



September 30, 2022 - Edition #558

*Time to get excited about this year's NH Pumpkin Festival - Saturday, Oct. 29! (Photo compliments of Rob Clifford Photography)*

*So long, for now.....*



For a little more than eleven years, I have had the privilege of serving as City Manager of Laconia and collaborating with a great many elected, appointed and volunteer community members. From the Council that hired me with Mayor Seymour and Councilors Doyle, Lahey, Lipman, Baer, Hamel and Bolduc through Mayors Engler & Hosmer along with Councilors Cheney, Bownes, Soucy, Haynes and Felch, I have enjoyed great support and teamwork in working for the betterment of Laconia.

I have always been impressed by the willingness of Laconia residents to come together and rally for positive causes. Whether this be the WOW Trail, The Colonial Theatre, investments in our buildings and infrastructure or downtown festivals, Laconia is a City filled with pride. And this teamwork extends to our Schools, which are a significant part of this community, where I have shared strong working relationships starting with Superintendent Bob Champlin and finishing up with Superintendent Steve Tucker.

I am extremely proud of the City's management team and all our employees. They are the unsung heroes and the ones with boots on the ground who work tirelessly to carry out the projects and goals that come through the Mayor/Council. We might have had a misstep or two here and there, but the dedication of our team to serve the residents of Laconia is something we all take pride in.

I am hopeful that this publication, Laconia Links, has served as and will continue to provide residents with a connection to local government and community matters of interest. When I implemented this concept eleven years ago, I charged Department Heads with providing content and my Administrative Assistant, Nancy Brown, with putting everything together. With more than 550 Laconia Links editions under her belt, Nancy seamlessly publishes a high-quality, informative 15-20 page electronic newsletter every Friday. Wow!

So, thank you Laconia! We still have some challenges to work through and some difficult decisions will always be just around the corner, but we are a community with momentum and with many great days ahead of us.

With best regards,

*Scott Myers*



# Laconia Public Library Events and Programs



## SHAYLA'S TECH HELP

Tuesdays at 10am  
Wednesdays at 2pm

Have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Most Tuesdays at 10 am and most Wednesdays at 2 pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm dates.

## Toddler Time



Wednesdays at 10am for newborns to age 3

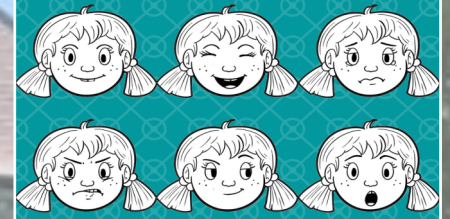
## PRESCHOOL PALS



Thursdays at 10am for ages 3 to 6

Our Storytimes have new names! Toddler Time (Wednesdays) is a fun-filled hour with Jamie and is geared toward newborns and toddlers to age 3. Preschool Pals (Thursdays) is geared toward preschool aged kiddos, ages 3 to 6. Join Jamie for singing, dancing, crafting and, of course, reading some great books! Younger or older siblings are always welcome too! From 10-11 am.

## Social-Emotional Storytime



Tuesdays at 1:30pm for Newborns-age 5

## Social-Emotional Storytime Craft

Calm those fiery emotions with a dragon's breath breathing craft at Tuesday's Social-Emotional Storytime.

## Social-Emotional Storytime



CRAFT  
OCTOBER 4

## STORYTIME CRAFT



OCT 5 & 6

## Storytime Craft

Whooo's coming to Toddler Time (Wednesday at 10 am) and Preschool Pals (Thursday at 10 am) this week? Join us for stories and this fun painted owl craft!

## Wild History

### 350 Years of New Hampshire Wildlife



Thursday, October 6  
6 pm

This program is brought to you by Speaking for Wildlife, a volunteer project of UNH Cooperative Extension, the NH Coverts Project, and NH Fish & Game, with funding provided by the NH Charitable Foundation and the Davis Environmental Foundation.

Do you wonder why you don't see Eastern meadowlarks anymore? Are you curious about the sighting of lynx tracks in northern NH several years ago? Would you recognize the call of the northern leopard frog if you heard it? Take a virtual journey through NH's past with the UNH Cooperative Extension. You'll learn about changes in the land & the effects on wildlife populations over time. You'll also learn why changes in habitat are behind the decline of many of our rarest species today, and what you can do to help. Brought to you by Speaking for Wildlife, a volunteer project of UNH Cooperative Extension, the NH Coverts Project, and NH Fish & Game, with funding provided by the NH Charitable Foundation and the Davis Environmental Foundation. Space is limited, sign-up is required. Call, [email](#), or text the library to sign up: Phone: (603) 524-4775, Text: (603) 556-4666,

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Lego Club  
Tuesday,  
October 4 @ 18  
3:30pm  
Ages 5-12



## Teen Craft Gemstone painting on stickers!

Wednesday, October 5

3:30 pm

Ages 9-18

## FAMILY CRAFT BEADED PUMPKINS



Monday, October 3  
3:30pm

Best for ages 3-12

## Move & Groove



Friday, October 7 & 21

10 am

Newborns - age 6



# tricks & treats



**NH Humane  
Society**



As the fall sets in our favorite canines and felines are looking for a family to spend this spooky season with.

