



## Laconia Links

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## Recycling Update

**Two Week Total - November 20, 2017—December 1, 2017**

Fiscal YTD Recyclables		Savings to Taxpayers Fiscal YTD *		Lost Opportunity Dollars	
Collected	Total Tons	Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30%	Fiscal YTD = \$30,114.00
Route	Collected	Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30%	Savings By Not Reaching Target
	(MSW + Recycling)				
Remote Sites		27.73			
Monday	26.64	6.03	22.6%	7.99	\$294.00
Tuesday	45.99	11.15	24.2%	13.80	\$397.50
Wednesday	44.15	8.63	19.5%	13.24	\$691.50
Thursday	40.07	8.48	21.2%	12.02	\$531.00
Friday	38.92	7.52	19.3%	11.68	\$624.00
	Total = 195.77	Total = 41.81	Curbside Avg. = 21.4 %	Total = 58.73	Total = \$2,538.00
<b>*Fiscal Year to Date: 7/1/17 - present</b>		Prior 2 Weeks = 20.4%	<b>Recycling Saves \$\$</b>		

**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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)

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



Shown above is Lisa Cornish receiving the 2017 Bieniarz Award. See [page eight](#) for more details!



### Snowman Contest!

December 1st through March 1st. Make a snowman with your family and take a picture of it! Send the picture in by March 1st to the Parks and Rec Department at [parks@laconianh.gov](mailto:parks@laconianh.gov).

You might win a prize!

## Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events....



*The Library will be closed  
on Monday,  
December 25, in  
observance of  
Christmas Day.*

Please note: Wednesday's weekly adult board game night program will be taking a short hiatus for the holidays. Come play games with us again in January!



### FILL A BASKET

Please join us in gathering food and supplies for families in need this holiday season.



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!**

## LACONIA CELEBRATES WINTER SNOW

A WINTER EXHIBIT  
December 21 - March 20  
Laconia Public Library

Explore some of the many reasons winter is a great time to  
**CELEBRATE LACONIA.**

Brought to you by the Laconia Historical & Museum Society • Preserving the History & Culture of Laconia, NH • [LaconiaHistory.org](#)

An Open House for the Laconia Celebrates Winter Snow Exhibit will be held at 6 pm, Wednesday, Dec. 20, in the Upper Gallery of the Laconia Public Library under the auspices of the Laconia Historical and Museum Society.

Many Laconia themes and reasons why winter is a great time to Celebrate Laconia will be explored. Please come and enjoy knowing full well that the actual snow and cold will remain outside the building! The Open House is free and open to the public. For further information, contact LHMS at 527-1278, [lhmspl@metrocast.net](mailto:lhmspl@metrocast.net) or go to [www.laconiahistory.org](http://www.laconiahistory.org).

# 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.

Meeting  
in  
Progress

**Please see below for meetings  
scheduled for the week of  
December 18 - 22, 2017:**

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**  
December 18, 2017, 7:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

**Parks & Recreation Comm.**  
The 12/18 meeting has been  
cancelled

**Laconia Human Relations  
Committee**  
December 19, 2017, 3:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

**Technical Review Comm. II**  
December 20, 2017, 10:00 am  
City Hall, Room 200A

**Conservation Commission**  
December 20, 2017, 6:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

**Police Commission**  
December 21, 2017, 3:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

**Laconia Airport Authority**  
December 21, 2017, 4:00 pm  
Airport Conference Room

# Laconia Pride

## Laconia School District

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



**On behalf of the Laconia School District,  
we wish you a joyful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!**

'Tis the season to be benevolent! Laconia Staff and Students are demonstrating several acts of kindness throughout our community!

First and second-grade students at Woodland Heights Elementary School have been working on a Community Kindness Project this holiday season. Students created "tags" and "bags" and placed warm items in individual bags for people in need.



 Elm Street School, Pleasant Street School, and Woodland Heights School collaborated to collect personal hygiene items during the month of November and on December 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, they donated over 2,000 items to the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

Laconia Middle School has been taking part in the 12 Days of Kindness challenge. Inspired by a recent visit from Recycled Percussion, students' names are drawn each day and are recognized for their acts of kindness.



