



# Laconia Links

April 13, 2012 - Edition #27



Mallard Ducks on Winnepesaukee River

## NEWS From the City Clerk's Office



Dog License Fees:	
Male/Female	\$9.00
Spayed/Neutered	\$6.50
1st Dog For Owner 65+	\$2.00

**The City of Laconia and MacDonald Veterinary Services** are Hosting a Rabies Clinic on April 28, 2012 at the Laconia Community Center from 9am – 12pm

**Veterinary Fees:**

*Rabies Vaccination:	\$10.00
DAP - K9 Distemper:	\$25.00
KC - K9 Kennel Cough:	\$20.00
Lyme - K9:	\$23.00
Lepto - K9:	\$23.00
HWT - K9:	\$42.00
PUR - Feline Distemper:	\$20.00
FELV - Feline Leukemia:	\$20.00

\*1 year and 3 year rabies vaccinations are being offered. You must provide your pet's previous rabies certificate in order to receive a 3 year vaccination.

**Tags will not be accepted as proof of a previous rabies vaccination.**

**Welcome to Laconia Links** a weekly e-mail 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!*



### U.S. Senator Kelly Ayotte Office Hours in Laconia!

DATE: **April 18, 2012**  
(Third Wednesday of each month)  
TIME: 11:00 am—1:00 pm  
LOCATION: City Hall, Room 200B  
45 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH

Please call the City Manager's Office at 527-1270 or e-mail [info@city.laconia.nh.us](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

**LACONIA  
PARKS & RECREATION  
DEPARTMENT**



## *Arbor Day Celebration!*

Please come join the City in celebrating and recognizing the 126th anniversary of Arbor Day in the State of New Hampshire!

**Date:** April 20th  
**Location:** Leavitt Park  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.



The Mayor will read a proclamation, and there will be the planting of a tree. Come to the celebration, so you can say.....

*"I remember when that tree was planted."*

Click [here](#) for the Parks & Rec. website

**Celebrate Arbor Day**



**Plant A Tree**

## Upcoming Meetings...

Meeting  
in  
Progress

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**

April 19, 2012, 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **Board of Assessors**

April 19, 2012, 5:30 p.m.  
City Hall, Room 200B

### **Parks & Rec. Commission**

April 16, 2012, 7:00 p.m.  
Community Center  
[Agenda](#)

### **Zoning Bd. of Adjustment**

April 16, 2012, 7:00 p.m.  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **TRC II Meeting**

April 18, 2012, 9:30 a.m.  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **Sen. Ayotte's "Office Hours"**

April 18, 2012, 11:00 a.m.  
City Hall, Room 200B

### **Water Commissioners' Mtg.**

April 18, 2012, 8:00 a.m.  
Water Treatment Facility  
Conference Rm., 117 Stark St.  
[Agenda](#)

# Department of Public Works

Click [here](#) for link to our Public Works Department website

## Fair St. and Bay St. – Railroad Crossing Upgrades

Construction associated with upgrading both the Fair St. and Bay St. railroad crossings will begin Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. It is anticipated that the project will require three (3) weeks of construction time.

During the first week Laconia Water Works will be replacing their water main under the Fair St. crossing. This will be followed (week 2–April 23<sup>rd</sup>) by Busby Construction Co. and Maine Track Maintenance totally removing the existing rail-bed at **Fair St.** and replacing it with upgraded railroad track materials and new asphalt paving. On the third week (starting April 30<sup>th</sup>) Busby and Maine Track will shift over to **Bay St.** and accomplish the same full reconstruction of that crossing.

These upgrades are part of the Rail-Highway Crossing Program administered by State of N.H. Dept. of Transportation (DOT) and project funding is being provided through a cost ratio formula of 90 % State / 10 % City funds.

There will be traffic impacts (Monday through Friday) during the regular work week including road closures and/or detours. Both crossings (Fair St. and Bay St.) will be open on weekends during the project term.

