



Laconia Links

November 30, 2018 - Edition #364



Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin
The 2018 Light-Up Laconia Holiday Festival & Parade was held Nov. 25! More photos on [page 8](#).



Please Consider Helping Clear Snow from Nearby Fire Hydrants

With winter upon us and the snow starting already, you will once again begin to see firefighters out shoveling the snow away from fire hydrants so they can be accessed without delay in the case of a fire.

In Laconia, depending on how busy the department is responding to emergency incidents, this can take up to three days after a storm to complete. This is where you can help!

If there is a fire hydrant near your home or work and you are out clearing snow, please consider clearing the snow from around your nearby fire hydrant as well. Three feet in all directions and a clear path to the street is what we look for to provide best access.

Many people already do this, and we very much appreciate your help. We understand that not everyone can safely do this, and that's understandable. This is why we will continue to be out working to complete the job in a timely manner.

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!



As always, thank you for your continued support!

*Chief Kirk Beattie
Laconia Fire Department*





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PUBLIC LIBRARY

Teen & Tween Craft:
Glitter Ornaments
Wednesday, Dec. 5, 3 pm,
Laconia
Rotary Hall



'Tis the
season!

**Teen
Tournament:**
Pac Man
Tuesday,
Dec. 4, 3 pm
**Laconia
Rotary Hall**

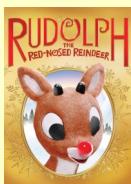


Play the classic arcade
game. Prize to the Winner!

Upcoming

EVENTS

**Movies & More for Kids:
"Rudolph the Red-Nosed
Reindeer" and
"A Charlie Brown Christmas"**
Friday, Dec. 7, 3:45 pm
Laconia Rotary Hall



A misfit reindeer and his
friends look for a place
that will accept them.

Repelled by the
commercialism he sees
around him, Charlie
Brown tries to find the
true meaning of
Christmas



*Children under 10 must be accom-
panied by a caregiver 14 or older.
All adults must bring a child.*



A Tudor Christmas
Thursday, Dec. 6, 6:30 pm
Laconia Rotary Hall

Christmas and New Year's was a
time of celebration at the English
Tudor court of the 16th century.
Elaborate masques and revelries
coincided with feasts and gift-
giving. While modern Christmas
draws many of its traditions from
the late 19th/early 20th century,
we can find some parallels in
Henry VIII's world. This talk will
explore the sights, sounds, and
smells of a Tudor Christmas. Hail
and Wassail! Join historian Mike
Glaesner for what promises to be
a festive evening!

Adult Coloring: Monday, December 3, 1:00 pm in the Volpe Room



Coloring isn't just the latest trend, it's a great way to relax and create
something beautiful. Join us for a social hour spent experimenting with
gel pens, markers, and colored pencils.

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.

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

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.

Meetings

All meetings are held in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in City Hall (formerly Room 200A) unless otherwise noted

Planning Board

December 4, 2018, 7:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Special Events Review Comm.

December 5, 2018, 12:00 noon
[Agenda](#)

Conservation Commission

December 5, 2018, 6:00 pm

Laconia Pride

Laconia School District

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

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2018

On November 14th, Pleasant Street School's Preschoolers enjoyed making pies for Thanksgiving with their families.



Find the Approved 2019/2020 School Year Calendar [Here](#)

Laconia Teachers and Administrators shared their knowledge of technology on November 27th at the Christa McAuliffe Technology Conference.



Left to Right: Dr. Alison Bryant, Linsey Middleton, Angel Burke, Shannon Siegler, and Lisa Hinds.

Congratulations to Laconia High School's Quarter I Sachem PRIDE award winners! Great representatives of Sachem Nation!



Left to Right: Lydia Tucker, Jillian McDonald, Jacob Bancroft, and Dylan Patten.

Mark Your Calendars!

