



# Welcome to Laconia Links!



July 11, 2025 - Edition #694

4th of July 2025 at Opechee Park! More photos on page 20. (Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)

## Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to help 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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



**Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of July 14th!**



## KIDS IN THE PARK JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Free and open to families! 10am-11am at the Belknap Mill Museum <a href="http://www.belknapmill.org">www.belknapmill.org</a>	2 DANCE Dancing Feet Studio	3	4 4th of July
6	7 Lost in WONDERLAND Impact Theatre	8	9 ART Adrianna Marie	10	11 KARATE Sachem Health	12
13	14 Little Red Riding Hood Impact Theatre	15	16 BUBBLES Belknap Mill	17	18 HIKING SAFETY Lakes Region Search & Rescue	19
20	21 Return to OZ Impact Theatre	22	23 RADIO Lakes Media	24	25 MMA/ BOXING Lakes Region Vale Tudo	26
27	28 A Dragon's Call Impact Theatre	29	30 SAFETY VEHICLES Laconia Police & Fire Depts	31	Sponsored by: <b>ArborTech</b>	

### Belknap Mill Launches 6th Season of Kids in the Park!

The Belknap Mill has kicked off its 6th year of Kids in the Park, a beloved summer series offering fun, educational, and family-friendly activities every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday throughout the month of July! All events begin at 10 am and are free to attend, taking place in Rotary Park or inside the historic Belknap Mill Museum, depending on weather. The full calendar of events for Kids in the Park can be found at [www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org).

# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 7/14	Summer Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-5.	KID
TUE 7/15	Drop-In Tech Help @10am	ADULT
TUE 7/15	Fiction Book Group @10am - 'Honor'	ADULT
TUE 7/15	Summer Reading Family Craft @2pm - Kaleidoscope craft!	KID
WED 7/16	Summer Story Adventures! @10am - Best for ages 0-5.	KID
WED 7/16	Drop-In Tech Help @2pm	ADULT
WED 7/16	How to Draw Comic Book Characters @2pm	TEEN
THU 7/17	Wildlife Encounters at Leavitt Park @2pm	KID
SAT 7/19	Summer Reading Family Craft @10am - Rubber duck craft!	KID
MON 7/21	Summer Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-5.	KID

## CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<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



NH 911 is here for the people of NH. Call if you can, text if you can't. If you need to report an emergency and it isn't safe to speak, or you are unable to do so, send a text and one of our highly trained, compassionate, and efficient telecommunicators will connect you to the help you need.

# Powerful Tools for Caregivers

**ONLINE**  
Six Wednesday Morning Sessions  
July 23 - August 27, 2025  
10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



This interactive workshop helps family caregivers learn the tools they need to help manage the difficulties in caregiving while considering their own well-being. Let us help fill your toolbox up with ways to:

- Reduce personal stress
- Change negative self-talk
- Communicate more effectively
- Handle different feelings
- Make challenging decisions

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To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664, visit [granitevna.org/calendar](http://granitevna.org/calendar), or scan QR code.



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

(603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620

Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro

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# Christmas IN JULY CRUISE

July 10 at 6:30 pm  
M/S Mount Washington  
\$67 per adult, \$50 per child

- Buffet Dinner
- Entertainment
- Dancing
- and More!

Each ticket purchased allows a child in need a FREE ticket aboard the Mount on August 6 for the Kids Cruise!

LAKES  
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The Sun  
Entertainment

104.9  
TAMPA

Power Chords

Join us on the M/S Mount Washington for a fun-filled evening on Lake Winnipesaukee to benefit the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction!

Scan for tickets

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# Lakes Region Rotary Car Show!



**100% of the proceeds goes to local charitable organizations**

## **Making Life Better in the Lakes Region for Children and Families in Need!**

Join us Saturday, **July 26th**, at 70 North Endicott Street, Weirs Beach, NH from 10am-2pm. The Lakes

Region Rotary's Car show is the Club's major annual fundraiser. Proceeds from the Car Show support organizations that provide food, shelter, clothing, and other services to enable underprivileged children and families to become more self-sufficient.

**The entrance fee for car owners is \$25 per car the day of the event. The spectator entrance fee is \$5.00 per person, under 12 yrs. is free.**

In case of rain, there are no refunds for pre-registration as this is a fundraiser for the Rotary Club.

We are looking for businesses to sponsor this popular and important event. Your sponsorship will help significantly increase the impact in the community. If you would like to support this fundraiser, please download the [sponsorship packet](#) for more information.

