

October 21, 2022 - Edition #560

*Autumn on Lake Winnisquam  
(photo compliments of Liza Kelleher)*



On October 19th the State of New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services and CBRE, Inc. presented information regarding the Lakes Region Facility (former State School) Redevelopment Proposal now under consideration by the State. The presentation was followed by an overview of Laconia's review and approval process provided by Dean Trefethen, Laconia's Planning Director.

The public is invited to submit written comments to [RPdas@das.nh.gov](mailto:RPdas@das.nh.gov) no later than Wednesday, October 26, 2022.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can view it on our [YouTube channel](#); the slides presented at the meeting can be accessed by clicking [here](#) for the State's presentation and [here](#) for the Planning Department's presentation.

Please contact the City's Planning Department at 603-527-1293 with questions or for more information.

## Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to keep you up to date on City of Laconia news and activities. If you would like the newsletter sent to your email each Friday, or if you have changes to your email subscription, please call the City Manager's office at (603) 527-1270 or email us at [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov).



## October is Adopt a Shelter Dog Month!



SAVE A  
LIFE  
AND  
ADOPT  
A  
SHELTER  
DOG  
TODAY!



## 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.

## TEEN MANGA CLUB

TUESDAY,  
OCTOBER 25  
3:30-4:30PM

## SNACKS PROVIDED

Ages 13-18

## Family Craft Coffee Filter Bats

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24  
3:30 PM  
BEST FOR AGES 3-12

## HAUNTED HOUSE TINKER TIME

Thursday, October 27, 3:30pm  
Best for ages 3-12



**PRESCHOOL  
PALS  
Halloween  
Party**

THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 27  
10AM  
AGES 3-6

## Toddler Time HALLOWEEN PARTY!

Wednesday, October 26  
10am  
Newborns-age 3



Happy Halloween! Toddler Time Halloween Party, 10/26, 10-11 am. Preschool Pals Halloween Party, 10/27, 10-11 am; Come show off your costume, eat a snack with friends, and have a spooktacular time! Please bring a snack to share if you would like. In the Selig Storytime Room.



**PUMPKIN FEST  
STORYTIME**

Saturday, October 27  
11:30am-12pm  
Best for newborns-age 6

## Pumpkin Fest Storytime!

Oct. 29, 11:30-12

Happy Pumpkin Fest! We're excited to join in the fun with a pumpkin-themed storytime for birth to 6-year-olds in the Selig Storytime Room! Come enjoy a little bit of song and dance, along with some fun stories and a pumpkin craft! After, feel free to stay and play a while in our Children's Room!

## Halloween History, Folklore & Magic with Roxie Zwicker

Tuesday,  
October 25  
6:30 pm

## SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL STORYTIME



Tuesdays at 1:30 pm  
Best for ages 3-6

## Social- Emotional Storytime Craft

Create sticky leaf collages using contact paper with us



at Tuesday's social-emotional storytime.

Friday, October 28  
3:30 pm

For kids through teens

## PUMPKIN FEST FAMILY & TEEN CRAFT; PUMPKIN SLIME

## Pumpkin Fest Family Craft: Mini Pumpkin Painting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29  
2 PM  
BEST FOR AGES 3-12





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!

## 🎃 *Table Treat* 🎃 *at Leavitt Park*

334 Elm Street, Lakeport

**Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**6pm – 8pm**



*Hosted by*



*Leavitt Park Community Club  
& Lakeport Association*



If interested in having a table for  
Table Treat or becoming a member  
Call for Leavitt Park (603)998-1418 or  
Lakeport Association call (603)527-1046



**Official Trick or Treat Hours  
in the City of Laconia are  
October 31st from 5 to 8 pm!**



11 NOV

10A M-6PM

BELKNAP MILL'S

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LAKES REGION SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Benjamin Greene, Conductor

Tickets at [www.LRSO.org](http://www.LRSO.org)

SYMPHONY CONCERT

November 5, 2022 - 7:00pm

Hanaway Theatre

Plymouth State University

Sean Jang violin

Dr. Jared Staub bass trombone

SIBELIUS - Violin Concerto in D minor, mvt. 1

EWAZEN - Concerto for Bass Trombone

MASCAGNI - Intermezzo, Cavalleria Rusticana

GRIEG - Norwegian Dances

BORODIN - Polovtsian Dances

\$25 - \$30 Adult

\$5 Students K-College

PSU Students FREE

\$20 PSU Employees

PSU Silver Center Box Office 603-535-ARTS

Tickets: [www.LRSO.org](http://www.LRSO.org)

Thank you LRSO sponsors Ravena & John McIntyre, and Evelyn & Michael Miller.

