

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



Laconia Links

February 9, 2018 - Edition #325



Check out the February vacation Parks & Rec activities calendar - [Page 12](#)

Laconia Parks & Recreation

Sledding Party Under the Lights!

Laconia Parks & Recreation would like to invite everyone to the Laconia Sledding Hill this Friday, February 9th from 6:00 – 7:30pm. The hill is located on South Street which is just after the cemetery on Academy Street. We will be having a bonfire to warm ourselves by, lights to sled by and cocoa and cookies to consume!! All around, this will be a fantastic event.

We truly hope that you can all come and enjoy the outdoors!

For questions call 524-5046.

Welcome to Laconia Links a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at info@laconianh.gov

We look forward to keeping you up to date on our beautiful City!



Laconia Public Library **Upcoming Events.....**



**DROP IN CRAFT FOR FAMILIES
WITH CHILDREN:
VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS**
Saturday, Feb. 10, 10am - 1pm
Selig Storytime Room

Drop-in program where you can make a Valentine card for someone you love. Supplies are provided.

"Max & Ruby: Max's Valentine"
Wednesday, Feb. 14, 4 pm
Laconia Rotary Hall



Ruby and Louise make Valentines. Max wants to make a Valentine, but he's too little to use scissors and glue. Rated TV-Y. 50 minutes. Snacks are provided. Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by a responsible caregiver 14 or older; all adults must be with a child.



COOKING WITH CHOCOLATE
Thursday, February 15, 6:30pm
Laconia Rotary Hall

Chocolate is not just dessert; it's everything you need! You can influence a lot of people and change your world if you have the right chocolate recipe. Join Chef/Instructor Liz Barbour as she uses chocolate as the main ingredient in recipes that are not just for dessert. Add in Liz's easy cooking technique tips and you are on your way to creating great meals you can prepare at home. Enjoy a cooking demonstration of two delicious recipes and samples. This program is free but registration is required because space is limited!



TEEN MAKER PROJECT: LAVA LAMPS
Tuesday, Feb. 13 @ 2:30 pm in Laconia Rotary Hall: Create your own lava lamp using everyday household items!

TEENS CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR
Discover what the Year of the Dog has in store for you! Friday, February 16 at 3 pm in the Volpe Room.



Upcoming Meetings...

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda.

Meetings are open to the public. You are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website. Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated information and changes.

***Become involved in your
City and make a difference!***

**Meeting
in
Progress**

City Council

February 12, 2017, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

[Agenda](#)

Lakes Business Park

February 13, 2017, 6:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Conservation Commission

(rescheduled from Feb. 7)
February 13, 2017, 6:00 pm
Basement of City Hall,
Planning Dept. Conference Rm.

[Agenda](#)

Planning Board:

(rescheduled from Feb. 6)
February 13, 2018, 6:30 PM
City Hall, Room 200A

[Agenda](#)

Technical Review Comm.

February 14, 2017, 10:00 am
City Hall, Room 200A

Heritage Commission

February 14, 2017, 5:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Police Commission

February 15, 2017, 3:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Laconia Airport Authority

February 15, 2017, 4:00 pm
Airport Conference Room

Library Board of Trustees

February 15, 2017, 5:00 pm
Laconia Public Library,
Volpe Room

Board of Assessors

February 15, 2017, 5:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Laconia Pride

Laconia School District

Ensuring success with every student, every day, in every way

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018



Congratulations to Katie Theberge, Laconia High School Junior, on earning her chef coat as a first year Huot Career and Technical Center Culinary Arts Student! Katie first fell in love with Culinary Arts in middle school while participating in the Summer

Young Chef's program at HTC through Project EXTRA. Katie plans to attend Lakes Region Community College to pursue a career in Culinary Arts and Small Business Management. Watch Huot Career and Technical Center's 2018 promotional video [here](#).

