



# Welcome to Laconia Links!

April 18, 2025 - Edition #683

*A beautiful sunset on Lake Winnisquam  
(photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)*

## Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to help 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 TAKE PRIDE IN OUR PARKS

TO JOIN THE PARKS & REC TEAM FOR THE SUMMER,  
call 603-524-5046 or e-mail [PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV](mailto:PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV)

## News from the Public Works Dept.

**CITY OF LACONIA - NOTICE: THE SEASONAL  
10 TON WEIGHT LIMIT WILL BE LIFTED ON ALL CITY  
STREETS ON APRIL 21.**

Please call the Public Works Department at (603) 528-6379 for more detailed information.

Thank you for your cooperation this past winter to allow our Public Works crews to more easily plow the streets and keep us all safe.





# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 4/21

Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.

KID

TUE 4/22

Drop-In Tech Help @10am

ADULT

TUE 4/22

Lego Club @3:30pm - best for ages 6-12.

KID

WED 4/23

Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 0-3.

KID

WED 4/23

Drop-In Tech Help @2pm

ADULT

WED 4/23

Pop Trivia! Local History Edition @6pm

ADULT

THU 4/24

Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3 -6.

KID

THU 4/24

Evening with Local Author @6:30pm - Claire Hebert-Dow

ADULT

SAT 4/26

Family Craft @10am - Mandala window clings!

KID

MON 4/28

Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for newborns to age 6.

KID

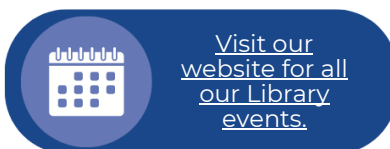
## CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: [info@laconialibrary.org](mailto:info@laconialibrary.org)

Visit our  
[website for all](http://laconialibrary.org)  
[our Library](http://laconialibrary.org)  
[events.](http://laconialibrary.org)

**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



# SPRING Clean Up Day

LACONIA'S SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY  
Saturday, May 17, 2025

7am – 1 pm

**FREE** - BRING YOUR DISCARDS TO  
THE TRANSFER STATION ON  
MEREDITH CENTER ROAD, LACONIA.  
RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLDS ONLY.  
NO COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES OR  
HAULERS.

Proof of Residency Will Be Required.

To help minimize wait times, the City  
recommends that residents use the  
following schedule when coming to the  
Transfer Station:

TIME	FIRST LETTER OF LAST NAME
7 to 9 am	A through and including G
9 to 11 am	H through and including N
11am to 1pm	O through and including Z

**ACCEPTABLE:** APPLIANCES, WATER  
HEATERS, FURNITURE, BEDS, PLUMBING  
FIXTURES, BAGGED LEAVES, DEMOLITION  
LUMBER, AUTO TIRES (limit 6 tires per  
customer). **NOT ACCEPTABLE:** AUTO  
TAILPIPES, MUFFLERS, RADIATORS,  
ENGINES, BATTERIES, HAZARDOUS  
WASTES, PAINTS OR SOLVENTS.

Electronic waste will not be accepted free of  
charge at this event. E-Waste normal fees for  
disposal will apply. Questions? Please call  
Public Works at 603-528-6379.

## COMMUNITY CHAT

a brown bag lunch discussion

Bring your lunch and join us for an hour of open  
discussion on what's going on in Laconia!

**The Belknap Mill - 1st Floor Gallery Room**  
**May 14th**  
**12Noon-1pm**

Joia Hughes  
Economic and Housing Development Director  
City of Laconia  
603-527-1270 x105  
JHughes@LaconiaNH.gov

### Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of April 21!





## Parent Education~ Spring 2025

**All spring parent education classes will be offered in a “hybrid” format. Participants can choose to attend in person at our office at 719 North Main St. Laconia, NH or virtually via Zoom.**

### Parenting Journey\*

**May 6-July 22, 2025. Class meets Tuesdays from 6:00-8:00pm (12 weeks)**

This curriculum is designed for parents who want to learn more about themselves, their relationships, and the resources they need to effectively parent their children. In a warm and nurturing environment, parents are supported and encouraged to care for themselves and each other, while participating in a series of experiential exercises.

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6pm.

### Book Study of “The Whole Brain Child”\*

**May 7-June 11, 2025. Class meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm (6 weeks)**

Based on the New York Times Bestseller by Daniel J. Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson, this class will cover twelve revolutionary strategies to nurture your child’s developing mind. Learn the science of how a child’s brain is wired, how it matures and how you can apply this knowledge to everyday parenting. The Whole Brain Child will teach you how to cultivate healthy emotional and intellectual development so that your children can lead balanced, meaningful, and connected lives.

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6pm.

### Understanding Children’s Growth & Development—A Nurturing Skills Module\*

**May 8-June 12, 2024. Daytime and Evening Sessions Available!**

**Thursdays 10:00-11:30am —OR— Thursdays 6:30-8:00pm (6 weeks)**

This Nurturing Skills module focuses on creating a nurturing environment that stimulates children’s overall healthy development. Topics covered include brain development, developmental milestones, creating nurturing routines, and encouraging a growth mindset.

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6pm.

