



Welcome to Laconia Links!

October 17, 2025 - Edition #708

*View from Steele Hill looking toward Laconia
(Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)*

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](tel:(603)527-1270) or email us at info@laconianh.gov



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



HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

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

October 20th through October 31st

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

Fall Leaf Collection

Mark your calendars! This year's Fall Leaf Collection is scheduled for the weeks of October 27 - October 31, 2025 and November 10 - November 14, 2025. During each of the above weeks, the City's contractor will pick up an additional 10 bags of leaves on your normal trash day. All leaves must be in paper compost bags.

Questions? Please call the Department of Public Works at [\(603\) 528-6379](tel:(603)528-6379).



UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

MON 10/20	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-6.	KID
MON 10/20	Beginner Line Dancing @10am - Drop-in, adults only.	ADULT
MON 10/20	Game Night @5pm - Drop-in, use our games or yours!	ADULT
TUE 10/21	Fiction Book Group @10am - 'Graveyard Shift'	ADULT
TUE 10/21	Teen Author Talk & Poetry Reading @3pm	TEEN
TUE 10/21	Story Sampler: Spooky Stories @6pm - Best for ages 6-11.	KID
WED 10/22	Toddler Time @10am - Best for ages 0-3.	KID
WED 10/22	Sketchbook Society! @6pm - Best for ages 6-11.	KID
THU 10/30	Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3-6.	KID
FRI 10/24	Move & Groove @10am - Best for ages 6 and under.	KID
FRI 10/24	Pumpkinfest! Glow Hand and Face Painting @3pm	TEEN
SAT 10/25	Pumpkinfest! Pumpkin Window Clings @10am - Kids & teens.	MULTI

CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS!

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary

call: [\(603\) 524-4775](tel:(603)524-4775)

text: [\(603\) 556-4666](tel:(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



**Laconia Senior Center
Pumpkin Festival**

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES SINCE 1966

ICE CREAM
SUNDAE
\$5.00

Bake Sale,
Games,
Raffles &
Crafts

11 A.M.
to
3 P.M.



25 | **532 Main St. or
184 Beacon St West
Laconia, NH**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO LACONIA SENIOR
CENTER ACTIVITIES!



The Weirs Community Park Association's regular monthly meeting is on Monday, October. 20th at 5:30 pm at the Hall located at 25 Lucerne Avenue, Laconia, NH. New members are welcome to join and learn more about the group!

Contact information: [603-366-5185](tel:603-366-5185)
RentalAgent@wcpalaconianh.com



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!



Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction to be held

December 9-12

Auction site at the Belknap Marketplace in Belmont



The 44th annual Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction will be presented by Hannaford Supermarkets from Tuesday, Dec. 9 to Friday, Dec. 12, live at the Belknap Marketplace in Belmont.

The auction airs daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Each day will offer items up for bid, on-air fun and appearances from friends and neighbors throughout the community. On Friday, Dec. 12, auction volunteers will come together to announce the total funds raised for children and families in need.

"Don't miss it," said Jennifer Kelley, executive director of the organization.

Kelley thanked the Massachusetts-based Vernet Properties, which owns the marketplace, and other business leaders throughout the Lakes Region who continue to show their generosity to the auction as it raises funds to support local, low-income children and families.

Can't make it in person? There are so many ways to enjoy the Children's Auction and bid on fantastic items for your family and friends. Viewers can tune into Channel 25 or stream at ChildrensAuction.org, laconiadailysun.com or Facebook.com/ChildrensAuction. Listen with Zack Derby and friends at Lakes 101.5 FM.

The auction is also seeking new, unused, non-perishable items, big and small. Gifts cards are always a hit with bidders. Other popular items include electronics, tools, tickets to sporting events, toys, services—you name it, we need it! Convenient item collection sites are now open throughout our region, including Alton, Ashland, Belmont, Bristol, Center Harbor, Franklin, Gilford, Laconia, Meredith, Moultonborough, Plymouth and Tilton. Visit ChildrensAuction.org for details.

And on Black Friday, Nov. 28, visit our collection site at the Belknap Marketplace and drop your items off between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. On Saturday, Nov. 29 and Sunday, Nov. 30, items can be dropped there from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. We will also be accepting items the weekend before the auction week right at The Marketplace from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Stop by and see us in person!

Bid online at ChildrensAuction.org, or over the phone during Auction week at [603-527-0999](tel:603-527-0999).

Pre-bidding begins on Black Friday, Nov. 28, on items with a retail value of \$300 and more.

If you're a business owner and have always wanted to get involved with the Children's Auction, it's not too late to become a sponsor. Sponsorship opportunities exist at every level. Email us at Jenn@ChildrensAuction.org or call [603-527-0999](tel:603-527-0999) for more information on how your business can make a difference in the lives of children.

Follow the auction on social media at Facebook.com/ChildrensAuction, Instagram.com/childrensauction603/ and Linkedin.com/company/greater-lakes-region-children-s-auction/



The Bronx Wanderers have been wowing audiences around the globe for 20 straight years. The show revolves around Father Vinni's music career in the record business and features songs from many of the artists he's gotten to record and produce, including Dion, Tony Orlando, The Jersey Boys, and Billy Joel just to name a few. Their show is in the top ten out of 256 shows in Las Vegas, they've won the Best Of Las Vegas Award 12 times, and were inducted into the East Coast Music Hall Of Fame.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025, AT 7:00PM
— Colonial Theatre, Downtown Laconia —

TICKETS ARE SOLD OUT!
ALL TICKET HOLDERS MUST BE SEATED PRIOR TO 6:45 PM

STANDBY SEATS WILL BE AVAILABLE THE DAY OF THE SHOW
 Due to no-shows generally 20% of the 750 free tickets released become available

Unused tickets will be released at the Colonial Theater Lobby standby line the day of the show on October 17th at 6:45 pm

Colonial Theater, 609 Main St., Downtown Laconia
 1-800-657-8774 • www.coloniallaconia.com



Thanks to the Lakes Region Community College Culinary Arts students for our Pie Eating Contest Pies!

Contests at:

- 11am
- 12pm
- 1pm
- Celebrity 2pm

Where?
 At the Train Station







Blasting and Drilling Permit Notice

A blasting permit has been issued to Maine Drilling and Blasting.

This permit is valid from October 14 through November 14, 2025 for drilling and blasting at 618 - 792 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH. Blasting can occur anytime Monday through Friday during normal business hours.