November 30th at 7pm: LHS Performance of Streetcar-Macbeth

December 1st 8am-12pm: Elm Street School, ESSence of Giving

December 1st at 7pm: LHS Performance of Streetcar-Macbeth

December 2nd at 7pm: LHS Performance of Streetcar-Macbeth

December 4th at 7pm: Laconia School Board Meeting

December 5th at 6pm: Elm Street School VISTESS Meeting

December 5th at 7pm: Laconia Middle School Holiday Concert

December 7th at 6pm: Polar Express Movie Night

December 10th at 6pm: Pleasant Street School VIPPS Meeting

December 12th at 7pm: Laconia High School Holiday Concert

December 14th : Presents for Pleasant

December 14th: Woodland Heights Book Swap



A Holiday Decorating Competition!

Decorate your home and/or business and showcase your holiday spirit for a chance to win!



Residential Winner: \$250 prize

Runner-Up: \$100 prize

Business Winner: 50 radio commercial spots on WEMJ & holiday plaque



Register your location by 12/01 @ celebratelaconia.org

All members of the community can vote for their favorite home and business decorations, crowning the **Community Choice Award** winners. Voting is open from 11/25 - 12/14; one vote per person. Vote at celebratelaconia.org or on Facebook.

Home Vote: bit.ly/2018LaconiaHome

Business Vote: bit.ly/2018LaconiaBiz

Thank you to our Sponsors:

Bank of New Hampshire | Belknap Landscape Co. | Faro Italian Grille | Kennell Orthodontics | Laconia Daily Sun | Lakes Region Community Services | MI-BOX | Mislaszek Turpin | Normandin, Cheney & O'Neil, PLLC | **Questions: connect@celebratelaconia.org**



Free! Adult & Pediatric CPR/AED Class
offered by American Red Cross & EVERSOURCE
for residents of Laconia, NH.

The Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED course incorporates the latest science and teaches students how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies for victims about 12 years and older. Students who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Adult & Pediatric CPR/AED valid for two years.

Class Date: Thursday, December 6, 2018

Class Time: 9:00am-3:00pm

Place: Laconia Fire Department
848 North Main Street, Laconia, NH

To register online [click here](#) or contact the Training Support Center at support@redcrosstraining.org or call 1-800-REDCROSS.

Please provide this coupon code to register for the course at no cost.
Coupon codes are case sensitive. ARCIINTERNAL1217.

Class is available to the first 10 registrants who register.



CARDBOARD WANTED!!

Gather all of those corrugated boxes you're sure to accumulate this holiday season...flatten them down, pile them up and bring them to the bin behind the City garage at 257 Messer St. to be compacted and recycled!



Cardboard recycling is clean and easy. Corrugated cardboard only please! No cereal, soda/beer or shoe boxes. No bubble wrap or air pillows.

Please help us save solid waste/recycling tax dollars by dropping off your cardboard.

Cardboard recycling is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Questions? Please call our Department of Public Works at 528-6379.



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ORCHESTRA

Benjamin Greene, Conductor

Holiday POPS Concerts

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8, 7:30PM & SUNDAY DECEMBER 9, 3:00PM
INTER-LAKES AUDITORIUM RT. 25, MEREDITH, NH



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HOLIDAY HELPING HANDS PROJECT!

Be a part of the "Holiday Helping Hands Project"! Individuals, families, civic and church groups and community businesses are asked to stop by the Belknap Mill and pick up hand cutouts that will become part of Helping Hand trees and wreaths for the Helping Hands Exhibit in December.

For more information contact Artist in Residence, Larry Frates, at 387-3687 or 524-8813.



The Magic of Santa Claus!

Harper and Santa share a hug during the Belknap Mill's Yuletide Traditions event on Sunday, November 25th. The event kicked off the holiday season for the historic building. Visit the Belknap Mill website and Facebook page for more events coming in December. Contact Tara Shore for more information at 524-8813.



The Belknap Mill welcomed over 60 families to Yuletide Traditions on Sunday, November 25th. We will never be able to thank the following people enough for the generosity they gave. We hope this holiday season is filled with as much magic as they helped create for this event!

