



# Welcome to Laconia Links!



September 5, 2025 - Edition #702

View of the Mt. Washington in Weirs Beach  
(photo compliments of View From Above NH)

## Welcome to Laconia Links!

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



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



**TONIGHT**

**SOCK HOP**

**10AM-7PM FREE MUSEUM ADMISSION**

**5PM-7PM MEET THE ARTIST RECEPTION: MARCIA SANTORE**

**5PM-7PM CLASSIC CARS**

**5PM-7PM \$5 ROOT BEER FLOATS**

**6PM-8PM CONCERT WITH ROCKIN DADDIOS**

[www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org)

# UPCOMING LIBRARY PROGRAMS

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
THU 9/11	Preschool Pals @10am - Best for ages 3-6.	KID
THU 9/11	The Secret Lives of Moose @6pm - with Joe Callanan	ADULT
FRI 9/12	Move & Groove @10am - Best for ages 6 and under.	KID
SAT 9/13	Family Craft @10am - Foil Stickers!	KID
MON 9/15	Sensory Storytime @10am - Best for ages 0-6.	KID

 **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



# 10K & 5K RUN / WALK



FUELED BY



Propane & Oil Since 1932

## OCTOBER 25TH

OPECHEE PARK, LACONIA

Cash Prizes for Winners/Course Records & Delicious Age-Category Prizes



Register by October 10<sup>th</sup> to Receive a Long-Sleeve Event Shirt!



Best Costume & Largest Team Challenge!

SPONSORS



Information & Registration at

**WOWTRAIL.ORG**



## 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](mailto:info@franklinvna.org)

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

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

Franklin  
VNA & Hospice



## 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)



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.



SPONSORS:

Belknap Tire & Auto Repair • Bruce & Barbie Carter • Concord Hospital Medical Staff  
Concord Hospital Medical Staff - Franklin & Laconia • Lakes Region Airport Shuttle, LLC.  
Stewart's Ambulance Service • Bonnette, Page & Stone, Corporation • Granite State Glass  
Pike Industries, Inc. • New Hampshire Ball Bearings, Inc. • Veronica Rosa & Family



Concord Hospital Medical Staff • Concord Imaging Center • Concord Orthopaedics  
Merrimack County Savings Bank • Stewart's Ambulance Foundation

Daymark Solutions, Inc. • Harvey Construction Corporation • New Hampshire Distributors  
Northeast Delta Dental Foundation • Sanel NAPA • Sulloway and Hollis  
Davis & Towle Insurance Group • Denison Hall • JP Morgan Chase & Co. • M&T Bank/Wilmington Trust  
Prime Buchholz • Radiation Oncology Associates • Speedy Printing & Copying



Members of Laconia's historical preservation community, Kevin Switala from the Belknap Mill and Lois Kessin from the Laconia Heritage Commission, gathered with many others last weekend to celebrate the opening of The Archives, the new history museum at the Laconia Historical & Museum Society on Water Street in Laconia.

The doors will be open again this Saturday, September 6th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for the official community opening!

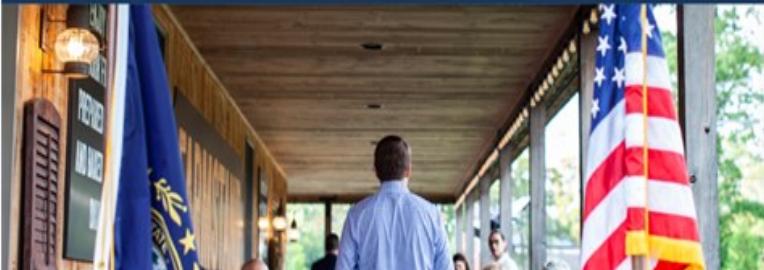


Tuesday, September 9, 2025 - 10:00 am to Noon

## 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 1st CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



mythical figure, or the essence of an animal—while embracing the abstract and symbolic. Each piece invites viewers to explore and interpret, to feel and reflect. “I make paintings. I love color and movement,” says Santore. “Art is an act of communication between artist and viewer. No artwork is really complete without viewers bringing their own experience to their perception of a piece.”

Originally from Texas and now based in Plymouth, New Hampshire, Santore’s work has been exhibited in solo, group, and juried shows across the U.S., and is part of public and private collections both nationally and internationally. She brings to her practice a wealth of experience not only as a painter but also as a curator, writer, and arts advocate.

