

February 4, 2022 - Edition #527

*The first day of Spring is March 20th...
43 days and counting!*



Safety reminder: Anyone exercising, walking or skiing on a City road during periods of limited visibility (including snow storms) should wear light colored clothing with reflective material and a blinking light.

Also, you should be walking, running or skiing against traffic so that you can see vehicles coming towards you. Depending on wind speed and direction, drivers may have limited visibility and may not see you. Walking against traffic gives you the ability to react quickly to approaching traffic if they are unable to see you.

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.



CURBSIDE RECYCLING & TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE CHANGE

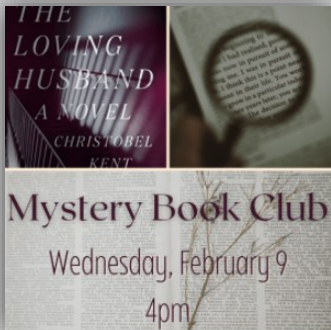


Are you wondering why your trash and recycling did not get picked up today? Due to the predicted snow there will be no curbside pickup on Friday. Friday's trash and recycling will be picked up on Saturday, February 5th.

Also, please note that the Transfer Station will be closed all day on Friday, Feb. 4th, and the Brush Dump will be closed on both Friday, Feb. 4th and Saturday, Feb. 5th.

Thank you for your cooperation, and please call the Department of Public Works at (603) 528-6379 with questions or for additional information.

Laconia Public Library Events and Programs



Mystery Book Club
Wednesday, February 9
4pm

**Wednesday, February 9, 2022,
4-5 pm in Laconia Rotary Hall**
Mystery Book Club:
"The Loving Husband"

Join us for an afternoon discussion of "The Loving Husband" by Christobel Kent. Fran Hall and her husband Nathan have moved with their two children to a farmhouse on the edge of the Fens - a chance to get away from London and have a fresh start. But when Fran wakes one night to find Nathan gone, she makes a devastating discovery. Sign-up is required, as capacity is limited to 28 people. Books are available at the Front Desk.



Drop-In Tech Help with Shayla
February 9, 2022,
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM
Come to the Volpe room to have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian!



Preschool Storytimes!

February 9, 2022, 10 - 11 am.
February 10, 2022, 10 - 11 am.
Join Jamie for fun stories, songs, activities, and crafts each week.
For kids birth to age 6, in the Selig Storytime Room.



Craft for Storytimes:

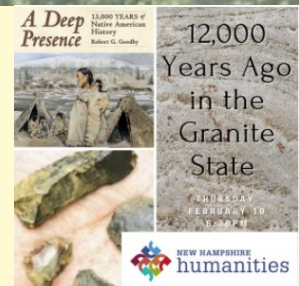
We hope you'll LOVE making these fun heart dinos! Join us Wednesday and Thursday to hear stories about love!



**Tuesday,
February 8,
3:30-4:30 pm**
in the Selig
Storytime
Room
**Family Craft-
Felt Rainbow
Key Chains**

Make a colorful keychain to hang on your backpack or use it to decorate your room! This craft involves a little bit of sewing and is geared toward ages 5-12. In the Selig Storytime Room.

**Thursday,
February 10,
6:30-8:00 pm**
in Laconia
Rotary Hall:
**12,000 Years
Ago In The
Granite State**



More than 12,000 years ago, small groups of Paleoindians endured frigid winters on the edge of a small river in what would become Keene, NH. In 2009, an archaeological survey for the new Keene Middle School discovered the remains of their stay and brought to light one of the oldest Native American sites in New England. The remarkably intact site produced evidence of four separate dwellings containing over 200 stone tools and fragments of burned animal bone. These early people, rather than being isolated stone-age nomads, were part of a social network that extended across much of northeastern North America. Speaker Robert Goodby is a Professor of Anthropology at Franklin Pierce University in Rindge.

Space is limited, so please sign up in advance by calling (603) 524-4775 ext 12, or emailing info@laconialibrary.org. This program is sponsored by the NH Humanities and the Laconia Public Library.