Silver Center productions are made possible in part through the generosity of

The Dick and Betty Hanaway Endowment for the Performing Arts;

The Ann E. Thurston '80, '00G, '07CAGS and Elizabeth W. Cheney '89, '99G

Endowed Fund for the Performing Arts; and

The Jeannette and Richard Collins Award.

SILVER

Plymouth State UNIVERSITY



On April 1, 2023 the City will convert from manual to automated curbside collection. If you want to learn more about the process to include the cart options and the distribution plan, please attend one of the meetings shown below.

Although you are welcome to attend any meeting, the focus of each meeting is targeted to a specific City audience.

Public Works is working on creating a website dedicated to the conversion that will be located on the City's website: (<https://www.laconianh.gov/>).

The website will be available by Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and will be updated continuously during the conversion process.

Date	Location	Focus
Nov 2, 2022	City Council Chambers, City Hall	Downtown Businesses
Nov 16, 2022	3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Belknap Mill	Businesses & Apartments/Condos with 4 units or more
Nov 30, 2022	3rd Floor Belknap Mill	Single Family Homes, Apartments/Condos with 3 units or less



# RECYCLE YOUR SOFT PLASTICS

On Saturday, Oct. 22, from 11am-1pm, the Laconia -Gilford Lions Club along with the Green Sanctuary and Social Justice Committees of the Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia, are holding the next collection of soft plastics. Also, we are collecting pop-top canned goods for distribution to local food pantries.



Soft clean plastics are accepted. Blue and white Amazon bags are accepted, as well as pellet bags and brand new from factory mattress plastic coverings. No crunchy snack bags. No pet food bags, No boat storage covers. Any attached paper on bags needs to be cut off.

Our community is to be complimented for keeping these plastics out of landfills where they end up being burned, polluting the air we and all breathing creatures inhale.

Bring what you have saved to the curb, along with a pop-top canned good or two, to the little white church at 172 Pleasant St., Laconia. Our volunteers will be out front to assist you.

Should you have any questions, you may email [theandrews@verizon.net](mailto:theandrews@verizon.net), call the church office at 603-524-6488 or check our [Facebook page](#).



## Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC

### *Stitches of Love*

presents

## SCARVES IN THE SQUARE

**WHAT:** Free, handmade scarves  
and cookies for all

**WHEN:** Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 10-2 pm

**WHERE:** 18 Veterans' Square, Laconia

A scarf is a simple piece of woven yarn that can offer comfort and warmth. It is a small reminder that you are loved and cared about!

*Please share this information with all  
who might benefit from a little warmth  
and caring.*

## 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  
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# FALL CRAFTS FAIR & FESTIVAL

CRAFTS, FOOD TRUCKS, AND FUN

LACONIA HIGH SCHOOL  
SATURDAY OCTOBER 22, 2022  
9 - 3 PM

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT



Ladies of the Lake have taken over the long running 19 year Auxiliary Craft Fair and added lots of fun new things. Come join us for a great day! - Over 65 crafters, food trucks, raffle table and the 5th wreath festival!

## 2022 LRSF 3rd Annual Community Pumpkin Figure Contest

Winners Announced  
Congratulations!

Best Overall - St. Francis Home

Business - LaChance Water Filtration

Non-Profit - Belknap House

School - HUOT Career & Technical Center

Family/Group - Barros Family

Creative Use of Materials - Laconia Housing

Cutest - RFS Engineering

Scariest - Laconia Rod & Gun Club

Best by a Child - Bella Barry

Most Unique - The CAKE Theatre

Honorable Mention - HUOT Law Enforcement

Irscholarship.org

Thank you! Thank you!



Thank you to all our participants



## Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

**Saturday, October 22**

### Cooking Through the Seasons:

*Fermented Foods*

Adults

10 am-12 pm



### Nature-Inspired Crafts:

*Needle Felted Autumn Decor*

Adults

1-3 pm



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

## COLONIAL SPOOKTACULAR LACONIA

THE 2022 SPOOKTACULAR WILL  
FEATURE SCREENINGS OF:

GHOSTBUSTERS I

GHOSTBUSTERS II

CASPER

HOCUS POCUS

THE ADDAMS FAMILY

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.

