

February 23, 2023 - Edition #577

"A NASWA snow day" - Photo compliments of  
Ann-Marie Shpeley Fine Art Photography



## Automated Curbside Solid Waste Collection is Coming!

*The City's curbside solid waste collection service is changing from manual to automated collection on May 1, 2023.*

*Click on the image (right) for more Information, and check this page each week for additional details on the conversion.*



## 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).



CITY MANAGER'S  
OFFICE



The following updates have now been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

Check out the current version of the [Monthly Economic Development Report](#). This report contains information pertaining to Laconia's unemployment rate and wages, as well as business and economic development partnerships. Also be sure to read the [Project Updates Report](#) which provides a concise update of projects in the community. In this report you will find information about everything from road projects to updates on the Master Plan.



# Laconia Public Library Events and Programs



Click [here](#) to access the Library's Event Calendar for more information on any program you're interested in!

## SHAYLA'S TECH HELP

Tuesdays at 10am  
Wednesdays at 2pm

Have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Most Tuesdays at 10 am and most Wednesdays at 2 pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm.

## PRESCHOOL PALS



THURSDAYS AT 10AM FOR AGES 3 TO 6

## TODDLER TIME



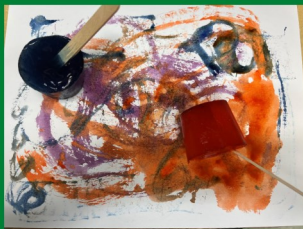
Wednesdays at 10am for newborns to age 3

## Storytime Craft



MARCH 1 & 2

## SENSORY STORYTIME CRAFT



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27 10AM | NEWBORNS - AGE 6

## FAMILY CRAFT: PAINT- SCRAPED FLAMINGOS

Monday, February 27  
2pm  
Best for ages 5-12

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 3:30 PM  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 11 AM  
BEST FOR AGES 5-12

## Lego Club



## Move & Groove



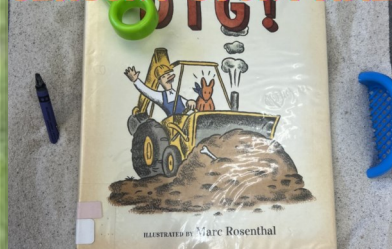
Friday, March 3 & 17  
NEWBORNS - age 6

## WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS

ECOLOGY & WELLNESS CENTER

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1  
1 PM  
NEWBORNS AGE 12

## SENSORY STORYTIME



Mondays at 10am for newborns - age 6

## Tinker Time: A Bed For Goldilocks

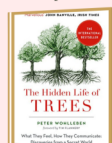


THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 3:30 PM  
BEST FOR AGES 3-12

Non-Fiction Book Group

"THE HIDDEN LIFE OF  
TREES" BY PETER  
WOHLLEBEN

Thursday, March 2  
6pm



## Family Drop-In Craft: Sun Catchers



Saturday, March 4, 10 am - 12 pm  
Selig Storytime Room for Families with Children



## WINTER IS FUN AT BOLDUC PARK!

Looking for a budget friendly way to have fun and fresh air this winter? At Bolduc Park year round disc golf and cross country skiing are available to the general public for a modest donation and free to lower income youth and one supervising adult.

A nine hole wooded disc golf course and 10 kilometers of groomed cross country ski trails are maintained at the non-profit Bolduc Park at 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line.

In the warm weather, golf and golf lessons are offered to adults and youth.

For general information or to learn about the benefits of volunteering at Bolduc Park call 603-524-1370 or check out [www.bolducpark.com](http://www.bolducpark.com).

Funding from the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction makes it possible for Bolduc Park to offer lower family income kids and teens free cross country skiing, golf and disc golf and lessons. Call 603-630-5650 for more information.



Lakes Region  
Scholarship Foundation  
Winter Blues Raffle



- Full size handmade exquisite quilt
- Nubble Lighthouse Canvas Print
- Handcrafted Earrings and Pendant
- 20 Handcrafted Notecards
- \$100 Common Man Gift Card
- Additional items may be added

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

or  
send a check:  
LRSF

PO Box 7312  
Gilford NH 03247-7312

Scan here to  
purchase online

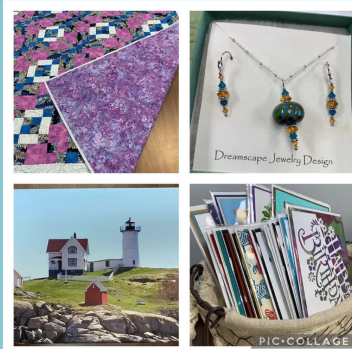


LRSF Winter Blues Benefit  
Night Tickets, Wed, Jan...  
[www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com)

Live Raffle Drawing - LRSF - Fratello's Benefit Night  
March 8, 2023

Need not be present to win!

