

*May 24, 2024 - Edition #639*

The Kiwanis Bike 'n Board Safety Day was held on Saturday, May 18. See page 8 for more photos.  
(photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)



## *National Public Works Week is May 19-25, 2024!*

Please take this opportunity to thank all of our hardworking Public Works employees here in the City of Laconia for their work and the impact they have on our daily lives by keeping our community running smoothly. It is because of their dedication in completing daily tasks, ongoing and never-ending maintenance and repairs, planned projects, providing emergency response, long hours and work behind the scenes that makes Laconia an amazing community. They are the heart of our City. Please recognize their contributions and thank them for all they do!

## *Welcome to Laconia Links!*

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



**UNH NH BUILD A BETTER MOUSETRAP COMPETITION**

**ROAD TAPE MACHINE**  
CITY OF LACONIA

**OVERVIEW OF THE INNOVATION:**

During Bike Week in Laconia, the public works team lays down traffic tape on Lakeside Avenue, to make parking in the middle of the road for motorcycles and changing the traffic pattern for motorcycle's only.

The team worked together and used an old broken line striping machine stripped down to its frame, old kart wheel, bolts and nuts, and fabricated pieces of steel that were left over from other projects. The road tape machine hooks onto their Graco LineDriver HD ride on attachment.

Previously they laid down the tape by hand, now with their innovation a four hour job takes one hour. Their innovation helped them keep all of the lines that were laid down straight.

**BENEFITS:**

There are time and labor cost savings. The road tape machine was created using materials they already had, including a broken line striping machine. They developed this idea as a team with the mechanics, supervisors, and with the line striping point crew. The Laconia team constructed a plan of action, worked together and came up with a solution getting their road marking tape machine completed. The machine produced nice straight lines with the tape, keeping road users safe during bike week.

UNH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER

**2024 BUILD A BETTER MOUSETRAP**

Innovation Competition

UNH T2  
BUILD A BETTER MOUSETRAP

The UNH Technology Transfer Center sponsors a yearly "Build a Better Mousetrap" competition in which teams compete to build an innovative gadget, improve how a job or task is done or implement a change with a positive impact to the community or their workplace. This year the Laconia Department of Public Works was recognized for their creation of a road tape machine which will help greatly in marking parking and changing traffic patterns for Laconia Motorcycle Week. Congratulations to the entire team!





**LACONIA**  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

# MAY 27-JUNE 1

**MON 5/27**

**LIBRARY CLOSED**



**TUE 5/28**

**Drop-In Tech Help**  
**@10am**

**WED 5/29**

**Toddler Time**  
**@10am (babies-3)**

**Drop-In**  
**Tech Help @2pm**

**THU 5/30**

**Fiber Arts Group**  
**@10am**

**Preschool Pals**  
**@10am**  
**(ages 3-6)**

**FRI 5/31**

**SAT 6/1**

**For descriptions and more, visit our online calendar!**

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email: [info@laconialibrary.org](mailto:info@laconialibrary.org)

[Sign-up for our monthly email newsletter](#)



Visit our  
[website for all](#)  
[our Library](#)  
[events.](#)

**Library Hours**

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

*Goss Reading Room Closed*



# Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!



## UPCOMING Community Connection Programs



Saturday, 10 am-12:30 pm

### Buttercream Floral Cupcakes with Chef Allen

Spring has sprung and flowers abound! In this cupcake decorating class you will learn the basics of buttercream flower piping, how to use a petal tip, flower nail, and tips and tricks to make your flowers the prettiest bouquet!

May

25

2024

**SAVE THE DATE**



Saturday, 10 am-3 pm

### 14th Annual Harvest Festival

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

Sept

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Saturday, 12-1pm (Must Register Beforehand)

### Discovery Tour

Discovery Tours are a one-hour, **free** overview of all that Prescott Farm has to offer. You will see and hear how our team expands participants' understanding and appreciation of the natural world through a variety of programs promoting education, social connections, and wellness.

June

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2024

Additional programs, series, and registration details

**prescottfarm.org**

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





**Keep Your Teen Driver SAFE**

Is Driver's Ed on your teen's summer to-do list?

