



August 16, 2024 - Edition #651

Thank you to the Laconia Police Department for a successful "National Night Out" event held recently for our community!

Information about obtaining an

ABSENTEE BALLOT



Absentee Ballot Application Forms Are Now Available!

Absentee Ballots are now available in the City Clerks Office for the September 10th State Primary Election,

Applications are also being accepted for the November 5th State General Election, the City School Board Election for Wards 1, 6 and at large, and for one Police Commission position.

Absentee Ballot Applications are available in the office, and on our website by clicking [here](#).

Click [here](#) to view the State Primary Sample Ballots.

Completed applications can be hand delivered, emailed, faxed or mailed to the City Clerk's Office. Physical Address: Laconia City Hall, 45 Beacon Street East; Mailing Address: PO Box 489 Laconia, NH 03247; Email Address: cityclerk@laconianh.gov; Fax: 603-524-1766

Absentee Ballots must be received no later than 5 PM on the day of the election. Ballots can be tracked on the NH Secretary of State's Website [here](#)

Questions can be directed to the City Clerk's Office by calling 603-527-1265 or emailing cityclerk@laconianh.gov

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.




**REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE**



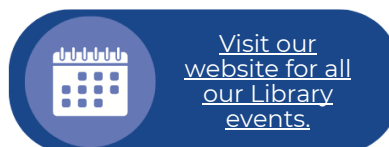
**Curbside recycling
will be picked up the
week of
August 26!**

UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

TUE 8/20	Fantastic Fiction Book Group @10am - 'The Memory Librarian'	ADULT
SAT 8/24	Writing Craft Discussion Group @10am	ADULT
MON 9/2	Library Closed - Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day	MULTI
TUE 9/3	Death Café @10am - a supportive discussion group.	ADULT
THU 9/5	Nonfiction Book Group @6pm - 'Dark Tide' by Stephen Puleo	ADULT
SAT 9/7	'The Immigrant' @3pm - a staged reading performance. 	MULTI
MON 9/9	Birds & Bagels @8:30am - WOW Trail beginner birdwatching.	ADULT
WED 9/11	Mystery Book Group @4pm - 'The Yiddish Policeman's Union'	ADULT
WED 9/11	Skywatch & Talk @6pm - stargazing and talk with Ed Ting.	ADULT
THU 9/12	Bigfoot Experience @6pm - with expert Mike Familant.	MULTI

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

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follow us: @laconialibrary
call: (603) 524-4775
text: (603) 556-4666
email: info@laconialibrary.org
[Sign-up for our monthly email newsletter](#)



Visit our
website for all
our Library
events.

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Goss Reading Room Closed

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-1 pm (Must Preregister)

Homemade Pizza Making

Join us as we harvest and use fresh veggies from our gardens to make delicious, homemade pizza. Whether you prefer a Margherita pizza or a spicier arugula and balsamic, a Neapolitan crust or gluten free, this fun and tasty class will delight your senses.

Aug

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Saturday, 10 am-12 pm

Beginner Wild Mushroom Walk

The New Hampshire Mushroom Company will guide you along our trails on a search for wild mushrooms. Collect, identify, and learn the distinguishing features of different species. Great for those that are interested in foraging but want reassurance as you get started.

Aug

24

2024



Saturday 1-3:30 pm

Basket Making from Foraged Materials

Join us as we learn how to gather and weave wild plants into a simple basket. Each participant will go home with their own, homemade basket.

Aug

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2024

Additional programs, series, and registration details

prescottfarm.org

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH (603) 366-5695 info@prescottfarm.org

Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!

Please join us!

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-12 pm

Elderberry Syrup for Year-Round Health

Elderberry syrup provides an antiviral boost for the immune system that can shorten the duration of colds and flus. Learn how to safely harvest and process black elderberries into a delicious syrup to take home.

Aug

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2024



Saturday, 1-3 pm

Big Tree Tour

Join us for an outdoor walk to some of Belknap County's "Champion Big Trees" as well as other huge, old trees and hear some fascinating fun facts about ecology, history, and how trees have adapted to New Hampshire's climate.