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild



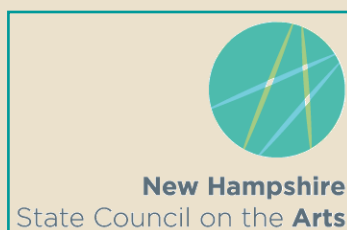
Easy Quilt Binding Techniques Workshop

The Belknap Mill Quilters' Guild will host a virtual workshop on Easy Binding Techniques on Saturday, February 12, 2022 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. This class is suitable for all skill levels, from beginners to more experienced, as several different and interesting binding techniques will be covered. Just a few spaces still remain, on a first-come, first-served basis!

New Hampshire Quilt Teacher, Linda Pearl, will share a FUN, FUNctional and FUNdamental approach to binding quilts. She will share her techniques for flange bindings, two color bindings, striped bindings and invisible bindings. This 6-hour workshop will be held via Zoom.

Non-member class fee is \$28.00. Non-Guild members may register at our website, info@bmqq.org. On the left side on the home page, you will see menu items; simply click on "Workshops" and a descriptive page pops up, complete with a link for registering for this workshop. Fill out your information and copy the mailing address to send your check. The mailing address is on the sign-up page, and also on the bottom of our website's Home page. Pre-class instructions will be sent to participants once they sign up, but registration is complete only when your check is received. The Class Link will be sent well before class time. Limited to 24 students.

The Guild is supported in part by a grant from the New Hampshire Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.



Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



Fri., February 18th from 12:00-2:00pm

(While supplies last)

**Lakes Region Community College
379 Belmont Road Laconia, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals. *This is a drive thru event.*
All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.

Sponsored by:
Caring Neighbors



Winter Parking Ban!

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

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

Thank you for your cooperation!



Parenting with Resilience

Learn about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE's) and how trauma can effect children's development and behavior. Caregivers will learn strategies to persevere through tough times, as well as techniques for encouraging resilience in children.

on  zoom

When: Tuesday evenings 6:30-8pm

6-week series begins February 8, 2022

Register at: www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration

Or email tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org

 **LRCS**
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CENTER

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Pardoe





LACONIA SENIOR CENTER
 532 MAIN STREET, LACONIA, NH 03246
 (ENTRANCE & PARKING @ 184 BEACON ST. W)
 #603-524-7689

February Calendar Fundraiser!!

Stop into the Laconia Senior Center to purchase a February Calendar!

PRIZE EACH DAY: 29 CHANCES TO WIN

(2 WINNERS ON VALENTINE'S DAY)

ENTRY = \$5.00 EACH

YOU CAN PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE ENTRY TO MULTIPLY YOUR ODDS OF WINNING!!
 EVEN IF YOU WIN, YOUR NAME IS RE-ENTERED FOR THE NEXT DRAWING!

PRIZES INCLUDE:

CASH, GIFT CARDS, GIFT BASKETS, DIAMOND NECKLACE

Here are a **FEW** of the Gift Card Prizes:



LACONIA'S LIFEGUARDS HAVE STRONG RESUMES



LIFEGUARDING DEMONSTRATES:

- PROFESSIONALISM
- INITIATIVE
- RESPONSIBILITY
- EXPERIENCE WITHIN A TEAM
- STRONG COMMUNICATION SKILLS
- LEADERSHIP
- CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPERIENCE
- EXPERIENCE IN HIGH PRESSURE ENVIRONMENTS

CONTACT LACONIA PARKS & REC TO LEARN MORE

603-524-5046

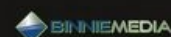
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center

Saturday, February 5

Young Yogis

For ages 3-8 with an adult
10-10:45 am



Snowshoe Yoga

Adults
10:30-12:30 pm



Cooking Through the Seasons:

Making Homemade Cheeses
Adults
1-3 pm



Registration & FMI
prescottfarm.org

APPLY NOW - SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APRIL 1ST



**LAKES REGION
STUDENTS ATTENDING
HIGHER EDUCATION
2022-2023**

**APPLICATION ON OUR
WEBSITE**

[Applicants | Lakes Region
Scholarship Foundation
\(lrscholarship.org\)](#)

**OUR DONORS ARE LOOKING
FORWARD TO AWARDING
SCHOLARSHIPS TO YOU!**

NEW in 2022

Completed qualified application packets (with all required documents) received by March 1, 2022 will qualify to be entered into a special bonus award raffle! One winner will be chosen at random and will win a BONUS \$275 Scholarship Award.

