



Welcome to Laconia Links!



October 10, 2025 - Edition #707

*A recent sunset on Paugus Bay
(Photo courtesy of Ann-Marie Shpeley Photography)*

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



Check out our just released Laconia Pumpkin Festival map to plan your fun on October 25th!

Click on the image (right) to view the complete map including a list of awesome events!

2025

AMENITIES & LANDMARKS

- PUMPKIN TOWER
- PHOTO TOWER
- INFO BOOTH
- ATM
- RESTROOMS
- PARKING
- STAGE
- FOOD
- BEER TENT
- LODGING
- MEDICAL
- PEDESTRIANS ONLY

EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS

LEGACY

HOME | COMMERCIAL | LUXURY | CONDOS

1 GREAT NEW ENGLAND CRAFT & ARTISAN SHOW	5 OUTDOOR ADVENTURE	9 CAR SHOW
2 PICNIC AREA	6 TRAIN RIDES	10 VENDORS
3 FOOD VENDORS	7 PUMPKIN ART EXHIBIT	11 CORNHOLE
4 AMUSEMENTS	8 9 HOLE MINI GOLF	12 KIDS ZONE

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 10/13

Library Closed for Columbus Day

MULTI

TUE 10/14

Drop-In Tech Help @10am

ADULT

TUE 10/14

Lego Club @3:30pm - Best for ages 6-11.

KID

WED 10/15

Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 0-3.

KID

WED 10/15

Drop-In Tech Help @2pm

ADULT

WED 10/15

Mystery Makers with Sisters in Crime @4pm

ADULT

THU 10/16

Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3-6.

KID

THU 10/16

Crash Course: Investigative Genealogy @6pm

ADULT

MON 10/20

Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-6.

KID

MON 10/20

Beginner Line Dancing @10am - Drop-in, adults only.

ADULT

MON 10/20

Game Night @5pm - Drop-in, use our games or yours!

ADULT

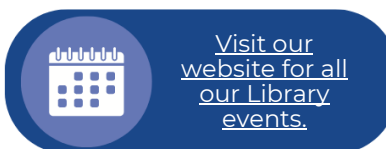
CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: info@laconialibrary.org

Visit our
website for all
our library
events.

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

It's All About the Conversation



October 16, 2025
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
T.R.I.P. Center
Bessie Rowell Drive, Franklin

This session is meant to educate and empower individuals about the importance of advance care planning. Be a part of the conversation by coming to receive resources and discuss advanced care planning with Granite VNA. A notary will be available following the session.

No registration required. For more information, please call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664



Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro
(603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620 • www.granitevna.org



THANK YOU VETERANS

HELP LHS HONOR VETERANS

Donate to DAV- Disabled American Veterans and your donation will go toward creating a field of flags for Veterans Day.

Each flag represents one veteran.

TO HELP SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW OR GO TO:
<https://support.dav.org/participants/LHSSachems2025>



We Care Presents

THE JERSEY TENORS

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
in an all new show!

Saturday, October 25, 2025



Inter-Lakes High School Community Auditorium
Showtime 7:30 pm

The Ultimate Tribute to the 70's!
FEATURING ICONIC HITS FROM

The Bee Gees - Queen - Elton John - Billy Joel
Earth Wind and Fire - The Eagles - Jackson 5
Creedence Clearwater Revival

TIX & MORE INFO
WWW.TBINH.ORG



Benefitting



Thank You
EVENT SPONSORS

- Audi Nashua
- Golden View Health Care
- Interlakes Family Dental
- Miracle Farms Landscaping
- The Platinum Group of Re/Max BaySide Realty
- The Laconia Daily Sun
- Northeast Communications
- Lakes Region Business Directory

Annual Art Auction

Your winning bids support local artists
and

50% of auction proceeds support mental health services

Scan the QR code below or
visit: BiddingForGood.com/LRMHC/LRMHC-2025

 Online Bidding is LIVE October 15-29th



BID NOW!




Pictured on left is "Out To Dry" by E. Helene Pierce;
top right is untitled by Linda Hanrahan;
bottom right is "Last Slice" by Amuri Morris.


...and so many more!



Lakes Region Mental Health Center

603-524-1100

 irmhc.org

 40 Beacon St. E. Laconia, NH
81 Highland St. Plymouth, NH



Steve Loughlin, a member of 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](#).



Federal American Disability Act regulations and City Ordinances
prohibit parking on or blocking sidewalks.
The Police Department can fine violators!

The first offense is a \$25 fine.

The second offense is \$75

The third offense is \$150.

Please call Public Works at [603-528-6379](tel:603-528-6379) if you have a question
on whether there is an existing sidewalk on your street.





Laconia Kiwanis 2025 Fuel Raffle



Sat, Sep 20th, 2025 through
Sat, Nov 1st, 2025
12:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT



Laconia Kiwanis
Laconia, NH



Buy tickets
online

Event Details

The Laconia Kiwanis Club is holding a \$1,000 Home-Heating Fuel Raffle to raise funds to help serve our mission of serving the Greater Laconia Area's children

Fuel type is selected by the winner (Natural Gas, Propane, Oil, Pellets, etc.) and funds will be paid directly to the fuel company of their choice!