Laconia High School's 2018

Winter CARNIVAL

February 19-23

Day	Lunch Games	Dress-up	Gym Games
M	Donut-on-string	Stars/Stripes	None
T	Chubby Bunny	Celebrity Day	Potato Sack Shoe Toss Elephant Bowl Noise Meter
W	Dice on Stick	Decade Day 2018: 60's 2019: 80's 2020: 70's 2021: 50's	Dizzy Bat Human Pyramid Grape Toss Hand Walk Dance 6-830pm
TH	Skittle Transfer	College/Career	Leap Frog Buddy Walker 3-legged Race Unified B-ball
F	Clothes Pin	Red: 2018/2020 White: 2019/2021	Dodgeball Tug-o-war Musical Chairs Lip Sync Winners

Penny Wars All Week

Laconia School's City-Wide Chess Tournament

Saturday April 7, 2018
MVS Culinary Arts Dining Room
at the Huot Career and Technical Center
Starting at 9:00 am

Three Divisions of Play

Grades 3-5 Grades 6-8 Grades 9-12

In Search of the Future

Grandmaster!

Thank you to our sponsors for making this event possible:



WAYFARER



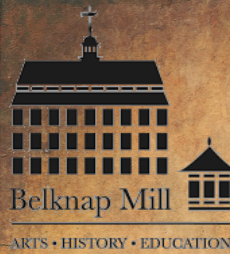
PLEASE



Block the Sidewalk with Trash or Recycling Containers



The Department of Public Works appreciates your cooperation! Trash or recycling containers on the sidewalk make snow removal very difficult, if not impossible. Thank you for your assistance!



**Historical
Tours at the
Belknap Mill**

Treat yourself to a 45 minute historical tour of the Belknap Mill Knitting and Power House museums. Learn what a day in the life of a mill worker would have been like in 1910 and hear about the life of the Belknap Mill through it's heyday during World War II, the fight to keep it where it stands today and what is in store for its future!



**Dates: Wednesdays,
2/21 & 3/21 at 6:15 pm
and Saturdays, 2/17
& 3/17 at 10:00 am
and 2:00 pm.**

We hope you can join us!



Don't be Fooled! Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation Applications are due by April 1st!

Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation applications are now available online via our website at: lrscholarship.org. You can either fill them out on line and email them to us, OR print out a copy and mail them. The final deadline for filing an application is April 1, 2018. You can also get a copy from the guidance offices at area high schools, or by calling 603-527-3533.

*DON'T MISS
THE DEADLINE!*

We also have a few unique scholarships that are exceptions to our usual application process. The first is the Annalee Thorndike Art Competition Scholarship. This is available to high school seniors planning on majoring in art related fields. Another exceptional scholarship opportunity is the John F. Mullen Memorial Essay Competition award. The Mullen award requires students who compete to write an essay that describes an experience that has made a difference in the student's life, with an emphasis on a change in attitude, behavior or ambition which this experience might have caused in them. We also have two special awards available to students going into a construction related field, sponsored by the Lakes Region Board of Builders and Remodelers. This past year the Gilmanston American Legion Auxiliary Stockwell award added their scholarship to our family. This is also an essay competition, open to students from Gilmanston, NH. Please check our website lrscholarship.org for the specific requirements of these generous awards.





During the cold winter months, broken pipes sometimes occur after the water in them has frozen. Water expands as it freezes, and if the water is trapped inside a pipe with no escape, the expanding ice will cause the pipe to burst. Cracks may appear along the length of a pipe or joints may break away. A burst water pipe can release thousands of gallons of water causing a great deal of damage to your home.

Water in pipes can also freeze even if the house is heated. For example, freezing can occur when pipes run through an unheated attic, garage or crawl space. All may be well during the day when water is in frequent use, since the constant flow keeps bringing in warmer water. However, at night, when the water is not moving and the temperature continues to drop, those pipes can freeze.

The Water Department has responded to numerous cases of frozen pipes this winter and the sooner we can contact property owners the better off they are. Please help us help you by providing us with emergency contact information. The form below can be completed and faxed to us at (603) 528-5964, or you can [click here](#) to fill out and submit the form on-line. Providing this information will allow us to update our records to reach you in an emergency.

Thank you for your prompt response. For your protection we will not share your information with any outside organizations.

**Please [click here](#) for the
Water Dept. website!**

LACONIA WATER DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM

Name _____

Property Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Alternate Contact: _____

E-mail Address: _____

What is the best way to contact you? _____

Thank you for your assistance!