Start the conversation early with your teen to shape them into a safe and capable driver.

- ✓ Always buckle up — passengers, too.
- ✓ Keep eyes on the road and hands on the wheel.
- ✓ Follow all traffic signals.
- ✓ Limit passengers.
- ✓ Never drive while impaired.

## Resident Beach Stickers!



Resident beach stickers for Bond Beach or Weirs Beach are now available at the City Clerk or Tax Collector offices! Two stickers per household, \$15 each (or \$25 for two if purchased at the same time). Please bring your vehicle registration with you.

A beach pass will allow you to use Bond Beach (the City's resident and taxpayer-only beach), and to park at Weirs Beach parking lot for free, provided there is space available.

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



### **CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing**

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **May 28, 2024** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**ORDINANCE 2024-194-24 (1) – AMENDING  
CHAPTER 194, SOLID WASTE ARTICLE III,  
DUMP AND DISPOSAL FEES**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



**REDUCE  
REUSE  
RECYCLE**

**Curbside  
recycling  
will be picked  
up the week  
of June 3!**







## National EMS Week is May 19 - 25

In 1974, President Gerald Ford authorized EMS Week to celebrate EMS practitioners and the important work they do in our nation's communities.

National Emergency Medical Services Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to honor the dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's frontline. EMS providers put it all on the line to deliver urgent, life-saving care to people in our community. They work long hours routinely to keep other families whole, and risk their own lives and health. They are a beacon of hope in some of life's toughest moments to let us know we're going to be okay. Please take a moment to thank our Laconia's EMS workers for all that they do to keep our residents, visitors and entire community safe and healthy.

*Thank you*



## INTRODUCTION TO GARMENT KNITTING

**Saturdays\* 2:00pm-3:30pm**

**6 week series begins June 1st**

In this introduction to garment knitting class, you will be knitting a short sleeve top that is perfect for spring using authentic Belknap Mill yarn!

*Requirements: Some basic knitting skills will be needed such as casting on, knitting, purling, knitting in the round on circular needles, and binding off.*



**Register at [belknapmill.org/classes](https://belknapmill.org/classes)**



# STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2024

Student Council elections were held at Laconia Middle School on May 23. A total of 275 students participated from the 6th and 7th grade. Kudos to Social Studies Teacher Cathy Baylus and Consultant Bob Champlin for putting this all together! Thanks as well to the Ward 3 election workers and City Clerk Katie Gargano. What a great experience for our students!



L-R Cathy Baylus 7<sup>th</sup> grade LMS Social Studies Teacher, Peggy Selig Ward 3 Assistant Moderator, Bob Champlin SAU, Karen Champlin, Candace Eastman (Ward 3 Moderator), David Stamps Ward 3 Supervisor of the checklist, Neil Eastman Ward 3 Election Worker, Katie Gargano City Clerk. (not pictured Marcia Hayward, Ward 3 Selectperson)



Ballot Box made by the LMS Art Teacher



Stickers handed out to all the voters



6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students waiting to check in



David Stamps handing out the ballots



Polling place set up





## *News From the Tax Dept...*

### **PROPERTY TAX BILLS WERE MAILED MAY 23**

Property tax bills will be mailed on May 23rd. They are due on July 1st.

Payments are accepted [on-line](#), by mail or at the counter in City Hall during our normal business hours which are Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

For your convenience there is also a drop slot located on the side door of City Hall.

We can accept credit cards for payments at the counter and online.... Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover are accepted.

Convenience fees apply to all credit card and on-line transactions.

Please call the Tax Office at 603-527-1269 if you have any questions.

*Follow this [link](#) to our  
Tax Department  
for more information.*

MEMORIAL DAY  
REMEMBER AND HONOR

Although there will not be a Memorial Day Parade this year, please plan to join us at Veteran's Square on Monday, May 27, 2024 at 11:00 am for a brief ceremony to honor all military personnel who have lost their lives while serving our country.

**Save the date!**  
*upcoming mobile food pantry*

**Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 12:00-2:00**  
*(while supplies last)*

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

The NH Food Bank will bring truckloads of food to distribute to families and individuals.  
No proof of income or residence is needed. This is a drive thru event.  
All items will be distributed to you in your vehicles.

Sponsored by  
caring neighbors.



# Bike 'n' Board Safety Day



**Kiwaniis**  
LACONIA



As always, our sincere thanks to W. Stephen Loughlin for providing these photos!





# Assessing

## Property Tax Credit Forms

DP-8 forms are now available in the Assessing Office in City Hall. Please feel free to stop by to pick up a form, or call the Assessing office at 603-527-1268. The deadline for filing the form is June 30. You can also fill out the form by clicking [here](#). This form applies to Low/Moderate income homeowner's property tax credit. This program is offered by the State and refunds the State education tax portion of the tax rate to qualifying property owners.

Call the Assessing Office at 603-527-1268 with questions or for additional information.



## Heat can escalate quickly.

Warm temperatures can quickly become dangerous. Heat is one of the most deadly weather hazards — don't underestimate it.



**NEVER** leave people or pets alone in a closed car



Drink plenty of water, even if you don't feel thirsty



Wear loose-fitting, light-colored clothing



Spend time in air conditioning and in the shade



weather.gov



As we head into the warmer summer months, please always be aware of the dangers of excessive heat.

Click on the image above for helpful tips on staying safe!

### Mark Your Calendars:

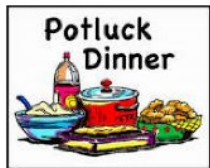
**VFW Auxiliary Post 1670**

**Laconia, 143 Court St**

**Friday, June 7th – 6pm**



**Come Join us for a Night of Fun!!**



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**We will be offering a Potluck for all of you that join us**  
\*\*\*\*\*



**Chef Mark will have the Kitchen open with amazing food too!**



Queen of Hearts drawing will be at 7pm



~Raising money for our Veteran & Community Projects~

"Thank you so much for your Support"



**Laconia City Hall Will Be Closed On Monday, May 27, 2024 in observance of Memorial Day.**

*We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.*





**SCHEDULED REGULAR SHOWS AT WEIRS BEACH**

Saturday, July 20, 2024 ..... 9:30 PM  
Sponsorship Available

Saturday, August 3, 2024 ..... 9:30 PM  
Sponsorship Available

Saturday, August 17, 2024 ..... 9:30 PM  
Sponsored by TIKI HUT BOATS of NH and HALF MOON ENTERPRISES

All regular shows are 12-14 minute displays, shot from a barge

**RAINDATES\***

Saturday, August 10, 2024, at 9:30PM

Sunday, September 1, 2024, at 9:30PM

These dates are tentative, and will only occur if a previous show is cancelled.

\*Rain date announcements will be posted on the [Weirs Action Committee Facebook page](#). When the weather is questionable for a show date, please check our Facebook page for the most up-to-date information about whether the show will be held, rescheduled, or cancelled. For additional information, please check the fireworks website at [www.weirsbeachfireworks.com](http://www.weirsbeachfireworks.com).



*The City Manager presented an overview of the proposed 2024/2025 Fiscal Year budget to the City Council at their meeting on April 22, 2024.*

Individual departments will present their budgets as follows:  
May 28, 6pm: Water, Planning and Code  
June 3, 6pm: Police, Public Works & Fire  
June 10, 6pm: Finance and Administration

All meetings are open to the public and we encourage and appreciate your input. Meetings are held in City Hall in the Armand A. Bolduc Council Chamber. We hope to see you there! Please click [here](#) to view the budget on our website.





## Laconia Multicultural Festival

**Laconia Multicultural Festival Presents  
Dogs From Around The World**

**As part of the International Flag Parade**

Join us on Saturday September 7<sup>th</sup> in downtown  
Laconia at 10:00 am to celebrate our international canine family  
members!