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!!

All tickets will be sold virtually for \$10
(plus a small processing fee - @\$11.50 total)
at <https://laconiakiwanis.ticketleap.com/2025-fuel>

The winner will be drawn on November 1st at 6 p.m. - or when all tickets are sold if earlier - via FaceBook Live on our Kiwanis Facebook Page.

The mission of the Laconia Kiwanis Club is to empower our community to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children. Our vision is to have a positive influence in our community so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive. We do this through service and by also by providing financial support to many local programs in the Lakes Region such as Central NH VNA's Young Children Priority One program, Got Lunch! Laconia, The Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region, the Salvation Army, the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation, and our local Elementary Schools through our Kiwanis KARES® program. These programs are just a handful of a myriad that the Laconia Kiwanis Club support. YOUR participation in this raffle will have a direct impact on these programs as well.

Thank you for your support!



The Office of Extended Learning hosted a successful "Bounce into After-School" event at Elm Street School on September 21st to kick-start the Project EXTRA program across all three elementary schools and the REAL Initiative program at the Middle School. Parents had the opportunity to speak with staff about the upcoming program and learn about additional services provided by Big Brother, Big Sister and Girl Scouts, while students had a blast utilizing inflatables supplied by Vertical Entertainment. The event was a great way to bring staff and families together before the start of the after-school program!



10 Ways to Love Your Brain



Laconia Senior Center
184 Beacon Street W, Laconia
October 28, 2025
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Join us for an inspiring and practical session where we dive into easy, science-backed tips to boost your brain health daily. Whether you're looking to sharpen your focus, improve memory, or simply take better care of your mind, this is for you. Learn actionable strategies, brain-boosting lifestyle habits, and resources you can use right away.

No Registration Needed.



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3RD ANNUAL
GREEPY CRAWL
Downtown Trick Or Treat event

WHERE?
Main St. Laconia, NH
(Main, Canal, Beacon, Veterans SQ.)

WHEN?
October 18th
5-7PM

PARTICIPATING BUSINESS

A collection of Halloween-themed illustrations on a brown, textured background. It includes a black silhouette of a ghost, a skeleton, a witch, and a jack-o'-lantern. There are also several black bat silhouettes flying around.

SMOKE ALARMS
Make Them **WORK For You!**

Learn more at fpw.org

NFPA FIRE PREVENTION WEEK™

A cartoon illustration of a dog wearing a yellow fireman's hat with "SPARKS" written on it and a yellow jacket with red stripes. The dog is holding a white smoke alarm in its right hand. Red wavy lines around the alarm indicate it is beeping.

Fall Leaf Collection

Mark your calendars! This year's Fall Leaf Collection is scheduled for the weeks of October 27 - October 31, 2025 and November 10 - November 14, 2025. During each of the above weeks, the City's contractor will pick up an additional 10 bags of leaves on your normal trash day. All leaves must be in paper compost bags.

Questions? Please call the Department of Public Works at **(603) 528-6379**.

*Thank you for
your assistance!*

Carve out a
new tradition.

Give Blood!



American
Red Cross



Granite VNA Blood Drive

Friday, October 10, 2025 **1:00 PM - 06:00 PM**

Granite VNA

780 N Main St, Laconia, NH 03246

Room Name: Opechee Room

**For an appointment, please visit
redcrossblood.org**

Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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**Lou Athanas
Youth Basketball League**

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Website: laybl.org

**Laconia Residents Only
Kindergarten-12th Grade**

**September 12, 2025-October 24, 2025
Registration Closes**

****There will be no LATE Registrations****





Hey everyone...
**Family Fun Night
Is Coming!**

That's right! We're gearing up for our annual
"Family Fun Night"!

For most of the children, the highlight of the evening is choosing gifts for siblings (young & old) as well as mom, dad, and other family members or special people in their lives.

How Can I Help???

We need donations! If you have new or very gently used items around your house (we tend to struggle in particular with gifts for men and teens), please drop them off at our office as soon as possible. PLEASE be thoughtful of the quality of the items you are donating. And please note that we tend to shy away from stuffed animals (unless they are brand new) and clothing (unless it is a one-size-fits-all accessory like socks, gloves, hats, etc. which should also be brand new). There is a list of donation suggestions on the back of this flyer, but we welcome your creativity! Gift cards for small amounts (\$5, etc.) are also always a hit! For employees, donations can be brought to Room 119 (the Parent Ed Room), for all others, you can leave donations with the receptionist and just let her know that they are for Family Fun Night. She will make sure that they get to us!

****DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
November 28, 2025****

Donations can also be
shipped directly to our
main office:
719 North Main St.
Laconia, NH 03246
Attn: Carol Stone, FFFN



Want to volunteer for Family Fun Night on
December 8th from 2:30-8:30pm?
Email: carol.stone@lrccs.org

Donation Suggestions

Women:

Candles Lotions
Holiday décor Scarfs
Picture frames Mugs
Jewelry Figurines
Spa Items Make Up
Socks Puzzles
Craft Supplies Stationery
Kitchen items Purses
Gardening Items
Body Spray

Men:

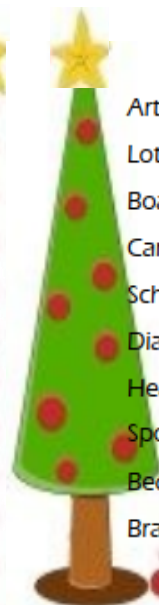
Mugs Sports Items
Tools Calendars
Card Games Gloves/Hats
Cologne Puzzles
Flashlights Keychains
Water Bottles Socks
Wallets Gadgets
BBQ Items Sunglasses
Crossword Puzzles
Camping/Hiking Items

Teens:

Art Supplies Spa Items
Lotions Hair Accessories
Board Games Jewelry
Card Games Gadgets
School Supplies Nail Polish
Diaries/Journals Nerf
Headphones Fidgets
Sports Items Make Up
Bedroom Décor Bags
Brain Teasers Craft Kits

Kids:

Toys Art Supplies
Sidewalk Chalk Legos
Play-Doh Board Games
Coloring Books Balls
Infant Toys Card Games
Craft Kits Books
Blocks Action Figures
Dolls Dress Up Items
Science Kits Dinosaurs
Outer Space Watches





Get Ready to Carve! Join Us for the Laconia Pumpkin Festival

Get ready for a whirlwind of creativity and community spirit at the much-anticipated Laconia Pumpkin Festival! This family-friendly extravaganza is just around the corner, and we invite everyone to unleash their imagination and help craft a stunning showcase of pumpkins. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 25, in Downtown Laconia. Let's come together to celebrate the magic of autumn... pumpkins, laughter, and unforgettable memories await!

Everyone is invited to carve pumpkins—families, schools, civic organizations, businesses and you! Our community-hosted event needs your help collectively carving pumpkins to be displayed. This year in Downtown Laconia we are bringing back the huge pumpkin tower holding 900 pumpkins which will be located in Veterans Square.

Important Pumpkin Details:

- Your carved jack-o-lanterns can be dropped off on Friday, October 24th on Beacon St. East near the City Hall parking lot from 10 am to 6 pm
- If you have pumpkins that need to be placed in a certain order (spelling out a message or name, etc.), please number them on the back using a Sharpie.
- Pumpkins on the tower will be lit electronically—no candles required!

Join the Celebration!

Don't miss out on the fun! Join in on Saturday, October 25 from 11 am to 8 pm as Downtown Laconia is transformed into a Fall wonderland filled with pumpkins, lots of music, delicious food, craft vendors, an amazing laser show to end the evening, and fun for all ages!

For more information about Laconia Pumpkin Festival, go to [Laconia Pumpkin Festival](#) or follow along on [Facebook](#).



4TH ANNUAL

FALL IN WITH



603 UNITED

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
AT BEANS & GREENS FARM



245 INTERVALE RD, GILFORD, NH 03249

REGISTRATION STARTS AT 12:00 PM & BAGS FLY AT 1 PM

CASH PRIZES | RAFFLES | MUSIC | FOOD | CASH BAR

★ \$60 PER TEAM - \$70 PER TEAM DAY OF

★ 4 GAMES GUARANTEED

★ 2 DRINK TICKETS PER TEAM

CASH PRIZES:

COMPETITIVE - 1ST PLACE: \$603

BACKYARD - 1ST PLACE: \$300



REGISTER AT 603UNITED.ORG AND ON THE SCORHOLIO APP

ABOUT US

603 UNITED IS A NEW NONPROFIT THAT STANDS BY: "LIVE UNITED AND BE INCLUSIVE".
OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE SOCIAL INCLUSION ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS 18+ WITH AND
WITHOUT AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.

603 UNITED IS DEDICATED TO CREATING A COMMUNITY THAT FOSTERS HEALTHY
RELATIONSHIPS, HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, AND INCLUSION WITHIN THE LAKES REGION

ALL OF THE PROCEEDS ARE TO BENEFIT
603 UNITED A 501(C)(3)

FOR ANY INQUIRIES OR QUESTIONS PLEASE REACH OUT TO CASSIE AT (603)800-3225 OR CASSIE@603UNITED.ORG



Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice

Blasting permits have
been issued as follows:

- Capital Rock Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid until October 11, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 492 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH. Questions? Contact [603-487-2840](tel:603-487-2840).
- Maine Drilling & Blasting. This permit is valid from October 14 through November 14, 2025 for 618-792 White Oaks Rd.,
- Laconia, NH. Questions? Contact [603-647-0299](tel:603-647-0299)

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

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



A Gravely Historical Tour

Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

St. Lambert's Cemetery
184-196 Province St, Laconia, NH

\$20.00 per person | no refunds | rain or shine

Discovering Saint Lambert's Cemetery

Sunday, October 26, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Often called "The Irish Cemetery," the six-acre site that is now Saint Lambert's Cemetery on Province Street was acquired by St. Joseph's Parish in 1881. This hallowed ground was consecrated on July 5, 1885, by Bishop Bradley of Manchester.

