

September 29, 2023 - Edition #608

Sunset on a quiet Weirs Boulevard (photo compliments of Ann-Marie Shpeley Fine Art Photography)

Community Vigil

The Laconia Human Relations Committee invites all concerned citizens and organizations to join us in a vigil of support for Temple B'nai Israel, its members and Jewish people everywhere in response to the despicable graffiti found on buildings at the State School.

The vigil will be held Sunday, October 8, 2023, at 1:00 pm at Opechee Park adjacent to the North Main Street parking lot.

Come and stand with us against all expressions of hate and intolerance and stand for the inclusion of all members of our community –

ALL ARE WELCOME IN LACONIA!"

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.



Columbus Day is Monday, October 9.

NOTICE TO CURBSIDE RESIDENTS

There will be NO DELAY in curbside collection of trash on Monday, October 9, Columbus Day.

Collections all week will be on their normal schedules. Questions? Please call DPW at (603) 528-6379.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TRANSFER STATION WILL BE OPEN ON COLUMBUS DAY, OCTOBER 9th.



Library Programs

Week of October 2-7

Children's Spooky Book Giveaway

Monday, October 23
Best for newborns-age 12

Drop your name in the jack-o-lantern at the children's desk from October 1st to October 21st to be entered into a drawing for a spooky book. The drawing will be on Monday, October 23.



Sensory Storytime

Mondays
10am
Best for newborns-age 6



Toddler Time

Wednesdays
10am
Best for newborns-age 3

Preschool Pals

Thursdays
10am
Best for ages 3-6



Lego Club

Monday, October 2
3:30-5pm
Best for ages 6-11



Join us for creative fun in the Selig Storytime Room! We'll provide the Lego bricks... all you need to bring is your imagination! Best for ages 6-11. No sign-up is required.

Move & Groove

Friday, October 6
10am
Best for newborns-age 6



Let's get moving! In this program, we'll use scarves, musical instruments, a parachute, and other fun surprises to dance, play, and get those wiggles out! Best suited for newborns to age 6, in the Laconia Rotary Hall Auditorium.

Teen Mindfulness

Tuesday, October 3
3pm
Ages 9-18



Feeling stressed? Join us to learn a variety of mindfulness techniques from Karen Deighan of the UNH Cooperative Extension. For ages 9-18 in the Laconia Rotary Hall Auditorium.

<http://laconialibrary.org>

follow us: @laconialibrary
call: (603) 524-4775
text: (603) 556-4666
email: info@laconialibrary.org
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Writing Group

Wednesday, October 4
6pm
Adults



Whether you have had work published, or never written more than a grocery list, if you are interested in writing and want to meet other people who share that interest then this is the place for you! Each month we will do a short (5-10 minute) writing prompt, discuss what it is we've been working on (or would like to start writing), and what issues we face when we try to write but the words just aren't flowing. With occasional guest speakers and suggested reading, this group is geared towards getting you to put pen to paper and use writing as both a creative outlet and a mindfulness tool. Sharing your work will be completely voluntary at every step of the way.

Please be sure to bring the writing implement/s of your choice: pen and paper, laptop, tablet. No sign-up is required.

StitchCraft

Thursday, October 5
10-11:30am
Adults

StitchCraft



Bring your current project to this informal meet-up and make progress on your creation while in the company of other fiber enthusiasts! Knitters, crocheters, quilters, embroiderers, needle-felters; ALL are welcome! This group happens every other Thursday from 10-11:30 am. No sign-up is required.

Evening Non-Fiction Book Group: "The Five: The Untold Lives of the Women Killed by Jack the Ripper" by Hallie Rubenhold

Thursday, October 5
6pm
Adults

HALLIE RUBENHOLD

THE FIVE

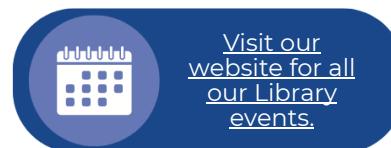
THE UNTOLD LIVES
OF THE WOMEN KILLED BY
JACK THE RIPPER

The Nonfiction Book Group will be creepin' it real in October as they read "The Five: The Untold Lives of the Women Killed by Jack the Ripper" by Hallie Rubenhold.

Sign-up for the book group is required, copies of the book are available at the Library. Call: (603) 524-4775 or Email: info@laconialibrary.org to register; held in the Laconia Rotary Hall Auditorium.

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!

Learn something new, enjoy the outdoors, and expand your wellness options with us!



Beginning Birding: Raptors

Raptors are aerial hunters that soar, glide, and swoop. Learn about their adaptations and behavior. Practice identifying and go on a "Hawk Watch" looking for migrating birds. Finally learn simple ways we can conserve and protect these amazing birds of prey.

Saturday, September 30; 10-12 pm

Trail Games: Forest Trail Games for Kids & Adults

Can't convince your kids to go outside much less on a hike with you? Experience the many ways you can make time in nature with your kids fun through immersive

games!

Saturday, September 30; 1-3 pm



Eye on the Sky: Saturn

Saturn and its rings are easiest to see this time of year. Join us indoors for a short introduction to this fascinating planet and then head outside to look at the real thing.