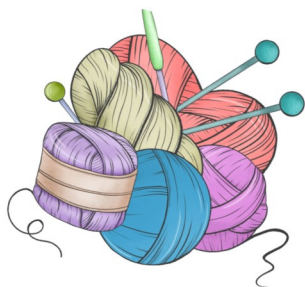
On Saturday, October 29th we will be showing Casper, Hocus Pocus, and the Addams Family. Tickets for individual movies and day passes are

now available on our website,

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



# Teen Knitting Classes



At the Belknap Mill

Tuesdays 3:00pm-4:30pm

Ages 12-18 years old

Materials Kit included

Open to SAU 30 students

Cost: Free

Space is limited

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



## Save the date!

upcoming mobile food pantry



**Friday, Nov. 18th from 12:00-2:00**

(while supplies last)

**Lakes Region Community College  
379 Belmont Rd. Laconia, NH**

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals.

*This event is open to all. No proof of residency or income needed.*

*This is a drive thru event. All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.*

Sponsored by:



# Laconia Senior Center Pumpkin Festival

Games | Food | Fun & Raffles!



**29**  
October

**532 Main St.  
Laconia, NH**

**10 A.M.  
to  
2 P.M.**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE LACONIA SENIOR  
CENTER KITCHEN FUNDRAISER!**

**Finding transportation options can  
be confusing and difficult to know  
where to begin.**



**Cindy Yanski**  
Mobility Manager  
(603) 225-1989 x1210  
[cyanski@capbm.org](mailto:cyanski@capbm.org)

Cindy is the mobility manager for NH region 3 for community transportation. She serves Belknap County Merrimack County & Deering, Hillsboro and Windsor in Hillsborough County & she can help you connect to mobility managers in other regions.

To learn more visit our website [midstatercc.org](http://midstatercc.org)

You do not have to go it alone. Call your **MOBILITY MANAGER** to learn about transportation options in your town.

### Mobility management

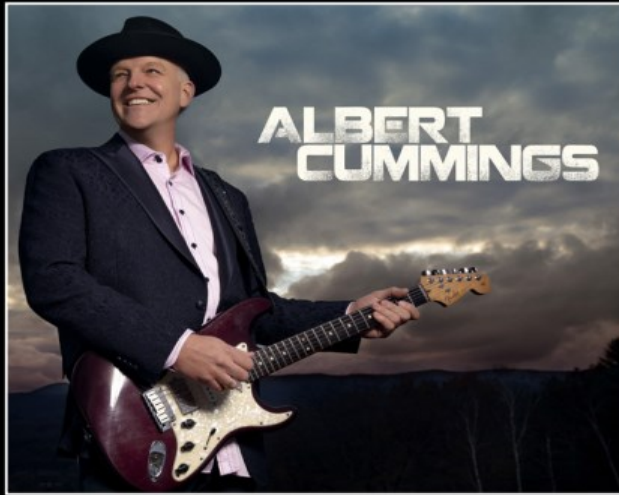
- This **free service** strives for easy information and referral to assist customers in learning about and using services
- encourages innovation and flexibility to reach the "right fit" solution for customers
- plans for sustainability
- continually incorporates customer feedback as services are evaluated and adjusted





## Laconia Putnam Fund Presents...

**ALBERT CUMMINGS** is an American blues guitarist, singer, songwriter, and award-winning master builder. His playing style weds the chunky, rave-up R&B stylings of Albert King and Stevie Ray Vaughan to the boundary-less blues-rock improvisation of Jimi Hendrix and Freddie King's resonant phrasing.



**AT THE COLONIAL THEATER**  
Friday, November 11th, 2022 at 7:00 pm

**Tickets are FREE and will be released beginning on Thursday Oct. 20th at 10am**

### Three options to secure tickets:

1. Colonial Theater Box Office located at 609 Main Street, Laconia, NH. Box office open Thurs. Oct. 20th 10 am - 2 pm. Additional Box Office hours are Tuesday - Friday 10am - 2pm
2. Online at [www.coloniallaconia.com](http://www.coloniallaconia.com)
3. Call 1-800-657-8774

**\*\*Free Admission - 2 ticket maximum per person; General Seating, First Come First Seated; All General Admission Tickets Holders are to be seated prior to 6:45 pm.**

**Standby Tickets are available the day of the show at 6:45 pm.**



**LRCS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**  
Engage. Empower. Inspire.



Hey everyone...

## Family Fun Night Is Back!

After 2 years of "socially distanced" Family Fun Nights, we are thrilled to be inviting families back into our building for our "Traditional Family Fun Night" this year!