**For all classes, register at [www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration/](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration/)  
Questions? Email [tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org](mailto:tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org)**

**\*On-site childcare may be available if reserved at the time of registration.\***





# FREE

## Full Course Hot Meal

Wednesdays

5 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Hands Across The Table

St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall

31 Gilford Ave Laconia

PO Box 6553, Laconia, NH 03247  
Email: handsacrosstt@gmail.com

★ JOIN US AT ★

# The Tee Box

★ 26 APRIL - 10AM & 1PM ★  
HERE AT THE BELKNAP MARKETPLACE  
\$75 PER PERSON

SNACKS ★ PUTTING CONTEST ★ BYOB  
RAFFLE TO WIN A FORESOME FOR OUR 6/16 INVITATIONAL  
PRIZES FOR 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD AND..... LAST!  
(FOR EACH FLIGHT)

TEE OFF TO OUR GOLF INVITATIONAL ON THE BUSHWOOD



For more information:

603-800-3225 [www.birdease.com/603UGI](http://www.birdease.com/603UGI)



## HELP SAVE A LIFE.

Schedule your blood  
donation appointment today.



**Wednesday, April 30th, 2025**  
**10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Sponsored by Weirs Community Park Association  
Weirs Community Center Function Hall  
25 Lucerne Ave., Weirs Beach, NH  
(Same Building as Weirs Fire Department)

For an appointment, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 800-733-2767. Drop-Ins welcome too.

## Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

### UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday 10am - 2 pm **PROGRAM FILLED!**

**Perfect Pastries with Chef Allen**

Indulge in the art of pastry-making with Perfect Pastries with Chef Allen. This class will guide you through the creation of two classic pastry essentials: Pâte à Choux and Pastry Cream.

**April**  
**19**  
**2025**



Saturday 1-3pm **PROGRAM FILLED!**

**Growing Mushrooms at Home**

Delicious and nutritious, mushrooms are a culinary treat. Learn how to grow shiitake, wine caps, and other mushrooms at home. Participants will home with a fully inoculated log and sawdust inoculated with winecap

**April**  
**19**  
**2025**



Saturday 10 am - Noon

**Beginner Soapmaking**

Learn how to safely make your very own soap. We will cover the basics of the soapmaking process and the equipment required to make more at home. Each participant will take home about 10 bars of seasonally scented soap

**April**  
**26**  
**2025**

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)





# Mingle Cafe

*"Trust is a product of vulnerability that grows over time and requires work, attention and full engagement" ~ Brene Brown*

**This Month's Discussion: What are the building blocks of a good community and why do they matter?**

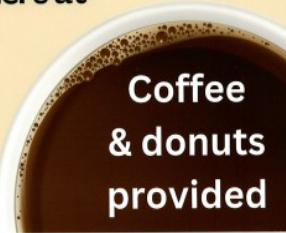
**WHEN: SATURDAY  
APRIL 26**

**Where: Belknap Mill  
25 Beacon St. East**

**Time: 10 am - 11:30 am**

**Join us for an informal  
conversation with others at  
small tables**

**Sponsored by the Laconia Human  
Relations Committee with  
funding from the New Hampshire  
Endowment For Health**



**Coffee  
& donuts  
provided**



## **BOLDUC PARK IS OPEN FOR GOLF SIGN UP FOR LESSONS FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS**

Bolduc Park's 9 hole golf course is now open at 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line. There is a 9 hole disc golf course open too. Carts, golf clubs and discs are available for rental.

Bolduc Park is a great course for advanced golfers wishing to work on their short game and it is an ideal course for beginning golfers.

Do you have a child aged 8 to 13 who'd like to try out golf? Golf is a great option for kids who may prefer an individual sport in a non-competitive setting.

Now is the time for Adults and Youth to sign up for Bolduc Park's three week golf lesson sessions. Adult lessons will be held Tuesdays at 5:30pm. Session 1 runs May 6, 13, 20. A second session for beginners runs June 3, 10, 17. Youth lessons will be held at 5:30pm on Thursdays. Session 1 is May 8, 15, 22. Session 2 is June 5, 12, 19.

Each 3 week session costs \$100 which also comes with the privilege of unlimited free play during the 3 weeks of lessons. There are full scholarships available for a limited number of youth age 8 – 13. Email [info@bolducpark.org](mailto:info@bolducpark.org) to ask for information on Youth Lesson scholarships and Adult and Youth lessons.

Go to our website at [bolducpark.org](http://bolducpark.org) or call 603-524-1370 for more info about all the activities at Bolduc Park.

## SAVE THE DATE



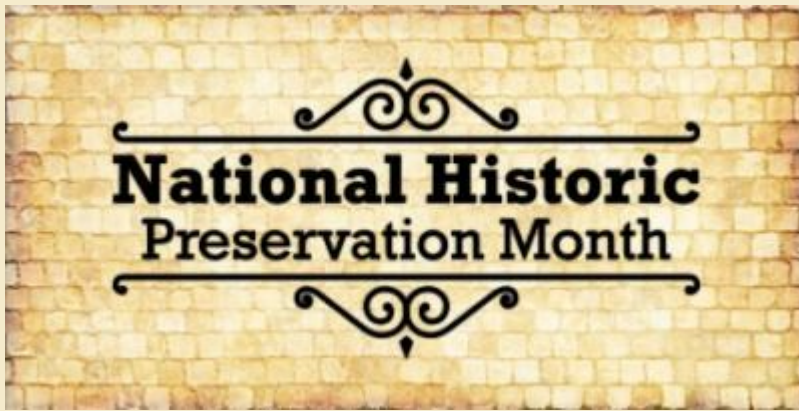
### HISTORY HAPPENED HERE

Discover Laconia's history through a walking tour, a culinary experience, a trivia challenge, and a musical performance!



