



Laconia Links

January 13, 2017 - Edition #270

The City needs your help!
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Recycling Update

2 Week Total - December 16, 2016—December 30, 2016					
Fiscal YTD Recyclables Collected = 789.30		Savings to Taxpayers Fiscal YTD * (@ \$150/ton) = \$118,395.00		Lost Opportunity Dollars Fiscal YTD = \$31,774.50	
Route	Total Tons Collected (MSW + Recycling)	Total Tons Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30% Target	2 Week Lost Savings By Not Reaching Target
Remote Sites		28.78			
Monday	16.93	3.75	22.1%	5.08	\$199.50
Tuesday	38.08	10.22	26.8%	11.42	\$180.00
Wednesday	41.34	8.79	21.3%	12.40	\$541.50
Thursday	35.29	7.32	20.7%	10.59	\$490.50
Friday	30.91	5.26	17.0%	9.27	\$601.50
	Total = 162.55	Total = 35.34	Curbside Ave = 21.7%	Total = 48.76	Total = \$2,013.00
*Fiscal Year to Date: 7/1/16 - present			Prior 2 Weeks = 22.1%	Recycling Saves \$\$	

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@city.laconia.nh.us

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



This Year's Laconia Motorcycle Week is June 10 - June 18!

Property owners planning to have vendors, parking, music, a campground, tents, etc. must have their applications submitted by May 19, 2017! Contact the Planning Dept. now at 527-1264 for applications, questions and other related information.

Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....



Tuesday, Jan. 17 @ 3:30 pm
Reference Room

The 'Hour of Code™' is a nationwide initiative by Computer Science Education Week

(csedweek.org) and Code.org to introduce millions of students to one hour of computer science and computer programming.

Recommended for grades 2-6.

Please note! The Library will be closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



Wednesday January 18 @ 4pm
Selig Storytime Room
Families with children in grades 3-6
Hear a story and make an edible winter snack

Let it Snow

Goss Reading Room Storytime
Every Tuesday @ 3:30pm
Goss Reading 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. Click on a specific meeting for more information.

Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

Become involved in your City and make a difference!

Conservation Commission

January 18, 2017, 6:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Police Commission

January 19, 2017, 3:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Laconia Airport Authority

January 19, 2017, 4:00 pm
Airport Conference Room

Board of Assessors

January 19, 2017, 5:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Meeting
in
Progress

Please see below for meetings scheduled for the week of Jan. 16 - 20, 2017:

City Hall Closed

January 16, 2017
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Supervisors of the Checklist

January 17, 2017, 4 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Zoning Bd. of Adjustment

January 17, 2017, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Parks & Rec. Commission

January 17, 2017, 7:00 pm
Community Center

Technical Rev. Comm. II

January 18, 2017, 10 am
City Hall, Room 200A



Look What's Happening at the Taylor Community!

Wescott Law Presents Estate Law at Taylor Community

Come get the facts on Estate Law in an informative presentation by Dorcas Gordon and Rod Dyer of Westcott Law, scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. The event is free and open to the public. The presentation will focus on estate planning documents that all individuals should have in place, including Revocable Trusts, Last Wills and Testaments, Durable Powers of Attorney for financial matters and Durable Powers of Attorney for Healthcare and Living Will Declarations. The pair will discuss how correct use of these documents can avoid probate and guardianship proceedings, and highlight recent changes in the law which may make it necessary for individuals to update their current documents. Questions from the audience will be welcome.



A native of the Lakes Region, Gordon joined the Wescott Law office in 2003. She earned her Bachelor's Degree in English from Boston College and her Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Gordon is a member of the New Hampshire Bar Association and served as Belknap County's elected representative to the organization's Board of Bar Governors from 2005-2010.

She maintains a general practice, but primarily assists clients in the areas of estate planning, probate, real estate and civil litigation.

