



## Laconia Links

July 13, 2018 - Edition #347

The City's 125th Birthday Celebration on July 7th was an amazing day! Photos on [pages 4 and 5...](#)



**LACONIA POLICE WILL BE HOSTING  
"NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PARTY"  
AT 57 BLUEBERRY LANE  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017  
FROM 5:00 PM TILL 7:00 PM**



"National Night Out" is a community police partnership held on the first Tuesday of August each year. It aims to increase awareness about Police programs in communities, such as drug prevention and other anti-crime efforts and is designed to help bring neighbors together. Please join us with the Laconia Fire Department, Belknap Regional Technical Accident Reconstruction, Lakes Region Citizen Emergency Response Team, Stand Up for a Drug Free Laconia, and many other community organizations. Free hot dogs will be given out along with chips, drinks, and Hart's Slush while supplies last. This has always been a fun time for all!

**For more information please contact; Lt. Richard Simmons of the Laconia Police Department @ 524-5257 ext. 335 for more information.**

*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!

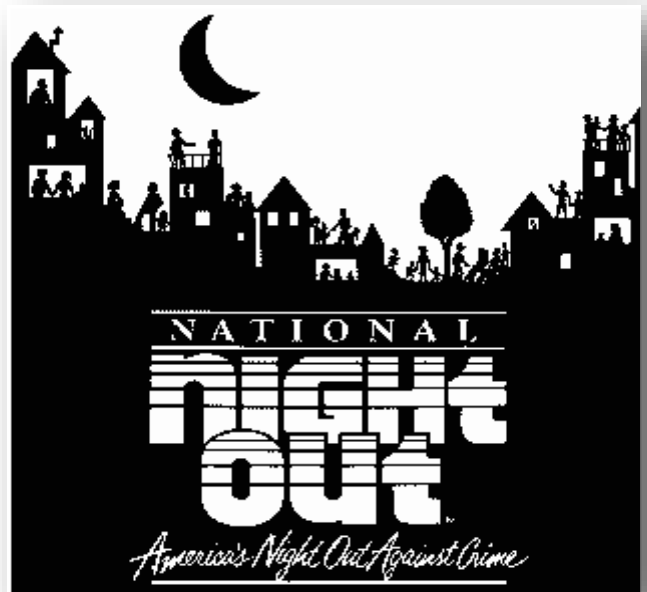
Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

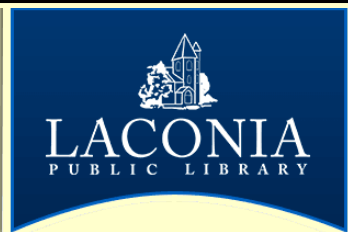
As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)



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

**Join in helping us to give crime a going away party!**





## Upcoming EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY SPECIALS: PANNEUBAN STEEL CONCERT

Wednesday, July 18

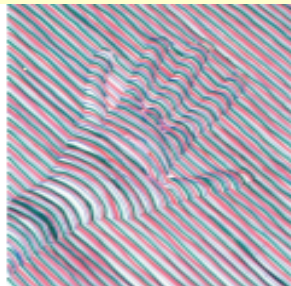
1pm – 2pm

Families with children.



Hear the island's gentle swaying sounds on the unusual steel drum. Jeffrey will delight all who come!

**Teen 3D Hand Art**  
**Thursday, July 19**  
**2pm to 4 pm**  
**Laconia Rotary Hall**



Make a fun 3D design of your own hand!

### HARMONICA WORKSHOP



Tuesday, July 17

1pm – 3pm

Children 9 and up.  
Adults welcome.

*Sign up required.*

**Learn the harmonica from esteemed local musician Mike Rogers. Sign up is required, space is limited to 35. Participants will get their own harmonicas!**

### TWEEN SLIME MAKING



**Friday, July 20**  
**2pm to 3 pm**  
**Laconia Rotary Hall**

Using everyday household items, create some sticky, fluffy, or slippery slime!

### OREO STACKING CONTEST



Monday, July 16

1:30pm – 3pm

Kids up to grade 6.

Laconia Rotary Hall  
Drop in to try to stack the tallest tower of real Oreos. Kids up to grade 6.

