



Laconia Links

June 22, 2012 - Edition #37



Weirs Beach... Ready for Summer 2012!

Reminder!

Energy Forum Rescheduled to June 26th

Link to the Planning
Dept's website
click [here!](#)



City residents and businesses are highly encouraged to attend the Energy Forum on Tuesday June 26th from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the City Council Chambers. Participants will be asked to work together to help identify Laconia's Energy Future. RSVP's are encouraged and should be directed to Seth Creighton at the Planning Department by email at: creightons@city.laconia.nh.us or by phone at 603-527-1264.

Welcome to Laconia Links a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

*We look forward to
keeping you up to date
on our beautiful City!*



2012 Muskrats Baseball Clinic sponsored by Graham & Graham PC

The Laconia Muskrats are hosting a FREE baseball clinic on Saturday June 23rd at Robbie Mills Field from 9AM-Noon.

The Muskrats are teaming up with Graham & Graham PC of Laconia to provide a one day baseball camp free for all Lakes Region children.

The clinic is open to all children from ages 6-12

In addition to instruction by the Muskrats coaching staff and players all campers will receive: 1 ticket to that evening's Muskrat game against the Newport Gulls and a Muskrats baseball.

For more information please email: camps@laconiamuskrats.com

The Laconia Muskrats are a 501(c)3 organization that uses baseball for community enrichment.



NOTICE

LACONIA RESIDENTS ON CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES:

**TRASH COLLECTION ON WEDNESDAY
(4th), THURSDAY (5th) AND FRIDAY(6th)
DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 4th WILL
BE DELAYED BY ONE (1) DAY DUE TO
THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY**

**ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL
ANN AT 528-6379**

News From the Transfer Station!

We have been working diligently over the last several months to bring the convenience of multiple payment options to the users of the Transfer Station.

*MasterCard & Discover are now accepted
for payment of all materials!*

A 2.95% convenience fee (\$1.50 minimum) will apply to all credit card transactions. This fee is not retained by the City of Laconia and is paid directly to the credit card processing company.



Upcoming Meetings...

Meeting
in
Progress

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council.

Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website. You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda.

Meetings are open to the public....you are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

*Become involved in
your City
and make a difference!*

Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website. Click on a specific meeting for more information. Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

Land & Buildings Committee

June 25, 2012, 6:15 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Meeting Notice](#)

City Council Meeting

June 25, 2012, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

Energy Forum

June 26, 2012, 4:00-6:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200 A
(See article on Page 1)

MSP Meeting

June 27, 2012, 2:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

Board of Assessors

June 28, 2012, 5:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

City Manager Updates

A new, updated version of the [Monthly Economic Development Report](#) has been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City.

This report contains information pertaining to Laconia's unemployment rate and wages, as well as business and economic development partnerships.

We hope you find this report helpful and informative!

Contact the City Mgr's office at
527-1270, or
info@city.laconia.nh.us



Mark Your Calendar!

Watch the local newspapers and next week's *Laconia Links* for details on our annual 4th of July celebration!

This year's event will be held July 4, 2012 at Opechee Park, kicking off with a parade at 4:30 pm and continuing through the day and evening with family activities, concerts and fireworks at 10 pm!



Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

Dream Big
READ!

Please call the Library
at 524-4775
for more info

Register for the "Dream Big - Read!" summer reading program in the Kiwanis Children's Room starting Monday, June 25th. Don't miss out on all the fun!



Summer is Sweet: Bedtime Stories for Families

Monday, June 25th @ 6:30 p.m. in the Selig Storytime Room. Join us for some sweet stories. Free for families with children through third grade! Come in your jammies and bring a blanket for your favorite stuffed animal.

Laconia Farmers' Live Free and Eat Local Market

Opening Day, Saturday June 23rd!

Be sure to come out to the opening Day of Laconia Farmers' Market this Saturday, June 23 from 8-12. Meet your local farmers and shop from a wonderful selection of produce, baked goods, cheese, meats and seafood, soaps and crafts!

The Laconia Farmers' Market, in its 39th year, is dedicated to providing the Lakes Region with fresh vegetables, garlic, herbs, fruits, berries, natural meats, seafood, and delicious farmstead jams and jellies, baked goods, artisan breads, and a selection of unique handmade crafts. We offer Organic and Gluten-Free products too!

Experience our beautiful outdoor market, open every Saturday, beginning the fourth Saturday in June through the first Saturday in October. Market open rain or shine!

**Location: Beacon St. East, Laconia City Hall
Parking Lot, Laconia, NH
Market Opening Day - June 23rd, 2012
Hours of Operation: 8 am to 12 noon**



Laconia Police Department

2012 Motorcycle Week

[Link to Laconia
Police Dept.
Here](#)



This year's rally brought beautiful weather and large crowds to Weirs Beach and beyond. Officers from the Laconia Police Department, New Hampshire State Police and several other police departments patrolled the nine-day event. The Laconia Police Department would like to thank all of the officers, agencies and support staff that helped make the event a success!