Join longtime LHMS member and historian Patrick Tierney for an engaging and informative walking tour of St. Lambert's Cemetery. This tour will highlight the lives and Irish heritage of some of Laconia's esteemed residents. Discover how this faith-based community dedicated themselves to serving their fellow citizens as first responders, businesspeople, and politicians.

Tickets are priced at \$20.00 per person, with availability limited to **25 spots**—so be sure not to miss out! The tour will proceed **rain or shine** and involves walking on uneven terrain, navigating some hills, and standing for extended periods. Please wear appropriate footwear. The tour will last no longer than 1-1/2 hrs.

Buy Tickets



SAVE THE DATE

Meredith Village Savings Bank Presents

A Night of New Beginnings

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

This evening will feature dinner, dancing, and an online silent auction to help raise funds for New Beginnings - Without Violence and Abuse.

BELKNAP MILL
25 BEACON STREET EAST
LACONIA, NH 03246

WWW.NEWBEGINNINGSNH.ORG/GALA



Laconia Senior Center Pumpkin Festival



COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES SINCE 1965

**ICE CREAM
SUNDAES**
\$5.00





Bake Sale,
Games,
Raffles &
Crafts

**11 A.M.
to
3 P.M.**

25

October

**532 Main St. or
184 Beacon St West
Laconia, NH**

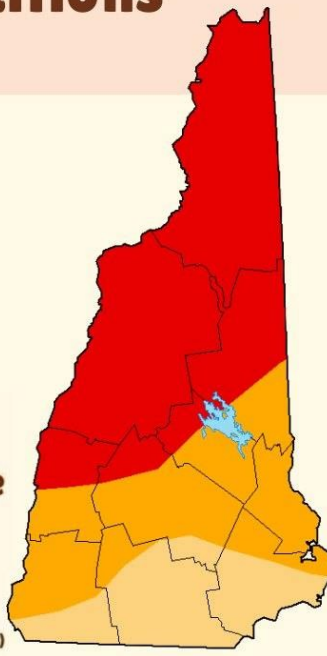
ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LACONIA SENIOR
CENTER ACTIVITIES!


NH Drought Conditions

October 9, 2025

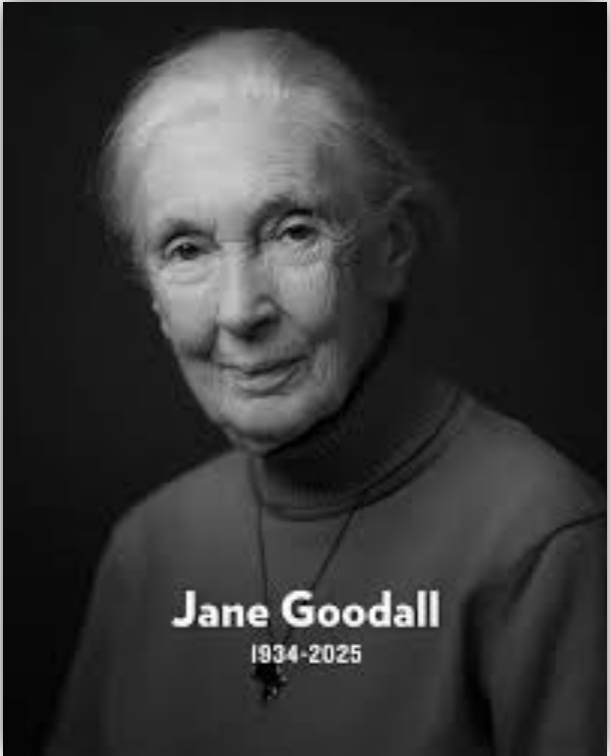
- D0 (Abnormally dry)**
- D1 (Moderate drought)**
- D2 (Severe drought)**
- D3 (Extreme drought)**

For drought resources, tips and updates, please visit the NHDES Drought webpage.





Drought conditions based on U.S. Drought Monitor (<https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu>)



"You cannot go through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."

Are you registering to vote in a local election?



If your name has legally changed, for example through marriage, divorce, adoption, or a court-approved name change, remember to bring additional documentation that shows how your name has changed from what appears on the voter checklist.



New Hampshire Secretary of State

David M. Scanlan

For more info, visit: <http://www.sos.nh.gov/.../registering-to-vote-in-new...>

The last day to register to vote or make changes in the Laconia City Clerk's Office is Tuesday October 28, 2025.

New registrations and changes after October 28th will have to be made at the polls on Election Day.

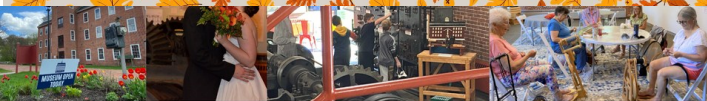
Election Day is November 4, 2025; the polls are open 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM.

Belknap Mill Is Open

Thursday through Saturday
10am - 4pm



Mill Members: Free
Adults: \$10
Seniors (65+): \$5
Youth (12-17): \$5



WHERE ART & HISTORY COME TO LIFE!



