



January 10, 2025 - Edition #669

*Photo of a beautiful sunrise at the Weirs Docks  
(Compliments of Ann-Marie Shpeley Photography)*



**Laconia Residents....  
It's time to  
register your dog!**

Per RSA 466:1 all dogs residing in the City of Laconia must be registered with the license number issued imprinted, as well as a paper license. The tag issued must be worn on the dog's collar at all times. Please remember that a valid rabies

certificate and proof of inoculation (if applicable) are required to register. For a complete list of statutes pertaining to licensing your dog, please visit the [Chapter 466 Dogs and Cats](#) page.

All dogs need to be registered by April 30th of each year.

**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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov).



We are happy to help register your dog in person here in City Hall or you can use our on-line registration. Just click the image (left). When processing your registration online, please be sure to add the two or three digit prefix (24 - or VET-.)

*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 love seeing your four-legged family members, we would like to encourage you to be conscious of others. As always, certified service animals are welcome.*

**Fees:**

1st dog for owner 65+	\$ 2.00
Civil fine for failure to register by April 30	\$25.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$ 1.00
Replacement tag	\$ 1.50
Spay/neutered dog	\$ 6.50
Unaltered dog	\$ 9.00
Mailing fee	\$ 1.00



# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 1/13	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.	KID
MON 1/13	Sourdough Bread Basics @10am - with Sean O'Brien.	ADULT
TUE 1/14	The Benefits of Reiki & Self-Care Practice @1pm	ADULT
TUES 1/14	Teen Craft @3:30pm - Fairy light orbs!	TEEN
TUES 1/14	Kids Create! with Newspaper @5:30pm - Best for ages 6-12.	KID
WED 1/15	Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 3 and under.	KID
WED 1/15	Kids Writing Group @3:30pm	KID
THU 1/16	Guided Meditation and Journaling with Clare Persson @10am	ADULT
THU 1/16	Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3 -6.	KID
FRI 1/17	Move & Groove @10am - Best for ages 6 and under.	KID

## CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: [info@laconialibrary.org](mailto: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-1 pm \$35 (Non-Members); \$20 for Members  
**Homemade Pizza Making**  
Join us as we use fresh veggies to make delicious, homemade pizza. Whether you prefer a Margherita pizza or a spicier arugula and balsamic, a traditional crust or gluten free, this fun and tasty class will delight your senses.

  
Saturday 10 am-Noon \$25 (Non-Members); \$10 for Members  
**Upcycled! Metal Embossing**  
Larry Frates' metal embossing workshop introduces participants to the art of creating intricate designs on soft metal using stylus tools. In hands-on classes, attendees will learn techniques for embossing and engraving, working on both the front and back of metal sheets to create raised or indented patterns. With demonstrations led by Larry, participants can explore their creativity while mastering this unique medium, often incorporating upcycled materials for added sustainability and innovation.

  
Saturday 1-3 pm \$15 (Non-Members); FREE for Members  
**Five Senses Snowshoe Hike**  
This family oriented program combines a wonderful winter snowshoe hike with various trail activities utilizing our five senses.  
Snowshoes available (no extra charge) to borrow or guests may bring their own.

Additional programs, series, and registration details  
[prescottfarm.org](http://prescottfarm.org)

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH (603) 366-5695 [info@prescottfarm.org](mailto:info@prescottfarm.org)

**Prescott Farm**  
Environmental Education Center

## UPCOMING Community Connection Programs

  
Saturday 10 am-1 pm \$35 (Non-Members); \$20 for Members  
**Introduction to Home Cheesemaking**  
This hands-on workshop will cover the basics of how to make simple, delicious cheese in your own kitchen. We will cover equipment, supplies, and basic techniques used to make most types of cheese. Each participant will take part in making a batch of fresh mozzarella, ricotta, and paneer which will be made from start to finish in the class. Participants will take home instructions and a set of ingredients (minus the milk) to make a batch or two at home.

  
Saturday 1-3 pm \$15 (Non-Members); FREE for Members  
**Winter Tree ID**  
Leaves are not the only way to identify trees and, in fact, winter lends itself to using bark, buds, fruit and plant architecture to identify woody plants. Join us as we amble through the woods at Prescott Farm to identify common New England trees and shrubs. Snowshoes available (no extra charge) to borrow or guests may bring their own.

