



November 22, 2024 - Edition #664

*Don't miss this year's Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 30th!
Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin.*



Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction Announces Boot Drives

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction has announced its boot drive collections, sponsored by local fire departments. All proceeds support the Children's Auction and thus, local children and families in need.

Collections will take place as follows:

Saturday, Nov. 23, in Meredith, at Circle K, Hannaford, Ocean State Job Lots from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 29, in Bristol, at the intersection of Lake and Pleasant streets, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and in Laconia, at the intersection of Main and Pleasant streets, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday, Nov 30, in Gilford at Hannaford, Walmart, Lowes and Shaw's, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This year's auction will be held from Dec. 10-13, and early access bidding starts Nov. 29. The event will be live streamed daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on LRPA TV Channel 25, laconiadailysun.com, and childrensauction.org.

For more information, to donate or volunteer, visit childrensauction.org or call 603-527-0999.

Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to keep you up to date on City of Laconia news and activities. If you would like the newsletter sent to your email each Friday, or if you have changes to your email subscription, please call the City Manager's office at (603) 527-1270 or email us at info@laconianh.gov.



UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 11/18	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.	KID
TUES 11/19	Fiction Book Group @10am - "Welcome to the Hyunam-dong Bookshop"	ADULT
TUE 11/19	Teen Craft @3:30pm - Sun prints!	TEEN
WED 11/20	Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 3 and under.	KID
THU 11/21	Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3 -6.	KID
FRI 11/22	Move & Groove @10am - Best for ages 6 and under.	KID
FRI 11/22	Sherwood Frazier Fine Art Photography Reception @3pm	ADULT
MON 11/25	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.	KID
TUE 11/26	Lego Club @3:30pm - best for ages 6-12.	KIDS
TUE 11/26	Teen Craft @3:30pm - Roll-up beeswax candles!	TEEN

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: info@laconialibrary.org[Sign-up for our monthly email newsletter](#)

Visit our
website for all
our Library
events.

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Goss Reading Room Closed

Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs

 Saturday, 10 am-2 pm. Preregistration Required \$40 (Non-Members); \$25 for Members
Handmade Holiday Pies
Homemade pies reminiscent of grandma's start with fresh, seasonal ingredients and are baked from scratch. Participants will first learn how to make your own pie crust, then learn the secrets of fruit and custard-filled pies. Bring your two pies home to enjoy or freeze them to share during the upcoming holidays! Participants should bring a bag lunch for this 4 hour class.

 Saturday, 1-4 pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members
Holiday Wreath Making
Wreaths made from natural greenery are traditionally festive at this time of year. Learn a little about the history and symbolism of wreaths while you make and decorate your very own using natural materials.

 Saturday 10 am-12pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members
Yule Log & Nature Ornament Making
Interested in the natural beauty of the season? Join us as we craft yule logs and beautiful ornaments using nature's bounty. Yule logs were traditionally decorated and burned at celebrations of the Winter Solstice. Today they're often used as holiday decorations signifying the season of lights. Decorate your own yule log and other nature ornaments and let it be part of your family's tradition in any way that works for you!

Additional programs, series, and registration details
prescottfarm.org
928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH (603) 366-5695 info@prescottfarm.org

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs

 Saturday 2-4pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members
Felted Ornaments
Join us to learn the basics of needle felting, and create your own festive ball-style wool ornament to "deck your halls" this season.

 Saturday 1-3pm \$25 (Non-Members); \$10 for Members
**Art to You with Larry Frates:
Painting with Paper Pulp**
This workshop will offer you the opportunity to create paintings using dyed recycled paper pulp. You will gain and understanding of color mixing, techniques for applying the colored pulp to surfaces, as well as pressing and drying your finished pulp painting based on subjects found in Nature. All of the supplies and personalized instruction are provided in this Studio based event.

 Thursday 4-7pm \$30 (Non-Members); \$15 for Members
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WE'RE THROWING IT FOR THE KIDS

Join us at
The Axe Games



9 Old Lake Shore Rd - Gilford, NH

**Saturday at noon
November 23rd**

Sign up with Brenda
603-556-0554
or online



Sign up here!

\$20
Entry Fee



Cafe Dejavu
"It's for the Kids"
Team Challenge
Fundraiser



EST 2023

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 3RD
4:00PM - 6:00PM**

GATHERING OF THE GREATS

AN EVENING OF NETWORKING AND MAKING
CONNECTIONS.