Katie Dobbins

POST IT NOTES

Video Release Show



CELEBRATING LOVE
FOR OURSELVES, EACH OTHER, & THE WORLD

The Belknap Mill
25 Beacon St E #1 Laconia NH



w/ Olivia Frances

TICKETS: postitnotes.bpt.me

Sat
Feb 24

6:30
doors
7 PM
show

\$12 online
\$15 at door
BYOB



CITY OF LACONIA SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST NOTICE OF SESSION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 5:00 pm at Laconia City Hall, City Clerk's Office for the purpose of making corrections/changes to the checklist. Registrations and changes will be accepted at this session. No other changes will be accepted after this session until the State Special Belknap Election being held on February 27, 2018.

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Marilyn Brown, Ward 1
Richard Lewis, Ward 2
Beth Vachon, Ward 3
David Hough, Ward 4
Christine Callaghan, Ward 5
Lynda Brock, Ward 6 (Chair)

Public Works Department

A Public Information Session will be held Thursday, February 22 starting at 6:00 pm at the Historic Belknap Mill located at 25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, in the Rose Chertok Gallery (third floor). The Public Information Session is for the upcoming road work on Court Street.

A formal presentation of the project will begin at 7:00 pm, followed by a question and answer session.

The Department of Public Works looks forward to hearing from residents, business owners and those that travel this route to hear feedback on conditions of the roadway and other concerns.

For questions or additional information, please call the Department of Public Works at 528-6379.

We hope to see you there!

International Aid: Laconia to Jordan, Tanzania and Iraq



This month-long exhibit in the Riverside Room at the Belknap Mill showcases the experiences of Mirno Pasquali while working with refugees in Tanzania, Jordan and Iraq. A presentation and reception will be held on Thursday, March 1st.



Please visit us through March 1st to view this exhibit.

**Time: Monday-Friday 12pm - 4pm
Saturday 9am - 4pm**



Dr. Daniel Perkins and the PSU Chamber Singers



Dr. Perkins, Plymouth State University Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities, conducts the 22-member PSU Chamber Singers in a concert Sunday, February 11 at 3 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. This free event is open to the public.

Their appearance centers around the group's recent study and performance tour to New Orleans. Music will range from Sacred Songs to African-American Spirituals to Songs of Protest.

The Chamber Singers are always a crowd pleaser and you won't want to miss their inspirational performance.

Assessing



REMINDER! Abatement request forms for the 2017 tax year are available in the Assessing Office.

The filing deadline is March 1, 2018.

Please call the Assessing Office at 527-1268 with questions.

[Click](#) for Assessing Department

**Remember to put
out your recycling
the week of
February 19th!**



**Thank you for
recycling!**



NH Humane Society

Over a century of love for those without a voice.

Pet of the Week: Trevor



Trevor is only just one year old and already has quite the story to tell. Originating in South Carolina, Trevor is acclimating to our New England winter with not a bother at all.

He's got those big ears that make him look like he wants to take flight, but really they are all the better to hear you with when you call his name and spend quality time with him. We adopted him out but his new dotting owner realized after three months, that work time and "Trevor Time" were not compatible.

Young Trevor has been enjoying canine enrichment and rehabilitation here at New Hampshire Humane Society. He is anxious and really doesn't want to be alone. Although barely out of puppyhood, he would blossom in some confidence building/socialization classes with other dogs where he can make canine friends appropriately. We offer such classes at NHHS.

Of course anyone would be smitten with his unusually marked coat, but look past that and see in those big brown eyes a dog that needs love and companionship, structured play and exercise in a home that will keep him engaged. Are you that someone?

Call 524-3252 – and check out www.nhhumane.org

FREE

FEB FITNESS FUN

@ The Downtown Gym and Wellness Center, 171 Fair Street, Laconia

Get Moving

For the young at heart - 60 +

TUESDAYS
(in February)
@ 10:15 AM

**GYM CLASS
HEROS**



**TUESDAYS @ 3:00
PM (in February)**
Open to middle school
aged students

**Fun Fitness
Friday**



FRIDAYS @ 5:30 PM
(in February)

Open to elementary school
aged students
accompanied by adult



The Patriots didn't win the Super Bowl, but some local families did win by having some extra food to add to their shelves. Shown above are just a few of the items donated by City Hall employees for a recent "Pay Day Food Drive" pickup... appropriately, "Kraft" mac and cheese and New England Clam Chowder!