Registration/release forms attached.  
Questions please contact Ann Saltmarsh at

[saltmarsh2@comcast.net](mailto:saltmarsh2@comcast.net)

To register online, please visit the Laconia Multicultural Festival website:  
<http://laconiamulticulturalfestival.org>

Meet at the Bank of New Hampshire Parking Lot at 9:30 am. Parade route goes  
from parking lot to Pleasant Street to Hanover Street and down Beacon Street  
East to Rotary Park.

Only hard 6'-8' leashes allowed. NO RETRACTABLE LEASHES.  
Dogs must be under owner control at all times.

**PLEASE be courteous and be sure to clean up after your dog. Thank you!**



This year's Multicultural Festival will be here  
before you know it! And again this year you won't  
want to miss the "Dogs From Around The World"  
parade as part of the International Flag Parade.

We are looking for participants and their furry  
friends - if you have questions, please contact  
Ann Saltmarsh at [saltmarsh2@comcast.net](mailto:saltmarsh2@comcast.net).

To register online, please visit the Laconia  
Multicultural Festival website [here](#).

Registration and release forms are available as  
shown below:

[Registration Form](#)  
[Release Form](#)

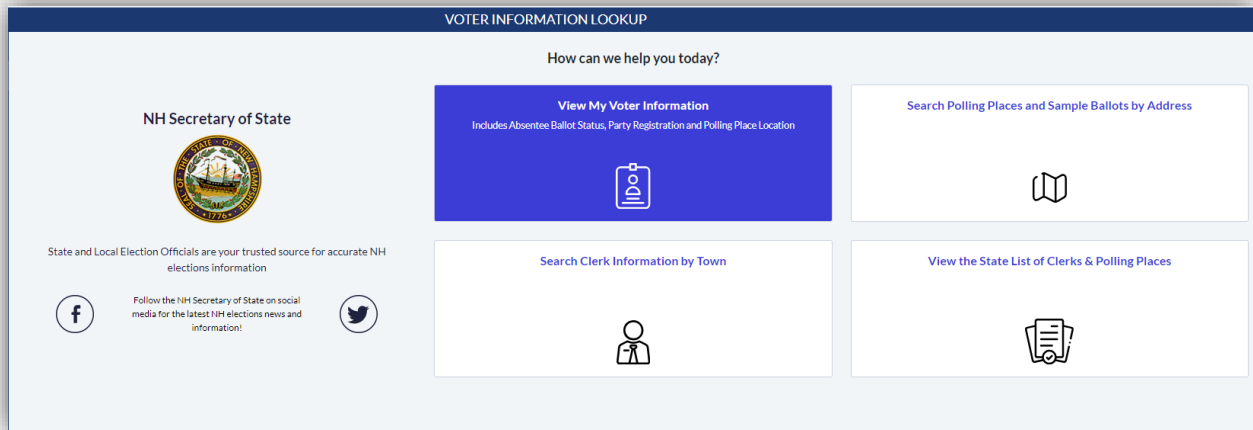
We hope you can join us!



## Election News

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR PARTY AFFILIATION IS? To check, please visit:

<https://app.sos.nh.gov/viphome>



If you wish to change your Party Affiliation, please come to the Laconia City Clerk's Office during regular business hours with your Photo ID. No Party Changes can be made after June 4, 2024, until after the State Primary on September 11, 2024

June 5-14, 2024 State Filing Period



## PARKING ENFORCEMENT IN WEIRS BEACH BEGINS

Beginning Saturday, May 25, 2024 vehicles parking in the public parking spaces on Lakeside Avenue and in the Endicott Rock Park parking Lot must pay to use the parking spaces. Parking in this area is "pay by space". Please ensure that you know your parking space number as the parking kiosks will ask for that information.

The parking fee on Lakeside Avenue is \$2/hour and \$2.50/hour in the Endicott Rock Park parking lot. (Parking stickers are available for purchase by Laconia residents for Endicott Rock Park beach parking lot and Bond Beach. Please see [page 4](#) for more information on the beach stickers.