Purchase raffle tickets online - link is on  
our website: [lrscholarship.org](http://lrscholarship.org)



### "In Laconia Schools..."

February 24, 2023

Good Day, Laconia School District Staff and Families.

As promised, here is the second of two installments of newsletters at the midpoint of the year.

I hope you had a wonderful snow day yesterday. Winter Vacation is next week, and I hope that you all take some time to reconnect with loved ones, rest, and rejuvenate. We are off and running for Semester 2, and there is much to be excited about in the Laconia School District. Here are a few more highlights:

#### Staff

Lisa Hinds, who is currently our LMS/LHS Academic Coordinator for Teaching and Learning (ACTL), was selected by a Search Committee to become the next Principal at Laconia High School. Her nomination was confirmed by the School Board on February 7th. She is scheduled to start in her new position on July 1st.



The City of Laconia is honored to have presented the 2022 Debra Bignazzi Memorial Award to Rodney Roy, a Laconia resident, coach, and volunteer who has made countless contributions to the youth in our City. Mr. Roy was presented with the award at a recent City Council meeting. Rod is shown (left) with his dad, Robert Roy, who received the very first Bignazzi Award in 1988. [Here is some more information about the award and about Rod Roy's service.](#) Coach Roy and his dad are in the picture on the left.

#### Teaching and Learning

All our music students at LHS, LMS, and from our elementary schools have performed at the Colonial Theatre this year. Our Elementary Band, which includes 40 percent of our 4th and 5th graders, was the last group of students who played at the Colonial on January 24th.

Our district Literacy Task Force is looking into our instruction and assessment of reading to find ways to improve. This task force is exploring best instructional practices and resources as well as assessment tools. The goal of this task force is to provide feedback and recommendations to improve reading instruction and assessment in the district.

In all three (3) elementary schools, the teachers have been learning effective math instructional practices from Karolyn Wurster. Ms. Wurster is an outstanding Math consultant who has been working with our teachers for the past few years. One practice that the teachers recently learned is using a daily Math Talk with students to discuss the lesson's math objective. This practice engages the students in thinking, communicating math ideas, and learning from other students.

Law Enforcement students in the Bugas Center are receiving training on Axon Virtual Software. This software is used in the law enforcement field to help train police to respond to various emergency situations. We believe the Bugas Center is the first secondary school in the country to implement this technology, and our

Please click on the image above to read the  
February issue of "In Laconia Schools..."  
to learn what's going on in the  
Laconia School District!

# February 2023



## ONE PEER TO ANOTHER Laconia, NH

Click the image (above left) to read the current edition of  
"One Peer to Another" newsletter!