Aug

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2024



Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival is our most popular community event of the year, drawing over 500 people of all ages to our property for a day of fun on the farm. Admission to the public is **FREE!**

Sept

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2024

Additional programs, series, and registration details

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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 **August 26, 2024** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

ORDINANCE 2024-235-41-A, AMENDING CHAPTER 235 ZONING RELATIVE TO ARTICLE VII, SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS, § 235-41 A, ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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ORDINANCE 2024-189-5:a, WAIVERS RELATING TO PUBLIC SEWER CONNECTIONS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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RESOLUTION 2024-16 – ACCEPTANCE OF AN OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$77,000 TO FUND FY24 COPS TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT PROGRAM INVITATIONAL SOLICITATION

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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REQUEST TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT AND RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC ON PICKEREL POND ROAD

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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RESOLUTION 2024-17 – ACCEPTANCE OF AN OFFICE OF COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$175,000 TO FUND POLICE OFFICER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION FOR THE LACONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

CITY OF LACONIA, NH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Laconia City Council will hold two consecutive Public Hearings on Monday, August 26, 2024, during the regular City Council meeting which begins at 7:00pm at City Hall, [45 Beacon Street East, Laconia New Hampshire 03246](#). Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for Economic Development Projects, up to \$500,000 for Housing Projects, up to \$500,000 for Public Facility Projects, up to at least \$350,000 in Emergency Funds, up to \$25,000 per Planning Study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low- and moderate-income persons. The Public Hearings will comment on the following:

1. A proposed application to the Community Development Finance Authority for up to \$25,000 in CDBG Planning Study Grant Funds. Of the grant funds, up to \$3,500 will be retained by the City for administrative costs associated with the project, up to \$21,500 of the funds will be subgranted to Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack (CAPBM). CAPBM proposes to make improvements to the Laconia Senior Center kitchen, [184 Beacon W St Laconia](#), that would allow them to provide daily congregate meals and expand program opportunities. The CDBG Funds would assist with pre-development of the project including pre-construction planning, preliminary architectural design and capital campaign planning costs.
2. The Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for the Merrimack-Belknap Community Action Program Study.

Provisions for persons with special needs can be made by contacting the Meeting ADA Coordinator at City Hall by calling 603-527-1265 at least 72 hours in advance of the public hearings so that the City can make any necessary arrangements.

2024 Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste Collections

10 gallon or 50 pound maximum FOR FREE!*

See website below for instructions and accepted items

Attention! Additional Collection Days 2024

June 22, 2024

Franklin: Public works- 43 W. Bow St.

July 27, 2024

Gilford: Public works- 55 Cherry Valley Rd.

Meredith: Public works- 17 Jenness Hill Rd.

August 3, 2024

Moultonborough: 68 Hwy Garage Rd.

Bristol: Newfound Regional High School



September 28, 2024

Laconia: Public works- 27 Bisson Ave.

PARTICIPATING COMMUNITIES!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

SCAN QR CODE



OR

Call (603) 279-5341

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Hill
Holderness
Laconia
Meredith
Moultonborough
New Hampton
Sanbornton
Sandwich
Tamworth
Tilton
Tuftonboro

*10 gallon or 50 pounds max - open to participating community residents/taxpayers only

This Month at THE COLONIAL THEATRE - LACONIA

POWERHOUSE THEATRE COLLABORATIVE PRESENTS
FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

**8/9 -
8/11**

GREATER LAKES REGION CHILDRENS AUCITON:
AN EVENING OF BROADWAY

8/14

HOLY TRINITY ENDOWMENT TRUST PRESENTS:
1964 THE TRIBUTE

8/15

GET THE LED OUT

8/24

ONE NIGHT OF QUEEN

8/28



BELKNAP MILL FAMILY CRAFT DAY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH

10AM-1PM



STOP ON RED! Running a red light is one of the major causes of crashes, deaths, and injuries at intersections.



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER

AUGUST 2024 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			1	2
			10-11:30 Crafts w/ Mona 11:30 Steak & Cheese Sub Meal	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo
5	6	7	8	9
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10-Games & Puzzles	10-11 Activities Meeting 11:30-Taco Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10-11:30 Crafts w/ Mona 11:30-Chicken Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-Corn Hole Tourny
12	13	14	15	16
10-Making Your Own Pickles **Bring A Pickle Jar!!	10-11 Knit & Crochet 11:30 Chicken Casserole	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-Ping Pong or Corn Hole	10—Crafts w/Mona 10:30: Franklin VNA BP Clinic 11:30—Taco Salad	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo
19	20	21	22	23
10—11 Coffee Social & Current Events	10:30—Comedy Hour (Alan Ames) 11:30-Shepherd's Pie	10-12 Prize Bingo	10-11:30 Crafts w/ Mona 11:30-Chicken Teriyaki	10:30-11:30 Walking Group
26	27	28	29	30
10:30-12:30 Movie & Snacks	10— Sit & Sew 11:30-Grilled Chicken & Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-Board Games	10-11:30 Crafts w/ Mona 11:30-Labor Day BBQ	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND PRESENTS

THE ULTIMATE TEMPTATIONS CONCERT EXPERIENCE



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024, AT 7:00PM

— Colonial Theater, Downtown Laconia —

Tickets available at the Colonial Theater Box Office located at 609 Main Street, Laconia starting Wednesday, August 21, 10am till 2pm
Additional Box Office hours Tuesday - Fridays 10am till 2pm

Tickets available online at www.coloniallaconia.com starting Wednesday, August 21, 10am or by calling 1-800-657-8774

Free Admission - 2 ticket maximum per person
General Seating, First Come First Seated

All General Admission Tickets Holders must be seated prior to 6:45 pm.
Standby Tickets are available the day of the show at 6:45 pm

LADIES OF THE LAKE



1st Annual GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 14, 2024

DEN BRAE GOLF COURSE

SHOT GUN START: 2PM

REGISTRATION: \$75 PER PERSON,

\$300 FOUR PERSON TEAM

Registration fee includes: 9 holes of golf, cart, delicious buffet dinner, lots of games and prizes.

HOLE SPONSORSHIP \$100

DINNER ONLY \$25

All proceeds benefit The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction

Register via QR code or at

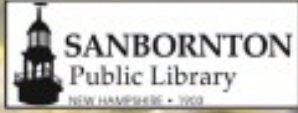
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Aging Mastery Program[®]

Series is held Tuesdays and Fridays, starting on September 24 through October 25.

10:30 am - Noon
Sanbornton Public Library
27 Meeting House Hill Road

Join us for this engaging series with a variety of guest speakers, topics, and relevant discussions all about creating a personal pathway for healthy aging.

The Aging Mastery Program[®] classes focus on:

- Sleep • Healthy Eating & Hydration
- Financial Fitness • Falls Prevention & More!

Registration is required.

This program is offered at no charge.

For more information or to register,
call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664
or visit www.granitevna.org/calendar.

Laconia Multicultural Festival Saturday, September 7th



Rotary Park Downtown Laconia, NH
Thanks to Our Sponsors



Join us!

Learn more about
WellSense Medicare Advantage

Medicare Advantage Plan Information with WellSense

WORK Lakes Region, 51 Elm St Laconia NH

September 19th from 4-5PM



Allison Ferland

Medicare Sales Specialist
603-456-8696
(TTY: 711)

allison.ferland@wellsense.org

Get answers to your Medicare questions and learn how you could be getting extra benefits at no additional cost. Our plans offer benefit options like:

- \$45** back on your monthly Part B premium
- \$0** primary care doctor and prescription drug copays
- \$0** preventive dental and vision copays
- Up to **\$980** per year on an easy-to-use over the counter card for everyday health and wellness supplies
- SilverSneakers[®] fitness benefit

Giveaways may be provided but there is no obligation to join!

wellsense.org/medicare

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HEALTH PLAN | We revolve
around you.

For accommodation of persons with special needs at sales meetings call 603-456-8696 (TTY: 711). WellSense Health Plan is an HMO plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in WellSense Medicare Advantage HMO plans depends on contract renewal. SilverSneakers is a registered trademark of Tivity Health, Inc. © 2023 Tivity Health, Inc. All rights reserved.

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Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice



As a courtesy to the public, we will be publishing blasting and drilling permits that have been issued by the Fire Department. You can also find an Alert on our [website](#) with this information.

1. A blasting permit has been issued to Maine Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid for 30 days, expiring on August 19, 2024 for drilling and blasting at 103 Prescott Avenue, Laconia, NH. Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.
2. Also, a blasting permit has been issued to Maine Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid for 30 days, expiring on September 19, 2024 for drilling and blasting at 800 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH. Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

Please see below for the horn codes:
3 long horns—5 minutes until the blast
2 long horns—2 minutes until the blast
1 long horn—All clear to proceed

Please direct any concerns you may have to Maine Drilling and Blasting at 1-800-370-2338.

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE GREATER LAKES REGION CHILDREN'S AUCTION



The Café Déjà Vu Team
Invites you to join us for

Weekly
**CRIBBAGE
TOURNAMENTS**

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
7PM

SEPT 4, 2024 - MAY 28, 2025

Bring your friends!

\$10.00pp - Compete in 5 one-on-one games

Also some \$1.00 side pots for High Hand and Flush in the Kitty
AND 25¢ for 19 hand and 50¢ for a skunk

At Laconia VFW on Court St
Come one week, ten weeks or all of them

Cash Prizes for total high scores
(Prizes awarded based on number of entries)

Friendly Games
No muggins/cut throat
For more info call (603) 998-1418



The home of
"Flower"





LAKE WINNISQUAM SUMMER SOCIAL

Hosted by the Winnisquam Watershed Network

Food | Silent Auction | BYOB
Live Music - Off The Record

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th
5 - 9 pm

The Conference Center at Blueberry Lane
35 Blueberry Lane, Laconia

FREE ADMISSION, ALL ARE WELCOME!



All proceeds directly support the Winnisquam Watershed Network's efforts to keep Lake Winnisquam clean & healthy



FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS VISIT WINNISQUAMWATERSHED.ORG





**AUGUST 25
12PM-3PM**

Laconia Youth Alliance's Party in the Park

**FREE FOOD, LIVE
ENTERTAINMENT, LAWN GAMES,
COMMUNITY RESOURCES, &
SUBSTANCE FREE FUN FOR THE
WHOLE FAMILY!**

LEAVITT PARK, LACONIA, NH

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!



WWW.LACONIA-YOUTHALLIANCE.ORG

Wednesday, August 21, 2024

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS DAY

Spend
time with a
senior citizen

Help with
chores and
errands

Make
plans to
volunteer

Do
something
fun!

Share
stories and
memories



Outdoor

Thunder Storm Safety

**HOMELAND SECURITY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY**



**Wait half an hour after the last
clap of thunder to go back outside**

**Don't sit or lie down
directly on the ground**



Giggles & Grins and Happy Sounds

Lakes Region
Community Services
Family Resource Center
719 North Main Street
Laconia, NH 03246
603-524-8811



**Giggles + Grins is a
Peanut-free area.
Thank you.**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Seashells	2 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Tardif Park, Crescent St. Laconia	3
4	5	6 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Sea Stars	7 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	8 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Seahorses	9 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Tardif Park, Crescent St. Laconia	10
11 Giggles & Grins Fish	12	13 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Fish	14 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	15 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Sharks	16 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Tardif Park, Crescent St. Laconia	17
18	19	20 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Glitter Paint Crabs	21 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	22 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Jellyfish	23 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Tardif Park, Crescent St. Laconia	24
25	26	27 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Sea Turtles	28 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	29 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Under the Sea Windsocks	30 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Tardif Park, Crescent St. Laconia	31

LRCs is proud to be a smoke-free, substance-free campus. Thank you for helping to keep our building and grounds a safe & healthy environment for all.



Office of the Inspector General
SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Scam Alert

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
August 7, 2024

<https://oig.ssa.gov>

Inspector General's Office Warns: Hybrid Scams on the Rise

Scammers introduce SSA "long-con" scams through seemingly common problems

Scammers are compounding tactics by using fake Amazon or PayPal tech support emails and text messages to get you to connect with an imposter Social Security Administration (SSA) employee who will try to convince you that your Social Security number (SSN) or record is compromised.

The email or text message claims that something is wrong with your Amazon or PayPal account and while trying to fix the alleged issue, the scammer instead states that in searching your computer they found other problems, mainly with your SSN. They then offer to assist by transferring you to someone pretending to be with SSA.

"This type of 'long-con' is particularly heinous; other agencies refer to these scams as 'pig butchering' because they are designed to drain you of all your resources," said Special Agent in Charge, Anthony Monaco, Social Security Administration, Office of the Inspector General, Major Case Unit.

This type of hybrid scam is part of a new trend – the SSA "long-con," where:

- Scammers develop confidence over time, often starting as some other scam, but passing the target to an imposter SSA agent when the first scammer "discovers" a problem in the target's "SSA records."
- Scammers often have detailed information on their targets, who are typically of Social Security retirement age. This generates further confidence in the credibility of the scam and scammer.
- The scam often ends with an in-person meeting with an individual either who is either part of the scheme or an unsuspecting participant, such as an Uber driver, during which the target turns over gold, cash, a crypto wallet, or some other currency for "safe keeping," at the direction of an imposter SSA or federal agent.

In a recent news article, a woman in Ohio liquidated over \$500,000 in retirement savings to buy gold and turned it over to scammers who showed up to her house, after a several month "long con," involving SSA and other government imposters. In an interview, the victim stated, "They

Our local Senior Medicare Patrol Specialist for Belknap County, Susan Young, has shared with us some current consumer fraud alerts. Please click on the images (left and right) to view a full size version of this important information!



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State Health Insurance
Assistance Program



SMP
Senior Medicare Patrol

NH SMP SCAM of the MONTH- AUGUST 2024

Genetic Testing Fraud Sweeps Nation

Across the nation genetic testing company representatives are offering "free" genetic tests to Medicare beneficiaries. These tests can also be referred to as DNA screenings, cancer screenings, and hereditary testing. The representatives go to senior centers, senior housing, health fairs, and even parking lots to convince people to let them take a cheek swab for testing, advertise on TV and online, and promise the results will help recipients avoid diseases or find the right medications- all in return for the person's Medicare number.

These companies can steal people's medical identity and falsely bill Medicare. Because confusion exists regarding Medicare's coverage for genetic tests for cancer and other conditions, the Office of Inspector General (OIG) released a [fraud alert](#) on the topic advising the public to be suspicious of anyone who offers "free" genetic testing, then requests their Medicare number.

The SMP recommends that beneficiaries should:

- Refuse to give out their personal information or accept screening services, including a cheek swab, from someone at a community event, a local fair, a farmer's market, a parking lot, and/or any other event.
- Go to their own doctor to assess their condition, not a doctor on the phone they've never met.
- Always read their Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) or Explanation of Benefits (EOB). The words "gene analysis" or "molecular pathology" as service codes may indicate questionable genetic testing.
- Refuse the delivery of any genetic testing kit that was not ordered by their physician.
- Be suspicious of anyone who offers free genetic testing and then requests their Medicare number.
- Contact their local SMP for help. SMPs empower and assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers to prevent, detect, and report health care fraud, errors, and abuse.

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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 ...

Here is another view, from the late 1980s, of the Karl's (later, Crossroads) Restaurant at Weirs Beach. Other landmarks include the one-time Fellows Blue Garage, at left, and the telephone company dial building at right. The intersection, known as Blackstone Square in honor of two Blackstone brothers who died while in World War I service, was long known colloquially as 'dysfunction junction' because of frequent vehicular accidents. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

As pictured in the June 29 edition of this newspaper, Karl's Fine Foods Restaurant and Hofbrau Lounge was located beyond the intersection from 1958 to 1998, when it became Crossroads until a fire in late October 2005. The intersection of Weirs Boulevard and Endicott Streets East and North was replaced by a roundabout in late 2012. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Lakes Region Mental Health Community Awards

Each year, Lakes Region Mental Health Center presents two prestigious awards to members of the Greater Lakes Region community who have championed the cause of improving mental health and supported our efforts to promote increased mental health awareness. The two awards are:

The Helen Holbrook Service Award – awarded to an individual who leads by example and gives of themselves to strengthen the cause of mental health in the Lakes Region.

The Pete Harris Award – in memory of Lakes Region Mental Health Center Founder Dr. Pete Harris. Awarded to an individual who emulates the values of Pete Harris by promoting increased awareness, sensitivity, understanding and acceptance of mental health issues in the Lakes Region through educating the public.

This year's awards will be presented at the Lakes Region Mental Health Annual Meeting Legislative event on Tuesday, October 22nd.

Current employees of LRMHC and previous award winners are not eligible for nomination.

If you know someone in the community who you think is deserving of an award, please submit their name, address and contact information (email address / phone number). Include a minimum of two paragraphs describing why they are deserving of the award.

Nominations can be emailed to:

**mpritchard@lrnhc.org no later than
September 20th, 2024.**

Ellacoya State Park



Where will you go today?

Laconia Senior Center

BUS TRIP TO Ellacoya State Park

in Gilford, NH

Please call to SIGN UP: (603) 524-7689

Friday, September 20th (10:00am-2:00pm)

LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE!!

**RESERVE YOUR SEAT BY CALLING MID-STATE
TRANSIT NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, 9/18/22!**

CALL TO REGISTER: 603-225-1989



FREE COMEDY HOUR

ALAN AMES THINKS HE'S FUNNY

LACONIA SENIOR CENTER

(ENTRANCE @ 184 BEACON STREET WEST)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

10:30 – 11:30 AM

ALL AGES WELCOME!!!!

"Boston based comedian Alan Ames will present his show "Alan Ames Thinks He's Funny" which he performs at Senior Centers in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and beyond!"



Parent Cafe Kinship Connections: Bonding Through Shared Parenting Paths

August 20, 2024 ~ 6-8pm



Register at www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration

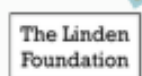
Parenting is tough; parenting a second generation can be even harder. Come together with other Kinship Caregivers to give and receive support. Share your family's strengths and bond over common challenges.

Participants can choose to attend in person at our office at 719 N. Main St., Laconia, NH
OR attend virtually via Zoom.

For those attending in person, dinner will be served and on-site childcare may be available if reserved at the time of registration.



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Bolduc Park Association invites the public to participate in The Randy Annis Memorial Golf Tournament held at Bolduc Park August 16, 17 and 18.

Pick your day to play for a \$35 entry fee to benefit Bolduc Park's efforts to offer an affordable, family friendly place to learn and play golf, disc golf and cross country ski. Register at bolducpark.com or call 603-524-1370. Prizes include \$10,000 for an amateur golfer Hole in One on the 1st tee. Pictured above are Bolduc Park volunteers, youth golfers and representatives from Major Tournament Sponsors: Jessica Beane and Michelle Blake, Bank of New Hampshire ; Mia Annis, tournament supporter; Eric Petell, Meredith Village Savings Bank; Kaiya Koop, Bob Bolduc, Dominic Buco, Marc Poulin of Bolduc Park; Dave Frasca, Irwin Automotive Group; and Barbara Laros and Brian Lamontagne, Franklin Savings Bank. The Platinum Group of REMAX is included in Major Sponsors.



2024 SUMMER WEIRS BEACH FIREWORKS SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 17, 2024: 9:30 pm

RAINDATES:

*Sunday, September 1, 2024:
9:30 pm

See you there!

•This date is tentative and will only
occur if a previous show is
cancelled.

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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.



Do I need
to enroll in
Medicare
if I'm not
retiring yet?

If you're working past 65, do you know when to sign up for Medicare? For most people, if you have job-based health insurance through your (or your spouse's) current job, you can wait to sign up for Medicare until you (or your spouse) stop working, or until you lose your health insurance, whichever comes first. Click the image (left) for more information!



City Meetings

Week of:
August 19 - 23

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:**

Parks & Rec Commission

August 19, 2024, 6:00 pm

Agenda

Water Commission

August 19, 2024, 5:30 pm

Agenda

Zoning Bd of Adjustment

August 19, 2024, 6:30 pm

Agenda



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
Codes Director Joe Gray	
Conservation	527-1264
Conservation Technician	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ...	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
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	
Planning & Zoning	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director Rob Mora	
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
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

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