



June 23, 2023 - Edition #594

Laconia's beaches are officially open as of Saturday, June 24!



In Memory of

*Robert "Bob" Hamel
Who served on the City Council
passionately, tirelessly and
with dedication until his
passing on June 12, 2023.
He will be greatly missed by
everyone who had the pleasure
of knowing him.*

Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to keep you up to date on City of Laconia news and activities. If you would like the newsletter sent to your email each Friday, or if you have changes to your email subscription, please call the City Manager's office at (603) 527-1270 or email us at info@laconianh.gov.



*Our thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin
for sharing these pictures with us.*



Library Programs Week of June 26—July 1



LACONIA
PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Children's Summer Reading Sign-ups begin
Monday, June 26!**



Newborns-age 12

Sign-up at the Children's Desk or call (603) 524-4775 ext. 602
Fill out your reading log and bring it to the Children's Desk to
pick a prize each week (7/5-8/12)

We have lots of fun programs planned, including:

Family Crafts

A new performer every week!

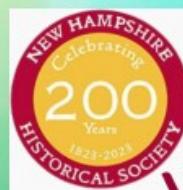
Lego Club

Tinker Time

Storytimes

Move and Groove

And more!



NEW
Library Pass



TWO passes available per day. One pass admits 4 adults.

Call, email, or text the library to reserve a pass!

Phone: 524-4775, Text: 556-4666, Email: info@laconialibrary.org.

TEEN SUMMER READING BEGINS JULY 5TH!



- No Sign-ups Required!
- Grades 6-12
- 4th and 5th Graders who want to participate may submit tickets for Gift Bags and Reader Prizes.
- Summer Reading Raffle with weekly Gift Bags full of small prizes featuring a gift card from one of our local restaurants: Wayfarer, Burrito Me, or the Laconia Village Bakery.
- Each hour read is an entry. Fill out a ticket every week tallying all hours read, or fill out our online form.
- Extra Prizes for top readers! Top Reader Prizes include a variety of kits (journal, drawing, art, LEGO). The top reader chooses first!
- All accumulated raffle tickets will go towards the Grand Prize Raffle for a Kindle Fire!



Stitch Craft

Thursday, June 29

10-11:30am

Adults

Bring your current project to this informal meet-up and make progress on your creation while in the company of other fiber enthusiasts. Knitters, crocheters, quilters, embroiderers, needle-felters; ALL are welcome! **No sign-up required.**



Drop-In Tech Help

Tuesdays @ 10am
Wednesdays @ 2pm

Drop in during our hour of technical help and have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Held most Tuesdays at 10am and most Wednesdays at 2pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm dates.



Family, Memory, Place: Writing Family Stories

Thursday, June 29

6pm

Adults

What family stories do you carry with you? What story do you tell over and over? What landscape do you cherish the most? One of the deepest human instincts is to tell our life stories, to figure out who we are and what it means to be human.

Join us for an interactive writing workshop led by Maura MacNeil; this interactive workshop explores how the landscapes of our lives shape the stories that we tell. Participants explore the themes of family, memory, and place through sample narratives and a series of short writing exercises, gaining a deeper awareness of how their stories can preserve personal, generational, and communal history.

Maura MacNeil is a published author, editor, and teacher.

**This event is made possible
by a grant from New
Hampshire Humanities
and is free and open to the
public.**



<http://laconialibrary.org>
follow us: @laconialibrary
call: (603) 524-4775
text: (603) 556-4666
email: info@laconialibrary.org



Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Goss Reading Room Closed

Learn something new, enjoy the outdoors, and expand your wellness options with us!



Tractor Tours: Life in the Fields Tractor Tours

Learn about the animals that live in and around Prescott Farm's open fields and see for yourself why fields and grassland habitats are worth protecting. This unique program is delivered from the vantage point of a tractor-drawn wagon. No walking required!

Saturday, June 24; 10 am-12 pm

Additional programs, series, and registration details

prescottfarm.org

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH • (603) 366-5695 • info@prescottfarm.org

www.prescottfarm.org



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CLARE PERSSON

INTRO TO MINDFULNESS MEDITATION



MINDFUL WALKING
SATURDAY
JULY 8TH
10-11:30AM



LOVING KINDNESS
MEDITATION
SATURDAY
JULY 15TH
10-11:30AM



MINDFUL EATING
SATURDAY
JULY 29TH
10-11:30AM



GUIDED
MEDITATION &
JOURNALING
SATURDAY
AUGUST 5TH
10-11:30AM

info@prescottfarm.org

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928 White Oaks Road Laconia NH 03246

Celebrating 50 Years Robert M. Harrington



LACONIAHOUSING

We put our residents first.

www.LaconiaHousing.org

On June 27th from 11 am to 1 pm Laconia Housing's Board of Commissioners Chairperson Robert M. Harrington will be celebrated and thanked for 50 years of service and dedication to the community. Also, on June 27th Laconia Housing dedicates the main Laconia campus at the corner of Union Avenue and Main Street, as the "Robert M. Harrington Sunrise Community Living Campus."

