



## Laconia Links

October 19, 2012 - Edition #54



Invasion of Lakeport Square! ([see pg. 7](#))

# Recycling Update

### 2 Week Total - Oct. 1 thru October 12

YTD recyclables collected = 826.33 tons		Savings to taxpayers YTD (@ \$150/ton) = \$123,949		Lost opportunity dollars YTD = \$105,962	
Route	Total Tons Collected (Waste + Recycling)	Total Tons Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30% Target	2 Week Lost Savings By Not Reaching Target
Remote Sites		28.17	N/A	N/A	N/A
Monday	28.80	5.28	18.3%	8.64	\$504.00
Tuesday	37.59	7.27	19.3%	11.28	\$601.50
Wednesday	45.80	4.91	10.7%	13.74	\$1,324.50
Thursday	33.68	4.03	11.9%	10.1	\$910.50
Friday	39.14	4.21	10.7%	11.74	\$1,129.50
	Total = 185.01 tons	Route Total = 25.70 tons	Curbside Avg. = 13.9%	Total = 55.50 tons	Total = \$4,470.00

Prior 2 wks = 13.2%

*Please Recycle!*

**Welcome to Laconia Links** a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at [info@city.laconia.nh.us](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

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



Be sure to check out the additional info we've added to the above report showing income lost by not reaching our 30% recycling target. The savings we could realize by reaching our target are significant and add up very quickly!

**Reminder!**



**The next recycling collection week begins Monday, October 22nd!**

**Assessing**

[Click](#) for Assessing Dept.

The 2012 yearly update has now been completed; the necessary information has been sent to the State so we can get our 2012 tax rate. More info to follow shortly!

**Questions? Call 527-1268**



## **NOTICE** **Fall Leaf Pickup**




During the weeks of Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, the City's solid waste contractor (Bestway Disposal) will pickup an additional 10 bags of leaves/yard waste during these 2 wks (on your normal trash day). Please note that yard waste will be collected by a separate truck **NOT** the normal trash collection truck.

All materials must be placed in  
paper compostable bags.

Please place bagged yard waste at least 3 feet away from your trash.

Laconia residents may also bring leaves/yard waste to the composting area at the Laconia Transfer Station FREE of charge from Mon.- Fri. 7:30 am-3:30 pm and Sat. from 8 am to Noon.

Any questions, please call Ann at 528-6379.



## ***City Council Special Meetings....***

The Public Works Committee of the City Council will hold a special meeting on October 22, 2012 at 6:00 pm (immediately preceding the regular Council meeting), City Hall, Room 200A.

Please click [here](#) for meeting notice.



A public hearing to hear input on downtown parking issues will be held during the regular City Council meeting on October 22, 2012 which begins at 7:00 pm, City Hall, Room 200A.

Please click [here](#) for meeting notice.

# Upcoming Meetings...

Meeting  
in  
Progress

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda.

Meetings are open to the public....you are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

*Become involved in  
your City  
and make a difference!*

Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website.

Click on a specific meeting for more information. Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

### **Public Works Subcommittee**

October 22, 2012, 6:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

[Meeting Notice/Agenda](#)

### **City Council**

October 22, 2012, 7:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

[Agenda](#)

### **CIP Committee**

October 23, 2012, 6:30 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

**Public Info Session** ([see related article on pg. 4...](#))

### **Lakes Business Park Comm.**

October 24, 2012, 4:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A

[Meeting Notice/Agenda](#)



# Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia  
Police Dept.  
Here](#)

## Public Announcement for the Upcoming Holidays



It's that time of the year again when the holidays are fast approaching, but it's also that time of year when criminals are out looking for your hard earned money. The Laconia Police Department would like to remind everyone to make sure you lock your valuables in your car and keep them out of sight from people walking by. Try placing your gifts in a trunk not in the back seat; if a trunk is not available, keep a blanket in the car and cover up those gifts that you don't want people seeing.

We would also recommend that you hide all those electronic cords you have for your iPods, phones and GPS in your car. Those cords are telling the criminals you might have something they would like, so don't give them the opportunity.

***Remember LOCK IT or you will LOSE IT!***

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

### Horrorgami



Thursday, October  
25th from 3:30 to  
4:30 pm in Laconia  
Rotary Hall.

For teens in  
Grades 6—12.

Come make some creepy creatures and  
ghastly ghouls with paper!

Check out the Library's  
website—click [here!](#)



On Thursday, Oct. 25 @ 7:00  
p.m. in Laconia Rotary Hall the  
Library will host the lecture  
"Lizzie Borden".

In 1892 Lizzie Borden, a 32  
year old single woman, was offi-  
cially charged with the murder  
of her father and stepmother in  
Fall River, MA. The events that  
followed would stir the curiosity  
of people across the nation.