Presenting Sponsor: **Douglas and Gloria Rumberger Foundation**

**Bicycles are everywhere!**



Watch out for bicyclists! Summertime means more riders are sharing the road with you. As a driver, you must:

- Ensure the safety and protection of bicyclists and exercise due care by leaving a reasonable and prudent distance between your vehicle and the bicycle.
- Allow as much space as possible and slow down when approaching or passing a bicyclist.
- Avoid sounding your horn.
- Avoid turning sharply in front of a bicyclist.
- Although bicyclists are required to ride in the direction of traffic, you should look for them riding anywhere on the roadway.





# 2025 SUMMER FIREWORKS SCHEDULE

## See you there!

### RAINDATES:

\*Saturday, July 26, 2025: 9:30 pm

\*Saturday, August 9, 2025: 9:30 pm

*These dates are tentative and will only occur if a previous show is cancelled. Rain date announcements will be posted on the Weirs Action Committee Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/WeirsBeach.WAC](https://www.facebook.com/WeirsBeach.WAC)*

Saturday, July 19, 2025: 9:30 pm  
Saturday, August 2, 2025: 9:30 pm  
Saturday, August 16, 2025: 9:30 pm  
Sunday, August 31, 2025: 9:30 pm



**Saturday, September 20**

Please Join Us for a Day of FUN and FUNdraising to support The Cure Starts Now!



Organize a boat with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, or business. Race your boat for fun or bragging rights (we'll supply the boats, equipment, and rehearsal time)! Raise funds for The Cure Starts Now to support cancer research!

Get an Early-Bird discount by registering your team before 7/2/2025.

Become an event sponsor and highlight your support of this important cause!

Location: NASWA Resort  
1086 Weirs Blvd., Laconia, NH

[www.LaconiaRotary.org](http://www.LaconiaRotary.org)  
LaconiaDBF@gmail.com

Event Sponsors:  



We understand that your pets are an important part of your recreation experience. That's why many of our parks are pet-friendly!

Visit our website to learn more about which locations we allow pets, and don't forget to review and follow our pet guidelines to keep the parks enjoyable for everyone. LEARN MORE: <https://www.nhstateparks.org/.../pet-friendly-parks-trails>



2025-2026 COMPETITION



# PATRIOT'S PEN AND VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

Post 1670

"VFW made it possible  
for me to go to college."

- Rachel 2020 Prize Winner

APPLICATION DEADLINE:  
**OCTOBER 31, 2025**

## PATRIOT'S PEN

- Open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students enrolled by the Oct. 31st deadline
- Submit a 300 – 400-word essay
- This year's theme is, **"How are you showing patriotism and support for our country?"**
- National Prize is currently **\$5,000**



[bit.ly/3YP90Nw](https://bit.ly/3YP90Nw)

## ELIGIBILITY

Students must be lawful U.S. permanent residents or have applied for permanent residence (for which the application has not been denied) and intend to become a U.S. citizen at the earliest opportunity.



[bit.ly/3At39Dp](https://bit.ly/3At39Dp)

## VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

- Open to students in grades 9-12 enrolled by Oct. 31st deadline
- Submit a 3–5-minute audio and written essay
- This year's theme is, **"How are you showing patriotism and support for our country?"**
- National Prize is currently **\$35,000**

<https://scholarsapp.com>



Scholar's App



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# SCHOLARSHIPS

For Students Like You



Apply for Fall 2025 Scholarships  
[givenhcc.org/scholarships](https://givenhcc.org/scholarships)

The Foundation for NH Community Colleges offers scholarships exclusively for students like you! Last year, it awarded over \$740,000 in support. Awards range from \$200 to \$3,000.

There are need- and merit-based scholarships, awards for specific majors, and students from certain towns. With so many scholarships available, one will surely be right for you.

The application opens July 1. Deadlines vary by college.



  
The FOUNDATION  
for New Hampshire Community Colleges  
For questions, contact Lisa Clark at [lclark@ccsnh.edu](mailto:lclark@ccsnh.edu)

Did you know that The Foundation for NH Community Colleges awarded \$740,000 in support last year!? Check out these opportunities and see what you qualify for... and REGISTER for fall!  
<https://givenhcc.org/scholarships/>



## Dementia Caregiver Support Group

This group will provide support, education, and an opportunity to exchange ideas among caregivers of those suffering with dementia. A caregiver is anyone who provides regular care for a relative, a partner, or a friend. For many it is a labor of love, but it can also be physically and emotionally demanding. It is important to keep a balance between caring for another individual while caring for oneself.