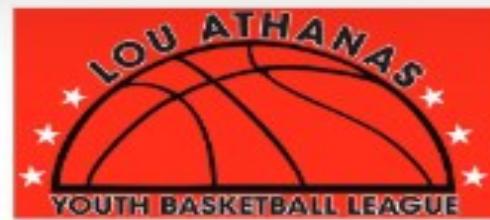
Please see below for the horn codes:

3 long horns - 5 minutes until the blast

2 long horns - 2 minutes until the blast

1 long horn - All clear to proceed

Questions should be directed to Maine Drilling and Blasting at 603-647-0299.



Lou Athanas Youth Basketball League

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Website: laybl.org

**Laconia Residents Only
 Kindergarten-12th Grade**

**September 12, 2025-October 24, 2025
 Registration Closes**

****There will be no LATE Registrations ****





FINANCIAL FOUNDATIONS: BUILDING BLOCKS FOR SUCCESS!

Four-part series; Join us for any or all.
Thursdays 6:30-8:00pm

October 30, 2025:

Needs, Emotions, Money & How
They are Connected

November 6, 2025:

Identifying & Changing our
Financial Behaviors

November 13, 2025:

Turning Dreams into Goals & Plans

November 20, 2025:

Budgeting Basics

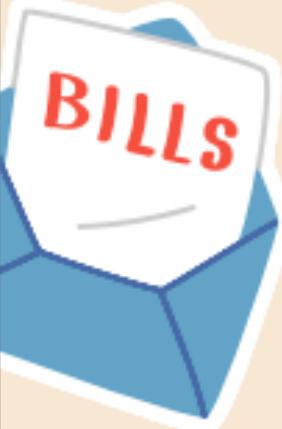
Participants can choose to attend in person at
719 N. Main St., Laconia, NH
OR virtually via Zoom.

For those attending in person, dinner will be served at 6pm
and on-site childcare may be available if reserved when registering.

Register at:

www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration

or use the QR Code:



Made possible with
funding from:





ANNUAL FALL HARVEST RAFFLE

3 tickets for \$10!

Purchasing raffle tickets is a great way to support LRSF! Ticket sales end October 19th.

Prizes to include:

- 79" x 92" Fall Quilt – handmade by Ellen Peters and donated in her memory by her family
- \$200 Stafford Oil & Propane Gift Certificate - donated by Stafford Oil & Propane. Good towards Heating Fuels, a CITGO Cash Card, or other Stafford Oil & Propane Heating and Air Conditioning Products & Services
- Fall themed basket with handmade quilted placemats - donated by Friend of the Foundation
- 2 one-day Midweek Lift Tickets for the 2025/2026 Winter Season at Gunstock Mountain Resort - donated by Gunstock Mountain Resort
- Snowman themed Winter Treats Basket – includes snowman wall hanging and Annalee dolls – donated by Martha Bissonnette
- 20" x 16" fully matted 15 1/2" x 11 1/2" framed Loran Percy Fall print - donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- 20" x 16" fully matted 15 1/2" x 11 1/2" framed Loran Percy Covered Bridge print - donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- 23" square quilted "Talking Turkey" table topper – handmade and donated by Marcia Dionne
- 12" x 14 1/2" fully matted 8" x 12" Fine Art Chipmunk print by Tristan MacDonald – donated by Susan Percy MacDonald
- "Cactus" hummingbird feeder – donated by a Friend of the Foundation
- Various Gift Cards/Certificates



Check out our website for up to date prize listings!
www.lrscholarship.org

Scan the QR Code to visit our website for more information, or to purchase your raffle tickets.

A NIGHT OF MUSIC, MOVEMENT, AND MAGIC — A CONCERT EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER.

CONCERT & BALFOLK DANCE

CONCERT

THE EVENING STARTS WITH A LIVE CONCERT OF ORIGINAL MUSIC WITH GRAMMY-AWARD WINNING GUITARIST - RANDY ROOS - AND COMPOSER AND HURDY-GURDY ARTIST - NOELLE BEAUDIN...



GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!
(603) 524-6488 OR (603) 848 2469
FOR MORE INFORMATION

BALFOLK DANCE

...THEN CONTINUES WITH REFRESHMENTS & BALFOLK DANCING - ALL DANCES ARE TAUGHT ALL AGES WELCOME!

NOVEMBER 9TH
4-6PM

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST SOCIETY
OF LACONIA
172 PLEASANT ST. LACONIA / WWW.UULACONIA.ORG

Laconia Housing Authority Coloring Contest

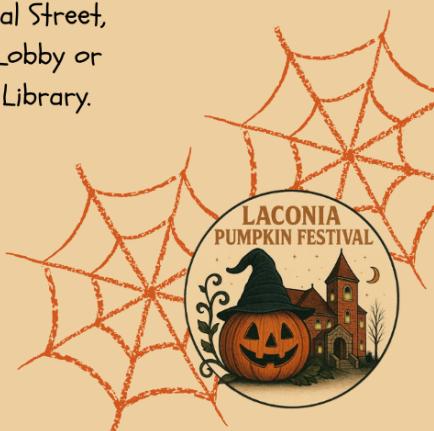
Meet us at 32 Canal Street on October 25th

to color and enter the contest!

Entries are due by 12Noon.

You can pick up a coloring sheet prior to October 25th
at 32 Canal Street,
City Hall Lobby or
the City Library.

**LACONIA
HOUSING**



ONLINE Caregiver Connection



**October 23, 2025
10 - 11 a.m.**

Caregiver Connection is an opportunity for family caregivers to support one another and connect with our staff professionals. We look forward to providing a safe space to connect with other caregivers facing similar challenges.

Registration is required.

Once your registration is confirmed, you will receive a link to the program.

Technical instruction is available to participate in the group.

To register, call (603) 224-4093, ext. 85664 or visit www.granitevna.org/onlineprograms.

 **Granite
VNA**

Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro
(603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620 • www.granitevna.org

Giveblood

in the U.S. needs blood.



Weirs Community Center

Function Hall ` 25 Lucerne Ave Laconia, NH 03246

**Friday, October 24, 2025
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS(1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter:
Weirs CC NH to schedule an appointment. Maximize your blood donation.

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

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting
RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass
to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to schedule an appointment.

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App



Hey everyone... **Family Fun Night Is Coming!**

That's right! We're gearing up for our annual
"Family Fun Night"!

For most of the children, the highlight of the evening is choosing gifts for siblings (young & old) as well as mom, dad, and other family members or special people in their lives.

How Can I Help???

We need donations! If you have new or very gently used items around your house (we tend to struggle in particular with gifts for men and teens), please drop them off at our office as soon as possible. PLEASE be thoughtful of the quality of the items you are donating. And please note that we tend to shy away from stuffed animals (unless they are brand new) and clothing (unless it is a one-size-fits-all accessory like socks, gloves, hats, etc. which should also be brand new). There is a list of donation suggestions on the back of this flyer, but we welcome your creativity! Gift cards for small amounts (\$5, etc.) are also always a hit!