### Monday

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

### Thursday

### Friday

<p><b>Hours:</b> <b>Monday - Friday</b> <b>8:30 am - 4:30 pm</b></p>		<p>9am Check-In 10am Gratitude 11am Worldview 1pm <b>Liberty Comfort Dog Educational Event</b> 2pm Identifying Stressors 3pm Deep Breathing Techniques</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Ted Talk 11am Wants &amp; Needs 1pm How am I feeling? 2pm Open Discussion 3pm Music Therapy</p>	<p>9am Open Discussion 10am Establishing Healthy Boundaries 11am Arts &amp; Crafts Activity 1pm Walk &amp; Talk 2pm Moving Towards 3pm Writing / Journaling</p>
<p>9am Open Discussion 10am IPS Topics 11am Peer Discussion 1pm Limits &amp; Boundaries 2pm Short-Term Goals 3pm Chair Yoga</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Dealing w/ Anxiety 11am What I like about me 1pm Long-Term Goals 2pm Deep Stretching 3pm Open Discussion</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Self Reflection 11am Healthy Relationships 1pm Emotional Wellbeing 2pm Rock Painting 3pm Music Therapy</p>	<p>9am Open Discussion 10am True Emotions 11am Strategies to Cope 1pm Decision Making 2pm Stress Management 3pm W.R.A.P</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Meditation 11am Sit &amp; Stretch 1pm WOW Trail Walk 2pm Personal Healing 3pm Music &amp; Movement</p>
<p>9am Check-In 10am <b>Dollar Store, Walmart, Shopping Trip</b> 1pm Arts &amp; Crafts 2pm Dealing w/ Depression 3pm Ice Breaker Game</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Journaling 11am Walk &amp; Talk 1pm Boundaries 2pm Coping Skills 3pm Sit &amp; Stretch <b>Happy Valentine's Day!</b></p>	<p>9am Open Discussion 10am Music Therapy 11am Chair Yoga 1pm Deep Breathing Techniques 2pm Staying Present 3pm Ice Breaker Game</p>	<p>9am Check-In 10am Emotional Meter 11am WOW Trail Walk 1pm Self Care 2pm Mindfulness 3pm Looking within ourselves</p>	<p>9am Open Discussion 10am Ted Talk 11am Self Reflection 1pm Sit &amp; Stretch 2pm Meditation 3pm Wants &amp; Needs</p>





## **Laconia Community Center** **Schedule Changes**

The Community Center will be closed:

**MONDAY 2/20 for PRESIDENT'S DAY**



The Community Center will **ALSO** be closed the following **EVENINGS**:

**WED 2/22 | THU 2/23 | FRI 2/24**

**FOR A LOU ATHANAS YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

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 8, 2023  
4PM - CLOSE**

**FRATELLO'S LACONIA**



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



## **Save the date!**

*upcoming mobile food pantry*



**Friday, Mar. 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:00-2:00**  
(while supplies last)

**Lakes Region Community College  
379 Belmont Rd. Laconia, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to  
families and individuals.

*This event is open to all. No proof of residency or income needed.  
This is a drive thru event. All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.*

Sponsored by:





# Improve the energy efficiency of your home.

## FREE Home Energy Workshop



**NHSaves** Button Up Workshop is a 1½ hour presentation about improving the energy efficiency of your home. It covers energy saving tips and NHSaves energy efficiency programs. Learn about saving electricity, insulation and air sealing, energy audit and weatherization programs, rebates on electric and gas appliances, and other incentives from NH's energy utilities. New Hampshire residents that want to use energy wisely and save money will find the information very useful.

WHEN NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVES,



NHSaves.com

### PRESENTATION:

Join us for a **NHSaves** Button Up Workshop

### WHEN:

Monday, March 20, 2023, 6:00–7:30 P.M.

*Light refreshments will be served.*

### WHERE:

Laoonia Library  
695 North Main Street  
Laoonia, New Hampshire

### PRESENTER:

Andy Dunoan, Energy Training Manager, LRCC

### QUESTIONS:

Unitarian Universalist Society of Laoonia  
603-524-6488 • [uusl@myfairpoint.net](mailto:uusl@myfairpoint.net)

### SPONSORED BY:

NHSaves: [www.nhsaves.com](http://www.nhsaves.com)

### LOCAL PARTNERS:

Green Sanctuary Committee of the  
Unitarian Universalist Society of Laoonia  
The City of Laoonia  
Congregational Church of Laoonia  
Laoonia Gilford Lions Club

Visit [https://nhsaves.com/learn/?resource\\_type=event](https://nhsaves.com/learn/?resource_type=event)  
for dates and locations of all Button Ups.

Workshops are organized by Plymouth  
Area Renewable Energy Initiative, (PAREI)  
[www.PlymouthEnergy.org](http://www.PlymouthEnergy.org) • 603-536-5030

The workshops are FREE thanks to funding provided by



EVERSOURCE







## Which Climate Solutions Work for You, our Community, and the World?

Come Explore Climate Solutions using MIT's EN-ROADS Climate Policy Simulator

with Peter Dugas  
EN-ROADS Ambassador

Are you:

Concerned about climate change?

Would like to know what solutions work best?

Find out how to explore which technologies and policies work best for addressing climate change.

Laconia Public Library, Auditorium  
March 11th 2023, 1-3 PM

Sponsored by:

NH Lakes Region Chapter, Citizens' Climate Lobby.