QUESTIONS??

Email - scholarship@lrscholarship
Call - 603-527-3533

**Karen Switzer
Executive Director**

**Chris Guilmett
Assistant Director**

PLEASE JOIN US!

Fratello's is donating 25% of orders placed to support Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation Operating Fund when you mention us!

eat in or order take out- mention lakes region scholarship foundation
Live raffle drawing will be held early evening!
You do not need to be present to win.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022
4PM - CLOSE**

FRATELLO'S LACONIA



Fratello's Laconia - 603-528-2022
Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation - 603-527-3533



PUFFS BY MATT COX

**POWERHOUSE
THEATRE
COLLABORATIVE**
A PROGRAM OF THE BELKNAP MILL

**THREE SHOWS FEBRUARY
11TH-13TH!**



Not just a spoof of a familiar fantasy world, this play has a heart and soul of its own with original characters who exist in that world, but have their own story to tell. Puffs does contain some adult language and situations so young wizards should be aware. Masks will be required for all audience members during the performance.

Come see Puffs by Matt Cox February 11 - 13 .
Purchase tickets [here!](#)



YOUNG PERFORMERS

OPEN MIC

**SUNDAY, FEB. 27TH, 2022
2-4P**

**BELKNAP MILL
25 BEACON ST EAST
LACONIA, NH**

**SPONSORED
BY:**



**CALLING ALL: MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS IN THE LAKES REGION**



PRESENTED BY: JOHN MCARTHUR OF NH MUSIC COLLECTIVE AND BELKNAP MILL

Masks will be required for all audience members during the performance.
Sign up [here!](#)



Engage. Empower. Inspire.

Nurturing Skills for Families

Positive Discipline Practices & Techniques

A 6-week Zoom Series beginning March 10, 2022

Daytime and Evening Classes Available!

Thursdays 10:00-11:30am OR 6:30-8:00pm



Join Parent Educators from
The Family Resource Center of Central NH
as we discuss
"Positive Discipline Practices & Techniques"
in an interactive Zoom series.

This Nurturing Skills Module focuses on discipline which is based on respect, empowerment, caring and cooperation. Learn the power of nonviolent discipline practices and techniques.



This six-week series is open to anyone...

parents, caregivers, parents-to-be, extended family, professionals supporting families, etc.

All are welcome!

To register go to www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration/ or email tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org



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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 ...

Carignan's Nash Dealership and Tydol-Veedol service station at 300 Union Ave., Laconia, is seen in the 1950s. Begun as Carignan Bros. (Conrad and Maurice) in 1940, Conrad became sole owner in 1953. In the background, the Laconia Armory (dedicated 1928) is glimpsed. Laconia High School is off-photo at upper right. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

In the 1980s and 1990s, Liberty Glass and Aluminum, Auto Doctor, Chassis Master and Fitzgerald Motor Sports occupied the property at various times. Rite Aid Pharmacy built an 11,000-square-foot store there in 1997-1998, taking down five structures (including three apartment houses) across from Gilford Avenue and three homes along Strafford Street. Then, in December 2000, Rite Aid sold the store to Osco Drug which was, in turn, acquired in 2002 by Brooks Pharmacy which operated it until Rite Aid ultimately bought out Brooks in 2007 and again occupied the space. The Armory became the city's Community Center in 1975. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

VITA



AN INITIATIVE OF GRANITE UNITED WAY

A **FREE** tax preparation program designed for low-to-moderate income households with an income of up to \$57,000.