Thank You to our community of cookie bakers; Katie Dawson, Jennifer Connelly, Lea Miner, Kim Caldwell, Maggie Leary, Andrea Morin, Katie Searles, Kelly Howland, Jess Gluyas, Annie Bridge-mann (Annie's Cafe & Catering), Katie Whitney, Krystal Gargano, Joan Frates & Sue Caroselli

Thank You to our artist in residence Larry Frates for your many hours of painting signs and props, and tirelessly drawing caricatures for each child who attended the event.

Thank You to our volunteer photographer Lesley Marden for capturing the magic of the day, and a heartfelt **Thank You** to Santa and Mrs. Claus for bringing that magic!

Thank You Laconia Girl Scout troop 13158 for volunteering again this year! We couldn't do it without you.

Thank You volunteer, Molly Holman, for being an extra set of eyes and hands in Santa's craft room.

Thank You Michelle Plourde for lending your handmade quilts to pull Santa's knitting room look together and Mike Pierce for helping make the Mill shine and lending us holiday decor!

Thank You to Michael Shore and Corey Desrusseaux for answering the many requests of your wives to build, climb ladders, or do the heavy lifting.

Thank You Pat Kelly, for having us as your morning show guests and allowing us the ability to share this event with our community.

Thank You Celebrate Laconia for taking on the Holiday Parade and creating the perfect atmosphere for Yuletide Traditions!!

...[his] recordings and live performances have established him as one of the most exciting of the guitarist-composers.
— Acoustic Guitar Magazine

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Belknap Mill

27th Annual Holiday Concert & Food Drive Belknap Mill

Saturday, December 1st, 7:30 pm

Tickets at Greenlaw's Music, Laconia; League of NH Craftsmen, Meredith, or at www.edgerhard.com



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!

**Taylor Community
Holiday Craft Fair,
December 1**

Join Taylor Community Saturday, December 1 from 10 am to 2 pm for a Holiday Craft Fair at the Woodside Building. There will be many handmade items for your shopping pleasure, as well as a Silent Auction, White Elephant Table and a 50/50 Raffle.

This is a great opportunity to get a jump on your holiday shopping! The public is invited and admission is free.

The Opechee Garden Club is preparing for its popular Christmas Greens sale which will be held on December 8 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse, 334 Elm Street, Laconia. Balsam Fir wreaths, handmade in New Hampshire with fresh greens, and creatively decorated by Garden Club members, or un-decorated, will be available for sale along with centerpieces and loose boughs to complete your Christmas decorations.



Holiday Parade 2018



Our thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin for the photos!

International
Film Series
sponsored by:
Laconia Human
Relations Comm.
& Laconia
Public Library

International Film Series
LIKE STARS ON EARTH
Monday, December 3
Time: 6:15 P.M.
Laconia Public Library



■ The Wonder of
Finally Being Listened To!

- ♦ Free and open to public ♦ Brief discussion after film
- ♦ Light snack provided ♦ Feel free to bring chair cushion

For more information contact:

Leonard Campbell Lsoup03@gmail.com

**YOUR FUTURE IS WIDE OPEN
AT LAKES REGION COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

OPEN HOUSE

Spend the morning with us

Saturday, December 1st 9:00 - 12:00 pm

- Affordable tuition makes LRCC possible
(Only \$6,450 a year!)
- 27 Associate Degrees and 32 Certificates make LRCC appealing
- Small class sizes make LRCC personal
- Campus housing makes LRCC a community

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Where do you want to go?

How do you get there?

Every Great Journey Starts With ONE Single Step...

For more information

www.lrcc.edu
603-524-3207
379 Belmont Road, Laconia, NH 03246



CARTER MOUNTAIN BRASS BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT December 2 at 3:00 pm

"Need a Little Christmas?" is the title for the annual Christmas concert by Carter Mountain Brass Band under the direction of Debbi Gibson.