We hope you can join us on this special day! Please RSVP if you are planning to attend: info@laconiahousing.org

Click on the image above to read the entire flyer about the celebration and Mr. Harrington's decades of contributions to our community.



**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**

**Curbside
recycling
will be
picked up
the week of
July 3!**

JUNE 2023



ONE PEER TO ANOTHER

328 Union Ave Laconia, NH 03246

www.onepeer.org

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One Peer To Another would like to thank Belletettes for donating outside building materials for our Laconia Center. We would also like to thank Joe Price Builders, LLC. of Meredith for helping our relationship with Belletettes by sharing information on the work One Peer To Another does within the Community.

Thank you for this generous donation!

What is Juneteenth?

A holiday celebrated on June 19 to commemorate the emancipation of enslaved people in the US, the holiday was first celebrated in Texas, where on that date in 1865, in the aftermath of the Civil War, enslaved people were declared free under the terms of the 1862 Emancipation Proclamation.

Read the June issue of "One Peer to Another"... just click on the image (left).

Monday 8:00a-4:30p	Tuesday 8:00a-4:30p	Wednesday 8:00a-4:30p	Thursday 8:00a-4:30p	Friday 8:00a-4:30p
Contact: Program Director Miranda 603-528-7742 328 Union Ave Laconia NH 03246 mimanda@onepeer.org		<i>Happy June!</i> 	1 9am Check-In 10am Socialization Skills 11am WOW Trail Walk 1pm Connection 2pm Self-Care 3pm Deep Breathing	2 9am Check-In 10am Short-Term Goals 11am Chair Yoga 1pm Walk & Talk 2pm Mind Over Mood
5 9am Check-In 10am Meal Planning & Healthy Recipes 12-2pm - St. Vincent Food Pantry Trip Transportation Provided	6 9am Check-In 10am Boundaries 11am Coping Skills 1pm Landlord/Tenant Class w/ Ryan Colby 2pm Meditation 3pm Ice Breakers	7 Prescott Farms Discovery Tour Field Trip FREE / 10am-2pm Transportation Provided Bring Lunch	8 9am Peer Discussion 10am Arts & Crafts 11am Staying present 1pm WOW Trail walk 2pm Journaling	9 Shopping Trip! Walmart, Dollar Store, Harbor Freight, etc. 10am-2pm (please sign up by 6/5)
12 9am Check-In 10am Dealing w/ Anxiety 11am Rock Painting 1pm Worldview 2pm Mindful Meditation	13 9am Peer Discussion 10am Mutuality 11am What do I need? 1pm Arts & Crafts 2pm Short-Term Goals 3pm Journaling	14 9am Open Discussion 10am Deep Breathing 11am Walk & Talk 1pm Chair Yoga 2pm Gratitude 3pm Self-Care	15 9am Check-In 10am Mindful Meditation 11am Ice Breakers 1pm Nutrition w/ Alyssa 2pm Socialization Skills	16 9am Check-In 10am Coping w/ Anxiety 11am Vision Boards 1pm Chair Yoga 2pm Coping Skills 3pm Staying Present
19 CLOSED HOLIDAY JUNETEENTH 	20 9am Open Discussion 10am Ice Breakers 11am Accomplishments 1pm Vision Boards 2pm What do I need? 3pm Journaling	21 9am Check-In 10am Healthy Relationships 11am Moving Towards 1pm Staying Present 2pm Dealing w/ Anxiety	22 9am Open Discussion 10am Positive Thinking 11am WOW Trail walk 1pm Long-Term Goals 2pm Socialization Skills 3pm Boundaries	23 9am Check-In 10am WOW Trail Walk 1-4pm Tie Dye
26 9am Check-In 10am Recipe Sharing 12-2pm - St. Vincent Food Pantry Trip Transportation Provided	27 9am Check-In 10am Arts & Crafts 11am Mindful Meditation 1pm Healthy Relationships 2pm Accomplishments 3pm Ice Breakers	28 Squam Lakes Field Trip \$24/pp Transportation Provided Bring Lunch 9am-3pm	29 9am Check-In 10am Rock Painting 11am Coping with Change 1pm Journaling 2pm Self-Care 3pm Walk & Talk	30 9am Check-In 10am Recipe Sharing 11am WOW Trail walk 1pm Isolation Check-List 2pm Community Clean-up

POWERHOUSE THEATRE COLLABORATIVE

A PROGRAM OF THE BELKNAP MILL



Powerhouse announces auditions for 2023 fall musicals!

As rehearsals for Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative's big summer show The Sound of Music are getting underway, the producers are already preparing for end of June auditions for the two fall musicals the group is producing. Powerhouse is a program of the Belknap Mill and the resident theatre company of the Colonial Theatre and this fall will be presenting a unique and challenging musical in each location.