Laconia Middle School's staff volunteered to work the phone bank at the Lakes Region Children's Auction and Huot Career and Technical Center's Digital Media Arts 2<sup>nd</sup> year students were part



of the TV crew while filming the Auction live. Woodland Heights Elementary Students and Staff felt the holiday spirit and donated \$721.00 to the Lakes Region Children's Auction through a coin drive the they organized.



Huot Career and Technical Center's Law Enforcement program have partnered with Mix 94.1 to collect items for a food drive. Students from across HTC have shown great support for this cause.

 Laconia High School's Key Club Members turned into elves on December 8<sup>th</sup> while volunteering at Journey to the North Pole in Lincoln, NH. You will find the LHS Key Club ringing the bell for the Salvation Army this Saturday in downtown Laconia!



Elm Street School's First Graders visited the Belknap County Nursing Home on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> to make holiday cards with residents.



Pleasant School staff and students donated 124 pairs of socks and raised a total \$132.31 for the Lakes Region Santa Fund!



Wondering where to get your Christmas tree this year? Maggy D's (330 Court St., Laconia) has a large selection of beautiful, fresh NH-grown trees to choose from AND 10% of the proceeds of all tree sales are donated to the NH Humane Society!

**TREE SALES CONTINUE THROUGH  
MID-DECEMBER  
(AS LONG AS SUPPLIES LAST!)**

**Maggy D's also serves as a drop off point for animal food & supplies for the Humane Society. Check out [nhhumane.org](http://nhhumane.org) for the full Wish List!**

## Public Works Department

The Laconia 2018 Curbside Recycling Collection Calendar is here!

Click on the image (right) to view a full-sized version of the calendar.



Questions? Please call Ann at DPW, 528-6379. Copies of the calendar can be picked up in City Hall or at Public Works on Bisson Avenue.



### **CITY OF LACONIA SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST NOTICE OF SESSION**

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 5 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 Primary Belknap 3 Election being held on January 9, 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)**

## *News From the Tax Department...*

### **PROPERTY TAX BILLS WERE MAILED 11/29/17!**

Tax bills were mailed on Wednesday, November 29, 2017. They are due on December 29, 2017.

Payments are accepted by mail and at the counter in City Hall during normal business hours. Office hours are Monday – Friday 8:30-4:30. For your convenience there is a drop slot located on the side door of City Hall. We are now accepting credit cards over the counter and online. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover are accepted.

Convenience fees apply to all credit card transactions.

Please call the Tax Office at 527-1269 if you have any questions.

## Homeless Person's



## Memorial Day Vigil

December 21, 2017

The longest night of this year – officially, the first day of winter, will begin with a “candlelight” vigil in Veteran’s Square, Laconia, NH at 5:30PM. The vigil is coordinated by the Belknap County Continuum of Care - the Homeless Coalition in Laconia. Individuals will be remembered who died while homeless or recently housed over the past year.

The annual memorial observation is now a tradition among Laconia area faith communities and community service providers, and is held in conjunction with the [National Homeless Persons' Memorial Day](#) traditionally held on December 21st—the longest night of the year. Laconia is one of more than 150 cities nationwide to observe the memorial.

\*Bring a flashlight, candle, cell phone light

To learn more about the face of homelessness or to make a difference, please contact Kathryn Holt, Executive Director, Belknap House, 527-8097.

# News From the City Clerk's Office



## 2018 Transfer Station Stickers

The City Clerk's Office is now selling 2018 Transfer Station Stickers. Transfer Station stickers are \$20 each; a valid vehicle registration for the vehicle the sticker will be put on must be provided at the time of purchase.

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



### OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE SALE BEGINS!

**Beautiful, native New Hampshire trees provided by Freedom Firs.**

**Hours of operation are 9AM to 8PM beginning December 1<sup>st</sup> through Christmas Eve.  
Your tree will be wrapped and loaded onto your car with care!**



**Our new sale location:  
73 Daniel Webster Highway, Belmont, NH  
Across the street from Belknap Mall in the upper parking lot.  
Thank you, Northland Storage for the donation of space!**

**ADDITIONALLY, PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE WEEKENDS AT 200 COURT ST. LACONIA!**

**Free Cookies, Warm Cider and Christmas Cheer.**

**Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> 12:30 to 5:00 PM  
Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup> 12:30 to 5:00 PM  
Saturday December 16<sup>th</sup> 12:30 to 5:00 PM**