LOCATION:

Remax Innovative
604 Main St.
Laconia, NH 03246



SPONSORED BY:

Shane Hayes &
Integrity Group



**PLEASE BRING AN UNWRAPPED GIFT
FOR DONATION TO TOYS FOR TOTS**



Chelsea Browne
603-714-8512



Don Mclelland, Producing
Branch Manager
603-960-0051



Kelly Dyer-Rawlings, New
York Life Agent, Organ Donor
603-848-3499

Your Hosts:



ONE PEER TO ANOTHER - LACONIA

328 Union Ave, Laconia, NH 03246 | (603) 528-7742

NOVEMBER 2024

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Local Warmline: 1-800-306-4334 Open 5-10 PM 7/365 days For when you need someone to talk to!					1 10a Self Kindness 11a Managing Anxiety & Depression 12p Music Trivia 1p Positive Affirmations 1p One to One w/ Wayne or Erika 2p Socialization Skills
Local Mental Health Agency: Lakes Region Mental Health Center (603) 524-1100	4 10a Community/Member Meeting 11a Creative Writing 12p Let's Move! 1p Empowerment Group for Daily Struggles 2p Stress Management	5 10a NHMHPA Meeting (join with Zoom @ centers) 11a Gratitude 12p Crock Pot Social 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Concord Center)	6 10a TED TALK 11a Art with Mona 11a Shopping Trip to Walmart sign up required by 11/1 1p Coping Skills 2p Neurodivergent Group with Tyler	7 10a SMART GOALS 11a Empathy 12p Wellness Goals 1p Rock Painting 2p Laughing Group 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Laconia center)	8 CLOSED FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
CALL OR TEXT 988 24/7/365 days For when you are in crisis, feeling suicidal, or need professional assistance!	11 CLOSED/HOLIDAY Veteran's Day 	12 10a Inspirational Stories 11a Gratitude 12p Crock Pot Social 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Concord Center)	13 10a TED TALK 11a Art with Mona 11a Trip to St. Vincent w/ Erika sign up required by 11/1 1p Coping Skills 2p Neurodivergent Group with Tyler	14 10a SMART GOALS 11a Empathy 12p Wellness Goals 1p Let's Move 2p Laughing Group 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Laconia center)	15 10a Inner Healing 11a Managing Anxiety & Depression with Wayne 12p Music Trivia 1p Positive Affirmations 1p One to One w/ Wayne or Erika 2p Socialization Skills
Funding for Peer Support Agencies comes from the: NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	18 10a Coffee with Wayne 11a Creative Writing 12p Let's Move! 1p Empowerment Group for Daily Struggles 2p Stress Management	19 10a Inspirational Stories 11a Gratitude 12p Crock Pot Social 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Concord Center)	20 10a TED TALK 11a Art with Mona 11a Shopping Trip to Walmart sign up by 11/15 12p Game Time 1p Coping Skills 2p Neurodivergent Group with Tyler	21 10a SMART GOALS 11a Empathy 12p Wellness Goals 1p Let's Move 2p Laughing Group 5-6:30 Recovery Group (Laconia center)	22 CENTER OPENING AT 12:30 due to Professional Development 1p Positive Affirmations 1p One to One w/ Wayne or Erika 2p Socialization Skills
	25 10a Coffee with Wayne 11a Creative Writing 12p Let's Move! 1p Empowerment Group for Daily Struggles 2p Stress Management	26 ONE PEER MEMBER FRIENDSGIVING 	27 10a TED TALK 11a Art with Mona 11a Trip to St. Vincent w/ Erika sign up required by 11/22 12p Game Time 1p Coping Skills 2p Neurodivergent Group with Tyler	28 CLOSED/HOLIDAY THANKSGIVING 	29 CENTER CLOSED DAY AFTER HOLIDAY



SUBMIT AN ANONYMOUS TIP TO THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT



tip 411

Did you know there are multiple ways to submit an anonymous tip to the Laconia Police Department?

1. To send an anonymous tip via text message to the Laconia Police Department, text the keyword LACONIA and your tip to 847411.
2. Download the Laconia PD app from your app store. This app allows citizens to submit anonymous tips from their mobile device.
3. Submit a tip from your computer using this link: <https://www.laconianh.gov/873/Submit-a-Tip>

We appreciate your help!

Children Christmas PARTY

15th Dec 2024-1:00PM

Deadline for sign-ups 29th Nov
Newborn - 12 years old
(Sign up at the post)

LOCATION

VFW POST 1670
143 Court Street
Laconia, NH 03246

- Cookie Walk
- Sundae Buffet
- Surprise visit from Santa

Any questions please contact the VFW @ 603-524-9725 during normal business hours.



“Deck the Halls”
You are Cordially Invited...

CANTERBURY SINGERS CONCERT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

3-4 pm in the Sanctuary

Cookies & Punch in the Social Hall

Hosted by:
First United Methodist Church
500 Gilford Avenue, Gilford NH

Sponsored by:
Wesley Woods Retirement Community

Donations Accepted by the Singing Group

The Canterbury Singers is a Program of the Concord Community Music School featuring Authentic Shaker Music and Holiday Classics!