Saturday, September 30; 8-9:30 pm

Additional programs, series, and registration details
prescottfarm.org



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Learn something new, enjoy the outdoors, and expand your wellness options with us!



Eyes in the Sky: How Telescopes Work

How do telescopes show us far away objects? Join us in trying simple experiments figure out how reflecting and refracting telescopes work.

This program is for adults and older youth (age 12+)
10am-12 pm

Saturday October 7th

Nature Crafts: Creating Autumnal Nature Wreaths

Nature's autumn abundance will provide all the materials you will need for a decorative wreath. Use grape vines to form a base, and personalize your wreath with flowers, herbs, and other foraged, natural decorations.

1-3 pm

Additional programs, series, and registration details
prescottfarm.org



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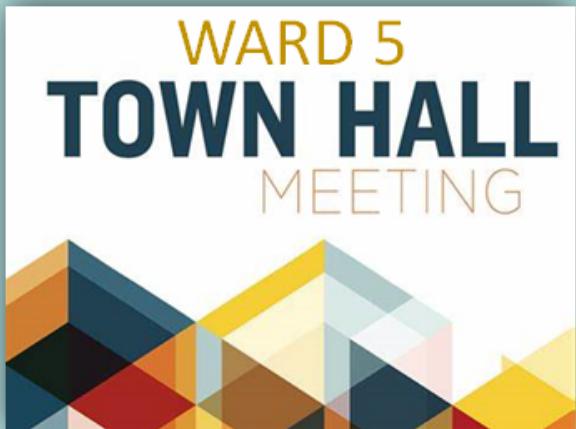
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BELKNAP MILL FAMILY CRAFT DAY

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 7
10AM-1PM
DROP IN**





Please plan to join us on Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00 pm at Tardif Park, 51 Crescent Street in Laconia for a Ward 5 Town Hall Meeting!

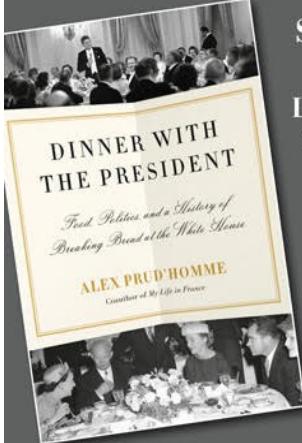
This is an opportunity to raise your concerns or ask questions in an informal setting. Your Ward 5 City Councilor, Steven Bogert will be present and looks forward to seeing you there!

**Ward 5
TOWN HALL
MEETING**

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The Laconia Daily Sun presents
An Evening with Alexander Prud'homme
 Author of "Dinner with the President"

Saturday, Oct. 14
7 pm
Lakeport Opera House
 781 Union Ave. Laconia, NH



Enjoy an entertaining lecture about the often surprising history of presidential taste: what they ate, why they ate it, and what it tells us about the state of the nation.

- Question & Answer session with the author
- Author signing (books for sale at Innisfree Bookshop in advance and at the event)
- Complimentary desserts & cash bar

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!
 Admission is Free but Tickets are Required*
 Pick up tickets at
 The SUN office, 781 Union Ave., Laconia
 *limit 2 tickets per person






Dear LHS Alumni,
 This year, the LHS building is celebrating its 100th year open! The school community plans to kick off a year of celebrations with Homecoming week from October 2nd-6th (with the traditional parade on Friday, October 6th at 4:30 pm!)

LHS students and faculty hope to try something different by sharing some of the joys that make being a member of Sachem Nation special. The mission? Gather words, sentences, and phrases from the LHS alumni that answer the following question: *"What was your favorite part about attending Laconia High School?"* For those wishing to share their thoughts, please email Taylor Osborne (tosborne@laconiaschools.org), along with your name and year of graduation!

Thank you!



The City of Laconia Stands United

Laconia, like too many other communities across the country, is encountering an increasing number of acts of hate, intimidation, and antisemitism. Fortunately, the foundation of our community is built on the strong alliances among our faith community, including Temple B'nai Israel, law enforcement, the Laconia Human Relations Committee, Laconia Schools, the Belknap County Attorney's Office, concerned citizens and city government.

The Laconia Community condemns acts of hate and intimidation. We stand united with our Jewish brothers and sisters to forcefully reject antisemitism in all its forms. An attack on one, is an attack on all. We cannot normalize or become inured to hateful acts, and we will not stand idle in the face of attempts to sow chaos and intimidate our citizens. We are united in preserving our community values of respecting the dignity of every person, the ability to worship without fear and the shared responsibility for the well-being of everyone in our community. These values stitch together the diverse fabric of our city and create a community we are proud to call home.

Acts of hate and intimidation remind us of our duty to remain vigilant in protecting our freedoms. The Laconia Police Department takes a strong stance against any type of hate crime in our community and is committed to bringing all law enforcement resources to bear to investigate, identify, and ultimately prosecute those who are responsible. It's important that any acts of hate be reported immediately to ensure rapid response and remediation. If someone sees something, say something. Contact the Laconia Police Department at 603-524-5252, anonymously via Tip411 or through the city's Crime-line at 603-527-1717.

