

April 21, 2023 - Edition #585

*A quiet day at the docks in Weirs Beach
(photo compliments of Ann-Marie Shpeley Fine Art Photography)*



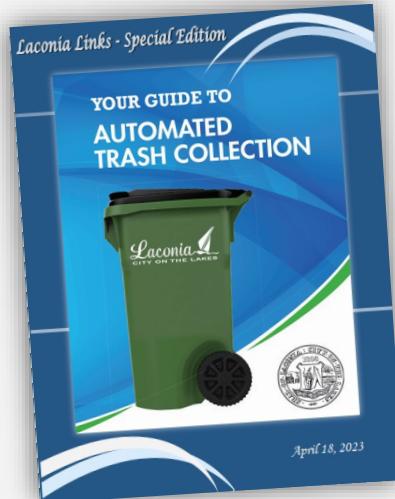
Automated Curbside Solid Waste Collection is Coming May 1, 2023!

Solid waste container delivery information

The City's contractor started delivering trash and recycling containers on April 17 to properties on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday collection routes. Please note that the contractor will also be delivering containers on Saturday April 22.

The contractor has not yet provided a schedule for when they anticipate starting deliveries to properties on the Thursday and Friday collection routes, but stay tuned for that information!

The lids on the new recycling containers tend to warp during shipment. They will return to their shape and seal tightly in about a week. Please call Public Works at 603-528-6379 with any questions you may have.



Earlier this week we sent out a Special Edition Newsletter to our email subscribers. This "Guide to Automated Trash Collection" consolidates a great deal of information we thought our readers might find helpful as we start our new trash and recycling collection process.

In case you missed it, just click on the image (left). Please feel free to share this information with your friends and neighbors who might not have received it. Thank 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.



Library Programs Week of April 24-29



LACONIA
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Spring vacation week!

Sensory Storytime

Monday, April 24

10am

Newborns-age 6

Sensory Storytime has moved to Monday mornings at 10am! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room for songs, stories, and sensory play followed by an engaging art experience. This program is suited for newborns to children 6 years of age with no sign-up required.

Natural materials and contact paper make for sticky collages with less mess at the week's Sensory Storytime.



MONDAY, APRIL 24, 10AM
NEWBORNS - AGE 6

Toddler Time

Wednesday, April 26

10am

Newborns-age 3

Toddler Time is a fun-filled hour geared toward newborns and toddlers. We'll sing songs, move our bodies, read stories and do a craft each week! Younger or older siblings are always welcome too! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Wednesdays at 10am.



Wed. April 26, newborns - age 3
Thurs April 27, ages 3-6

Preschool Pals

Thursday, April 27

10am

Best for ages 3-6

Preschool Pals is geared toward Preschool aged kiddos (3-6 years old). Join Jamie for singing, dancing, and crafting, and of course, we'll be reading some great books! Younger or older siblings are always welcome too! Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Thursdays at 10am.

Come plant a rainbow with us this week in Toddler Time (Wednesday at 10 am) or Preschool Pals (Thursday at 10 am)! We'll be reading fun stories about seeds and flowers, and you'll get to plant your very own flowers or vegetables.

Drop-In Tech Help

Tuesdays @ 10am
Wednesdays @ 2pm

Drop in during our hour of technical help and have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Held most Tuesdays at 10am and most Wednesdays at 2pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm dates.



Board Games Day!

Monday, April 24

2-4pm

Best for ages 3-12



National Board Game Day is in April, and we're celebrating during school vacation week! Stop by the Selig Storytime Room from 2-4 pm and find the perfect board game to play with your family or friends (and maybe even a librarian or two)! Best for ages 3-12.

Lego Club

Tuesday, April 25

11am

Best for ages 5-12



Join us for an hour of creative fun in the Selig Storytime Room! We'll provide the Lego bricks... all you need to bring is your imagination! Best for ages 5-12. Note: This Lego Club will be held at a special time for school vacation week.

Tinker Time: Window Gardens

Thursday, April 27

2:30pm

Best for ages 5-12



Get a jump on spring gardening at Window Garden Tinker Time. This month we will be inspired by books about gardens of all sizes as we decorate containers and plant seeds. This program is best suited for children ages 5-12 and their caregivers. No sign-up required, join us in the Selig Storytime room at 2:30!