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ORCHESTRA
BENJAMIN GREENE, CONDUCTOR

HOLIDAY CONCERTS



FEATURING
RACHEL AND ALEX HUNTON

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7, 2024:
COLONIAL THEATRE, LACONIA, 7PM

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2024:
INTER-LAKES AUDITORIUM, MEREDITH, 3PM

TICKETS: WWW.LRSO.ORG
\$10 - \$30



SPONSORED BY
THE DOWNTOWN GYM

6TH ANNUAL SANTA SHUFFLE

SATURDAY / NOVEMBER 30 / 9AM

Fun Run & Elf Walk

Families, kids
and pets welcome!
Costumes encouraged.
Raffles and snacks.



SIGN UP
SCAN QR CODE

or visit

DowntownGymLaconia.com

DONATIONS
GLADLY ACCEPTED

To benefit
Downtown Gym Gems
Challenge Team for the Greater
Lakes Region Children's Auction

Christmas Fair

November 23

9:00 AM – 2:00 PM



- * Cookies, Pies & More!
- * Holiday Décor – lots!
- * Local Vendors & Crafts
- * Silent Auction
- * Jewelry
- * Books
- * Gift Baskets
- * Lunch & Snacks

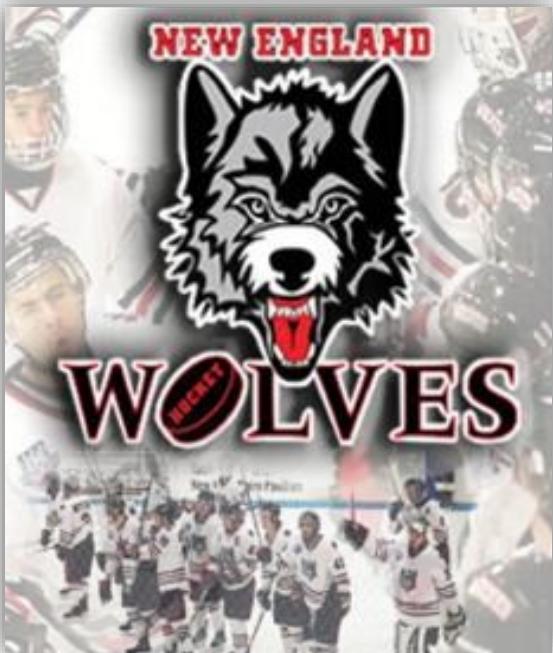


First United Methodist Church
18 Wesley Way, Gilford NH
(Route 11A after the Bypass)
603 524- 3289

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603-581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH





Don't miss this New England Wolves game coming soon!

Please join us at the Merrill Fay Arena, 468 Province Road, Laconia, NH...

EHL

Saturday, Nov. 23, 7:15 pm:
NH Avalanche vs. New England Wolves

We hope to see you there!



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Please see the Public Hearing Notice on this page which has been published in the Laconia Daily Sun. In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community.

If you have questions regarding any Public Hearing shown, please call City Hall at 603-527-1270 and we will be happy to direct you to the appropriate department.

Thank you for staying informed about what is happening in City government!



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **November 25, 2024** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

SOLICITING INPUT ON THE DRAFT ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PLAN PER RSA 53-E: 6V

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



Shake Up Your Holiday Tradition

Give Blood

Weirs Community Park Blood Drive

Wednesday, Nov. 27th
10:00am - 3:00pm

Weirs Community Center

25 Lucerne Ave, (Same Building as Weirs Fire Department) Weirs Beach, NH

- Drop In or Schedule your appointment at RedCrossBlood.org using <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html>/donation-time or download the Blood Donor App.
- Invite your spouse or significant other. Share the love as you share the lifesaving gift of blood together.
- Invite a friend to our drive. Donating blood is always more fun with a friend, so bring one along or in place of your donation

Each donation can help save up to three lives, so by meeting our goal, we can touch so many lives in our community and around the country.

For an appointment, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org)
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Give Something that Means Something®

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CELEBRATING
125
YEARS

SEASON OF REMEMBRANCE

Join us in celebrating and remembering those close to you who have died by placing their name(s) on our online honor roll. The people you remember as part of **Season of Remembrance** need not have been part of the Granite VNA Hospice program, they only need to hold a special place in your heart.

Your donation to Granite VNA supports our hospice services and provides the means needed to serve all in our community regardless of a patient's ability to pay.



New this year:
A handblown glass keepsake ornament from Granite VNA's Jeff Lamy will be sent to those who make a gift of \$250 or more.

Participate Today!

Visit granitevna.org or scan the QR code to submit names online!



30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH | Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro



Thanksgiving Dinner
Thursday, November 28th
Noon til 2pm
or until we run out of food.

Congregational Church of Laconia
69 Pleasant Street, Laconia, NH

Beginning at noon on Thanksgiving Day, a complete meal will be available for take-out. Call 603-524-0668 to let us know how many meals you need.

Includes:

Turkey and dressing along with green beans, corn, mashed potatoes and gravy, cranberry sauce, a piece of pie with bottled water and the plastic dinnerware.