Our united community of Laconia will remain welcoming and value the dignity of each person. We will continue to educate ourselves about the presence and dehumanizing impact of prejudicial attitudes. We will resist and publicly condemn any practices or incidents in our community which either result from or might encourage prejudice, intolerance, harassment and discrimination. Please join us for a Community Vigil on Sunday, October 8th at 1 pm Opechee Park.

We are stronger together -We are Laconia United

Mayor Andrew J. Hosmer	City Manager K. Beattie	Ira Keltz	David Osman
Councilor B. Cheney	Chief M. Canfield	Rabbi J. Katz	David Stamps
Councilor R. Soucy	Chief T. Joubert	Rev. J. Bethell	David Pearlman
Councilor H. Lipman	Superintendent S. Tucker	Rev. J. Wright	Claudia Pearlman
Councilor M. Haynes	Superintendent R. Champlin	Rev. C. Lovett	County Comm. P. Spanos
Councilor S. Bogert	Latoya Beck	Fr. M. Drouin	Seifu Ragassa
Councilor T. Felch	State Rep. C. St. Clair	Heather Stanley	Mayor Mark Fraser
Mayor R. Dyer	State Rep. D. Huot	Matt Soza	Janet Simmons
Mayor M. Lahey	State Rep. C. Cardona	Trish Weatherbee	Tim-James Everett
Mayor M. Seymour	State Rep. M. Bordes	Carol Pierce	Scott Everett
State Sen. T. Lang	County Attorney A. Livernois	Patrick Wood	Justin Spencer
School Board Chair J. Anderson	School Board Member K. Salome	EAL President K. Couture	Michael Flaherty
School Board Member J. Ulrich	School Board Member D. Johnson	LEA President T. Columb	
School Board Member L. Dunn	School Board Member N. Grenon	School Board Member H. Drolet	

CITY OF LACONIA BOARD AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

Do you have a little spare time on your hands? Have you been looking for a rewarding and meaningful way to give back to your community? The City of Laconia has openings on several of our Boards and Commissions and could use your help!

Please see below for available positions....

Board of Assessors: 1 vacant alternate position

Building Code Board of Appeals: (Reg. Architect)

***Downtown TIF District Advisory Board:** 2 vacant regular positions

Heritage Commission: 2 vacant alternate positions

***Lakeport TIF District Advisory Board:** 1 vacant position

Library Board of Trustees: 2 vacant alternate positions

Planning Board: 1 vacant alternate position

***Weirs TIF District Advisory Board:** 1 vacant position

Zoning Board of Adjustment: 4 vacant alternate positions

Historic District Commission: 1 vacant regular position and 2 vacant alternate positions

**Members of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Boards must own property, reside or own/manage/represent a business/organization within the Districts.*

For more information please contact the City Manager's Office at (603) 527-1270, or email nbrown@laconianh.gov. Applications can be found on our website [here](#).

VOLUNTEER! Board Vacancy



LACONIA KIWANIS \$1,000 HOME HEATING FUEL RAFFLE

Drawing to be held on November 1, 2023 at 6 p.m via FaceBook Live Event

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

ONLY 250 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!!

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



For tickets scan image above or go to:
<https://laconiakiwanis.ticketleap.com/2023-fuel/>

THE JERSEY TENORS



Starring in their ALL NEW show
"Tribute to Hollywood"

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023

Showtime 7:30

Inter-Lakes Community Auditorium

A benefit concert for
Interlakes
Community
Caregivers
Presented by

LENDING A HAND TO
LAKES REGION NONPROFITS SINCE 2013



\$40 NO FEES and plenty
of FREE PARKING

Tickets available on line or at select
retail locations:

- Cackleberries
- Innisfree Books
- Moultonborough Thrift Shop

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TO PURCHASE ON LINE
OR VISIT www.tbinh.org

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4th ANNUAL FALL HARVEST RAFFLE

1 ticket for \$5 or 3 tickets for \$10!

Purchasing raffle tickets is a great way to support LRSF! Ticket sales end October 15th.

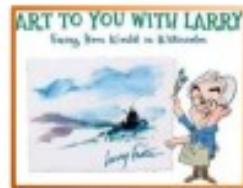
Prizes to include:

- Handmade Flannel Quilt 77" x 59" – handmade and donated by Marty Gorman
- Matted NH Foliage 20" x 16" (including matt) Painting by Larry Frates – donated by Larry Frates
- Handmade Pumpkin Patch Table Runner 13" x 32" – handmade and donated by Marcia Dionne
- Handcrafted 9" x 9" 3D Autumn Picture Art Shadow Box – handmade and donated by Stacey Jope
- Book by Larry Frates – donated by Larry Frates
- "Everything Pumpkin" basket with handmade pumpkin table runner – donated and made by LRSF Board Member Judy Ball
- Decorated Holiday Sled – approximately 60" – decorated and donated by Laurie Kimball Johnson

Various Gift Cards/Certificates including:

- 2 one day Midweek Gunstock Lift Tickets for the 2023/2024 Winter Season – donated by Gunstock
- \$50 Gift Certificate to E.M. Heath stores – donated by E.M. Heath
- \$25 Gift Certificate to Patrick's Pub & Eatery – donated by Patrick's Pub & Eatery
- \$25 Gift Card to Market Basket – donated by Market Basket
- Che Bella Beauty Salon Gift Certificate for one haircut – donated by Laura Waldron Hair Designer
- \$25 Gift Card to TBones/Cactus Jacks – donated by TBones/Cactus Jacks

Check out our website for up to date prize listings!