Join us for an Opening Reception on Friday, September 5 from 5–7 PM, where guests can meet the artist, explore the exhibit, and enjoy refreshments in the beautifully restored historic setting of the Belknap Mill.

This special event is part of Free First Friday at the Mill, featuring free museum admission all day and a Sock Hop in the Park with the Rockin' Daddios starting at 6 PM. It's an evening of art, music, and community fun you won't want to miss! For more information, visit [www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org).



Steve Loughlin, a Director at the Kiwanis Club of Laconia, NH, produces a monthly newsletter for the Club, “Laconia Kiwanis Kronikle”.

To read the most recent issue and see what our local chapter of Kiwanis is up to, click [here](#).

### Belknap Mill Museum Presents: *Color in Motion – The Art of Marcia Santore* Exhibition Opening Friday, September 5, 5pm-7pm

The Belknap Mill Museum is delighted to present “*Color in Motion – The Art of Marcia Santore*,” a new solo exhibition celebrating the vivid, expressive, and thought-provoking work of contemporary painter Marcia Santore. The exhibition will be on view from September 3 through September 27 in the museum’s Riverside Art Gallery.

Santore’s paintings use bold color, layered texture, and image-based abstraction to evoke a sense of motion, mystery, and emotional depth. Her work often hints at the familiar—an imagined landscape, a



# 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



Local nonprofit organizations that provide support to local children and their families in need are encouraged to apply for funding if they:

Hold tax-exempt status under Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code and/or public agency status.  
Serve Greater Lakes Region's children in need.

Numerous fundraising events in the Lakes Region throughout the year support the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction, including a four-day signature event every December. In the past four decades, the organization has distributed more than \$9.2 million to over 80 nonprofits that serve low-income families and children in the Lakes Region.

For more information on how to apply and the kinds of organizations funded, visit [childrensauction.org](http://childrensauction.org).



## Mental Health Symposium

Thursday, 10/22/25

9:00AM - 3:30PM

@LRCC

379 Belmont Rd.  
Laconia, NH

Registration  
\$75 Member  
\$95 Non-Member



This event will bring together people in business, education, and the community for a day of mental health education and discussion.

### EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Keynote by Judge John Broderick
- ★ 6 Break Out Sessions
- ★ NAMI Panel: Stories of Power, Hope, and Healing
- ★ Networking
- ★ Lunch!

LEARN MORE AND  
REGISTER NOW

92% of workers prioritize employers who support mental health and well-being. Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) has revealed significant wellness concerns about our youth. This event will provide you with expert insights, valuable resources, and strategies to strengthen your work and create a positive impact in your role and community.



[LRCC.edu](http://LRCC.edu)

## Deadline Nearing for Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction Funding Requests

*Application deadline is Oct. 15*

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is accepting applications for funding until October 15. Details and an online application are available at [childrensauction.org](http://childrensauction.org).



Light up your community with this bag.



**shaw's**

Spread some light and love with this \$3.00 reusable Give Back Bag. Every time this bag is purchased at our selected Shaw's store during our benefiting month, our organization will receive a \$1 donation.

[shaw's.2givelocal.com](http://shaw's.2givelocal.com)



GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS  
Reusable Bag Program



## Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Throughout September, when you purchase a reusable GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag for \$3.00 at the Shaw's located at 96 Daniel Webster Highway, Belmont NH, \$1 will be donated to us! Now is a great time to add to your reusable bag collection.



**NAMI** New Hampshire  
National Alliance on Mental Illness

FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
Deb Jurkoic  
[djurkoic@NAMINH.org](mailto:djurkoic@NAMINH.org)  
603-568-3583



## **NAMI BASICS**

**Virtual**

FREE educational program for parents & other family caregivers of children & adolescents with emotional & behavioral difficulties.

### Program Highlights

- Understand the illnesses causing behavioral difficulties and the critical role families play in treatment.
- Taught by NAMI Basics Education Program Leaders who are also the parents/family caregivers of individuals who experienced emotional or behavioral difficulties prior to age 13.

**Six-Week Virtual Course  
Starts October 6!**

(October 6 - November 10)

**Mondays, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.**



**FREE REGISTRATION:**  
[tinyurl.com/NAMIBasicsVirtual](http://tinyurl.com/NAMIBasicsVirtual)



## 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

**ROCK STEADY  
BOXING**  
**LAKES REGION**

**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/RSBLAKESREGIONFORPARKINSON5K](http://RUNSIGNUP.COM/RACE/NH/LACONIA/RSBLAKESREGIONFORPARKINSON5K)

**DWN  
TWN** THE DOWNTOWN GYM & TRAINING CENTER  
WHERE YOU TRAIN FOR LIFE!

**DOWNTOWNGYMLACONIA.COM**  
603 581-9392 | 171 FAIR ST. LACONIA NH




## **CALL FOR ARTISTS— PUMPKIN FESTIVAL ART EXHIBIT**



**Belknap Mill Museum**  
Where Art and History come to life!  
25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246  
[www.belknapmill.org](http://www.belknapmill.org)

Calling All Artists – We Need YOUR Art! The Belknap Mill is excited to host a special laconiapumpkinfestival -themed art exhibit this October—and we have space available for more amazing artwork! We're looking for photography, paintings, fiber art, and more that capture the spirit of past Pumpkin Festivals and the magic of all things pumpkin. Whether it's glowing jack-o'-lanterns, cozy fall scenes, or vibrant festival moments—we want to showcase YOUR creativity!

All mediums welcome! Submit by Sept. 19, 2025. Email submissions to: [info@belknapmill.org](mailto:info@belknapmill.org). No fee to participate. Be part of the fun during one of Laconia's most festive weekends—Pumpkin Festival is October 25!

## **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025! LIVE PEACE DAY! ALL ARE INVITED! POWER CHORDS AND LOCAL ARTIST TO PARTICIPATE IN LIVE PEACE DAY!**

This is a day devoted to expressing peace through the sharing of music, visual arts, culture, and communication. It is part of a global initiative inspired by the United Nations and PEAC Institute (<https://www.peacinstiute.org/pauseforpeace>).

This global Pause for Peace Festival concert has been planned hoping to bring billions from around the world together through cultural music and to feel the transformative power of human connection. Please join us on

Saturday, October 4th, 9am to 4pm at the UCC Congregational Church of Laconia, 18 Veterans Square, Laconia.

Thank you to the following local musicians, who will preform the Live Peace Concert through the day! K. Robert Bengtson; Jazz Sanctuary house Band with Rev. Emilia Halstead; Suzuki Children's String Orchestra, Director, Sue Ann Erb; Bristol UCC Joyful Noise Ukulele Band, Director, Debbie Doe, and the Power Chords, Director, Lorraine Barrows! In addition, we'll hear from Dr. Jaylene Bengtson, local artist, of how the visual arts can bring awareness and inner peace.

Come for all or part of the day! Lunch will be available for a donation and very much appreciated. Donations received will help defray the cost of the day, with a portion going to support the PEAC Institute (<https://www.peacinstiute.org>)



# Blood Drive



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

**Granite VNA - Laconia**

**780 North Main Street  
Opechee Room**

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

**PLEASE HELP & DONATE!**

PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE OUR

## 4TH ANNUAL *Hospice Ball*

DINNER, DANCING,  
LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

NOVEMBER

SATURDAY 1 5PM-10PM

2025

NEWFOUND LAKE INN

Tickets on sale now  
<http://franklinvna.org/hospice-ball/>

**MILE FOR  
MENTORING**

**2025 Race & Fun Run**

Presented by CRAWFORD SOFTWARE

Mile for Mentoring is a 1-mile charity race and fun run benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH. With a fast and scenic course running through the ski resort, runners, joggers, & walkers will be able to try and put up a fast time, or enjoy the fall foliage of Gunstock Mountain. All while supporting youth mentoring!

**Sunday October 5th**

**Gunstock Mountain Resort**

**17 Cherry Valley Road, Gilford, NH 03249**

**Race Start at 9:30am**

**Race timing by** Millennium Running

**SCAN TO REGISTER**



**Want to see your business at our race? Sponsorship opportunities available!**



Proceeds support Big Brothers Big Sisters of NH and the youth mentoring programs they provide free of charge to all youth in need!

**BBBSNH.ORG** **TKNEUER@BBBSNH.ORG** | 603.256.5132

@BBBSNH

# 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.

## Pumpkin Carving Party

for the Laconia  
Pumpkin Festival!

October 23  
5 - 7 PM  
at Canine  
Connection

BYOP or \$10  
for pumpkin &  
carving supplies

## LAKES REGION COMMUNITY SERVICES

Engage. Empower. Inspire.



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!



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.



# Veterans' Bucks

Extending your food purchasing power at the:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Funded By



Smarter Banking. Easier Living.