Family Drop-In Craft: Spring Seed Bombs

Saturday, April 29

10am-noon

Best for families with children

Create some Flower Power in this family drop-in craft in the Selig Storytime room. We will be using scrap paper and flower seeds to create seed bombs, perfect to add some extra oomph to your garden. Sign-up is not required for this program meant for families with children.

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website for all
our Library
events.

Library Hours

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

Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Goss Reading Room Closed

Learn something new, enjoy the outdoors, and expand your wellness options with us!



Forest Trail Games for Kids and Adults

Can't convince your kids to go outside much less on a hike with you? Experience the many ways you can make time in nature with your kids fun through immersive games!

Saturday, April 22; 1-3 pm

Additional programs, series, and registration details

prescottfarm.org

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH • (603) 366-5695 • info@prescottfarm.org

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Workshop on the Farm: Making Bee Hotels

Be a pollinator and wildflower hero by building a cozy home for solitary, mason bees that you can take home. In the spring, watch for female mason bees laying eggs in your hotel.

Saturday, April 29; 10 am-12 pm

Additional programs, series, and registration details

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PLAY & LIVE TICK SAFE

APRIL 22, 2023

10:00AM-12:00PM

Featuring hands-on learning, interactive activities, and fun/informative take away materials.

Join representatives from **Tick Free NH**, **NH Healthcare Workers for Climate Action**, and the **NH Nurses Association** to learn simple and effective steps and tools to reduce risk of bites and illness.

SCAN
to register



- Interactive Activities
- All Ages Welcome
- Attendance is FREE

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center
928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, 03246



The City Manager will present an overview of the proposed 2023/2024 Fiscal Year budget to the City Council at their meeting on April 24, 2023.



Individual departments will present their budgets on the following dates:

May 8, 6pm: School Department

May 15, 7pm: Planning/Code and Fire

May 22, 6pm: Water and Library

June 5, 7pm: Public Works and Police

June 12, 6pm: Parks/Recreation/Facilities, Finance and Administration

All meetings are open to the public and we encourage and appreciate your questions and comments. Meetings are held in City Hall in the Armand A. Bolduc Council Chamber.

We hope to see you there!



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.

Wangari Fahari - *April 10th at 6:30 p.m.*

Best known for her modern African soundscapes, Wangari performs alongside African drummer Remi Kabaka, bass player Wadada Khufu and guitarist Paul Thibeault Wangari to create an unique blend of music. Join us for this musical event held at Woodside.

Myanna - *April 17th at 6:30*

Come see one of the hottest and most soulful saxophonists to be based in Massachusetts with her funky rhythms and expressive jazz playing. This event will be held at Woodside.

Portsmouth Brass Quintet - *April 23th at 3:00*

This ensemble was founded by Adam Gallant in the fall of 2016 and is dedicated to performing serious brass chamber music at the highest level. This event will be held at Woodside.

Cheryl Arena - *April 24th at 6:30 p.m.*

Cheryl sizzles with excitement as she mesmerizes audiences with her sultry blues voice and powerhouse energy. Join us for this performance held at Woodside.

Lectures

Kurk Dorsey - Russia, the United States and the War in Ukraine- *April 5th at 6:30*

In this illustrated talk, Kurk Dorsey will delve into the sources of the dispute between Russia on one hand and Ukraine and its allies on the other. This event will be held at Woodside.

The Wyeths - Jane Oneail - *April 20th at 2:00 p.m.*

Jan will help us to explore the style of painting and illustration in the early 1900's established by N.C. Wyeth and his children, Andrew Wyeth, and his grandson Jamie Wyeth. This event will be held at Woodside.

Dan and Uma Szczesney - NH Rocks that Rock Part II - *April 22th at 2:00 p.m.*

Join us as Dan and Uma share their new book, "NH Rocks that Rock", an adventure guide to twenty five famous boulders of the Granite State. This event will be held at Woodside.

WMUR's Hayley LaPoint - *April 26th at 6:30 p.m.*

Stop by to meet Hayley as she explains the forecasting process. This event will be held at Woodside.