  
Tuesday 5-6:30 pm \$15 (Non-Members); FREE for Members  
**Full Moon Snowshoe Hike**  
Explore Prescott Farm in a different and special way. Inspired by the weather and the dynamic calendar of the natural world, topics discussed on our moonlit walk will vary but may include identifying constellations, habits of nocturnal animals, and testing your own night vision abilities.  
Snowshoes available (no extra charge) to borrow or guests may bring their own.

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## ATTENTION LACONIA RESIDENTS DISPOSAL OF CHRISTMAS TREES

Laconia residents can bring their Christmas trees to either the City's Transfer Station at 385 Meredith Center Road Monday-Friday 7:30am to 3:30pm, Saturday 8:00am to 12:00pm. Laconia Residents may also bring them to the designated area in the parking lot at the end of Memorial Park Drive (near its intersection with West St.) by Memorial Park, which is available every day. Christmas trees may also be taken to the Brush Dump on Hilliard Road. The Brush Dump is open Friday and Saturday from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm unless it snows. In the event of a snow storm, the Brush Dump will be closed to allow all Public Works personnel to work on snow removal. For more information please call Public Works at 528-6379.

## ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

### DONATE TODAY!

The condition of our roof poses a serious risk to the safety of our historical artifacts and documents.

We must put a new roof on our building in 2025!

Every donation made until February 1st will be doubled.



Please consider supporting the Laconia Historical & Museum Society to help fulfill their mission to "Preserve, Protect, and Share" Laconia's rich history. Just click on the above image! Your help is greatly appreciated.

## Get your free tickets at the Colonial Box Office



*to the celebration of*

Martin Luther King, Jr Legacy

'How Has the Legacy of Dr. King Impacted Your Life?'

With Speaker: Dr. Larry Benaquist, Film Producer

Panel Discussion, Singing by the Power Chords, Audience

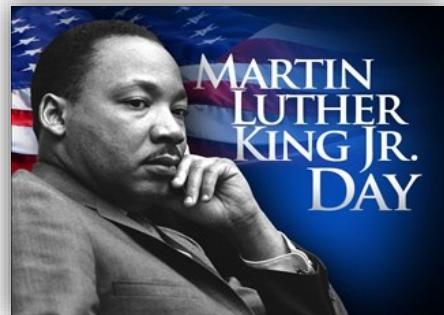
Participation, Refreshments!

When: January 19, 2024 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

*(Doors open at 1:30 pm).*

Laconia Colonial Theatre

(800) 657-8774



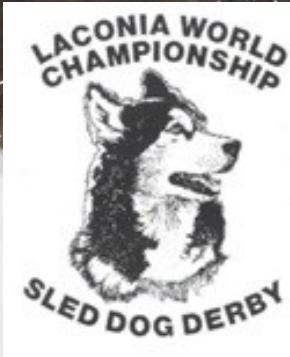
## Public Works Department

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is  
Monday, January 20th**

**Notice to Residents on  
Curbside Collection Routes**

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

**For questions or additional information, please call Department of Public Works at (603) 528-6379.**



## THE LAKES REGION SLED DOG CLUB'S CHAMPIONSHIP SLED DOG DERBY IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 21, 22, 23.

With a minimum purse of \$35,000! We are looking for sponsors and our auction is scheduled for January 25, 2025 at the Laconia Country Club. All are welcome to attend and/or donate items.

Click [here](#) for more information!



### Art and Coffee Club at the Belknap Mill Museum

The Belknap Mill has launched a series of workshops designed to bring out the artist lurking in everyone. For several months, Adrianna Antonopoulos, a local artist and business owner, has been hosting free mixed media drop-in sessions for Laconia locals to explore collage, pastels, watercolors, and more. These free workshops will continue to be held at the Museum on Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



Antonopoulos sees herself as more of a muse and facilitator than an expert or teacher. "I enjoy building a creative space with a community of artists who can inspire each other." She exudes warmth and enthusiasm that helps participants take some risks, try new media, and most important, have fun expressing themselves.

Antonopoulos's education and experience has prepared her to work with artists of all ages and experience levels. At Maine College of Art, she studied sculpture, painting, 2D design, graphics, photography, and ceramics. She has worked with pre-school and elementary students as well as high school learners and adults. She has created theatrical sets for Lakes Region Theater, and had her sculpture featured in numerous galleries in New England and abroad. She is truly a Renaissance woman!



# FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS:

## BUILDING BLOCKS FOR SUCCESS!



Four-part series; Join us for any or all.  
Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm



Needs, Emotions, Money & How  
They are Connected

January 15, 2025



Identifying & Changing our  
Financial Behaviors

January 22, 2025

Turning Dreams into Goals & Plans

January 29, 2025

Budgeting Basics

February 5, 2025

Participants can choose to attend in person at  
719 N. Main St., Laconia, NH  
OR virtually via Zoom.

For those attending in person, dinner will be served at 6pm  
and on-site childcare may be available if reserved when registering.

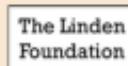
Register at:

[www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration)

LRCS  
**FAMILY RESOURCE  
CENTER**  
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# DON'T JUST THINK THEY'RE IN THE **RIGHT SEAT**

Do you drive kids under 13 years old? Whether they are in a car seat, booster seat, or using a seat belt, the safest place for all children under 13 is in the back seat.

As a parent or caregiver, it's your job to make sure your children are in the right car seat for their ages and sizes.



Thank you for supporting Belknap Mill Museum and helping to preserve our rich history!

## Rejuvenation, Resiliency and Resources Camaraderie and Kindness

## All Caregivers Welcome

**Join us the 3rd Wednesday  
of the month  
9:30 – 11:00 am**

Contact Trudy with questions 603.581.1553  
or email [Trudy.poire@lrcs.org](mailto:Trudy.poire@lrcs.org)

1/15/25, 2/19/25, 3/19/25, 4/16/25, 5/21/25, 6/18/25



## Last Chance to Get Your Belknap Mill Museum Merchandise!

Don't miss out on the opportunity to own **exclusive Belknap Mill Museum** clothing, including **vests, sweatshirts, and shirts!**

Not only will you look stylish, but you'll be helping to spread the word about this historic gem.

**A portion of every purchase** goes directly to supporting the Museum's preservation efforts, so you're making a difference while wearing your Mill pride!

**Hurry! Sale ends Sunday, 1/12/25!**

**Order now** and get your Mill merch before it's gone: [Belknap Mill Museum Merch Store](#)

# LACONIA POST 1670 MEAT RAFFLE

FRIDAY JANUARY 10

6:00 PM

Ring in the New Year at the Laconia VFW Meat Raffle  
Open to the Public  
Bring your friends and family for fun and prizes



Bring your appetite and enjoy  
one of Chef Mark's specials or  
order off the menu!

HOSTED BY:

LACONIA POST 1670 AUXILIARY



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Very Important Princess  
Make-A-Wish®  
rafting  
for wishes

Presents

Make-A-Wish®  
NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Luck & Wishes CASINO NIGHT For a Cause

**TICKETS:**  
**\$100**  
PER PERSON  
**\$200**  
PER PERSON FOR  
VIP EXPERIENCE

**TICKET PRICE**  
INCLUDES \$2500 IN  
CHIPS

Try your luck at blackjack, roulette, craps & other gaming tables risk free!

**SATURDAY MARCH 8**  
DOORS OPEN AT 06:00PM

For tickets or more information contact:  
Sunday Dearborn  
sunnygvipbags@hotmail.com  
603-440-8678

**Highlights:**

CASINO GAMES - PHOTO BOOTH - CASH MONEY MACHINE - CARICATURE ENTERTAINMENT - SILENT AUCTION - LIVE AUCTION - RAFFLE PRIZES - APPETIZERS & DESSERTS - CASH BAR - LIVE DJ

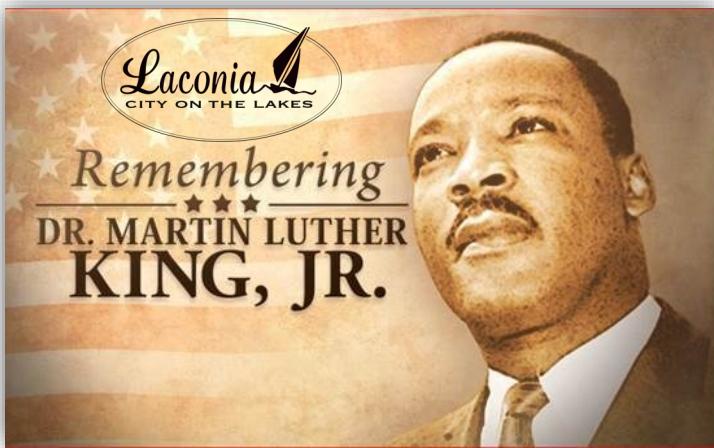
NO real money is used, casino chips can be exchanged for raffle tickets and prizes