This is completely free to anyone coming to the door. Serving will be on the back side of the church (follow the signs) beginning at noon and ending at 2pm.



BELKNAP MILL MUSEUM

Where Art and History Come to Life!
25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH

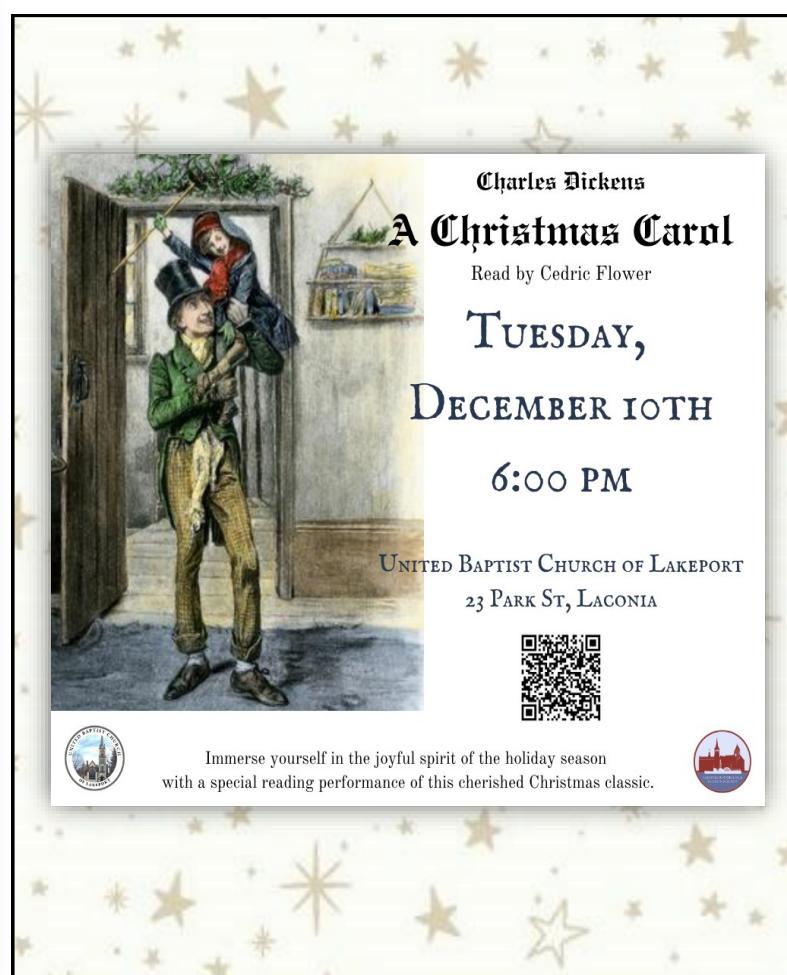
We can't wait to see you!



Art & Coffee Club

Thursdays, 9am-11am

Join us on Thursday mornings for creating and socializing with other artists! All ages welcome, bring materials or experiment with what we provide.



Please join us for the 603 Festival of Trees November 30 through December 3rd at the Belknap Marketplace!

Come and enjoy a variety of decorated trees sponsored by local businesses and families. Trees and the items on them will be raffled.

Entry fee for those 15 and older is \$5, 2-14 years old is \$2, and under 2 years old is free. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the door.

If you would like to sponsor a tree go to the [603 United](#) website and find the link under the Events tab.

We hope to see you there!





The 43rd Annual Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction to be held Dec. 10-13 at the Belknap Marketplace

The 43rd annual Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction, presented by Hannaford Supermarkets, will be held this year from Tuesday, Dec. 10 to Friday, Dec. 13 at the Belknap Marketplace in Belmont.

The auction occurs live at the marketplace and airs daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. A variety of items will be up for bid each day, and friends and neighbors from throughout the community will appear on the set. Watch the event on Lakes Region Public Access television; viewers can tune into Channel 25. The auction will also stream live at ChildrensAuction.org, on The Laconia Daily Sun's website at laconiadailysun.com and on Facebook.com/ChildrensAuction. Listen to the auction each day with Zack Derby and friends at Lakes 101.5 FM.

On Friday, Dec. 13, auction volunteers will come together to announce the total funds raised for children and families in need.

Jennifer Kelley, executive director of the auction, is thrilled to have the event at the Belknap Marketplace. "We are grateful to everyone at the marketplace for welcoming our hundreds of auction volunteers into their space," she said. "The auction is such a valuable community event. Business leaders throughout the Lakes Region continue to show their generosity as we raise funds to financially support local children and families in need."

George Vernet, owner of Vernet Properties, which oversees the marketplace, said, "It is an honor to be associated with such an outstanding organization as the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction. It provides so much to the Lakes Region community. The Belknap Marketplace looks forward to hosting this event that financially supports local children and families in need."