**Franklin VNA & Hospice**  
75 Chestnut St, Franklin  
2nd Tuesday of each month  
1:30-3:30pm

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged.  
For more information or to register call (603) 934-3454

  
Franklin VNA & Hospice  
[www.FranklinVNA.org](http://www.FranklinVNA.org) (603)934-3454

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Granite VNA

**LACONIA HARLEY-DAVIDSON**

**A NEW HARLEY-DAVIDSON FLFB - FAT BOY**  
(Or \$24,000 cash!)\*

**\$20 per ticket | Only 4000 tickets available**

**Net proceeds to benefit Granite VNA Hospice**

\*see ticket site for raffle rules

**Get Tickets**





## Discover What's New at the Belknap Mill This Summer

***Summer is the perfect time to rediscover one of Laconia's true historic and cultural gems — the Belknap Mill Museum.***

Thanks to a generous anonymous donation received last year, the Belknap Mill has undergone exciting updates designed to enhance the visitor experience. The museum's revitalized spaces offer a fresh, engaging, and more accessible look at the Mill's rich history — right in the heart of downtown Laconia.

"We've worked hard to make the museum more inviting and interactive," said Jill Desruisseaux, Associate Director. "Whether you've visited before or are stopping by for the first time, there's something new to experience."

But the Belknap Mill is more than a museum — it's a hub for creativity, learning, and community connection.

From rotating exhibits and educational programs to family-friendly events and art classes, the Mill continues to serve as a gathering place for residents and visitors alike. It's also a unique and charming venue for private rentals, offering a beautiful historic setting for weddings, meetings, celebrations, and special events throughout the year.

As a nonprofit organization, the Belknap Mill relies on community support to stay vibrant and accessible. You can help keep this important piece of Laconia's history alive by becoming a member, making a donation, attending an event, or simply sharing your experience with others.

This summer, take the opportunity to explore what makes the Belknap Mill so special. Experience the newly revitalized museum for yourself — and celebrate the past, present, and future of this remarkable local treasure.

To learn more, visit: [www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org)

*We hope to see you soon!*

LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE MUSEUM  
PRESENTS IN COLLABORATION WITH LHMS:  
**THE HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT  
OF LACONIA**

Pat Tierney is a Laconia native with a strong passion for American and Laconia history. He has been the Historian for Mount Lebanon Lodge #32 in Laconia for 20 years and led the celebration of its 200th anniversary. He was the former Executive Director of the Laconia Historical and Museum Society and has received several awards, including the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire's General John Sullivan Award for historical merit in Masonry and State/Provincial documents.

Pat, along with historian Warren Huse, will present a slideshow on Laconia's historical structures. This event coincides with the NH Center for Photography's exhibition "Survivors: 200 Years of New Hampshire Architecture," on display at the Lake Winnipesaukee Museum through July. The exhibition features over 70 photographs documenting historic buildings constructed before 1826.

Admission is free for members of the Laconia and Lake Winnipesaukee Historical Societies, non-members pay \$5.00. Due to limited seating, reservations are recommended by calling 603-366-5950 or emailing [lakewinnipesaukeemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:lakewinnipesaukeemuseum@gmail.com).

**WEDNESDAY**

 **16 JULY 2025**  
 **AT 7:00PM**  
 **503 ENDICOTT STREET**



 **603-527-1278**  
 [www.laconiahistory.com](http://www.laconiahistory.com)



**Patrick Tierney**  
*Presenter*



*SUMMER FRIDAYS ON ...*

**CONCERTS  
ON CANAL**

**5PM - 9PM**

**JUNE 20TH**

**JULY 18TH**

**AUGUST 15TH**

**JULY 5TH**

**AUGUST 1ST**



*CANAL ST. LACONIA, NH*

**LIVE MUSIC  
FOOD TRUCKS  
ACTIVITIES  
BEER**



**THIS IS AN OUTDOOR EVENT. FOR DETAILS  
CONCERNING WEATHER CONTINGENCY PLANS VISIT**

**DEFANT**  
RECORDS AND CRAFT BEER

  
CANAL STREET BLOCK PARTY  


**ONLINE  
Caregiver Connection**



**A Caregiver Support Group**

**Fourth Thursday of each month  
10 - 11 a.m.**

Caregiver Connection is an opportunity for family caregivers to support one another and connect with our staff professionals. We look forward to providing a safe space to connect with other caregivers facing similar challenges.

To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664 or visit [www.granitevna.org/onlineprograms](http://www.granitevna.org/onlineprograms).

**Registration is required.**  
Once your registration is confirmed, you will receive a link to the program.  
Technical instruction is available to participate in the group.



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**Blasting and Drilling  
Permit Notice**



A blasting permits has been issued as follows:

- Capital Rock Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid until July 13, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 492 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH. Questions? Contact 603-487-2840.

Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

Please see below for the horn codes:

3 long horns - 5 minutes until the blast  
2 long horns - 2 minutes until the blast  
1 long horn - All clear to proceed

# VIENNA BOYS CHOIR

DECEMBER 3

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# Menopause 2 The Musical®

APRIL 18

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# July 2025

Opportunities for parents and Care givers to network with others for free, while enjoying their children's safe play. For children birth to age 5.

LRCS is proud to be a smoke-free, substance-free campus. Thank you for helping to keep our building and grounds a safe & healthy environment for all.



Giggles & Grins  
and  
Happy Sounds

Lakes Region  
Community Services  
Family Resource Center  
719 North Main Street  
Laconia, NH 03246  
603-524-8811

Giggles + Grins is a  
Peanut-free area.  
Thank you.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Windsocks	2 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	3 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Red, White & Blue Collages	4 Happy 4th of July	5
6 9:30am FRC Patriotic Parade	7	8 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Fish	9 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	10 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Jellyfish	11 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	12
13	14	15 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Crabs	16 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	17 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Sand Art	18 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia Family Movie Night Friday 6pm @ the Family Resource Center	
20	21	22 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Sea Turtles	23 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	24 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Mermaids	25 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	26
27	28	29 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Octopuses	30 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	31 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Starfish		2 Generation Family Support



# Blood Drive



**Tuesday, July 15  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Granite VNA - Laconia**

**780 North Main Street  
Opechee Room**

Come give blood July 15-31 for a Fandango Movie Ticket by email (up to \$15 ticket price and fees). You can use it to see a summer blockbuster on the Red Cross.

**Please call 1-800-RED CROSS  
(1-800-733-2767) or visit  
RedCrossBlood.org and enter:  
GRANITEVNA to schedule  
an appointment.**

**PLEASE HELP & DONATE!**

# LACONIA HOUSING

Laconia Housing will be holding its' next Board Meeting on Thursday, July 17th, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

The Zoom invite link to join is on our website at:  
[www.laconiahousing.org/board-info](http://www.laconiahousing.org/board-info)  
Questions? Please call us at: 603-524-2112

## Parent Cafe: The Perils of Potty Training

Come together to support one another in handling the challenges of potty training

July 15, 2025  
6-8pm

\*Hybrid Series\*  
Participants can choose to attend in person at our office at 719 N. Main St. Laconia, NH  
OR virtually via Zoom

Register at:  
[www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration)  
or use the QR Code:



For those attending in person, dinner will be served at 6pm and on-site childcare may be available if reserved at the time of registration.



# ARE YOU FRUSTRATED WITH THE RESULTS YOU ARE NOT GETTING?



**Join the  
Women's Wellness  
Collective  
Popup Event**

**JULY 24, 2025**



## Luxe By Lauren

Lauren Barr is a registered nurse who specializes in medicated weight loss treatments. Lauren offers GLP-1 through her aesthetic medicine business.



## Savor Nutrition

Kate is a certified holistic nutrition & wellness coach specializing in all stages of menopause, providing 1:1 and group coaching. She helps women lose stubborn weight and rebalance their hormones so they can reclaim their energy, confidence and sense of self.



## The Downtown Gym & Training

Janine brings health and fitness together through her nursing background and passion for fitness. You will find personalized fitness and a comfortable non-judgmental place for your health journey at the Downtown Gym.



## Atunements

Pam Seed, M.A. is a vibrational sound healer, reiki master/teacher and akashic record clearer specializing in mindfulness and healing practices.

"Together, we'll explore ways to support your body and reach your goals through movement, mindfulness, and sustainable tools—without judgment or pressure."



**Thursday July 24th  
5:30pm  
The Downtown Gym  
171 Fair Street, Laconia**

**RSVP required by July 21<sup>st</sup>,  
please click or scan QR code  
above**

**603-581-9392**





The Laconia HS Football Team visited the Fire Station recently to say thanks for a donation the Laconia Professional Firefighters' Union made to the team. (Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)

*Franklin*  **VNA & Hospice**

## 4th Annual Hospice Ball

Join us for an elegant event on:  
 Saturday November 1, 2025 from 5-10PM  
 At the Newfound Lake Inn 1030 Mayhew Turnpike  
 Bridgewater, NH

Tickets are \$75.00 and include a fabulous Dinner followed by Dancing, Music, Live & Silent Auctions, and a 50/50 Raffle

For Tickets Visit:  
[franklinvna.org/hospice-ball](http://franklinvna.org/hospice-ball)  
 or Call (603) 934-3454



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# BELKNAP MILL MUSEUM FIRST FRIDAYS