Admission Free, RSVP at:

[www.eventbrite.com/e/which-climate-solutions-work-for-you-our-community-and-the-world-tickets-545321289657](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/which-climate-solutions-work-for-you-our-community-and-the-world-tickets-545321289657)



Citizens' Climate Lobby



# Thinking of Spring Cleaning?

Don't forget to use our Bulky Item Pickup service! For just \$8 per item you can have bulky items eligible for collection picked up curbside on your regular trash day (metal items will be picked up on a pre-arranged pickup date).

Bulky item stickers can be purchased (\$8/item) at the City Clerk's office in City Hall or at our Public Works Department at 27 Bisson Avenue.

Please call the Public Works Department at 528-6379 with questions or to arrange pickup for your metal items.



# APPLY NOW - SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APRIL 1ST

**LAKES REGION STUDENTS ATTENDING HIGHER EDUCATION 2023 - 2024**

**APPLICATION ON OUR WEBSITE**

[Applicants | Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation](#)  
([lrscholarship.org](https://lrscholarship.org))

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

Completed qualified application packets (with all required documents) received by **March 1, 2023** 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.org](mailto:scholarship@lrscholarship.org)  
Call - 603-527-3533

**Karen Switzer**  
Executive Director

**Chris Guilmett**  
Assistant Director



Home | Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation  
[www.lakesregion.org](https://www.lakesregion.org)

## WINTER PARKING BAN IS IN EFFECT

*No parking on any public street between the hours of 12 midnight and 6:30 am*



# 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 ...

**Amoco service station (built in 1933) at the corner of Union and Gilford avenues, Laconia, late 1930s or early 1940s. The Travelers Restaurant at left opened in August 1939 and closed in early 1953, when the property was sold to First National Stores, a grocery chain, which built a supermarket on the site, opening in 1954 and succeeded in 1981 by Mr. Grocer. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)**



... AND NOW

**Latest in a series of convenience stores and filling stations — Shop Express — is now located on the corner and the space formerly occupied by the Travelers Restaurant is now home to AutoZone at 311 Union Ave. The house attached to the restaurant was moved to a new location on Gilford Avenue in 1953, where it remains (and its turret is visible beyond the white house at extreme right). After Mr. Grocer closed in 1987, that property sat vacant for a number of years until a Brooks convenience store and pharmacy opened in May 1995, later acquired by Osco. AutoZone moved in, in April 2007. Meanwhile, from 1987-1993, the city owned the property and several proposals for its redevelopment were debated but never executed. In October 1994, about half the structure, at the back, was demolished. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)**



## SOFT PLASTIC RECYCLING



In partnership with Laconia-Gilford Lions Club and  
the Green Sanctuary Committee of the Unitarian  
Universalist Society of Laconia.

In a recent partnership with the Laconia-Gilford Lions Club and the Green Sanctuary Committee of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia, LRMHC provided a soft plastic collection point. We are excited to share the success of this event! Photographed is LRMHC Board Member, Matt Soza, next to the soft plastics collected at LRMHC. Thank you to those who assisted in our collection efforts to keep these plastics out of the landfill!

NOELLE BEAUDIN PRESENTS

# AMERICAN HURDY-GURDY CONCERT



A musical extravaganza bringing  
a modern music sound  
to an ancient instrument

MARCH 17TH, 2023 | 7 PM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY OF LACONIA

TICKETS \$20 | CALL 603.848.2469

WWW.DEATHBYGURDY.COM



## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

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 **February 27, 2023** 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 2023-02 – REQUEST TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO, AND ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM, THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) FOR WASTEWATER AND STORMWATER ASSET MANAGEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**RESOLUTION 2023-03 RELATIVE TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE NH DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,948.28 FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR SETS OF NIGHT VISION DEVICES TO BE USED IN SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk





Laconia Senior Center 524-7689

## MARCH 2023 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	2 BNH fraud Protection 10: to 11:AM Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM	3 Bingo 10-12 Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
6 VNA Foot Care 9-1 by appt Coffee Social 10-11 Manicure by Brenda 11- 12:30 by appt	7 Activity Mtg. 10: AM Beef Stew w/ Vegetables Fruit Cup wam dinner roll	8 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	9 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	10 Trivia Thyme 10-11 by VN Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
13 Coffee Social 10-11	14 Scrapbooking 9-11 Country Singer Don Smith 11-12	15 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	16 Hearing Clinic @ 10:15 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	17 Bingo 10-12 St Patrick's Dinner Traditional corn Beef Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
20	21 Knitting /Sewing 9 -11 BP Clinic @ 10:30 Sweet & Sour Chicken Brown Rice	22 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	23 Thrift Shop Crawl 9- 12 RSVP Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	24 Healthy Heart Healthy You 10-11 by VN Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/snack & drink
27 Breaded Chicken Strips Season Potato Wedges Veg Dinner Roll Fruit Cup	28 Scrapbooking 9-11 Foot Care by Maddy by appt 9-12	29 Bingo 10-12 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	30 Taxes Free 12:30—3:30 PM by appt.	31 Bingo 10-12 Movie 12:30—2:30 PM w/ice cream sundaes

# Brush Dump

Please note that due to illness, the City of Laconia Brush Dump will not be open on Friday, February 24 or Saturday, February 25.

**Laconia Senior Center Newsletter**  
Your Resource for Healthy Aging

**March**  
532 Main St  
Laconia, NH 03245  
(Parking located at 184  
Beacon St. West)

**Communities Served:**  
Belmont • Gifford  
Gilmanston  
Laconia • Titon  
Sanbornston  
Meredith  
Ctr. Harbor  
New Hampton  
But ALL are  
welcome!

**Hours:**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 3:00pm

**Take Out Meals**  
10-5p  
Monday - Friday  
11:30am - 12:30pm

**Meals on Wheels**  
Offered to anyone home-  
bound age 60 or to those  
with special needs.

**Service Link**  
Resource Center  
1-800-634-8412 or  
528-6945

**ServiceLink**

**Happy St. Patties Month**  
Laconia Senior Center

Spring is almost here. We have new and exciting events coming our way! You won't want to miss the excitement. By appointment the foot care from the VNA and Maddy, is back. Manicure by Brenda is always pleased to make your sparkle, by appointment. On Fridays added in is Movie of the Week, picked out by the Gilford Library. Free Tax prep by appointment is until the middle of April. Bookings are being filled daily, so call and make your appointment ASAP. The Visiting Nurse has some awesome games planned. Country Singer, Don Smith will be joining us. Activities this month are Scrapbooking, Knitting, Crocheting, Sewing, a new bus trip has been added, ~~Thrift Shop Crawl~~ BP Clinic and the Hearing clinic. We also have added new games, besides Bingo.

Come join us for the St. Patties Dinner RSVP before March 17, wear your green and kick your heels up. Lets listen to some Irish music while we enjoy the lunch.

Don't miss all the buzz about what is happening and we always welcome your ideas and thoughts. What do you want to do or have happening? This is your Center and we are here to please.

**Takeout Option!!!!**  
We are still offering meal options at the center in takeout form on Mondays & Thursdays  
A \$2 donation is suggested for each meal  
For more information or to sign up please call:  
The Laconia Senior Center @ 524-7689

Elder Services - Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. 229-3295

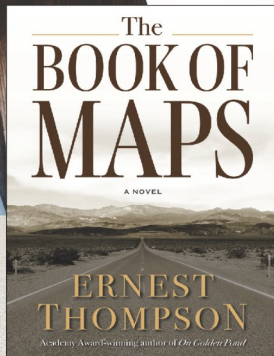
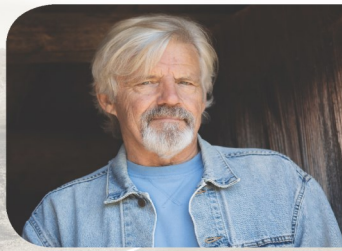
Click the image above to read the March edition of the Laconia Senior Center newsletter!



## Meet the Oscar-winning Author of *On Golden Pond*

THURSDAY, MARCH 23 | 6:00 PM

for a conversation about his debut novel and book signing



*A good father despite himself;  
a forgiving child despite it all.  
Their adventures will make you  
worry, weep, and laugh out loud.*

— Carly Simon



Indisfree Bookshop

Belknap Mill | 25 Beacon Street | Laconia, NH

For more information: (603) 524-8813

BOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

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

Photo by Susan Jensen Laconia

## BELKNAP MILL PRESENTS: *A Winter Concert Series* BELL & BRICK

February 9, 2023

Green Heron



February 16, 2023

Angela Stewart



March 2, 2023

Bob McCarthy Trio



March 16, 2023

Katie Dobbins



April 6, 2023

Andrianna Cnap Band



April 20th, 2023

Lakes Region  
Woodwind Quintet



Event Details

Tickets: \$10

Concert: 7-8p

## BELKNAP MILL MUSEUM TOURS

PERFECT FOR SCHOOLS, CLUBS,  
SERVICE GROUPS, AND MORE!