**SATURDAY  
5.31.25**





May is Historic Preservation Month. What structures do you find valuable for their historic, cultural, aesthetic, or their community significance?

The City of Laconia Heritage Commission would like to recognize anyone who owns an historic property in Laconia and has, or is in the process of, preserving the structure's history. The project maintains historic details. In this endeavor, the Heritage Commission would like anyone who knows of a person, a business or an organization

who has made significant efforts to preserve historic buildings to nominate an individual, business, organization or a project for a preservation award to be presented at a City Council meeting at the end of May. The building must be more than 50 years old and add aesthetic value to its locality.

You may pick up a nomination form from the Code Enforcement Office at Laconia City Hall or from the Heritage Commission webpage <https://www.laconianh.gov/410/Heritage-Commission>. To assist the Heritage Commission members in recognizing and thanking those who have contributed to the historic preservation of a building, please describe the renovations, some history and its cultural significance, and include, if possible, before and after photos.

Nomination forms must be submitted by April 30, 2025.

What is the purpose of a Heritage Commission? In Laconia, the Heritage Commission was established to ensure the proper recognition, use and protection of resources, primarily man-made, that are valuable for their historic, cultural, aesthetic, or community significance within their natural built or cultural context in accordance with RSA 684:44-a. In the past the Heritage Commission has been involved in the attempts to preserve the Hathaway House, St. Joseph Church, the Belknap Mill, and employed Mae Williams, Architectural Historian & Preservation Consultant, to do a study of historical resources of Laconia's Downtown district which was published May 4, 2021. Please consider becoming a member of Laconia's Heritage Commission.

A poster for the NH Veterans Virtual Hiring and Resource Fair. The background features a blurred American flag and a person in a military uniform. The text is as follows:  
**NH VETERANS**  
**VIRTUAL HIRING AND**  
**RESOURCE FAIR**  
**Thursday, April 24, 2025**  
**11:00am to 1:00pm**  
*Connecting the Military Community*  
*with Veteran-friendly businesses*  
*in New Hampshire*  
<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>   
*Employers and Job Seekers must register to attend*  
*Please contact JobFair@nhes.nh.gov with any questions*  
Logos for NHES (New Hampshire Employment Security) and the State of New Hampshire are in the bottom left corner.



# 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)

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



The home of  
"Flower"



# Love Our Earth Day

A Free Outdoor Community Event



Saturday, May 10th, 10 AM - 1 PM

18 Veterans Square in Laconia

Celebrating the Lakes Region Environment

### Participating Organizations:

Belknap Co Conservation District	Lake Winnepesaukee Alliance
Citizens' Climate Lobby	Lakes Region Conservation Trust
Congregational Church of Laconia	Loon Preservation Society
Laconia Conservation Commission	NH Lakes
Laconia Dept. of Public Works	NH Network Plastics Working Group
LSD Office of Extended Learning	Prescott Farms Env. Education Ctr.
Laconia HS Key Club	Squam Lakes Natural Science Center
Laconia/Gilford Lions Club	Unitarian Universalist Soc. of Laconia
Lake Opechee Protection Association	Winnisquam Watershed Network

### Our Sponsors:



UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST  
SOCIETY OF LACONIA



Citizens' Climate Lobby



Congregational Church  
of Laconia



Kiwanis  
CLUB OF LACONIA, NH



Laconia Gilford  
Lions Club

# SOFT PLASTICS



Dear Neighbors and Friends,

The Laconia- Gilford Lions Club and UUSL (Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia) Green Sanctuary volunteers will be out in front of the church at 172 Pleasant Street on Saturday, April 26th from 11am until 1pm.

We are collecting # 6 Styrofoam, soft plastics, and single-serve sized pop-top canned food for our Community Action Program (CAP). Additionally there is need for travel-sized hygiene products, towelettes (Wet Ones), hand sanitizers, personal care products (Depends for men and women).

Soft plastics and Styrofoam must be clean and free of labels. Plastics cannot be any snack bags, candy wrappers, any product wrapping that is "crunchy" sounding. Mailers are acceptable. No bird seed or pet food bags can be collected.

We are pleased and proud that your Community saved from the landfills some 1,100 pounds of soft plastics at last month's collection. All that is saved for collection is converted into composite decking and furniture.

Save Our Earth in any small way you personally can and celebrate Earth Day every day!

**Thank you!**





LAKES  
REGION  
SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA

BENJAMIN GREENE, CONDUCTOR

## HUSTLE BACK TO THE 70's WITH LRSO!



Featuring:  
Taylor O'Donnell  
&  
Adrian Sicam

Saturday May 10, Colonial Theatre, Laconia 7pm  
Sunday May 11, Inter-Lakes Auditorium, Meredith 3pm

Hits from: Earth Wind and Fire, Chicago,  
Doobie Brothers, Carole King, Bee Gees,  
Billy Joel, Joni Mitchell, and more!