The concert will be held at First United Methodist Church, Sunday, December 2 at 3:00 pm.

The concert will feature familiar pop tunes, Christmas carol arrangements, novelty tunes performed by small ensembles from the band, the ever popular sing-a-long, and an encore that makes sure everyone goes home happy.

In the tradition of past Christmas performances, the music will be enhanced by visuals by Phil Polhemus and narration of stories and poems. A reception with homemade desserts will round out the afternoon. Donations of \$8.00 will be gratefully accepted at the door. Students are free. First United Methodist Church is located at 18 Wesley Way off Route 11A in Gilford. This concert tends to be well attended so get there early to get a good seat! For information call 524-3289.





Holiday Concerts Abound at Taylor Community this Season



People looking for holiday musical entertainment need look no further than Taylor Community! Several concerts are coming in the days ahead and will be held in Taylor's Woodside Building.

Monday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m. – Acoustic Duo Peg Chaffee and Cheryl Sager perform original music that speaks to all aspects of everyday life, from whimsical to poignant, serious to silly. Accompanied by stand-up bass, guitar, and pennywhistle, their exquisite harmonies are the highlight of their performance. They will ring in the season with a Christmas performance.

Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m. – The Mountain Lake Chorale are sure to put you in a festive mood as they perform a number of holiday selections.

Thursday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m. – The Taylor Community Chorus – a talented group of Taylor residents, led by Director Debbi Gibson – present their holiday program.

Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. – The New Horizons Musical Organization of the Lakes Region brings its holiday concert to Taylor. The group's mission is to promote "music for life" by creating band performance opportunities for mature adult musicians who seek to make beautiful music together for the enjoyment of members and audiences alike.



Socks, the Belknap Mill Christmas Elf, is due to return on December 1st!

Read his story [here](#) and follow the Belknap Mill on Facebook to find out what Socks will be up to this year and when you can visit him!



Reminder!

Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of December 10, 2018



Remember: "Glass is Trash"





Santa's Calling!

Tuesday, December 4th
Starting at 6:00 pm—FREE!

Every year Santa comes to Laconia Parks and Recreation to call the kids of Laconia. Please call our office to pre-register your children by December 3rd. Have the kids standing by the phone awaiting Santa's call! This is always a big hit with the kids!



Christmas Caroling!

Wednesday, December 5, 5:30 pm
FREE for any age! Let's meet at the Community Center and drive to the Taylor Community where we will fill their neighborhood with holiday cheer! Don't worry about forgetting the words...we provide them to you along with hot cocoa. This is an outdoor event, dress appropriately.

Bring a friend and a travel mug. Call the Community Center at 524-5046 to register by December 3rd.

Wondering where to get your Christmas Tree this year?



Maggy D's Garden Center will donate **10% of the proceeds** from every tree purchased to the NH Humane Society!

**MAGGY D'S
GARDEN CENTER**



330 Court St., Laconia
Trees On Sale Now!



Visit the NH Humane Society at
1305 Meredith Center Road, Laconia

NHHumane.org



Winter Art Workshop

Lakes Region Community College

Your Community College!

Explorations in Printmaking

Explorations in Printmaking takes a look at a variety of printmaking techniques and the unique possibilities that they provide. This workshop will introduce monotypes, collagraphs, and relief prints, as well as the materials and tools used to create them. Experimenting with these processes, students of all backgrounds will explore 2D design, pattern, and personal expression. Cost: \$200 (includes \$20 materials fee)

Four-Day Workshop:
January 15, 16, 17 & 18, 2019
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Course #: NCKW 1102L
CRN: 24201

Center for Arts & Technology
Building, Room 118

Register: over the phone: (603) 524-3207; Or,
Print Registration Form from www.lrcct.edu
Registrar and fax to: (603) 524-8084; Or in person:

