



# Welcome to Laconia Links!

August 29, 2025 - Edition #701

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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](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



**Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of Sept. 8th!**



**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](http://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**

# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

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
WED 9/3	Drop-In Tech Help @2pm	ADULT
THU 9/4	Nonfiction Book Group @6pm - 'Say Nothing'	ADULT
MON 9/8	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-6.	KID
TUE 9/9	Drop-In Tech Help @10am	ADULT
WED 9/10	Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 0-3.	KID
WED 9/10	Drop-In Tech Help @2pm	ADULT
WED 9/10	Mystery Book Group @4pm - 'A Daughter of Fair Verona'	ADULT



## 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

## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

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



# PRIMARY ELECTIONS

## 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.

City Hall will be closed  
September 1  
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.

## Leavitt Park

*please  
join us*

The Leavitt Park Community Club meets the 1st Monday of every month (except December). Please consider attending one of our monthly meetings, or volunteer to become a member and support this beautiful City park.

Our next meeting is scheduled for October 6th at 7 pm at the Clubhouse (334 Elm St., Laconia, NH).

For more information, please call 603-524-1886.

## 7th Annual Sock Hop & Classic Car Show Returns to the Belknap Mill

**Friday, September 5  
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

Get ready to travel back in time at the 7th Annual Sock Hop & Classic Car Show at the Belknap Mill on Friday, September 5! This beloved end-of-

summer tradition combines the timeless charm of classic cars, the upbeat joy of 1950s rock & roll, and the creative energy of local art for a night that brings the whole community together.

The evening begins at 5:00 PM with a Classic Car Show lining Beacon Street East, where guests can admire beautifully restored vehicles from the golden age of cruising. At 6:00 PM, the fun shifts to Rotary Park, where the always-popular Rockin' Daddios will take the bandstand as part of the final performance of the 2025 Concert Series. With their signature doo-wop harmonies and playful stage presence, the Rockin' Daddios bring the sounds of the late '50s and early '60s back to life, making it impossible not to dance along.

Inside the Belknap Mill, you're invited to the Opening Reception of *Color in Motion – The Art of Marcia Santore* from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the Riverside Gallery. This vibrant new exhibit showcases Santore's bold use of color, texture, and abstraction to express motion, emotion, and mystery.

Guests will have the chance to meet the artist, explore her work, and enjoy light refreshments. The exhibit is part of the *Belknap Mill's Free First Friday*, which includes free museum admission all day beginning at 10am.

Throughout the evening, there's more fun to enjoy. The Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation will be set up on the patio to share exciting updates on their community initiatives, and back by popular demand is the Root Beer Float Fundraiser, offering a sweet treat for just \$5. Additional snacks will be available for purchase, and guests are encouraged to pack a picnic dinner and enjoy it in the park while taking in the music and atmosphere.



The Belknap Mill welcomes owners of classic cars to participate in the show—no registration is required, but space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Just bring your car and join the fun!

This event would not be possible without the generous support of our sponsors.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Laconia Putnam Fund, Lakes Region Community College, and media sponsors 104.9 The Hawk and Lakes 101.5 for helping us bring this unforgettable evening to life.



## 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

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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

Laconia Rod & Gun Club Auxiliary

# COMMUNITY YARD SALE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2025  
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Donations Welcome!\* OR  
Rent a table for \$20 and sell  
your own merchandise.  
Burgers, Hot Dogs & French  
Fries available for purchase!

CALL OR TEXT BRENDA FOR INFO &  
TO SIGN UP AT (603) 366-0288

RAIN OR SHINE – WE'LL BE THERE!  
358 S. MAIN ST. LACONIA, NH  
\*please no clothing



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## DID YOU KNOW?

New Hampshire has two 911 call centers or  
Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs)



Did you know New Hampshire 911 has two Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs), located in Concord and Laconia, but they work together as part of a single, seamless system?

When you call 911, your call isn't directed based on which location is closer. Instead, every call is routed to the telecommunicator who has been available the longest between the two facilities, ensuring the fastest possible response.

No matter where you are in the state, help is just a call or text away.