TICKETS: \$10 - \$30 [www.LRSO.org](http://www.LRSO.org)

[WWW.LRSO.ORG](http://WWW.LRSO.ORG)

SPONSORED BY:



## 2025 Curbside Spring Leaf Pickup

During the weeks of April 28 - May 2, and  
May 12 - May 16 the City's contractor will  
pick up an additional 10 bags of leaves  
during these two weeks on your normal trash  
day. All materials must be placed in paper  
compost bags.

Please note that yard waste will be collected  
by a separate truck, not the normal trash  
collection truck. Questions? Please call the  
Department of Public Works at  
603-528-6379.



### Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am Sat, April 19th @ LEAVITT PARK



A HUGE egg hunt with 2000  
eggs filled with Toys & Candy

Rain or Shine!  
Dress Appropriately

Cookie Decorating and  
Games inside from  
10:00am to 11:30am!

Bring your own Basket!

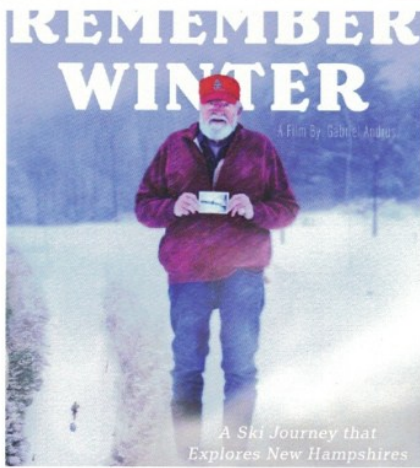


With a Special Guest  
Appearance from the Easter  
Bunny!

Brought to you by Laconia Parks & Recreation and the Leavitt Park Community Club.  
Call 603-524-5046 if you have questions!



## Remember Winter



A film by Gabriel Andrus

Earth Day, April 22nd 6:30 PM at Laconia Public Library  
Film will be followed by brief presentation of local climate impacts, solutions and ideas for public involvement.

Sponsored by:

NH Lakes Region Chapter, Citizens' Climate Lobby  
Admission Free



Citizens' Climate Lobby

For more info, visit:



<http://bit.ly/4j1guE7>



## The Office of Extended Learning and LHS Present **FAMILY, FOOD & FUN**



**Cooking Class  
CINCO de MAYO**

**100%  
FREE**

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

**Class Schedule**

**MAY 5, 2025**

**@ 5:30 PM**

**LHS CAFETERIA**

**Taught by LSD Food Director  
Mike Llavana**

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

**QR Code to Register**



***Save the date!***

***Laconia Pumpkin  
Festival 2025!***

**This year's Laconia  
Pumpkin Festival is  
October 25, 2025!**

**You won't want to miss  
this fun Fall event.  
Stay tuned for more  
details coming soon!**





# An Afternoon with Holocaust Survivor Kati Preston



## LAKEPORT OPERA HOUSE

Brought to you by: Laconia Public Library, Laconia Putnam Fund, and The Laconia Daily Sun.



For more information on this event please check the Laconia Putnam Fund's Facebook page [here](#).



Save \$40 with promo code LAKES40

## First Time Homebuyer Seminar

### Looking to Buy a Home?

This seminar introduces the key steps of buying a home and teaches you how to build your team of home buying professionals to guide you through each step!

What's included:

- "Realizing the American Dream": A complete manual detailing how to buy your home.
- One-on-One Counseling: A certified counselor will assess your situation and help develop a road map to purchase your home.
- Credit Report: Included at your one-on-one counseling appointment.
- Pizza Lunch: Included at this class.



Accessible alternatives and interpreters available upon request.

Pre-Registration is required!  
\$69 Class Fee  
Up to two attendees per household

Location:  
Lakes Region Community Developers  
193 Court Street  
Laconia, NH 03246

Date:  
Saturday  
April 26, 2025  
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m

Questions?  
Tanya Hannigan  
866-701-9097  
thannigan@hometeamnh.org

Register Now!

[www.HOMEtamnh.org](http://www.HOMEtamnh.org)

866-701-9097



## Spring Fling Dinner and Dance with the Tall Granite Big Band

April 19th, 2025  
from  
6-10pm  
at the  
Laconia VFW Post 1670  
143 Court Street

Dance your way into spring with the Tall Granite Big Band.  
The evening begins with dinner at 6pm with the band taking the stage from 7 to 10pm.

\$20 pp  
For reservations call  
(603) 524-9725



## 2025 HOME SHOW

Friday, April 18 | 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
Saturday, April 19 | 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**Belknap  
Marketplace**  
GRAND RE-OPENING



Home, Garden & Community Excitement! Details: [lakesregionchamber.org](http://lakesregionchamber.org)



## All Laconia dogs need to be registered by April 30th each year!

To renew **online**: [www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov), Online Bill Pay, Dog Licensing - Please note that when processing your dog tag online, you will need to add the two or three digit prefix (for example 24- or VET-)

By **Mail**: City Clerk's Office, PO BOX 489, Laconia NH 03247, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

1st dog for an owner 65+	\$2.00
Spay/Neutered dog	\$6.50
Unaltered dog	\$9.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$1.00
Civil Fine for failure to register by 4/30	\$25.00
Replacement tag	\$1.50

Please call the City Clerk's Office at  
603-527-1265 with any questions  
or for additional information.