Rogue Space Systems Corporation - *April 27th at 2:00 p.m.*

Join us as founder Jeremy Grimmel shares information about Rogue Space Systems and their orbital robotics. This event will be held at Woodside.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
LACONIA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM SOCIETY

NH VETERANS' ASSOCIATION TOUR



SUNDAY, MAY 21ST 1:00PM

From its establishment following the Civil War to today, as the oldest continuous veterans' association in the United States, learn the unique and interesting history of the NH Veterans' Association and how they utilize this campus today.

This event is free and open to the community.
For more information contact Fred Merrill at fredx@metrocast.net

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603 568-5183

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BOLDUC PARK GOLF COURSE IS OPEN - GOLF LESSONS BEGIN SOON!

Bolduc Park's 9 hole golf course is now open daily at 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line. Bolduc Park offers an affordable opportunity to play golf for a donation of \$10 for 9 holes. Play Disc Golf for a \$6 donation. All proceeds go to maintain the courses for the general public's use. Carts, golf clubs and discs for disc golf are available to rent.

Now is the time to sign up for golf lessons offered in 3 week sessions for \$100. Golf clubs are provided. Play free all week during lessons. Full scholarships are available for income qualified youth. Youth lessons are 5:30pm-7pm on Tuesdays, May 9, 16, 23 and another session June 6, 13, 20. Adult lessons are 5:30pm-7pm on Thursdays, May 11, 18, 25 and another session June 8, 15, 22.

Bolduc Park receives funding from The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction which makes it possible to offer free golf lessons and free access to the golf and disc golf courses and cross country ski trails for income qualified youth.

Send an email to golf@bolducpark.com to inquire about these opportunities for children and teens. Call 603-524-1370 for general information about Bolduc Park.



Click [here](#) for more information!

LAKE CITY STEEPELCHASE 5K+

In a throwback to the original Steeplechase held in 18th century Ireland run, walk or skip along the WOW Trail from the United Baptist Church in Lakeport to St. Joseph Church in downtown Laconia, while maneuvering around, thru, over or under obstacles along the way!

**Saturday, \$25/pp or
May 20th \$40/family**

Starting Line - United Baptist Church of Lakeport 10:00AM

Obstacles | History | Refreshments | Prizes

For more information or to register visit laconiahistory.com



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Navigating Medicare

SMP
Senior Medicare Patrol
Preventing Medicare Fraud



Please click on the image (left) to read the April 2023 information provided by "Medicare Minute".

It contains important information about speaking to your doctor, what to do if your doctor doesn't think your care will be covered, how to identify billing errors and much more!

Questions? Please contact Lori Raymond, the local Medicare Counselor at Service Link Resource Center, 603-707-5871, or lraymond@pphnh.org

LACONIA CHIEFS FOOTBALL & CHEER

Open to Laconia, Belmont, Gilford, Tilton, Franklin, Meredith, Alton & Surrounding areas

FOOTBALL
AGES 5-12

Flag & Tackle Program

All regular season games played in NH

All helmets are certified by the National Operation Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment to protect our players from concussions/TBI

Opportunity to advance to the AYC Regional & AYC National Championships and on the AYF All-Star Team

All Coaches CDC Certified

CHEER
AGES 5-16

Sideline & Competition cheer

4-5 NH Competitions

Opportunity to advance to the AYC Regional & AYC National Championships

Tryout for the NYHSC Elite Team

Additional low-cost uniform fees. (team depending \$75-\$125)

All coaches are CDC & YCADA certified

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LYFCA is a non-profit, volunteer run organization. It is MANDATORY that each athlete complete our annual \$100 fundraiser prior to participation in any game or competition.

To have continued success with our program, all families must contribute a minimum of 2 volunteer time slots per registered athlete.



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: handsacrosst@gmail.com

Public Works Department



Mark your calendar!

Free Dump Day for Laconia residents is scheduled for Saturday, May 13th from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm

(Please note that businesses cannot dispose of their solid waste for free on that day.) Public Works highly recommends businesses do not come to the Transfer Station on May 13th as it will be very busy.

Residents needing assistance with unloading will need to bring help with them. We expect a large turnout for this popular event, so be prepared to be patient as there is likely to be a longer wait time than normal.

To help minimize wait times, the City recommends that residents use the following schedule when coming to the Transfer Station on May 13th.