The auction will host its second annual family night on Wednesday, Dec. 11, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Have your picture taken with Santa, meet the Grinch, build a toy in Santa's workshop, decorate holiday cookies, face paint, sing along with the Snow Family and hear holiday stories; children will get a free book courtesy of the local Kiwanis Club.

The auction still needs donations of new, unused, non-perishable items, big and small. Gift cards are always a hit with bidders. Other popular items include electronics, tools, tickets to sporting events, toys and services.

Convenient item collection sites are now open throughout the region. Visit ChildrensAuction.org for details. And on Nov. 29 and 30, visit the collection site at the Belknap Marketplace and drop your items off between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Also donate items on Dec. 7-9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Belknap Marketplace.

Bid online at ChildrensAuction.org or over the phone during auction week at (603) 527-0999. Pre-bidding begins Friday, Nov. 29 online on items with a retail value of \$300 or more. Anyone can bid on these featured items as well as place a max bid on any item.

Sponsorship opportunities exist at every level. Email Jenn@ChildrensAuction.org or call (603) 527-0999 for more information on how your business can make a difference in the lives of children.

Follow the auction on Facebook at Facebook.com/ChildrensAuction; Instagram at Instagram.com/childrensauction603/; and LinkedIn at Linkedin.com/company/greater-lakes-region-children-s-auction/.



Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of Dec. 2!



City Hall will be closed on November 28 and 29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Please note that due to the Thanksgiving holiday there will be no newsletter next week. We apologize for any inconvenience and wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving!



Public Works Department

THANKSGIVING Solid Waste Collection Delay

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES

Thanksgiving is Thursday, November 28th.

There will be A ONE (1) DAY DELAY in curbside collection of trash as follows:

Thursday collections will be on Friday
Friday collections will be on Saturday

Any questions, please call DPW
@ (603) 528-6379

Please also note that the Transfer Station will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but will be open on Friday and Saturday, November 29 and 30.



Metal bulky pickup will be Tuesday, Dec. 31 rather than Jan. 1 due to the New Years holiday.

City of Laconia 2025 Curbside Recycling Collection Calendar											
Curbside leaf collection											
Recycling in Laconia is collected at your curb every other week in 2025. Your trash collection is every week. Please place your trash and mixed paper and commingled containers at the curb by 6:00 am. The recycling collection will be on the shaded weeks as follows:											
January	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	January	S	M	T
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	9	10	11	12
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LACONIA RECYCLES

Recycling is easy, economical and environmentally necessary!

Your recycling efforts save natural resources and return recycling for reuse.



Please call DPW at 603-528-6379 with questions

Click on the calendar image above for a full-sized version, or pick up a copy at the Department of Public Works or the City Clerk's Office.

OPEN HOUSE



December 11th
1:00 – 5:00 PM
1st & 2nd Shift
Opportunities

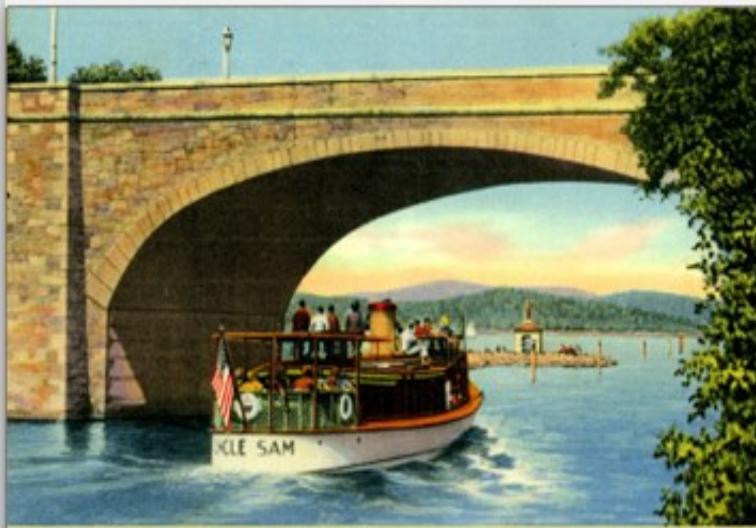


On-the-spot
interviews



See what sets
us apart.
Facility Tour
Let your career
soar!

93 Lexington Dr – Laconia, NH → Enter at front of building



BRIDGES TO THE PAST LACONIA'S HISTORIC BRIDGES

Please join us for a discussion about Laconia's bridges
November 23, 2024 - 10am - 11am
Seiknap Mill, 25 Beacon Street East, Laconia

HOLIDAY GRIEF SUPPORT



The holidays present unique challenges when you are grieving. This targeted, one-day program—offered two times in December—will provide support, understanding, and the tools to navigate through them.

Thursday, December 5th 1:30-3:30 p.m.
and

Tuesday, December 10th 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Franklin VNA & Hospice
75 Chestnut St, Franklin



No registration required to attend.