## Upcoming Meetings...

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.

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

#### Conservation Comm.

July 18, 2018, 6:00 pm

#### Laconia Airport Authority

July 19, 2018, 4:00 pm  
Airport Con-

## Meetings

All meetings are held in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in City Hall (formerly Room 200A) unless otherwise noted

#### Zoning Board

July 16, 2018, 7:00 pm

[Agenda](#)

#### Parks & Rec. Commission

July 16, 2018, 7:00 pm

Community Center

[Agenda](#)

#### Trustees of the Trust Fund

July 16, 2018, 2 pm

Mayor's Office, City Hall

[Agenda](#)

#### Downtown Tax Increment Financing District Adv.Bd.

July 17, 2018, 10:00 am

City Hall, Room 200B

[Agenda](#)

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





# Laconia Youth Football & Cheer Association



is hosting a  
**MEET THE  
COACHES NIGHT**



**Friday, July 20 • 6 PM  
at the Laconia Community Center**

*All 2018 Season Football players should bring the following with them: copy of birth certificate (if new to the organization), 2 copies of last report card, and a Doctor's note that clears player to participate in football.*



Laconia Water Works is tentatively scheduled to be doing work on Court Street that will require shutting off the water on Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from approximately 12:00 a.m. (midnight) to 5:00 a.m.

This is necessary as part of the ongoing work on Court Street and all properties affected will be notified.

As stated, this is a tentative date and time for the work. We will be notifying you in writing closer to that date, confirming when we will be working and shutting off the water. Once the water service has been restored, simply run some cold water to clear any discoloration that may occur.

We would like to thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Water Department at 524-0901.



*Thank You,  
Laconia!*

The Congregational Church of Laconia would like to thank all those who helped make the "Peace

Cranes" soar. (If you haven't seen it yet, they are still up! Stop by The Congregational Church of Laconia at 18 Veterans Square and see the 4,500 Peace Cranes hanging beneath the bridge that connects the church to its office building.)

A big thank you goes out to the Key Club at the Laconia High School, students in the Middle School, Woodland Heights, Elm Street and Pleasant Street Schools; to the men and women at Merrimack and Belknap County Jails, women in the Taylor Community and especially the women of the Congregational Church of Laconia.

This was truly a community effort to say "Happy Birthday Laconia" and to celebrate that, in the City of Laconia, people care about peace.

This is a must see video, check it out and watch the strong winds of July 6th make the cranes soar:  
<https://bit.ly/2u9BcLS>. Thank you again Laconia!



The Opechee Garden Club's 2018 self guided garden tour is July 14 from 9 AM to 3 PM, rain or shine. Tickets are \$25 and include lunch. Tour proceeds benefit local scholarships, community gardens and special Garden Club projects. For more information or to purchase tickets contact us at:

[Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com](mailto:Opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com).





# *A Few Memories from the 125th Anniversary Parade!*





Photos compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin



Click image above for the last 90 seconds of the fireworks!



*Congratulations and sincere thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this wonderful day happen!*







## Community Bike Ride every Friday at 5:30 p.m.

Grab your bikes, join MC Cycle & Sports and your neighbors for the weekly Community Bike Ride! Meeting at 5:30 pm at the Main Street parking lot behind Wayfarer Coffee Roasters every Friday for a family friendly leisurely spin on the WOW Trail. Hope to see you there!

## Runaway Pumpkin 10k & 5k Run/Walk October 13<sup>th</sup>

The 4th Annual Runaway Pumpkin 10k & 5k Run/Walk will be held on October 13<sup>th</sup> as part of the 2018 NH Pumpkin Festival and we can't wait! All proceeds from this year's event will benefit the WOW Trail & the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction.

All of the fun starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Smith Track at Opechee Park, with a FREE Kids Fun Run starting at 10:00 a.m. on the track.

For more information or to register, please visit:  
[www.runawaypumpkin.com](http://www.runawaypumpkin.com)



## Live, Work, Play, and Volunteer in Laconia

Thanks to this awesome group of WOW Trail Ambassadors who helped the WOW Trail Celebrate Laconia as a part of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade! Special thanks as well to Governor Sununu who took the time to stop by and learn more about the Ambassador Program and the trail.