<u>Time</u>	<u>First letter of last name</u>
7 to 9 am	A through and including G
9 to 11 am	H through and including N
11 am to 1 pm	O through and including Z

Public Works will turn away any resident who arrives later than 1 pm, so please be sure to be at the Transfer Station before that time.

Residents who do not have dump stickers must have some form of documentation that shows they are a Laconia resident.

Items we will accept are appliances, water heaters, furniture, beds, plumbing fixtures, bagged leaves, demolition lumber, auto tires (limit 6 tires per customer). Items we will not accept are auto tail pipes, mufflers, radiators, engines, batteries or hazardous waste, paints or solvents.

Residents must still pay for disposing of electronics during free dump day.

Disposal of leaves and recycling for Laconia residents is free all year. Residents do not need a dump sticker or day pass to dispose of leaves or recycling, but must have documentation that shows they are a Laconia resident.

For more information or for questions about what is acceptable and what is not, please call the Department of Public Works at (603) 528-6379.



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climbing wall
contests & prizes

Music by the:
eric grant band



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SATURDAY, MAY 6th • 12-4pm



Kiwanis
LACONIA



Bike 'n' Board Safety Day

Saturday, May 13th 9:30a-12:30p
Opechee Park & Laconia Skateboard Park
North Main Street, Laconia

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

Helmet Fitting, Bike Registration, First Aid Tips for Riders, Bike & Board Inspections, BIG Games, Skill & Practice Stations, Ebike Demonstrations, raffle and more!



This is not a school sponsored event

ONE PEER TO ANOTHER



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Concord One Peer to Another Events April

- April 7 9:00 pickup Shopping Sign up
- April 11 St Paul Food Pantry Sign up
- April 14 9:00 pickup Shopping Sign up
- April 14 Movie and Popcorn 1:00 Start
- April 19 Nutrition w/Alyssa 1:00
- April 23rd St Paul Food Pantry Sign up
- Educational Event
- April 26 Hanover Trip \$10.00 Gift card
- April 25 St Paul Food Pantry Sign up

Laconia One Peer to Another Events in April:

- April 7 - Shopping Trip!
- Walmart, Dollar Store, Harbor Freight, Home Goods, etc.
- 10am - 2pm (Please sign up by 4-5)
- April 10 - Happy Easter!
- April 12 - Field Trip to Funspot Arcade 11:30am - 2pm
- Bring your own \$8 and pack a lunch
- April 19 - Nutrition with Alyssa at 1:00pm
- Chair Yoga - 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/4/19
- Rock Painting - 4/3 & 4/11
- WOW Trail Walk Days - 4/14, 4/20, 4/24, 4/26, 4/28

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

APRIL 2023



**ONE PEER TO ANOTHER
328 Union Ave Laconia, NH**

Monday 8:30am-4:30pm	Tuesday 8:30am-4:30pm	Wednesday 8:30am-4:30pm	Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm	Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
9am Open Discussion 10am Painting Rocks 11am Laugh Therapy 1pm Music Therapy 2pm Peer Discussion 3pm Chair Yoga	3 9am Check-In 10am Budgeting Meals 11am Healthy Recipes 1pm Ice Breaker Games 2pm Arts & Crafts 3pm Mindful Breathing	4 9am Check-In 10am Gratitude 11am Walk & Talk 1pm Self-Reflection 2pm Mutuality 3pm Deep Breathing	5 9am Check-In 10am Self Reflection 11am Wants & Needs 1pm Healthy Relationships 2pm Open Discussion 3pm Music Therapy	6 7 Shopping Trip! Walmart, Dollar Store, Harbor Freight, Home Goods, etc. 10am - 2pm (Please sign up by 4-5)
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				Contact: Program Director Miranda 603-528-7742 328 Union Ave Laconia NH 03246 miranda@onepeer.org



Opechee Garden Club is pleased to announce that Educator and Naturalist, Jean Stafinak, will provide information on growing orchids on May 1, 2023 at 1:00 pm. The presentation will take place at the Gilford Community Church, Potter Hill Road, Gilford, NH. The public is invited to attend free of charge.

Jean is an Educator and Naturalist, whose passion is for species orchids, and the habitats to which they have adapted throughout the world. She enjoys traveling, photographing orchids and other plants and animals in nature, and becoming friends with people from near and far.

