



# Laconia Links

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*Please use caution when out on the ice!*



# Laconia Police Department

*Link to Laconia PD [here](#)*



Please join Chief Adams in welcoming Laconia Police Department's newest officers. From left to right: Officer Shawn Kelley, Officer Guy Leva, and Officer Sean McCormack.

Officer Kelley resides in Abington, Massachusetts, with his wife, Hannah; Officer Leva resides in Bradford, Massachusetts; and Officer McCormack resides in Epping, New Hampshire. They are looking forward to moving to the Lakes Region in the near future. The recruits are in the second week of their in-house training program and will be attending the Police Academy later in the year.

**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](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

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



*The City of Laconia needs your help!*

Please be sure to keep plastic bags of any kind out of containers designated for recycling - plastic bags cause contamination and increase the costs of disposal.

*Thank you for your cooperation!*

# Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

## Celebrate National Wild Bird Feeding Month!



Monday, February 22 & Friday, February 26, 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Selig Storytime Room. Kids are welcome to craft their own birdfeeders! We'll have all of the supplies!



## Zendoodling



Monday,  
February 29  
@ 6:00 pm in  
Laconia Rotary Hall  
Get calm with  
grown-up coloring!  
Pre-register by call-  
ing 524-4775 x12.

## Citizen Teen Thursday, February 25th 3:30 pm, Laconia Rotary Hall

Could YOU pass the test to become an American Citizen? Come see how well you would do if you had to answer a few questions about our nation, its government and its history! Open to teens grades 6-12. Refreshments and knowledge provided. Prizes!



# 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!*

Meeting  
in  
Progress

### Land & Buildings Committee

February 22, 2016, 6:30 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

### City Council

February 22, 2016, 7:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

### [Agenda](#)

### Minor Site Plan Committee

February 24, 2016, 2:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

### Water Commission

February 25, 2016, 8:00 am  
117 Stark Street, Water  
Treatment Facility Conference  
Room

# LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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



[Laconia High School Website](#)



[Huot Career Tech Center Website](#)



[Laconia Middle School Website](#)



[Elm Street School Website](#)



[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights School Website](#)

## Laconia School's City-Wide

## Chess Tournament

Saturday April 2, 2016

MVSB Culinary Arts

At the Huot Technical Center

Elm Street School	Pleasant Street School
Woodland Heights School	Holy Trinity School
Laconia Middle School	Laconia High School

In Search of the Future

# Grandmaster!



## Free Parent Education for Project EXTRA Families

Coming to Laconia's Elementary Schools

Elm Street School  
Thursday, March 3, 2016  
Dinner served 5:00-5:30pm  
Class runs 5:30-7:00pm

Pleasant Street School  
Thursday, March 10, 2016  
Dinner served 5:00-5:30pm  
Class runs 5:30-7:00pm

Woodland Heights School  
Thursday, March 17, 2016  
Dinner served 5:00-5:30pm  
Class runs 5:30-7:00pm

Please join us for an evening of Parent Education where we will begin to explore the "Nurturing Philosophy". This 90-minute session will be an introduction to the "Nurturing Skills for Families" curriculum offered at the Family Resource Center.

Nurturing can take on so many different forms. During this session, we will look to strengthen our understanding of what it means to nurture ourselves and our children. We will begin to identify opportunities to make small but powerful changes in how we interact with our children every day, in order to encourage positive feelings and relationships.

### Evening Parent Education Sessions include:

- Free dinner!
- Free On-Site Childcare!
- Door Prizes!

Please see a Project EXTRA staff member to register

### Save the Date:

Join Project EXTRA & The Family Resource Center for more Parent Education...

#### Encouraging Empathy

PSS~March 24 ESS~March 31 WHS~April 7

#### Positive Discipline

PSS~April 14 ESS~April 21 WHS~May 5

## Laconia High School

Congratulations to LHS Junior, Gladiana Spitz, for winning the 2016 Emperor Award! Gladiana is one of 100 students in the US to have been honored as a recipient of the 2016 Emperor Science Award. Read more [here](#).