Scan the QR Code to register or to visit our website for more information.



Winter Clothing Drive

Donations can be dropped off at
Navigating Recovery of the Lakes Region
102 Court St. Laconia, NH
Sept. 25th - Oct. 26th

New or gently used
Coats|Scarves|Gloves|Hats|Boots|Sleeping bags|Blankets

Curbside recycling will be picked up the week of October 9!

OUR KIDS ARE IN CRISIS
ANXIOUS NATION
 HARNESSING ANXIOUS ENERGY FOR GOOD

FREE SCREENING
 A FEATURE DOCUMENTARY EXPLORING ANXIETY AND OUR KIDS

October 5, 2023 | The Flying Monkey
 6:00-8:30PM | Plymouth, NH

Tickets Available at the Flying Monkey - SCAN QR
Doors Open at 6:00PM
 Food will be available for purchase at concession stand.

8:00 PM LIVE panel of mental health experts following the screening.
 Free Childcare Available - Please Register Your Child by contacting ebrochu@cadyinc.org
 The Pemi Youth Center | Ages 4 and Up | Register Your Child today | SPACE LIMITED
 For more information or questions: ebrochu@cadyinc.org

CADY
 Communities for Alcohol- and Drug-Free Youth

Lakes Region Mental Health Center
 Supporting Healthy Lives Since 1968

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION
NAMI
 National Alliance on Mental Illness
 New Hampshire

ENDOWMENT for Health

PLYMOUTH BOBCATS
YOUTH Lake Winnipesaukee

SAU48

GET CREATIVE!!

4TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN FIGURE CONTEST
 OCTOBER 13, 14 & 15
 Registration deadline: Oct. 4th

LAKES REGION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Pumpkin Figures must include at least one pumpkin. You must live in the Lakes Region area to participate.

PRIZES AWARDED IN SEVERAL CATEGORIES:

Best Overall | Cutest | Scariest | Best by a Child | Most Unique | Best Business
 Best Non-Profit | Best School | Best Family or Group | Creative Use of Materials

RAFFLES - Fall Harvest Raffle & 'Cakes n' Sweets Calendar Raffle'
 All details can be found on our website.

Entry fees:
 Individuals, small groups or Families \$15
 Non-profit organizations \$25
 Businesses \$30
 Schools (contact the LRSF office)

Scan the QR Code for more information and to register or visit our website!

EMAIL: scholarship@lrscholarship.org or call 603.527-3533 • www.lrscholarship.org

Proceeds to support the LRSF Friends of the Foundation Operating Fund (FOFOF).

Cooperative Co-Parenting Through Separation or Divorce Shielding Children from Conflict

HYBRID COURSE

Participants can choose to attend in person at our office at 719 North Main St. Laconia, NH

OR virtually via Zoom



Note: Co-Parents are welcome to attend this series together, but it is not required.

Topics include:

- Being child-focused
- Healthy relationships between parents and children
- Understanding roles
- Choosing my personal path
- Anger management
- Taking control of conflict
- Negotiating Agreements

When: Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00 pm

8-week series begins October 26, 2023

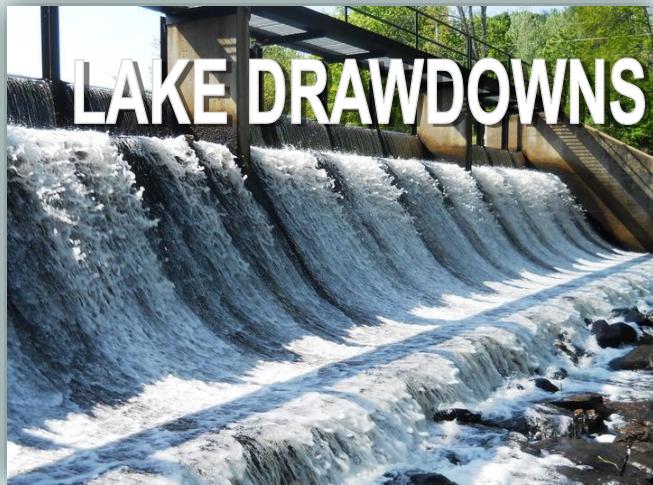
To register, go to: www.lrcs.org/parentedregistration

or email: tricia.tousignant@lrcs.org

For participants who attend in person, dinner will be served at 6:00pm
and on-site childcare *may be available* if reserved at the time of registration.



The Linden Foundation



Lake drawdowns are conducted each fall to reduce winter ice damage to shoreline properties and to reduce spring flooding. Drawdowns also give property owners an opportunity to conduct any necessary repairs to their waterfront property, provided they first secure a permit from the NHDES Wetlands Bureau at (603) 271-2147.