*Featuring Live Music, Free Museum Admission & Local Art Reception*

*Aug 1* **Katie Dobbins & Friends**  
 Textile Art Exhibit by Pamela Bartlett

*Sept 5* **End of Summer Sock Hop featuring the Rockin' Daddios Band**  
 Classic Cars  
 Root Beer Float Fundraiser  
 Contemporary Art by Marcia Santore

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 Sponsored by:

  
 BELKNAP MILL 1823









**BELKNAP MILL MUSEUM**  
*Where Art and History Come to Life!*  
 25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH

**Classes and Workshops**

# PUBLIC HEARINGS

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 **July 14, 2025** 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:

**PROPOSED APPLICATION TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY FOR UP TO \$500,000 IN CDBG PUBLIC FACILITY FUNDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE LACONIA SENIOR CENTER, 184 BEACON ST, LACONIA, NH**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**PROGRESS OF THE LAKES REGION COMMUNITY DEVELOPER'S CDBG IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE MILLVIEW APARTMENTS LOCATED AT 115-117 UNION AVE, 20 & 28 LOCUST ST AND 5 JAMESON ST; IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDE NEW ROOFING, SIDING AND POSSIBLE BOILERS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**PROGRESS OF THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PUBLIC HEALTH'S IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AT 11 ACADEMY SQUARE, IMPROVEMENTS TO INCLUDE ADA ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, ENERGY, SAFETY, SECURITY AND PRIVACY ITEMS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**PROGRESS OF CDBG FUNDED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PLAYGROUND AT THE BOY'S AND GIRL'S CLUB OF CENTRAL NH'S LAKES REGION EARLY LEARNING CENTER, 22 STRAFFORD ST.**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**PRESENTATION OF THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION FROM THE RECENTLY COMPLETED COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, BELKNAP-MERRIMACK (CAPBM) CDBG PLANNING STUDY GRANT THAT FINANCED THE PRE-DEVELOPMENT COSTS OF THE SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**RESOLUTION 2025-25 RELATIVE TO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE LACONIA CITY CHARTER TO AMEND ARTICLE II, ELECTIONS AND ELECTION OFFICERS, SECTIONS 2:02, 2:03, 2:06 AND 3:05**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**THE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PLAN FOR THE MERRIMACK-BELKNAP COMMUNITY ACTION SENIOR CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**UPDATED HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## Save the Date!

Laconia Pumpkin Festival

October 25, 2025

Fun begins at 11am and ends with a bang at 8pm

[www.LaconiaPumpkinFestival.com](http://www.LaconiaPumpkinFestival.com)

Follow our Facebook page [here](#) to help spread the word!

Are you interested in becoming a vendor at this year's Laconia Pumpkin Festival? Vendor space is still available and we'd love to talk with you! Just call Nancy Brown at the Laconia City Manager's Office at 603-527-1270, or email [pumpkifest@laconianh.gov](mailto:pumpkifest@laconianh.gov)



Join us for the 33rd Annual [NH DARE Classic 5k Road Race](#)! Don't miss this family fun event with raffle prizes, activities for the kids, and an appearance from DAREN the D.A.R.E. Lion! Register on this link: <https://www.runreg.com/dare-classic-road-race>



## You're Invited!

### Storytelling and Free Book Giveaway!

Brought to you by the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF), Got Literacy Laconia, and the Laconia Public Library

**When:** Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup> @ 2:00pm

**Where:** Laconia Public Library

- Join CLiF for a **FUN** and **INTERACTIVE** storytelling program for both children and parents.
- Every child in attendance will get to choose **TWO NEW BOOKS** to take home and keep!
- There will be **HUNDREDS** of books to choose from with **MANY POPULAR TITLES**.



The Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) brings stories and books to Laconia through a Summer Readers' Grant awarded to Got Literacy Laconia and the Laconia Public Library.

## EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Here are some fantastic activities taking place this week at the Belknap Mill Museum

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>FAIRY TALE THEATRE</b>	Join us for Little Red Riding Hood	7/14
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>SPINNING CLUB</b>	10am-12pm Bring your fiber projects and join us!	7/15
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>BUBBLES IN THE PARK</b>	10am Join Kathy to make bubbles in the park!	7/16
		12pm-4pm Museum open	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>TAKE A TOUR</b>	12pm-4pm Museum open	7/17
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>HIKING SAFETY IN THE PARK</b>	10am- Join Lakes Region Search and Rescue for a fun lesson about hiking this summer!	7/18
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FAMILY CRAFT DAY</b>	11am-1pm Family Craft Day	7/19



### Franklin VNA & Hospice Grief Support Group

For those who have experienced the death of someone significant

*"The only way to get to the other side is to go through the door."*  
- Helen Keller

Join us as we support each other and discuss some of the ways the loss of someone significant can affect our lives. The purpose of this group is to provide information about the grief process; to share experiences; and to alleviate the feeling of isolation.