**Help support Belknap House and the families in need this Holiday Season by purchasing your tree from us.**

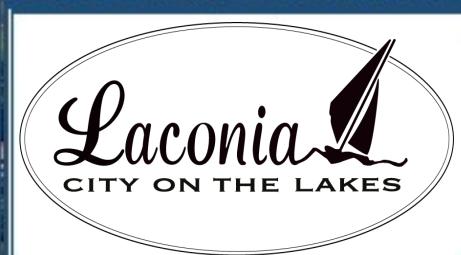


## SPECIAL STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

There will be a Special State Primary Election held Tuesday, January 9, 2018 for State Representative for Belknap County District No. 3. All polling locations will be open from 7 AM to 7 PM.

The candidates will be Les A. Cartier and William Henry Davies, both Republicans, and Philip Spagnuolo, Jr., Democrat. All parties will be able to vote. Absentee Ballots are now available in the Clerk's Office.

For questions or additional information, please call the City Clerk's Office at 527-1265.



## LACONIA RIVERWALK INFORMATIONAL MEETING

*This is an opportunity for members of the public to view preliminary design and provide feedback for two new segments of the Laconia Riverwalk in Downtown Laconia.*

**When:** **Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm**

**Where:** Laconia City Hall Rm. 200A

**Who:** Anyone interested in knowing more about the proposed Riverwalk segments from City Hall to Church Street and a 450 foot segment behind Walgreens and the Landmark Inn.

**For More Information:** Contact Laconia Parks and Recreation @ 524-5046  
or email [parks@laconianh.gov](mailto:parks@laconianh.gov)

The Belknap Mill Presents:

## Yuletide Traditions

*The Spirit of Community*

**Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 9am - 1pm**

Photo with Santa in the historic Powerhouse  
Holiday Storytellers  
Festive crafts and activities  
Holiday Magic Show *by magical artist Larry Frates*  
Design your Christmas Wish List  
Milk, Cookies and Traditional Treats  
and more!

**\$10/family**

**\* Holiday Door Prize**  
**\* Ring in the Holiday Season as a Member**

event will be held at the Belknap Mill  
25 Beacon Street East | Laconia, NH | 524-8813

## Homeless Shelter Open for the Season



**Serves Belknap County Families from October-May**



**~ Referral needed -contact your local welfare office ~**  
**200 Court Street, Laconia, NH 603-527-8097**



### Disposal of Christmas Trees

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

In an effort to more efficiently and effectively utilize DPW personnel and equipment time, **Christmas Trees are NO longer picked up curbside by Laconia DPW** in the weeks immediately following the Holidays. Laconia residents can transport and drop-off their tree(s) at the following locations for ultimate disposal by DPW:



1. Laconia Transfer Station, 385 Meredith Center Road. Monday thru Friday from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm and Saturdays from 8:00 am to Noon. Place trees in the specifically marked/designated area ONLY. PLEASE PULL ON SCALES FIRST!
2. Memorial Park Softball Field off Pearl St (on Memorial Park Drive). Place trees in the specifically marked/designated area ONLY.

Please call Ann, Department of Public Works with any questions, 528-6379, ext.300.



## 2017 Debra Bieniarz Memorial Award



Thirty years ago the Laconia City Council established the Debra Bieniarz Memorial Award for outstanding service to children and youth in the Lakes Region in memory of police officer Debra Bieniarz.

Each year a committee comprised of one City Councilor, one member of the Police Department and one member of the School Board selects an individual to be recognized for this award based on nominations from members of the community.

The award honors a member of the community who has enlivened and enriched the lives of young people.

This year's winner is Lisa Cornish, shown above with Councilor Ava Doyle at a recent City Council meeting where she was presented with the award. We are very lucky to have Lisa in our community! Please click [here](#) to read the presentation in its entirety.



### *And the winners are...*

Typically each year one City employee, nominated by fellow co-workers and chosen by the Personnel Advisory Board, receives an "Employee Recognition" award.

This year two employees were nominated and chosen - the 2017 Employee Recognition Award was presented at our Christmas Luncheon to Nick Cantara and Dan Albert who comprise our IT Department.

To read the full presentation click [here](#).

**Congratulations Nick and Dan!**



Each year City of Laconia employees and Board/Commission members are honored for their years of service at the City's annual employee Christmas Luncheon.