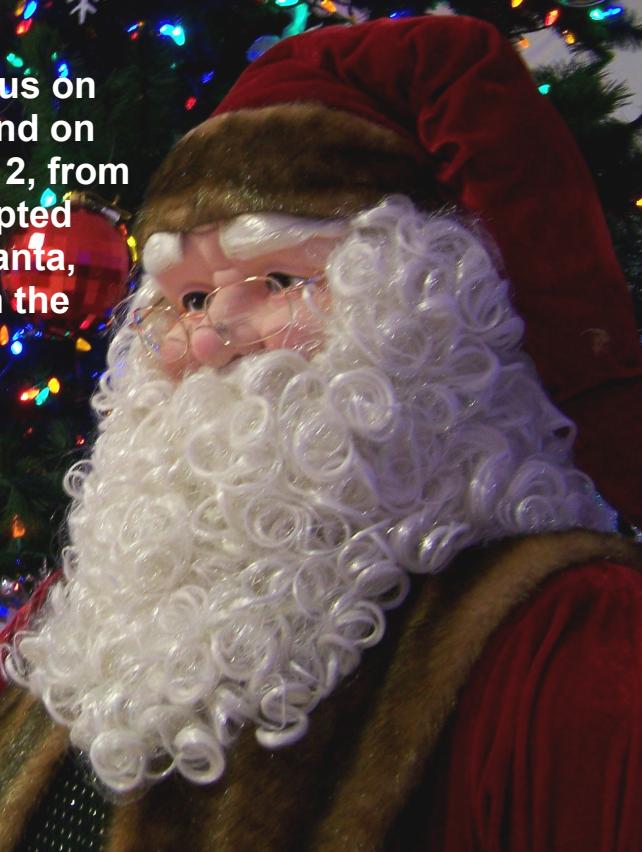
Lakes Region Community College
379 Belmont Rd.
Laconia, NH 03246

CHRISTMAS VILLAGE!

Christmas Village is here! Come join us on Friday, November 30 from 6 - 8 pm, and on Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2, from 2 - 5 pm. **FREE** with donations accepted and much appreciated. Come see Santa, Mrs. Claus and all their friends from the North Pole.

Don't miss it!

At the Laconia Community Center! Call 524-5046 for additional information.



Belknap Mill Presents:

10th Annual *Holiday* Bazaar

Join us on Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018 from 9 am to 3 pm at the Belknap Mill (25 Beacon St. East) for our 10th Annual Holiday Bazaar! There will be craft and food exhibitors including locally hand-made art, jewelry, gifts, ornaments and many more treasures from New Hampshire artisans. Don't miss the craft raffle and baked goodies by members of the Laconia High School Interact Club. Free admission!

For more information call 603-524-8813, or email Operations@belknapmill.org.



THE TIME CAPSULE IS SOON TO BE REBURIED!

Don't miss the opportunity to be part of history! The items that were buried 25 years ago are currently on display at the Belknap Mill through December 10, 2018.

Twenty-five years from now, a new time capsule will be uncovered and we need your help to decide what should be placed inside of it!

What would you like someone in the future to know about life in Laconia today? What occurred in Laconia in 2018 that was memorable to you, your school, our city that should be saved and shared again with the next generation? Is there anything place or thing in Laconia that should be photographed—will it still be here in 25 years, will it look different?

Share your ideas at connect@celebratelaconia.org or operations@belknapmill.org

Every reasonable and considerate idea will be placed into a drawing for a "Have Fun in Laconia" gift package.

This is not a school sponsored event.



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

Upcoming Events at the Senior Center:



Thursday, December 20th, 10:30am:
Annual Holiday Celebration! Join in
our Holiday Sing Along and a wonderful
Holiday luncheon. More details TBA.



Monday, December 31st,
11:30am: Happy New Year! Cele-
brate the upcoming 2019 new year
with us as we enjoy a wonderful hol-
iday meal and music!

*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

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Airport Manager: Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert	
City Manager	527-1270
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Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
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Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn	
Finance	524-3877
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Kirk Beattie	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumol	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
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Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
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Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
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Visit the City's website at:
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