*No registration required.  
Come to one session, or come every month!*

**Franklin VNA & Hospice Grief Support Group**  
Date: 3rd Tuesday of every month  
Time: 2:30-4:00 pm  
Location: 75 Chestnut St, Franklin

For additional information, please call  
Franklin VNA & Hospice at 603-934-3454  
or email [info@franklinvna.org](mailto:info@franklinvna.org)

Franklin  
*VNA & Hospice*



Steve Loughlin, a Director at the Kiwanis Club of Laconia, NH, produces a monthly newsletter for the Club, "Laconia Kiwanis Kronikle".

To read the most recent issue and see what our local chapter of Kiwanis is up to, click [here](#).



July 22, 2025 6-8pm

# LRCS PARENT CAFE: SCREENTIME STRUGGLES

COME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER IN  
FINDING A HEALTHY BALANCE WITH TECHNOLOGY

## \*HYBRID SERIES\*

Participants can choose to  
attend in person at our office  
at 719 N. Main St. Laconia, NH  
OR virtually via Zoom.

For those who attend in  
person, dinner will be served  
at 6pm and on-site childcare  
may be available if reserved  
at the time of registration.

Register at

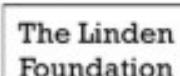
[www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration)  
or use the QR Code



LRCS  
**FAMILY RESOURCE  
CENTER**

*Engage. Empower. Inspire.*

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Preparing for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Jenni's Ride Around the Lakes are (l-r) Chris Guilmett, Executive Director Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation, Russ Harmon, Jane Harmon (Jenni's Parents) and Jami Harmon (Jenni's sister).

## Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation and the Harmon family are pleased to announce the 11th Annual "Jenni's Ride Around the Lakes" fundraiser, in memory of Jenni Ann Harmon

A 2006 GHS graduate, Jenni spent her youth enjoying sports, art, music, and helping others. After graduating, she followed the vocation of serving others by registering for an EMT course with the Gilmanton Fire Department. On December 14th, 2006, she was driving to her final written exam and was tragically killed. She was graciously certified posthumously by the GFD. Forever determined to let her light shine on and guide others, LRSF has made it possible for the Harmon Family to grant a graduating senior in the Lakes Region a scholarship toward their education in emergency, medical, and social services, for the last 19 years.

Jenni always loved to ride motorcycles and never missed a Laconia Bike Week! To continue the tradition of Jenni's annual birthday bash, we will gather on Saturday, July 26th, 2025, at the Belknap Sportsmen's Club in Gilford. Motorcycle registration (\$20/person) begins at 8:00am with the motorcade departing promptly at 10:00am. Non-riders may participate by attending the BBQ catered by Lakeshore Market & Deli (\$15/person), beginning at 12:00 noon, competing in the Doubles Cornhole Tournament (\$25/pair) throughout the afternoon, and participating in the silent auction, various raffle drawings, and other games of chance! Prize item donations may be dropped off with Jane at Harmon Motors on Lakeshore Drive in Gilford by Wednesday, July 23rd. We also welcome tax deductible donations from anyone who cannot attend but would like to support this cause. To donate, visit [lrscholarship.org](http://lrscholarship.org) or [jennisride.betterworld.org](http://jennisride.betterworld.org) for more information and registration.



Join us for the Winnisquam Watershed Network annual meeting at the Leslie Roberts Beach area in Belmont. Meet our new Executive Director Sara Steiner. Share an informative discussion presented by officers of the NH State Police - Marine Patrol Division as they discuss what the Marine Patrol's responsibilities include, lake safety, and other pertinent information for our membership. Hear about the progress WWN has made on the Winnisquam watershed-based plan, an update on our programs and what's ahead in our future. All are welcome to attend and meet or reacquaint with other members of our wonderful Lake Winnisquam community. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Please bring a couple of chairs. Rain location is at Birch Hall at Mallard's Landing Association, 200 Union Rd, Belmont, NH.



**FRANKLIN VNA & HOSPICE  
FISHER CATS FUNDRAISER  
BASEBALL GAME**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2025**  
**FISHER CATS | VS | ERIE SEA WOLVES**

VISIT [FRANKLINVNA.ORG](http://FRANKLINVNA.ORG) OR CALL 603-934-3454 FOR TICKETS

DELTA DENTAL  
STADIUM  
MANCHESTER

SPACE POTATO  
NIGHT &  
FIREWORKS AFTER  
THE GAME!