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: info@franklinvna.org OR CALL (603) 934-3454

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY



Small Business Saturday is Saturday, November 30th!
Shop our local businesses owned by your friends and neighbors and support the local economy. Discover the unique businesses in our community that make Laconia special!





Hey everyone... Family Fun Night Is Back!

That's right! We're gearing up for our annual "Family Fun Night"!

For most of the children, the highlight of the evening is choosing gifts for siblings (young & old) as well as mom, dad, and other family members or special people in their lives.

How Can I Help???

We need donations! If you have new or very gently used items around your house (we tend to struggle in particular with gifts for men and teens), please drop them off at our office as soon as possible. PLEASE be thoughtful of the quality of the items you are donating. And please note that we tend to shy away from stuffed animals (unless they are brand new) and clothing (unless it is a one-size-fits-all accessory like socks, gloves, hats, etc. which should also be brand new). There is a list of donation suggestions on the back of this flyer, but we welcome your creativity! Gift cards for small amounts (\$5, etc.) are also always a hit! For employees, donations can be brought to Room 119 (the Parent Ed Room), for all others, you can leave donations with the receptionist and just let her know that they are for Family Fun Night. She will make sure that they get to us!

****DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
November 29, 2024****

Donations can also be shipped directly to our main office:
719 North Main St.
Laconia, NH 03246
Attn: Carol Stone, FFN



Carol Stone
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Want to volunteer for Family Fun Night on December 9th from 2:30-8:30pm?
Email: carol.stone@lrcs.org

Donation Suggestions			
Women:		Men:	
Candles	Lotions	Mugs	Sports Items
Holiday décor	Scarfs	Tools	Calendars
Picture frames	Mugs	Card Games	Gloves/Hats
Jewelry	Figurines	Cologne	Puzzles
Spa Items	Make Up	Flashlights	Keychains
Socks	Puzzles	Water Bottles	Socks
Craft Supplies	Stationery	Wallets	Gadgets
Kitchen items	Purses	BBQ Items	Sunglasses
Gardening Items		Crossword Puzzles	
Body Spray		Camping/Hiking Items	
Teens:		Kids:	
Art Supplies	Spa Items	Toys	Art Supplies
Lotions	Hair Accessories	Sidewalk Chalk	Legos
Board Games	Jewelry	Play-Doh	Board Games
Card Games	Gadgets	Coloring Books	Balls
School Supplies	Nail Polish	Infant Toys	Card Games
Diaries/Journals	Nerf	Craft Kits	Books
Headphones	Fidgets	Blocks	Action Figures
Sports Items	Make Up	Dolls	Dress Up Items
Bedroom Décor	Bags	Science Kits	Dinosaurs
Brain Teasers	Craft Kits	Outer Space	Watches



www.CreativeCertificates.com



Join us on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 10 am for a fun and creative Needle Felting Workshop! In this 3-hour class you'll learn how to create two unique projects: a 3-dimensional turkey and a beautiful sunflower wool painting. All supplies are provided, and you'll leave with your finished pieces to proudly display for the holidays! This workshop is perfect for all ages and skill levels. By the end of the class you will have learned the basics of needle felting. It's a great way to start a new craft and make something special for the season!

Come join us for a creative adventure into the world of needle felting! Register at belknapmill.org/classes.



Thanks!

Help us collect auction items for the Auction.

New, unwrapped items: gift certificates, electronics, experiences, household items, tickets, tools & toys

2024 Collection Sites from 11/5-12/6

Baron's Major Brands, 225 Daniel Webster Hwy, Belmont

Belmont Fire Dept, 14 Gilmanton Rd, Belmont

Body Covers, 94 Primrose Drive N, Laconia

Children's Dentistry, 369 Hounsell Ave Suite 1, Gilford

Dox on Winnisquam, 927 Laconia Rd, Tilton

Edward Jones, 164 NH Route 25, #1A, Meredith

For Your Eyes Only, 517 Whittier Hwy, Moultonborough

Franklin Savings Bank, 11 Sawmill Rd, Gilford

Franklin Savings Bank, 933 Central Street, Franklin

Gilford Country Store, 1934 Lake Shore Rd, Gilford

Gilford Tennis & Fitness Club, 314 Old Lakeshore, Gilford

Grevior Furniture, 440 Central St, Franklin

Irwin Automotive, 59 Bisson Ave & 446 Union Ave, Laconia

Irwin Chevrolet, 623 Union Ave, Laconia

Irwin Marine, 958 Union Ave, Laconia

Irwin Marine, 396 Main St, Alton Bay

Mattress Firm, 96 Daniel Webster Hwy #15, Belmont

Meredith Insurance Agency, 2 Lakes St, Suite #1, Meredith

Meredith Village Savings Bank, All Lakes Region branches

The County Store at Tanger Outlets, 120 Laconia Rd, Tilton

Tapply Thompson CC, 300 N Main St, Bristol

The Wellness Complex, 827 N Main St, Laconia

WORKS Lakes Region, 51 Elm St #107, Laconia

Auction is Dec 10-13th- 9am-7pm, Belknap Marketplace

www.ChildrensAuction.org

Our yesterdays

Our sincere thanks to Warren D. Huse, the Laconia Historical and Museum Society, and the Laconia Daily Sun for providing a glimpse into our community's past.....