# Papa Gino's

PIZZERIA



## Lakes Region Community Services

will earn **20%** of all qualifying sales  
from orders placed on **September 4<sup>th</sup>**.



Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025

11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

At these Papa Gino's locations:

Gilford • 1425 Lake Shore Rd. • (603) 528-3355

- **Walk-in or phone orders:** Mention this fundraiser when you place your order for the organization to get credit for your order.
- **Online orders:** Enter code 19 at the payment screen and then click redeem.
- **Fundraiser orders** are only valid with regular priced menu items and cannot be paired with coupons or deals. Fundraisers are not valid on third party orders.



Valid for all Dine-In, Carry Out,  
Online & Delivery orders!

View menu & place online orders @ [papaginos.com](http://papaginos.com)

# FRANKLIN VNA & HOSPICE FUNDRAISER BASEBALL GAME

30 AUG  
\$15 TICKETS

**FISHER CATS** VS **ERIE SEA WOLVES**

6:35PM

SEATS IN SECTION 114 BEHIND 1ST BASE  
FREE ATLAS FIREWORKS FOLLOWING THE GAME



At a public hearing on August 12, 2025, the Board of Water Commissioners voted to proceed with increasing its water rates by changing the base rate from \$25.00 to \$28.75 per quarter and changing the consumption rate from \$2.55 to \$2.81 per hundred cubic feet. These rates will be effective on bills generated beginning on January 1, 2026. If you have any questions, you can contact this Department at (603) 524-0901.



## 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](http://www.FranklinVNA.org)  
(603)934-3454

## A BOOK STUDY OF **SIBLINGS WITHOUT RIVALRY** BY ADELE FABER & ELAINE MAZLISH

For many parents, sibling rivalry can be one of the biggest and most continuous challenges we face. Learn more about what leads brothers & sisters to interact in the ways that they do and how, without realizing it, we sometimes feed into it. Get tips for empowering children to change their relationships for the better.

Tuesdays 6:30-8:00pm  
6-Week series begins  
September 9, 2025

### \*HYBRID SERIES\*

Participants can choose to attend in person at our office:  
719 N. Main St. Laconia  
OR Virtually Via Zoom

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

or use the QR Code: 

United Way  
Granite United Way

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CHILDREN'S AUCTION

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**LRCS**  
**FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**

*Engage. Empower. Inspire.*

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6pm and on-site childcare may be available if reserved at the time of registration

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## A Book Study of **"The Explosive Child"**

By Ross Greene, PhD

In his book, "The Explosive Child", Dr. Ross Greene explains his research-based approach to addressing challenging behaviors, which is grounded in a collaborative and proactive problem-solving framework, giving children a voice and empowering them to be part of the solution rather than merely the recipient of a punishment. Don't let the title of this book fool you...Dr. Greene's techniques are effective with all children, whether they handle their frustration "explosively" or not. (Book will be provided)

### \* HYBRID COURSE \*

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

**Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm**  
**6-Week Series Begins**  
**September 10, 2025**

To register, go to  
[www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration)

or use the QR Code: 

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6pm and on-site childcare *may be available* if reserved at the time of registration, space is limited.

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Rotary Park, Laconia @ 1-4pm

INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY  
AUGUST 31, 2025



International Overdose Awareness Day



NAVIGATING RECOVERY  
of THE LAKES REGION

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



Does your business want to help us  
celebrate 60 years of peace, love and  
wellness?

Scan the QR code below to see  
our different sponsorship levels!



**Lakes Region Mental Health Center**

Promoting Healthy Minds Since 1966

**ROCK STEADY BOXING & THE DOWN TOWN GYM**

**7TH ANNUAL**

**5K RUN & WALK**

TO FIGHT BACK AGAINST PARKINSONS!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

START TIME: 9AM • THE DOWNTOWN GYM • 171 FAIR STREET, LACONIA, NH

**MORE INFO & REGISTRATION:**

[RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/NH/LACONIA/RSBLAKESREGIONFORPARKINSONS5K](http://RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/NH/LACONIA/RSBLAKESREGIONFORPARKINSONS5K)

**DWN TWN THE DOWNTOWN GYM & TRAINING CENTER**

WHERE YOU TRAIN FOR LIFE!

[DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM](http://DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM)  
603 581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH



***It's that time of year again!***

Children are headed back to school and that means an increase in traffic from school buses, pedestrians, and even cyclists. The Laconia Police Departments reminds us all to slow down in school zones and keep everyone safe!



# Proclamations

At the August 25, 2025 Laconia City Council meeting several Proclamations were presented:

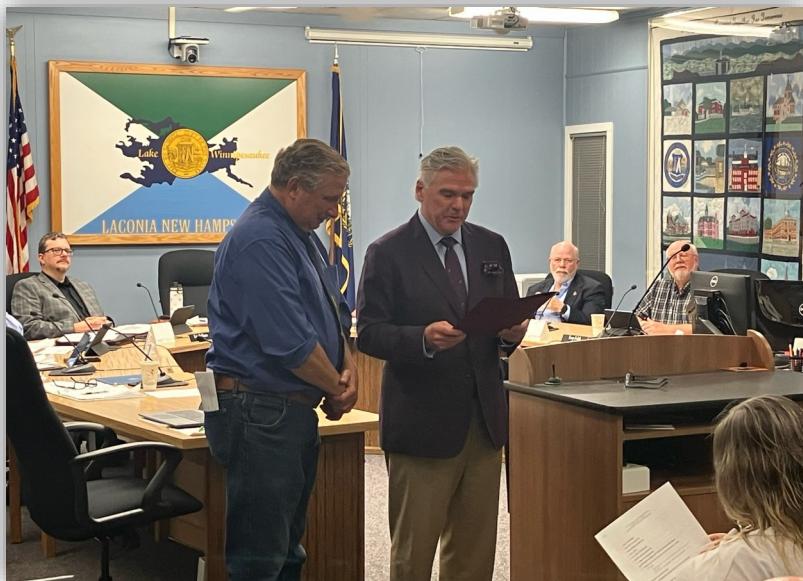
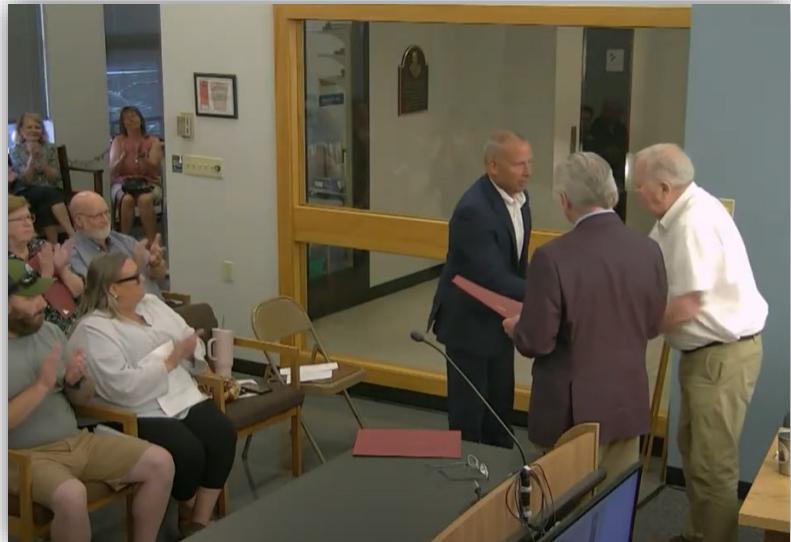
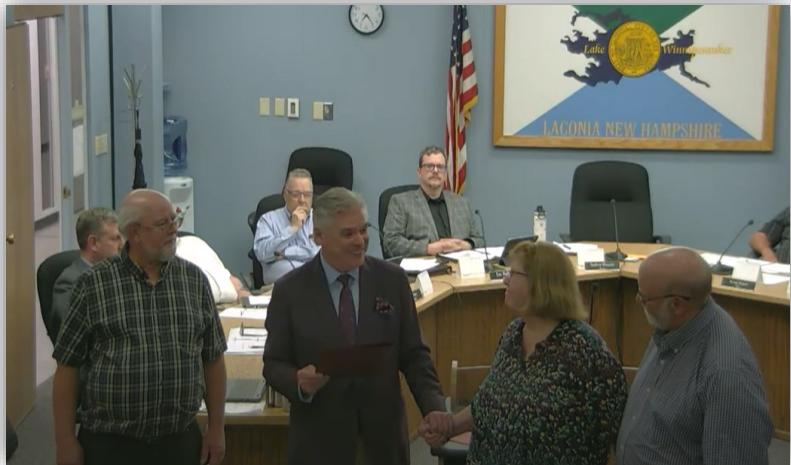
To Bill and Paula Gile for their many contributions to the community and their work with the Got Lunch! Laconia program;

To the Bank of NH for their commitment to making life better for the people of Laconia and the Lakes Region, and

To Charlie St. Clair, the recipient of the 1st Annual Citizen of the Year Award for his service, kindness and commitment to advocating tirelessly for the people of Laconia.

Upon announcement of his resignation, former Mayor Andrew Hosmer was also presented with a Proclamation thanking him for his visionary leadership and advocacy for the betterment of our community and his record of accomplishments.

Click on the photos (above right and below) to read the Proclamations.



*Congratulations!*



## 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!



Granite  
VNA

# 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](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter:  
GRANITEVNA to schedule  
an appointment.**

**PLEASE HELP & DONATE!**



The City of Laconia welcomes a new business to the Weirs - "Cheers at the Weirs" - with a ribbon cutting ceremony!



## Be A Hero 5k Run/Walk

Sep 27, 2025, 8:30 AM

Castle in the Clouds, 586 Ossipee Park Rd,  
Moultonborough, NH 03254, USA

New England's favorite fun run/walk is back for a fourth year in partnership with our friends at Eastern Propane and Oil and Castle in the Clouds. Join us and be a hero for homeless pets!

[Buy Tickets](#)

**SEPTEMBER**

# VIRTUAL REGIONAL JOB FAIRS

**Lakes Region**

Thursday, September 11, 2025

11am - 1pm

employers and job seekers must register to attend

<https://jobfairs.nh.gov>

click or scan to register!





**LACONIA SENIOR CENTER**  
**(603) 524-7689**



## 2025 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 <b>Closed for Holiday</b> 	2 10 - Activities Meeting 11:30 - Italian Sausage w/Peppers & Onions 12 - Ice Cream Social	3 9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	4 10:30 - Family Recipe Sharing 11:30 - Hot Roast Beef Sub	5 9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 - Ping Pong & Corn Hole
8	9	10	11	12
10 - Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30 - Games/Cribbage 11 - Walking Group	10:30 - Safety/Disaster Preparedness by PPH 11:30 - American Chop Suey	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30 - Turkey Tetrazzini w/Noodles	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:30 - Indoor Gardening
15	16	17	18	19
10:30 - Games/Cribbage 11 - Walking Group	10:30 - Fun Hat Day!! 11:30 - Chicken Parmesan	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30 - Crafts w/Mona 11:30 - Pub Burger w/Cheese	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 - Ping Pong & Corn Hole
22	23	24	25	26
10:30 - Games/Cribbage 11 - Walking Group	10:30 - Purse Exchange 11:30 - Chicken, Broccoli & Rice	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	11:30 - Sausage, Bean & Spinach Soup 12:30 - Ping Pong & Corn Hole	9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10 - Adult Coloring
29	30			
10 - Movie & Snack 	10:30 - Hannaford Diabetes Presentation 11:30 - Shepherd's Pie			<i>Activities are subject to change*</i> <i>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal</i>



**WEIRS BEACH**

**2025 SUMMER FIREWORKS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, August 31, 2025: 9:30 pm**

**See you there!**

**Tuesday, September 2, 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 1<sup>ST</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT





No Vehicles  
on Sidewalk

Federal American Disability Act regulations and City Ordinances prohibit parking on or blocking sidewalks. 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 question on whether there is an existing sidewalk on your street.



Thank you for your cooperation!

### Election Reminder



**Attention Laconia residents:  
Are you registered to vote?**

**The Municipal Primary  
Election takes place  
September 9, 2025!**

Visit [www.laconianh.gov/176/Elections](http://www.laconianh.gov/176/Elections)

*If you are a Laconia resident and eligible to vote in the September 9 Municipal Primary Election, now is the time to register to vote!*

*Click [here](#) to read a press release for more information!*

A promotional poster for the "Mingle Cafe" event. It features a large image of a coffee cup with a heart-shaped foam design. The text "Mingle Cafe" is written in a large, elegant, cursive font. Below it, a quote reads: "Trust is a product of vulnerability that grows over time and requires work, attention and full engagement" ~ Brene Brown. The event details are listed: "This Month's Discussion: What are the most important changes you'd like to see in our community?", "WHEN: SATURDAY AUGUST 30", "Where: Belknap Mill 25 Beacon St. East", "Time: 10 am - 11:30 am", and "Join us for an informal conversation with others at small tables". At the bottom, it says "Sponsored by the Laconia Human Relations Committee with funding from the New Hampshire Endowment For Health" and "Coffee &amp; donuts provided".



*we want your feedback!*  
**TAKE THE SURVEY!**

Lakes Region Community Services is in the re-designation process with the State of New Hampshire to continue as an Area Agency. Your feedback is a vital part of this process so we may continue to ensure access to quality services. Use the link below to fill out this anonymous survey today! Thank you for your help!

**Hard copies of the survey and mailing envelopes are available at the front desk at our Laconia office.**



Do you or a family member receive services from Lakes Region Community Services?

We want your feedback!

The responses from this survey are anonymous. The responses will be used to help identify areas requiring improvement, additional support and/or training. Your input is crucial, and we appreciate you taking the time to answer the following questions!

Click this link and complete the survey now:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZXGR9HF>

Thank you for assisting us in improving our services!

Prefer a paper copy? No problem!

Stop by our Laconia office at 719 N. Main Street to pick up yours today!

## 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 25<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**ALL DAY EVENT**

**Beacon St W. Laconia NH 03246**



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



## Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice

A blasting permit has 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.

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

# Playgroups for Children Ages Birth to 5 Years:



*Come Play  
with Us!*



## Traveling Playgroup

Fridays 9:00-10:00am (weather permitting) at Leavitt Park, Elm St. Laconia  
through September 26, 2025

Traveling Playgroup is a safe, weekly opportunity for young children & caregivers to socialize and exercise outside with other children & families.

## Happy Sounds Music Group

Wednesdays 9:00-9:45am at our Main Office, 719 North Main St. Laconia

A free, weekly class where caregiver and child participate together in movement and rhythm activities set to music. A great opportunity for building social skills while enjoying all of the physical, emotional, & intellectual benefits that interaction with music can bring.

## Giggles & Grins Playgroup

Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:00-11:00am at our Main Office, 719 North Main St. Laconia

A free, inclusive community playgroup that provides children from birth to age 5 with the opportunity to play and develop critical social-emotional skills. Families have the chance to share parenting ideas and concerns, establish friendships, and decrease isolation. \*As of October 3rd, Giggles & Grins will also be held on Fridays!\*

All playgroups are free and drop-in (no pre-registration required).

Playgroups are designed for children ages birth to 5 years old.

Older siblings may be allowed if there is space.

Caregivers must attend groups with their children and supervise them at all times.

For more information, call Carol at (603) 581-1565 or email [carol.stone@lrcs.org](mailto:carol.stone@lrcs.org)



The Linden  
Foundation



# BELKNAP MILL MUSEUM

Where Art and History Come to Life!  
25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH

## Classes and Workshops



### Knit or Crochet Pumpkins

Saturday, September 13th  
11am-1:00pm

Get into the fall spirit with this fun and cozy workshop where you'll learn to knit or crochet adorable pumpkins—perfect for decorating or gifting!

Pumpkins!



## Let's Walk Together.

Sunday, September 21, 2025

8 AM Registration | 9 AM Walk | 15 Aiken Ave Franklin, NH  
2-mile walk that begins and ends on the Concord Hospital - Franklin campus

Benefiting mental health and substance use disorder programs and services  
at Concord Hospital - Laconia and Concord Hospital - Franklin.