  
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 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 10:30 - Hannaford Diabetes Presentation 11:30 - Shepherd's Pie			<b>Activities are subject to change*</b> <b>*Suggested Donation \$3 per meal</b>

# 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!



**BEA**  
Business and  
Economic Affairs

**BEA**  
Business and  
Economic Affairs



# Parenting Journey in Recovery



Addiction is complicated and difficult to overcome.

Parents and caregivers in recovery face the additional challenge of building strong, positive relationships with their children while maintaining sobriety, which can be both rewarding and daunting.

Parenting Journey in Recovery provides a valuable source of fellowship and support and enhances awareness of triggers that may bring about relapse.

Personal recovery, accountability, positive actions, and hard work are only some of the topics discussed by group members.

Participants in this class should have at least 90 days in recovery prior to the start of the class.



NAVIGATING RECOVERY  
of THE LAKES REGION



Thursday evenings  
6:00-8:00 pm  
14-Week Series  
begins  
Sept 11, 2025

**\*HYBRID COURSE\***

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

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.



The Linden  
Foundation



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.



**\*HYBRID COURSE\***  
Participants can choose to attend in person at our office  
719 N. Main St. Laconia, NH  
OR Virtually via Zoom  
For participants who attend evening classes in person, dinner will be served at 6pm and on-site childcare may be available if reserved at the time of registration.

**LRCS FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER**  
Engage. Empower. Inspire.

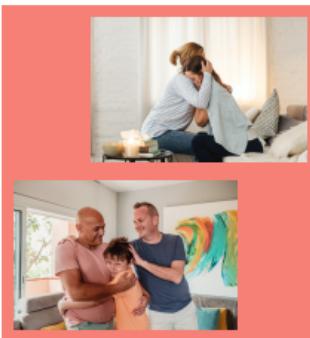
**Nurturing Skills:  
Developing Empathy & Self-Awareness**

**6-week series starting: Sept. 11, 2025**  
Daytime & Evening Classes Available!  
Thursdays 10-11:30am OR 6:30-8pm

Register at [www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration](http://www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration) or scan the QR Code:



This Nurturing Skills Module helps caregivers better understand what empathy is, how it can build connection, and why it is important in nurturing children. Topics covered include recognizing & understanding feelings, helping children learn to cope with uncomfortable feelings, the brain science behind stress, techniques for expressing anger, and healthy communication.



United Way Granite United Way  
NEW HAMPSHIRE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION LAKES REGION  
GREAT LAKES REGION CHILDREN'S AUCTION  
The Linden Foundation



**BLASTING NOTICE**

**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

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



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

# Lakes Region Mental Health Center

Promoting Healthy Minds Since 1966

## ANNUAL MEETING

October 28, 2025

6:00 PM

Lakeport Opera House  
781 Union Ave, Laconia, NH 03246

Let's celebrate **60 years of support!**

Open to the Public



**Event Details & RSVP:**



Appearing at:  
Laconia Pumpkin Festival  
October 25, 2025  
12 Noon

Photos by Dave Warrender



# PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Please see the Public Hearing Notices on this page which have been published in the Laconia Daily Sun. In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community. If you have questions regarding any Public Hearing shown, please call City Hall at 603-527-1270 and we will be happy to direct you to the appropriate department. Thank you for staying informed about what is happening in City government!



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **September 8, 2025** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

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

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **September 8, 2025** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**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



## CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **September 8, 2025** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**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

## LACONIA VFW POST 1670



# BATTLEZONE BOXING GRAND OPENING

555 MAIN ST. LACONIA NH  
10:00AM-2:00PM

♫ DJ POLO

RAFFLES & PRIZES

MEET & GREET  
OUR ATHLETES

OPEN WORKOUTS

FUNDRAISING EVENT FOR OUR NON PROFIT  
ORGANIZATION "BATTLEZONE BOXING  
COMMUNITY PROGRAM"

# 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 Moulton Opera House and O'Shea Department Store are seen, all decked out for some patriotic occasion in the late 1890s or early 1900s. The next building at left of the Opera House Block was the Furniture Department — later occupied by Laconia Hardware Co. until the late 1960s. Watereing trough for horses is seen in middle of the square. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



## ...AND NOW

The O'Shea and Laconia Hardware buildings were demolished during the city's Urban Renewal program of the late 1960s and early 1970s. The structure at far left, replaced in 1940 after a fire, by Melnick's Shoe Store and Clear Weave, was also razed during Urban Renewal. Today's Bootlegger's, Rent-A-Center and MC Cycle occupy part of the square, out in front of the earlier buildings — site of which is now a parking lot facing Beacon Street West. Prior to the city's Urban Renewal Program, Water Street connectd with the square between O'Shea's and the McIntyre Block, on Pleasant Street, at right. (Gabriel Perry/The Laconia Daily Sun)



# Lakes Region 2025 Household Hazardous Waste Collections



## Protect the Water Resources of the Lakes Region!

Residents and taxpayers of participating communities may bring up to 10 gallons or 50 pounds of household hazardous waste to one of our regional collection sites. All collection sites can be accessed by participants of designated communities.