Ambassadors average at least one trip on the trail each week during the spring through fall season and help answer trail user questions, promote safety, and trail etiquette. It's a fun and healthy way for someone to volunteer and get to know their neighbors in the community. Ambassadors wear a WOW Trail Ambassador shirt identifying themselves.

For more information or to become a WOW Trail Ambassador, please email Scott Davis at [sdavisnh@gmail.com](mailto:sdavisnh@gmail.com).



# News from the City Clerk's Office

IMPORTANT  
ANNOUNCEMENT

On July 18, 2018 the Laconia City Clerk's office will be rolling out a new software program that will affect all transactions in the Clerk's office. We are asking our customers to please be patient during this transition.

We are looking forward to better serving our residents with the implementation of this new software! Questions? Call the Clerk's Office at 527-1265.

## OPECHEE DAY CAMP PEANUT CARNIVAL

Thursday, July 26, 2018

Rain Date: Friday, July 27

\$3.00 per bag of peanuts

5:00 ~ 7:00 pm

Opechee Park ~ OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

This event is a popular one each year for kids and adults. The kids from the day camp design a game, and they decide how many peanuts to charge for their games. You will need to buy a bag of peanuts to play the games and there will be refreshments for sale.

We also have peanut alternatives for those with peanut allergies.

Come join in on the fun.



**Curbside  
recycling will  
be picked up  
the week of  
July 23rd!**



Please note that at this time it is not economically viable to recycle glass. From now on, please place glass items in with your solid waste.

**Remember... "Glass is Trash"**



Introducing (or reintroducing) YOUR Active Lifestyle-

## **Scared to Exercise? Not fond of the words "Active Lifestyle?" Face Your Fears!**

**Are we just lazy? Afraid of getting hurt?**

**Afraid of not fitting in or sticking out? Worried about what to wear?**

Just plain scared witless to take the first step? Feel like its just too late for you? Kids out of the house, feeling aimless? Kids still at home feeling like there is NO TIME? Home alone and not motivated?

**We can help you solve ALL of these problems!**

**When is the right time to get active? Now. Today.**

INTRO to An Active Lifestyle - This introductory class is perfect for anyone who has never exercised, never ever been to a gym, anyone who really disliked gym class or anyone who is afraid and unnerved with just the thought of entering a place where exercise is happening. This is also a great reentry for those who "used to be active" a LOOONG time ago and don't know where to start back up.

Maybe all the above.

During these 30 minute introductions, we will discuss what is considered an active lifestyle, give a look see at some basic exercise equipment and answer questions on how you can get started moving TODAY. That very minute.

Are you worried about your future? About playing with your kids or grandkids? About walking thru the grocery store without getting out of breath?

Options are everywhere. You just need to take that first step.

Sign up is needed to attend

Call or email to sign up or with questions on how to get started. We look forward to talking with you!

**There is no cost for Intro to An Active Lifestyle!**

Class dates and times:

June 30th - Saturday 9:30am or 10:15am

July 2nd - Monday 6:30pm

July 3rd - Tuesday 12pm

July 8th - Sunday at 9am

July 12th - Thursday at 6:30pm

July 17th - Tuesday at 10am

July 21st - Saturday at 9am



**No tricks. No sales pitch.**

**Just info for you from certified professionals who care about you and your health.**



**171 Fair Street, Laconia, NH  
603-581-9392  
[www.downtowngymlaconia.com](http://www.downtowngymlaconia.com)**



# Weirs Beach Fireworks Schedule!

## Regular Summer Season Shows

Friday, July 13 at 10:00pm  
Friday, July 20 at 10:00pm  
Friday, July 27 at 10:00pm  
Friday, August 3 at 10:00pm  
Friday, August 10 at 10:00pm  
Friday, August 17 at 10:00pm

Friday, August 24 at 10:00 pm  
Reserved for make-up date if needed

**Labor Day Weekend Show**  
Sunday, September 2, at 10pm  
(sponsored by Half Moon Enterprises  
and the Weirs Action Committee)

*When the weather is questionable for a show date, please check the Weirs Action Committee Facebook page for the most up-to-date information about whether the show will be held, rescheduled or cancelled.*



## Laconia 1916 - Chasing the Road



K. Peddler Bridges chronicles the story of the road from Boston to Weirs Beach with exciting side trips and the evolution of the different forms of transportation, which helped write the history of that road.