North American travels have ranged from the polar Arctic tundra in Canada, to California and the Olympic Peninsula; from New England and the Maritimes, from Arizona to the Florida swamps including extremely rare ghost orchids. She has also spent several trips and many months in Costa Rica, Ecuador, and New Zealand, giving talks, judging, and spending time with other orchid enthusiasts.



Conservation of native orchids means conservation of native habitats, a theme which permeates her talks. She continues to serve as Conservation & Education Chair for the New Hampshire Orchid Society, an accredited American Orchid Society judge, a member of the AOS Species Identification Task Force, on the Board of Orchid Digest, and participates in many annual Native Orchid Conference symposiums and field trips. She also enjoys being a member of the Manchester Garden Club!

Jean invites members and guests to bring their own orchids to show and share, especially if they have specific culture questions or the plants are in need of some TLC.

Attendees will have the opportunity to win one of Jean's plants.

To learn more about the Opechee Garden Club, please visit our website <https://www.opecheegardenclub.com> or our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/Opecheegardenclub>

If you are interested in joining the Opechee Garden Club, please send an email to:
Opecheegardebclub2012@gmail.com



LAKES
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"Gershwin Blue"

May 13, 7pm & May 14, 3pm
Inter-Lakes Auditorium - Rt. 25 - Meredith, NH

Rhapsody in Blue and timeless Gershwin-era Classics

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But Not For Me
Summertime
Chattanooga Choo Choo
and more...



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Contact Laconia Parks & Rec for info
Call 603-524-5046 or E-mail
PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV



TWO DAYS!
October 27-28, 2023
Downtown Laconia!

Mark your calendars to join the fun!

Friday, October 27 - 4 - 8 pm
Saturday, October 28 - 11 am-8 pm

Check the Pumpkin Festival website for more info!

OPECHEE DAY CAMP COUNSELORS

your job is to

BE OUTSIDE

HAVE FUN

BE A ROLE MODEL

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A CAMP COUNSELOR THIS SUMMER
CONTACT LACONIA PARKS & REC
603-524-5046
PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV

SOFT PLASTICS



Don't miss the next Soft Plastics Collection event on Earth Day, April 22!

Our communities are working purposefully and consistently in

turning over to the Green Sanctuary members of the Universalist Unitarian Society of Laconia and the Laconia-Gilford LIONS Club the clean SOFT plastics accumulating in our households. We want our landfills, neighborhoods and lakes free of plastic-pollution. This continuing effort is keeping our lakes' waters and inhabitants healthy, reducing the size of our landfills and our city and villages cleaner and trash-free. The collection is sent to be repurposed into useful composite furniture and decking.

Come by the little white church at 172 Pleasant Street on Saturday, April 22nd between 11 and 1:00. We look forward to seeing you in celebration of Earth Day. Any inquiries please check our [Facebook](#) page or our [website](#).

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE



The City Manager has posted new updates to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

Be sure to check out the [Project Updates](#) report which provides a concise update of projects in the community. In this report you will find everything from road projects to the latest information on the Master Plan update.

Next, 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.

We hope you find these reports helpful and informative!

For more information please contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or email info@laconianh.gov

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

It's time to register your dogs for 2023! To renew **online**: 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

Questions? Please call the City Clerk's Office at (603) 527-1265.



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

RABIES CLINICS!!

Be sure to check the City Clerk's website [here](#) for information regarding upcoming Rabies Clinics in our area.

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 ...

Gas pumps at the corner of Church and Beacon streets, Laconia, are seen in the 1950s, with the rooming house known as 'The Beacon' — earlier known as the 'Dr. Easton House' and, at one time used as a convent and school for St. Joseph Parish — in the background. Part of the roof of the 'Gov. Busiel House' is glimpsed in the upper left corner and part of a brick commercial block on Canal Street is visible at far right. The Laconia Tavern is off-photo at right. (Laconia Public Library)



... AND NOW

The Gov. Busiel House was torn down in September 1956, and The Beacon, in December 1956. A new Amoco gas station was built on the former Laconia Tavern Hotel parking lot in 1971 — later changing to Exxon and then Citgo — but was torn down when a landscaped parking lot, for The Tavern and the Tavern Mini Mall, replaced the gas station. Flyspace of the Colonial Theater is seen beyond the Canal Street buildings at left. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Please see the Public Hearing Notice on this page which has been published in the Laconia Daily Sun.