## ADOPTION EVENT

Join us on Saturday, October 8, 2022 from 11:00 am to 4 pm to create some amazing families for these adorable critters.

OCTOBER 8, 2022

11-4PM

1305 MEREDITH CTR RD.  
LACONIA, NH 03246



### ROD & GAIL DYER POWERHOUSE PATIO A COMMUNITY GATHERING PLACE

#### DONOR OPPORTUNITIES HONORING A LEGACY

- CORNERSTONE**  
30" x 30" paver  
\$10,000.00  
4 opportunities
- GENERATOR**  
20" x 20" paver  
\$5,000.00  
4 opportunities
- ENERGY AXIS**  
10" x 30" paver  
\$1,000.00  
15 opportunities
- POWER GEAR**  
10" x 30" paver  
\$1,000.00  
24 opportunities
- FOUNDATION**  
10" x 30" paver  
\$500.00  
30 opportunities
- WALKWAY TO THE FUTURE**  
4" x 8" brick paver  
\$100.00

Yes! I would like to donate and I would like my engraving to read:

Be a part of Laconia's downtown history!!!

**Purchase a Paver**

TICKETS: ADULTS: \$15.00  
under 12: \$10.00

# MAGIC AT THE MILL

PREPARE TO BE AMAZED BY...

**LARRY**

Each child  
will receive a  
free book!

ALTRUSA OF LACONIA  
PRESENTS

## LARRY FRATES CREATES MAGIC

**TWO SHOWS ONLY!**

Sunday, October 16th  
1:00 PM & 3:30 PM  
Belknap Mill, Laconia, NH

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT  
[WWW.ALTRUSALACONIA.ORG](http://WWW.ALTRUSALACONIA.ORG)

To benefit Altrusa International of Laconia, NH.  
100% of proceeds to be returned to the community through Altrusa's various outreach programs

# Introduction

THE CHICAGO EXPERIENCE

the raw unleashed sounds  
of the band Chicago  
featuring their music from  
1968-1978

**ONE NIGHT ONLY!**

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 29, 2022**

**SHOWTIME 7:30 PM**

MEREDITH COMMUNITY AUDITORIUM AT INTER-LAKES HIGH SCHOOL  
1 LAKER LANE, MEREDITH

**BENEFITING MEREDITH ALTRUSA**

AMITY - LOYALTY - TALENT - RECIPROCITY - UNITY - SERVICE - ACHIEVEMENT



**PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE**

**WWW.TBINH.ORG**

**OR AT SELECT RETAIL LOCATIONS**

**INNISFREE BOOKSHOP - MEREDITH & LACONIA**

**BAYSWATER BOOKS - CENTER HARBOR**

**CAKLEBERRIES - MEREDITH**



Presented by We Care of Temple B'nai Israel  
LENDING A HAND TO LAKES REGION NONPROFITS  
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FAMILY DENTAL



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**Curbside Fall Leaf Collection**

**Curbside Fall Leaf Collection**

**The weeks of:**

**October 31 – November 4, 2022**

**and**

**November 14-18, 2022**

**Collection will be on your normal trash  
collection day.**

**City contractor will pick up 10 compostable  
paper bags of leaves during these two weeks.**

**Should you have any questions, please call  
DPW at 603-528-6379.**



## GET INVOLVED WITH ELECTIONS - YOUR WARD NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

Current Openings for the November 8, 2022 Election:

**Moderator:**

Ward 1  
Ward 5

**Ward Clerk:**

Ward 4

**Selectmen:**

Ward 4  
Ward 5  
Ward 6

**Ballot Clerks:**

Ward 4  
Ward 5

Please contact the City Clerk as soon as possible for more information about these positions by calling 603-527-1265 or emailing [cityclerk@laconianh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@laconianh.gov) . Must be a registered voter and a resident of the Ward.

Ward 1 votes at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1244 Old North Main St.  
Ward 4 votes at the New Covenant Church at the Memorial Park Clubhouse, 31 Lindsay Ct.  
Ward 5 votes at the Woodland Heights Elementary School, 225 Winter St.  
Ward 6 votes at the Leavitt Park Clubhouse, 334 Elm St.