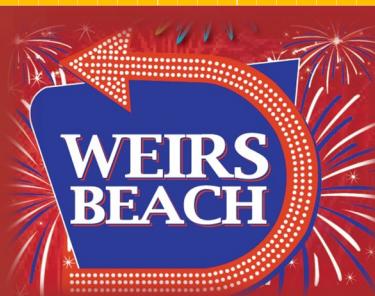
Auditioning on Sunday June 25 at 1pm at the Colonial is Captains Courageous, the Musical. This all-male musical calls for 16 singing men, 1 boy (10-12) and 1 teen (16-20) to come aboard for the NH Premiere of this musical based on Rudyard Kipling's novel and the 1930's MGM film. Performances will be October 20-22 at the Colonial. Captains Courageous will be directed by Bryan Halperin.

On Monday June 26 and Wednesday June 28 at 6:30 pm at the Belknap Mill the group will be auditioning for Quilters, an all-female musical that looks at the joys and sadness of pioneer women told through the lens of an aging mother and her daughters making a final quilt together. The Belknap Mill Quilters Guild will be involved in this production teaching quilting skills to the cast and sharing their expertise. The director, Lauren-Shelby Douglas, will be casting between 7-14 singing women of all ages to bring these stories to life.

For those who are interested in auditioning for these hidden musical gems but can't make the audition dates, video submissions will also be accepted.

All the information about how to register and prepare for auditions can be found at <https://www.belknapmill.org/powerhouse-auditions>. Questions can be directed to powerhouse@belknapmill.org. There is a \$25 participation fee if cast, but nobody will be turned away from the casts if this presents a hardship. The 2023 season is sponsored by The Home Beautiful. For more details on Powerhouse and all the programs at the Belknap Mill or to find out how to become a sponsor, visit www.belknapmill.org or email powerhouse@belknapmill.org.

2023 SUMMER FIREWORKS SCHEDULE

WEIRS BEACH

Rain date and weather announcements will be posted on the Weirs Action Committee Facebook page.

Please check Facebook for up-to-date information!

Monday, July 3, 2023: 11:59 pm
Saturday, July 15, 2023: 9:30 pm
Saturday, July 29, 2023: 9:30 pm
Saturday, August 12, 2023: 9:30 pm

RAINDATES:

*Saturday, July 22, 2023: 9:30 pm
*Saturday, August 5, 2023: 9:30 pm
*Sunday, September 3, 2023: 9:30 pm

* *These dates are tentative and will only occur if a previous show is cancelled.*

Memories from this year's Laconia Motorcycle Week. . .



As always, our sincere thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin for providing us with these great photos!



Public Events at Taylor Community - Laconia, NH

All events listed are free and open to the public

Bank of New Hampshire Music Series

Thank you to the Bank of New Hampshire for sponsoring the 2023 Taylor Community Music Series.

Erin Harpe and the Delta Swingers - *June 5th at 6:30 p.m.*

Blues singer Erin Harpe has toured all over the US and Europe, opened for ZZ Top, Buddy Guy, James Cotton, Honeyboy Edwards and more, headlined festivals, and released three critically-acclaimed albums. Join us for what promises to be a great show. This event will be held at Woodside Pavilion.

Cat Faulkner Trio - *June 8th at 6:30 p.m.*

Bringing new life and passion to the Jazz standards and doing it with grace, Cat Faulkner is on a mission to help audiences rediscover the Great American Songbook. This event will be held at Woodside.

Carter Mountain Brass Band - *June 11th at 2:00 p.m.*

The Carter Mountain Brass Band, under the direction of Debbi Gibson, presents "How Low Can You Go?," a concert featuring the low brass section.. This event will be held at Woodside Pavilion.

Freese Brothers Big Band Combo - *June 12th at 6:30 p.m.*

The Freese Brothers Big Band Combo offers classic sounds from the Duke, the King, the Count, the Chairman of the Board and the Sentimental Gentleman of Swing. This event will be held at Woodside Pavilion.

Doghouse Allstars - *June 19th at 6:30 p.m.*

Monday Blues under the Pavilion is back! Join us for the return of the Doghouse Allstars and what promises to be an exceptional outdoor performance. This event will be held at the Woodside Pavilion.

Dr. Sax's Bop Shop - *June 25th at 3:00 p.m.*

The Bop Shop plays modern jazz, well inspired by the jazz of the 40s, 50s and 60s. The band is led by NYC-trained tenor saxophonist Jonathan Lorentz. This event will be held at Woodside Pavilion.

The Funky Divas - *June 26th at 6:30 p.m.*

The Funky Divas of Gospel have been a fixture on the seacoast of New Hampshire for over 30 years. The Diva sound is based on harmony. It is toe-tapping, it is hand-clapping. It can, and does, move audiences to their feet and onto the floor to dance. This event will be held at the Woodside.

The Wholly Rollers - *June 28th at 6:30 p.m.*

The Wholly Rollers is a Concord-based band performing bluegrass, old time, string band, and gospel music. Join us for what is guaranteed to be a "toe-tapping" good time! This event will be held at the Woodside Pavilion.