Dyer earned his BA from the University of New Hampshire and his JD from Boston University. He served two terms as Mayor of Laconia and also served as Chair of the Laconia School Board. He is a co-founder of the Lakes Region Business Group and of Lakes Region Community Health and Hospice. Dyer is a member of the Belknap County Bar Association (Past President 1977-1979), and the New Hampshire Bar Association. He's played a major role in real estate and condominium development in central New Hampshire for more than 30 years. His experience includes all types of residential and commercial development; zoning and planning; condominiums; shopping centers; business and corporate representation and commercial transactions. Dyer also assists clients with Estate Planning and Probate Administration.



Love Letters by A.R. Gurney



Join us for a repeat performance of "Love Letters" by A.R. Gurney, Monday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. This funny and poignant two-person play follows the relationship of two privileged WASPs – Melissa Gardner and Andrew Makepeace Ladd, III – through the letters they write to one another over the course of 50 years, starting in 1937. This event is free and open to the public.

The show looks at how people grow up, grow older and confront the results of the choices they make throughout their lives. Rebecca Cole of New York City and Center Sandwich, and Hank Offinger, Taylor Community's Director of Care Management, perform the roles of Melissa and Andrew.



Bingo Night

By: THE GIVE BACK DIVA'S

Doors Open 6PM
Games @ 6:30PM

VFW Post 1670
143 Court St
Laconia NH 03246



- *\$10 Donation at the Door
- *Additional Card - \$5 Donation
- *10 Different Vendors



CITY OF LACONIA SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST NOTICE OF SESSION

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. at Laconia City Hall, Room 200B for the purpose of making corrections/changes to the checklist. Registrations and changes will be accepted at this session.

- Supervisors of the Checklist:
- Marilyn Brown**, Ward 1
 - Richard Lewis**, Ward 2
 - Beth Vachon**, Ward 3
 - David Hough**, Ward 4 (Chair)
 - Barbara Cushing-Moore**, Ward 5
 - Lynda Brock**, Ward 6



Reminder! Recycling Made Easy

The next recycling collection week begins
January 23, 2017!

Ice Skating! **FREE!**

At Memorial Park &
Leavitt Park!!
12 noon-10 pm

Lights on from
4-10 pm. (Lights out
if conditions
are poor)



Call Parks & Rec at 524-5046 for info.



Public Works Department

Martin Luther King Day
Monday, January 16th

There will be **NO DELAY** in curbside collection of trash on Jan. 16th - Martin Luther King Day. Monday collections (and the rest of the week) will be on their normal schedule. The Transfer Station will be open.

For questions or additional information, please call Ann at 528-6379, Ext. 300



Play Hazeltine National in January!

Indoor Charity Golf Tournament Hosted by Laconia Rotary Club

All proceeds will support the Laconia Rotary Club charities!



4-Person Scramble
\$160 per team
Open Division
Women's Division
Senior Division

The tournament will be held at
Golf Club at Patrick's Place
18 Weirs Rd, Gilford, NH 03249
*Tee Times available throughout
the month of January*

Cash, Checks (payable to Laconia Rotary) and Credit Card online at www.laconiarotary.org accepted.

Call now to schedule your team!

TOP PRIZES

OPEN DIVISION: Dinner for 8 at the Local Eatery

WOMEN'S DIVISION: Dinner for 8 at Fratello's Italian Grille

SENIOR DIVISION: Golf for 4 at Laconia Country Club

And all teams will be entered in a random drawing to win other great prizes!

Register your team at
603-387-2597 and pay at the
Golf Club at Patrick's Place
(or by credit card at
www.laconiarotary.org)

Contact Dan Wilkins, TGC Golf Pro,
to register your team of 4

603-387-2597





NAVIGATING RECOVERY

of THE LAKES REGION

Please join us for our

GRAND OPENING!

Wednesday, February 22nd
from 3-6pm

635 Main Street, Suite 303
Laconia, NH 03246

RSVP at (603) 409-7228
or
Navigating.Recovery@gmail.com

Assessing

[Click for
Assessing
Department](#)

The abatement filing period is now open until March 1st. This is the process by which taxpayers can dispute their final 2016 value. Applications for abatement are available in our office or can be mailed upon request, by calling 527-1268.