# The Parenting Journey



*Come join us in a unique parenting journey  
of self-discovery.*

Within a supportive environment and over a warm dinner,  
parents will:



- ❖ Participate in a twelve-week, self-reflective and nurturing program
- ❖ Reflect back on childhood experiences to gain an understanding of how it may be impacting current parenting and life choices
- ❖ Learn to forgive yourself and others and let go of things that may be getting in the way of reaching goals
- ❖ Set personal and family goals that will decrease stress and increase positive relationships at home
- ❖ Identify parenting as love, nurturing, protection and teaching

## Next Parenting Journey begins:

March 1, 2016

From 5:30-8:00 pm

At the Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire

719 No. Main Street Laconia, NH 03246

Contact Tricia T. for more information or to register at  
528-0391 or [tricia.tousignant@lrscs.org](mailto:tricia.tousignant@lrscs.org)

Dinner and childcare provided. Transportation assistance available upon request.



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The Linden  
Foundation

The Samuel P.  
Pardoe  
Foundation

# Laconia Parks & Recreation

Did you know?

## Parks & Recreation Walkways

We are responsible for the winter maintenance of walkways at the City's municipal buildings. Daily during the winter, we check each of our walkways and will treat any slippery conditions with various ice control products. We try to be conscious of the environment with the products we use. We continuously monitor the weather to decide on when to begin treating the surfaces and which products to use.

We remove snow from walkways by many different means – shovel, snow blower, backpack blower or power broom. We have 16,236 square feet of walkways to take care of! During a snowstorm we may visit each walkway two to three times. Depending on the severity of the storm we may visit many more times.

During an ice storm we cannot guarantee that walkways will be cleared to bare pavement. Every attempt will be made to keep the sidewalks in a safe condition, but please take care when walking on any potentially slippery surfaces.



CAUTION

SIDEWALK  
MAY BE  
SLIPPERY



GCC  
MOVIE NIGHT

FRI. FEBRUARY 19

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

Join us for a fun **free** family movie night  
with **free** popcorn & candy! We're watching:

UP  
(RATED PG)

GRACE CAPITAL CHURCH: LACONIA CAMPUS  
14 BEACON STREET EAST, LACONIA



Reminder!



The next recycling  
collection  
week begins Monday  
February 22, 2016!

## WISH LIST

YOU can help the animals of the  
NH Humane Society by donating  
items from our wish list.

- Gift Cards
- Paper Towels
- Non-Clumping Litter
- Latex Gloves - Large



[More Wishes...](#)

Click [here](#)

# LACONIA PARKS & RECREATION DEPT. FEBRUARY VACATION WEEK CALENDAR!

MONDAY, 2/22

Middle School Age Basketball 1:00 - 4:15pm

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



**Please note:** Due to lack of snow and abnormal winter conditions, the Sledding Party and Cardboard Sled Racing are cancelled.



TUESDAY, 2/23

Middle School Age Basketball 1:00 - 4:15pm

WEDNESDAY, 2/24

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



THURSDAY, 2/25

High School/College Basketball Time 1:00 - 4:15pm

Cardboard sled racing - **has been cancelled due to lack of safe snow conditions.**

FRIDAY, 2/26

High School/College Basketball Time 1:00 - 4:15pm

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



**Please call the Parks & Rec office at 524-5046 to confirm that the Ice Skating Party is still happening in view of the warmer temperatures!**

Call the Parks & Rec.  
Office at 524-5046 for  
more information on any  
of these programs.

Elementary Times  
Middle School Times  
High School Times  
All Ages



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!