The public is invited to join us Wednesday, July 25 at 6:30 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building, for this free lecture.

Bridges is a long-time New England resident, former editor of New England Power Sports Post and present Laconia Motorcycle Week Poet Laureate and Archivist.

## Resident Lecture Series: Climbing the Colorado Plateau

Taylor Community resident George Hurley presents a pictorial tour and lecture about climbing on sandstone towers of the Colorado Plateau, mainly in southeast Utah, Wednesday, July 18 at 2 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building.

This free event is open to the public.





# ARTS IN THE PARK

## AT THE BELKNAP MILL

A SUMMER FUN SERIES OF STAGE AND CINEMA SPONSORED BY  
THE PUTNAM FUND \* LACONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY \* BANK OF NH PAVILION

### AMERICAN FOLKTALES & SONGS

A Live Production by The Hampstead Stage Company



### THEATER IN THE PARK

# 07.20

Sponsored by the Laconia  
Public Library and the  
Belknep Mill



### CARTER MOUNTAIN BRASS BAND

# 08.03

Sponsored by the Putnam  
Fund



### ON TAP BAND

# 08.17

Sponsored by the Putnam  
Fund



### ROCKIN' DADDIOS

# 08.31

Sponsored by the Putnam  
Fund

ALL EVENTS WILL BE HELD IN RIVERSIDE ROTARY PARK ON FRIDAY EVENINGS BEGINNING AT  
6:00PM. EVENTS ARE FREE TO THE PUBLIC AND APPROPRIATE FOR ALL AGES.

LAWN CHAIRS, BLANKETS AND PICNIC BASKETS ARE ENCOURAGED AND WELCOMED!



**BRING IT TO THE MOST  
CONVENIENT  
COLLECTION SITE FOR**

**July 28:**

**8:30 A.M. to Noon**

**BELMONT -**

Fire Station (Info 267-8300, 267-8333)

**FRANKLIN -** Public Works Garage  
(934-4103)

**GILFORD -** Public Works Garage  
(527-4778)

**MEREDITH -** Public Works Garage  
(279-6352 or 279-8480)

**August 4:**

**8:30 A.M. to Noon**

**BRISTOL -** NH DOT Garage  
(Info 744-3354, 744-2441)

**LACONIA -** Public Works Garage  
(528-6379)

**CENTER OSSIPEE -**  
Town Highway Garage  
(539-4121 or 539-4181)

**MOULTONBOROUGH -** Town  
Highway Garage (Info 253-7445)

# HHW 2018

## Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste Collections

*Saturday July 28  
&  
Saturday August 4*

Household Hazardous Waste  
requires proper, safe disposal



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.



*workcampNE  
needs your help  
on July 14th!*

workcampNE is a non profit 501(c)(3)  
organization running camps enabling up to  
500 students and adult volunteers to work  
on approximately 60 homes of the elderly,  
handicapped or severely under-resourced  
each year.

Their team has just completed their first  
two weeks of work in Hopkinton and will be  
arriving in Laconia on July 14th to serve  
over 35 families in the Laconia area!

The crew will arrive at the Laconia Middle  
School around noon on that day and needs  
help moving into the school with supplies  
and equipment. Volunteers are needed to  
carry both heavy and light items.

If you have some time to spare on July  
14th for a worthy cause, please contact  
Kim Hamilton, Outreach Coordinator, at  
603-289-9339 or email at  
[kimhamilton1015@gmail.com](mailto:kimhamilton1015@gmail.com) for additional  
details and a more exact timeframe of  
when the truck will arrive.



*Thank you in advance  
for your help!*

**Household Hazardous Waste Collections are coming  
soon! Click on the above image for the complete flyer.**

## Family Movie Night

"Dinner and a Show"

Family Resource Center (719 N. Main St, Laconia)

July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:30pm (movie starts at 6)



Hot dog, chips, and a drink - \$3.00

Water and Popcorn (provided free of charge!)

