



Laconia Links

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A scary night sky over Laconia .Happy Halloween!



Laconia Fire Department

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



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

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

Halloween is here! It is a fun filled holiday...however, because children are out and about at night there can be problems.

- Be extra cautious if you are driving on Halloween night. Children are everywhere! Remember, children should never play in the street.
- Walk on sidewalks or the side of the road if no sidewalk is available.
- Carry a flashlight and leave it on, or use a glow stick. You can purchase glow sticks at local hardware stores and big box supply stores. They even offer Halloween colors.

- Go only to well-lit houses.
- Never enter a home – stay on the porch.
- Parents should always accompany very young children.
- Many people use candles on Halloween. Be sure to tell children to stay 3 feet away from candles.
- When wearing a mask make sure the child can see out properly – you may have to cut bigger holes for viewing.

Have a fun and safe Halloween!

Halloween in Laconia will be on Wednesday, October 31st.

Trick-or-treating hours are from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



Updates from the Planning Office...



After a very dry summer, the Northeast has been in a rainy pattern this fall. And that means the Planning Department is getting calls about silt in our waterways.

Most people learn about the water cycle back in elementary school and don't think too much more about it in their lives. However, this simple natural process probably has the greatest impact on people's lives, especially here in Laconia where we have frontage on four major water bodies: farthest north Lake Winnipesaukee, Paugus Bay, Opechee Lake and then most southerly, Lake Winnisquam. Each time a raindrop falls in Laconia there is a great possibility that rain drop will pick up dirt and flow into one of those water bodies. The dirt that is picked up can carry phosphorus or oils that can contaminate water bodies, causing algae blooms, fish kills and low oxygen levels. Too much dirt can create sandbars and shallow swimming and boating areas.

In order to prevent this from happening, make sure that any earthwork you or your contractor do includes plans to stabilize the ground with loam, seed and mulch. For larger projects, "silt soxx" and matting across disturbed areas may be necessary. New drainage areas may need stone or vegetation to make sure that dirt stays where it is. Should you need any help or have any questions feel free to contact the Laconia Planning Department!

[Link to the Planning Dept's website for info and updates —click here!](#)

Upcoming Meetings...

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.

Meeting
in
Progress

***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.

Trustees of the Trust Fund

October 31, 2012, 10:00 am

City Hall, Mayor's Office

[Agenda](#)

Water Commission

November 1, 2012, 8:00 am

117 Stark St., Water Treatment Facility Conference Room



Laconia Police Department

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



New!

The Laconia Police Department has a new website! Please click [here](#) to access what we hope will be a tool to provide the community with useful information. As always, don't hesitate to contact us if we can be of assistance.

The Laconia Police Department would like to wish everyone a Happy Halloween! All of us at the Laconia Police Department encourage you to follow our safety tips so you can help us make this Halloween a more enjoyable one for everyone:

- Set time limits for children to trick or treat (Laconia Trick or Treat hours are 5:00-8:00pm)
- Remind children not to enter a stranger's house or car
- Wear white or reflective clothing.
- Inspect candy before eating.
- Always be aware of your surroundings.

Make sure to say hello to our officers who will be patrolling your neighborhoods on bicycles, foot and cruisers!

Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....



The Goss Reading Room has story time every Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

*Goss
Reading Room
Programs*



The chess program is held every Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 - open to all ages and all skill levels.

Come join us!



Teen Scene

Monday, October 29th @3:30 p.m.
Teens in grades 6-12 meet in Laconia Rotary Hall to play this popular card game.
All levels of experience are welcome!



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



NOTICE: Fall Leaf Pickup

During the weeks of Oct. 29th and Nov. 12th, 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. Questions? Please call Ann at 528-6379.



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

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND
presents
Pinocchio



Performance by
David Syrotiak's (National Marionette Theatre)

Friday, November 2

Laconia Middle School

STUDENTS AT 1 PM ~ FAMILY AT 7 PM

ADMISSION IS FREE.

FIRST COME FIRST SEATED.

www.nmtshow.com

Elm Street Playground and the VFW Proudly Host

21+ HALLOWEEN PARTY

Saturday October 27th 6-11 pm

VFW Hall, 143 Court Street, Laconia

(You must be 21 years or older to attend, costumes optional)



Entertainment by
Annie and the Orphans

\$10 PER PERSON INCLUDES PASTA DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT

**DINNER IS FROM 6:00PM-8:00 PM
ANNIE AND THE ORPHANS PLAY 8:00PM -11:00PM**

**50/50 DRAWING - AUCTION - CASH BAR - COSTUME CONTEST
RAFFLE PRIZES FROM THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES/ ATTRACTIONS:**

Clark's Trading Post	Playhouse	Shaw's
Whale's Tail	Fratello's	Gilford Cinema 8
Funspot	Fisher Cats	Frates Creative Arts Studio
Stafford Oil	McAuliffe Planetarium	Pampered Chef
Trustworthy Hardware	Laconia Pet Center	Thirty-One Gifts
O'Steakhouse	Jolly Jumpers	Laconia Country Club
Laconia Harley Davidson	Staples	... AND MORE
Winnipesaukee	Patrick's	

Funds will benefit the building of a new playground for Elm Street School.

For tickets contact Kara at kksqueen@gmail.com

Purchase them at All My Life Jewelers, Stafford Oil, Greenlaws or the VFW

Laconia Parks & Recreation

Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas: The Musical,

Boston Ballet The Nutcracker, Shopping & Sightseeing

Saturday—December 1, 2012



Musical Show & Shopping

Orchestra Center	\$85
Balcony Center	\$73

Nutcracker Ballet & Shopping

Orchestra Side	\$115
Mezzanine	\$99
Balcony	\$80

Boston On Your Own

Shopping & Sightseeing \$29



Our Boston Trip includes luxury motor coach transportation to each theatre for your choice of entertainment with additional stops for shopping. Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas: The Musical features the hit songs "You're a Mean One Mr. Grinch" and "Welcome Christmas" from the original animated series. Max the Dog narrates as the mean and scheming Grinch whose heart is "two sizes too small," decides to steal Christmas away from the Who's. The Boston Ballet's the Nutcracker is a must-see holiday event for the whole family returning this year with all new sets and costumes. Join Clara on her magical journey through an enchanted winter wonderland to a palace of sugary confections. We have a limited number of seats for the ballet performance, please call for availability prior to sending in your registration. Our day of shopping starts at the Prudential Center Shops, next stop Downtown Crossing and ending the day at Faneuil Hall Marketplace. If you prefer you can spend the day sightseeing or visiting the aquarium or museum on our own. In route to Boston sit back and relax watching a movie on our luxury motor coach with door to door service for the theatre and shopping destinations. Space is limited, full payment and registration form are required at time of booking. No refund for cancelled reservations.

8:00AM	Depart	Belmont Park & Ride, Route 106
9:45AM	Arrive	Prudential Center Shops for shopping with Copley Square, Back Bay and Newbury Street Shops are all within walking distance.
12:10PM	Depart	Prudential Center
12:20PM	Arrive	Downtown Crossing & the Boston Opera House for Nutcracker ticket holders, <u>show time 1:00PM</u>
1:20PM	Depart	Downtown Crossing
1:25PM	Arrive	The Wang Center Theatre for How the Grinch Stole Christmas ticket holders, <u>show time 2:00PM</u>
1:40 PM	Arrive	Faneuil Hall for shopping, or visit the New England Aquarium is a short walk
3:45PM	Depart	The Wang Center Theatre
4:00PM	Depart	Downtown Crossing
4:10 PM	Arrive	Faneuil Hall, and Quincy Market for shopping and dinner on your own, reservations are recommended
6:45 PM	Depart	Faneuil Hall for return to Belmont
8:30 PM	Arrive	Belmont Park & Ride, Route 106

Reservations or additional information contact:

Laconia Parks & Recreation, 306 Union Avenue, Laconia, NH 03246

(603) 524-5046 - parks@city.laconia.nh.us - www.cityoflaconianh.org



Info & Registration Available at:

Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce
383 South Main Street 524-5531
Lakesregionchamber.org

LAKES REGION
Chamber of Commerce
Connecting Business. Connecting Lives.

All My Life Jewelers
639 Main Street 528-8541
rsbmoose@yahoo.com



Daylight Savings Time Ends at 2:00 am, November 4th!



Beginning with this issue, on the last page of each newsletter we will include a list of City department telephone numbers, and the names of the individuals responsible for each department.

We hope this makes it easier for you to contact the appropriate department to get information or answers to your questions!

Laconia Holiday Parade Scheduled for Saturday, Nov 24th!

Laconia Main Street Program and the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce the annual Laconia Holiday Parade will be held on Saturday, November 24, 2012 this year!

With the enthusiasm of businesses and parade participants, the parade will be held on Saturday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. The parade will begin at Wyatt Park, continue down Main Street, and end at the historic train station in Veteran's Square with the lighting of the Christmas Tree. Mr. & Mrs. Santa will be participating in the parade, but there will not be a train ride available with them as in years past.