We always recommend owners get a copy of their Property Record Card to verify its accuracy and confirm if any changes have been made.

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

Sledding Hill!



Located at the end
of South Street
8am-10pm
conditions permitting.
FREE!!

Lights on from 4-10 pm if conditions are good and safe. Call Parks & Rec at 524-5046 for more information!

Be sure to call Parks & Rec or check their [website](#) for information on conditions!



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!



Winter Programs

at Prescott Farm
January-March 2017



Snowshoe Strolls

Saturdays in January & February; 10-11:30 OR 12:30-2:00
\$10/person (\$8/person Members)/person with pre-registration;
\$12 at the door

Moonlit Walks

Fridays, January 13 & Feb. 10 and Saturday, March 11; 6:00-7:30
\$10 (\$8 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$12 at the door



"The Art of Seeing:" An Intro to Animal Tracking

Saturday, January 14; 2:30-4:00
\$10 (\$8 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$12 at the door

WildQuest Winter Camp (for ages 6-12)

Monday-Friday, February 27-March 3; 9:00-3:00.
\$235/week or \$47/day (\$185/week or \$37/day Members)
Extended care is available.



Knitting for Total Beginners

February 11 & 25; 2:30-4:30
\$30 (\$28 Members)/person with pre-registration; \$35 at the door
Part of "We Can Do It" Series: Traditional Homesteading Skills for
the Modern Family (monthly classes)

Register online today and SAVE or call 603-366-5695 to save your spot!

Prescott  Farm
Environmental Education Center

"Through preservation and education, Prescott Farm celebrates the interconnections between our community and the natural systems that sustain us all."

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH 03246 · (603) 366-5695 · Fax: (603) 366-5720 · info@prescottfarm.org
www.prescottfarm.org

Public Works Department

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM
Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

All Laconia households play a vital role in preventing neighborhood sewer system blockages. Please do your part to protect and maintain the City's significant investment in the sanitary sewer collection system. Click [here](#) to find out what is not allowed to be disposed of in the toilet or down the drain, and the proper way to dispose of such items. Questions? Please call Matt Mooney, DPW, at 528-6379, Extension 303.

FREE class for
Laconia Parents of
children
birth to age five
Learn games to share
with your child

Where: Pleasant Street School

When: February 16, 2017

Time: 5:30-7:30*

*First time attendees need to arrive by 5:30p.m. to receive a READY! Notebook, bag, and orientation. All returning parents need to arrive by 6:00 p.m.

Register by calling Kaitlyn at the Laconia School District at 524-5710 or online at www.readyforkindergarten.org/laconia

Register early as enrollment is on a "first come, first served" basis!

Returning parents-please re-register each season.

READY!
for Kindergarten

Ready for K! is a joint initiative of the
Laconia School District & LRCS Family
Resource Center of Central NH,

FREE
Toys and
games

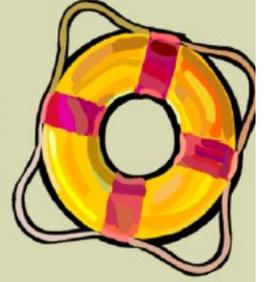
FREE
Childcare



From the City Clerk's Office

Boat and Jet Ski Registrations

Process your boat and jet ski registrations when you conduct other business in City Hall. It's quick and easy! We are open Mon. thru Fri., 8:30 to 4:30. Call the Clerk's Office at 527-1265 with questions.



**Please note! City Hall will
be closed all day on
Monday, January 16th for
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.**



Financial Capabilities Series Offered by HOMEteam

HOMETeam will be hosting a FREE, three part financial capabilities series titled *Common Cents in Uncommon Times* at their new office space in River's Edge Apartments, in collaboration with Laconia

Area Community Land Trust. This series will help attendees better understand financial management and planning skills needed to make the most out of any income, savings, and assets.