**Laconia Senior Center 603-524-7689**

## MAY 2024 ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>*Calendar is subject to change</b></p> <p><b>*See other side for Thursday's Congregate meal menu</b></p>		<p><b>1</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10:00am- Men's only coffee hour</p>	<p><b>2</b> <u>Wear your Kentucky derby hat day!</u> 10-11:15am: Fraud prevention with Meredith Village Savings Bank 11:30am- Congregate</p>	<p><b>3</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p><b>6</b> 10-11:00am-<u>Foot and Blood pressure Clinic - Granite VNA *By Appointment*</u> 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p><b>7</b> 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p><b>8</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10-11:00am- <u>Activities committee meeting</u></p>	<p><b>9</b> 9:30-10:30am- <u>Mother's Day Brunch</u></p> <p>11:30am- Congregate meal</p>	<p><b>10</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 11:00- cooking 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p><b>13</b> 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 9-12:00pm- Board Games 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p><b>14</b> 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p><b>15</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 11am-12:00- National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day- bring your favorite recipe to share</p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:30-11:30- <u>Franklin VNA blood pressure clinic</u> 10:00- Strategic Caring Solutions Talk 11:30am- Congregate meal</p>	<p><b>17</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p><b>20</b> 10-12:00pm- Corn Hole 9-12:00pm- Board Games 1:00pm- Walking Group</p>	<p><b>21</b> 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p><b>22</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:00am- Artfully Aging Art class with Partnership for Public Health</p>	<p><b>23</b> 10:00am- Book club and swap 11:30am- Congregate meal</p>	<p><b>24</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>
<p><b>27</b>  <b>The center is closed for the holiday.</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 9-10:00am- Ping Pong 9:30-11:30am- Bingo 11:45 Congregate</p>	<p><b>29</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u></p> <p>10am-12:00- Corn hole games</p>	<p><b>30</b> 11:30am- Congregate meal 12:30pm- May birthday celebration</p>	<p><b>31</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ</p>

**TIME FOR LUNCH**

Click [here](#) for our Thursday Lunch Menu Offerings. Every Thursday at 11:30 am!



The manholes and many catch basins on North Main between the railroad tracks and Oak Street are in the wheel ruts. The impacts from the truck and other traffic have damaged the mortar in the bricks and they have settled enough to create a bad situation that will just get worse. Part of the problem is the impact of traffic on the structures before the mortar cures. For this reason, we will be trying something different this time when we work on these structures.

The week of May 27, we will be closing the section of North Main Street between the railroad tracks and Oak Street for 24 hours. During the first day of work, a contractor will raise all the structures and use a mortar with an accelerator in it to cure the mortar overnight. During the following day, the contractor will pave around the structures and the road will be reopened.

Residents who live on the road will be able to access their property by using Lyford, Parker and Harvard Streets. This will enable us to shut down North Main to thru traffic during the curing period. Emergency vehicles will still have access if required.

The exact dates have not been finalized as the contractor is ensuring they have enough crew to meet that timeline. The two time periods targeted at this time are Wednesday/Thursday (May 29 and 30) or Thursday/Friday (May 30 and 31).



# 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 ...

The Old Tucker House on Mill Street, with Beacon Street glimpsed at left, is seen around 1890, just before it was torn down. Originally the home of Daniel Avery, who had come here around 1790, it was one of the oldest houses in the city. Daniel Tucker was one of the owners of the Avery Mill, which began operating as early as 1813 on the site now occupied by the Belknap Mill, built in 1823. Tucker also owned a blacksmith shop next to the river. The large business block at left had been built by merchant, and later mayor, Samuel B. Smith in the late 1800s. (Laconia Public Library)



## ... AND NOW

The Tucker House site became part of a series of parking lots, the most recent created during the city's Urban Renewal Program of the late 1960s-early 1970s, as part of the new City Hall and Busiel Mill Parking Lot. The Smith wooden block was home to the Laconia Furniture Co., 1914-1926, and became the newsroom and editorial offices of The Laconia Evening Citizen in the 1950s. It was torn down during Urban Renewal. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)



## ADVENTURES IN LACONIA REAL ESTATE

Weeks' career has been marked by his involvement in numerous high-visibility transactions. His direct involvement in rehabilitating the Laconia Passenger Station and the Downtown Revitalization Program truly showcases his impact on the growth of Laconia. The interior core parking lot he designed and promoted in the 1980s stands as a testament to his vision and the transformative power of his work.