Baked Goods - \$.50

Raffle tickets - \$.50

Limited to the first 75 people. Please RSVP to

Alyssa Mahoney at 603-581-1577 or [alyssa.mahoney@lrpc.org](mailto:alyssa.mahoney@lrpc.org)



# Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

## Prescott Farm rolls out new Membership Program offering access to free public programming



Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center is excited to roll out *its new and improved Membership Program, including access to free public programming for all ages, year-round.*

Membership levels are available for anywhere from one to up to six people, with additional supporter levels offering some tax-deductible gifts. Memberships at Prescott Farm offer many benefits, including many free public programs (some programs have a materials or guest lecturer fee), free use of Prescott Farm snowshoes during the season, discounts on WildQuest camps, discounts on Prescott Farm merchandise, and a monthly e-newsletter.

“Prescott Farm strives every day to help people of all ages make connections with nature, and we hope that our new and improved Membership Program will make it

even easier,” says Jude Hamel, Executive Director of Prescott Farm. “We’ve expanded our Membership Program to include many **free public programs** and we’ve revised our membership levels to offer more flexibility and even more value for your dollar. As a small nonprofit, we count on our members and supporters to help us carry on our mission of opening the door to the outdoors for all.”

Members are an important part of any nonprofit, and it is no different for Prescott Farm – member support allows it to offer a full array of enriching public programs, which continue to grow and expand every year. Members of Prescott Farm share and support its mission and values of exploring and preserving the natural world.



For more information on Memberships or to sign up, visit [www.prescottfarm.org](http://www.prescottfarm.org). Prescott Farm is a nonprofit 501c3 dedicated to environmental education and preservation. For more than twenty years, Prescott Farm has been a destination for people of all ages to learn about New Hampshire wildlife, ecology, natural history and cultural history through hands-on public programs and service learning opportunities in the beautiful Lakes Region of New Hampshire. It is a designated wildlife viewing area with over 160 acres of idyllic farmland, forest and pastures open daily, year-round to the public including more than three miles of woodland, pond and field trails, heritage gardens, and a Natural PlayScape, as well as Fledglings Nature-Based Preschool and WildQuest summer and vacation camps. For more information about Prescott Farm and all of its programming and ways to help, please visit [www.prescottfarm.org](http://www.prescottfarm.org).

*Prescott Farm – exploring and preserving the natural world, one adventure at a time.*





**Don't forget !  
ServiceLink  
Resource Center  
(1-866-634-9412 or  
528-6945)....it's the first  
number to call for  
senior services.**



**COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM  
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.**  
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES SINCE 1965

Visit the Community Action Program website for Belknap-Merrimack Counties! Just click on the image above to find tons of helpful information, including a listing of programs specifically designed with seniors in mind.



*Happy Summer!*

*Laconia Senior Center is located at  
17 Church Street in Laconia.  
Questions? Call 524-7689*

*We hope you have enjoyed this  
Edition of Laconia Links*

*We welcome your input, comments  
and suggestions!*

Feel free to contact us at the  
City Manager's office, 527-1270,  
or by e-mail at [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov)

*Have a great weekend!*

Scott Myers,  
City Manager  
City's Website:  
[www.laconianh.gov](http://www.laconianh.gov)



## **CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY**

Airport .....	524-5003
Airport Manager: Marv Everson	
Assessing .....	527-1268
Assessor - Deb Derrick	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Cheryl Hebert	
City Manager .....	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Conservation .....	527-1264
Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Dean Trefethen	
Tax .....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ....	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) .....	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library .....	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel .....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel	
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	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Gail Denio	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
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Mayor Edward Engler .....	630-4484
Bruce Cheney (Ward 1).....	528-7667
David Bownes (Ward 2) .....	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3).....	528-0191
Mark Haynes (Ward 4) .....	524-3605
Robert Hamel (Ward 5) .....	524-6360
Andrew Hosmer (Ward 6).....	496-2078
E-mail: <a href="mailto:citycouncil@laconianh.gov">citycouncil@laconianh.gov</a>	

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