**OPECHEE DAY CAMP**  
is looking for  
**SUMMER COUNSELORS**

Contact Laconia Parks & Rec for info  
Call 603-524-5046 or E-mail  
[PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV](mailto:PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV)

**3RD ANNUAL**  
**GOLF**  
INVITATIONAL


★ **16 JUNE - 1:00 PM** ★  
607 Elm St. Laconia, NH 03246  
Laconia Country Club

 **DINNER AND LIVE AUCTION TO FOLLOW**  
(TWO YEARS IN A ROW WE'VE SOLD OUT)



For more information:  
603-800-3225 [www.birdease.com/603UGI](http://www.birdease.com/603UGI)





*"Many Voices,  
United in Prayer"*

## 11th Annual Lakes Region Interfaith National Day of Prayer Breakfast

♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

### Navigating Physical Challenges

**Keynote Speaker:** Janline Page, Proprietor  
Downtown Gym, 171 Fair Street, Laconia NH 03246

**Program Topic:** Delaying Parkinson's Debilitating Effects  
With "Rock Steady Boxing"

**WHEN**  
Thursday, May 1st, 2025  
from 7:30am to 9:30am


**WHERE**  
St. Andre Besette Parish Hall  
31 Gilford Ave, Laconia, NH

7:30am ♦ Buffet Breakfast Begins

8:15am ♦ Program Commences

9:30am ♦ Program Concludes

*Proceeds from the breakfast  
will be donated to provide  
scholarships for individuals  
with Parkinson's to participate  
in Rock Steady Boxing.*



**TICKET INFO: \$15 in advance / \$20 at the door**

Please contact your faith community to purchase tickets, stop by  
St. Andre Besette Parish Office at 277 Union Ave in Laconia, OR  
contact Chris Ray at 603-528-2920 or email at [crayjr@gmail.com](mailto:crayjr@gmail.com).


*The National Day of Prayer enables us to recall and teach the way in which our founding fathers sought the wisdom of God when faced with critical decisions. It stands as a call to us to humbly come before God, seeking God's guidance and God's grace upon us as people.*

*Lakes Region Interfaith Prayer Breakfast was started as a means of bringing together people of different backgrounds and affiliations to celebrate the blessings of the year, and join in inclusive fellowship for the spiritual renewal of community, state and nation.*

**COMMUNITY HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025 ♦ 5:30 PM**  
 ♦ On the day of the observance of *Yom Hashoah*—Holocaust Remembrance Day♦  
 Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC, 18 Veteran's Square, Laconia

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND](#)



*By Janet Langhart Cohen*


This one-act play will be presented as a dramatic reading of the imagined conversation between Anne Frank and Emmett Till, two young victims of racially motivated violence sharing their experiences of the hatred that shaped their tragically short lives.

*Directed by  
Debbi Finkelstein*

THE PROGRAM IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

JOIN US AT 5:30 FOR A LIGHT SLIPPER BEFORE THE PERFORMANCE

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER TO ATTEND](#)  
 OR SCAN THE QR CODE



*People become the stories they hear and the stories they tell.*  
*-Elie Wiesel*

Presented by Temple B'nai Israel, Laconia Congregational Church, UCC, and  
 The Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia in collaboration with the Laconia Human Relations Committee



## POWERHOUSE THEATRE AUDITIONS

MAY 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup>

6:30 PM

COLONIAL THEATRE  
LACONIA

CALLBACKS MAY 7  
IF NEEDED

FIND AUDITION  
MATERIALS AT

POWERHOUSENH.ORG/AUDITIONS#ELF






LACONIA SENIOR CENTER  
(603) 524-7689



## 2025 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30 – Meatball Sub	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—Corn Hole, Puzzles & Games 11:30 – Taco Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Word Find & Crossword Puzzles
7	8	9	10	11
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30—Board/Card Games	10:30—Bone Building by Hannaford 11:30 – Mediterranean Beef Stir Fry	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 – Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30– Chicken Provencal	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Adult Coloring
14	15	16	17	18
10:30—Share Your Stories/Photos & Coffee Social	10:30—Corn Hole, Puzzles & Games 11:30 – Chef Salad	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30– Chicken Alfredo	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:00—Easter Craft
21	22	23	24	25
10—Adult Coloring 10:30—Puzzles & Games	10:30—LR VNA Adv. Directives (Part 2) 11:30– Chicken Teriyaki	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—Powerback Rehab Health Clinic 11:30– Chicken Veg. & Bean Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10– Corn Hole
28	29	30		
10—Movie & Snack 	10:30—CAPBM Area Center Presentation 11:30 – BBQ Pulled Pork	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo		Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal

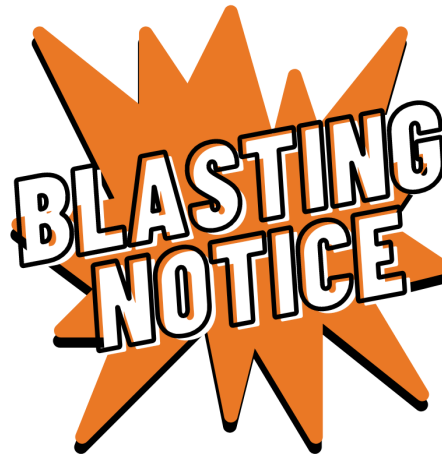
## Franklin VNA & Hospice GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

April 22nd - May 27th  
Tuesdays from 1:00pm - 3:00pm  
75 Chestnut St, Franklin

*Five FREE small-group sessions provided in a supportive environment to discuss loss and identify coping skills that can aid in the grieving process.*

*You don't have to grieve alone.*

To Register call 603-934-3454  
or email [cmurray@franklinvna.org](mailto:cmurray@franklinvna.org)



### Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice

A blasting permit has been issued to Capital Rock Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid from April 16, 2025 until May 16, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 492 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH. Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

Please see below for the horn codes:  
3 long horns - 5 minutes until the blast  
2 long horns - 2 minutes until the blast  
1 long horn - All clear to proceed





# Granite State Democracy Tour

## Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon St. E, Laconia NH

### Saturday, April 19, 2025, 11 am - 1 pm

Join us when the Granite State Democracy Tour stops in Laconia! See the knitted New Hampshire State House created by many NH citizens. Talk with community experts who have a deep knowledge of elections, representation, and the legislative process.

Take your knowledge of civics to a new level with presentations that address questions like:

How does the process of setting up districts for elections minimize or increase polarization among the citizenry?

How do the structures of primary elections shape the type of candidates who go on to hold office?

What is happening now in the NH Legislature on elections and voting?

What is a Citizen Assembly? What did the first-ever statewide citizen assembly (here in NH!) conclude when seeking policy answers to polarization?

Engage in conversations with the speakers and connect with fellow citizens passionate about democracy.

Drop in and stay as long as you like. Participate in a craft activity. Refreshments provided.

Speakers:

Olivia Zink, Executive Director, Coalition for Open Democracy

Eve Jacobs-Carnahan, organizer of Knit Democracy Together

Liz Tentarelli, President, NH League of Women Voters

Martha Madsen, Law Related Education Coordinator, NH Bar Association

RSVP: [https://www.opendemocracynh.org/demtour\\_laconia](https://www.opendemocracynh.org/demtour_laconia)

This project was made possible with support from New Hampshire Humanities, in partnership with the National Endowment for the Humanities. Learn more at [www.nhhumanities.org](http://www.nhhumanities.org).

The tour is organized by the Coalition for Open Democracy. Additional support comes from the New Hampshire League of Women Voters.





## SHINING A LIGHT ON THE RUSSIAN COUNT

Jewel Fox is semi-retired from a career in project management and software support for media companies which began with a few years working at The Citizen in the late 90s. Prior to that she worked in many roles while raising her three children. Her favorite was as the Russian Editor for the language learning software company, Transparent Language, in Hollis, NH – the one job she held that related to her major in Russian from the University of Vermont.

Laconia's local lore includes the tale of "The Russian Count" in which a teenage boy runs away from his employer, Stephen Perley, and joins the crew of a merchant ship bound from Portland, Maine to Russia. But could it be true?

Before starting her intended writing project on the Perley family and the growth of Laconia, Jewels' curiosity demanded that she put this question to rest. The story is more fascinating and implausible than she ever could have imagined!

### THURSDAY

 7 MAY 2025

 AT 6:00PM

 LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY



 603-527-1278

 [www.laconiahistory.com](http://www.laconiahistory.com)



**Jewel Fox**  
*Presenter*



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COLLEGE



Lakes Region  
Chamber  
Connections that inspire!

**Advanced  
Manufacturing Summit**  
**Thursday, 4/24**  
**9:00AM - 11:00AM**

**@LRCC**  
379 Belmont Rd.  
Laconia, NH



Help us shape the future  
of manufacturing in NH!

This collaborative event brings together industry leaders, state partners, educators, and workforce development experts to explore the future of advanced manufacturing in New Hampshire.

#### Highlights

- ★ Meet & Greet (Light Refreshments)
- ★ Keynote – Commissioner Taylor  
Caswell, NH Department of Business  
& Economic Affairs
- ★ LRCC Advanced Manufacturing Tour


#### Opportunity

- ✓ Connect with industry experts
- ✓ Share insights with state leadership
- ✓ Learn about key workforce  
development initiatives

FREE EVENT  
REGISTER  
by 4/22



 LRCC Campus  
379 Belmont Rd  
Laconia, NH 03246

 LRCC  
(603) 524-3207

[LRCC.edu](http://LRCC.edu)



## Saturday Crafts at the Belknap Mill Museum!

**Hop on over to the Belknap Mill this  
Saturday, April 19 from  
11 AM to 1 PM for a  
Family Craft Day full of fun,  
creativity, and community spirit!**



**2<sup>ND</sup> SHOW ADDED!**

**JULY 12**  
**5:30PM & 8PM**

[coloniallaconia.com](http://coloniallaconia.com)

SPECTACLE  
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## Mental Health Symposium

Thursday, 5/22  
9:00AM - 3:30PM

@LRCC

379 Belmont Rd.  
Laconia, NH

Theme:  
CONNECTION



Join us and Keynote  
Speaker John  
Broderick for a Mental  
Health Symposium on  
May 22nd!