Join the Lake Opechee Boat Parade July 2

(Laconia's Parade and Fireworks Celebration Date)

When: July 2 (Sunday) after the Laconia Parade

Time: 6:30 pm Start

Gathering Location: Northeast Corner of Lake Opechee

Let's celebrate the 4th of July again with a boat parade around Lake Opechee! Decorate any and all watercraft and participate in our parade – let's make it a fun event! We will follow the leader and parade around the lake at a slow speed. If you do not have a watercraft on the water, then you can participate by coming down to the shore of Opechee to watch the parade, cheer on the participants, and show your 4th of July spirit! Come join us for this fun event prior to the fireworks.

We will meet at the northeast corner of the lake (by state property) at approximately 6:15 for the 6:30 parade to be finished about 7:15. Everyone falls in behind the lead boat (yellow/black Ski Nautique) at near headway speed at a safe distance as we parade around the perimeter of the lake counterclockwise. The firing of a starting pistol signals the start. We will officially end where we started. Please try to stay close and just drop in line as we start - no particular order. Hopefully many friends and neighbors will enjoy viewing the parade from the shore.

A permit from NH Marine Patrol has been granted for this event. Please be SURE to adhere to all NH boating laws and regulations and boat capacities, and refrain from rafting when underway. Patriotic music is definitely welcome. THANK YOU for participating! Dress up those watercraft!

This will precede Laconia's fireworks display. If there is a rain postponement, the parade will be rescheduled to precede the new date for the fireworks display.

If there are questions, please call or text 603-455-4725. Hope to see many of our Lake Opechee neighbors there!!!

Note: Lake Opechee Preservation Association was formed a few years ago in response to the challenge of removing milfoil in the lake and preserving water quality. If you would like to donate and contribute to annual contracting for milfoil removal you can scan this link or go to <https://gofund.me/c1e55d12> for a GoFundMe site contribution. lakeopecheepreservation@gmail.com for more information. Thank you!



SCAN ME

SOFT PLASTICS



Don't miss the next Soft Plastics Collection event on Saturday, June 24 Rain or shine!

Our communities are working purposefully and consistently in turning over to the Green Sanctuary members of the Universalist Unitarian Society of Laconia and the Laconia-Gilford LIONS Club the clean SOFT plastics accumulating in our households. We want our landfills, neighborhoods and lakes free of plastic-pollution, This continuing effort is keeping our lakes' waters and inhabitants healthy, reducing the size of our landfills and our city and villages cleaner and trash-free. The collection is sent to be repurposed into useful composite furniture and decking.

Come by the little white church at 172 Pleasant Street on Saturday, June 17 between 11 am and 1 pm. We look forward to seeing you!

Any inquiries please check our [Facebook](#) page or our [website](#).

News From the Tax Dept...



[Follow this link](#) to our Tax Dept. for more information.

Property tax bills were mailed on May 26th. [They are due on July 3rd.](#)

Payments are accepted [on-line](#), by mail or at the counter in City Hall during our normal business hours which are Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

For your convenience there is also a drop slot located on the side door of City Hall. We can accept credit cards for payments at the counter and online... Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover are accepted. Convenience fees apply to all credit card and on-line transactions. Please call the Tax Office at 603-527-1269 if you have any questions.

603 HISTORY HUNT
NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A STATEWIDE SCAVENGER HUNT

The [#603HistoryHunt](#) begins on July 1st!

Throughout the month of July, go on the road to test your knowledge of the Granite State.

Free and open to the public thanks to our sponsor, The Merrimack. Have fun, win prizes, and learn more about the state we all love! Visit nhhistory.org for more information.



Mr. Aaron Returns on Friday, July 28th

Start your weekend right with some good jams and dancing in Rotary Park.

The Arts in the Park Summer Concert Series is free & open to the public.

Bring lawn chairs, a blanket, and a picnic dinner.

With years of experience performing and teaching, Mr. Aaron brings unparalleled energy, enthusiasm and creativity to his concerts.

Thank you to our Founding Sponsor, Laconia Putnam Fund and media sponsors

104.9 The Hawk, and 101.5 Lakes FM

HISTORY HAPPENED HERE!
A Day to Discover the Stories of Laconia

Saturday, July 15th 10a-2p
Downtown - Lakeport - The Weirs

Explore the stories that made Laconia!
Trolley Tours - Laconia's Collection Exhibit Walk - Self-Guided Discoveries
Downtown Walking Tours - Visit Historically Significant and Iconic Buildings - and more!

Experience everything or one thing.
create your own story!

For more information and to register for a tour
visit laconiahistory.org and follow us on Facebook

KIDS IN THE PARK FAIRY TALE THEATRE

The Adventures of Snow White

**THE ADVENTURES OF SNOW WHITE AT THE
BELKNAP MILL ON MONDAY, JULY 3, 10 - 11 AM**

Fairy Tale Theatre will take place on the 3rd floor of the Belknap Mill and is free thanks to a grant from the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction.