Sober Parenting Journey

Addiction is complicated and difficult to overcome.

Parents and caregivers in recovery face the additional challenge of building strong, positive relationships with their children while maintaining sobriety, which can be both rewarding and daunting.

Sober Parenting Journey provides a valuable source of fellowship and support and enhances awareness of triggers that may bring about relapse.

Personal recovery, accountability, positive actions, and hard work are only some of the topics discussed by group members.

Participants in this class should have at least 90 days sobriety prior to the start of the class.

Tuesday evenings from 5:30-8:00 pm

Dinner served in class

14-Week Series begins

March 6, 2018

The Family Resource Center

719 No. Main Street, Laconia, NH

To register: Contact Tricia T. at

528-0391 or

e-mail tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org

Limited on-site childcare and assistance with transportation may be available upon request.



The Linden
Foundation

The Samuel P. Pardoe
Foundation

The Arts Alliance of Northern New Hampshire & the Belknap Mill present

A Family Valentine's Day Concert with Traditional American Folk Musicians Atwater-Donnelly

6:30 p.m., Wednesday
February 14

Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon St. East
Laconia, NH

\$12/ticket
\$18/couple
\$20/family

Purchase in advance & save!

The wonderful husband-wife duo draws from their extensive repertoire of **traditional American and Celtic folk songs** as well as original songs and poetry, in a lively, humorous, and participatory family concert focused on the beauty, humor and perils of love.



Additional Programs:

Workshop for Educators & Teaching Artists, Monday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.

Family Concert, Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m. Whitney Community Center, Jackson

Advance tickets plus details on concerts & workshops:
www.aannh.org, programs@aannh.org, 603-323-7302



The ARTS ALLIANCE
of
NORTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE



NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
Nile and Louis Tilden Fund



Everyone is welcome; if the price is a hardship, pay what you can or come as our guest. This program is part of a northern NH residency presented by the Arts Alliance and supported in part by the New England States Touring Program of the New England Foundation for the Arts, made possible with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts Regional Touring Program and the six New England state arts agencies, including the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts. Thank you to all our funders, hosts and partners. If you have access needs or concerns, please let us know in advance.

Laconia
CITY ON THE LAKES
NEW HAMPSHIRE



Notify Me®

Did you know that there is an easy way to find out about important notices and items affecting residents in our community?

Just log onto the City's website at www.laconianh.gov and click "Notify Me" on the left hand side of the screen (or click on the Notify Me image above).

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

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



Saturday, March 24, 2018
At Funspot!

Read More



A Medication Collection and Disposal Box is located in the lobby of the Laconia Police Department for your convenience in disposing of old or unused prescription drugs in a safe manner. Open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk. The collection box is accessible 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week!



89TH ANNUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SLED DOG DERBY

FEBRUARY 16, 17, 18, 2018
LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE



\$\$\$ Day Money\$\$\$

Tentative Purse
\$18,000

Guy Girard, St. Thomas de Joliette, PQ
1st Place 2017
Photo by: Karen Bachelder



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

START/FINISH LINE at the field at corner of Parade Rd and Old North Main St – across from
Lakes Region Correction Facility

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018

7:00 PM – Starting Order Draw- Laconia Country Club
Spectator Venue

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2018

10:00 AM – Six-Dog Classic
1:00 PM – Unlimited Class – World Championship Day 1

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018

10:00 AM – Six-Dog Classic
12:00 noon – Three-Dog Junior
1:30 PM – Unlimited Class – World Championship Day 2

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

10:00 AM – Six-Dog Classic
12:00 noon – Three-Dog Junior
To be announced – One-Dog Junior
1:30 PM – Unlimited Class – World Championship Day 3
4:00 PM – Raffle & Awards Ceremony – Laconia
Country Club Spectator Venue

Public Welcome!

ONLINE LIVE STREAMING !!!
TUNE IN TO A LIVE BROADCAST
OF THE EVENT:

LOCAL NEWS, TALK & SPORTS
WEMJ
107.3 FM



Country Club Open to
Public – Food, fire pit &
trail views



RACE & EVENTS MANAGED BY THE LAKES REGION SLED DOG CLUB, INC.
AND SUPPORTED BY LACONIA / LAKES REGION CITIZENS AND BUSINESS COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEERS WELCOME AND NEEDED FOR INFORMATION: CALL JIM LYMAN
DAYS – (603) 524-4314 EVENINGS – (603) 524-8560

Visit us at our website www.lrsdc.org for more information, entry form and to view a list of
our generous sponsors.