Belknap Mill Museum

25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246
www.belknapmill.org

Annual Taylor Community Indoor Yard Sale and Craft Fair November 8, 2025

Start your holiday shopping early at the Taylor Community Indoor Yard Sale and Craft Fair! Volunteers at Taylor Community are busy gathering donated items, organizing and pricing them for the event to be held on Saturday, November 8th, between 9 am and 2 pm at the Woodside Building, located at 435 Union Avenue in Laconia.

In addition to these gently used items of all kinds, local crafters will be there selling their creations. You'll find seasonal and holiday decorations, quilted pieces, photography, baked goods, jewelry, jams and jellies, original artwork and handmade greeting cards, to name a few.

A new addition to the fair this year will be a Raffle Room, where you can take a chance to win one (or more!) of the items available. Proceeds from the Indoor Yard Sale, Crafters, bake sale and the jewelry table are donated to the TC Sunshine Fund.

Come early for the best selection, find a special treasure, and support a good cause!



LACONIA PARKS AND RECREATION

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 25TH, 2025

IN THE HECTORS PARKING LOT
BAGS FLY AT 11:30AM

\$60
PER
TEAM
CASH OR
CHECK

PRIZES
FOR TOP
TEAMS

Think
you've got
the best toss
in Laconia?
Prove it!

REGISTER NOW!
CONTACT LACONIA PARKS AND
REC AT 524-5046
PARKS@LACONIANH.GOV



PUMPKINFEST DOUBLE ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT

THE SOCIAL SCENE

Halloween Dance Party

October 30th, 5pm - 8pm

Leavitt Park Clubhouse • \$5 Per Person

RSVP and Transportation Questions, Call Laura: 603.581.1538

18 & Over • Pizza & Light Refreshments

KARAOKE • SONG REQUESTS • PHOTO BOOTH • GROUP DANCES

Music from DJ Pat Kelly Costume Contest!



**Fall into
a NEW
CAREER**
by attending our
**Regional
Virtual
Job Fairs!**

Lakes Region
Wednesday,
November 5
11:00 am - 1:00 pm



NHES New Hampshire
Employment
Security
"We're working to keep New Hampshire working!"

BEA
New Hampshire Department of
BUSINESS AND
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Employers and
Job Seekers must
register to attend

<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>

click or scan
to register!





Columbus Day

**Columbus Day is Monday,
October 13.**

NOTICE TO CURBSIDE RESIDENTS

There will be NO DELAY in curbside collection of trash on Monday, October 13, Columbus Day. Collections all week will be on their normal schedules.

Questions? Please call DPW at
(603) 528-6379.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TRANSFER
STATION WILL BE OPEN ON
COLUMBUS DAY, OCTOBER 13th.**

**Curbside
recycling will
be picked up
the week of
October 20th!**



Table Treat at Leavitt Park



334 Elm Street, Lakeport

**Sunday, October 26th
6pm – 7pm**



Hosted by



Leavitt Park Community Club

Come in costume and have a great time!



If interested in having a table
to decorate and give out candy
Or interested in becoming a member
Call Leavitt Park (603)524-1886

St. André Bessette Parish

Fall **CONTRA** *Dance*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

**Traditional Contra,
no experience required, all ages are welcome!**

**31 GILFORD AVE
LACONIA, NH
6PM-8:30PM**

**Tickets
\$10 Per Person,
\$25 for Family of 4**

**TO BENEFIT THE
ST ANDRE BESSETTE YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Live music
by callers
Dudley Laufman
and
Rivkah Valley**

For tickets and information, email Christa at
sabyouthministry@gmail.com or call the parish office
at 603-524-9609

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND PRESENTS

The Bronx Wanderers 12 Time "Best of Las Vegas" Winners

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Facebook



Instagram

The Bronx Wanderers have been wowing audiences around the globe for 20 straight years. The show revolves around Father Vinny's music career in the record business and features songs from many of the artists he's gotten to record and produce, including Dion, Tony Orlando, The Jersey Boys, and Billy Joel just to name a few. Their show is in the top ten out of 256 shows in Las Vegas, they've won the Best Of Las Vegas Award 12 times, and were inducted into the East Coast Music Hall Of Fame.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025, AT 7:00PM
— Colonial Theatre, Downtown Laconia —

TICKETS ARE SOLD OUT!