Take a historical tour of the Belknap  
Mill Knitting and Powerhouse  
museums. Learn about the Belknap  
Mill through its heyday during  
World War I.

We have different options to fit the  
needs of your group or organization.  
Give us a call to schedule your visit  
to the Belknap mill today!

(603)524-8813

[jill@belknappmill.org](mailto:jill@belknappmill.org)

25 Beacon Street East Laconia, NH

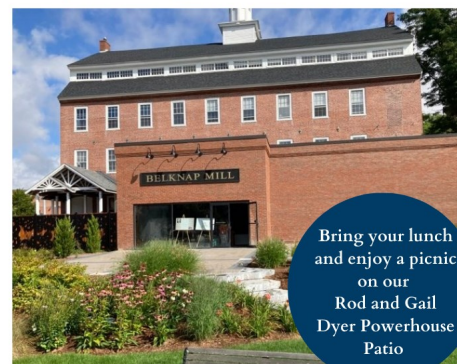


200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
BELKNAP MILL



### Your guided tour includes:

- Powerhouse Museum
- Knitting Museum
- Viewing of "A day in the Life of a Mill Worker" movie. (40 mins)
- Short walk along the Winnepesaukee River (weather permitting)



Bring your lunch  
and enjoy a picnic  
on our  
Rod and Gail  
Dyer Powerhouse  
Patio





# IRS Certified Volunteers Providing **FREE TAX PREPARATION**

IRS VITA/TCE return preparation sites are operated by certified volunteers. Site operating hours and services offered may be limited. In addition, by law, some sites provide priority services to seniors. Please be advised that you may not be immediately served. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

## Will Prepare

- Wages, salaries, etc. (Form W-2)
- Interest Income (Form 1099-INT)
- Dividends Received (Form 1099-DIV)
- State Tax Refunds (Form 1099-G)
- Unemployment Benefits (Form 1099-G)
- IRA Distributions (Form 1099-R)
- Pension Income (Forms 1099-R, RRB-1099-R, CSA-1099)
- Social Security Benefits (Form SSA-1099, RRB-1099)
- Simple Capital Gain/Loss (Form 1099-B) *limited*
- Sale of Home (Form 1099-S) *limited*
- Prior Year and Amended Returns
- Self-Employed Income (Form 1099-MISC, Form 1099-NEC and Form 1099-K) *limited*
- Gambling Winnings (Form W-2G)
- Cancellation of Debt (Form 1099-C) *limited*
- Health Savings Accounts (Form 1099-SA) *limited*
- Itemized Deductions *limited*
- Education Credits (Form 1098-T)
- Child Tax Credit
- Earned Income Credit
- Health Insurance Statements (Forms 1095-A, B or C)

## Will Not Prepare

- Schedule C with net loss, depreciation or business use of home
- Complex Schedule D, Capital Gains and Losses
- Form SS-5 (request for Social Security Number)
- Form 8606 (non-deductible IRA)
- Form 8814 (child taxed at parent's tax rate)
- Form SS-8 (determination of worker status for purposes of federal employment taxes and income tax withholding)
- Parts 4 & 5 of Form 8962 (Allocation of Policy Amounts, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage)
- Form W-7 (application for Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) )
- Returns with casualty/disaster losses



**Please see a professional preparer for assistance with complicated returns.**

## What to Bring

- For married filing jointly, both spouses must be present
- Original photo identification such as driver's license, school, employer, military, or state id for you and your spouse (if married)
- Social Security cards or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number documents for you, your spouse, and dependents
- Birth dates for you, spouse, and dependents
- A copy of last year's tax return
- All Forms W-2 and 1099
- Forms 1095-A, B or C (ACA Statements)
- Information for other income
- Information for all deductions (including charitable contributions)/credits
- Total paid to daycare provider and their tax ID number
- For direct deposit of refund, proof of account and bank's routing number
- For prior year returns, copies of income transcripts from IRS (and state, if applicable)

**Site Name:** LAKES REGION VITA

**Location:** 184 Beacon St West Laconia (Laconia Senior Center)

**Days:** Tuesdays 5 - 8pm and Saturdays 9am - 1pm. 1/31/23 through 4/18/23

**CALL 211 TO MAKE APPT OR ONLINE NHTAXHELP.ORG. Make sure to choose VITA**

**DO NOT CALL THE SENIOR CENTER!!!!**



IRS e-file is fast, more accurate, secure, and simple.