The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction (GLRCA) is accepting funding applications for 2022 until October 15. Details and an online application are available on the Children's Auction website at [www.ChildrensAuction.org](http://www.ChildrensAuction.org).

Local nonprofit organizations that provide support to low-income children and their families are encouraged to apply for GLRCA funding if they hold tax-exempt status under Section 501(c) 3 and/or public agency status and have a proven history of providing value to the low-income children of our local communities.

- To provide local children with basic needs, including but not limited to food, shelter, clothing, emergency assistance and other vital needs.
- To fund capital initiatives that improve the lives of children or enhance the ability of nonprofits to deliver their services.
- To fund area nonprofits that provide after school programs, recreation, education and the arts for which the child may not be able to otherwise afford.

For more information on how to apply, the kinds of organizations that we fund and how you can help, please visit [www.ChildrensAuction.org](http://www.ChildrensAuction.org)

#### **About the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction:**

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is a charitable event held every December in central New Hampshire. Countless volunteers and donors have turned the auction and its many fundraising events, including the 2021 Challenge, into a major annual campaign. In the 40 years that the community has come together for the auction, an impressive \$7.5 million has been awarded to local nonprofit organizations, all through volunteer efforts, community donations and corporate sponsorship. The Greater Lakes Region Charitable Fund for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps community organizations in the Central New Hampshire region. For more information about the auction, the nonprofits it supports and how you can help, visit [www.ChildrensAuction.org](http://www.ChildrensAuction.org)



### **The Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K Run/Walk is coming!**

This is a community fundraiser for the WOW Trail that will be happening at Opechee Park on Saturday, October 29 as part of the New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival.

Cash rewards for the top male and female finishers and edible age category awards compliments of Annie's Café & Catering.

Don't miss the Kids Fun Run sponsored by the Downtown Gym. We encourage Halloween colors and costumes!

You must register by Saturday, October 15 to receive a Meredith Village Savings Bank long-sleeved tech shirt. Also, participants who fundraise for the WOW Trail can receive additional incentives! For details of the event and to register online, visit [www.wowtrail.org](http://www.wowtrail.org)



NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Pumpkin  
Festival

LACONIA, NH  
USA



Mark your calendar!

New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival

Saturday, October 29, 2022

10am - 7pm

in Downtown Laconia

Check the Festival's website at  
[www.nhpumpkinfestival.com](http://www.nhpumpkinfestival.com) for  
updates and more information!



COLONIAL  
SPOOKTACULAR  
LACONIA

THE 2022 SPOOKTACULAR WILL  
FEATURE SCREENINGS OF:

GHOSTBUSTERS I  
GHOSTBUSTERS II  
CASPER  
HOCUS POCUS  
THE ADDAMS FAMILY

COLONIAL

FRI. OCTOBER 28  
SAT. OCTOBER 29

The Halloween Spooktacular is  
back at the Colonial Theatre!

Join us for a spooktacular weekend  
filled with family friendly  
Halloween movies.

On Friday, October 28th we  
will be showing Ghostbusters  
and Ghostbusters II.

On Saturday, October 29th  
we will be showing Casper, Hocus  
Pocus, and the Addams Family.

Tickets for individual movies and  
day passes are now available on our  
website, [www.coloniallaconia.com](http://www.coloniallaconia.com)





### **Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Eating Well During Cancer Treatment** *Free Workshop for People with Cancer and Their Loved Ones*

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- WHAT:** *Frankly Speaking About Cancer: Eating Well During Cancer Treatment*  
Gilda's Club New Hampshire invites people with cancer and their caregivers/loved ones to a free workshop featuring ways to maintain a nutritious diet when living with cancer.
- WHO:** Lisa Garcia, MS, RDN, LD is a registered dietitian nutritionist, experienced in helping people deal with decreased appetites, swallowing challenges, altered taste perceptions, gastrointestinal issues, fatigue that affects meal preparation, and eating to restore health and wellness.
- WHERE:** Hosted VIRTUALLY by Gilda's Club NH.
- WHEN:** October 26, 2022, at 6:30 PM
- HOW:** Registration is required. Please call 603-387-6775 or email [pat@gildasclubnh.org](mailto:pat@gildasclubnh.org) to register and receive the ZOOM link.
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For more information about Gilda's Club NH and efforts to open the first Cancer Support Community affiliate in New England, visit our website at [www.GildasClubNH.org](http://www.GildasClubNH.org)



# TIME PASSES SLOWLY

OPENING RECEPTION OCTOBER 6TH 4-8 PM  
BELKNAP MILL, LACONIA

THE BELKNAP MILL PRESENTS

## TIME PASSES SLOWLY

AN EXHIBITION OF FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAITS

BY IAN RAYMOND

A COLLECTION OF WORK CREATED WITH  
VINTAGE CAMERAS AND HYBRID PROCESSES  
COMBINING SILVER GELATIN, ALBUMEN, AND  
PIGMENT INK

OCTOBER 3RD THROUGH OCTOBER 30TH  
OPENING RECEPTION  
OCTOBER 6TH 4-8 PM  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

You are cordially invited to the opening reception of a new exhibition at the Belknep Mill titled "Time Passes Slowly" on Thursday, October 6 from 4 pm to 8 pm.