A young Princess must escape the clutches of her stepmother, the evil Queen, who will not rest until she is the fairest of them all. With a little help from a not-so-little Dwarf, she begins her new life away from the castle, but the Queen might have a few more tricks up her sleeve!



City of Laconia's Independence Day Celebration!

Laconia's Independence Day Celebration will be held on July 2nd

The Laconia 4th of July Committee and the Laconia Parks & Recreation Department would like to announce the Independence Day Celebration will be held this year on **Sunday, July 2nd**. The reason for the date change from the 4th is due to fireworks scheduling. Fireworks are in high demand this time of year.

The celebration will be like years past with a parade, bands, vendors and fireworks. The parade will begin at 4:30 pm from the Laconia High School and end at Opechee Park. The bands will begin at 5:30 pm at Opechee Park and will play until 10:00pm. 10:00pm is when the fireworks will begin.

Anyone interested in participating in the parade or being a vendor may contact us at parks@laconianh.gov for a form to be sent to you, or see the parade information and registration form below.

We hope to see you all at the celebration!!

2023 Laconia Parade Application Form
Parade Date: Sunday, July 2, 2023
Parade Start Time: 4:30pm

Note: Parade lineup will start at 3:30pm at Laconia High School

COMPANY/ORGANIZATION NAME: _____

CONTACT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

CITY/STATE: _____ PHONE #: _____

EMAIL: _____

OF PEOPLE: CHILDREN _____ ADULTS _____

OF VEHICLES: _____ DIMENSIONS OF VEHICLE: _____

PARADE UNIT (CIRCLE ONE):
WALKING FLOAT TRAILER HORSE ANTIQUE VEHICLE
MARCHING UNIT OTHER _____

Registrations due by Thursday, June 29th

Parade Registration Form can be emailed to: ynotynot@peoplepc.com

Or mailed to:
Laconia Parks & Rec.
306 Union Ave.
Laconia, NH 03246

Questions can be directed to Tony Felch at (603) 998-1418 or ynotynot@peoplepc.com

2023 PARADE APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Laconia's 2023 Independence Day Parade will be on July 2nd at 4:30 and kick-off the activities in Laconia.

The parade route will begin at the Laconia High School to Church Street and end at Opechee Park.

We are looking for participants! Bands, businesses, groups, individuals, neighborhood kids on bikes, etc.

Please click on the image (left) for the parade Registration Form and guidelines. The Registration Form can be emailed to: ynotynot@peoplepc.com or mailed to: Laconia Parks & Rec., 306 Union Ave., Laconia, NH 03246.

Let's make this a great parade!

Please forward this to everyone who might be interested in joining us.

KIDS IN THE PARK

JULY 2023

www.belknapmill.org

Free and open to families!
10am-11am in Rotary Park

Kids in the Park
returns this July!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2	3 FAIRY TALE THEATRE Impact Theatre	4	5 READING IN THE PARK Laconia Kiwanis	6	7 YOGA IN THE PARK Cassie's Yoga & Mindfulness	8
9	10 FAIRY TALE THEATRE Impact Theatre	11	12 SAFETY IN THE PARK Laconia Police Department	13	14 HIKING IN THE PARK Lakes Region Search & Rescue	15
16	Fairy Tale Theatre funded by a grant from the	17 FAIRY TALE THEATRE Impact Theatre	18	19 RADIO IN THE PARK Lakes Media	20	21 DANCE IN THE PARK Dancing Feet Studio
24	25	26 QUILTING IN THE PARK Belknap Mill Quilters Guild	27	28 KARATE IN THE PARK Sachem Health	29	
31	1 FAIRY TALE THEATRE Impact Theatre	2	3 TBA	4	5 COMMUNITY IN THE PARK Conservation Commission	



Monday's IMPACT Theatre group visits the Mill for 6 Fairy Tale performances. These will take place on the 3rd floor and are made possible thanks to a grant from the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction. Wednesdays and Fridays you can find us in Rotary Park for fun activities with some amazing local businesses/ organizations.

All Kids in the Park events are FREE and begin at 10am. Be sure to mark your calendar so you never miss out on the FUN!

<https://www.belknapmill.org/calendar>

A “Communiiversity Class Expo” was held recently in the Huot Dining Room at Laconia High School to showcase students’ final projects.

Over the past semester students worked to develop a property proposal for the former State School property to address components of environmental science, geography and digital art, and to pitch ideas that could benefit our community.

Thank you all for your hard work and interest in our City's future!



Our yesterdays

Our sincere thanks to Warren D. Huse, the Laconia Historical and Museum Society, and the Laconia Daily Sun for providing a glimpse into our community's past.....



THEN...