**Recycling  
Collection**

**Curbside recycling will be  
picked up the week of  
February 27 2023!**

# **Movie Night at Leavitt Park 6:00pm on Friday February 24th**



**Free Movie – Snacks & drinks available**

**Leavitt Park Clubhouse  
334 Elm Street, Lakeport**

**Hosted by  
Leavitt Park Community Club  
& Lakeport Association**

**Members Wanted! Interested? Come join us.  
For Leavitt Park info call (603)998-1418  
Lakeport Association call (603)527-1046**



**Community Action Program's  
Meals on Wheels is looking for  
a driver to join their team!  
Please click on the image (left) for  
more information.**



**Save the date!**

*upcoming mobile food pantry*



**Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12:00-2:00**  
(while supplies last)

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish  
180 Loudon Rd. Concord, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals.

No proof of income or residence is needed. This is a drive thru event.  
All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.

Sponsored by:  
Caring Neighbors.



**Laconia Senior Center**

**Thrift Shop Crawl**

**March 23, 2023**

The bus will take a total of 10 people to the thrift shop stores in the Laconia Area.

**We will leave at 9:AM and back at 12:PM**

We will also have a prize for the person who brings home the smallest find.



Locations visited will be:

**St. Vincent de Paul Union Ave Laconia NH**

**Used 2B Lake Street Gilford NH**

**Good Will Daniel Webster HW Belmont NH**

**Salvation Army Thrift Store New Salem St. Laconia NH**



## Friends Program

### THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

#### WHAT IS A FOSTER GRANDPARENT?

Foster Grandparents are caring, moderate income adults over 55. Foster Grandparents volunteer in schools or childcare centers tutoring and mentoring students.



**AmeriCorps  
Seniors**

#### WHAT DO THEY DO?

Foster Grandparents help students learn to read, advance in math, and promote positive social development. Foster Grandparents provide emotional support and encouragement.

#### WHY BECOME A FOSTER GRANDPARENT?

Foster Grandparents earn a tax-free stipend and receive mileage and meal reimbursement that do not effect housing or other subsidies.



#### HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?



Contact us at the Friends Program and we will send you an enrollment packet right away. Call today at 603-228-0141 or email us at [fgp@friendsprogram.org](mailto:fgp@friendsprogram.org)

**603 228 0141**  
[fgp@friendsprogram.org](mailto:fgp@friendsprogram.org)

#### WHO is the ideal Foster Grandparent Volunteer?

- Adults age 55 and older
- Adults who enjoy working with children
- Adults on a fixed income who would like to earn additional non-taxable income of \$180-480 a month without affecting other benefits.
- Adults who would like to get out of the house and make a difference by helping children in educational setting

#### WHERE do I Volunteer?

- Non-profit preschools
- Head Start Centers
- Elementary Schools, Middle Schools, High Schools
- After School Programs

"Gives me a purpose!"

"I belong to a group of caring and loving people that go the extra mile to make children enjoy the classroom experience!"

"I see children grow. I teach them to read. I teach them math and social skills. My day consists of many little hugs."

**AmeriCorps  
Seniors**

"I feel useful and valued as a senior citizen"

**603-228-0141**  
[fgp@friendsprogram.org](mailto:fgp@friendsprogram.org)

## Laconia Putnam Fund is seeking a new member!

The Laconia Putnam Fund, a volunteer board of the City, is seeking an individual to fill a term created by the resignation of a long-time member.

The Putnam Fund, working with the Trustees of the Trust Funds, uses the income from the Perley and Ellen Putnam Free Lecture Fund to provide free entertainment (lectures, theatrical and musical productions, etc.) to the citizens of Laconia.

We invite you to join our team! Meetings are generally held once a month. To apply, please click [here](#). Questions? Please call the City Manager's Office at 603-527-1270.