This is a collection of more than two dozen fine art photographic portraits produced using vintage cameras (which will also be on display at the opening reception), and hybrid processes, combining traditional and modern techniques including gelatin silver, albumen and archival pigment ink prints. Because these are commissioned portraits, none of this work is for sale. It is on display for your viewing pleasure, to enjoy the history of the medium, and maybe see some of your friends portrayed in print.

Lots of NEW WORK! Come check it out! Open to the public, free of charge.



**Recycling  
Collection**

**Curbside recycling  
will be picked up  
the week of October 10!**



## Columbus Day

**Columbus Day is Monday, October 10.**

### **NOTICE TO CURBSIDE RESIDENTS**

There will be NO DELAY in curbside collection of trash on Monday, October 10, 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 11.**

## City Hall Will Be Closed

**On Monday, October  
10th for Columbus Day**







## **3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL FALL HARVEST RAFFLE**

**October 14 & 15**

*Purchasing raffle tickets is a great way to join in the fun - even if you are unable to participate in the contest. Lots of great prizes!*

*Pictured below:*

- *Handmade quilt 63x54 quilt, donated by Marty Gorman, Woman's*
- *Kenley Backpack by Coach- donated by Friend of LRSF,*
- *Pumpkin Basket of goodies with handmade pumpkin table runner - donated and made by LRSF Board Member Judy Ball*
- *20 Assorted All Occasion handcrafted cards- donated and made by Stacey Jope*
- *22" x 36" handmade and quilted Season of Celebration table runner - handmade and donated by Marcia Dionne (Story Book Quilts)*
- *Wayfarer Coffee Gift Bag- donated by Wayfarer, Laconia*

### **Various Gift Cards/Certificates including:**

- 2 Midweek Gunstock Lift Tickets  
donated by Gunstock
- \$100 Trillium Gift Card  
donated by friend of LRSF
- \$50 Hannaford Gilford Gift Card  
donated by Hannaford Gilford
- \$30 CITGO Gift Card  
donated by Stafford Oil & Propane
- \$25 Sanitary Cleaners Gift Certificate  
donated by Sanitary Cleaners
- \$25 Patrick's Pub & Eatery Gift Card  
donated by Patrick's Pub & Eatery
- \$25 T-Bones Gift Card  
donated by T-Bones
- \$25 Piche's Ski Shop Gift Card  
donated by Piche's Ski Shop



**Scan the  
QR Code for more  
information and  
to register or  
visit our website!**





THE BELKNAP MILL'S  
**BACK  
TO THE 80'S**  
**HALLOWEEN DANCE**

**DJ PAT KELLY & 98.3 FRANK FM**

Saturday, October 29th | 7-10 pm

\$10 Adults | Kids Free

The Belknap Mill is  
teaming up with  
98.3 Frank FM  
to bring you a  
“Back to the 80’s  
Halloween Dance”  
after the NH  
Pumpkin Festival!

Frank FM’s Pat Kelly will be  
joining us to DJ the evening  
with the best Halloween  
music for you to dance  
the night away!

Patrons are encouraged to crimp their hair, show off their costumes and get ready for a  
‘totally radical’ evening of 80’s top Halloween Hits!

Tickets are \$10 for adults. Children 12 and under are free.

Bring the family and join us for the “Best Halloween Dance Ever!”

*The Putnam Fund*  
*presents*

**STREETCAR COMPANY'S**

**50<sup>TH</sup>**  
**ANNIVERSARY**  
**CELEBRATION**



**Come celebrate our history with  
an Evening of Music and Fun!**

**Saturday, October 8th at 7pm**

at The Colonial Theatre  
609 Main Street, Laconia, NH

*Tickets are FREE thanks to our  
partners at the Putnam Fund!*

Reserve your free tickets  
at Colonial Theater Box Office  
(Open Tues-Fri 10am-2pm)  
or online at [www.coloniallaconia.com](http://www.coloniallaconia.com)  
or by calling 1-800-657-8774  
beginning Thursday, Sept. 15th

General admission  
4 ticket maximum per person  
first come, first seated





## Bank of New Hampshire Music Series at Taylor Community - Laconia, NH

*We invite you to enjoy the music. All concerts are free and open to the public.*

### Myanna

Wednesday, October 3rd  
6:30 p.m. at Woodside



One of the hottest and most soulful saxophonists in Massachusetts, Myanna plays music that mixes together jazz improvisation with funky rhythms, expressive playing, and catchy tunes. Her music, whether it is an original or a cover tune, is colorful and infectious. She is a consistent crowd pleaser. This event is free and will be held at the Woodside building on the Laconia Taylor campus at 6:30 p.m.