For employees, donations can be brought to Room 119 (the Parent Ed Room), for all others, you can leave donations with the receptionist and just let her know that they are for Family Fun Night. She will make sure that they get to us!

****DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
November 28, 2025****

Donations can also be
shipped directly to our
main office:
719 North Main St.
Laconia, NH 03246
Attn: Carol Stone, FFN



Want to volunteer for Family Fun Night on
December 8th from 2:30-8:30pm?
Email: carol.stone@lrcs.org

10 Ways to Love Your Brain



Laconia Senior Center
184 Beacon Street W, Laconia
October 28, 2025
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Join us for an inspiring and practical session where we dive into easy, science-backed tips to boost your brain health daily. Whether you're looking to sharpen your focus, improve memory, or simply take better care of your mind, this is for you. Learn actionable strategies, brain-boosting lifestyle habits, and resources you can use right away.

No Registration Needed.



Offices in Concord, Laconia & Wolfeboro
(603) 224-4093 | (800) 924-8620 • www.granitevna.org

HOLIDAY GRIEF SUPPORT



The holidays present unique challenges when you are grieving. This targeted, one-day program—offered once in November and once in December—will provide support, understanding, and the tools to navigate through them.

Thursday, November 13th 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
and

Thursday, December 11th 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Franklin VNA & Hospice
75 Chestnut St, Franklin

Franklin VNA & Hospice

Registration encouraged to ensure enough refreshments and chairs.

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: info@franklinvna.org OR CALL (603) 934-3454



Benjamin Greene, Conductor



SYMPHONY CONCERT

Saturday November 1, 2025 - 7:00pm
Hanaway Theatre Plymouth State University

BEETHOVEN - Symphony No. 7

CORIGLIANO - Elegy

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS - English Folk Song Suite

WALTON - Viola Concerto

featuring concerto competition winner Hana Jang



Tickets: LRSO.org

PSU Silver Center Box Office 603-535-ARTS
PSU Students FREE * \$20-\$30 Adult * \$5 non-PSU Students

Thank you LRSO sponsors McIntyre Families and Evelyn & Michael Miller. Silver Center productions are made possible in part through the generosity of The Dick and Betty Hanaway Endowment for the Performing Arts; The Ann E. Thurston '80, '00G, '07CAGS and Elizabeth W. Cheney '89, 99G Endowed Fund for the Performing Arts; and The Jeannette and Richard Collins Award.

SILVER

www.LRSO.org
LRSO1 @ LRSO.NH

Plymouth State
UNIVERSITY



Living Well with Diabetes

DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



University of
New Hampshire
Extension



Gain the confidence and real-life skills needed for living a full healthy life with diabetes!

If you or someone you care for has diabetes this workshop is for you! Learn techniques to deal with the symptoms of diabetes, such as fatigue, pain, hyper- and hypoglycemia, stress, and emotional problems such as depression, anger, fear, and frustration.

Topics include:

- Exercise for maintaining and improving strength and endurance
- How to use glucose monitoring to make daily decisions and manage sick days
- Healthy eating with diabetes
- Appropriate use of medication
- Working effectively with health care providers
- Recommended tests for prevention or delay of complications
- Proper foot care
- Action-planning, problem-solving, decision-making

The DSMP program has been approved as part of recognized Diabetes Education Programs by the American Diabetes Association and the Association of Diabetes Care and Education Specialists.



REGISTER

<https://bit.ly/3A72FCA>

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. UNH, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and New Hampshire counties cooperating. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Direct inquiries to unh.civilrights@unh.edu.

Workshop Dates

Mondays 1:00 PM-3:30 PM
October 20, 27 & November
3, 10, 17, 24

FREE virtual workshop

Workshop information:

- A series of 6 weekly sessions
- Each 2½ hour session builds on the previous week
- Full participation in the 6 weeks is highly encouraged

Contact Us

Melissa Lee
melissa.lee@unh.edu
(603) 255-3716

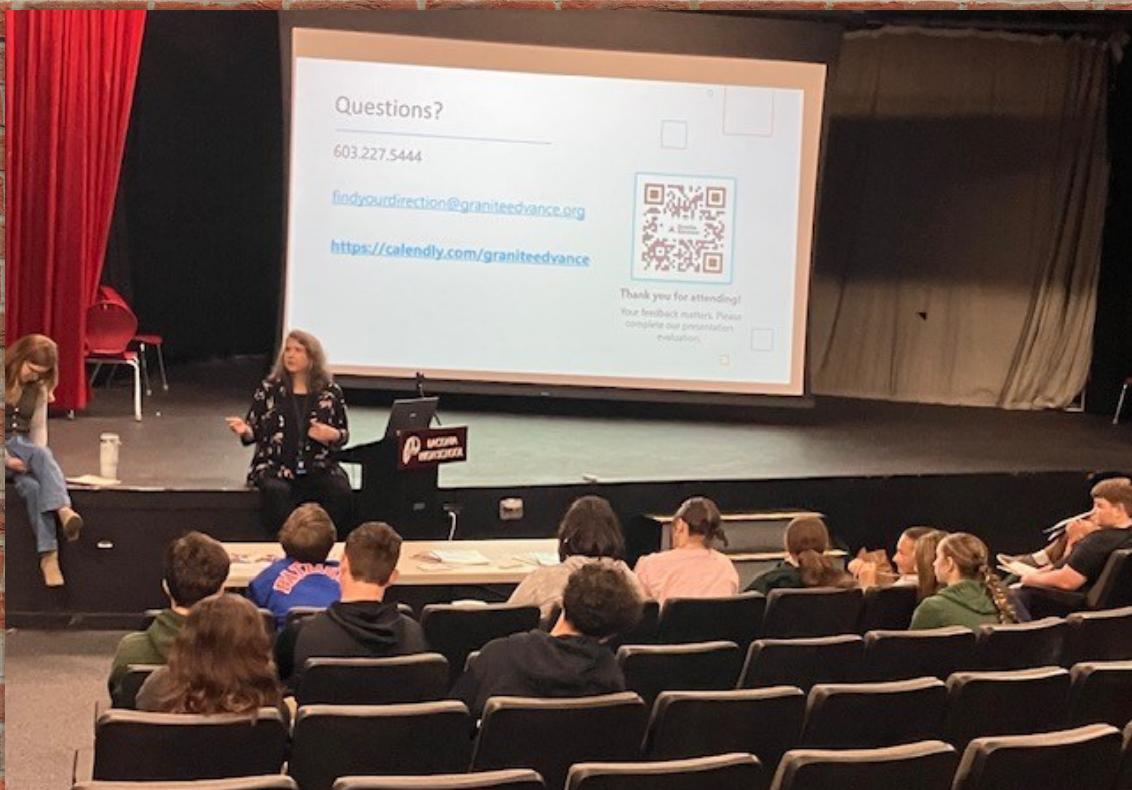
If you need an accommodation to participate in our programming, please contact Melissa Lee, melissa.lee@unh.edu and 603-255-3716 prior to the event. Given ample time, we will make any reasonable effort to meet your needs, including language access services if requested, which will be provided free of charge.