This year's luncheon was held on December 14th honoring the following employees and Board/Commission members:

#### **5 Years:**

Scott Lewandowski	Fire Dept.
Daniel Doucette	Fire Dept.
Dennis Comeau	Fire Dept.
Charles Campbell	Fire Dept.
Eric Adams	Police Dept.
Donald Smith, Jr.	DPW
Glenn Smith	Library Bd.
Joseph Tivnan	Planning Bd.
Michael Foote	ZBA
Mary Ellen Boudman	Heritage Comm.
Kimberly Danosi	Library Bd.

#### **10 Years:**

Trish Valovanie	Fire Dept.
Daniel Carsen	Police Dept.
Kendra Neri	Police Dept.
Timothy Ford	Parks & Rec.
Kalena Graham	Planning
Arlene Woodward	Planning
David Bogannan	DPW
Steve St. Pierre	DPW
Lisa Morin	Cons. Comm.
Doug Whittum	Police Comm.
Suzanne Perley	Zoning Bd.
Greg Page	Water Comm.

#### **15 Years:**

Charles Roffo	Fire Dept.
Robert Cameron	Police Dept.
James Sawyer	Police Dept.
Christopher Noyes	Police Dept.
David Keets	DPW
Steven Bogert	Zoning Bd.

#### **20 Years:**

Kirk Beattie	Fire Dept.
Matt Canfield	Police Dept.
Allan Graton	Police Dept.
Florinda Jansen	Library

#### **25 Years:**

Jason Bourdeau	Water Dept.
Robert Harrington	Housing Auth.

#### **30 Years:**

Seth Nuttelman	Water Dept.
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#### **40 Years:**

Cheryl Hounsell	Water Dept.
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*Our sincere thanks to all!*



# Laconia Fire Department

Link to Fire Dept.'s Website [here](#)

## Christmas Tree Safety Tips

It is that time of year when Christmas trees are brought into our homes. Christmas time is a wonderful time of year, however, it can also be very dangerous. The Christmas tree is probably one of the most recognized seasonal symbols in the world. Unfortunately, a Christmas tree, if not properly cared for, can create a very dangerous fire hazard. Normally, Christmas trees are harvested starting in October. They are then transported throughout the country for sale to the public. By the time you purchase a tree and bring it home the tree could be several months old. Obviously if you cut your own tree it is as fresh as possible. However, once you place the tree indoors the drying process accelerates - Christmas trees must be watered daily.

We have been heating our homes for more than a month now. Heating also equates to evaporation; our homes are drying out. This means that as soon as you place the Christmas tree indoors it will start to lose moisture quickly. As soon as you get your tree home place it in a bucket of water. Let it absorb as much water as possible. Be sure you first cut the end off so there is fresh wood exposed. Most good tree dealers will do this for you.

Every year there are thousands of home fires involving Christmas trees. Every year the damage is in the millions and 30 to 40 people will die in fires as a result of Christmas trees catching fire. Fortunately, the number of home fires related to Christmas trees is steadily declining. This is primarily because of awareness, early detection of fires, and the use of artificial trees.

Christmas trees are a very short-term hazard and do produce a high proportionate loss. When a Christmas tree is ignited, the resulting fire is very hot and intense. Fire will spread rapidly and devour the room it is in just seconds. If the tree is near a stairway the fire will spread up the stairs in seconds preventing escape. Any person upstairs will not be able to come down this stairway.

Fortunately, there is an easy way to reduce the risk: water. A Christmas tree needs to be adequately watered every day. The moisture content of the needles will determine how fast a tree can be ignited and then burn. If a tree is baled after cutting, this will help retain moisture. Once the wrapping is cut and the branches open up the tree will quickly start to dry out.

When picking a Christmas tree bounce the tree on the ground. If needles fall off then the tree is already too dry. After you pick your Christmas tree it is very important that you make a fresh cut on the bottom of the trunk. A straight cut is all that is needed. This allows water to travel up through the rings of the tree. Put the tree into a large stand as soon as possible. Keep the stand filled with water at all times. A large tree may soak up to 3 quarts of water per day, especially in the first few days when the tree attempts to rehydrate itself. It is very important to keep a tree adequately watered. If the tree dries out beyond a certain point, it will not rehydrate.