Laconia Public Works Department will be involved with project management and with providing “in-kind” services such labor, trucking, inspection, record-keeping and contract management. The Plymouth-Lincoln Railroad is also assisting with project coordination.

The goal is to have both crossing fully upgraded by the second week in May.



## Laconia Historical & Museum Society

**The Story of Alma Paulson – Passenger on the Titanic**  
**Presented by Warren Clement**  
**Monday, April 16 – 7 pm at The Laconia Public Library**



The RMS Titanic was a passenger liner that struck an iceberg in the North Atlantic Ocean on her maiden voyage from Southampton, England to New York City. This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of one of the deadliest peacetime maritime disasters in history. The Titanic was the largest passenger steamship in the world at the time. Four days after setting sail for New York City with 2,223 people on board, she hit an iceberg at 11:40 pm on April 14, 1912 and sank at 2:20 am on the morning of April 15. 1,517 people were lost. Warren Clement shares his personal connection to this tragic occurrence.



This lecture will be held at the Laconia Public Library on April 16 at 7:00 pm. Admission is free and open to the public – Donations are gratefully accepted.

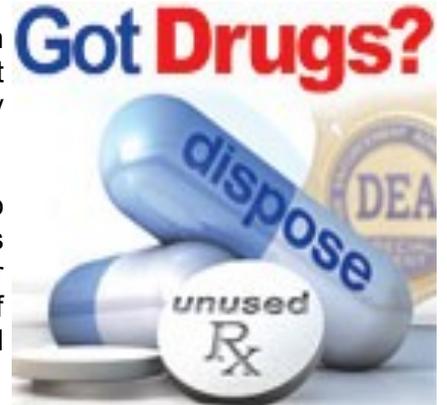
For more information about this lecture, please call the Laconia Historical & Museum Society at (603) 527-1278, email us at [lhmsslpl@metrocast.net](mailto:lhmsslpl@metrocast.net) or visit us online at [www.laconiahistorical.org](http://www.laconiahistorical.org)



# Laconia Police Department

On Saturday, April 28, 2012, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is coordinating a fourth nationwide one-day collaborative effort with state and local law enforcement agencies to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's homes.

This national initiative will again provide an opportunity for the public to surrender pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction. Expired, unused, or unwanted controlled substances in our homes are a potential source of supply for the increasing abuse of pharmaceutical drugs in the United States and an unacceptable risk to public health and safety.



The Laconia Police Department is joining this effort by participating and encouraging our citizens to take advantage of this day. We are asking the citizens of Laconia to please bring their unneeded medication to the Laconia Police Department on April 28, 2012 between the hours of 10:00am and 2:00pm for disposal. The Laconia Police will also pick up your medications at your residence if needed. No questions will be asked upon drop off or pickup by the Laconia Police Department.

*If you have any questions or concerns please contact Lt. Matthew Canfield prior to April 28, 2012 or ask for the Watch Supervisor on duty on April 28, 2012.*

**Please contact the Laconia Police Department at 524-5257 for additional information or questions.**

**[Link to Laconia Police Department Here](#)**



## BASIC COOKING CLASSES For Adults/ Parents & Children

Click [here](#) for the Parks & Rec. website



Laconia Parks & Recreation and Valerie Thompson are hosting cooking classes for beginners! The classes will be held on Friday evenings starting at 5:30 pm and will run for about 1 hour.

The dates for the classes are April 20 and 27, May 4 and 11. The fee will be \$20 per couple (parent/child) with \$10 each additional child and \$15 per single adult.

The classes will take place at the Laconia Community Center.



Please send in registration forms and fee for the first class to the Parks & Recreation Department at 306 Union Avenue, Laconia, NH 03246. For additional questions please call 524-5046.



## WINTER PARKING BAN LIFTED!

It's a sure sign of spring.....the City's Winter Parking Ban, which went into effect November 1st, is now lifted!