The EGaming Club at Laconia High School kicked off its first meeting on October 14th. Students will not only have an opportunity to participate in gaming, but will also learn about career pathways related to gaming and computer science.



On October 7, Samantha Tracy and Joanna Magoon of Granite Edvance came to speak to some freshmen at Laconia High School about choosing a career pathway and how to attain it.



🎃 Table Treat at Leavitt Park

334 Elm Street, Lakeport

Sunday, October 26th
6pm – 7pm
Hosted by



Leavitt Park Community Club

Come in costume and have a great time!



If interested in having a table to decorate and give out candy
 Or interested in becoming a member
 Call Leavitt Park (603)524-1886

St. André Bessette Parish

Fall CONTRA Dance

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Traditional Contra,
 no experience required, all ages are welcome!

31 GILFORD AVE
 LACONIA, NH
 6PM-8:30PM

Tickets
 \$10 Per Person,
 \$25 for Family of 4

TO BENEFIT THE ST ANDRE BESETTE YOUTH MINISTRY

Live music by callers
Dudley Laufman and Rivkah Valley

For tickets and information, email Christa at sabyouthministry@gmail.com or call the parish office at 603-524-9609

We Care Presents

THE JERSEY TENORS

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
 in an all new show!

Saturday, October 25, 2025



Inter-Lakes High School Community Auditorium
 Showtime 7:30 pm

The Ultimate Tribute to the 70's!

FEATURING ICONIC HIT'S FROM

The Bee Gees ~ Queen ~ Elton John ~ Billy Joel
 Earth Wind and Fire ~ The Eagles ~ Jackson 5
 Creedence Clearwater Revival

TIX & MORE INFO
WWW.TBINH.ORG



Benefiting



Thank You EVENT SPONSORS

- Audi Nashua
- Golden View Health Care
- Interlaken Family Dental
- Lakeport Farmhouse Catering
- The Platinum Group of Re/Max Bayside Realty
- The Laconia Daily Sun
- Northeast Communications
- Lakes Region Business Directory

THE SOCIAL SCENE

Halloween Dance Party



October 30th, 5pm – 8pm
Leavitt Park Clubhouse • \$5 Per Person

RSVP and Transportation Questions, Call Laura: 603.581.1538

18 & Over • Pizza & Light Refreshments

KARAOKE • SONG REQUESTS • PHOTO BOOTH • GROUP DANCES

Music from DJ Pat Kelly Costume Contest!





CAREER EXPOSITION

Manufacturing and Trades

Discover exciting career paths in manufacturing and the trades! Join us and explore opportunities in **Advanced Manufacturing, Robotics, Electrical, Automotive, Marine Maintenance, Trades** and more.



Program Overview

- Panel discussion featuring LRCC professors, LRCC students, and industry leaders
- Tour of LRCC with hands-on exhibits
- Vendor exposition with local manufacturing companies
- Lunch provided (for schools only)

Register Now!



Questions?
Contact Steve Tucker
stucker@ccsnh.edu

Date

October 31

Times

Middle Schools:
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

High Schools/CTE:
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Public:
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location

Lakes Region
Community College
(LRCC)
379 Belmont Road,
Laconia, NH



Hope Ministries Annual

Harvest Supper

Saturday Oct. 18th

Settings at 5:00 and 6:30

Adults \$18

Children 12 and under \$8

Featuring Bean Hole Beans

also all-you-can-eat

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Carrots, Rolls Pumpkin or Apple Pie

First United Methodist Church

Rt. 11A Gilford (18 Wesley Way)

For reservations call 603-524-3289

If office is closed, leave a message with name and phone number



HELP MAKE HALLOWEEN MAGICAL FOR EVERY CHILD



We are collecting new and gently used Halloween costumes at Belknap House in support of fellow nonprofit, S.C.A.R.E. New Hampshire.



Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of October 20th!

Laconia's Irish Heritage Exhibition

Don't Miss It!

Discover the strength of this close-knit community, founded on unwavering faith and loyalty to friends, whose lives were devoted to serving Laconia.

On display until December 19th

Laconia Public Library

www.laconiahistory.com



**See you at Laconia
Pumpkin Festival
Next Weekend!**





Get Ready to Carve! Join Us for the Laconia Pumpkin Festival

Get ready for a whirlwind of creativity and community spirit at the much-anticipated Laconia Pumpkin Festival! This family-friendly extravaganza is just around the corner, and we invite everyone to unleash their imagination and help craft a stunning showcase of pumpkins. Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 25, in Downtown Laconia. Let's come together to celebrate the magic of autumn... pumpkins, laughter, and unforgettable memories await!

Everyone is invited to carve pumpkins—families, schools, civic organizations, businesses and you! Our community-hosted event needs your help collectively carving pumpkins to be displayed. This year in Downtown Laconia we are bringing back the huge pumpkin tower holding 900 pumpkins which will be located in Veterans Square.

Important Pumpkin Details:

- Your carved jack-o'-lanterns can be dropped off on Friday, October 24th on Beacon St. East near the City Hall parking lot from 10 am to 6 pm
- If you have pumpkins that need to be placed in a certain order (spelling out a message or name, etc.), please number them on the back using a Sharpie.
- Pumpkins on the tower will be lit electronically—no candles required!

Join the Celebration!

Don't miss out on the fun! Join in on Saturday, October 25 from 11 am to 8 pm as Downtown Laconia is transformed into a Fall wonderland filled with pumpkins, lots of music, delicious food, craft vendors, an amazing laser show to end the evening, and fun for all ages!

For more information about Laconia Pumpkin Festival, go to [Laconia Pumpkin Festival](#) or follow along on [Facebook](#).



Are you registering to vote in a local election?



If your name has legally changed, for example through marriage, divorce, adoption, or a court-approved name change, remember to bring additional documentation that shows how your name has changed from what appears on the voter checklist.