ALL TICKET HOLDERS MUST BE SEATED PRIOR TO 6:45 PM

STANDBY SEATS WILL BE AVAILABLE THE DAY OF THE SHOW

Due to no-shows generally 20% of the 750 free tickets
released become available

Unused tickets will be released at the Colonial Theater Lobby
standby line the day of the show on October 17th at 6:45 pm

Colonial Theater, 609 Main St., Downtown Laconia
1-800-657-8774 • www.coloniallaconia.com



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER (603) 524-7689



2025 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
		1	2	3
Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal		9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10—Adult Coloring 11:30—Meatball Stroganoff	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong & Corn Hole
6	7	8	9	10
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30—Games/Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10 - Activities Meeting 11:30 – Beef Soft Taco	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30—Tuscan Chickpea & Sausage Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:30 —Coffee Social
13	14	15	16	17
Closed for Holiday Columbus Day	10:30—Sports Team Day!! 11:30 –Breaded Fish w/Tartar	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30 –Breaded Chicken Nuggets	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Adult Coloring
20	21	22	23	24
10:30—Games/Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10:30 —Pumpkin Decorating 11:30– Chicken Parmesan	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	11:30—Shepherds Pie 12:30—Ping Pong & Corn Hole	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Set up for Pumpkin Festival *(Sat: 11-3)*
27	28	29	30	31
10—Movie & Snack 	10:30— 10 Ways to Love Your Brain (Granite VNA) 11:30– Chicken Broccoli & Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 —Sugar N' Spice by Senior Companions 11:30—Fingers & Toe Nuggets	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 11:30—Halloween Pizza Party

Laconia Housing Authority Coloring Contest

Meet us at 32 Canal Street on October 25th
to color and enter the contest!
Entries are due by 12Noon.

You can pick up a coloring sheet prior to October 25th
at 32 Canal Street,
City Hall Lobby or
the City Library.

LACONIA
HOUSING





Hope Ministries Annual
Harvest Supper
Saturday Oct. 18th
 Settings at 5:00 and 6:30
Adults \$18
Children 12 and under \$8

Featuring Bean Hole Beans
 also all-you-can-eat
 Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes,
 Carrots, Rolls Pumpkin or Apple Pie

First United Methodist Church
 Rt. 11A Gilford (18 Wesley Way)

For reservations call 603-524-3289
 If office is closed, leave a message
 with name and phone number



On Saturday October 18th, the First United Methodist Church in Gilford, continues its long tradition of serving the best bean-hole beans in the region as part of their Harvest Supper. For over 50 years, the church has been cooking huge iron pots of beans in holes dug behind the church and lined with red-hot stones. Besides the beans, diners are also served All-You-Can-Eat corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes, carrots, rolls and apple or pumpkin pie for dessert. Tickets are available for both the 5 pm seating and the 6:30 pm seating and cost \$18 for adults and \$8 for children 12 and under, and are available in the church office. Or to make phone reservations by calling the church office ([603-524-3289](tel:603-524-3289)). If no answer, please leave a message with your name and phone number. The office is open Tuesday thru Friday 9 am to 1 pm, and is located off Rt. 11A at 18 Wesley Way in Gilford NH. (Pictured above are Casey Sadler and Jeff Keyser stirring the beans at Harvest Dinner.)



City Hall Will Be Closed
On Monday,
October 13th for
Columbus Day

**HELP MAKE
 HALLOWEEN MAGICAL
 FOR EVERY CHILD**



We are collecting new and gently used Halloween costumes at Belknap House in support of fellow nonprofit, S.C.A.R.E. New Hampshire.





Celebrate the magic of Pumpkin Festival 2025 with a keepsake you'll treasure year after year!

603 Artistry, LLC has designed exclusive 15 oz ceramic coffee mugs featuring the City of Laconia's official logo paired with a festive fall design that captures the warmth, tradition, and community spirit of the festival.

These mugs aren't just for coffee or cocoa—they're a symbol of the way our community comes together each October to light up Main Street, share traditions, and make memories with friends, neighbors, and family.

Presale Information

Be part of the excitement early! Mugs are available for presale (\$10/each) at the Laconia City Manager's Office leading up to the festival. Get yours before they sell out and show your support for local artistry and community pride.

Join us in celebrating the bonds that make Laconia shine—one mug, one memory, and one pumpkin at a time.



Come join Spectacle Live and The Colonial Theatre at the Laconia Pumpkin Festival, for some free family fun! Located in the heart of the festival, our doors will be open with fun activities for all ages.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

11AM - 8PM

MOVIE SHOWINGS

ARTS & CRAFTS

CONCESSIONS OPEN

OPEN HOUSE TO EXPLORE THE HISTORIC THEATRE



PRESENTED THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF OUR PARTNERS:



Free Movies!!

**1:00 PM – Halloweentown
(1:36 Runtime)**

**3:30 PM - Hocus Pocus
(1:24 Runtime)**

**6:00 PM - The Addams Family 1991 Edition
(1:39 Runtime)**

Plan to visit the Colonial Theatre when you are downtown enjoying Laconia Pumpkin Festival!



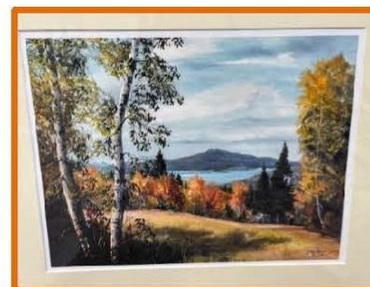
ANNUAL FALL HARVEST RAFFLE

3 tickets for \$10!

Purchasing raffle tickets is a great way to support LRSF! Ticket sales end October 19th.