Visit NHTaxHelp.org or call 211 to connect with an IRS certified volunteer tax preparer. Toll-free outside of NH: 1-866-444-4211



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CASH Coalition of New Hampshire



VITA is a free tax preparation program for low-to-moderate income individuals and families with a household income of up to \$57,000. Go to NHTaxhelp.org or call 2-1-1 to connect with an IRS certified volunteer tax preparer.



Recycling Collection

Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of February 14!



Please note that glass may now be put in with your recycling.



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
PRIZE EVERY DAY! *29 WINNERS* 2 DRAWINGS ON VALENTINES	\$5 EACH NO LIMIT! PURCHASE MORE THAN ONE!	1 \$25 CASH 	2 Handmade Quilt 	3 Popcorn Set & \$10 Chili's Gift Card 	4 \$25 99 Gift Card 	5 \$25 BJ's Gift Card
6 Men's Sweatshirt & \$5 Dunkin' Gift Card 	7 Wall Hanging & \$10 Burrito Me Gift Card 	8 Large Red & White Blanket 	9 Soft Blanket & \$10 Chili's Gift Card 	10 \$25 T-Bone's 	11 \$50 Bootlegger's 	12 \$30 VISA Gift Card
13 Men's Slippers & Blanket 	14 Diamond Necklace 	15 Women's Pajama Set & \$10 Burrito Me 	16 Winter Quilt & \$10 Wayfarer 	17 Blanket & \$5 Domino's Gift Card 	18 Handmade Quilt 	19 \$25 BJ's Gift Card
20 Soft Blanket & \$15 Chili's Gift Card 	21 Women's Sweatshirt & Pink Blanket 	22 \$15 T-Bone's & \$5 Domino's Pizza 	23 \$50 Bootlegger's 	24 Heating Pad & \$10 Wayfarer 	25 Butterfly Cross-stitch Quilt & \$5 Dunkin' 	26 Soft Blanket & \$15 Chili's Gift Card
27 Soft Blanket & Good Grips Jar Opener 	28 \$25 CASH 			FUNDRAISER FOR ACTIVITIES @ LACONIA SENIOR CENTER THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT		



ALERTS & NOTIFICATIONS

Notify Me allows you to subscribe to an unlimited number of email lists.

The City of Laconia's website offers an easy way to find out about important notices and items affecting residents in our community.

Just visit our website at www.laconianh.gov and scroll down until you see the image above. Click on that image and it will bring you to the Alerts & Notifications section on our website.

You can choose which items you wish to have e-mailed or texted to you...everything from weather related closings, trash pickup delays, City job opportunities and agendas as they are posted on our website, and much more!

Questions? Please call the City Manager's Office at (603) 527-1270 or email NBrown@laconianh.gov



Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation Winter Blues Raffle



- Full size handmade exquisite quilt
- Nubble Lighthouse Canvas Print
- Quilted Table Runner
- \$25 Amazon Gift Card
- \$25 Mastercard Gift Card
- \$25 Sanitary Dry Cleaners Gift Card
- Additional items may be added

Scan here to purchase online



Winter Blues Raffle
Tickets, Wed, Mar 9, 2022
at...
www.aeventbrite.com

Raffle tickets \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00

Purchase online

or

send a check:

LRSF

PO Box 7312

Gilford NH 03247-7312

Live Raffle Drawing - LRSF - Fratello's Benefit Night

March 9, 2022

Need not be present to win!

Purchase raffle tickets online - link is on our website: lrscholarship.org



ONLINE BILL PAY

Skip the line and pay your bills online!

Did you know that there are numerous ways to take advantage of our on-line services and save yourself a trip to City Hall?

Just click on the "Online Bill Pay" section on our [website](http://www.laconianh.gov) (or the image above, left).

See the list below for things you can accomplish on-line without leaving home!