Overall, the 2012 Motorcycle Week Rally was safe and orderly. Unfortunately, there was one motorcycle fatality on Roller Coaster Road, and several other serious accidents. A stabbing at the Weirs Drive-In was the most serious criminal event during the week. Although the crowds were larger than last year, attendees were very well behaved and friendly.

The following is a breakdown of arrests in the Weirs and Downtown from Friday, June 9th through Sunday, June 17th. The number of arrests associated with Motorcycle Week continues to decline, due to the efforts of law enforcement and the cooperation of most of the attendees. In 1998 there were 174 Protective Custody arrests in one night, this year there were a total of 108 arrests City-wide in nine days. The culture of "Bike Week" has changed from years past, resulting in more orderly crowds, fewer arrests and a decline in motorcycle fatalities. We expect this trend will continue in 2013.

Protective Custody - 58

Simple Assault - 4

Indecent Exposure - 1

Aggravated Driving While Intoxicated - 3

Driving While Intoxicated - 6

Possession of a Controlled Drug - 6

Fugitive from Justice - 1

Resisting Arrest - 1

Disorderly Conduct - 1

Habitual Offender - 2

Burglary - 1

Drinking in Public - 16

Unlawful Possession of Alcohol - 8



Total-108 arrests



**The men and women of the Laconia Police Department
look forward to the
90th Laconia Motorcycle Week Rally in 2013!**

Laconia Water Department

Please click [here](#) for the
Water Dept. website!

Project Update!



In order for the Water Department to keep its high standard of water quality and fire protection, the Department elected to relay the water line for Weeks Street/ Centenary Avenue/ Simpson Avenue. This project was intentionally divided into two phases due to location, time frame and the ability to provide temporary water during construction.

The Laconia Water Department recently finished the first phase of the water main relay project consisting of Weeks Street/Simpson Avenue. The entire project will consist of replacing the early 1930's six-

inch cast iron pipe with eight-inch ductile iron cement lined pipe starting from the railroad tracks on Weeks Street, continuing down Centenary Avenue and terminating just past Fiske Avenue. We also replaced 300 feet of four-inch cast iron pipe that started at the intersection of Weeks Street and went down Simpson Avenue.

In the initial phase there were two critical obstacles to overcome. One obstacle was the time frame to complete this portion of the work prior to Motorcycle Week. But a more crucial obstacle was dealing with the fact that the current water line crosses under the railroad tracks. The Department used eight-inch high-density polyethylene (**HDPE**) pipe as a carrier inserted inside a 14-inch Schedule 40 steel sleeve under the railroad tracks. (See the picture above of the Schedule 40 sleeve). The railroad tracks were then rebuilt with the assistance of NH DOT and the Plymouth and Lincoln Railroad.



The four-inch cast iron pipe on Simpson Avenue was left in place and used as a sleeve for the new two-inch HDPE pipe. The Department was able to slide the two-inch pipe from different points along the four-inch pipe and make the service connections that were necessary.

We were able to get 99 percent of the work completed prior to Motorcycle Week and by the end of June we will finalize Phase I.

The second phase will pose many different challenges from the phase just completed. During the second phase of this project, one of the biggest obstacles will be dealing with traffic control. As many of you are aware, Centenary Avenue is a narrow street. Coordination and communication will be critical in order to get the job done efficiently and with as little inconvenience as possible. At this point in time we do not have a definite date as to the start of this phase, but most likely it will not happen until the Spring of 2013.

The Water Department would like to thank all of our customers for their understanding and cooperation during the months of construction. The Department will keep you posted as the information and dates become available for the second phase of the project.



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TRANSFER STATION
WILL BE CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH**

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*We hope you have enjoyed this
Edition of Laconia Links
We welcome your input, comments
and suggestions!*

Feel free to contact us at the
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or by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers, City Manager
City of Laconia

City's Website: www.city.laconia.nh.us



**Thursdays
June 7th to September 27th, 2012
3pm 'til 7pm**

Municipal Parking Lot Downtown Laconia



We've added even more vendors!
Look for additional booths offering
soaps, lotions, crafts, produce &
more just a few steps away from the
main market near the Downtown Deli!

Sponsored by:



**Bank of
New Hampshire**

New Hampshire's local bank

Come & enjoy the fun!



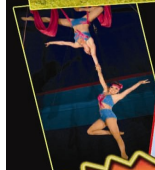
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**KELLY MILLER
CIRCUS** **Fri - Sun
7/6 - 7/8**
LACONIA
Memorial Park



SHOW TIMES
FRI - 4:30 & 7:30
SAT - 2, 5 & 7:30
SUN - 2 & 5



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TICKETS

**Before Circus Day
Adult \$10
Child \$6**

**On Circus Day
Adult \$15
Child \$7**

Advance Tickets Available At:

The Downtown Deli * All My Life Jewelers * The Studio * Black's Gift Shop
Burrito Me - Laconia & Plymouth * Evergrain - Wolfeboro * Galleria Salon
Alton Citeo - Alton Bay * Innisfree Bookshop - Meredith * Patrick's Pub - Gifford
Weirs Beach Citeo * Annie's Book Store * Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce