

Welcome to Laconia Links!



August 22, 2025 - Edition #700

*National Night Out was a great success!
See page 8 for more photos.*

Welcome to Laconia Links!

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to help 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



Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of August 25th!



Municipal Primary Elections

The City of Laconia Municipal Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at all six polling locations from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm.

All six wards will be narrowing the Mayoral race from three to two candidates and Wards 1 and 2 will be narrowing down the Council seat race from three to two candidates.

Do you have election related questions?
Please call the City Clerk's Office at 603-527-1265.



UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

BREAK TIME

Youth programming is on break - see you in **September!**

MULTI**TUE 8/26**

Drop-In Tech Help @10am

ADULT**WED 8/27**

Drop-In Tech Help @2pm

ADULT**MON 9/1**

Library Closed for Labor Day

MULTI**TUE 9/2**

Death Cafe @10am - Refreshments and discussion.

ADULT**TUE 9/2**

Drop-In Tech Help @10am

ADULT

DID YOU KNOW?

...that September is **National Library Card Sign-Up Month**? Stop in and use your library card anytime during the month of September and enter our pizza raffle!

On October 1, we will draw four winners for \$25 gift certificates to **South End Pizza and Seafood!**



CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: (603) 524-4775

text: (603) 556-4666

email: info@laconialibrary.org



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

SOFT PLASTICS



Our next soft plastics, Styrofoam and food drive collection is scheduled for Saturday, August 23rd from 11 am to 1 pm. Please be sure to check our Facebook Page for any changes www.facebook.com/UULaconia/ and here at Laconia Links.

The Laconia-Gilford Lions Club and UUSL (Unitarian Universalist Society of Laconia) Green Sanctuary volunteers will be out in front of the church at 172 Pleasant Street on August 23rd from 11 until 1pm. We are collecting # 6 Styrofoam, soft plastics, and single-serve sized pop-top canned food for our Community Action Program (CAP). Additionally there is need for travel-sized hygiene products, towelettes (Wet Ones), hand sanitizers, personal care products (Depends for men and women).

Soft plastics and Styrofoam must be clean and free of labels. Plastics cannot be any snack bags, candy wrappers, any product wrapping that is "crunchy" sounding. Mailers are acceptable. No bird seed or pet food bags can be collected.

We are pleased and proud that your community saved from the landfills some 1,100 pounds of soft plastics at our last collection. All that is saved for collection is converted into composite decking and furniture.

Save Our Earth in any small way you personally can and celebrate Earth Day every day!

Thank you!



Our sincere thanks to Franklin Savings Bank for their generous sponsorship of Laconia Pumpkin Festival! Shown above (left to right) are Brian Lamontagne, Jennifer Price, Ken Sawyer and Barbara Laros from Franklin Savings Bank; and City Councilor Robert Soucy, Nancy Brown, Joia Hughes, Wes Anderson and Savanna Brunelle representing the Laconia Pumpkin Festival Committee.



The last day of the Friday seasonal trash collection service for those streets in the Weirs beach area who receive that service is August 29, 2025.

Questions? Please call Public Works at 603-528-6379.

**THIS ISN'T A DELAY.
IT'S A WORK ZONE.**



**PUT DOWN THE PHONE.
PICK UP SOME PATIENCE**



This isn't a delay. It's a work zone.
That phone in your hand can wait — but
our crews can't.

- ⌚ No distractions
- 🐢 Slow down
- 👀 Eyes forward on the road
- 💡 Expect the unexpected
- 🚧 Protect those improving your roads

Let's make sure everyone gets home
safe.

Prescott Farm
Environmental Education Center

2nd Annual Nature Inspires Art Exhibit

Calling all artists and photographers!



CALLING ALL ARTISTS & PHOTOGRAPHERS! 🌟🎨
Be part of the 2nd Annual Nature Inspires Art Exhibit at
Prescott Farm!

- 🌿 Theme: Nature-inspired works (Prescott Farm images encouraged!)
- 👩‍🎨 Eligibility: Open to all artists + photographers
- 🖼️ Artwork Size: Max 12x16" (framed with wire – no sawtooth hangers)
- 📅 Registration: Limited to the first 24 submissions | Free
| <https://forms.gle/996pnfvyNVTcWGzR6>

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

**LACONIA TRANSFER
STATION WILL BE CLOSED
Monday, September 1st in
observance of Labor Day**



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES

The Labor Day holiday is Monday, Sept. 1st.
There will be A ONE (1) DAY DELAY in
curbside trash collection during that week;
Monday collections will be on Tuesday,
Tuesday collections will be on Wednesday,
etc. Any questions, please call DPW at
603-528-6379.





Veterans' Bucks

Extending your food purchasing power at the:

Tilton Farmers Market
45 Sanborn Road, Tilton
Tuesdays in August & September
from 3:30 to 6:30 PM

Meredith Community Market
1 Burton Drive, Meredith
Fridays in August & September from
3:30 to 6:30 PM

Market at Weirs
49 Lucern Ave., Laconia
Saturdays in August & September
from 10 AM to 1 PM

**Are you a United States Military Veteran?
If so, you are eligible to receive Veterans' Bucks.**

Each week from mid-Aug. to Sept., receive 'bucks' valued at \$20 to spend at the farmers' markets listed above. **NOTE: Markets run to early October, Veterans' Bucks may not. Must be a US Military Veteran, or active duty, and able to provide documentation.**

Valid forms of identification include: DD214, VA Healthcare card, NH Drivers License with a Veteran designation, or a Retired Military card.

Bucks must be used only at market location printed on the ticket-type 'bucks'.

Use of bucks is only valid for the purchase of food (vegetables/fruit, meat, dairy, bakery items).

How to obtain Veterans' Bucks. Visit the Veterans' Bucks booth at the market of choice and show valid identification. Bucks are available until grant funding is expended.

For more information contact: Belknap County Conservation District 64 Court Street, Suite 9 Laconia, NH 03246 Cell/Text: 603-527-5880 Email: lisa.morin@nh.nacdnet.net

Funded By


Franklin Savings Bank
Smarter Banking. Easier Living.


belknap area market management


NEW HAMPSHIRE
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
NH Charitable Foundation: Eva Beede Memorial Fund
Theresa and Linden Labbe Fund

Program Supporters:

Participating Farmers

*Belknap County
Conservation District*


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Let's Address the Elephant in the Room!

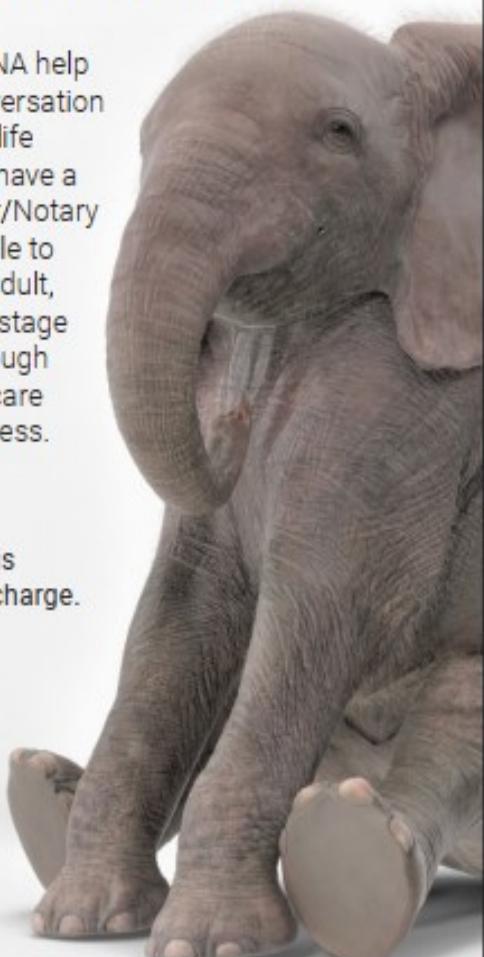
Walk-In Wednesday

Wednesday, August 27
10 a.m. - Noon

Granite VNA - Laconia
780 North Main Street

Let Granite VNA help start the conversation about end-of-life wishes. We'll have a Social Worker/Notary Public available to support any adult, at any age or stage of health, through the advance care planning process.

This program is offered at no charge.



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



Back to School time!

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline Disaster Distress Helpline
988 or 988Lifeline.org 1-800-985-5990

Veterans Crisis Line SAMHSA's National Helpline
Dial 988 (press 1) 1-800-662-HELP (4357)

FindSupport.gov FindTreatment.gov

You're not alone. Help is Available.

#BackToSchool

SAMHSA



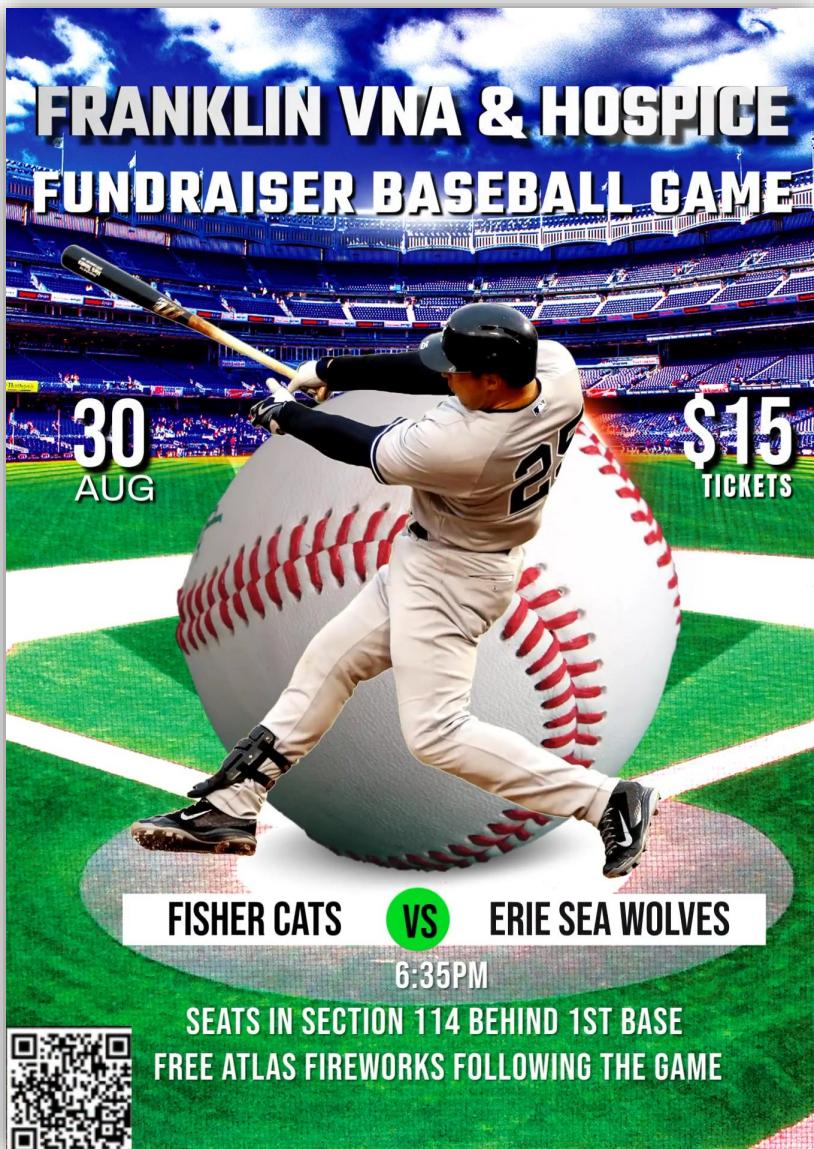
Lakes Region Mental Health Center

As we start to prepare for back to school, it's crucial to remember that school readiness isn't just about having the right supplies; it's also about mental and behavioral health. Thank to [SAMHSA](#) for sharing this reminder.



Laconia City Hall employees recently collected backpacks and school supplies (plus \$55 in cash) for the Family Resource Center's Bright Futures Supply Drive.

We wish all of our community's students a fun and successful school year!



CITY OF LACONIA MAYOR VACANCY

The Laconia City Council is seeking applicants interested in being appointed to fill the remainder of the Mayor's seat on the Laconia City Council. The term expires January 1, 2026. Applicants must be a registered voter in the City of Laconia. Completed applications are due by 4:30 pm on Thursday, August 28, 2025 and must be submitted in person to either the City Manager's Office or the City Clerk's Office, Laconia City Hall, 45 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH.

An application form is available on-line by visiting the City's website at www.laconianh.gov; applications may also be picked up at the City Manager's Office or the City Clerk's office.

Applicants will be interviewed at a special meeting of the City Council on September 4, 2025.

Please contact the City Manager's Office at 603-527-1270, the City Clerk's Office at 603-527-1265, or email Nbrown@laconianh.gov with questions or for additional information.



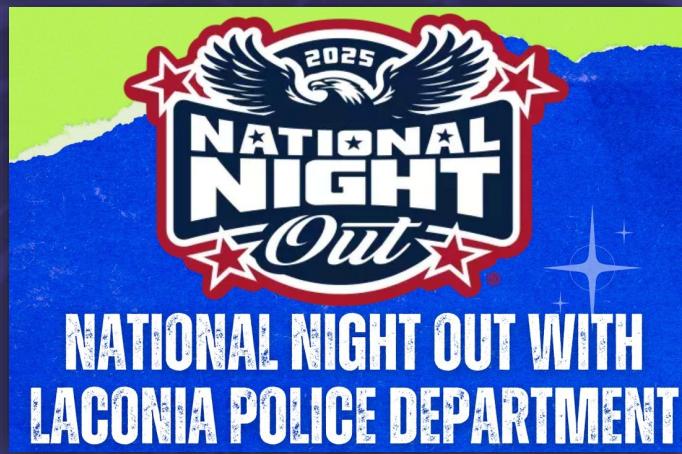
Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice

Blasting permits have been issued as follows:

- Capital Rock Drilling and Blasting. This permit is valid until September 11, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 492 Endicott Street North, Laconia, NH. Questions? Contact 603-487-2840.
- Maine Drilling and Blasting - this permit is valid until August 25, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 199 Sterling Drive, Laconia, NH. Questions? Contact 603-647-0299.

Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

3 long horns - 5 minutes until the blast;
2 long horns - 2 minutes until the blast;
1 long horn - All clear to proceed





AFRICANCHILDRNSCHOIR™

**Monday,
September 29, 2025
7:00 pm**

Gilford, New Hampshire
First United Methodist Church
18 Wesley Way
(603) 524-3289
AFRICANCHILDRNSCHOIR.COM



**No Vehicles
on Sidewalk**

Federal American
Disability Act
regulations and
City Ordinances
prohibit parking on
or blocking side-
walks. The Police
Department can
fine violators!

The first offense is a \$25 fine.
The second offense is \$75 and the
third offense is \$150.

Please call Public Works at
603-528-6379 if you have a ques-
tion on whether there is an existing
sidewalk on your street.

*Thank you for your
cooperation!*

Lakes Region Mental Health Center

OCTOBER ART AUCTION

CALLING ALL ARTISTS
SUBMIT YOUR ORIGINAL WORK
DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2025



Art can be defined in various ways.

Example: paintings, jewelry, photographs, or
sculptures!



City employees and
Board and Commis-
sion members
enjoyed the annual
BBQ at Opechee
Park on a beautiful
summer day. Shown
(left) manning the
grill are Police Chief
Matt Canfield, Public
Works Director Wes
Anderson, Mayor
Andrew Hosmer and
City Manager Kirk
Beattie.





EXCITING NEWS!

Thanks to the generosity of the Laconia Putnam Fund, The Little Mermen & The Princess Pals will be performing on the big stage at this year's Laconia Pumpkin Festival! With high energy performances, dazzling costumes and an amazing setlist, they bring beloved Disney songs to life with a fun rockin' twist!

You and your family won't want to miss this nostalgic feel good show, free for fans of all ages.

Featuring Broadway-caliber talent, this show is perfect for families, Disney adults, and anyone who loves a good sing-along.

Stay tuned for more details!



Blood Drive



**Wednesday,
September 10
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Granite VNA - Laconia

**780 North Main Street
Opechee Room**

**Please call 1-800-RED CROSS
(1-800-733-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org and enter:
GRANITEVNA to schedule
an appointment.**

PLEASE HELP & DONATE!



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER (603) 524-7689

2025 ACTIVITIES



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal				1
4	5	6	7	8
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30—Games/Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10 - Activities Meeting 11:30 – Pub Burgers & Mushroom Gravy 12— Ice Cream Social	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—"Independent vs Assisted Living" by Peabody Place 11:30—Taco Salad	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong & Corn Hole
11	12	13	14	15
10:30—Games/ Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10:30—Minuteman Medical Presentation 11:30 –Chicken, Broccoli & Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30—Chef Salad 11:30—Kitchen Update Meeting	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong & Corn Hole
18	19	20	21	22
10:30—Games/ Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10—Puzzles, Ping Pong & Corn Hole 11:30— Shepherd's Pie	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-11 Prize Bingo 11—Free Comedy Hour by Alan Ames	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30 –Chicken Dijonnaise w/Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:30—Carnival Day
25	26	27	28	29
10—Movie & Snack 	10—Ping Pong & Corn Hole 11:30— Marinated Grilled Chicken & Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30—Special Music by SueAnne Thayer 11:30— Labor Day BBQ Hamburgers/Hot Dogs	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Adult Coloring



Belknap Mill Museum

25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246
www.belknapmill.org

Crochet Cat Plushies Workshop Series at Belknap Mill

The Belknap Mill Museum will host a 6-week **Crochet Cat Plushies Series** on Saturdays from 2:00 to 3:30 PM, beginning September 6 and continuing through October 18 (no class Sept. 27).



Held in the Riverside Gallery, this fun and beginner-friendly workshop will guide participants through the basics of crochet and the art of amigurumi to create their very own cat plushie.

Open to adults and children, the series includes all materials and instruction. No prior experience is needed.

Register at www.belknapmill.org/classes.

DO NOT PASS



WHEN LIGHTS ARE FLASHING

JOIN US FOR A PUMP-KINcredible

CAR SHOW



FREE TO PARTICIPATE - ALL ARE WELCOME!

Get ready to rev your engines and celebrate fall in full throttle! Join us for the ultimate fusion of Gearheads & Gourds during the Laconia Pumpkin Festival. This one-of-a-kind Car Show brings together classic cruisers, muscle cars, hot rods, and custom builds — all set against a vibrant backdrop of glowing jack-o'-lanterns, seasonal treats, and autumn activities. Whether you're a die-hard car lover, a pumpkin-spice enthusiast, or just along for the ride, there's something for everyone!

 Saturday, October 25th 2025

 ALL DAY EVENT

 Beacon St W. Laconia NH 03246



Questions or want to register a vehicle? Contact Laconia Parks & Recreation-- 603-524-5046



Dementia Caregiver Support Group

This group will provide support, education, and an opportunity to exchange ideas among caregivers of those suffering with dementia. A caregiver is anyone who provides regular care for a relative, a partner, or a friend. For many it is a labor of love, but it can also be physically and emotionally demanding. It is important to keep a balance between caring for another individual while caring for oneself.

Franklin VNA & Hospice
75 Chestnut St, Franklin
2nd Tuesday of each month

1:30-3:30pm

Registration is not required, but strongly encouraged.
For more information or to register call (603) 934-3454

Franklin 
VNA & Hospice
www.FranklinVNA.org
(603)934-3454


**IF YOUR
CHILD HAD
TO CALL 911,
WOULD THEY
KNOW WHAT
TO SAY?**

AUGUST IS YOUTH
PREPAREDNESS MONTH



August is Youth Preparedness Month!

Talk to your kids about safety plans

Pack emergency contact cards

Practice drills at home

Start the school year ready!

If your child had to call 911, would they know what to say?

This is your chance to teach safety skills that can save lives. Start with conversations. Build confidence.

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR

4 TH ANNUAL *Hospice Ball*

DINNER, DANCING,
LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

NOVEMBER

SATURDAY 1 5PM-10PM

2025

NEWFOUND LAKE INN

Tickets on sale now

<http://franklinvna.org/hospice-ball/>

2025 SUMMER FIREWORKS SCHEDULE



Sunday, August 31, 2025: 9:30 pm

See you there!

Franklin VNA & Hospice Grief Support Group



For those who have experienced the death of someone significant

"The only way to get to the other side is to go through the door."
- Helen Keller

Join us as we support each other and discuss some of the ways the loss of someone significant can affect our lives. The purpose of this group is to provide information about the grief process; to share experiences; and to alleviate the feeling of isolation.

No registration required.
Come to one session, or come every month!

Franklin VNA & Hospice Grief Support Group
Date: 3rd Tuesday of every month
Time: 2:30-4:00 pm
Location: 75 Chestnut St, Franklin

For additional information, please call
Franklin VNA & Hospice at 603-934-3454
or email info@franklinvna.org

Franklin VNA & Hospice

One Peer To Another
328 Union Ave, Laconia, NH

ONE PEER TO ANOTHER - LACONIA

328 Union Ave, Laconia, NH 03246 | (603) 528-7742

AUGUST 2025

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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<u>Local Warmline:</u> 1-800-306-4334 Open 5-10 PM 7/365 days For when you need someone to talk to!	4 10a Community/Member Meeting 11a Walk & Talk 12p Healthy Eating 1p Goals for the week 2p Check Out	5 10a Check In 11a Cooking Lessons 12p Lunch Social 1p Member Driven Group 2p Game Time!	6 10a Meal Planning 11a Art w/Mona 11a Shopping Trip & Budgeting * 1p Recovery Conversations 2p Practicing Gratitude	7 10a Check In 11a Breaking Habits 12p Ice Breakers 1p Personal Values 2p Laughing Group	8 10a End of week Check-In 11a Journaling 12p Bring your own Lunch! 1p Wellness in Motion
<u>Local Mental Health Agency:</u> Lakes Region Mental Health Center (603) 524-1100 <u>CALL OR TEXT 988</u> 24/7/365 days For when you are in crisis, feeling suicidal, or need professional assistance!	11 10a Meditation 11a Navigating Local Resources * 1p Goals for the week 2p Check Out	12 10a Check In 11a Cooking Lessons 12p Lunch Social 1p Member Driven Group 2p Game Time!	13 10a Meal Planning 11a Art w/Mona 1p Recovery Conversations 2p Practicing Gratitude	14 10a Check In 11a Breaking Habits 12p Ice Breakers 1p Personal Values 2p Laughing Group	15 10a End of week Check-In 11a Journaling 12p Bring your own Lunch! 1p Wellness in Motion
Funding for Peer Support Agencies comes from the: NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) & the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	18 10a Meditation 11a Walk & Talk 12p Healthy Eating 1p Goals for the week 2p Check Out	19 10a Check In 11a Cooking Lessons 12p Lunch Social 1p Member Driven Group 2p Game Time!	20 10a Meal Planning 11a Art w/Mona 1p Oral Health Matters Gail Brown, MSW, JD* 2p Practicing Gratitude	21 10a Check In 11a Breaking Habits 12p Ice Breakers 1p Personal Values 2p Laughing Group	22 FIELD TRIP- Bond Beach in Laconia (pack a lunch!) 
	25 10a Meditation 11a Walk & Talk 12p Healthy Eating 1p Goals for the week 2p Check Out	26 10a Check In 11a Cooking Lessons 12p Lunch Social 1p Member Driven Group 2p Game Time!	27 10a Meal Planning 11a Art w/Mona 1p Recovery Conversations 2p Practicing Gratitude	28 10a Check In 11a Breaking Habits 12p Ice Breakers 1p Personal Values 2p Laughing Group 6p-Board Meeting via Zoom	29 10a End of week Check-In 11a Q & A w/ NH Hospital-Debbie Robinson * 1p Wellness in Motion

Tuesday, August 26, 2025 - 10:00 am to Noon

REP. CHRIS PAPPAS OFFICE HOURS

Laconia City Hall
2nd Floor, Meeting Room 200B
45 Beacon St. E.
Laconia, New Hampshire

CONGRESSMAN
CHRIS PAPPAS
NEW HAMPSHIRE'S 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



A member of Congressman Chris Pappas's staff will be visiting Laconia to answer questions and provide information about federal resources and programs.

Congressman Pappas's office can help constituents with federal issues, including Social Security, VA benefits, passports, IRS, and more.

For more information on these office hours, please email Nbrown@laconianh.gov, or call 603-527-1270.

For general information from Congressman Pappas's office, please visit <https://pappas.house.gov> or call 603-285-4300.



August 2025

Opportunities for parents and care givers to network with others for free, while enjoying their children's safe play. For children birth to age 5.



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 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	2
3	4	5	6 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	7 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Ladybugs	8 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	9
10	11	12	13 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	14 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Butterflies	15 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	Family Movie Night Friday 6pm @ the Family Resource Center
17	18	19	20 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	21 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Fireflies 4pm Ice Cream Social	22 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	23
24	25	26	27 9-9:45AM Happy Sounds Sharing Music & Movement	28 9-11AM Giggles & Grins Homemade Playdough	29 9-10AM Traveling Playgroup at Leavitt Park, Elm St., Laconia	30 2 Generation Family Support

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.



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 25, 2025** 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 2025-27 RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND A NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY GRANT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 TO COVER OVERTIME EXPENSES RELATED TO INVESTIGATING AND APPREHENDING INDIVIDUALS OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS RELATED DRUG USE AND TRAFFICKING.