Steve is a seasoned professional who has witnessed and navigated various local real estate market fluctuations. During his presentation, he will provide valuable insights into the ever-changing real estate market, allowing him to offer a comprehensive perspective on its evolution.

Free and open to the community.


### TUESDAY


 4 JUNE 2024

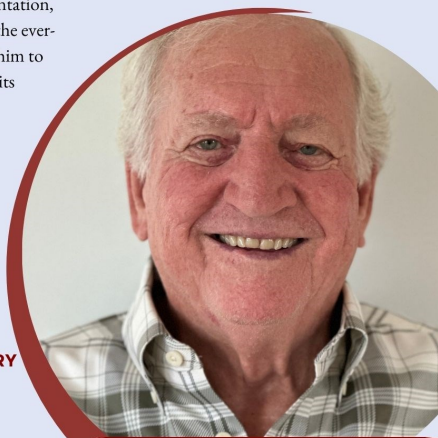
 AT 6:00PM

 LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY



 603-527-1278

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



**Steve Weeks, Sr.**  
*Presenter*

DOWNTOWN GYM &  
TRAINING CENTER PRESENTS...

# Spring Fling!



Friday, May 31st | 7-10pm  
Dancing, Nibbles & Cash Bar  
at the Conference Center  
on Blueberry Lane  
\$25 admission

All proceeds benefit the  
Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction



Scan the QR code to the right to register  
[DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM](http://DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM)  
603-581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH



## Youth Play Golf and Disc Golf at Bolduc Park for Free!

Teens and kids over 8 years old can play golf and disc golf for free on Sunday, June 9 from 1 - 3pm at Bolduc Park, 282 Gilford Avenue on the Laconia/Gilford town line.

Instruction and equipment will be provided. Kids under 14 must be accompanied by an adult who can also play at no charge. It is necessary to preregister. Send an email to [jvano@ppnh.org](mailto:jvano@ppnh.org) at Laconia Youth Alliance to request registration.



Laconia Youth Alliance is teaming up with Bolduc Park for this event. Laconia Youth Alliance, a program of the Partnership for Public Health, is a community effort to prevent youth substance abuse. Studies show that youth involved in healthy recreation are less likely to engage in substance abuse.

Bolduc Park is supported by the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction in a mission to introduce youth to golf and disc golf and provide an affordable place for all ages to play.

Call Bolduc Park at 603-524-1370 for more info about this event and other opportunities for golf lessons.





**June 1-2**

**PLAY FESTIVAL**

PRESCOTT FARM, LACONIA  
FREE Event

MORE INFO & RSVP ON OUR WEBSITE

[www.powerhousenh.org/playfestival24](http://www.powerhousenh.org/playfestival24)

**MEMORIAL DAY  
Solid Waste Collection Delay  
NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON  
CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES**

Memorial Day is celebrated Monday, May 27th. There will be a **ONE-DAY DELAY** in curbside collection of trash and recycling during the week of Memorial Day. Monday's collections will be on Tuesday; all other days' collections will be moved ahead by one day.

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

Please note that the Transfer Station will also be closed on Monday, May 27th.

**NH GIVES**

**JOIN US!**

JUNE 11-12<sup>TH</sup>  
5PM - 5PM

[NHGIVES.ORG](http://NHGIVES.ORG) #NHGIVES

Our 4 step process to help us during NH Gives

- 1 Find us on NH Gives and select fundraiser & Become a fundraiser for 603 United
- 2 Click "Manage Profile" at the top of the following page. You'll be directed to GiveGab - this is the same log-in that you just created from NH Gives
- 3 Personalize your fundraising page! Make it unique! Add photos, tell your story for why you support and believe in 603 United
- 4 SHARE! Post on your social media, email, text, and blast your personal link to meet your goal!

**THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING TO  
HELP US DURING NH GIVES**

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT  
[NHGIVES@603UNITED.ORG](mailto:NHGIVES@603UNITED.ORG)

**Lakes Region Mental Health Center**

**Annual Art Auction**

Show your support for  
**Mental Health Awareness Month**

View the art in person inside participating businesses listed on our website or attend the Open House.

Ready to make your bid? Scan the QR code next to the item or visit [BiddingForGood.com/LRMHC](http://BiddingForGood.com/LRMHC)

**May 1-31 Auction**

**BID NOW!**

603-524-1100 [lrmhc.org](http://lrmhc.org) 40 Beacon St. E. Laconia, NH  
81 Highland St. Plymouth, NH





## Soft Plastics and Styrofoam Recycling & Pet Food Collection Saturday, June 22nd

The Universalist Unitarian Society of Laconia, together with the Laconia-Gilford Lions Club, is collecting clean soft plastics and Styrofoam in front of the church at 172 Pleasant Street in Laconia from 11am until 1pm on Saturday, June 22 (NOT May 18 as originally planned). Dog and cat food will also be collected for the Community Action Food Pantry.

To help our neighbors and our environment, please bring the clean soft plastics (and Styrofoam!) you've been saving for proper repurposing.

Please see below for Styrofoam items that will be accepted and not accepted.

We are grateful for your continuing enthusiasm to remove plastics from landfills and in support of our efforts to help one another!



Join us at the Belknap Mill, 25 E. Beacon St., Laconia NH on Thursday June 13, from 10 AM to 4 PM

### Ruler Round Robin –

Would you like to learn how to *quilt your OWN quilts* on your Domestic Machine? Even if you already can quilt, there's no doubt that almost everyone can still learn new tricks! During this upcoming workshop we will practice using RULERS while QUILTING a sandwich or quilt top!

Here is Adele Scott's description of her most popular workshop:

"After learning set-up, we will explore some of the different patterns available with your Westalee Sampler Set. Leave with a confidence and knowledge base to start quilting real quilts without the hours of practice! Review students have the option for different designs if they'd like. A good foundation for all ruler-work students. Many take this more than once to absorb all the info and increase their design library." Please see sample quilt designs below:



How many rulers do you own that you haven't used yet? Have you wanted to try a ruler without buying it to make sure you like it? Everyone can try Adele's rulers or bring your own. We'll learn all the tricks, tips and products to be successful and not frustrated! Optional kits will be available, or bring your own fat quarter quilt sandwiches.

The workshop fee for non-members is \$49.00.

Please reach out to the Belknap Mill Quilters Guild Program Chair, Cheryl Kantor-Goldenberg, via email at [Twin2th29@gmail.com](mailto:Twin2th29@gmail.com) to sign up or have any questions answered!







# WIN THIS HARLEY!

## 2024 Harley-Davidson FLTRX Road Glide®

### Features:

- Whiskey Fire with black trim.
- Restyled fairing and LED headlight.
- Upgraded 117 Cubic Inch Milwaukee Eight Engine.
- 12.3 inch touchscreen Infotainment system.
- 200 watt infotainment with Fairing Speakers
- Brembo anti-lock brakes.



Only a limited number  
of tickets sold!\*

(Maximum 5000)

**\$20 each**

Need not be present to win.

**BUY YOUR TICKET HERE**



SCAN ME

Harley-Davidson pictured is for advertisement purposes only and may not be color or equipment delivered

\*Participation in this raffle acknowledges acceptance of the Raffle Terms and Conditions as posted on [LaconiaRotary.org](http://LaconiaRotary.org)

All net proceeds raised will go towards Laconia Rotary Club's Charities, Lakes Region Rotary Foundation (fiscal agent).

**Drawing is the last Sunday of Motorcycle Week - 4:00pm**

**Purchase your tickets at [www.laconiarotary.org](http://www.laconiarotary.org)**

## Join us at the Belknap Mill!

### BELKNAP MILL FIBER ARTS CIRCLE

**2ND TUESDAY  
OF THE MONTH  
1PM-4PM**



**Bring your projects!**  
25 Beacon Street East



**4TH SATURDAY  
OF THE MONTH  
10AM-1PM**



### HAND SPINDLING WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 29th 10am-1pm

Hand Spindling is a fun and easy way to explore the fiber arts.  
In this 3 hour workshop participants will learn the basic Spin and Park  
method of hand spinning wool fiber.