New Hampshire Secretary of State

David M. Scanlan

For more info, visit: <http://www.sos.nh.gov/.../registering-to-vote-in-new...>

The last day to register to vote or make changes in the Laconia City Clerk's Office is Tuesday October 28, 2025.

New registrations and changes after October 28th will have to be made at the polls on Election Day. Election Day is November 4, 2025; the polls are open 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM. Questions? Please contact the Laconia City Clerk's Office at [603-527-1265](tel:603-527-1265).

July 18, 1918 -
December 5, 2013



"It always seems impossible until it is done." -Nelson Mandella

SAVE THE DATE

Meredith Village Savings Bank Presents
A Night of New Beginnings

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

This evening will feature dinner, dancing, and an online silent auction to help raise funds for New Beginnings - Without Violence and Abuse.

BELKNAP MILL
25 BEACON STREET EAST
LACONIA, NH 03246

WWW.NEWBEGINNINGSNH.ORG/GALA

Sponsored by Sons of the American Legion

MEAT
Raffle

Saturday, October 18
1pm

The American Legion Post 1
849 North Main St. Laconia

2025



AMENITIES & LANDMARKS

- PUMPKIN TOWER
- PHOTO TOWER
- INFO BOOTH
- ATM
- RESTROOMS
- PARKING
- STAGE
- FOOD
- BEER TENT
- LODGING
- MEDICAL
- PEDESTRIANS ONLY

EVENTS & ATTRACTIONS

Laconia
LIFE ON THE LAKE

LEGACY

HOME | COMMERCIAL | LUXURY | CONCOURSE



1

GREAT NEW ENGLAND
CRAFT & ARTISAN SHOW

2

PICTIC AREA

3

FOOD VENDORS

4

AMUSEMENTS

5

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

6

TRAIN RIDES

7

PUMPKIN ART EXHIBIT

8

9 HOLE MINI GOLF

9

CAR SHOW

10

VENDORS

11

CORNHOLE

12

KIDS ZONE

LACONIA PARKS AND RECREATION

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 25TH, 2025

IN THE HECTORS PARKING LOT
BAGS FLY AT 11:30AM

\$60
PER
TEAM
CASH OR
CHECK

PRIZES
FOR TOP
TEAMS

Think
you've got
the best toss
in Laconia?
Prove it!

REGISTER NOW!
CONTACT LACONIA PARKS AND
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PUMPKINFEST DOUBLE ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT



Laconia Kiwanis 2025 Fuel Raffle



Sat, Sep 20th, 2025 through
Sat, Nov 1st, 2025
12:00 AM - 12:00 PM EDT



Laconia Kiwanis
Laconia, NH



Buy tickets
online

Event Details

The Laconia Kiwanis Club is holding a \$1,000 Home-Heating Fuel Raffle to raise funds to help serve our mission of serving the Greater Laconia Area's children

Fuel type is selected by the winner (Natural Gas, Propane, Oil, Pellets, etc.) and funds will be paid directly to the fuel company of their choice!

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!!

All tickets will be sold virtually for \$10
(plus a small processing fee - @\$11.50 total)
at <https://laconiakiwanis.ticketleap.com/2025-fuel>

The winner will be drawn on November 1st at 6 p.m. - or when all tickets are sold if earlier - via FaceBook Live on our Kiwanis Facebook Page.

The mission of the Laconia Kiwanis Club is to empower our community to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children. Our vision is to have a positive influence in our community so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them and provide the support they need to thrive. We do this through service and by also by providing financial support to many local programs in the Lakes Region such as Central NH VNA's Young Children Priority One program, Got Lunch! Laconia, The Boys & Girls Club of the Lakes Region, the Salvation Army, the Lakes Region Scholarship Foundation, and our local Elementary Schools through our Kiwanis KARES® program. These programs are just a handful of a myriad that the Laconia Kiwanis Club support. YOUR participation in this raffle will have a direct impact on these programs as well.

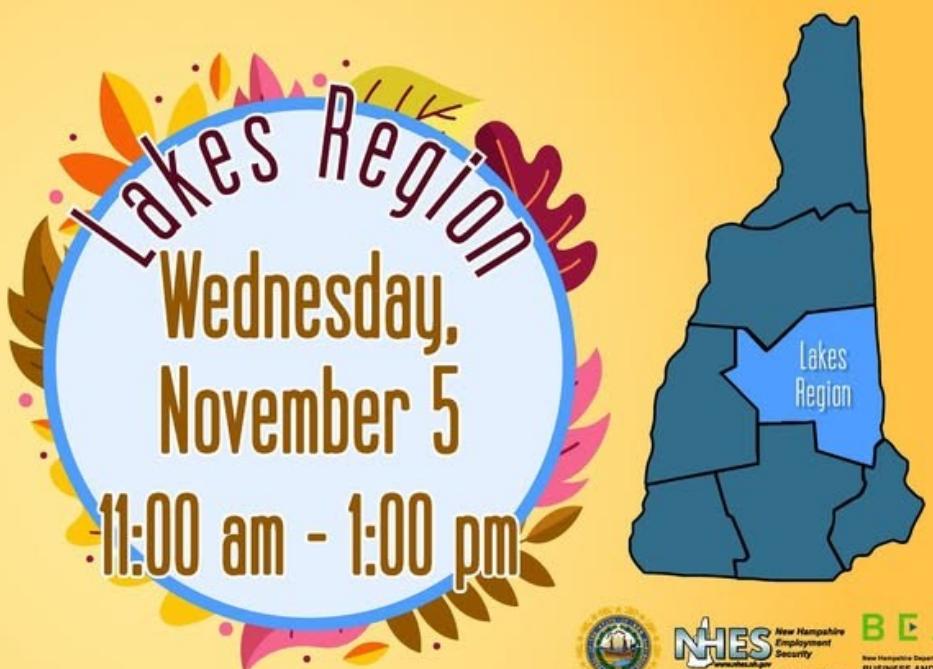
Thank you for your support!

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**Regional
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Employers and
Job Seekers must
register to attend

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to register!



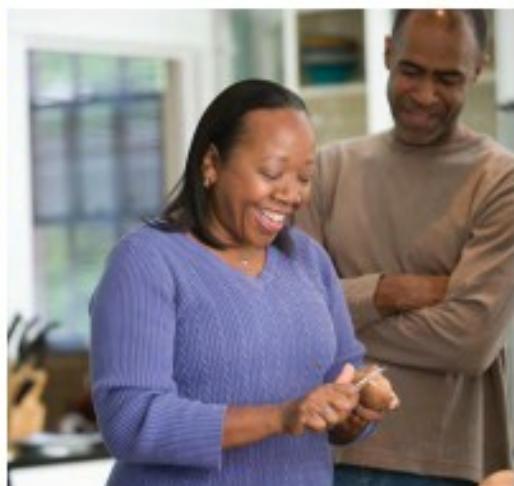
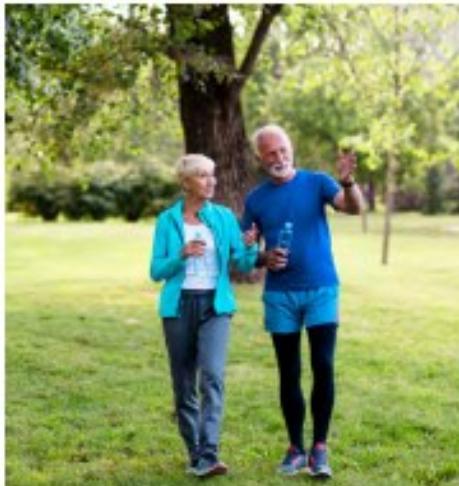


Take Charge of Your Health!

LIVING WELL WITH CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS



University of
New Hampshire
Extension



Are you ready to put *life* back into your life?

Gain the confidence and real-life skills needed for living a full, healthy life with chronic conditions!

If you or someone you care for has a chronic health condition such as diabetes, asthma, arthritis, COPD, depression, or hypertension this workshop is for you!

In this program you'll:

- Discover problem-solving strategies to deal with fatigue, pain and frustration
- Uncover physical activities that work for you
- Understand appropriate use of medications and how to evaluate new treatments
- Discover how healthy eating can improve your condition
- Improve ways to talk with your family, friends and healthcare providers about your health
- Benefit from the support and encouragement from others also living with chronic health conditions



REGISTER

bit.ly/TakeChargeHealth2

The University of New Hampshire Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. UNH, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and New Hampshire counties cooperating. Direct inquiries to unh.civilrights@unh.edu.

Workshop Dates

Tuesdays 1:00 - 3:30 PM

October 21, 28 & November 4, 11, 18, 25

FREE - Virtual workshop

Workshop Info

- A series of 6 weekly sessions
- For NH residents only at this time
- Each 2½ hour session builds on the previous week
- Full participation in the 6 weeks is highly encouraged

Contact Us

Melissa Lee
melissa.lee@unh.edu
(603)255-3716

If you need an accommodation to participate in our programming, please contact Melissa Lee, melissa.lee@unh.edu and 603-255-3716 prior to the event. Given ample time, we will make any reasonable effort to meet your needs, including language access services if requested, which will be provided free of charge.



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER
(603) 524-7689



2025 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Activities are subject to change* *Suggested Donation \$3 per meal		9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10—Adult Coloring 11:30—Meatball Stroganoff	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Ping Pong & Corn Hole
6	7	8	9	10
10—Foot & BP Clinic by Granite VNA *By Appointment 10:30—Games/Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10 - Activities Meeting 11:30 - Beef Soft Taco	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 - Franklin VNA BP Clinic & Presentation 11:30—Tuscan Chickpea & Sausage Soup	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10:30 —Coffee Social
13	14	15	16	17
Closed for Holiday <i>Columbus Day</i>	10:30—Sports Team Day!! 11:30—Breaded Fish w/Tartar	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	9:30—Crafts w/Mona 11:30—Breaded Chicken Nuggets	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Adult Coloring
20	21	22	23	24
10:30—Games/ Cribbage 11—Walking Group	10:30 —Pumpkin Decorating 11:30— Chicken Parmesan	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	11:30—Shepherds Pie 12:30—Ping Pong & Corn Hole	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10—Set up for Pumpkin Festival *(Sat: 11-3)*
27	28	29	30	31
10—Movie & Snack 	10:30— 10 Ways to Love Your Brain (Granite VNA) 11:30—Chicken Broccoli & Rice	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 10-12 Prize Bingo	10:30 —Sugar N' Spice by Senior Companions 11:30—Fingers & Toe Nuggets	9-9:45 Strength & Balance w/Jena 11:30—Halloween Pizza Party




THANK YOU
VETERANS
HELP LHS HONOR VETERANS

Donate to DAV- Disabled American Veterans and your donation will go toward creating a field of flags for Veterans Day.
 Each flag represents one veteran.

TO HELP SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW OR GO TO:
<https://support.dav.org/participants/LHSSachems2025>







The Municipal Election is November 4, 2025! Please click on the images on this page to view important election information and sample ballots for each ward.