This event will bring  
together people in  
business, education,  
and the community  
for a day of mental  
health education  
and discussion.

Register [here!](#)

**Saturday, May 24, 2025**

## Honky Tonk Chicks



SEE  
THE  
CHICKS!

## The Ultimate Country Music Party

NET PROCEEDS BENEFIT



**VETERANS  
COUNT**  
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**Inter-Lakes High School Community Auditorium**  
Showtime 7:30 pm

### Event Sponsors



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GALLERY, LACONIA, NH







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LACONIA



## Bike 'n' Board Safety Day

**Saturday, May 17th 10:30a-12:30p**  
Laconia Skate Park Parking Lot

A community safety event providing safe opportunities for bicyclists & boarders to practice and develop skills.

Helmet Fitting, Bike Registration, First Aid Tips for Riders,  
Bike & Board Inspections, Skill & Practice Stations, Caricatures for Participants,  
raffle and more!








This is not a school sponsored event



## KIDS' Fishing Derby

May 17, 2025

Hosted by Laconia Rod & Gun Club

**Calling all kids 15 and under...**  
Bring your fishing pole, hooks,  
bobbers and worms to  
Gunstock Ski Area Pond  
for this **FREE** event!

**8am to 1pm**  
**BBQ Lunch Provided**

Pre registration held on April 6th from 10am-1pm  
Laconia Rod & Gun Function Hall  
358 South Main Street, Laconia (located next to Vista)  
(Please follow the signs to the back door)

Contact Lisa at 455-6563 if you are unable to register on 4/6/25

**Tuesday, April 22, 2025 - 10:00 am to Noon**

# REP. CHRIS PAPPAS OFFICE HOURS

**Laconia City Hall**  
2nd Floor, Meeting Room 200B  
45 Beacon St. E.  
Laconia, New Hampshire

CONGRESSMAN  
**CHRIS PAPPAS**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE'S 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

A member of Congressman Chris Pappas's staff will be visiting Laconia to answer questions and provide information about federal resources and programs. Congressman Pappas's office can help constituents with federal issues, including Social Security, VA benefits, passports, IRS, and more.

For more information on these office hours, please email [Nbrown@laconianh.gov](mailto:Nbrown@laconianh.gov), or call 603-527-1270.

For general information from Congressman Pappas's office, please visit <https://pappas.house.gov> or call 603-285-4300.







**2025**

*Discover*  
**WILD**  
*New Hampshire Day!*

**ADMISSION IS FREE!**

**SATURDAY - APRIL 19<sup>th</sup>**

**10am-3pm**

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AT THE  
**N.H. FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT,**  
11 HAZEN DRIVE, CONCORD, N.H.  
VISIT: [WILDNH.COM](http://WILDNH.COM)

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Fun family day features live animals,  
big fish, hands-on activities,  
and exhibits by outdoor  
and environmental groups.

Brought to you by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Dept.



Connecting you to life outdoors!

Sponsored by the  
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As the sun starts to shine and the weather takes a turn for the better, more motorcyclists are out on the roadways.

Look twice, save a life means checking your blind spots, being aware of your surroundings, and using caution to help keep roads safe for motorcycle riders.

To help protect you and your family, keep the following tips in mind when driving or riding:

Motorists:

- Always check twice for motorcycles in your mirrors and blind spots.
- Use your signal when changing lanes.
- Never follow a motorcycle too closely. Always keep a safe distance.
- When you're at an intersection, allow enough space before turning.

Motorcyclists:

- Wear a DOT-compliant helmet and protective gear like gloves and leather clothing.
- Consider adding reflective tape to your clothing to make it easier for other drivers to see you.
- Keep your lights on at all times, even during the day.
- Don't assume drivers see you: signal well in advance before changing lanes and watch for turning vehicles.
- Don't ride too close to the center line.
- Always ride distraction free and sober!

By working together, we can help prevent crashes and keep our roadways safe for residents and visitors.





Woodland Heights Project Extra was excited to welcome Wildlife Encounters to their school on Monday, April 7th. Students were introduced to six different animals; parrots, armadillos, scorpions, boa constrictors, chinchillas, and even a Fennec Fox. Great questions were asked and at the end students were able to interact with the snake and chinchilla. Thank you Wildlife Encounters for this wonderful experience!

On Wednesday April 2, the EAL and LEA collaborated to volunteer with Hands Across the table, serving a nourishing meal to the community. This marks our 3rd iteration of this initiative to help give back to our community, and we are pleased to see our group continuing to grow with each event.



Laconia High School student Jake Tryon recently participated in New Hampshire History Day, presenting a project focused on the Laconia State School and the treatment of people with disabilities in the 20th century. This effort was a part of an extended learning opportunity provided by the Laconia School District and his advisor Patrick Mignanelli. His research shed light on a significant chapter in the state's history, contributing to a broader understanding of disability rights and institutional care. He received 3rd place for his project for best individual exhibit. Jake is a student athlete and received his medal during baseball practice on Friday.