Prizes to include:

- 79" x 92" Fall Quilt – handmade by Ellen Peters and donated in her memory by her family
- \$200 Stafford Oil & Propane Gift Certificate - donated by Stafford Oil & Propane. Good towards Heating Fuels, a CITGO Cash Card, or other Stafford Oil & Propane Heating and Air Conditioning Products & Services
- Fall themed basket with handmade quilted placemats - donated by Friend of the Foundation
- 2 one-day Midweek Lift Tickets for the 2025/2026 Winter Season at Gunstock Mountain Resort - donated by Gunstock Mountain Resort
- Snowman themed Winter Treats Basket – includes snowman wall hanging and Annalee dolls – donated by Martha Bissonnette
- 20" x 16" fully matted 15 1/2" x 11 1/2" framed Loran Percy Fall print - donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- 20" x 16" fully matted 15 1/2" x 11 1/2" framed Loran Percy Covered Bridge print - donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- 23" square quilted "Talking Turkey" table topper – handmade and donated by Marcia Dionne
- 12" x 14 1/2" fully matted 8" x 12" Fine Art Chipmunk print by Tristan MacDonald – donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- "Cactus" hummingbird feeder – donated by a Friend of the Foundation
- Various Gift Cards/Certificates



Check out our website for up to date prize listings!
www.lrscholarship.org

Scan the QR Code to visit our website for more information, or to purchase your raffle tickets.



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

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](tel: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 **October 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:

ORDINANCE 2025-221-36.1 – AMENDING PARAGRAPH 221-36.1 TO ARTICLE III PARKING, STANDING AND STOPPING TO CHAPTER 221, VEHICLES – PROPOSAL FOR A RESIDENT-ONLY PARKING PERMIT SYSTEM

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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PUBLIC HEARING TO GATHER ANY INPUT ON THE QUESTION "IF THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD CREATE SOCIAL DISTRICTS" AS DEFINED IN HOUSE BILL 467 THAT WILL APPEAR ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT

HB 467

(b) The selectmen, aldermen, or city council shall hold a public hearing on the question at least 15 days but not more than 30 days before the question is to be voted on. Notice of the hearing shall be posted in at least 2 public places in the municipality and published in a newspaper of general circulation at least 7 days before the hearing.

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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RESOLUTION 2025-32 – REQUEST TO EXPEND FUNDS FROM DOWNTOWN TIF FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND CIRCULATION FOR LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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ORDINANCE 2025-201-7, 201-13, AMENDING PARAGRAPH 201-7 – DEPOSITING SNOW OR ICE AND PARAGRAPH 201-13 – VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES TO CHAPTER 201, STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

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RESOLUTION 2025-31 – A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY 2025 HOMELAND SECURITY COMPETITIVE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,000 TO FUND THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S UTILITY SIDE-BY-SIDE VEHICLE PROJECT

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

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RESOLUTION 2025-30 – A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY 2025 HOMELAND SECURITY COMPETITIVE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$133,542 TO FUND THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S TETHERED DRONES PROJECT

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

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 Walter E. Dunlap House at 460 Union Ave., Laconia, is seen here around 1915. Dunlap (1873-1948) was a contractor who built many homes here and in Franklin, as well as a number of public buildings, including the Unitarian Church on Pleasant Street, which he also designed. He served as mayor of Laconia in 1935-1936. (Laconia Public Library)



... AND NOW

Dunlap is listed as owner of 460 Union Ave., as of the 1927 City Directory, having lived on Oak Street prior to that time. Beginning in 1951 and operated for 20 years by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phelps as Tower Wayside Furniture and, from 1972, by Harris Family Furniture, the structure is set to be demolished under a permit issued, Aug. 13, to create an additional parking lot for the adjacent Irwin Automotive Group. (Gabriel Perry/The Laconia Daily Sun)



Laconia Putnam Fund
presents

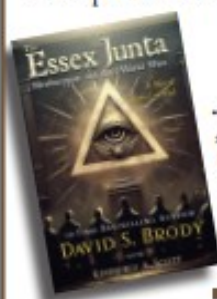
David S. Brody
Author



Wednesday, October 15, 2025

6:30 pm at The Taylor Community Woodside Building, 227 Ledges Drive

Free Admission, First Come, First Seated
No tickets required



"The Essex Junta"—Recently discovered letters written by Masonic figurehead Albert Pike shed new light on a centuries-long plot by leading New England shipping families to splinter the Union. With close ties to both Freemasonry and Yale's Skull and Bones Society, these so-called Essex Junta families made their money selling opium to China and used their power to foment discord between the North and South, sparking the Civil War. Astoundingly, that was not enough: The Pike letters reveal that the families orchestrated World Wars I and II to solidify their power, and even have laid out plans for a third World War—to be sparked in the Middle East—in order to bring about a New World Order.

"David S. Brody is a 12-time Amazon #1 Bestselling fiction writer with over half a million books sold. His children call him a "rock nerd" because of the time he spends studying ancient stone structures which he believes evidence exploration of America prior to Columbus. The author of 20 books and a graduate of Tufts University and Georgetown Law School, he has served as a Director of the New England Antiquities Research Association (NEARA) and is an avid researcher in the subject of pre-Columbus exploration of America. He has frequently appeared as a guest expert on documentaries airing on History Channel, Travel Channel, PBS and Discovery Channel. A native of Laconia, NH, he currently resides in Newburyport, MA with his wife, sculptor Kimberly Scott."