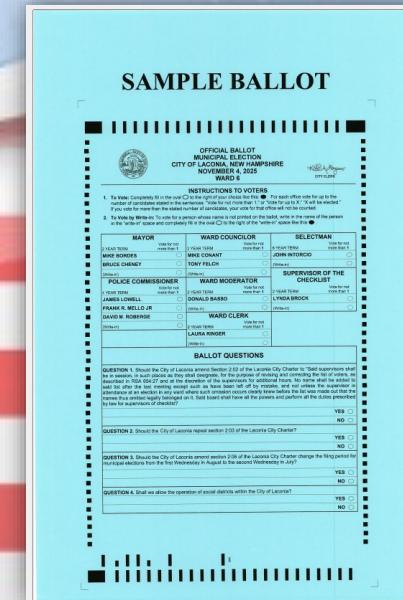
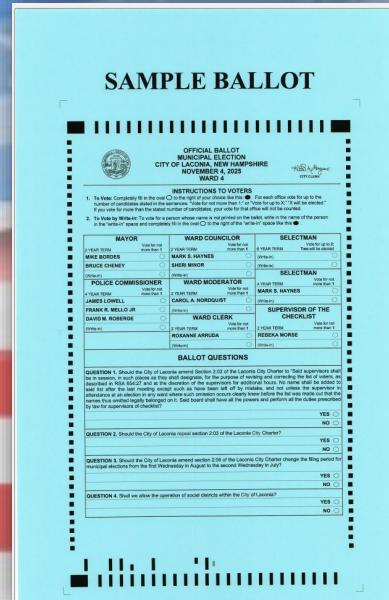
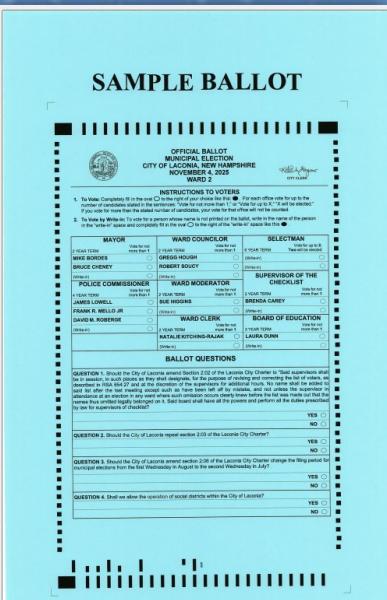
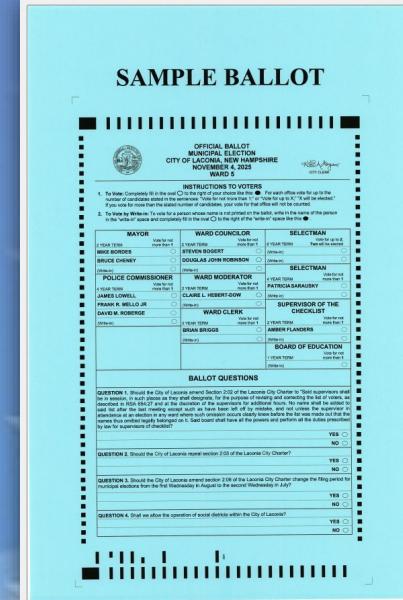
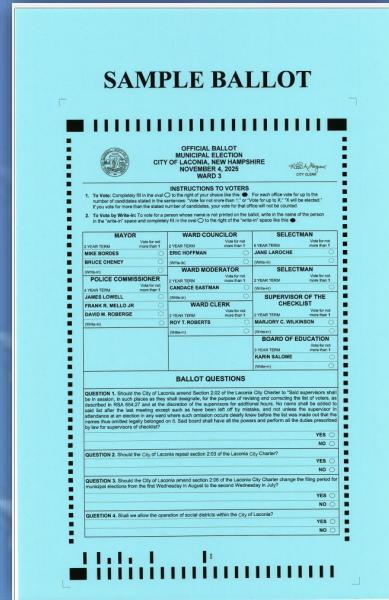
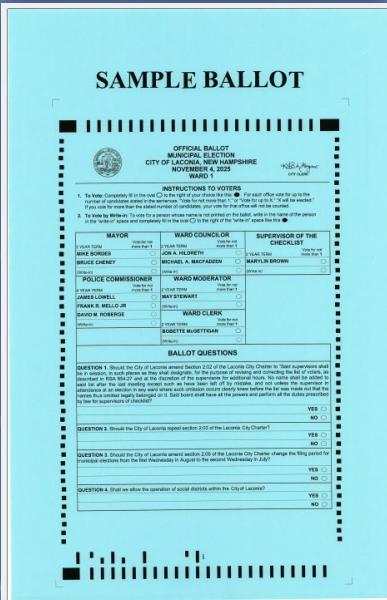
The seal of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, featuring a central shield with a Native American figure holding a bow and arrow, surrounded by a circular border with the text "SIGILLUM REIPUBLICÆ MASSACHUSETTENSIS" and the date "1780".

LACONIA

November 4, 2025

November 4, 2020

Questions? Please call the City Clerk's Office at **603-527-1265**.



Laconia City Clerk, Secretary of State Provide Laconia Voters with Important Information on Election Law Changes

Effective September 30, there are additional requirements related to absentee voting and absentee registration.

CONCORD, NH (September 30, 2025): New Hampshire Secretary of State David M. Scanlan and Laconia City Clerk Katie Gargano remind Laconia voters and individuals who qualify to register by absentee or to vote absentee of important election law changes that take effect on September 30, 2025.

Absentee registration changes

Effective September 30, any individual registering to vote by absentee for a qualified reason must provide proof of their U.S. citizenship and age in addition to domicile and identity with their registration application.

Individuals in New Hampshire can register to vote by absentee due to temporary absence or physical disability. More information on the process is available on the [Secretary of State's website](#).

Absentee voting change

Effective September 30, registered voters who request an absentee ballot must show proof of their identity to receive their absentee ballot. If sending their absentee ballot request by mail, the voter must include a copy of their photo identification or a notarized signature on their absentee ballot application form. If the voter is obtaining their absentee ballot in person, they must show their city or town clerk photo identification (digital proof is also accepted) or a notarized signature on their absentee ballot application form.

The deadlines to request absentee ballots remain the same. Voters must request their absentee ballots by 5 p.m. in person the day before an election or by 12 p.m. the day before the election by mail or email.



Celebrate the magic of Pumpkin Festival 2025 with a keepsake you'll treasure year after year!

603 Artistry, LLC has designed exclusive 15 oz ceramic coffee mugs featuring the City of Laconia's official logo paired with a festive fall design that captures the warmth, tradition, and community spirit of the festival.

These mugs aren't just for coffee or cocoa—they're a symbol of the way our community comes together each October to light up Main Street, share traditions, and make memories with friends, neighbors, and family.

Presale Information

Be part of the excitement early! Mugs are available for presale (\$10/each) at the Laconia City Manager's Office leading up to the festival. Get yours before they sell out and show your support for local artistry and community pride.

Join us in celebrating the bonds that make Laconia shine—one mug, one memory, and one pumpkin at a time.



COLONIAL THEATRE
Laconia

Come join Spectacle Live and The Colonial Theatre at the Laconia Pumpkin Festival, for some free family fun! Located in the heart of the festival, our doors will be open with fun activities for all ages.



coloniallaconia.com
@colonialtheatrelaconia

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25
11AM - 8PM

MOVIE SHOWINGS

ARTS & CRAFTS

CONCESSIONS OPEN

OPEN HOUSE TO EXPLORE THE HISTORIC THEATRE



PRESENTED
THROUGH THE
GENEROSITY OF
OUR PARTNERS:





COLONIAL THEATRE
Laconia



MOVING SHOWINGS

AT THE COLONIAL THEATRE DURING THE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL



HALLOWEENTOWN
1:00PM



HOCUS POCUS
3:30PM



The ADDAMS FAMILY
6:00PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 | FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL!

PRESENTED THROUGH THE GENEROSITY OF OUR PARTNERS:



Green to Go!



FROM nh healthy families.

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HealthFirst
Family Care
Center

2 DATES!

Franklin and
Laconia Locations

Green to Go!
offers fresh
fruits, vegetables
and lean meat at no
cost to communities
throughout
New Hampshire.

THURSDAY
OCTOBER
16
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (or while supplies last)
HealthFirst Family Care Center
841 Central Street
Franklin, NH 03235

THURSDAY
OCTOBER
30
11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (or while supplies last)
HealthFirst Family Care Center
22 Strafford Street, Suite 1,
Laconia, NH 03246

Resources available to
the public at no cost
to you:

- Easy, affordable recipes
- My Plate guide to nutrition
- Lead-Free Me! Youth lead poisoning awareness resources
- Spin the Prize Wheel and win prizes!

Next
month
Marketplace
Open
Enrollment
begins!