In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community.

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

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



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **April 24, 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 2023-11 – REQUEST TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR A LACONIA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

THE LACONIA PUTNAM FUND

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THE TARA LITTLE DANCE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

Young Students Irish Dancing Celtic Hard Shoe
and Soft Shoe Dancing

**Saturday, May 13, 2023
6:00 pm at Woodside Building
at the Laconia Taylor Community
227 Ledges Drive - Laconia**

Free Admission - First Come, First Seated - No Tickets Required

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**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**

**Curbside
recycling
will be
picked up
the week of
April 24!**





APRIL 2023 ACTIVITIES MENU

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 VNA Foot Care 9-1 PM by appt Manicure by Brenda 11-12:30 PM	4 Activity Mtg 10:AM NH State Commission on Aging 11:AM	5 Bingo 10-12PM Craft Bonnet making 10:AM—12:PM	6 Easter Bonnet Parade Easter Dinner: Baked Ham Steaks w/Pineapple Sweet Potatoes, Veggies, Fruit Cup, Dinner roll	7 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/Snack & drink
10 Coffee Social 10-11 Ernie Bolduc: Topic Bees 10-12: PM	11 Elm Street Planting Trip 10- Scrapbooking 10-12:PM	12 Bingo 10-12:PM Craft 10: - 12:PM	13 Knitting /Crochet 10:AM Steak & Cheese Sub w/ Peppers, Onions and Mushroom, chips. Fruit Cup/Peach Cobbler	14 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/Snack & drink
17 Pleasant Street Planting Trip 10-	18 Knitting Sewing 10-12:PM BP Clinic 10:30 AM Peer Support Group 1:PM—2:30 PM	19 Bingo 10-12:PM	20 Hearing Clinic 10:15 AM Cilantro Lime Grilled Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Veggie, Fruit Cup/ Pineapple upside down cup	21 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/Snack & drink
24 Diabetic Talk Franklin VNA 10-11 AM	25 Scrapbooking 10- 12:PM Foot Care by Maddy by appt 9-12:PM	26 Bingo 10-12:PM	27 Mental Health 10:AM Southwestern Chicken chili w/cheese & Sour Cream, Veggies, Tortilla Chips, Fruit Chips	28 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/Snack & drink



I hope this newsletter finds you all well and looking forward to the nicer weather. I want to thank Mr. & Mrs. Walter Haskell for the bagless vacuum cleaner donated to the Laconia Senior Center. Thank you to Deb Derrick for the sewing machine, scrapbook paper and Lori Gardiner for the cribbage board plus many other things.

So far this month we have visited the Elm Street School and Pleasant Street School to plant some Mother's Day (Care Giver) plants. The kids are so adorable, and the Seniors just enjoyed themselves immensely for the comments the kids gave plus the excitement they showed. The kids were pure joy. Warmed all our hearts.

This past week was Volunteer Week, and all our Volunteers received small tokens to show our appreciation of each one of them. If you would like to volunteer here at the Center and/or join the Activities Committee, please come on in and see me. I will be very happy to get you started.

On 4/24 we will be having Franklin VNA come in and speak on Diabetes Of course. Scrapbooking w/Jan and Foot Care w/Maddy by appt on the 25th. Bingo is always packed with a full room every Wednesday and on the 26th the Laconia Mental Health (10 AM) will be joining us to discuss different types of emotions we feel during the different seasons. Friday is Game Day! Penny Poker, cribbage, card games, board games, bingo and in the afternoon is a movie, snacks, and drink.

In May events will include a trip to a café for coffee and snacks, walks along the river, a couple of guest speakers, and remember to sign up for the Mother's Day Congregate Meal. 4/23rd will be the last Scrapbook class w/Jan will be closed for Memorial Day. Please get out and support the remembrance of our Troops that gave some and some gave all, plus what this great nation stands for. Pray that respect, loyalty, pride, and kindness is restored. Under God we stand.

Hope everyone has a wonderful start to the Spring, get out and enjoy the sounds, smells, with the beautiful weather coming our way. As always, Debbie Haskell
Laconia Senior Center Resource Management
603-524-7689

Please click on the image (left) to read this week's Laconia Senior Center Newsletter!