Colonial Theater (opened 1914) and Perley Block (built in 1885) are seen on Main Street in 1950, when the Perley Block was being readied for demolition. For a couple of years, the Landau Co. had occupied the Perley Block, having moved there, in June 1948 — 75 years ago this week — from another location on Main Street. Hevey Drug is at left and John's Shoes is directly to the right of the Colonial marquee. In distance, First National Stores grocery had opened in mid-June 1939 on the former site of the Unitarian Church, which burned in 1938. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



...AND NOW

A new Landau store opened, Nov. 2, 1950 on the site of the Perley Block, and was succeeded, in early January 1960 by the J.J. Newberry Co., which closed, April 5, 1997. Former Newberry's manager Gary Bloom reopened the 'five-and-dime' as Bloom's Variety, Sept. 10, 1997. The store closed, July 12, 2008, after 11 years. The building then remained vacant until January 2011, when the Laconia Antique Center moved in. Beginning in 1954, the former First National Store became home to a series of financial institutions, currently Citizens Bank. The Lakes Region Mental Health Center building had been expanded and remodeled, in 1957-1958, by the Laconia National and City Savings banks, in the Colonial brick and marble motif. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES



In accordance with Article V of the Laconia City Charter and other applicable laws, notice is hereby given of a Public Hearing on the proposed City of Laconia and School Budgets for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 to be held during the City Council meeting of 7:00 pm on June 26, 2023.

City General Expenses

Administration
Assessing
Code Enforcement
Conservation Comm
Finance
Fire
Legal
Library
Planning
Police
Public Works
Solid Waste
City Clerk
Elections
Parks, Rec. & Facilities
Welfare
Total City - General

School Expenses

Administration	\$4,256,301	General	\$40,891,704
Assessing	\$272,179	Fed/State Projects	\$5,765,068
Code Enforcement	\$202,424	Total	\$46,656,772
Conservation Comm	\$4,600		
Finance	\$5,566,892	School Revenues	
Fire	\$5,808,540	From State	\$13,357,419
Legal	\$99,000	From Federal	\$5,856,881
Library	\$957,845	Other Non-Tax	\$1,836,242
Planning	\$363,888	Total	\$21,050,542
Police	\$8,330,986		
Public Works	\$3,119,453	Net School	\$25,606,230
Solid Waste	\$3,004,134		
City Clerk	\$224,741	State Assessment	\$4,669,057
Elections	\$48,600	County Tax	\$3,815,947
Parks, Rec. & Facilities	\$1,296,691		
Welfare	\$97,250	Est. Raised by Taxes	\$56,478,365
Total City - General	\$33,653,524		

City General - Revenues

Taxes Other than Prop.
Intergovernmental
Licenses & Permits
Charges for Services
Interest
Parking
Pilot
Misc.
Total City Non-Tax Revenues

Taxes Other than Prop.	\$278,000	Anticipated Grants	\$1,898,174
Intergovernmental	\$2,440,325	Sewer Fund	
Licenses & Permits	\$4,296,100	Operating	\$5,426,614
Charges for Services	\$2,284,233	Capital	\$0
Interest	\$450,000	Water Fund	
Parking	\$345,000	Operating	\$2,805,164
Pilot	\$410,800	Capital	\$715,000
Misc.	\$646,935	Internal Service Fund	
Total City Non-Tax Revenues	\$11,151,393	Motorcycle Week	\$1,654,787
Use of Fund Balance	\$665,000	Ambulance EMS	\$1,228,233
Overlay - Abatements	\$120,000	Downtown TIF	\$359,000
War Service Credits	\$430,000	Lakeport TIF	\$25,000
Net City	\$22,387,131	Weirs TIF	\$230,000

Please see the Public Hearing Notices on this page which have been published in the Laconia Daily Sun. In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community.

If you have questions regarding any Public Hearing shown, please call City Hall at 603-527-1270 and we will be happy to direct you to the appropriate department. Thank you for staying informed about what is happening in City government!



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **June 26, 2023** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

RESOLUTION 2023-16 - RELATIVE TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 YEAR-END CARRY-FORWARDS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

Art Therapy Workshops

Veterans, First Responders, Active Military & their Families

2nd Saturday of the Month
10am-1pm at the Belknap Mill

www.belknapmill.org



Frances Nutter-Upham
Art Therapist



PARKS & RECREATION

OPEN

Laconia's beaches are officially open as of Saturday, June 24! Please visit our website [here](#) to read the Rules and Regulations that pertain to our City's beaches. Enjoy the summer!

City Hall Will Be Closed Tuesday, July 4, 2022

HAPPY
FOURTH *of* JULY

INDEPENDENCE DAY



BOLDUC PARK

Youth Golf League

Join us for a weekly youth golf league at

Bolduc Park

Thursdays

July 6 — August 3, 2023, 5:30 pm

\$25 Registration Fee

A league for rookie golfers

For More Information

Call Gail at (603) 630-5650

Email Brian at bbernard@bbbsnh.org

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Big Sisters.**

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Youth Golf League Registration Form

Child's Name: _____

Age: _____ Golf Experience: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Would your child need clubs? Yes _____ No _____

Click [here](#) for a full-size version of the form

By signing this form below, you verify giving permission for your child to participate in Bolduc Park's Youth Golf League sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire:

I understand my child's photo may be taken during the youth league, and may be used on Bolduc Park Association's website and/or social media

I understand playing Golf outdoors can take place in a variety of weather conditions that may cause muddy, wet, or slippery terrain.