Facebook



Instagram

ONLINE Caregiver Connection



October 23, 2025
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.

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.

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



Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro

(603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620 • www.granitevna.org

Laconia's Irish Heritage Exhibition

Don't Miss It!

Discover the strength of this close-knit community, founded on unwavering faith and loyalty to friends, whose lives were devoted to serving Laconia.

On display until December 19th

Laconia Public Library

www.laconiahistory.com

The Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation ANNUAL LAKES REGION PUMPKIN FIGURE CONTEST

OCTOBER 16, 17 & 18



Registration deadline: Oct. 9th

Pumpkin Figures must include at least one pumpkin. You must live in the Lakes Region area to participate.

PRIZES AWARDED IN SEVERAL CATEGORIES



For more information and to register, scan the QR Code or visit our website.

Proceeds to support the LRSF Friends of the Foundation Operating Fund (FOFOF). www.lrscholarship.org



Our delivery of Laconia Pumpkin Festival T-Shirts has arrived!

If you would like to purchase one (or more!) before the event they will be available in the City Manager's Office in Laconia City Hall.

We have youth shirts with the graphic on the front in sizes youth small, medium, large and extra-large.

The adult t-shirts have the logo on the front and the graphic on the back. We have adult sizes small to XXX-large.

The cost per shirt is \$15, payable either in cash or check made out to "City of Laconia".

The t-shirts will also be available for sale at Laconia Pumpkin Festival on October 25th in downtown Laconia. Look for our Information Booth at the head of Main Street!

All proceeds will benefit the Laconia Pumpkin Festival. Questions? Please call the City Manager's Office at [603-527-1270](tel: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](tel:(603)527-1270)

SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center
[\(603\) 528-6945](tel:(603)528-6945) is the first number
to call for senior services!



Knowledge is Power!

Click on the image
(left) to read a National
Council on Aging
article about the top 5
financial scams target-
ing older adults...and
what steps to take if
you or someone you
know falls victim



National Council on Aging



Week of October 13 - 17

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](http://www.laconianh.gov). 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

October 14, 2025, 7:00 pm

Laconia Putnam Fund

October 14, 2025, 9:00 am

Agenda

Laconia Human Relations

Community Event Planning Committee

October 16, 2025, 10:00 am

Board of Assessors

October 16, 2025, 5:30 pm

CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below
must be preceded by 603)



Airport.....[603-524-5003](tel:603-524-5003)
Airport Manager - Marv Everson
Assessing.....[603-527-1268](tel:603-527-1268)
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker
City Clerk.....[603-527-1265](tel:603-527-1265)
City Clerk - Katie Gargano
City Manager.....[603-527-1270](tel:603-527-1270)
City Manager - Kirk Beattie
Code Enforcement.....[603-527-1293](tel:603-527-1293)
Codes Director - Joe Gray
Conservation.....[603-527-1264](tel:603-527-1264)
Conservation Technician - Grey Draper
Economic Development &...[603-527-1270](tel:603-527-1270)
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes
Finance.....[603-524-3877](tel:603-524-3877)
Finance Director - Glenn Smith
Licensing.....[603-528-6331](tel:603-528-6331)
Licensing - Hilary Young
Fire Dept. (Central Station).....[603-524-6881](tel:603-524-6881)
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) ...[603-366-2229](tel:603-366-2229)
Library.....[603-524-4775](tel:603-524-4775)
Library Director - Deann Hunter
Parks & Recreation.....[603-524-5046](tel:603-524-5046)
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek
Personnel.....[603-524-3877](tel:603-524-3877)
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen
Planning & Zoning.....[603-527-1264](tel:603-527-1264)
Planning & Zoning Director - Rob Mora
Police (Administration).....[603-524-5257](tel:603-524-5257)
Police (Crime Line).....[603-524-1717](tel:603-524-1717)
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield
Public Works (Main Office) ...[603-528-6379](tel:603-528-6379)
Public Work-Transfer Station.....[603-528-5822](tel:603-528-5822)
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson
Tax.....[603-527-1269](tel:603-527-1269)
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano
Water.....[603-524-0901](tel:603-524-0901)
Superintendent - Ben Crawford
Welfare.....[603-527-1267](tel:603-527-1267)
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Charlie St. Clair..... [603-387-5944](tel:603-387-5944)
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1)..... [603-491-8946](tel:603-491-8946)
Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Haynes
(Ward 4)..... [603-524-3605](tel:603-524-3605)
Robert Soucy (Ward 2)..... [603-524-7054](tel:603-524-7054)
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)..... [603-803-3425](tel:603-803-3425)
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)..... [603-528-0613](tel:603-528-0613)
Tony Felch (Ward 6)..... [603-998-1418](tel:603-998-1418)

General Council E-mail:
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