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **September 8, 2025** 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:

PETITION TO ACCEPT THOMPSON AVENUE AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



Mingle Cafe

"Trust is a product of vulnerability that grows over time and requires work, attention and full engagement" ~ Brene Brown

**This Month's Discussion:
What are the most important changes
you'd like to see in our community?**

**WHEN: SATURDAY
AUGUST 30**

Time: 10 am - 11:30 am

**Where: Belknap Mill
25 Beacon St. East**

**Join us for an informal
conversation with others at
small tables**

**Coffee
& donuts
provided**

Sponsored by the Laconia Human Relations Committee with funding from the New Hampshire Endowment for Health



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2025, AT 7:00PM

— Colonial Theater, Downtown Laconia —

Tickets available at the Colonial Theater Box Office located at 609 Main Street, Laconia starting Tuesday, August 26, 10am till 2pm
Additional Box Office hours Tuesday - Fridays 10am till 2pm

Tickets available online at www.coloniallaconia.com starting Tuesday, August 26, 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 are to be seated prior to 6:45 pm.
Standby Tickets are available the day of the show at 6:45 pm**

CAN YOU GET WHERE YOU NEED TO GO?

IF NOT, OR IF IT'S COMPLICATED, EXPENSIVE, OR UNRELIABLE - WE WANT TO KNOW!

TAKE THE SURVEY!

SCAN THE QR CODE TO TAKE THE SURVEY!



OR USE THIS LINK:
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/NHTRANSPORTATION](https://bit.ly/nhtransportation)



STATE OF NH
COMMISSION
ON AGING



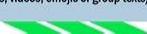
YOU CAN TEXT 9-1-1 IN NEW HAMPSHIRE!

HOW:

Type 911
in the 'To' field



Type short description
of the emergency
(no pictures, videos, emojis or group texts)



Type exact location
of the emergency



Answer 9-1-1
call taker's questions



Be brief and concise -
Follow instructions



911
CALL TEXT

IF YOU CAN IF YOU CAN'T

Visit: www.nh.gov/nh911 for more information

WHEN:

If you are deaf, hard
of hearing or have a
speech disability

If you cannot speak
due to an injury or
medical condition

If you are in a
dangerous situation
and it's not safe to call

If you cannot make a
call because of poor
cellular service

If your battery is low



ONE BIG FAMILY

DRIVEN BY HOPE

Rotary Park, Laconia @ 1-4pm

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

AUGUST 31, 2025



Scan the QR code to
purchase this year's tank
tops, t-shirts, and
sweatshirts before the
event!



HELP LOCAL KIDS THRIVE:
SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED IN LACONIA & GILFORD

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

SUPPLIES WILL BE COLLECTED AT THE
TPS MARRIOTT FRONT DESK FROM

AUGUST 5TH - AUGUST 25TH

• BACKPACKS

- PENCILS
- PENS
- HIGHLIGHTERS
- PAPER
- BINDERS
- NOTEBOOKS
- TISSUES
- HAND SANITIZER

TOWNEPLACE SUITES BY MARRIOTT
11 SAWMILL RD, GILFORD, NH 03249



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...

This 'Gas House' on Messer Street produced heating and illuminating gas from late November 1894 until the plant blew up, March 4, 1952, having been 'reduced to rubble by a thunderous explosion that caused a shock wave that was felt throughout a wide area.' One of several 'gas holders' is seen at right in the background. After the 1952 explosion, liquid gas was trucked in until a new rail spur was built to accommodate tank cars by rail until a natural gas pipeline was completed in 1965. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

Site of the former Gas House is now part of an Irwin Motors lot, on Messer Street. Clean-up of the Gas House site after the 1952 explosion resulted in quantities of coal tar — a by-product of producing the gas — being dumped on Liberty Hill in Gilford, resulting in massive remediation efforts there, in 2014-2015, following extensive work at the Messer Street site in the late 1990s and early 2000s. (Gabriel Perry/The Laconia Daily Sun.)

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

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 - Grey Draper	
Economic Development &.....	527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
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	

SENIOR RESOURCES

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



Practicing strength and balance exercises can help us stay healthy and independent!

Whether you're getting down on the floor to play with your grandkids, tackling a household task, or after an unexpected fall, being able to safely lower yourself and get back up matters. Read more from the National Council on aging about why practicing getting up and down from the floor is important for aging well by clicking on the image above.

Upcoming Meetings

Week of August 25 - 29

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

August 25, 2025, 7:00 pm

Board of Library Trustees

August 28, 2025, 5:30 pm

Downtown TIF District

Advisory Board

August 27, 2025, 9:00 am

Agenda



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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