Tuesday, July 15, 2025 - 10:00 am to Noon

## REP. CHRIS PAPPAS OFFICE HOURS

Laconia City Hall  
2nd Floor, Meeting Room 200B  
45 Beacon St. E.  
Laconia, New Hampshire

CONGRESSMAN  
**CHRIS PAPPAS**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE'S 1<sup>ST</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



A member of Congressman Chris Pappas's staff will be visiting Laconia to answer questions and provide information about federal resources and programs. Congressman Pappas's office can help constituents with federal issues, including Social Security, VA benefits, passports, IRS, and more. For more information on these office hours, please email [Nbrown@laconianh.gov](mailto:Nbrown@laconianh.gov), or call 603-527-1270. For general information from Congressman Pappas's office, please visit <https://pappas.house.gov> or call 603-285-4300.

## LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

20,000+ Attendees and Thousands of Pumpkins  
34 foot tall Pumpkin Tower, Games, Parades  
100+ Food and Craft Vendors  
Beer Tent and Live Music

### Sponsorship Opportunities

Great Pumpkin  
\$10,000  
Radio, print and social media: vendor space and banner display

Jack O'Lantern  
\$5,000  
Print and social media: vendor space and banner display

Pumpkin Patch  
\$2,500  
All press releases, social media, vendor space and banner display

Sugar Pumpkin  
\$1,000  
All press releases, social media, vendor space

Pumpkin Seed  
\$500  
Social media, vendor space

For more information, please contact  
Joia Hughes at the City of Laconia  
603-527-1270

*Laconia*  
CITY ON THE LAKES



## KIDS IN THE PARK

Wednesday, July 30 at 10am

## SAFETY VEHICLES

with LPD & LFD



### Belknap Mill Museum

Where Art and History come to life!

25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246

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

# City of Laconia's Independence Day Fireworks!

*Our thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin  
for providing these photos!*





JULY

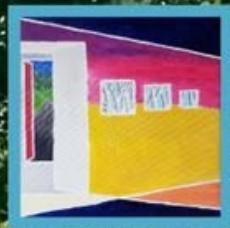
LACONIA SENIOR CENTER  
(603) 524-7689

2025 ACTIVITIES



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<b>Activities are subject to change*</b>  <b>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>10—Foot &amp; BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment</b> <b>11—Walking Group</b>	<b>10 - Activities Meeting 10:45—Meals on Wheels Presentation by CAPBM 11:30 – Shepherd's Pie</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo</b>	<b>11:30 – Burgers &amp; Hot Dogs 12—Ice Cream Social</b>	<b>Closed for Holiday</b> 
7	8	9	10	11
<b>10—Card Games</b> <b>11—Walking Group</b>	<b>10:30—Hospice 101 by Lakes Region VNA LUAU PARTY @ 11:30 11:30 – Sweet &amp; Sour Chicken</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo</b>	<b>10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic &amp; Presentation 11:30—Chicken Caesar Salad Wrap</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong &amp; Corn Hole</b>
14	15	16	17	18
<b>10—Adult Coloring</b> <b>11—Walking Group</b>	<b>11:30—Taco Pie 12—Strawberry Shortcake Dessert</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo</b>	<b>9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30 – Curry Cauliflower &amp; Turkey Stew</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong &amp; Corn Hole</b>
21	22	23	24	25
<b>10—Movie &amp; Snack</b>	<b>11:30— Hot Turkey on Toast 12— Ice Cream Social</b>	<b>10-12 Prize Bingo</b>	<b>10:30—Old Kitchen Band (Bring your Pots/Pans) 11:30— Chicken Waldorf Salad</b>	<b>9-9:45 Strength &amp; Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong &amp; Corn Hole</b>
28	29	30	31	
				<b>THERE WILL BE NO Strength &amp; Balance THIS WEEK!!</b>

**BELKNAP  
MILL  
MUSEUM  
SUMMER  
SOCK HOP**  
SEPT. 5, 2025



Laconia  
Putnam  
Fund



ROCKIN DADDIOS | CLASSIC CARS | ART | FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION

# 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...

The brand-new Lakes Region Playhouse opened, July 3, 1950 — 75 years ago this week — with the play, 'Harvey,' starring Stuart Erwin. 'Everyone was left with a mellow feeling as the curtains were drawn at the finish.' Stuart Erwin (1903-1967) was a Americann actor in stage, film and television. Founder of the Playhouse was Alton Wilkes. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