THEN ...

The Friendly's Restaurant at 1160 Union Ave., Lakeport, was open from June 1986 to October 2019. (Google Satellite Image)



... AND NOW

Recently, the vacant structure was razed to make way for a 60-unit condominium complex, additional parking space and a large deck addition to T-Bones Great American Eatery, next door at right. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



The Office of Extended Learning is thrilled to share the amazing turnout for our recent Cribbage Night Community Event at Laconia High School. The energy, support and engagement from everyone who attended made it an incredible success!



Wonderful Wellness Wrap-Up

November 2024

Fun stuff happening at LMS:
From Mr. Carey (8th Grade Math Teacher) - The National Junior Honor Society at Laconia Middle School will launch a kindness store in December. The initiative aims to encourage kindness and foster PRIDE within the school community. Students who demonstrate acts of kindness will earn "kindness bucks," which can be redeemed at the store for LMS swag and other items.



Agency:
On 11/10 The LHS Interact Club jumped into Lake Opechee and raised \$700 to benefit the NH Humane Society!

Wayfinder's Six Core Skills



for Academics and Life

PURPOSE
SELF-AWARENESS
ADAPTABILITY
EMPATHY
COLLABORATION
AGENCY



Purpose:
Student/Parent/Teacher Conferences



Purpose
Your decisions and interactions with the world give you a sense of purpose and connection to your values.

Self-Awareness
You understand yourself on many levels, from how you interact with others to how you manage your resources and sustain you.

Adaptability
You are willing to try again when you make mistakes and are open to learning from uncertain situations with flexibility and openness.

Empathy
You are able to tune in with the feelings and needs of others and willing to act for a common good.

Collaboration
You are a relationship-builder who actively partners with others to facilitate belonging efforts across communities.

Agency
You understand the value of your voice and seek opportunities to support and advance your communities.

Collaboration:
The LMS Boys Cross Country Team won the NH State Championship!



Parent/Teacher Conferences were held on November 5, across all five Laconia schools an average attendance rate of 88% was recorded! Great turnout for an important day!





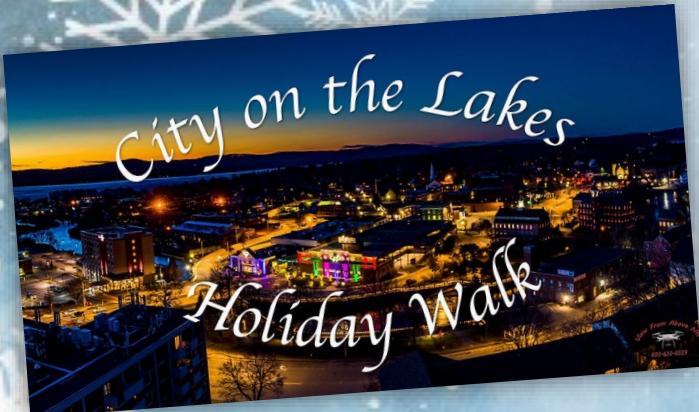
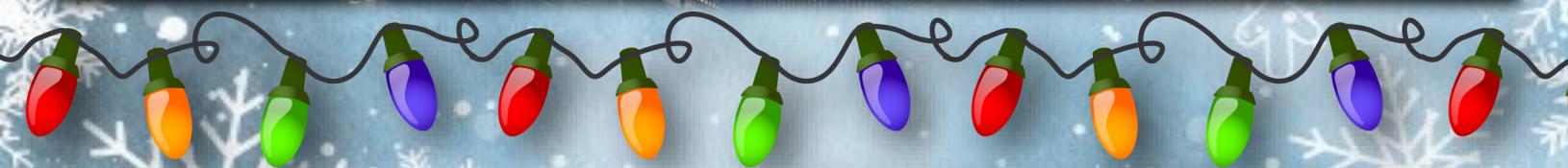
**LACONIA SENIOR CENTER
(603) 524-7689**

NOVEMBER 2024 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<p>*Activities are subject to change*</p> <p>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal</p>		 		1 9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 —Puzzles & Games
10 —Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10 —Coffee Social	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30 —Pasta Bolognaise Sauce	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10 —Fraud & Scams (TD Bank) 10:30 : Franklin VNA BP Clinic 11:30 —Meatloaf & Gravy	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 —Corn Hole or Ping Pong
11 	12 10 —Puzzles, Games, Ping Pong/Corn Hole 11:30 —Southwestern Texas Stew	9-10:30 Medicare Information w/PPH 9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30 —Crafts w/Mona 10:30 —Visiting Angels Presentation 11:30 —Shepherd's Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 —Puzzles & Games
18 10 —Coffee Social 10:30 —Knit & Crochet	10:30 —James Tremblay Band (Special Music) 11:30 —American Chop Suey	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	Give Thanks! 11:30 —Thanksgiving Dinner	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 —Corn Hole or Ping Pong
25 	UNH Ext: Snack Smart, Stretch Strong @ 10:30 11:30 —Chicken Parmesan	10-12 Prize Bingo		

Let the Holidays Begin!