According to experts it is best to use plain ordinary tap water. There are a number of additives for sale that claim to reduce the flammability of Christmas trees. There is no evidence that validates these claims. The best solution is plenty of water. You may need to fill the basin 2 or 3 times per day.

Try to keep your tree away from doorways and stairways. Never place a Christmas tree near a fireplace or other type of heating unit. This will cause the tree to dry out regardless of the amount of water in the tree stand. Check your Christmas lights to make sure they are in good shape. If the wire is worn or frayed throw the lights away and buy new lights. Never use candles on or near a Christmas tree. Always put the lights out if you're leaving the house and before going to bed.

After Christmas remove the tree as soon as possible. It will definitely be dried out by then. Store the tree away from the house. Never store it in the garage, in the basement, or on the porch.

Please heed our advice and you and your family will have a safer holiday season. The Laconia Fire Department would like to take this time to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



## Free Christmas Dinner

Methodist Church

Rt. 11A Gilford

Dec. 25th at noon

**Social hour with appetizers,  
treats and caroling!**

**Ham dinner served at 1 pm**

**Reservations required; all are  
welcome. Call 832-8006 before  
Dec. 20th and leave a message  
that includes the number of  
people attending.**



Society of  
St. Vincent  
de Paul

LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

St. Vincent De Paul Children's  
Foundation Christmas Program  
Saturday, December 16th  
from 10 am to 2 pm  
1269 Union Avenue  
At the Food Pantry  
524-5470

Providing clothing, socks, underwear, diapers  
and personal hygiene items for ages infant to 18  
years. Applications are being taken and filled on  
Saturday, Dec. 16 from 10 am to 2 pm. Please  
call for more information. Parents/Guardians are  
asked to bring appropriate paperwork if they  
have sole or split custody of their children.



### Christmas Card Art Class

Monday, December 18th @ 9:30am—12:30pm

Make that special Christmas card for that special  
someone using special die cutouts.

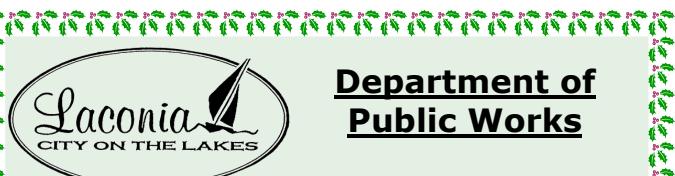
\$2.00 per card. All materials will be provided.

Lakes Region Creative Aging Center

17 Church St., Laconia, NH

For more information, contact

Linda Howard at 603-273-0125



### Department of Public Works

**CHRISTMAS DAY  
Solid Waste Collection Delay  
NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON  
CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES**

**Christmas Day is Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**



**There will be A ONE (1) DAY DELAY in  
curbside collection of trash for this  
week. Monday collections will be on  
Tuesday. Every other day will be moved  
ahead by one day. Any questions,  
please call Ann @ 528-6379, ext 300.**



The Winnisquam Watershed Network is having a contest to see who can design the best logo for their website! The reward is a \$100.00 savings bond and the winning logo will be used on the WNN website, official letterhead, publications, and promotional materials!

Logo designs should be in vector EPS format scalable art and submitted by January 31, 2018 to Winnisquamwatershednetwork@gmail.com.

## WWN Logo Contest

**CURRENT LOGO**

WINNISQUAM WATERSHED NETWORK

WILLIAM CLIFFORD DODD WINNISQUAM WATERSHED NETWORK

SUBSCRIBE

Everyday is a new chance to do something more...more...more...more...more...

# Winter Parking Ban

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

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

Thank you for your cooperation!

**Please drive safely this winter!**

**40% off**  
**Christmas merchandise**

**LRGH Gift Shop**  
**December 14th – December 29th**  
**LOCATED IN THE LRGH ATRIUM LOBBY**

**Open: Monday to Friday 8am – 4pm 524-3211 EXT. 3172**

**EXCLUSIONS WILL APPLY: Prescott Florist and sale table**

*Proceeds from sales support LRGH Auxiliary charitable projects and programs.*



# NH Humane Society

Over a century of love for those without a voice.

## Pet of the Week: Jett



A recent study claimed dogs are smarter than cats, based on scientific analysis by the 'white coated ones', but, if affection given without prerequisite is what you crave in your next pet, then our JETT, a long haired black cat, is a perfect choice.