SCAN TO REGISTER  
\$30 REGISTRATION FEE  
(Includes pancake breakfast after walk.)  
or visit [bridge2recoverywalk.org](http://bridge2recoverywalk.org)



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A family-friendly event bringing together community, friends, families, and local businesses. Together, we will raise awareness and funds to show support for those struggling with, or recovering from, mental health disorder and/or substance use disorder.

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# In-Person Caregiver Connection



## A Caregiver Support Group



Tilly Market Cafe  
at the Belknap Marketplace

96 Daniel Webster Highway, Belmont

September 17, 2025  
9:30 - 11 a.m.

Join us and connect with other family caregivers, while enjoying an opportunity to unwind and have discussions rich in empathy and resources.

No registration required. For more information,  
please call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664



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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!



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### PETITION TO ACCEPT THOMPSON AVENUE AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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### ORDINANCE 2025-235-12, 13, 41 – AMENDING CHAPTER 235, ZONING, ARTICLE II DEFINITIONS AND WORD USAGE, § 235-12, WORD USAGE, § 235-13 DEFINITIONS; ARTICLE VII SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS, §235-41 RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY USES; AND ATTACHMENT 2, TABLE OF PERMITTED USES – RELATED TO KEEPING DOMESTIC CHICKENS AS A RESIDENTIAL ACCESSORY USE IN THE CITY

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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### RESOLUTION 2025-28 – A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND SET THE AMOUNT OF THE PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR DISABLED VETERANS FOR SERVICE-CONNECTED TOTAL DISABILITY

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



NH Granite State Ambassadors is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that has been providing training, management and service to New Hampshire's tourism industry since 1996. It adds value to state agencies and travel- and tourism-related businesses through a training and support network that sustains and enhances the New Hampshire experience. The award-

winning organization has certified nearly 1500 residents and employees who staff visitor centers and special events around the state; each year, volunteers donate more than 18,000 hours and assist well over 110,000 guests.

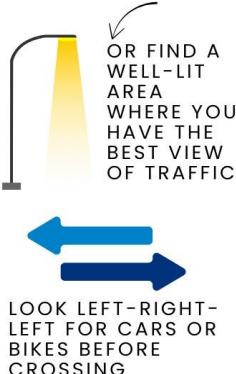
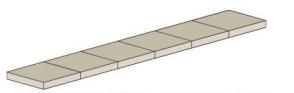


Recently a group of NH Granite State Ambassadors visited Laconia where they enjoyed a tour of the Belknap Mill and The Cake, and received information about the City of Laconia and the upcoming Pumpkin Festival.

Thank you to GSA for promoting our community!



# BACK-TO-SCHOOL PEDESTRIAN SAFETY



MAKE SURE YOU  
NEVER PLAY, PUSH  
OR SHOVE OTHERS  
WHEN YOU WALK  
AROUND TRAFFIC



WATCH THE ROAD,  
NOT YOUR PHONES



NO HEADPHONES OR  
OTHER DEVICES  
THAT PREVENT YOU  
FROM HEARING  
WHAT'S HAPPENING  
AROUND YOU



You may qualify for SNAP benefits depending on your household size, income, expenses and resources.

You may qualify if you own your home, have no home, live with someone else or live alone. Not sure you're eligible? The only way to find out is to apply!

<https://bit.ly/3Km4FYx>



Parents — developing your child's road safety smarts starts with you.

With school back in session soon, now is the perfect time to review pedestrian safety.

- ✓ Use sidewalks whenever possible
- ✓ Cross at crosswalks or well-lit areas
- ✓ Look left-right-left before crossing
- ✓ Stay alert: no phones or headphones
- ✓ Never play, push, or shove near traffic

Let's work together to keep our kids safe this school year!



**Papa Gino's**  
PIZZERIA



**Lakes Region Community Services**  
will earn **20%** of all qualifying sales  
from orders placed on **September 4<sup>th</sup>**. ←

**Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**11:00 AM – 8:00 PM**

At these Papa Gino's locations:

**Gilford • 1425 Lake Shore Rd. • (603) 528-3355**

- **Walk-in or phone orders:** Mention this fundraiser when you place your order for the organization to get credit for your order.
- **Online orders:** Enter code 19 at the payment screen and then click redeem.
- **Fundraiser orders** are only valid with regular priced menu items and cannot be paired with coupons or deals. Fundraisers are not valid on third party orders.