CELEBRATE LACONIA LIGHTS FESTIVAL 2024



*It's going to be a great day!!
Click here to read all about it!*

WINTER PARKING BAN

**Winter parking ban begins
Nov. 1st**



As of November 1st, vehicles and trailers cannot be parked on a public street from midnight to 6:30 am. This ban allows Public Works crews to plow snow piles back against the curb and clear snow from the streets when there is little traffic on the street.

Vehicles parked on a public street during this time may be ticketed or towed at the discretion of the Chief of Police or the Public Works Director. The fine for parking on a public street during these hours is \$25.00.

Thank you for your cooperation!



The New Horizons Band of the Lakes Region is inviting you to a free Christmas Celebration Concert On Tuesday, December 10, 2024 At 6:30 PM

St. Andre Bessette Parish Gymnasium

The New Horizons Band of the Lakes Region is proud to present their 2024 Holiday Concert Series. Come out and enjoy holiday music! The band will be playing traditional holiday tunes as well as a twist on those familiar tunes and some new holiday music. You'll even have an opportunity to sing those carols with a full band accompaniment. Conductor Debbi Gibson is excited to lead the musicians in this opportunity to bring holiday cheer to you. Information on the organization or to join the band can be found at newhorizons-lakesregion.org or follow us on Facebook.



The Concert is Graciously Sponsored By

Laconia Putnam Fund

Sponsor of Live Music



COMMUNITY CHALLENGE GREATER LAKES REGION CHILDREN'S AUCTION

**The Café Déjà Vu Team
Invites you to join us for**



**Weekly
CRIBBAGE
TOURNAMENTS**

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

7PM

SEPT 4, 2024 - MAY 28, 2025

Bring your friends!

\$10.00pp - Compete in 5 one-on-one games

**Also some \$1.00 side pots for High Hand and Flush in the Kitty
AND 25¢ for 19 hand and 50¢ for a skunk**

**At Laconia VFW on Court St
Come one week, ten weeks or all of them**

**Cash Prizes for total high scores
(Prizes awarded based on number of entries)**



**The home of
"Flower"**

**Friendly Games
No muggins/cut throat
For more info call (603) 998-1418**



Christmas Village!

December 5, 6, 7 & 8

Thursday & Friday 6:00 ~ 8:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 2:00 ~ 5:00pm*

*Saturday 10am - 12 noon - Senior Citizens Only

Sunday 10am - 12 noon Handicapped Only

FREE with donations accepted
and appreciated. Come see Santa,
Mrs. Claus and all their friends
from the North Pole.

Laconia Community Center
306 Union Avenue



Cookies Needed for Christmas Village!

**A request to all of our talented bakers out there....
Christmas Village needs your help! We are looking for
a total of 300 dozen cookies to be passed out to our
visitors at this year's Christmas Village.**

**So let's get baking and help contribute to the magic
of Christmas Village. Cookies can be dropped off at the
Parks and Rec Community Center (306 Union Avenue)
during the first week in December between 8:30 am and
4:30 pm. Your help is greatly appreciated! Questions?
Please call Parks and Rec at 603-524-5046**

City of Laconia

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CITY HALL HOURS:
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Monday through Friday
(603) 527-1270

SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center
(603) 528-6945 is the first number
to call for senior services.



If you care for someone with Alzheimer's or another type of dementia, you face a unique set of challenges.

Click the photo (left) to learn eight powerful ways to strengthen your caregiving resilience while ensuring your family

member has the best possible quality of life under your care.



City Meetings

Week of:
November 25 - 29

Public participation and citizen input is a vital part of City government. Below is a list of meetings scheduled for the upcoming week. As agendas become available they will be posted on the City's [website](#). Also, printed copies of any agenda are available in the City department in charge of a particular Board or Commission. You are invited and encouraged to participate in any of our public meetings. **All meetings are open to the public and are held at Laconia City Hall, unless otherwise noted:**

Land & Buildings Subcommittee

November 25, 2024, 6:30 pm

[Agenda](#)

Regular City Council Meeting

November 25, 2024, 7:00 pm



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below must be preceded by 603)

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement	527-1293
Codes Director Joe Gray	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician	
Economic Development &.....	527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ...	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel.....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning.....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director Rob Mora	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office).....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station) 528-5822	
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax.....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1)	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2)	524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4).....	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

General Council E-mail:
citycouncil@laconianh.gov

Visit the City's website at:
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