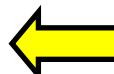
### Collection Sites and Dates throughout 2025

#### June 21, 2025 Collection 8:30am-12:00pm

Franklin DPW Garage (43 W Bow St.)  
Wolfeboro Product Facility (404 Beach Pond Rd.)  
July 26, 2025 Collection 8:30am-12:00pm  
Gilford DPW Garage (55 Cherry Valley Rd.)  
Meredith DPW Garage (17 Jenness Hill Rd.)  
August 2, 2025 Collection 8:30am-12:00pm  
Moultonborough HWY Garage (68 Hwy Garage Rd.)  
Alton Transfer Station (74 Hurd Hill Rd.)

#### August 28, 2025 Collection 2:00-6:00pm

Bristol Transfer Station  
(100 Ayers Island Rd.)  
September 20, 2025 Collection 8:30am-12:00pm  
Laconia Public Works Garage (27 Bisson Ave.)  
September 25, 2025 Collection 2:00-6:00pm  
Tuftonboro Transfer Station (20 Sargent's Crossing Rd.)



### Participating Communities in the Lakes Region

-Alton -Alexandria -Andover -Bridgewater -Bristol -Center Harbor -Franklin -Gilford -Gilmanton -Hebron -Holderness  
-Laconia -Meredith -Moultonborough -New Hampton -Sanbornton -Sandwich -Tamworth -Tilton -Tuftonboro  
Wolfeboro

#### **What you can Bring!**

##### **Yard and Garden**

- Herbicides
- Pesticides
- Pool chemicals
- Driveway sealer

##### **Household**

- Toxic art supplies
- Cleaning fluids
- Roofing tar

##### **Garage**

- Car wax
- Antifreeze
- Toxic vehicle fluids
- Gasoline & diesel
- Mixed fluids

##### **Workbench**

- Oil-based paint
- Stains & Varnishes

#### **What is Not Accepted!**

- Garbage/trash
- Batteries (of all types)
- Fluorescent Tubes and bulbs
- Tires
- Ammunition/fireworks
- Flares (boat & road)
- Asbestos
- Propane Tanks
- Smoke Detectors
- Radioactive materials
- Thermostats
- Mercury containing devices
- Ballasts
- Electronics

**No Latex or Acrylic Paint!**

#### **Questions???**

##### Contact LRPC Staff:

Matt Rose 603-279-5336

Dave Jeffers 603-279-5341

##### Email LRPC Staff:

Matt Rose [mrose@lakesrpc.nh.gov](mailto:mrose@lakesrpc.nh.gov)

Dave Jeffers [djeffers@lakesrpc.nh.gov](mailto:djeffers@lakesrpc.nh.gov)

##### Visit our website:

<https://www.lakesrpc.org/Pages/Index/228929/home/household-hazardous-waste>

Scan the QR code below:



# 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

## SENIOR RESOURCES

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

### Tips for Healthier Skin as You Age



Find more information about taking care of your skin:  
[www.nia.nih.gov/health/skin-care-and-aging](http://www.nia.nih.gov/health/skin-care-and-aging)

NIH National Institute on Aging

## Upcoming Meetings

### Week of September 8 - 12

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:**

#### Laconia Putnam Fund

September 8, 2025, 9:00 am

#### City Council

September 8, 2025, 7:00 pm

#### Laconia Human Relations Committee

September 9, 2025, 3:30 pm



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below  
must be preceded by 603)



Airport.....	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing.....	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager.....	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Codes Director - Joe Gray	
Conservation.....	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Grey Draper	
Economic Development &.....	527-1270
Housing - Director - Joia Hughes	
Finance.....	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing.....	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station).....	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station).....	366-2229
Library.....	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel.....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning.....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Director - Rob Mora	
Police (Administration).....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line).....	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office).....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station).....	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax.....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

#### City Council Contact Info:

Mayor (Vacant) .....	491-8946
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1).....	
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
General Council E-mail: <a href="mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov">citycouncil@laconianh.gov</a>	

Visit the City's website at:  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)