Bring your own spindle & fiber or purchase your supplies at the workshop

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

Introduction to Garment Knitting on Sat.  
afternoons begins in June at the Belknap  
Mill. Knit a short sleeve top using authentic  
Belknap Mill yarn! Basic knitting skills  
needed such as casting on, knitting, purl-  
ing, knitting in the round on circular  
needles, and binding off.

To register visit: [belknapmill.org/classes](http://belknapmill.org/classes)







## GET INVOLVED WITH ELECTIONS YOUR WARD NEEDS YOUR HELP!!

Current Openings for the upcoming Elections:  
**Supervisor of the Checklist: (Register New Voters)**

Ward 2

**Selectmen: (Assist Moderator, Count Ballots)**

Ward 2

Ward 5

**Ballot Clerks: (Check in Voters, Hand out Ballots)**

Ward 2

Ward 5

Please contact the City Clerk as soon as possible for more information about these positions. Call the City Clerk's Office at 603-527-1265 or email [cityclerk@laconianh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@laconianh.gov). Must be a registered voter and a resident of the Ward.

Ward 2 votes at the in the Gym at St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall at 31 Gilford Ave.

Ward 5 votes at the in the Gym at Woodland Heights Elementary School 225 Winter St.

### **2024 Election Dates & Polling Hours:**

New Hampshire State Primary Election September 10, 2024, 7am-7pm

New Hampshire State General Election November 5, 2024, 7am-7pm



# DYEING YARN WITH FOOD COLORING WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 8th 10am-1pm

\$20

**No registration required**

Learn how to dye yarn using food coloring! Fun for ages 12+



VFW Auxiliary Post 1670

Laconia, 143 Court St

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

## THE TALL GRANITE BIG BAND

**MAY 25, 2024**

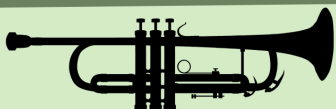
POTLUCK WELCOME AT 6 PM

BAND STARTS @ 7 PM

\$10 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

*This 18 piece band is based in Concord, and is dedicated to Swing and danceable jazz!*

To Benefit Laconia VFW Post 1670



## THE RED HAT BAND

THREE PIECE CLASSIC ROCK BAND

**VENUE:**

LACONIA VFW 1670

143 COURT ST. LACONIA

**SAVE THE DATE**

SATURDAY

JUNE 8, 2024 @ 7PM

**\$10 PER PERSON**

POTLUCK WELCOME AT 6PM





# City of Laconia

Laconia City Hall  
45 Beacon St. East  
Laconia, NH 03246  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)  
[info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



CITY HALL HOURS:  
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	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ...	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) .....	366-2229
Library .....	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation .....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel .....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning .....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director Rob Mora	
Police (Administration) .....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) .....	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station) ..	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax .....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water .....	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare .....	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

### City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer .....	496-2078
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1) .....	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2) .....	524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3) .....	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4) .....	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5) .....	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6) .....	998-1418

General Council E-mail:

[citycouncil@laconianh.gov](mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov)

Visit the City's website at:

[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)

## SENIOR RESOURCES

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

**EXPANDED**  
financial assistance  
to pay for drug costs



[Medicare.gov/ExtraHelp](https://www.Medicare.gov/ExtraHelp)



If your income for 2024 is below \$23,000 (\$31,000 for married couples), you may qualify for lower or no prescription drug costs. Many people qualify for Extra

Help with Medicare Part D (drug coverage) and don't even know it. It could pay to find out! Click the image above for more information.



## City Meetings

Week of:  
May 27 - May 31

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

### **Laconia City Council - Special Budget Meeting**

May 28, 2024, 6:00 pm

### **Laconia City Council**

May 28, 2024, 7:00 pm