Don't miss it!

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1-844-265-1278
(TTY 1-855-742-0123)

4TH ANNUAL

FALL IN WITH



603 UNITED

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH
AT BEANS & GREENS FARM



245 INTERVALE RD, GILFORD, NH 03249
REGISTRATION STARTS AT 12:00 PM & BAGS FLY AT 1 PM

CASH PRIZES | RAFFLES | MUSIC | FOOD | CASH BAR

• \$60 PER TEAM - \$70 PER TEAM DAY OF

• 4 GAMES GUARANTEED

• 2 DRINK TICKETS PER TEAM

CASH PRIZES:

COMPETITIVE - 1ST PLACE: \$603

BACKYARD - 1ST PLACE: \$300

REGISTER AT 603UNITED.ORG AND ON THE SCORHOLIO APP

ABOUT US

603 UNITED IS A NEW NONPROFIT THAT STANDS BY: "LIVE UNITED AND BE INCLUSIVE". OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE SOCIAL INCLUSION ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS 18+ WITH AND WITHOUT AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.

603 UNITED IS DEDICATED TO CREATING A COMMUNITY THAT FOSTERS HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, AND INCLUSION WITHIN THE LAKES REGION

ALL OF THE PROCEEDS ARE TO BENEFIT
603 UNITED A 501(C)(3)

FOR ANY INQUIRIES OR QUESTIONS PLEASE REACH OUT TO CASSIE AT (603)600-3225 OR CASSIE@603UNITED.ORG



LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL PUMPKIN DROP-OFF

WHEN: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH
WHERE: BEACON STREET EAST
TIME: 10AM - 6PM

WE NEED YOU TO CARVE PUMPKINS FOR THE BIG TOWER!
IF YOUR PUMPKINS NEED TO BE PLACED IN AN ORDER,
PLEASE NUMBER THEM IN SHARPIE ON THE BACK.

QUESTIONS?
CALL PARKS AND RECREATION AT
524-5046

LACONIA PUMPKIN FESTIVAL



**Help is here, it's for you.
There are lots of ways
to get connected.**

Confidential, no cost to you.
Connect to someone 24/7.

**Call or text
988**
Suicide & Crisis Lifeline



A STRONGER YOU.
A STRONGER
NEW HAMPSHIRE.



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 ...

'Casino' Square, Laconia, and the Busy Corner store are seen in late 1931. The Lefebvre Block is under construction, on Union Avenue, at left. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

The Lefebvre Block was mentioned, in last week's 'Our Yesterdays' as soon to become a branch of Smokers Haven. The apartment house in the distance at right, in the earlier photo, burned, Dec. 5, 2003. CVS opened in 2010 and the Busy Cover store was torn down in April 2016. (Michael Shine/The Laconia Daily Sun)

Annual Art Auction

Your winning bids support local artists

and

50% of auction proceeds support mental health services

Scan the QR code below or

visit: BiddingForGood.com/LRMHC/LRMHC-2025

 Online Bidding is LIVE October 15-29th



BID NOW!



Pictured on left is "Out To Dry" by E. Helene Pierce;
top right is untitled by Linda Hanrahan;
bottom right is "Last Slice" by Amuri Morris.

...and so many more!



Lakes Region Mental Health Center

603-524-1100

lrmhc.org

40 Beacon St. E. Laconia, NH
81 Highland St. Plymouth, NH

Make a crown before the
Little Mermen and the Princess Pals
concert!

11am to 1pm in the Kids Zone



Sponsored by Kiwanis and the Belknap House



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



3RD ANNUAL

CREEPY CRAWL

Downtown Trick Or Treat event

WHERE?

Main St. Laconia, NH
(Main, Canal, Beacon, Veterans SQ.)

WHEN?

October 18th
5-7PM

PARTICIPATING
BUSINESS



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.

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

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

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

Franklin
VNA & Hospice



Our delivery of Laconia Pumpkin Festival T-Shirts has arrived!

If you would like to purchase one (or more!) before the event they will be available in the City Manager's Office in Laconia City Hall.

We have youth shirts with the graphic on the front in sizes youth small, medium, large and extra-large.

The adult t-shirts have the logo on the front and the graphic on the back. We have adult sizes small to XXX-large.

The cost per shirt is \$15, payable either in cash or check made out to "City of Laconia".

The t-shirts will also be available for sale at Laconia Pumpkin Festival on October 25th in downtown Laconia. Look for our Information Booth at the head of Main Street!

All proceeds will benefit the Laconia Pumpkin Festival. Questions? Please call the City Manager's Office at [603-527-1270](tel:603-527-1270).

City of Laconia

Laconia City Hall
45 Beacon St. East
Laconia, NH 03246
www.laconianh.gov
info@laconianh.gov



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

SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center
[\(603\) 528-6945](tel:(603)528-6945) is the first number
to call for senior services!



Medicare Open Enrollment has begun! Plans can change each year, and so can your health needs. If you've been diagnosed with a new condition or have an upcoming surgery, now's the time to make sure your plan still works for you. Click the image (left) for more information!

Upcoming Meetings

Week of October 20 - 24

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:**

Gov't Ops & Ordinances
October 21, 2025, 2:30 pm

Library Trustees
October 23, 2025, 5:30 pm
[Agenda](#)

Downtown TIF Advisory Board
October 22, 2025, 9:00 am
[Agenda](#)

Parks & Rec Commission
October 20, 2025, 6:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Technical Review Committee
October 21, 2025, 10:00 am
[Agenda](#)

Trustees of the Trust Funds
October 20, 2025, 2:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Water Commission
October 20, 2025, 5:30 pm
[Agenda](#)

Weirs TIF Advisory Board
October 22, 2025, 2:00 pm
[Agenda](#)

Zoning Board of Adjustment
October 20, 2025, 6:30 pm
[Agenda](#)

CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below
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Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing	603-527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk	603-527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager	603-527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement	603-527-1293
Codes Director - Joe Gray	
Conservation	603-527-1264
Conservation Technician - Grey Draper	
Economic Development &	603-527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
Finance	603-524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing	603-528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	603-524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	603-366-2229
Library	603-524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation	603-524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel	603-524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning	603-527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director - Rob Mora	
Police (Administration)	603-524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	603-524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office)	603-528-6379
Public Work-Transfer Station	603-528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax	603-527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water	603-524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare	603-527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	
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Mayor Charlie St. Clair	603-387-5944
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1)	603-491-8946
Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	603-524-3605
Robert Soucy (Ward 2)	603-524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3)	603-803-3425
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	603-528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	603-998-1418
General Council E-mail: citycouncil@laconianh.gov	

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