## 9th Annual Robbie Mills Memorial



To Benefit:



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**Saturday March 5th** (Major Snow date March 12th)  
at **The Funky Monkey** Laconia, NH

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

Pre-Pay by March 1<sup>st</sup> and receive a free T-Shirt

Doors open @ 10:00am (Pay \$30.00 after 10:45)

Tournament starts Promptly at 11:00am

Double Elimination - BCA Rules apply

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

Pre-Pay at [www.robbiemills.org](http://www.robbiemills.org)  
for information

Contact Tony Felch 998-1418

Or Mike Baron 528-5001 or on

Robbie Mills website at [www.robbiemills.org](http://www.robbiemills.org)

- 1 Trophies
- 2 Cash Prizes
- 3 Food
- 4 Raffles
- 5 50/50
- 6 Live Auction

Sponsored by



**INDOOR YARD SALE**

**Tardif Park Clubhouse**

**51 Crescent St. Laconia**

**Saturday March 12th 9am-2pm**

**10+ Families – proceeds from table rentals  
and bake sale to benefit Parkhouse  
upgrades!**

Questions can be emailed to:  
[tardifparkclubhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:tardifparkclubhouse@yahoo.com)

## HOW GOVERNMENT WORKS

Thanks to the expertise of David Stamps, a multi-part video series entitled "How Government Works" has been developed to make government more accessible to the community. The topic of the first segment of the series is the Laconia Police Department. If you are a Metrocast subscriber, just tune in to Channel 25 to view this program on the following days and times:

Thurs. 2/25 at 6 pm, Fri. 2/19 & 2/26 at 11 am, Sat. 2/20 & 2/27 at 3:30 pm, Mon. 2/22 & 2/29 at 5 am & 1 pm, Tues. 2/23 & 3/1 at 12 noon, and Wed. 2/24 at 3 pm. We hope you enjoy it!

## Public Works Department

### PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM

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.

*Your assistance is greatly appreciated!*

# 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 2015 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 PRC (property record card) to verify its accuracy and to be able to compare on a year-to-year basis to monitor what changes have occurred.



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



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

**Dvorak!**  
Saturday, March 19, 2016, 7:30  
e  
Sunday, April 3, 2016, 3:00  
**Family Concert**

**Dvorak! 3/19**  
Featuring cellist *Jacob MacKay*  
Sponsored by Michael & Evelyn Miller  
Adults \$15, Students \$8

**Family Concert 4/3**  
A special FREE concert for students (Adults \$10)  
Featuring The Moultonboro Central School Chorus &  
2015 LRSO Concerto Competition Finalist:  
violinist *Jonathan Lee*  
Sponsored by Sharon Satnick  
Inter-Lakes Community Auditorium  
Rt. 25 Meredith, NH

## News

### From the Laconia Water Department

### Prevention Is Better Than Reaction

If the temperature inside a house gets below 32 degree Fahrenheit (0 degree Celsius) it's likely that the water supply pipes and the drain traps will freeze. When water freezes it expands 9 percent, and if there is no room for expansion it's possible that the pipe will develop a crack and eventually leak once the ice thaws out. Fixing a burst pipe can be expensive, but the damage from uncontrolled water leakage can easily reach into the thousands of dollars.



The majority of the calls received for frozen water pipes and water meters are a result of inadequate heating and cold air drafts where piping is located in the home. It is recommended that property owners check their property for these conditions and identify the location of their water meter and shutoff valve before an emergency.

If for any reason you cannot stop the flow of water from a frozen or broken pipe, call the Water Department's 24-hour emergency number at 524-0907.



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



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

### NH Senior Citizen Tuition Waiver



Did you know that New Hampshire residents 65 or older who are not currently enrolled in a degree program are eligible to take a maximum of 2 credit-bearing courses per academic year tuition free at the University of New Hampshire?

Please contact UNH at 603-862-1234, or click [here](#) for more details!

*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](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

*Have a great weekend!*



Scott Myers, City Manager  
City's Website: [www.city.laconia.nh.us](http://www.city.laconia.nh.us)



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessing .....	527-1268
Assessor - Jon Duhamel	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Mary Reynolds	
City Manager .....	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing Clerk - Hilary Young	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Tax .....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
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 - Christopher Adams	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station) .....	528-5822
Public Works Director - Paul Moynihan	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	

### City Council Contact Info:

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](mailto:citycouncil@city.laconia.nh.us)

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