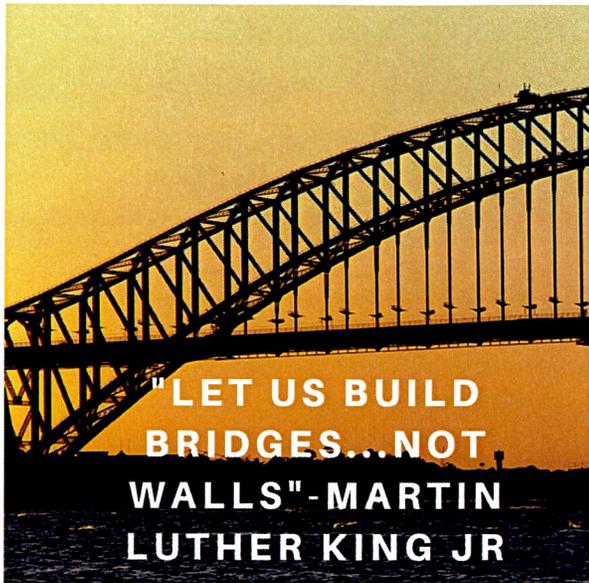
Part one of this series titled "My Goals" occurs Tuesday, January 24th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Attendees will learn how to motivate themselves to get their finances in order and save for what they really want along with other necessities. For the other two parts in this series visit our website at www.hometeamnh.org for registration dates and times. Attendees may attend one or all the classes.

Laconia Area Community Land Trust, NeighborWorks® Southern New Hampshire and CATCH Neighborhood Housing have partnered to create HOMETeam, a counseling agency dedicated to providing home ownership education and counseling in New Hampshire. HOMETeam provides New Hampshire residents in 84 towns and cities with the information and tools they need to make good financial decisions related to purchasing, renting, and maintaining a home.



Through a series of workshops, one-on-one counseling, and other resources, HOMETeam helps first time home buyers navigate the mortgage process, renters save for home ownership, and home owners preserve and protect their investment in their home.

Early registration is required, please visit www.hometeamnh.org, or call HOMETeam at (866) 701-9097.



Join us for our 12th Annual
Celebration to Commemorate
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY

REFLECTIONS ON BEING MUSLIM IN AMERICA

Sunday, January 15th 2017
3:30pm to 6pm

Laconia Middle School Cafeteria
150 McGrath Street (next to Opechee
Park) in Laconia

Guest Speakers:

**Imam Mohamed Ibrahim,
PH.D., Dover, NH**
**Amadou Hamady,
Manchester**

You are invited to our community get-together for all our neighbors and friends.

Celebrate by bringing your favorite food and music selections. Beverages will be provided.

*Sponsored by the Laconia Human Relations Committee
and the Immigrant Integration Initiative*

For more information call: Kate @ 528-2145, ext. 1805



Musical Entertainment by Horizon



Horizon – the duo of John and Johanna Byerley – has been entertaining throughout New England since 1990. They'll bring their talents to Taylor Community's Woodside Building, Wednesday, Jan. 25 at 6:30 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Horizon's musical performances offer a wide range of selections such as "Blue Skies," "Stormy Weather," "What a Wonderful World," "Twist and Shout" and "Unforgettable."

With their lovely vocals and wonderful guitar work, John and Johanna will have everyone smiling, singing and clapping along!



News

From the Laconia Water Department

Meter Maintenance Program

WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR OLD WATER METER!



Meters are changed periodically to comply with the Public Utilities Commission's Rules and Regulations and in accordance with the Laconia Water Works' Tariff. The Water Department has an annual program that replaces meters before problems occur and there is no cost to the property owner.

The Water Department will contact those property owners whose water meters need to be changed. We are in the process of sending letters and making phone calls to schedule appointments.

If we have tried to contact you multiple times and still have not gained access to your property to change your water meter, regrettably we will be forced to terminate the water service until access is provided to us. 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.

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

Cooperative Co-Parenting

A free four-part series for non-married, separated, or divorced parents, and other caregivers, raising children together who share separate households.