### Cheryl Arena

Monday, October 10th  
6:30 p.m. at Woodside



"Most Outstanding Harmonica Player," Cheryl sizzles with excitement as she mesmerizes audiences with her sultry voice and powerhouse energy. Hailing from Boston, Massachusetts, she began playing harmonica and immersing herself in the Blues in 1987. Her earliest childhood memories relating to music were listening and singing along with her mother's Louis Armstrong and Billie Holiday records. Her true passion though was in learning to play an instrument, so at age eight her grandmother set her up with accordion lessons. Not exactly what she had in mind, but it was a start and led to playing other instruments, like guitar and bass guitar, and eventually finding the one instrument that truly resonated with her...the harmonica. This event is free and will be held at the Woodside building on the Laconia Taylor campus at 6:30 p.m.

### Lakes Region String Quartet

Sunday, October 16th  
3:00 p.m. at Woodside Pavilion

Come enjoy violinists Margaret Hopkins and Muriel Orcutt as they are joined by violist Sally Wituszynski, and cellist Kari Jukka-Pekka Vainio. This event is free and will be held at the Woodside building on the Laconia Taylor campus at 6:30 p.m.

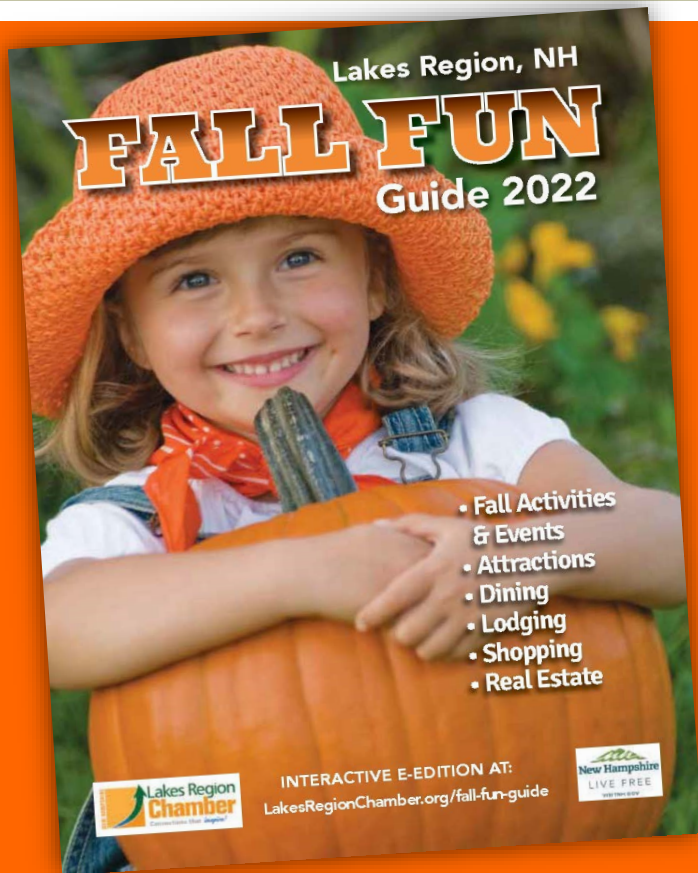


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ON TAYLOR COMMUNITY  
PLEASE CALL US AT  
(603) 366-1400

[taylorcommunity.org](http://taylorcommunity.org)

A not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization





The all-new Fall Fun Guide is out now! Click on the image above to read about all that's going on in the Lakes Region this fall.

# Movie Night at Leavitt Park

## 7:00pm on Friday September 30th



Leavitt Park Clubhouse  
334 Elm Street, Lakeport



Hosted by  
*Leavitt Park Community Club  
& Lakeport Association*



**Free Movie – Snacks & drinks available**

Members Wanted! Interested? Come join us.

For Leavitt Park info call (603)998-1418

Lakeport Association call (603)527-1046

# Light the Night for Fallen Firefighters

## October 2 - 9, 2022



For more information on this year's "Light the Night" event in Laconia, please visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/events/432415448700551/?aref=3>

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND PRESENTS

A TEMPTATIONS EXPERIENCE



# can't get next to you

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

at 7:00pm

— Colonial Theater, Downtown Laconia —

**FREE STANDBY TICKETS AVAILABLE  
AT 6:45PM THIS SUNDAY OCTOBER 2  
AT THE COLONIAL THEATRE LOBBY**

All General Admission Tickets Holders are to be seated prior to 6:45 pm.



# Electronic Waste Collection Day

Fundraising event to benefit:

## Laconia-Gilford Lions Club

When: **Saturday, October 1**

Where: Cinemas 8 Parking Lot  
9 Old Lakeshore Road, Gilford, NH

Time: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm



### Items we are accepting:

Mice or keyboard	\$1	Air Conditioner	\$10
Laptop	\$5	Dehumidifier	\$10
CPU / PC Tower	\$5	Microwave	\$10
Servers	\$5	CRT Monitor (<50lbs)	\$20
CD / DVD Player	\$5	CRT Monitor (>50lbs)	tbd*
PC LCD Monitor	\$5	TV < 13"	\$ 5
Camcorder	\$5	TV < 25"	\$20
VCR	\$5	TV > 25"	\$30
Audio Visual Equip.	\$5	Very Large TV	tbd*
Speaker	\$5	Dryer	\$20
Printer	\$5	Gas or Electric Stove	\$20
Copier, Fax, Scanner	\$5	Dishwasher	\$20
Phone System	\$5	Refrigerator	\$20
Phone (land or cell)	\$5	Freezer	\$20
UPS System	\$5	Water Heater	\$20
Humidifier	\$5	Washing Machine	\$20
Car batteries	\$5	Teflon pan	\$ 1
Cords, Cables, Computer Accessories \$5 (Free if recycling something else)			

Anything with a cord not listed will be accepted.

\*The item will be weighed on site and the price determined.

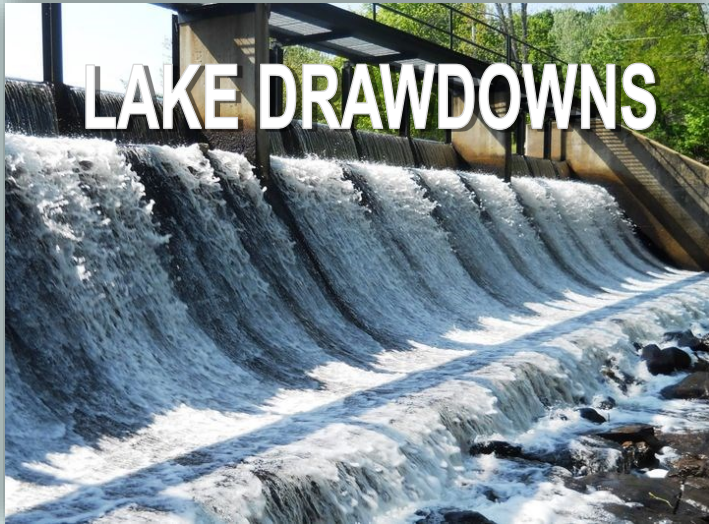
### Items we CANNOT accept:

Oils, paints, thinners, batteries, tires, mercury containing items such as fluorescent & CFL light bulbs or thermometers, smoke detectors, capacitors, ballasts or any other hazardous waste.

***“Don’t Throw It Out, Recycle It!”***

Thank you for supporting the Laconia-Gilford Lions





Lake drawdowns are typically conducted each fall to reduce winter ice damage to shoreline properties and to reduce spring flooding. Drawdowns also give property owners an opportunity to conduct any necessary repairs to their waterfront property, provided they first secure a permit from the DES Wetlands Bureau at (603) 271-2147.

Generally, lake levels are allowed to return to the normal full pond level in the spring. However, the drawdowns of Lakes Opechee and Winnisquam, which occur on a two-year interval, last only approximately two weeks. This year, the lowering of Lake Opechee will begin on October 10, and it will likely take two days to pass the water from Lake Opechee downstream through Lake Winnisquam. Therefore, the level of Lake

Winnisquam is not expected to drop noticeably until October 15. On October 24 flows at Lakeport Dam will be increased to refill Lake Opechee, and the level of Lake Winnisquam should begin to rise late in the day on October 25.

Not included in this schedule is Lake Winnepesaukee. Unlike the other lakes in this schedule, Lake Winnepesaukee is not purposely drawn down in the fall. Instead, in the fall after Columbus Day, the releases from Lakeport Dam are reduced from a normal minimum of 250 cubic feet per second (cfs) to a flow between 30 and 50 cfs for a period of up to two weeks to allow for maintenance of the dams and hydropower facilities on the Winnepesaukee River. The flow of 30 to 50 cfs is the minimum flow needed to maintain the downstream aquatic life during this period. This year the reduction will be begun on October 10.

By the middle of the fall, Lake Winnepesaukee is, on average, 15 inches below its springtime full level due to evaporation and releases from the lake that have occurred over the course of the summer. Because of this summer's drought, the level of the lake is already 12 inches below its full level. When the amount of water released from the dam is reduced after Columbus Day, the lake level is not expected to drop significantly for the remainder of the month of October and, if drought conditions ease in the fall and winter, it is expected to remain relatively stable through the month of December absent any major rainfall events. Depending on the amount of snow on the ground in the winter, the lake level may be lowered further beginning in January to a depth of two feet below the normal full level.

A plot of the average lake levels throughout the year for Lake Winnepesaukee is provided on NHDES' [website](#). Also included are updated plots of this year's lake levels, releases from the dam, and precipitation.

The NH Fish and Game Department recommends that, if special drawdowns are to be conducted for the purposes of repairing property such as retaining walls or private boat ramps, they occur only once in every five years. If shoreland property owners wish to have a special drawdown conducted on their lake, please contact the NHDES Dam Bureau immediately after receiving all permits required for such work, so that the drawdown can be coordinated with any other work proposed on the same water body. In this way, the number of special drawdowns can be limited.

Questions?  
Please call the Nh Department of Environmental  
Services at (603) 271-3503







## Powerful Tools for Caregivers

**Lakes Region  
Community Developers**  
193 Court Street, Laconia

**Mondays, Oct. 10 - Nov.14**  
(6 Mondays)  
1 - 2:30 p.m.

### Are you a family caregiver?

Caregiving can add stress to our physical and emotional health. "Powerful Tools for Caregivers" is an educational program to help family caregivers learn to take care of themselves.

This interactive workshop helps caregivers learn to:

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

To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85815.

This program is offered at no charge.  
Registration is required and space is limited.  
Masks optional.

30 Pillsbury Street | Concord, NH 03301 • (603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620 • [www.granitevna.org](http://www.granitevna.org)  
Offices in Laconia and Wolfeboro

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# 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 ...

Bank Square, Laconia, is seen in the early 1900s, looking north up Main Street, with the Eagle Hotel at left and the Unitarian Church towering over the scene at right, next to the City Savings and Laconia National Bank Building. (The commercial postcard took liberties with the color of the wooden church — which was painted white.) Beyond the church is the Perley Block and the trees obscure the Dr. Harriman House beyond that. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



## ... AND NOW

The Eagle Hotel was torn down in 1937 to build a new F.W. Woolworth store (today home to a number of different tenants). The Perley Block was razed in 1950 to make way for a Landau store (later J.J. Newberry, Bloom's Variety and now the Laconia Antique Center). The church burned in 1938 and was replaced by a First National grocery store — now a Citizens Bank branch. The buildings between the City Savings-Laconia National bank building and Mill Street, at right, were torn down in 1957 to make way for expansions of the banks, completed in 1957 and 1959 and today occupied by the Lakes Region Mental Health Center. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)



**GET CREATIVE!!**

**Deadlines extended - Register by Oct 5th**  
Email your photo by Oct 13th



# 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PUMPKIN FIGURE CONTEST



**OCTOBER 14 & 15**  
Registration deadline: Oct. 1st

Pumpkin Figures must include at least one pumpkin and other recycled and creative parts. You must live in the Lakes Region area to participate.

#### PRIZES AWARDED IN SEVERAL CATEGORIES:

Best Overall | Cutest | Scariest | Best by a Child | Most Unique | Best Business  
Best Non-Profit | Best School | Best Family or Group | Creative Use of Materials

**RAFFLE!** New this year – Cake and Cookie Calendar. All details can be found on our website.

#### Entry fees:

Individuals, small groups or Families	\$15
Non-profit organizations	\$25
Businesses	\$30
Schools	(contact the LRSF office)



Scan the QR Code for more information and to register or visit our website!

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



Lakes Region Mental Health Center's

## MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS ONLINE AUCTION

OCT 12 - 26

Donate at: [www.lrmhc.org/donations](http://www.lrmhc.org/donations)



## Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Lakes Region Mental Health Center's Chief Operations Officer Christine Alvarez and Governor Chris Sununu spoke at **Kathy Ireland® Recovery Center's** 1-Year Anniversary Celebration to talk about the \$2 million Health Resources and Service Administration grant to reduce the morbidity and mortality of substance use disorders in Belknap County. Lakes Region Mental Health Center is a partner for this grant.





# PEACE VIGIL

Hate has no home in Laconia! We condemn all acts of hate; it's time for our community to come together as one.

Join the Peace Vigil regarding recent swastikas and graffiti around our beautiful City. This community event is to show that hate is not welcomed in Laconia.

The Laconia Human Relations Committee calls on the citizens and leadership in Laconia to join the vigil planned for Sunday October 2nd at 1pm in Opechee Park.

The only way to fight hate is to shine our lights brighter by standing with those being targeted, supporting each other, and raising our voices against the darkness.


Everyone is welcome to the Vigil.

Please feel free to bring a reading, a prayer, personal words to share or just come and be present to show support.



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER #524-7689

## OCTOBER 2022 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<b>3 Foot Clinic (9-1) *By Appt.</b> <b>Hot Chocolate/ Coffee Social (10-12)</b> <b>Manicures by Brenda (11-1:30) *By Appt.</b>	<b>4 Activities Meeting (10-11)</b> <b>Pasta w/Marinara Bolognese Sauce (11:30-12:30) *RSVP*</b>	<b>5 Bingo (10-12)</b> <b>Friendship Group Meeting (1:00-3:00)</b>	<b>6 Arts &amp; Crafts Table (10-12)</b>	<b>7 Bingo (10-12)</b>
<b>10</b> <b>Agency Closed</b> <b>No Delivery</b> 	<b>11 MOW Christmas Crafts (9:30-10:30)</b> <b>Chicken Strips &amp; Potato Wedges (11:30-12:30) *RSVP*</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Bingo (10-12)</b>	<b>13 Knitting &amp; Sewing (10-12)</b> <b>Senior Comp. Meeting (12:30-2:30)</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Chair Exercises (9:30-10)</b> <b>Bingo (10-12)</b>
<b>17</b> <b>Movie, Hot Cider &amp; Donuts (10-12)</b>	<b>18 Pumpkin Festival Planning (10-11)</b> <b>BP Clinic @ 10:30</b> <b>Hot Turkey Sandwich (11:30-12:30) *RSVP*</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Bingo (10-12)</b>	<b>20 Hearing Clinic @ 10:15</b> <b>Knitting &amp; Sewing (10-12)</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Bingo (10-12)</b>
<b>24</b> <b>Documentary Day &amp; Snack (10-12)</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Shepherd's Pie (11:30-12:30) *RSVP*</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Chair Exercises (9:30-10)</b> <b>Bingo (10-12)</b>	<b>27 *Bus Trip: Moultonborough Old Country Store (9-1) *Registration Required*</b>	<b>28 Bingo (10-12)</b> <b>Pumpkin Festival Set up (12-2)</b> <b>*Pumpkin Festival @ Center: SAT, 10/29 (10-2)</b>
<b>31 Halloween Movie Party (10-12)</b> <b>Trick or Treat (12-1)</b>				





## 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 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 11, 2022** 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:

**ACCEPTING THE FOLLOWING SEVEN PRIVATE ROADS UNDER THE "ACCEPT AS IS" PROGRAM: JAMES AVENUE, THOMPSON AVENUE, ALLAN AVENUE, KINGLSEY AVENUE, LUCERNE AVENUE, HILLCREST DRIVE AND BAYSIDE COURT**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**RESOLUTION 2022-12 TO AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL \$122,811.80 IN NH DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY, OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT FUNDS**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## Automated curbside trash collection in Laconia will begin no sooner than April 1, 2023

Examples of the different sized containers are now on display in the lobby of City Hall. Single family residences will be provided with one 64-gallon trash container and one 96-gallon recycling container. There will be an option for 65 and older or handicapped households to request a smaller container for trash and recycling if that better meets their needs. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works at 603-528-6379.

## Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

**Saturday, October 1**

### Soapmaking 101

Adults  
10 am-12 pm

### Wild Mushroom Walk: In Depth

Adults  
10 am-1 pm

### Foraging: Acorn Foods

Adults  
1-3 pm

Registration & FMI  
[prescottfarm.org](http://prescottfarm.org)



# City of Laconia

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

## SENIOR RESOURCES



### RELEASED TODAY

Parts A & B premiums,  
deductibles &  
coinsurance  
amounts for 2023

Medicare.gov

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

Medicare Part A & Part B premiums, deductibles and coinsurance amounts for 2023 have now been released. Good news! In 2023, the standard monthly premium for Part B will decrease to \$164.90 and the annual deductible will decrease to \$226. Read more about it by clicking the image (left).



## City Meetings

Week of:  
October 3 - 7

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:**

### Planning Board

October 4, 2022, 6:30 pm

### Agenda

### Water Commission

October 6, 2022, 8:00 am

### Capital Improvement Program

October 6, 2022, 6:30 pm



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below  
must be preceded by 603)

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

### City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer .....	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1) .....	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2) .....	524-7054
Henry Lipman (Ward 3) .....	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4) .....	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5) .....	524-6360
Tony Felch (Ward 6) .....	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

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