- Accounts Receivable - Pay Invoices
- Dog Licensing
- Event/Vendor Licensing
- Motorcycle Week Vendor License Payments
- Motor Vehicle Estimates
- Motor Vehicle Registration Renewals/Duplicate/Decals

- Parks & Recreation Registrations
- Police Department
- Property Tax Payments
- Sewer Bill Payments (Sewer Users Only)
- Vital Record Request
- Water Department Utility Bills

10,000 MANIACS

APRIL 30 | 8:00PM



COLONIAL THEATRE
Laconia

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COLONIAL THEATRE
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Three Dog Night

April 15, 2022 8:00 PM



Tickets on sale
Monday, Feb. 7 at 10 am

COLONIAL THEATRE
Laconia

Don McLean 50th Anniversary of American Pie

April 24, 2022 7:30 PM

Visit the Colonial Theatre's website at www.coloniallaconia.com for more information on these and upcoming performances.

Tickets can be purchased on the Colonial's website, or by calling 1-800-657-8774.

COLONIAL THEATRE
Laconia



Soft Plastic Recycling

The Laconia Gilford Lions, together with the Green Sanctuary Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia, is again collecting clean SOFT plastics on Saturday, February 19th.

We are collecting plastic grocery bags, vegetable bags, pet food bags, bubble wrap, newspaper sleeves, bread bags, air packing bags, dry cleaning bags, wood pellet bags, and ice bags. Each and every piece of CLEAN plastic is sent to Maine via the way stop at Hannaford's in Gilford to be repurposed and made into composite decking and outdoor furniture. Our volunteers (masked) will be in front of the little white church at 127 Pleasant Street Laconia from 11 am until 1 pm on the February 19th.

Our community is doing a great job in keeping these plastics from polluting the Earth. Our last collection on January 8th weighed in at 222 pounds! Everyone who stopped by should be mighty proud of what they have done and are doing. Please spread the word.

Earth is our Valentine.



Upcoming Lakes Region Events!

*13th Annual New England
Pond Hockey Classic!
February 4-6, 2022
Lake Winnepesaukee
Meredith, NH*

Check out the website [here](#)



Great Meredith Rotary



Ice Fishing Derby

*The 2022 Great Meredith Rotary Ice Fishing Derby
is on! February 12 and 13, 2022*

Click [here](#)
for website

BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW!



NH Humane Society

Over a century of love for those without a voice.

Lonely Paws Adoption Event

Saturday, February 12
11-5 PM
1305 Meredith Center Rd,
Laconia, NH 03246



Looking for a Valentine? We have canines, felines, and even a rabbit friend who are looking to fill your hearts this Valentine's weekend. We will be open Saturday, February 12th from 11am - 5pm for walk-in adoptions. Applications can be filled out upon arrival. All currently available animals can be seen at our website, <https://nhhumane.org/adopt/browse-pets>, and we will continue to update as the day approaches. Please email reception@nhhumane.org with any additional questions.

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild

Soft Protests with Pam Weeks

The Belknap Mill Quilters' Guild will host a live and virtual lecture at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. "Soft Protests" will be presented by quilt historian, Pamela Weeks.

Pam will share photos that show the history of story-telling and raising social awareness and protest in textiles and quilts. Stories were quilted into bed coverings as early as 1400, and protest quilts go back to 1830.

The Guild is offering this program to the public at the Belknap Mill in Laconia. Non-guild members may register for this class at info@bmqg.org and indicate if you will attend in person or on Zoom. The cost is \$5.00 per person.

The Guild is supported in part by a grant from the New Hampshire Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.



New Hampshire
State Council on the **Arts**

City of Laconia

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Laconia, NH 03246
www.laconianh.gov
info@laconianh.gov



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



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
Acting City Clerk - Stacy Anders	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician Taylor Daigle	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ...	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Kirk Beattie	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
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Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Water	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
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Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

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Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

citycouncil@laconianh.gov

Visit the City's website at:
www.laconianh.gov

SENIOR RESOURCES

Being healthier
begins with you.



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

Are you trying to take better care of
yourself this year?

Medicare covers many preventive
services, including your yearly
"Wellness" visit with your doctor to
develop or update your personalized
prevention plan.

Learn more from Medicare.gov [here!](#)



City Meetings

Week of:
Feb. 7 - 11, 2022

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, Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber, 45 Beacon St. East, Laconia, NH, unless otherwise noted:**

Heritage Commission: February 9, 2022, 5:00 pm **Agenda**