I understand Golf is a physical activity with inherent risk that may result in death or other various injuries.

I do release Bolduc Park Association, its board of directors, and any staff/volunteers affiliated with Bolduc Park Association from any liability stemming from any injury my child sustains during the normal course of participation.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only _____

Club House Staff Member _____

Amount Pd _____ Date _____ Receipt # _____

Bolduc Park Association

282 Gofford Ave, Gilford, NH 03249



JUNE 2023 ACTIVITIES MENU

Activities Subject to Change

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Weather permitting: Walks along the river, Picnics, Ice cream social	TBA: trip to the Pleasant St School		1 Italian Wedding Soup Seasoned Pita Bread Beet and Onion Salad Fruit Cup	2 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/ Snack & drink
5 VNA Foot Care 9-1 by appt. Manicure by Brenda 11-12:30 PM	6 Activity Mtg 10:AM Fathers day discussion	7 Bingo 10-12:PM Penny Annie Poker 10:AM	8 Chicken Vegetable Soup w/ Orzo Warm Dinner Roll Tomato and Cucumber Salad Fruit Cup	9 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/ Snack & drink
12 Elm St School trip 10:30 Coffee Social 10-11	13 Awakening Chiropractor 10-11	14 Bingo 10-12:PM Penny Annie Poker 10:AM Pleasant St School 10:AM	15 Hearing Clinic 10:15 AM Father's Day Celebration Beef Tips with Onion Mushroom Smashed Red Potatoes / Veggies/Roll, Fruit Cup	16 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/ Snack & drink
19 CLOSED	20 Franklin VNA 10:AM Peer Support 1-2:30	21 Bingo 9:AM Pennie Annie Poker 9:AM Center closing @ Noon	22 Franklin VNA Advanced Directives 10:AM Chicken Waldorf Salad - Fruit & Vegetable over Mixed Greens/WG Dinner Roll	23 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, 9:AM Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/ Snack & drink CANCELLED Yard Sale Set-Up 12 -
26 Granite VNA 10-11 AM	27 Foot Care with Maddy by appt 9 to 1 Celebration of Life for Russ Bailey Open to Public 1:30 PM	28 Bingo 10-12:PM Penny Annie Poker 10:AM	29 Shaved Steak Sub w/ Peppers and Onions Oven Roasted Potato Wedge Fruit Cup/Sub Roll	30 Game Morning of Choice: Scrabble, Bingo, Cribbage, Cards Movie 12:30-2:30PM w/ Snack & drink

Please click on the image (below) to read this week's Laconia Senior Center Newsletter!



June 23, 2023 - Another month almost come and gone. June is a very busy month with graduations, Father's Day and bike week. I hope all had a very nice, safe June. Soon it will be July 4th. Are you planning on cook outs, beach days, and relaxation? A nice summer book to enjoy; here are a few books to check out: The Day That Changed Everything by Catherine Miller, The Boston Girl: A novel by Anita Diamant, Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan, Spilled Milk: Based on a true story by KL Randal.

This past week here at the Laconia Senior Center was fulfilling and so much fun. We went to the Pleasant Street School to support the first graders with a gift of a key chain they made. Tracie Elders from the Visiting Angels stopped by to discuss how to stay cool on these hot days. Thank you, Tracie. Bingo was a hoot as always; the ladies are funny and very competitive. As always Bingo and game day will be on Fridays; reminder, this Friday only will be a 9:am start due to the exciting Yard Sale on 6/24th. The Center will close for set-up at noon on Friday. Come check out the Yard Sale at the Laconia Senior Center, 184 Beacon Street West from 8 AM to 12 PM.

Next week, Granite VNA will be doing a discussion on a Topic of interest, 6/26/2023 at 10: AM. If you have called the Granite VNA for footcare, on 7/3/2023, 9:AM-1:PM they will be here. This footcare treatment is by appointment (1st Monday of each month) only from Granite VNA 603-224-4093. **You need to call them to get the footcare appointment.**

Maddy's Footcare is 6/27/2023 9:AM to 12:PM make sure you sign up at the center for your appointment.

Bingo on Wednesday and Friday along with game day and poker. Also don't forget the movie day.

Thursday will be the congregate meal of Shaved Steak w/peppers and onions and potato wedges. Make sure you are registered no later than Monday at noon. Thank you for your support.

HOPING FOR THE WEATHER NEXT WEEK TO BE ON OUR SIDE FOR A WALK ON TUESDAY OR THURSDAY MORNING.

Historic Event: 1862 Battle of Oak Grove, Virginia, 1864 Battle of Petersburg: Union forces begin digging tunnels under Confederate lines. 1868 US President Andrew Johnson passes a law that Government workers would work 8-hour days.

Have a great week and hope to see you at the Center for some fun and games.