Do you wanna build a snowman?



Feburary 1st- March 1st

Let's fill Rotary Park and around the Belknap Mill.

Bring your own supplies, and come create a snowman in the Park.

Take a photo and submit it to our Facebook page for a chance to win a fun prize!

PosterMyWall.com

11th Annual Robbie Mills Memorial 8 BALL TOURNAMENT

To Benefit:



&



Saturday March 10th (Major Snow date March 11th)

at **Laconia Rod & Gun Club**
358 South Main Street

\$25.00 PP Donation includes: Practice, Lunch & entry for door prizes

Pre-Pay by March 1st and receive a free T-Shirt

Doors open @ 9:30am (Pay \$30.00 after 10:30)

Tournament starts Promptly at 11:00am

Double Elimination - BCA Rules apply

Sponsor a player: If you can't play, Pay for a player that can't afford it!

Pre-Pay at www.robbiemills.org
for information

Contact Tony Felch 998-1418

Or Mike Baron 528-5001 or on

Robbie Mills website at www.robbiemills.org

1 Trophies

2 Cash Prizes

3 Food

4 Raffles

5 50/50

6 Live Auction

Sponsored by



**Dogs are due to be
licensed by
April 30, 2018!**

Just a
friendly
reminder...

Failure to register by April 30th is a violation of RSA 466:13 and subject to a Civil Forfeiture of no less than \$25 in fines and court fees plus any late fees. Please come into the City Clerk's Office, or use our convenient on-line service ([click here](#)).

Fees are as follows for licensing:

Altered dog (or puppy
under 7 mos. old) \$6.50

Unaltered dog \$9.00

Senior (1st dog for
owners over 65) \$2.00

Replacement tag \$1.00

Late charge per
month as of June 1 \$1.00

Civil fine for failure to
register by 4/30 \$25.00



Questions? Call
the Clerk's Office
at 527-1265

Laconia Parks & Recreation

FEBRUARY VACATION EVENTS

CALENDAR

MONDAY, 2/26

Middle School Age Basketball 1:00 - 4:15

*Sledding Party from 2:00 - 4:00 (South Street)



TUESDAY, 2/27

Middle School Age Basketball 1:00 - 4:15

WEDNESDAY, 2/28

Elementary Open Gym & Arts n Crafts 1:00 - 4:15



THURSDAY, 3/1

High School Basketball Time 1:00 - 4:15

* Cardboard Sled Racing (see page 11 for more info)

FRIDAY, 3/2

High School Basketball Time 1:00 - 4:15

*Ice Skating Party from 2:00 - 4:00 (Memorial Park)



Elementary Times

Middle School Times

High School Times

All Ages

* Weather and Conditions Permitting

For questions or more information, please call the Parks & Rec. office at 524-5046!



Don't forget !
ServiceLink
Resource Center
(1-866-634-9412 or
528-6945).....it's the first
number to call for
senior services.

Please join us at the Senior Center
Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 10:00 am for
our Valentine's Day celebration! Feel
the caring vibes as we celebrate this
special time. Share a reading of your
favorite poem or story reflecting your
thoughts and memories of this heartfelt
day. Enjoy our musical entertainment,
Mel and Dave, before we serve our
luncheon at 11:30 am. Be sure to sport
your best red (or pink) attire!

*Laconia Senior Center is located at
17 Church Street in Laconia.
Questions? Call 524-7689*

*We hope you have enjoyed this
Edition of Laconia Links*

*We welcome your input, comments
and suggestions!*

Feel free to contact us at the
City Manager's office, 527-1270,
or by e-mail at info@laconianh.gov

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers,
City Manager
City's Website:
www.laconianh.gov



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager: Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assessor - Deb Derrick	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert	
City Manager.....	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing.....	528-6331
Licensing - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumoe	
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	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Gail Denio	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	

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David Bownes (Ward 2)	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Armand Bolduc (Ward 6).....	524-2514

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