After four criminal proceedings, Lizzie Borden was  
acquitted of the murder. The case is a mystery that has  
inspired documentaries, television movies, plays, musi-  
cals, poems, a scholarly journal and law school case  
studies. Professor Annette Holba will review the facts  
and explore evidence that some suggest point to  
Lizzie's guilt and others say exonerate her.

This lecture is sponsored by the Laconia Public Library  
and the New Hampshire Humanities Council.



# Laconia House Candidate Forum

Sponsored by the  
Belknap Independent Business Alliance

**Beane Conference Center**

**Monday, October 22nd**

**Forum to begin promptly at 7pm,  
ending at 8:30, in time for the  
Presidential Debate**

**Come meet the candidates!**

Bipartisan forum moderated by  
Ed Engler, Laconia Daily Sun



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



## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

### NOTICE OF SESSION

Supervisors of the Checklist

will meet on

Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

at the

City Clerk's Office

for the purpose of

Registering new voters and making changes to the Checklist.

This will be the last opportunity to make any changes to prior to the  
General Election on November 6, 2012.

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Marilyn Brown, Ward 1

Richard Lewis, Ward 2

Beth Vachon, Ward 3

David Hough, Ward 4 (Chair)

Barbara Cushing-Moore, Ward 5

Lynda Brock, Ward 6

## *Updates from the Planning Office...*

The City of Laconia's Capital Improvements Program (CIP) Committee is looking for input from the public on the submittals from the departments of Police, Fire, Public Works, Parks and Recreation and Water. Each of these departments has submitted a proposal of their capital needs for the next 5 years, and presented their proposal to the CIP committee.

The CIP Committee now needs to hear from you as to what you think of these departmental capital needs. Please join us next Tuesday, October 23 at 6:30 PM in City Hall, Council Chambers to discuss the proposals. Copies of the departmental submittals are available in the Planning Department in the lower level of City Hall.



Planning Dept's  
website —click [here!](#)



A STAFF REPRESENTATIVE OF  
CONGRESSMAN FRANK GUINTA

WILL HOLD

PUBLIC OFFICE HOURS

AT THE

LACONIA CITY HALL, ROOM 200B

ON

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2012

AT 1:30 PM

**FREE Event!**  
**Public Welcome!**  
Jewett Brook Meeting:  
How to Manage This  
Neighborhood Asset  
October 24th, 6:30 – 8 PM

**Tardif Park House**  
**51 Crescent Street**  
**Laconia, NH**

**Presenters:**  
**Laconia Public Works**  
**NH Department of**  
**Environmental Services**  
**Laconia Conservation Commission**

Light refreshments will be served.

Pre-registration by October 23rd  
suggested, but not required.

Click [here](#) for pre-registration form



Many of us are very familiar with the frequently challenging character of Jewett Brook. It starts its life in wooded uplands and passes through the heart of heavily populated residential neighborhoods to finish its journey in an urban section of the Winnepesaukee River.

Over the years Jewett Brook has become heavily influenced by the way we have managed the land in its drainage area (a.k.a. watershed). These changes, some good and some bad, have had an accumulative effect in shaping the brook we see today.

We all can have a positive effect on shaping the brook for both the near and distant future. Please consider attending this informative meeting!

This meeting will offer attendees:

- A brief overview of the study performed on Jewett Brook and the resulting management plan.
- An overview of how streams react to natural and manufactured elements in their landscape. This topic will feature the use of a large interactive table model for demonstration.
- Discussion: future funding and publically lead opportunities to improve the health of the brook.
- Reference materials to take home on 'do it yourself' stormwater management and other topics.
- Food and non-alcoholic beverages to enjoy during the meeting.

For more info call Belknap County  
Conservation District  
(603) 527-5880, or e-mail  
[lisa.morin@nh.nacdnet.net](mailto:lisa.morin@nh.nacdnet.net)

## ***News*** **From the Laconia Water Department**

**LACONIA WATER DEPARTMENT**  
**988 UNION AVENUE**  
**(603) 524-0901**



### **HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE**

As part of our continued effort to improve drinking water quality,  
Laconia Water Department will be flushing hydrants

**October 22<sup>th</sup> though October 26<sup>th</sup>**

While this may produce discolored water, it is not harmful.  
Simply run the cold water until it clears. If you have any  
questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.



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



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Downtown Laconia

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Lakesregionchamber.org

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639 Main Street 528-8541

rsbmoose@yahoo.com

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## LACONIA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



## Family Pumpkin Carving Night

Thursday, October 25, 2012

At Laconia Community Center

6:00 – 8:00pm, \$10 per pumpkin

Pumpkins and carving kits are provided.

Just bring your scary imagination!