**The new 2025 Curbside/Recycling Collection Calendar is now available!**

**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.**





**CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY ON MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025**



# OPEN HOUSE!

**JAN. 16, 2025**

**3:00-5:00 PM**

- ✓ Take a Tour
- ✓ Talk to Admissions
- ✓ Register on the Spot

*Class starts 1/21*



**LRCC.edu**

## Clay Jewelry Workshop at Belknap Mill Museum

**Saturday, January 11th | 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**Learn to Create Unique Clay Jewelry with Rora**

Join Belknap Mill instructor Rora for a hands-on Clay Jewelry Workshop at the Belknap Mill Museum! On Saturday, January 11th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, participants will have the opportunity to design their own capybara clay earrings paired with a matching orange necklace. This fun and creative workshop is perfect for beginners, especially teens and tweens, looking to explore the world of jewelry making.

Whether you're new to crafting or looking for a unique project, this workshop is a fantastic way to tap into your artistic side. Rora will guide you through the entire process, helping you craft your own one-of-a-kind pieces. The cost of the workshop is \$30 per participant, and all materials will be provided. Space is limited. Register at [www.belknapmill.org/classes](http://www.belknapmill.org/classes).



Also, please join us for our next 6 week mitten knitting course beginning January 11th!

This is a very beginner friendly class. A basic knowledge of casting on, knitting and purling in the round is needed.

These are knit with bulky yarn and work up very quickly. Perfect project for these super cold days we're having!

Register for this and other fun classes at [www.belknapmill.org/classes](http://www.belknapmill.org/classes).



# LACONIA HOUSING

Laconia Housing will be holding its' next Board Meeting on Thursday, Jan 16th, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

The Zoom invite link to join is on our website at:  
[www.laconiahousing.org/board-info](http://www.laconiahousing.org/board-info)  
Questions? Please call us at: 603-524-2112

## FREE FILM PRESENTATION LOST BOUNDARIES

Celebrate Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr legacy

Saturday Jan. 18 2025 Saturday Jan. 25, 2025

both showings @ 1pm  
At Laconia Public Library  
refreshments & discussions



ALL ARE WELCOME

ADDITIONAL MLK EVENT: SUNDAY JAN. 19, 2025

2PM @ THE COLONIAL THEATER

FILM DOCUMENTARY  
PANEL DISCUSSION & REFRESHMENTS

CALL FOR FREE TICKETS

*Curbside  
recycling will  
be picked up  
the week of  
January 13!*



Steve Loughlin, a Director at the Kiwanis Club of Laconia, NH, produces a monthly newsletter for the Club, "Laconia Kiwanis Kronikle". To read the most recent issue and see what our local chapter of Kiwanis is up to, click [here](#).

**TROOP 65714**

## ACCEPTING NEW **GIRL SCOUTS**

ADVENTURE • LIFE SKILLS • FRIENDSHIP • AND FUN!

every Thursday 6-7 PM

Elm Street School Art Room

**TO JOIN OR  
FOR MORE INFO**

GS.Troop65714@gmail.com



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1(800) 657-8774



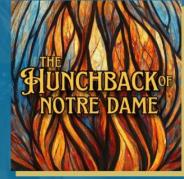
## 2025 SEASON



**LOVE/SICK**  
FEBRUARY 14 | 7:30PM  
FEBRUARY 15 | 7:30PM  
FEBRUARY 16 | 2PM



## 2025 SEASON



**THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME**  
MAY 2 | 7:30PM  
MAY 3 | 2PM  
MAY 3 | 7:30PM



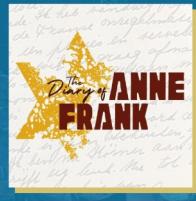
## 2025 SEASON



**ELF THE MUSICAL**  
AUGUST 8 | 7:30PM  
AUGUST 9 | 7:30PM  
AUGUST 10 | 2PM



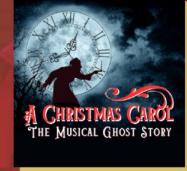
## 2025 SEASON



**THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK**  
OCTOBER 10 | 7:30PM  
OCTOBER 11 | 7:30PM  
OCTOBER 12 | 2PM



## 2025 SEASON



**A CHRISTMAS CAROL:  
THE MUSICAL GHOST STORY**  
DECEMBER 11 | 7:30PM  
DECEMBER 12 | 7:30PM  
DECEMBER 13 | 2PM  
DECEMBER 14 | 2PM

Tickets go on sale Friday, January 10th!  
Click [here](#) for the Colonial Theatre's website.