At its April 9th meeting the City Council voted to amend the Ordinance governing winter parking in the City of Laconia. The amended language now allows the Chief of Police or Public Works Director, after consultation with the City Manager, to lift the winter parking ban earlier than May 1st if weather conditions warrant.

Please contact the City Manager's Office at 527-1270 if you have questions.



## NOTICE

The City of Laconia Hilliard Rd. Brush Dump opened **April 4, 2012**, and will remain open until further notice on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Contact Ann at Public Works, 528-6379 for info.



On Wednesday, April 18th at 1 pm supported by WOW Trail Volunteers and Laconia High School students, the WOW Trail at Moulton St. in Laconia will receive a thorough clean-up including trash collection, tree trimming and chipping of the cuttings.

Diane Hanley, president of the WOW Trail, is inviting the public to participate. For questions or further information, please contact 603-524-5531.



## Please Note

Saturday morning, April 14th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, the young Army recruits will be descending on the Downtown area for a Spring Clean-Up. If you would like to participate, roll up your sleeves, bring your brooms, work gloves, etc. and come join in the fun! The weather forecast for Saturday sounds great, so it should be a pleasant day for an outdoor activity like this!

## Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

### Long Distance Hiking Workshop

Join us on April 21st from 9:30-3:30 when Gordon DuBois, hiker extraordinaire, will lead a day-long workshop in Laconia Rotary Hall to prepare participants to hike the Appalachian Trail. **You must register for this workshop by April 15th by calling the Library, 524-4775, Ext. 15.**

There is a \$10 fee to cover refreshments, lunch and learning materials. E-mail Gordon at [forestpd@metrocast.net](mailto:forestpd@metrocast.net) with questions regarding the content of the workshop.



## Laconia's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pooch Parade: **BOW WOW FEST 2012**

Saturday, May 5, 2012

WOW Trail - Elm St. Entrance - Lakeport Square

Registration forms found at [www.wowtrail.org](http://www.wowtrail.org)



For info contact Claire Hebert at Melcher & Prescott Ins. 524-4535, [chebert@melcher-prescott.com](mailto:chebert@melcher-prescott.com)



Click [here](#) for more info

**Lakes Region Rotary**  
LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## 2nd Annual Community Yard Sale

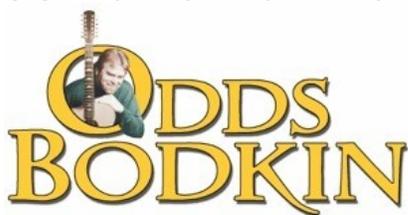
Clean out your attic for a great cause!

Saturday May 19th, 2012 , 7 am to 2 pm

At Laconia Public Works Warehouse on Bisson Avenue, Laconia

Lakes Region Rotary will be accepting donations Saturday May 5 to Saturday May 12, 2012. Call (603) 556-8184 for drop off times.

# Laconia Putnam Fund



Sunday, April 15, 2012, 3pm  
Laconia High School Auditorium

**FREE ADMISSION!**  
**/NO TICKETS REQUIRED/**  
**FIRST COME—FIRST SEATED**

*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 of Laconia  
City's Website: [www.city.laconia.nh.us](http://www.city.laconia.nh.us)



The New Hampshire Humanities Council presents

# Dreaming Again

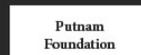
An original play exploring New Hampshire's immigration stories - past and present



Tuesday, April 17, 7 p.m.

Laconia Middle School  
150 McGrath St.

Open to the public through a suggested donation



New Hampshire Humanities Council • [www.nhhc.org](http://www.nhhc.org) • 603-224-4071



## LACONIA'S SPRING CLEAN-UP DAYS MAY 5 and 12, 2012 8 AM to NOON

Please click [here](#) for additional info, or call  
Ann @ 528-6379



## SPRING LEAF PICKUP

During the Weeks of  
April 23<sup>rd</sup> & May 7<sup>th</sup>

Please click [here](#) for additional information  
or call Ann @ 528-6379