Not included in the lake drawdown schedule are Lake Opechee and Lake Winnisquam drawdowns which only occur on a two-year interval. The drawdowns last occurred in 2022, so there will be no drawdowns of these lakes this year. Also not included is Lake Winnipesaukee. Unlike the other lakes in this drawdown schedule, Lake Winnipesaukee is not purposely drawn down in the fall. Instead, after Columbus Day the releases from Lakeport Dam are reduced from a normal minimum of 250 cubic feet per second (cfs) to a flow between 30 and 50 cfs for a period of up to two weeks to allow for maintenance of the dams and hydropower facilities on the Winnipesaukee River. The flow of 30 to 50 cfs is the minimum flow needed to maintain the downstream aquatic life during this period. This year the reduction will be begun on October 9.

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By the middle of the fall, Lake Winnipesaukee is, on average, 15 inches below its springtime full level due to evaporation and releases from the lake that have occurred over the course of the summer. As a result of the reduction in the amount of water released from the dam after Columbus Day, the lake level does not drop for the remainder of the month of October and is generally maintained at this level through the month of December. Depending on the amount of snow on the ground in the winter, the lake level may be lowered further beginning in January to a depth of two feet below the normal full level.

A [plot of the average lake levels throughout the year for Lake Winnipesaukee](#) is provided on NHDES' website. Also included are updated plots of this year's lake levels, releases from the dam and precipitation.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department recommends that special drawdowns conducted for the purposes of repairing property, such as retaining walls or private boat ramps, occur only once in every five years. If you wish to conduct a special drawdown, please contact the NHDES Dam Bureau immediately after receiving all required permits, so that the drawdown can be coordinated with any other work at the same waterbody proposed by other parties. This will help to minimize the number of special drawdowns, and unexpected delays (up to 5 years) for your project can be avoided.

Questions? Please contact NH DES at 603-271-8867, or check their website [here](#).



The Runaway Pumpkin 10K and 5K Run/Walk is coming!

This is a community fundraiser for the WOW Trail that will be happening at Opechee Park on Saturday, October 28 as part of the New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival. Also, don't miss the Kids Run!

You must register by Thursday, October 26 For details of the event and to register online [here](#).

DEADLINE

JUST AHEAD

October 6, 2023, is the last day to change your political party affiliation prior to the presidential primary. The presidential primary date is TBD.

The Supervisor's of the Checklist will be meeting on Friday, October 6, 2023, from 7-7:30 PM at the Laconia City Clerk's Office. The purpose of this session is for making corrections/changes to the checklist. Registrations and changes will be accepted at this session. No political party changes will be accepted **after** this session until after the Presidential Primary which will be held in early 2024, the date is TBD.

Please click on the following link to see your current party affiliation:
[Voter Information \(nh.gov\)](http://Voter Information (nh.gov))



SARAH BLACKER IN CONCERT



a benefit event for
Lakes Region Mental Health Center



Mark Your Calendar

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

7:00 PM
Colonial Theatre - Laconia, NH

ABOUT SARAH BLACKER

Singer/songwriter, practicing Psychotherapist and Board-Certified Music Therapist. Visit Irmhc.org/sarah-blacker-bio to learn more!

Scan to purchase your tickets today!



This concert will help to provide comprehensive mental health services and community education to residents of the 24 towns that they serve in Belknap and Southern Grafton counties.



You're Invited

"Small Works" Exhibition & Sale New Hampshire Society of Photographic Artists

Opening reception Thursday, October 5 from
5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Many New Hampshire Society of Photographic Artists members submitted images to this open themed, family-friendly exhibition. Each framed piece is no larger than 11x14. The works will be displayed salon-style and will be for available sale for \$50.00 each.

2023 Lakes Region - Special Fall Date Household Hazardous Waste Collection

www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp

Got waste?
Bring it in!

Saturday, October 7

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

K.A. Brett School

881 Tamworth Rd (NH Rt. 113)

Tamworth



Keep Our Lakes Region Safe, Clean, and Beautiful!

Residents and residential taxpayers may bring up to 10 gallons or 50 pounds of household hazardous waste to our final regional collection of the year.

BRING THESE ITEMS IN.

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS	YARD AND GARDEN
Art Supplies	Herbicides/Weed Killer
Cleaning Fluids	Pesticides
Drain Cleaner	Pool chemicals
Metal Polish	Coal Tar-based Driveway Sealer
GARAGE	WORKBENCH
Car Wax/Polish/Cleaners	Paint Stripper
Used Oil	Oil-based Paint
Antifreeze	Stains & Varnishes
Gasoline & Diesel Fuels	Spray Paint

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

- Latex/Acrylic Paint
- Fluorescent & CFL bulbs
- Thermostats, thermometers
- Batteries (of any type)
- Electronics
- Ammunition/Fireworks
- Radioactive Materials
- Fire Extinguishers
- Asbestos
- Propane Tanks
- Tires
- Smoke Detectors
- Household Trash

24 PARTICIPATING COMMUNITIES

Alexandria • Andover • Belmont • Bridgewater • Bristol • Center Harbor • Effingham • Franklin • Freedom
• Gilford • Gilmanton • Hebron • Hill • Holderness • Laconia • Meredith • Moultonborough
• New Hampton • Ossipee • Sanbornton • Sandwich • Tamworth • Tilton • Tuftonboro



Questions? Call (603) 279-5341 or visit [lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp](http://www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp)



Annual household hazardous waste collection events are organized by the Lakes Region Planning Commission with financial support from participating communities and the NH Department of Environmental Services.