Registrations are now being accepted for those that wish to participate in the parade. The registration deadline is November 16th. Last year, 70+ floats and marching bands participated in the holiday parade and several thousand viewers lined the streets of downtown Laconia. To learn more about the event or obtain information about parade registration, go to www.LakesRegionChamber.org and click on the Community Calendar. Registration forms can be downloaded by clicking [here](#); they will also be available at Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce at 383 South Main Street or All My Life Jewelers at 639 Main Street in Laconia.

CITY OF LACONIA BOARD & COMMISSION VACANCIES

Have you ever thought about becoming more involved in your community and finding out how a City runs? The following Boards and Commissions have current vacancies for alternate members: *Heritage Commission, Board of Assessors, Library Board of Trustees, Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.*

Serving as an alternate is an opportunity to become familiar with State regulations and the procedures of the Board, allowing you to learn as you serve your community.

If you are interested in applying for one of these positions, please contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or e-mail brownn@city.laconia.nh.us for further information or to request an application. Applicants must be residents of Laconia. Service on more than one Board or Commission is acceptable as long as it is a non-conflicting Board.



**City of Laconia
Dept. of Public Works
27 Bisson Avenue
Laconia, NH 03246
603-528-6379**

RECYCLING TOTER PROGRAM

The City of Laconia Department of Public Works is offering commercial grade 2-wheeled 64-gal. recycling containers with a hinged lid for sale as part of the City's curbside recycling program. There are 1,000 toters available on a first-come/first-serve basis. The cost for one (1) toter is \$25, with the City supporting \$20 of the program cost. Additional toters are available at \$45 each - while supplies last. Anticipated delivery is early November 2012.

Please contact Ann Saltmarsh, Dept. of Public Works, at the address above, call 528-6379, or e-mail saltmarsha@city.laconia.nh.us to purchase toters. You may also place your order by mailing in this order form. This Recycling Toter Program is for Laconia residents only -- proof of residency may be required.

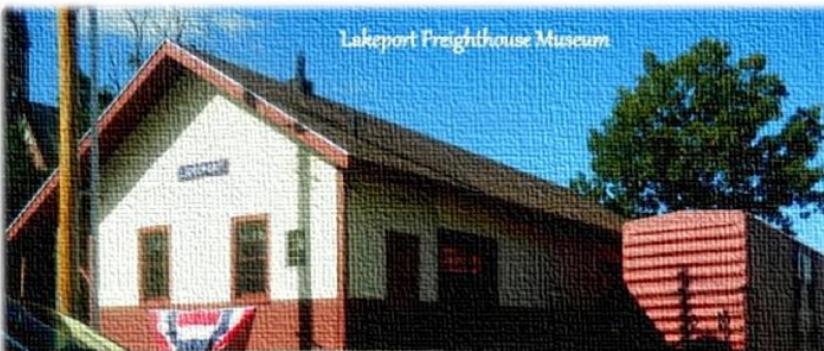
Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

All toters must be picked up at the DPW Office – Payment is due at the time of pickup.

Lakeport Community Association



**Lakeport Community Association
~ GRAND OPENING ~
LAKEPORT FREIGHTHOUSE MUSEUM
15 Railroad Avenue, Lakeport, NH
Saturday, November 3, 10 am ~ 2 pm**
All are welcome to view exhibits of railroad and Lakeport memorabilia.



*New Beginnings is
Putting on the Ritz for Our*

20's

Saturday, November 3rd 2012

6:30 PM — 11:00 PM

\$50 PER TICKET

PITMAN'S FREIGHT ROOM

94 NEW SALEM STREET
DOWNTOWN LACONIA, NH

*Dinner, Dancing and
All That Jazz!*

*Intervention - Advocacy - Education
We provide free and confidential
services to people whose lives have
been affected by sexual, domestic
and stalking violence.*

Where to get tickets:

*In Laconia:
New Beginnings
SunDay's
Sunflower Natural Foods*

*In Meredith:
Innisfree Bookshop*

**SILENT AUCTION • CASH BAR • 50/50 RAFFLE
1920'S THEMED ATTIRE ENCOURAGED
PRIZES FOR THE MOST FESTIVE GET-UPS
ADD TO THE FUN - HOST A TABLE**

**PLEASE CONTACT NEW BEGINNINGS FOR
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: 603-528-6511**

Sponsored by:





**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**

*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

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers, City Manager
City of Laconia
City's Website: www.city.laconia.nh.us



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessing	527-1268
Assessor - Jon Duhamel	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Mary Reynolds	
City Manager.....	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing Clerk - Katie Walsh	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) *	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Lakeport) *	524-7777
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) *	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel	
Police (Administration) *	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) *	524-1717
Police Chief - Christopher Adams	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
Public Works Director - Paul Moynihan	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	

* For emergencies, remember
to always dial 911



Visit the City's website at:
www.city.laconia.nh.us