Valid for all Dine-In, Carry Out,  
Online & Delivery orders!

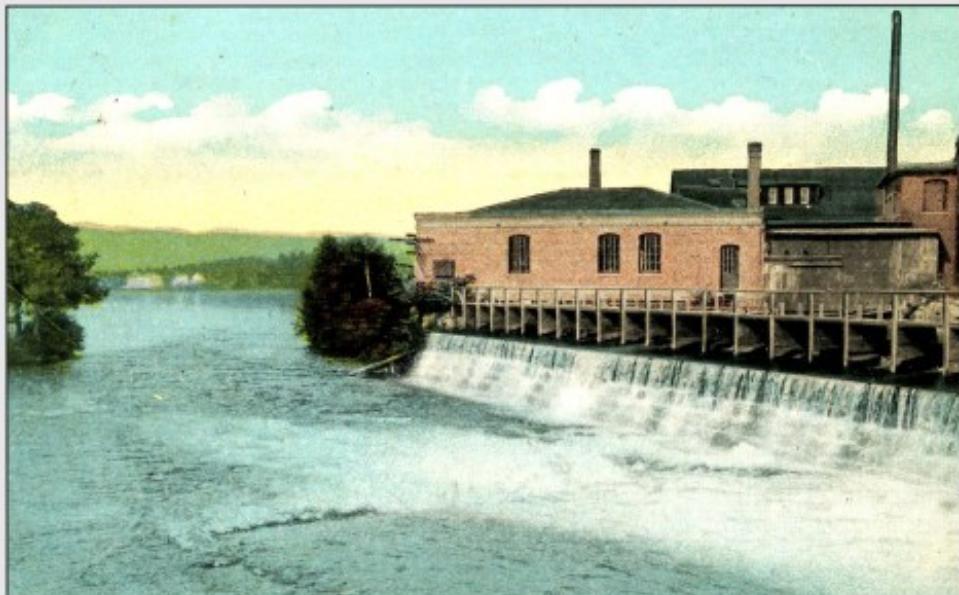
[View menu & place online orders @ papaginos.com](http://papaginos.com)

# 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 brick hydro-electric power plant, at the end of a wing dam on the west side of the Winnipesaukee River, in Lakeport, replaced an earlier wooden building, destroyed in the Great Lakeport Fire of May 26, 1903. The Boulia-Gorrell Lumber Co. is seen behind it and Lake Opechee is seen in the distance. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



## ...AND NOW

According to WeirsBeach.com, the hydro-electric plant was retired in 1932. The wing dam, built in 1861 to serve several mills downstream, was filled in around 1957, but the stonework remains. Boulia-Gorrell relocated to Fair Street in 1950. A new hydro-electric plant at the Lakeport Dam was built in the early 1980s, off-photo at right. (Gabriel Perry/The Laconia Daily Sun)

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Monday through Friday  
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(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

Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program

Make changes  
with support.



Medicare's no-cost Diabetes Prevention Program supports you as you make small lifestyle changes to help lower your risk of type 2 diabetes. A lifestyle coach will help you learn practical ways to improve your health with informed choices about nutrition, exercise, and more. <https://go.medicare.gov/4od9yai>

## Week of September 1 - 5

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:**

### Planning Board

September 2, 2025, 6:30 pm

[Agenda](#)

### City Council - Public Works Subcommittee

September 3, 2025, 6:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

### Licensing Board

September 3, 2025, 12:00 noon

[Agenda](#)

### Special Events Technical Review Committee

September 3, 2025, 12:00 noon

[Agenda](#)

### City Council - Special Meeting

September 4, 2025, 6:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

### Human Relations Committee - Homelessness Subcommittee

September 5, 2025, 10:30 am

[Agenda](#)

### City Council Contact Info:

Mayor (Vacant) .....	
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1).....	491-8946
Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Haynes (Ward 4).....	524-3605
Robert Soucy (Ward 2).....	524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3).....	803-3425
Steven Bogert (Ward 5).....	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6).....	998-1418
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