The annual program that collects household hazardous waste is changing the schedule beginning this fall. Previously the program had 8 collection sites over 2 days. The program for 2024 will still have 8 collection sites, however, the events will occur on 4 days which will be spread out over the course of the spring, summer, and fall. Laconia will continue to host a site, however, Public Works expects it will be in September instead of August. Gilford will continue to host a site in July. As a member of the program, Laconia residents can bring household hazardous waste to any of these events.

A household hazardous waste collection event is scheduled for October 7th in Tamworth. Laconia residents can utilize this site to dispose of their household hazardous waste. Please review the information above for more details on times and what materials can be dropped off at the site.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES



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 **October 10, 2023** 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 2023-150-2, 150-3 – FIREWORKS – RESTRICTIONS ON DISPLAY OF PERMISSIBLE FIREWORKS

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

Please see the Public Hearing Notice on this page which has been published in the Laconia Daily Sun. In future issues of the newsletter we

Electronic Waste Collection Day

Fundraising event to benefit:

Laconia-Gilford Lions Club



When: **Saturday, September 30**

Where: Cinemas 8 Parking Lot

9 Old Lakeshore Road, Gilford, NH

Time: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm



Items we are accepting:

Mice or keyboard	\$1	Air Conditioner	\$10
Laptop	\$5	Dehumidifier	\$10
CPU / PC Tower	\$5	Microwave	\$10
Servers	\$5	CRT Monitor (<50lbs)	\$20
CD / DVD Player	\$5	CRT Monitor (>50lbs)	tbd*
PC LCD Monitor	\$5	TV < 13"	\$ 5
Camcorder	\$5	TV < 25"	\$20
VCR	\$5	TV > 25"	\$30
Audio Visual Equip.	\$5	Very Large TV	tbd*
Speaker	\$5	Dryer	\$20
Printer	\$5	Gas or Electric Stove	\$20
Copier, Fax, Scanner	\$5	Dishwasher	\$20
Phone System	\$5	Refrigerator	\$20
Phone (land or cell)	\$5	Freezer	\$20
UPS System	\$5	Water Heater	\$20
Humidifier	\$5	Washing Machine	\$20
Car batteries	\$5	Teflon pan	\$ 1
Cords, Cables, Computer Accessories \$5 (Free if recycling something else)			

Anything with a cord not listed will be accepted.

*The item will be weighed on site and the price determined.

Items we CANNOT accept:

Oils, paints, thinners, batteries, tires, mercury containing items such as fluorescent & CFL light bulbs or thermometers, smoke detectors, capacitors, ballasts or any other hazardous waste.

"Don't Throw It Out, Recycle It!"

Thank you for supporting the Laconia-Gilford Lions

Mark your calendar!

New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival TWO Days October 27-28, 2023 Downtown Laconia



Adele Scott will be presenting the following lecture to the Belknap Mill Quilt Guild on October 11, 2023, at 6:45 pm at the Belknap Mill in Laconia: Rulers Rule!

Do you have a drawer full of rulers that you do not know how to use? Are you tired of purchasing one ruler that will only do one job? This program will solve your problems. You'll learn which rulers can "multitask" and which ruler is the better option for a specific job. You'll also learn about notions that help rulers do their job easier.

The event includes a trunk show of specialty ruler sample quilts, as well as a hands-on workshop (Ruler Round Robin) to use those rulers sitting in your sewing room or try before you buy. Entrance is free for Guild members and \$5.00 for non-members.

Adele will also be presenting a workshop "On the Edge" on October 12, 2023, from 10 am to 4 pm, at the Belknap Mill in Laconia. You will learn a number of ways to do borders and kits are available from Adele Scott for \$30 – so no need to do homework! There are still a few openings. The cost is \$46 for members and \$51 for non-members. Anyone interested in the workshop should contact Cheryl Goldenberg, program chair at Twin2th29@gmail.com.

LACONIA PUTNAM FUND PRESENTS

THE ULTIMATE
MICHAEL JACKSON
EXPERIENCE

Starring Joby Rogers, the only tribute artist chosen by Michael Jackson as an official substitute, UMX celebrates the music and dance of the Legendary King of Pop. This multimedia theatrical experience takes audiences on a Visual and Musical Journey through the life of the greatest entertainer of all time. UMX is a very high energy production, dedicated to preserving the legacy and spirit of the iconic Michael Jackson.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023, AT 7:00PM

— Colonial Theater, Downtown Laconia —

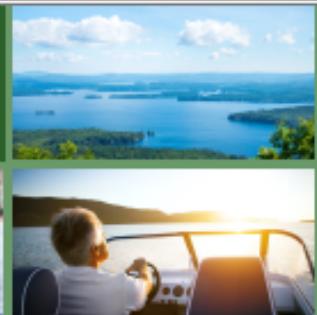
Tickets available at the Colonial Theater Box Office located at 609 Main Street, Laconia starting Wednesday, October 4, 10am till 2pm
Additional Box Office hours Tuesday - Fridays 10am till 2pm

Tickets available online at www.coloniallaconia.com starting Wednesday, October 4, 10am or by calling 1-800-657-8774

Free Admission - 2 ticket maximum per person
General Seating, First Come First Seated

All General Admission Tickets Holders are to be seated prior to 6:45 pm. Standby Tickets are available the day of the show at 6:45 pm





Public Events at Taylor Community -Laconia, NH

All events listed are free and open to the public

Bank of New Hampshire Music Series

Thank you to the Bank of New Hampshire for sponsoring the 2023 Taylor Community Music Series.