Jett was surrendered to New Hampshire Humane Society in September – his owner, in failing health, could no longer care for him. It is apparent to us that Jett was loved, cuddled, and had a wonderful home. Living at the shelter has been hard for him, he simply wants to snuggle his people; he'll wrap his front legs around you and let you hold him like a baby actually. Jett feels his main function is to be close to humans. He hasn't cohabited with dogs, that might be a little more than he can rightly tolerate, and apparently he prefers the company of other male cats, so we know assimilating into a household with another cat shouldn't be too difficult. Adoption staff are more than willing to help with the transition.

It's true we thought we had a terrific adoptive home in November, but that did not pan out, sadly for Jett who had already packed his suitcase to leave. He's about 10 years old, stands proud with his majesty plume of a tail, is sweet as can be and very, very affectionate. We do not want to see Jett outside in the cold; a cozy inglenook close to the fire is Jett's wish this holiday season.

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

524-3252    [facebook.com/nhhumane](https://facebook.com/nhhumane)

December  
21st!



## What is the Winter Solstice?

The word *solstice* comes from Latin *sol* "sun" and *sister* "to stand still." In the Northern Hemisphere, as summer advances to winter, the points on the horizon where the sun rises and sets advance southward each day; the high point in the sun's daily path across the sky, which occurs at local noon, also moves southward each day.

At the winter solstice, the sun's path has reached its southernmost position. The next day, the path will advance northward. However, a few days before and after the winter solstice, the change is so slight that the sun's path seems to stay the same, or stand still. The sun is directly overhead at "high-noon" on winter solstice at the latitude called the Tropic of Capricorn.

You can observe the changing day length in our area with the [Sunrise and Sunset Times Calculator](https://www.timeanddate.com/sun/usa/boston).

*Courtesy of the Old Farmer's Almanac*

**Remember to put out  
your recycling the week  
of December 25th!**



**Thank you for recycling!**

Be sure to check [page ten](#) for information on the holiday week curbside pickup schedule!

# LACONIA WATER DEPARTMENT

## METER MAINTENANCE PROGRAM



Meters are changed periodically to comply with the Public Utilities Commission's Rules and Regulations, the American Water Works Association and in accordance with the Laconia Water Works' Tariff. The Water Department has an annual program that replaces meters and **there is no cost to the property owner**. Our goal is to change out 600 meters over the next two months.

The Water Department will contact those property owners whose water meters are to be changed. We are in the process of sending letters and making phone calls to schedule appointments. This process takes approximately 15-20 minutes.



For your convenience Saturday morning appointments are available.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at (603) 524-0901.



## LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY

### December Adult Craft Rescheduled because of December 12 storm

Create a little mess to make something pretty.



#### Afternoon Painted Rock Cacti

Tuesday, January 23  
2pm  
Laconia Rotary Hall

Sign up for one of two time slots!

#### Evening Painted Rock Cacti

Tuesday, January 23  
6pm  
Laconia Rotary Hall

Sign up for one of two time slots!

Create a fun plant that won't die! Brighten up a windowsill with a potted cactus made out of a little paint, and some rocks.

Sign up required!

To sign up call 524-4775 or email [aalwyn@laconialibrary.org](mailto:aalwyn@laconialibrary.org).



## City Manager Updates

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

First, take a look at the updated [Financial & Operational Trends](#) report. In this document you'll find financial information for the current year compared to prior years in several departments, such as fire and rescue call data, revenue from motor vehicle registrations and property taxes, police incidents, overtime costs and much more!

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.

Contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or  
[info@city.laconia.nh.us](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)



*Please note: City Hall will be closed for the holidays on December 25th and January 1st. We apologize for any inconvenience!*



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

**Join us at the Senior Center  
on Thursday, Dec. 28th at  
11 am for our New Year's Eve  
Celebration and Luncheon!**  
We will offer a number of  
activities including a reading  
of holiday poems and prose  
before we serve a delicious  
“Welcome the New Year”  
luncheon to kick off 2018!

**Please call the Senior Center at 514-7689 for more  
information and be sure to RSVP early!**

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

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*We welcome your input, comments  
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Feel free to contact us at the  
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*Have a great weekend!*

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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 Clerk	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
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Tax .....	527-1269
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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 Baumel	
Police (Administration) .....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) .....	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
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Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	
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Welfare Specialist - Gail Denio	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
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