
- Rice Pilaf —

Meadowlark Trio Kicks off Concert Season at Taylor Community



The 2020 Taylor Concert Series, sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire, kicks off Sunday, January 19 at 3 pm in Taylor Community's Woodside Building with the Meadowlark Trio, performing works by Mozart and Brahms. This free event is open to the public.

The trio – comprised of Janny Joo, violin; Timothy Paek, cello, and April Sun on piano – hails from America's heartland. Formed by the three best friends in 2012, they have since performed nationwide to great acclaim. Performances include the Toronto Summer Music Festival; Carnegie Room Concerts and Spectrum Music Series in New York as well as the Bing Concert Hall in California and house concerts in Montana.

The group looks beyond the conventional model of classical music by creating new works and commissioning works by multiple composers. They are also deeply committed to community outreach. As fellows for Music for Food, they present concerts and workshops throughout the greater Boston area to benefit local food pantries.

News

From the City Clerk's Office

Absentee Ballot Application Forms Are Now Available!

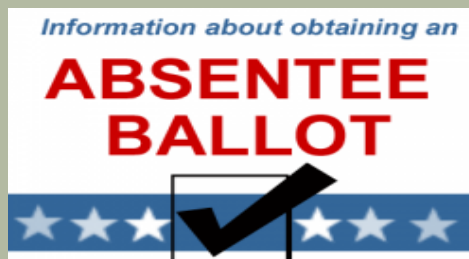
The Presidential Primary date is set for February 11, 2020.

Absentee ballots can be requested through the City Clerk's Office, or by clicking [here](#). Completed applications can be dropped off to the Clerk's Office, faxed to 524-1766, emailed to cityclerk@laconianh.gov, or mailed to the City Clerk's Office, PO Box 489, Laconia, NH 03247.

Absentee ballots must be received no later than 5:00 pm on the day of the election in order for your vote to count.

Visit the [Secretary of State's website](#) to track your ballot. You can verify receipt of your application, the date your absentee ballot was mailed to you, the date the Clerk receives your completed absentee ballot, and after the election learn if your absentee ballot was rejected/not counted and why.

Please contact the City Clerk at 527-1265 if you have questions regarding the information on tracking your ballot.





CONFIDENCE GROWS HERE



In this Special Interest Program (SPIN), youth will design, build, and race mousetrap powered cars. Youth who have previously made a car may bring their mousetrap car and learn how to make improvements. Youth will have the opportunity to race the cars at the 4-H Maker's Expo on April 18, 2020.

Class will be held at the Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon Street, Laconia, NH from 10am to 12noon on Saturdays, January 18th, 25th, and February 1st.

This event is open to youth aged 8 years old and up. Cost: FREE

For more information, please contact Karen

Deighan, karen.deighan@unh.edu, (603) 527-5475

Register Here

The 2020 World Championship Sled Dog Derby is scheduled for February 14, 15 and 16, 2020! More details to come closer to the event. Check the Lakes Region Sled Dog Club's [website](#) for updates!



Please note!
City Hall will be closed all day on Monday, January 20th for Martin Luther King Day.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

X-COUNTRY SKI LESSONS OFFERED AT BOLDUC PARK



Youth and Adult X-Country Ski lessons will be offered at Bolduc Park by instructors Stevens Hill, Paul Warnick and Van Shirley. Lessons began January 4 and will continue on January 11, 18 and 25 at 10am. Cost is \$40 if you have your own equipment and \$80 with equipment included. Call Bob at 387-4208 with questions about late registration or change in dates due to weather. Sign up with your town Parks and Recreation Department or call or visit the Bolduc Park Clubhouse at 524-1370.

Reminder!

Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of January 20, 2020

Remember:
"Glass is Trash"

'When in doubt,
THROW it out'

JOIN US
Annual Celebration
of
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

featuring a screening of the documentary film

Here Am I, Send Me: The Journey of Jonathan Daniels

Introduction by and Q&A with co-producer, Dr. Lawrence Benaquist

Sunday, January 19, 2020 • 3:00 – 5:00PM (doors open at 2:30)
BEANE CENTER • 35 Blueberry Lane • Laconia

Sponsored by Laconia Human Relations Committee



Daniels was an Episcopal seminarian and civil rights activist from Keene, NH, who was shot and killed in 1965 in Hayneville, Alabama, while in the act of shielding 17-year-old Ruby Sales. This film chronicles his life and death.

Dr. Lawrence Benaquist, Professor Emeritus, Keene State College, founder of the Film Studies program, holds a doctorate in Renaissance Literature, and came to film shortly after his arrival at Keene State. As a visiting scholar at USC and UCLA, and an NEH grant to Brown University, he moved his area of interest to that of the study of cinema. The program now has 140 students, one of the largest programs at the College. Benaquist has produced several documentaries, one on the history of Keene State College that has aired on NHPBS, and the documentary on Jonathan Daniels, which was aired nationally on PBS.

Look what's happening at the Belknap Mill!

Riverside Gallery Exhibit: Lindsey Tebaldi
January 3rd-31st



Lindsey grew up in Saratoga, NY and moved to New Hampshire to attend college at Plymouth State University. She received a Bachelor's degree in fine art, with a concentration on copper etching and printmaking. She also received a Masters in Art Education, and is currently teaching art K-8 in Pembroke, NH. The love of the outdoors, and the magic of a still quiet forest have led to the inspiration of many natural themes in her work as well as the elements of copper etching being very prominent in the line of work. This collection is the culmination of the last 5 years of working during free time and vacations from school in the medium of pen and ink on paper, which is then scanned and colored digitally.