Must register and pay by Oct. 22 and tell us how many  
pumpkins your family will need.

We will even bag your seeds for baking  
at home if you wish!

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



## Halloween Holiday Craft Workshop

Thursday, October 25, 2012

11:30 – 12:15

For kids ages 3 – 5, \$5 per child

Dress for a mess!



# ***Laconia Fire Department***

Link to Fire  
Dept.'s  
Website [here](#)



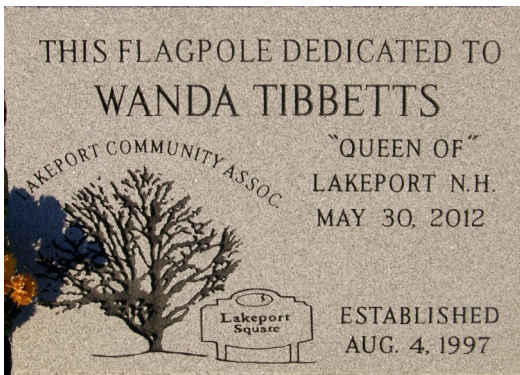
More than 30 Laconia, Gilford, Meredith and Franklin firefighters recently participated in a training class discussing hi-rise/high risk fires.

The class focused on combating fires in buildings over four stories high or very large in area. There are more than 16 buildings in Laconia over four stories. There are dozens of large area buildings in the immediate area. These large buildings present unique problems for firefighters as compared to house fires.

The class session reviewed tactics, strategy, command and control. The crews then walked around and through 25 Union Avenue for more than two hours. They reviewed the building components, construction and layouts, and actually stretched fire hose down hallways to simulate fire attack.

It was a great class for everyone involved! We hope we never need to use this training, but it is important that we are prepared for all possibilities.

## *Lakeport Community Association*



The Lakeport Community Association (LCA) recently added chrysanthemums by the newly-installed monument honoring the memory of Wanda Tibbetts on the northwest corner of Union Avenue and Elm Street in Lakeport Square.

The LCA depends on their yard sales to fund most of the rehabilitation of the Lakeport Freighthouse Museum. Sadly, after their yard sale on Saturday, October 13, members were disappointed to notice that two potted mums, one cranberry and one rust colored, were missing.

Tibbetts, who ran her own beauty shop on Elm Street for years, was one of the founders of the LCA and a beloved president. She died February 2, seven months shy of her dream to turn a dilapidated old railroad building into a museum. After fifteen years of tireless work, the LCA will open the Lakeport Freighthouse Museum, 15 Railroad Avenue (off Elm Street) to the public on Saturday, November 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Check next week's *Laconia Links* for more details!

And once again, LCA members have decorated Torrey Park in Lakeport Square for Halloween! Drivers may now wave back to Henrietta and her scarecrow family.

The Association always welcomes new donations and new members. Meetings are the first and third Tuesdays each month at 7 p.m. at the Lakeport Freighthouse Museum.

Call 524-7683 for more information!







**Reminder!**

**CITY OF LACONIA  
HILLIARD ROAD BRUSH DUMP  
WILL COMMENCE WINTER  
HOURS OF OPERATION  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY  
(Normally at 1:00, weekdays)**

**EFFECTIVE MONDAY,  
NOVEMBER 5, 2012**

**PLEASE CALL ANN @ 528-6379  
TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS**

3<sup>rd</sup> annual

## **Dancing with the Lakes Region Stars**

**Friday October 19<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM  
ILHS Auditorium**

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE!!!!**

### **Meet Your Celebrities:**

★ Kelly Arbogast ★

Dog Behaviorist at the NH Humane Society and Owner of Doggonit NH

★ Kitty Kiefer ★

Educational Outreach Coordinator at New Beginnings Shelter

★ Sarah Gray ★

Owner of Body Covers

★ Kathleen Hill ★

Curriculum Coordinator of the Interlakes School District

★ Rob Stewart ★

Owner of All Brite Cleaning and Restoration

★ Jared Douglas McGrath ★

Local Firefighter and EMT

★ Chris White ★

Local Musician of The Chris White Band

Join us on FACEBOOK "Annual Dancing with the Lakes  
Region Stars Charity Event" for up to date information!

TIX SALES BEGIN WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

CONTACT EMAIL: [lakesregiondwts@hotmail.com](mailto:lakesregiondwts@hotmail.com)

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For more information or To register contact:

Jennifer MacDonald 603-524-8963 or [jjmacd74@msn.com](mailto:jjmacd74@msn.com)

*We hope you have enjoyed this  
Edition of **Laconia Links***

*We welcome your input, comments  
and suggestions!*

Feel free to contact us at the  
City Manager's office, 527-1270,  
or by e-mail at [info@city.laconia.nh.us](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

*Have a great weekend!*



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