John Paul McGee

October 2nd at 6:30 p.m.

John Paul McGee is a masterful musician, dynamic preacher, producer, published author, and educator. Join us for this musical performance held at Woodside.

Perry Blue

October 9th at 6:30 p.m.

Perry Blue is an acoustic music duo featuring Jim Perry on guitar, keyboards and voice with Johnny Blue Horn on trumpet and voice. This event will be held at Woodside.

Vintage Vocal Quartet

October 15th at 3:00 p.m.

The Vintage Vocal Quartet brings the big band era to life by singing while swinging on the piano, guitar, bass and trumpet. This event will be held at Woodside.

Toni Lynn Washington & Friends

October 16th at 6:30 p.m.

Toni Lynn Washington is an exceptional American blues singer. Recipient of the Boston Blues Festival Lifetime Achievement Award, this talented artist has provided soulful, authentic blues and jazz for numerous private and public performances. This event will be held at Woodside.

Myanna

October 23rd at 6:30 p.m.

One of the hottest and most soulful saxophonists to be based in Massachusetts, Myanna plays music that mixes together jazz improvisation with funky rhythms, expressive playing and catchy tunes. This event will be held at Woodside.

Rachel Clemente Harp

October 29th at 3:00 p.m.

New England-based pedal and traditional Scottish harpist, Rachel Clemente and bagpiper Dan Houghton bring a mix of Scottish music. This performance held at the Woodside.

Catfish Howl Zydeco Band

October 30th at 6:30 p.m.

Catfish Howl Zydeco Band performs Blues, Rock, and Country Covers and Originals New Orleans Style. This event will be held at Woodside.

Other Events

Join us for more music and lectures.

All events listed are free and open to the public.

Lectures

Granite State Gallery and Artists through the Years

October 9th at 2:00 p.m.

New Hampshire has attracted and inspired artists since the colonial era. What is distinctive about the art made here? This program will consider works by itinerant and folk painters, landscape artists drawn to the state's scenic vistas, and modern artists that adopted bold styles to depict everyday life in the Granite State. This event will be held at Woodside.

Learn about Altrusa International

October 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Learn more about Altrusa, an international non-profit organization making a real difference in Laconia, NH through community partnerships and local service projects. This event will be held at Woodside.

Laura Robertson, Audiologist - Audiology Specialists, LLC

October 19th at 2:00 p.m.

Please join us as Dr. Robertson shares information on hearing aids. This event will be held at Woodside.

The Evolution of Jazz with Charlie Jennison

October 25th at 6:30 p.m.

In this multi-media presentation, jazz educator and performer Charlie Jennison presents some of the influential players, venues and organizations that contributed to the rich and diverse jazz scene in the Seacoast area. This event will be held at Woodside.

Zoom Lecture with Dr. Michael Cross - Forensics

October 30th at 11:30 a.m.

"Zoom" into one of Michael Cross' classes through the University of Utah. We will host a Group Zoom Session in the Woodside Theater.

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 Bridge Street Bridge in Lakeport is seen in the late 1930s or early 1940s, before Scott & Williams built Building 80 for defense work during World War II. Moulton Street, on the far side of the vehicular bridge, extended both left and right, but did not connect with Union Avenue except via this bridge. Houses at right on Rowen Street, were torn down when Building 80 was erected. In distance, across Lake Opechee, factory of H.H. Wood is glimpsed. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)



... AND NOW

In late December 1941, work on the new Scott & Williams Building 80 was going on, 'night and day, with floodlights at night.' By 'prodigious effort,' the plant was completed and in operation by May 1942. Scott & Williams relocated to Winnisquam Avenue in 1980 and Bergen-Paterson Pipe 'Support Corp. moved to the Scott & Williams Lakeport complex. The building has been occupied for storage and other tenants since then. A steel footbridge replaced the wooden vehicular bridge in 2003 and a new entrance to Moulton Street constructed for vehicles. (Jon Decker/The Laconia Daily Sun)