Community Action Program's Meals on Wheels is looking for a driver to join their team!

Please click on the image (right) for more information.



Laconia

Water Department



Water line replacement work continues on Summer Street. Please seek an alternate route during this construction. We appreciate your continued cooperation during this time.



Mental Health Art Auction

To support Lakes Region Mental Health Center

THEME: Celebrating Mental Health and Diversity Through the Arts

May 2023

Belknap Marketplace



Artists Wanted

Help support LRMHC during Mental Health Awareness Month by submitting your work for our art auction.

Auction Info

30% Tax Deductible Donation to LRMHC will be made upon sale of artwork. Pieces valued over \$500 will be posted exclusively on our Bidding for Good platform.

Submissions

TELL YOUR STORY!
Submit photo(s) of your work along with a one paragraph artist statement via email.

About LRMHC

LRMHC is a private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization designated by the State of NH as the community mental health center serving Belknap and southern Grafton Counties in NH. Learn more at lrmhc.org.

For more info, email mhendrick@lrmhc.org or call 603-524-1100 x219

News

From the City Clerk's Office

It's Not Too Early to Get Your 2023 Boat Registration!



Did you know you can process your boat registration at the same time as you conduct other business at City Hall?

It's easy and convenient! Just bring in your photo identification and prior year's registration (if you have it) and we can get the paperwork out of the way so you will be ready to put your boat in the water!

No waiting for your registration to be mailed back to you! Get it done early and conveniently at the City Clerk's Office. We are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Please make checks payable to
City of Laconia**.

In accordance with RSA 270-E:5, II (c) an additional \$5 will be collected for each registration processed as an authorized agent.



Questions?
Please call the City Clerk's office at 603-527-1265.





PARKS & RECREATION

THE STATE'S BEST PARKS

are looking for help this summer!



SEASONAL PARKS MAINTENANCE STAFF

- STARTING at \$15.00/HR. UP TO 40 HRS/week
- WORK OUTSIDE in the beautiful City On The Lakes!

Contact Laconia Parks & Rec for info

Call 603-524-5046 or E-mail
PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV



Get Involved in Saving Animals

There are so many ways that you can help!

DOG FOR A DAY

BE A PAL FOR A DAY TO A SHELTER PUP
EMAIL lis@nghumane.org



ADOPTION PROGRAM

SAVING LIVES AND FINDING LOVE
nghumane.org/adopt/browse-pets



DOG TRAINING

WELL TRAINED PUP = HAPPY FAMILY
In partnership with INSPIRE K9
EMAIL inspire@nghumane.org



ADOPT.VOLUNTEER.DONATE



NHHumane.org

• 603.524.3252

• 1305 Meredith Center Rd, Laconia, NH

ROCK STEADY BOXING LAKES REGION

Rock Steady Boxing Open House to honor our Fighters during Parkinson's Awareness Month!
Come see your Fighter show their STUFF!

Saturday, April 29, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Come as we gather to dedicate our new home.....

THE BIG BLUE BOX

125 Water Street, Laconia, NH 03246 right next door
to The Downtown Gym

For more information, please contact us at
downtowngymlaconiarb@gmail.com
or call us at
603-581-9392



SOUTHERN DINNER AND KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY!

May 6, 2023 from 5-8 pm

Beine Conference Center 35 Blueberry Lane, Laconia

*Participate in a USL horse race
Watch the Derby live!
"Horse d'oeuvres grazing"
Full Southern Chicken Dinner*

Take a chance on amazing Raffle Baskets

*Prizes awarded for ladies & gentlemen's hats.
So, giddy-up!*

Call the church 603-524-6488 to reserve
your \$25 ticket. Sold out the last two
years!! Order now!

Hosted by the Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia



2023 Curbside Spring Leaf Pickup

During the weeks of May 1 - May 5, and May 15 - May 19 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.



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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!



City Meetings



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

Government Operations & Ordinances Subcommittee

April 24, 2023, 6:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

City Council

April 24, 2023, 7:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

Laconia Putnam Fund

April 25, 2023, 9:00 am

[Agenda](#)

Historic District Commission

April 25, 2023, 6:30 pm

Weirs TIF District Advisory Board

April 27, 2023, 2:00 pm

[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
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

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