As Always,

Debbie Haskell Laconia Senior Center Resource Manager

184 Beacon St West, Laconia

603-524-7689



INDOOR YARD SALE

FUNDRAISER Laconia

Senior Center

SATURDAY

JUNE 24, 2023

184 Beacon St West

LACONIA, NH

8 A.M. TO 12 P.M. (NOON)

SMALL FURNITURE, PUZZLES, BOOKS, LOTS OF FABRIC, ART, BAGS, CRAFTS, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, LINENS AND MORE

FACE MASKS OPTIONAL

Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



Friday, July 28th from 12:00-2:00

(while supplies last)

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

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals.

No proof of income or residence is needed. This is a drive thru event.

All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.

**Sponsored by
caring neighbors.**



At this year's Laconia Motorcycle Week press conference, the City of Laconia was proud to be awarded the 2023 Fritzie Baer trophy for above and beyond service to the Laconia Motorcycle Week Rally.

The Fritzie Baer trophy was first awarded in 1996 and has been received by the likes of Governor John Lynch, Peter Makris of the Naswa Resort, Laconia Mayor Ed Engler and Laconia Police Chief Matt Canfield over the past 20 years, just to name a few.

Fritzie Baer was a true booster for the Rally leading the Red Hat Brigade, a group of supporters who raised funds to put on the Rally. Baer was the lead charge for the Rally and is credited with bringing the AMA Road Champion Races to Laconia in 1938.

See you at next year's Rally!

Assessing Property Tax Credit Forms

DP-8 forms are now available in the Assessing Office in City Hall. Please feel free to stop by to pick up a form, or call the Assessing office at 603-527-1268. The deadline for filing the form is June 30. You can also fill out the form by clicking [here](#).

This form applies to Low/Moderate income homeowner's property tax credit. This program is offered by the State and refunds the State education tax portion of the tax rate to qualifying property owners.

Call the Assessing Office at 603-527-1268 with questions or for additional information.



Cool Kids Cook

with Cooking Matters at Home

at the Laconia Public Library

June 27th | 4:00 PM

July 11th | 4:30 PM

July 25th | 4:00 PM

August 8th | 4:30 PM

To register, contact:

Kate Bruchacova
603-397-3205

Kate.bruchacova@unh.edu

or

Karen Deighan
603-651-3104

Karen.deighan@unh.edu

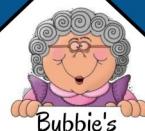


In this free family cooking program, youth and families explore how to cook together and learn:

- To make meals more nutritious
- To make recipes work for you
- Kitchen safety skills



Our
26th
Year



Bubbie's
Matzah Ball Soup



THE
New Hampshire
JEWISH
FOOD
Festival

ORDER ONLINE

JUNE 11 TO JULY 9



Corned Beef, Pastrami, and Tongue



See the
complete
menu on our
website
www.tbinh.org

2023 Menu @
2022 Prices!

Scan to Order



Contact us foodfestival@tbinh.org

PICK UP ORDERS AT TBI July 21 or 22 by appointment



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES

**July 4th is on a Tuesday; there will be
no curbside pickup on that day.**

**Tuesday's curbside collection route,
and all other routes for the remainder
of the week, will be delayed one day.**

Questions? Please call 603-528-6379.

CITY MANAGER'S
OFFICE



The City Manager has posted new updates to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

Be sure to check out the [Project Updates](#) report which provides a concise update of projects in the community. In this report you will find everything from road projects to the latest information on the Master Plan update. 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.

*Question? Please call the City Manager's
Office at 603-527-1270.*

City of Laconia

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Laconia, NH 03246
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CITY HALL HOURS:
8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Monday through Friday
(603) 527-1270

SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center
(603) 528-6945 is the first number
to call for senior services.



National Institutes of Health
Turning Discovery Into Health

Tips To BOOST Your Health as You Age



Eating healthy and having an active lifestyle can support healthy aging.

Please click on the image (left) to learn about different patterns of healthy eating and ways to create a nutritious meal plan!



City Meetings



Week of:
June 26 - June 30

Public participation and citizen input is a vital part of City government. Below is a list of meetings scheduled for the upcoming week. As agendas become available they will be posted on the City's [website](#). Also, printed copies of any agenda are available in the City department in charge of a particular Board or Commission. You are invited and encouraged to participate in any of our public meetings. [All meetings are open to the public and are held at Laconia City Hall, unless otherwise noted:](#)

Laconia City Council

June 26, 2023, 7:00 pm

Historic District Commission

June 27, 2023, 6:30 pm

Conservation Commission

June 28, 2023, 6:00 pm

Agenda

Board of Assessors

June 29, 2023, 5:00 pm



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below must be preceded by 603)

Airport	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement	527-1293
Katherine Menici, Interim Planning & Zoning Director	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning	527-1264
Katherine Menici, Interim Planning & Zoning Director	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1)	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2)	524-7054
Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Vacant (Ward 5)	
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

Visit the City's website at:
www.laconianh.gov