An artist reception will be held Friday, January 10th

Riverside Gallery is open
Mon-Fri, 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Sat, 9:00 am-4:00 pm



***Artist Reception: Friday,
January 10th, 6:00-7:30 pm***

January's Riverside Gallery Exhibit is Pen & Ink by artist Linsey Tebaldi. Please join us for the Artist Reception!

Riverside Gallery is open Monday thru Friday
from 9 am to 5 pm and on Saturday from
9 am to 4 pm.

***Please mark your
calendar and join us
For Arts in the Park:
Winter Coffee
House Series
with John Stanley Shelly
Thursday, January 23
at 6 pm, Riverside Gallery***



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, 2020!**

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](#)). Tags for 2020 are available now! Fees are as follows for licensing:

Spayed/Neutered dog	\$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

*For the comfort and safety of all, we ask that you leave your dog at home when you come into City Hall to conduct business. Although we enjoy seeing your four-legged family members, we would like to encourage you to be conscious of others. As always, certified service animals are welcome.
We appreciate your cooperation!*

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

Wild Quest Camps

Winter & Spring Vacation Camps

9-Week Summer Camp

928 White Oaks Road Laconia, NH

Register online at prescottfarm.org

Registration
now
open!

Scholarships
available
for all
sessions!

Prescott Farm's WildQuest Camps give curious kids the opportunity to explore, learn, and grow in nature.



Environmentally-focused and nature-themed activities

Outdoor activities - rain, snow, or shine!

Engaging and *fun* programs for ages 6 –12 (February & April camps) and 4 –16 (Summer camp)

Specialized Summer Leadership Programs for:

Leaders in Training (age 13 & 14)

New! Junior Counselors (age 15 & 16)



Register for Summer Camp
by March 2 for
10% Early Bird Savings

www.prescottfarm.org camp@prescottfarm.org
603-366-5696

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 Laconia Passenger Station is seen here in the late 1930s or early 1940s, in a postcard published by the Fairbanks Card Co. of Brookline, Mass., which called for a one-cent stamp for delivery. Built in 1892 by the Concord & Montreal Railroad, the station's construction coincided with creation of Depot — later Veterans — Square and the small park, just off-photo at right. The railroad had reached Meredith Bridge in 1848 and, from 1853 until Oct. 31, 1954, the community was a stop on the main line between Boston and Montreal, with as many as seven passenger trains a day in each direction, along with numerous freights. Thereafter, scheduled passenger service was successively reduced until it ended entirely in early January 1965. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



. . . AND NOW

The city bought the station from the railroad in 1957 and sold it to 653 Main Street Associates, July 30, 1984. In the meantime, the structure had been home to the Laconia Police Department and District Courtroom from February 1964 until the District Court moved to new quarters at the Academy Street School in December 1978 and the Police Department moved to the Winston Building on Church Street in January 1979. The space under the canopies was enclosed for various businesses and for the Chamber of Commerce offices during the late 1980s, beginning with the Plant Petaler — in space now occupied by Prescott's Florist — in early March 1986. (Adam Drapcho/The Laconia Daily Sun)



Extension
Nutrition Connections

Slow Cooker Meals Made Easy



Parents and their children prepare a slow cooker meal to bring home each week.
Family cooking and nutrition topics.

Brenda Carey, Nutrition Connections

Weekly topics:

Use a Slow Cooker Safely.

What's in a Whole Grain?

Be Active as a Family.

What's on the Food Label?

Test Your Soft Drink Knowledge.

Choose Your Fruits and Vegetables.

Language assistance is
available at no cost.

**For person with disabilities
requiring special
accommodations, please contact
Brenda at 527-5475 within 7 days
so proper consideration may be
given to the request.**

**If you qualify for SNAP, WIC,
Medicaid, Housing Assistance, or
other types of financial assistance
Please let us know for priority.**

- Free slow cooker for each family (if needed).
- Taste test slow cooker recipes in class.
- Limited space - sign up today!
- No charge to attend.

Date: Thursdays, Jan.16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20

Time: 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Place: Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region

To sign up: Email James Holmes: james@lakeskids.org

or 528-0197 or brenda.carey@unh.edu or contact 527-5475

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Family Names: _____ Allergies? _____

of Adults _____ # of Children & ages _____ Phone number _____

Do you need a slow cooker? Yes ___ No ___ Can we text you with reminders? Yes ___ Cell _____



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



Did you know that
Laconia Parks &
Recreation offers a
multitude of
programs just for
seniors? Just click
on our
[Program Brochure](#)
to read all about!

Come join us and have some fun!
Please call the Parks and Recreation
Department at 524-5046 for
additional information.

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

*We hope you have enjoyed this
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*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@laconianh.gov

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
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
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Kirk Beattie	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
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	
Tax.....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Water.....	524-0901
Welfare	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Gail Denio	

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer.....	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1).....	491-8946
David Bownes (Ward 2)	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3).....	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Tony Felch (Ward 6).....	524-7185

E-mail: citycouncil@laconianh.gov

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www.laconianh.gov