## 2025 VFW GOLF TOURNAMENT TO BENEFIT POST 1670



LAKEVIEW GOLF COURSE  
89 Ladd Hill Road—Belmont  
Sunday May 18th, 2025

9-Hole, 2-Person Scramble

Shot-Gun Start - Two Flights - 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Cost is \$55 per player

(Includes Green Fees, Cart and Prizes)

### LUNCHEON/AWARDS TO FOLLOW AT THE VFW

143 Court Street—Laconia

Ham & Turkey provided Pot Luck Dishes Encouraged and Welcomed

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
Not a Golfer and want to be a  
part of the fun. Volunteer!  
Help is always needed and wel-  
comed to make this a smooth  
running event.



**SIGN UP TODAY**  
Space is limited so Sign-up to-  
day!  
Registration and payment due  
NLT April 1st.

To register your team or if you have questions contact:  
**Brett at 603-387-4855 or Dee at 603-520-7850**



## FRANKLIN VNA AND HOSPICE

# 5K RUN/WALK

Paul Smith Elementary School  
41 Daniel Webster Dr.  
Franklin, NH

**APRIL 26, 2025**

9:00am START  
10:15am AWARDS



Registration  
**\$35.00 Adult**  
**\$25.00 Child**



Sign up at:

<https://franklinvna.org/fundraisers/>  
Or Contact Ryan Howe (603)934-3454 / [rhowe@franklinvna.org](mailto:rhowe@franklinvna.org)

**This year's Laconia  
Dragon Boat  
Festival  
Is September 30!**

### LACONIA DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL



LACONIA ROTARY CLUB, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Please plan to join  
us! For more  
information  
click [here](#).**



# PUBLIC HEARINGS

Please see the Public Hearing Notices on this page which have 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 **April 28, 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:

**ORDINANCE 2025-235-15 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 235, ZONING, ARTICLE III DISTRICTS; ZONING MAP, § 235-15, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND ATTACHMENT 1, TABLE OF ZONING MAP AMENDMENTS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**RESOLUTION 2025-14 – ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION AND INSTALLATION OF A FLAGPOLE FROM BANK OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **April 28, 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 2025-11 – REQUEST RELEASE OF PARKING KIOSK RESERVE FUNDS TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL UPGRADE KITS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## Belknap Mill and Lakes Region Casino Partner to Raise the Stakes for a Great Cause

The Belknap Mill Board of Directors is proud to announce an exciting partnership with the Lakes Region Casino from April 21–30, as part of a charitable gaming revenue-sharing initiative benefiting the Mill's mission and programming.

During this ten-day event, a portion of proceeds from every roll of the dice and spin of the wheel at Lakes Region Casino will directly support the Belknap Mill's ongoing efforts to provide arts, culture, education, and historic preservation in the Lakes Region community.

"This partnership is a unique and engaging way for our supporters and the community to make an impact while enjoying a fun night out," said Laura LeMien, Chair of the Belknap Mill Board of Directors and acting Executive Director. "We're thrilled to collaborate with Lakes Region Casino and bring attention to the important work happening at the Mill."

To cap off the initiative, the Belknap Mill invites the public to join them for "Mill Night" on Saturday, April 26 from 7:00 to 11:00 PM at Lakes Region Casino. Guests can look forward to an evening of high-energy entertainment, camaraderie, and, with a little luck, some big wins — all in support of a great cause.

### Event Highlights:

- Location: Lakes Region Casino, Belmont, NH
- Date: Saturday, April 26, 2025
- Time: 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Whether you're a seasoned player or just in it for the fun, this is your chance to support one of New Hampshire's most cherished cultural landmarks in an exciting way. Come for the fun. Stay for the cause. Let's hit the jackpot together.



# City of Laconia

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Laconia, NH 03246  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)  
[info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



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!



What would a bit of  
extra money each month  
mean for you?  
The National Council on  
Aging urges you to visit  
**"Benefits CheckUp"**  
to see how you can save  
money on food, utilities  
and more.

Learning more about each program just takes a moment,  
but the results could be life-changing!



## Week of April 21 - April 25

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](http://www.laconianh.gov). 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:**

### Parks & Rec Commission

April 21, 2025, 6:00 pm

#### Agenda

### Board of Water Commissioners

April 21, 2025, 5:30 pm

#### Agenda

### Zoning Bd. of Adjustment

April 21, 2025, 6:30 pm

#### Agenda

### Board of Library Trustees

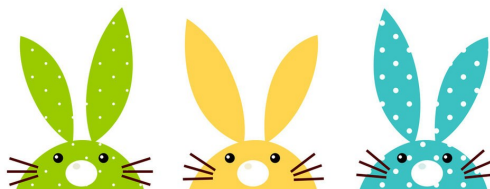
April 24, 2025, 5:30 pm

#### Agenda

### Downtown TIF District Advisory Board

April 23, 2025, 9:00 am

#### Agenda



## 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 - Grey Draper	
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	

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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:  
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Visit the City's website at:  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)