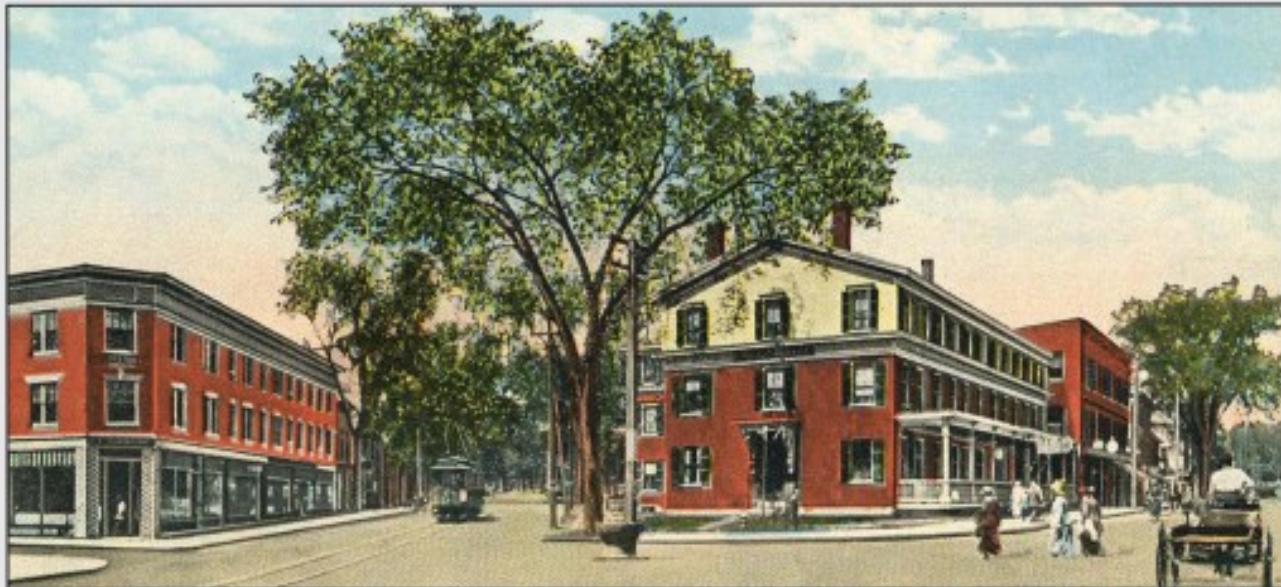
## ...AND NOW

The Playhouse — which continued in operation through the summer of 1982 — was located in Gilford, on the site today occupied partly by Firehouse Inn & Suites (glimpsed at far left) and across the street from Patrick's Pub & Eatery. The Playhouse would have been situated behind the large clump of trees at center, at the end of an extensive parking lot. In both photos, Sawyer's Dairy Bar would be off-photo at right. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)

*Please see the following page for another edition of "Our Yesterdays"...*

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**THEN ...**

Postcard, published by Atkinson News Co., Tilton, shows Bank Square, Laconia, in the early 1900s, with the 1914 McIntyre Block at left, Eagle Hotel and 1898 Cook Block at center. The Eagle Hotel Building was originally home to the Belknap Savings Bank in the early 1800s — thus giving the square its name. A trolley car of the Laconia Street Railway appears on Pleasant Street. A watering trough for horses is visible in front of the towering elm tree. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



**... AND NOW**

The Eagle Hotel was torn down in 1937 to make way for an F.W. Woolworth store, which was succeeded by Benjamin's of New Hampshire in 1971 and by the Sundial Shop from 1973 to 2010. A 'brick' facade was applied in July 2011 by new owner, Lakes Region Acquisitions, LLC. The street railway converted to buses in 1925, after which the rails were taken up. The watering trough was removed in the 1920s after automobiles had replaced horses. The tall elm tree was taken down in late April 1958. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)

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8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Monday through Friday  
(603) 527-1270

## 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
Codes Director - Joe Gray	
Conservation.....	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Grey Draper	
Economic Development &.....	527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
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
Planning & Zoning Director - Rob Mora	
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:**

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Bruce Cheney (Ward 1).....	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2).....	524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3).....	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4).....	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5).....	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6).....	998-1418

General Council E-mail:  
[citycouncil@laconianh.gov](mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov)

Visit the City's website at:  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)

## SENIOR RESOURCES

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



Getting a good night's sleep isn't always easy - especially as we age. Things like chronic pain can make restful sleep harder to come by.

Click the picture (left) to learn what you should know and how to get the rest you deserve.



National Council on Aging

## Week of July 14 - July 18

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**  
July 14, 2025, 7:00 pm

**Heritage Commission**  
July 14, 2025, 3:30 pm  
**Agenda**