**JANUARY 25, 2025**  
6:00PM AT CHURCH LANDING  
AT MILL FALLS, MEREDITH, NH

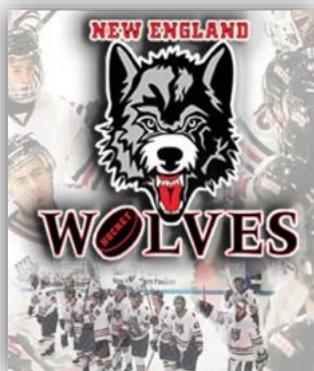
HELP GIVE HOMELESS  
PETS A SECOND CHANCE

SCAN TO VISIT  
NHHUMANE.ORG/EVENTS

**SECOND CHANCES**  
A CASINO - THEMED EVENT SUPPORTING  
NEW HAMPSHIRE HUMANE SOCIETY

Join New Hampshire Humane Society for the Second Chances Casino Night which offers a second chance to homeless, defenseless animals.

Enjoy a fun night filled with: Charity casino games - Gourmet food and hors d'oeuvres  
Top shelf open bar - Music and dancing - Incredible silent auction and raffles



**Don't miss these New England Wolves games coming soon!**

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

**\*Saturday, January 11, 2025 - 6:30 pm:  
Boston Dukes vs. New England Wolves**

*\*The New England Wolves will once again dedicate this game to celebrate the memory of young John Bradley Thompson, who lost his battle with childhood cancer and to raise awareness and funding for "The Cure Starts Now" Foundation.*

**Wednesday, January 15, 2025 - 1:45 pm  
Express Hockey Club vs. New England Wolves**

**We hope to see you there!**



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 **January 13, 2025** 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:

**RESOLUTION 2024-29 - RELATIVE TO ACCEPTANCE OF AN AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,680.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF SWAT/SOU EQUIPMENT FOR THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## LACONIA SENIOR CENTER (603) 524-7689

### JANUARY 2025 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<b>Activities are subject to change*</b> <i>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal</i>		<i>Closed for Holiday</i> 	1 10:30 Ping Pong & Corn Hole 11:30—Sweet & Sour Meatballs	2 9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Puzzles & Games
6	7	8	9	10
<b>10—Foot &amp; BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment</b> 10:30—Coffee Social	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30—Meatballs in Tomato Pesto	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic 10:30—Presentation by Franklin VNA 11:30—Taco Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo
13	14	15	16	17
10:30—Share Stories & Coffee Social 11—Puzzles & Games	Emergency Prep by PPH @ 10:30 11:30—Tuscan Veg. Bean Stew	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30—Chicken Tortilla Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong
20	21	22	23	24
<i>Closed for Holiday</i> 	Advanced Directives by Lakes Region VNA @ 10:30 11:30—Beef Stew	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 Ping Pong & Corn Hole 11:30—Sweet & Sour Chicken	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo
27	28	29	30	31
<b>10—Movie &amp; Snack</b> 	10:30—Corn Hole & Ping Pong 11:30—Grilled Chicken in Dijon Sauce	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10—Puzzles & Games 11:30—Meatloaf & Gravy	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Corn Hole or Ping Pong



## LACONIA SENIOR CENTER #524-7689 532 MAIN STREET, LACONIA ENTRANCE & PARKING @ 184 BEACON ST. WEST

### FEBRUARY CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>PRIZE EVERY DAY!</b> *28 WINNERS*	<b>GRAND PRIZE ON VALENTINE'S DAY</b> *NASWA RESORT STAY*	<b>\$5 EACH NO LIMIT!!</b> PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE!		<b>FUNDRAISER FOR ACTIVITIES @ LACONIA SENIOR CENTER</b> THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT		1 \$25 Amazon Gift Card 
2 \$25 Vista Foods Gift Card 	3 Plush Faux Fur Blanket 	4 \$20 CASH & Jar of Honey 	5 AutoZone Car Shine Kit 	6 \$20 Gift Card Shooter's Tavern 	7 \$25 CASH 	8 \$20 Card to FUNSPOT 
9 \$25 Annie's Café Gift Card 	10 \$25 Hart's Turkey Farm 	11 Empire Beauty Bag (\$50 Value) 	12 \$20 Card Shooter's Tavern 	13 \$20 Card to FUNSPOT 	14 Naswa Resort Stay 	15 \$20 CASH & Yankee Candle 
16 \$20 Sunflower Foods Card 	17 \$20 CASH & BBQ Sauce 	18 \$25 Card Prescott's Florist 	19 \$50 Shaw's Gift Card 	20 \$20 Gift Card Shooter's Tavern 	21 \$20 Card to FUNSPOT 	22 \$20 CASH & Jar of Honey 
23 \$20 Gift Card Shooter's Tavern 	24 \$10 CASH & \$15 Apple Gift Card 	25 \$20 Card to FUNSPOT 	26 \$25 CASH 	27 \$20 Sunflower Foods Card 	28 \$20 CASH & Yeti Mug 	