Discussion Includes:

- *Coping through Separation and Transitions*
- *Skills Training for dealing with stress and anger*
- *Positive Communication Strategies*
- *Tools to reduce conflict in the life of your child, and yours*
- *Negotiating Agreements*
- *Mediation and Guardianship*
- *Conflict Resolution*

When: Tuesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 pm, Dinner served at 5:30pm.

Series runs through January 31st.

Where: The Family Resource Center, 719 No. Main Street, Laconia, NH

Lead Facilitator: Tammy Emery

Presenters: Jay Apicelli, MS, Family Mediator and Human Services Educator,

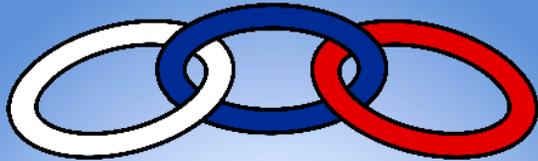
Rob Hunt, Attorney At Law

Shauna, New Beginnings Without Violence & Abuse

To register: Contact Tricia T. at 528-0391 or e-mail tricia.tousignant@lrsc.org

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

Laconia Historical and Museum Society
Symposium Series



**THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF
ODDFELLOWS
CHOCORUA LODGE #51**



MONDAY, JANUARY 23 7:00PM
Laconia Public Library
Rotary Hall

**GAIN INSIGHT INTO THE ODDFELLOWS
AND THEIR LONG HISTORY IN LACONIA**

www.LaconiaHistory.org



NH Humane Society

Over a century of love for those without a voice.

Mark your calendar for the 2nd Annual
Mardi Gras Unleashed event to benefit
the NH Humane Society! Tuesday,
February 28, 6–8:30 pm at Tavern 27
in Laconia. Stay tuned for more details!

Click [here](#) to buy tickets!

News **From the Laconia
Water Department**

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

We need your help!

When Seconds Count...



**Which would you rather have
to protect your home?**

If you're able, shovel out the fire hydrants close to your home or business. In a fire seconds count! Remember to clear a 3 foot perimeter round the hydrant, especially towards the street. Clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work.

A common question that is asked is why do I need to clear the hydrant, won't the Fire Department clear the hydrant? The answer is yes, they will as soon as they can. However, the Fire Department still has to respond to emergency calls. The City of Laconia has over 600 hydrants to clear and we could really use your help!

The life you save could be your own!



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 for music by
Bob and Betty Davis!

Thursday, January 26th from 11 am to noon.

Hope to see you there!

*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@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!

Scott Myers,
City Manager
City's Website:

www.city.laconia.nh.us



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Airport	524-5003
<i>Airport Manager: Marv Everson</i>	
Assessing	527-1268
<i>Assessor - Deb Derrick</i>	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
<i>City Clerk - Mary Reynolds</i>	
City Manager	527-1270
<i>City Manager - Scott Myers</i>	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
<i>Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin</i>	
Conservation	527-1264
<i>Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn</i>	
Finance	524-3877
<i>Finance Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Licensing	528-6331
<i>Licensing Clerk - Cheryl Hebert</i>	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
<i>Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin</i>	
Tax	527-1269
<i>Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen</i>	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
<i>Fire Chief - Ken Erickson</i>	
Library	524-4775
<i>Library Director - Randy Brough</i>	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
<i>Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy</i>	
Personnel	524-3877
<i>Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumoe</i>	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
<i>Police Chief - Christopher Adams</i>	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
<i>Public Works Director - Wes Anderson</i>	
Water.....	524-0901
<i>Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman</i>	
Welfare.....	527-1267
<i>Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack</i>	
<i>Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
<u>City Council Contact Info:</u>	
Mayor Edward Engler	630-4484
Ava Doyle (Ward 1)	393-6533
David Bownes (Ward 2).....	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Brenda Baer (Ward 4)	524-6349
Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Armand Bolduc (Ward 6)	524-2514
E-mail: citycouncil@city.laconia.nh.us	

Visit the City's website at:
www.city.laconia.nh.us