**Random Acts of Kindness** - Franklin Savings Bank generously provided McDonalds' gift certificates to our Public Works employees to thank them for a job well done in keeping our roads and sidewalks plowed and safe during winter storms.

We appreciate FSB recognizing our hard working employees and thank them for their thoughtfulness.





## LACONIA RESIDENTS: DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER YOUR DOGS!

It's time to register your dogs for 2023!

To renew **online**: [www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov), Online Bill Pay, Dog Licensing  
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	\$25.00

***All dogs are to be  
registered by April  
30<sup>th</sup> each year.***

# Laconia Sledding Party

**Friday, Feb 24th 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

**@ The Laconia Sledding Hill**

**Questions? Call Parks & Rec at 603-524-5046**



**NEW DATE!**

Wed 2/15	Thu 2/16	Fri 2/17	Sat 2/18	Sun 2/19	Mon 2/20	Tue 2/21	Wed 2/22	Thu 2/23	Fri 2/24
50°   40°F	51°   37°F	44°   15°F	37°   23°F	46°   33°F	47°   29°F	39°   21°F	33°   17°F	30°   13°F	25°   9°F
Mostly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	AM Rain	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	PM Snow Showers	AM Snow Showers	Snow Showers
0.08 in	0.13 in	0.11 in	0 in	0 in	0 in	0 in	3.3 in	1.8 in	2.5 in

**Follow us on Facebook for updated info!**





## Public Events at Taylor Community - Laconia, NH

*\*All events listed are free and open to the public\**

### **Bank of New Hampshire Music Series**

Thank you to the Bank of New Hampshire for sponsoring the 2023 Taylor Community Music Series.

**Costa Blue** - *February 6th at 6:30 p.m.*

Costa Blue is an acoustic musical duo consisting of Russ Costa and Johnny Blue Horn. This event will be held at the Woodside.

**Rachel Clemente** - *February 12th at 3:00 p.m.*

Traditional Scottish harpist Rachel Clemente and bagpiper Dan Houghton. Join us for this musical event held at Woodside.

**Bob McCarthy** - *February 20th at 6:30 p.m.*

Join us for this mix of folk songs, country blues, jazz, ragtime, bluegrass, jazz, rhythm and blues, and gospel, laced with strains of Ireland and Brazil. This event will be held at Woodside.

**Eddie Scheer Jazz** - *February 27 at 6:30 p.m.*

Join us as Eddie and the gang bring back their highly anticipated Jazz performance! This event will be held at Woodside.

### **Lectures**

**Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation** - *February 9th at 2:00 p.m.*

Join us for this presentation by members of the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation.

**Michael Cross - Mysteries with Michael** - *February 20th at 11:00 a.m.*

Try your hand at solving a crime with forensic science Professor Mike Cross. Test your knowledge as you investigate the crime scene and analyze the evidence to find the murderer. We will host a Group Zoom Session in the Woodside Theater.

**Jane O'Neail - John Singer Sargent** - *February 23rd at 6:30 p.m.*

*This program will explore his most beloved as well as rarely seen images, including portraits, forays into Impressionism and stunning watercolors.*

**Black History Month Presentation - The Road to Freedom** - *February 27th - 2:00 p.m.*

*The Road to Freedom: Black History & the Civil Rights Movement This special, narrated by Deon Cole, gives a fresh perspective of the black movement in America, from Emancipation to the Civil Rights era.*

**taylorcommunity.org**

A Nonprofit Since 1907

For more information on Taylor Community please call us at 603-524-5600



# City of Laconia

Laconia City Hall  
45 Beacon St. East  
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



## 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
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation .....	527-1264
Conservation Technician Taylor Daigle	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
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	
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
Henry Lipman (Ward 3) .....	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4) .....	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5) .....	524-6360
Tony Felch (Ward 6) .....	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

[citycouncil@laconianh.gov](mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov)

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

## SENIOR RESOURCES

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



Did you know that  
adults 65 and  
older are at  
higher risk for  
hospitalization  
and death  
from foodborne  
illnesses?

Learn more about it from the US Department of Agriculture  
by clicking the picture above.



## City Meetings

Week of:  
Feb. 27 - Mar. 3

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.

### City Council

February 27, 2023, 7:00 pm

### Historic District Commission

February 28, 2023, 6:30 pm