Purchase your February Calendar at the Laconia Senior Center for a chance to win some fabulous prizes! They are \$5/each, and a prize will be awarded every day in February!

# 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...

Portions of the Folsom-Batchelder House in McGrath Square, Lakeport, dated from the 1760s, when Abraham Folsom settled here, and the community was known as Folsom's Mills. The house and mills were acquired about 1825 by Nathan Batchelder. Later Victorian additions made the structure one of the largest in town. The house was one of those spared during the Great Fire of 1903, which destroyed some 200 structures. In the 20th century, the house was home to Harold Tefft, whose fleet of trucks is seen in this photo, taken from Elm Street looking toward Belvidere Street, in distance at right. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



## ...AND NOW

The property was purchased by developer Scott Everett in 2022 and torn down. 'Lakeport's Ancient Homes' (published in 1917) notes that a son born in the house 'became an officer in the United States Army and was stationed at San Francisco, in which city Folsom Street was named for him.' In addition, Nathan Batchelder's youngest son, Richard N., also born in that house, 'likewise became an officer in the United States Army and was stationed in San Francisco; he later became Quartermaster General of the Army' and died in Washington, D.C., in 1901. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



**The Office of Extended Learning and LHS Present**

**FAMILY, FOOD & FUN**

Cooking Class  
Chinese Cuisine

**LIMITED SPACE**

**100% FREE**

**FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED – 2 PEOPLE PER STATION**

**Class Schedule**  
**JAN. 29, 2025**  
**@ 5:30 PM**  
**LHS CAFETERIA**  
Taught by LSD Food Director  
Mike Llavina

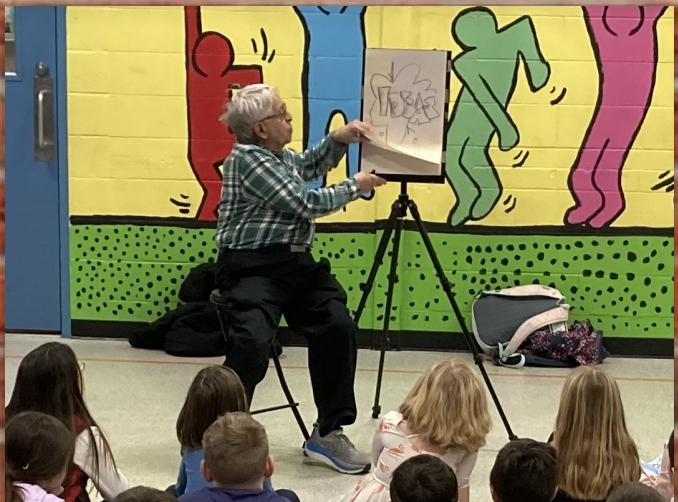
FOR MORE INFORMATION: CONTACT  
KERRI HOWE – 603-832-5274

QR Code to Register

**2025 CHINESE NEW YEAR**

Elm Street School Project Extra introduced its students to the power of visual storytelling through picture drawings. Guided by professional, local artist Larry Frates, students explored narrative concepts, character development, and creative expression using storytelling and drawing. This program aims to build literacy, visual communication, and emotional expression skills in a fun and engaging way.

Larry Frates will be visiting the other two Laconia Elementary Schools in the near future. Frates will be visiting each elementary afterschool program monthly. We are lucky to have him!



# 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.



Are you tired of wondering what's for dinner? Meal planning isn't just about saving time and money; it's about making more nourishing and satisfying food choices. Explore five practical tips for seniors to simplify your weekly meals and take the guesswork out of eating well! Just click on the image (left)!



## City Meetings

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:**

### City Council

January 13, 2025, 7:00 pm

### Laconia Putnam Fund

January 14, 2025, 9:00 am

### Agenda

Week of:  
January 13-17



## 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

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