LACONIA SENIOR CENTER 524-7689

OCTOBER 2023 ACTIVITIES

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 Granite VNA 9-1pm Manicures By Brenda 11-11:30am	3 Activities Mtg 10-11am Fall Crafts 10-12pm	4 Bingo 10-12pm	5 Puzzle Challenge 10-11:15am <u>Lunch @ 11:30</u> Sweet & Sour Meatballs Rice, Vegetables	6 Bingo 10-12pm
9 No Deliveries 	10 Adult Coloring & Painting 10-12pm	11 Bingo 10-12pm	12 Kevin Keefe US Dept of Veteran's Affairs 10am <u>Lunch @ 11:30</u> Chicken Caesar Salad Senior Companion Meeting 12-2pm	13 Bingo 10-12pm
16 Breakfast Coffee Social 10-11:30am By Donation	17 Franklin VNA BBP Clinic 10:15am Peer Support Group 10-1:30pm	18 Bingo 10-12pm	19 Belknap Mill Quilters Guild Luncheon @11:30 Dijon Tarragon Chicken Salad Plate	20 Bingo 10-12pm
23 Walking/Rolling Exercise on Main St. 10-11:30am	24 Breakfast Coffee Social 10-11:30 By Donation	25 Bingo 10-12pm	26 Puzzle Challenge 10-11:15 am <u>Lunch @11:30</u> Pumpkin Soup w/ Apple Chicken Salad Sandwich	27 Bingo 10-12pm
30 Trick or Treat Party 10-12pm Costumes Optional	31 Halloween Movie Snacks 10-12:30pm 	Nov 1	Nov 2 FOOD ALLERGY NOTICE: Please be advised that our food may contain these ingredients: Milk, Eggs, Wheat, Soybean, Peanuts, Tree nuts, Fish and Shellfish	Nov 3

Fall Leaf Collection

Mark your calendars! This year's Fall Leaf Collection is scheduled for the weeks of October 30 - November 3, 2023 and November 13 - November 17, 2023. 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.

Please note that the leaf collection will be done by a separate truck, not the normal trash collection truck.

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



Powerhouse musical production at the Belknap Mill!

For just the second time Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative will be producing a full-scale musical production at the Belknap Mill when it presents *Quilters: The Musical* from September 29-October 1st.

Quilters, with book by Molly Newman and Barbara Damashek, and lyrics and music by Damashek, is an intimate musical with a small all-women cast. The characters are based on real women's stories from the prairie. Real experiences. Joy. Struggle. Perseverance told against a backdrop of a mother and her daughters creating a quilt together.

The show is part of Powerhouse's 2023 Mill Series which is sponsored by the Taylor Community. Unlike most Mill shows this one includes a set, lighting, costumes and a 3 piece band to fully bring this endearing musical to life in the intimate Mill space.

The show is directed by Lauren Shelby Douglas, with choreography by Nora McBurnett, Music Direction by Christine Chiasson, costumes by Heather Vitale, and is stage managed by Phoebe Scadova. Says Douglas, "Through the show we are building a quilt, but we are also weaving this full picture of prairie life for women in the late 1800s. What I love about this production is that we are leaning into that intimate storytelling. We want it to feel like you, as an audience member, are sitting in on a quilting circle and the quilters are telling you their stories - just like they would have for generations."

The cast includes Kathy Hodges, Tess Hodges, Olivia Martinson, Jennifer Cote, Zoe Nagle, Jennifer Schaffner, Sharleigh Thomson, Jillian Spring, Lorraine Barrows, and Wendy Davidson. *Quilters* is sponsored by Meredith Village Savings Bank and the Belknap Mill Quilters Guild which has been instrumental in providing props and creating the quilt for the production as well as sharing their passion for quilting with the cast and crew. According to Douglas, "One of the things I have learned from the Belknap Mill Quilters Guild: a quilter is dying to tell you about their quilt and the stories behind it! If you like stories about real women with grit, tenacity, and the ability to find happiness in the simplest things, you will like this show."

The show performs Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm and Sunday at 2 pm. With limited seating advanced tickets are recommended and can be purchased via <https://www.belknapmill.org/quilters>. Tickets are \$20, and may also be purchased at the door by cash or check.

Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative is a program of the Belknap Mill and the resident theatre company of the Colonial Theatre. Its 2023 season is sponsored by The Home Beautiful and Lavalley/Middleton Building Supply. For more info on all the programs of the Mill check out Belknapmill.org.



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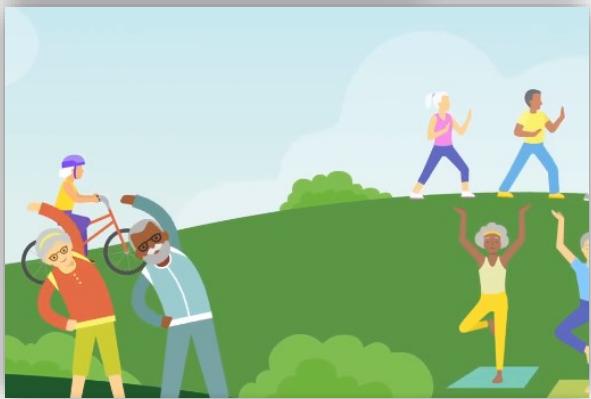
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Monday through Friday
(603) 527-1270

SENIOR RESOURCES

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



Exercise and physical activity are good for just about everyone, including older adults. Including all 4 types of exercise can benefit a wide range of areas in your life.

Learn how exercise can benefit you by clicking on the image above! (Provided by the National Institute on Aging)



City Meetings



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:**

Zoning Board of Adjustment

October 2, 2023, 6:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

Water Commission

October 2, 2023, 6:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

Planning Board

October 3, 2023, 6:30 pm

[Agenda](#)

Special Events Review Committee

October 4, 2023, 12:00 noon

[Agenda](#)

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
Katherine Menici, Planning & Zoning Dir.	
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
Katherine Menici, Planning & Zoning Dir.	
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	

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Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4)	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5)	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6)	998-1418

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