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). 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 no later than November 30, 2022\*\***

Donations can also be shipped directly to our main office:  
719 North Main St.  
Laconia, NH 03246  
Attn: Erin Pettengill, FPN



Want to volunteer for Family Fun Night?  
Email: [tricia.tousignant@lrsc.org](mailto:tricia.tousignant@lrsc.org)



**Shake Up Your Holiday Tradition**  
*Give Blood*



## Blood Drive Laconia Community Leavitt Park House

Hall  
334 Elm St.  
Laconia, NH 03246

**Friday, November 11, 2022  
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter: LACONIA to schedule an appointment.

**Give Something that Means Something®**

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## LAKES REGION MENTAL HEALTH & THE BELKNAP MILL PRESENT:

### "CELEBRATING DIVERSITY"

Author. Speaker. Mental Health Expert. Jay Barnett

As seen on national TV:  
NBC's *Hoda and Jenna*, *Black Enterprise*, *The Breakfast Club*,  
and *Wendy Williams*, former  
professional football player-  
turned-marriage & family  
therapist, Jay is an acclaimed  
youth mentor, author, and  
inspiring public speaker. He's  
translated the lessons and  
strategies learned on the field into  
meaningful lessons for life and  
developing a winning mindset as  
a clinician.



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

11:00 AM  
BELKNAP MILL

\$20 REGISTRATION FEE

WWW.BELKNAPMILL.ORG

## Nutcracker Christmas Fair St. André Bessette Parish

St. André Bessette Parish Hall (Gym)  
31 Gilford Ave. (Sacred Heart Campus)

Friday November 11, 2022 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Saturday November 12, 2022 9 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Cookie Walk!!!

"Snow Queen" Raffle Table

FR. MARC'S FAMOUS PORK PIES

"Home Sweet Home" Home Design Table Pre-Owned Items for the Home

"Ye Olde Candy Shoppe" for your sweets

"La Petite Patisserie" Homemade Desserts

Vendors

"Herr Drosselmeyer's Magical Surprise" Theme Baskets

"Tchaikovsky" Jewelry Table

"The Story Book Cafe" Opens at 11:00 A.M.

And much, much more!

YOU'RE INVITED TO A NIGHT OF NETWORKING

## CENH CIRCUIT

LAKES REGION EDITION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24 | 4:30 - 6:00p

PATRICK'S PUB & EATERY, GILFORD

NETWORKING | REFRESHMENTS | CONVERSATION

Join Clean Energy NH and ReVision Energy for light refreshments, networking and conversation. Hear from Patrick's Pub & Eatery about their decision to go solar. Learn how NH's clean energy economy is directly impacting New Hampshire communities, homeowners, and the state's recreation and tourism industries.



CLEAN ENERGY NH  
Your Voice in All Energy Matters

RSVP: [www.cleanenergynh.org](http://www.cleanenergynh.org)



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



Belnap Mill

98.3 fm  
Frank



**PUMPKIN PALOOZA**

The  
Sunshine  
Initiative  
[SunshineInitiative.org](http://SunshineInitiative.org)

# CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH  
HECTOR'S FINE FOOD & SPIRITS  
53 BEACON ST WEST, LACONIA  
LIVE MUSIC - BEER TENT**

**STARTS @NOON  
\$20 PER TEAM**

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
NH PUMPKIN FESTIVAL  
PRIZES AWARDED**



**REGISTER AT  
[NHPUMPKINFESTIVAL.COM](http://NHPUMPKINFESTIVAL.COM)**



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)



### Laconia High School's New England College & Career Fair

The City's Police, Fire and Water Departments were represented at the Laconia High School's recent College and Career Fair. Good luck to all of our community's students as they move forward onto a new adventure!

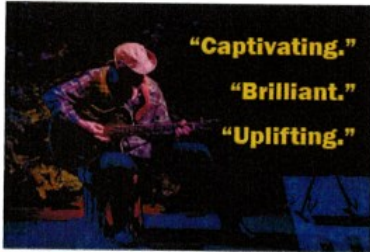


The world's Only  
Fable-Opus Rock-Opera



# Man on the Hill

Unplugged



The same show that excited, charmed, touched, inspired and brought audiences to their feet in opera houses throughout New Hampshire this spring has been re-imagined for an even more intimate setting and is being presented as a fundraiser in the parish hall of the Unitarian Church in Laconia, New Hampshire on November 6th at 4:00PM. Get swept away in this captivating story while enjoying the cascade of musical styles in this heart warming fable-opus rock-opera.

**Sunday, November 6th at 4:00 PM**  
**UUSL 172 Pleasant St., Laconia, NH**

Tix on sale now: [www.ManOnTheHill.org](http://www.ManOnTheHill.org)

# FALL SERIES

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**SEPT. 7 - OCT. 26**  
**GET OUT AND MOVE FOR THE KIDS!**

WALK, SHUFFLE OR RUN FROM THE PUB (OR ANY LOCATION OF YOUR CHOICE!)

3 Top Team Prizes - \$100 Patrick's Gift Card

3 Raffle Grand Prizes - \$50 Patrick's Gift Card

"Perfect Attendance" 7 Weeks (or \$70) - Special Shuffle Gift

**\$10 REGISTRATION/DONATION AT GIVEGAB ONLY**  
**COURSE SET UP AT THE PUB 5-6PM**

Registration also Includes the Post-Shuffle Raffle  
outside at Patrick's at 6pm for fun prizes!

Follow the fun at Patrick's Pub & Children's Auction Facebook Pages

All proceeds to benefit  
GREATER LAKES REGION  
**CHILDREN'S AUCTION**  
**2022 CHALLENGE**

## Public Works

# UPDATE



Just a reminder that all signs, chairs, tables and other items that you may have on the City's sidewalks in the downtown area are no longer allowed to be on the sidewalk after November 1<sup>st</sup>. This allows Public Works' crews to plow and treat the sidewalks during the winter.

Next spring if you desire to again place these items on the City sidewalks, you will need to submit new sidewalk encumbrance permits.

The conversion from manual to automated solid waste collection in the Downtown is scheduled to occur on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

There are many changes associated with the conversion. To help prepare you for the conversion, on November 2 at 7:00 pm in City Council Chambers (Laconia City Hall) Public Works will be hosting a public information meeting on the conversion plan for businesses and apartments in the City's downtown area.

Attending the meeting will help you and the City prepare for the conversion. We hope you can join us!





*Thanks!*

**Help us collect auction items for the Auction.**  
**New, unwrapped items:** gift certificates, electronics, experiences, household items, tickets, tools & toys

### ***2022 Collection Sites***

Belmont Fire Dept, 14 Gilmanton Rd, Belmont  
Body Covers, 94 Primrose Drive N, Laconia  
Edward Jones, 164 NH Route 25, #1A, Meredith  
Fitness Edge, 169 Daniel Webster Hwy, Meredith  
Franklin Savings Bank, 11 Sawmill Rd, Gilford  
Franklin Savings Bank, 933 Central St, Franklin  
Gilford Tennis & Fitness Club, 314 Old Lakeshore, Gilford  
Grevior Furniture, 440 Central St, Franklin  
Irwin Automotive Group, 59 Bisson Ave, Laconia  
Irwin Marine, 958 Union Ave, Laconia  
Irwin Marine, 396 Main St, Alton Bay  
Lee's Candy Kitchen, MillFalls Marketplace, Meredith  
Lee's Candy Kitchen, 91 Main Street, Plymouth  
Mattress Firm, 96 Daniel Webster Hwy #15, Belmont  
Meredith Insurance Agency, 2 Lakes St, Suite #1, Meredith  
Meredith Village Savings Bank, All branches  
Tanger Outlets, Shopper Services, 120 Laconia Rd, Tilton  
Tapply Thompson CC, 300 N Main St, Bristol  
The Village at Paugus Bay, 131 Lake Street, Gilford  
The Wellness Complex, 827 N Main St, Laconia  
The Xavier Group, 66 NH Route 25, Meredith

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



# 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 ...

Lakeport Square is seen in the mid-1970s, when Henry Rogers' 5 Cents to a Dollar Store, Hopkins and Barlow Hardware and the Mount Belknap Hotel extended south from the Opera House, glimpsed at left. (Lakeport Community Association Calendar, 2012)



## ... AND NOW

The Opera House is still there, refurbished in 2020. The adjoining structure, built as a First National Stores market in the early 1940s, is now home to Chaos and Kindness. The Cushing Block (Hopkins and Barlow) and Mount Belknap Hotel were demolished in 1975 to make way for the Lake Village Apartments. The Adams-Moulton House at far right is still there. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)

*We are providing an additional page of "Our Yesterdays" this week - please see the next page...*



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## THEN ...

**Mill Street, Laconia, is seen in 1949, when vehicular traffic and parking were permitted. The stair tower of the Belknap Mill is seen at left, behind a fence intended to keep pedestrians from falling into the flumes bringing water to the mill's turbines. Buildings in background were Mill Street landmarks for many years. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)**



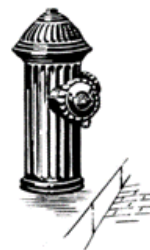
## ... AND NOW

**The mill and its stair tower are still there, but the flumes have been filled in. Building in distance with dormer windows was demolished in the late 1950s to make room for an addition to the City Savings Bank (and is now occupied by the Lakes Region Mental Health Center). Other buildings on both sides of Mill Street were razed during the city's Urban Renewal Program of the late 1960s and early 1970s. At that time, Beacon Street was extended south to the Main Street Bridge and was renamed Beacon Street East. The Municipal Parking Garage is seen at center; and a parking lot, on the right. This section of Old Mill Street is now a pedestrian walkway. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)**





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



## HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

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


**October 17<sup>th</sup> through October 28<sup>th</sup>**

While this may produce discolored water, it is not harmful. Simply run the cold water until it clears. There could also be some fluctuation in pressure for a short period of time. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.



**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>				





# **CALL TO ACTION**

## **Community Forums to Help Address Homelessness in Laconia**

Register to lend your voice to help the City of Laconia create a strategic plan to address housing instability and homelessness.

All Community Forums will be held from 6-8pm.  
Locations provided during registration.

Oct. 3rd - Ward 2  
Oct. 6th - Ward 4  
Oct. 17th - Ward 3  
Oct. 20th - Ward 6  
Nov. 3rd - Virtual  
Nov. 7th - Ward 1  
Nov. 10th - Ward 5

## **We want to hear from you!**

For more information and to register via Eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/3flCxJP>

To register or request additional language assistance call (603) 707-5872

Please feel free to attend any (or all!) of the Community Forums regardless of where you live or what Ward you are in.





## 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 24, 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:

**RESOLUTION 2022-13 TO AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE NORTHERN BORDERS REGIONAL COMMISSION (NBRC) STATE ECONOMIC AND INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT (SEID) GRANT PROGRAM, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL NBRC INVESTMENT DOCUMENTS THAT BIND THE APPLICANT.**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



### About the Voter's Shuttle Service

Mid-State Transit (MST) is pleased to announce it is adding a special Voter's Shuttle bus service to help Belknap, Merrimack and Hillsborough county residents within its service area get to the polls on **November 8** for the general election!

**Call today to reserve a seat at 603-225-1989**

**MST is a service of CAPBM**  
603.225.3295  
2 Industrial Park Dr., Concord, NH

# MST

MID-STATE  
TRANSIT

## ANNOUNCES VOTER SHUTTLE SERVICE FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 ELECTION

### MST JUST MADE VOTING A BIT EASIER!

- This **free service** will pick up individuals from home or work, drop off at the requested polling location and will return a short time later for the return trip making it very convenient to get out and vote this election cycle!
- Must call in advance to schedule no later than 2:30 pm the day before election day.
- Available to **any voting age** resident within the MST service area going to polling locations.



**Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of October 24!**





# 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

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



Make your home safer to help you  
continue to live independently.

Install a ramp  
with handrails  
to the front door.



Reduce fall hazards:  
place no-slip strips or non-skid  
mats on tile and wood floors or  
surfaces that may get wet.



<https://www.nia.nih.gov>



Staying in your own  
home as you get  
older is called  
“aging in place.”

Check out this article  
(click [here](#)) for  
suggestions provided  
by the National  
Institute on Aging to  
help you continue to  
live independently.



## City Meetings

Week of:  
October 24 - 28

Public participation and citizen input is a vital part of City government. Below is a list of meetings scheduled for the upcoming week. As agendas become available they will be posted on the City's [website](#). Also, printed copies of any agenda are available in the City department in charge of a particular Board or Commission. You are invited and encouraged to participate in any of our public meetings. **All meetings are open to the public and are held at Laconia City Hall, unless otherwise noted:**

### **City Council Finance Subcommittee**

October 24, 2022, 6:00 pm

#### **Agenda**

### **City Council**

October 24, 2022, 7:00 pm

#### **Agenda**

### **Historic District Commission**

October 25, 2022, 6:30 pm

### **Police Commission**

October 27, 2022, 3:00 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 - Kirk Beattie	
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
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

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