



Local crab apple tree in bloom

Laconia Links

May 17, 2013 - Edition #84

Recycling Update

2 Week Total - April 29 thru May 10					
Fiscal YTD Recyclables Collected = 923.42 tons		Savings to Taxpayers Fiscal YTD * (@ \$150/ton) = \$138,513.00		Lost Opportunity Dollars Fiscal YTD = \$95,328.60	
Route	Total Tons Collected (MSW + Recycling)	Total Tons Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30% Target	2 Week Lost Savings By Not Reaching Target
Remote Sites		22.70	N/A	N/A	N/A
Monday	28.07	5.68	20.0%	8.42	\$ 411.00
Tuesday	47.86	8.79	18.3%	14.36	\$ 835.50
Wednesday	43.55	6.15	14.1%	13.06	\$ 1,036.50
Thursday	36.25	5.79	15.9%	10.87	\$ 762.00
Friday	33.72	5.22	15.4%	10.12	\$ 735.00
	Total = 189.45	Route Total = 31.63	Curbside Avg = 16.7%	Total = 56.83	Total = \$3,780.00
*Fiscal Year to Date: 7/1/12 - present			Prior 2 weeks - 14.7%	Recycling Saves \$\$	

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!



The next recycling collection week begins **Monday, May 20th!**



Coming August 3rd 2013 ~ 12th Annual

Laconia Multicultural Festival

Mark your calendars for this year's Laconia Multicultural Festival on Aug. 3rd! As always, this promises to be a fun and unique event with music and dance groups, artist workshops, ethnic food tables, craft booths, demonstrations and more!

Watch for additional information as we get closer to August 3rd, and check for updates posted on the event's [website](#).

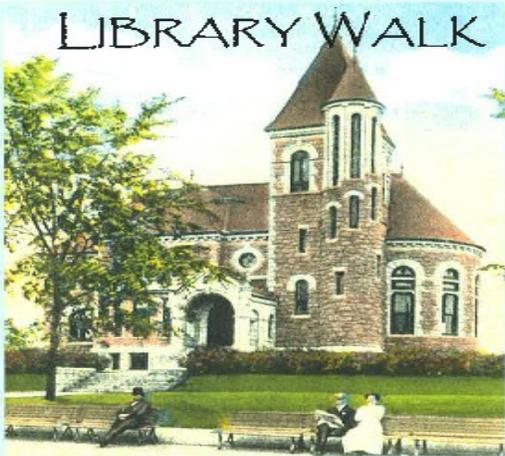


Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

Gale to Goss

Library Walk

May 18, 2013
GALE
TO
GOSS
LIBRARY WALK



For questions or if you need additional information, please call the Library at 524-4775.

Join us on Saturday, May 18th for the Gale to Goss Library Walk! The Walk begins at the Laconia Public Library and ends at Lakeport's Goss Reading Room. It will be a morning of local history and family fun! The Walk will follow the WOW Trail and will include stories, a snack and a Kindle raffle. The Library Fun Run begins at 9:00 am and the Library WOW Walk begins at 10 am.

Both events take place rain or shine!



The event will end with rides back to the Laconia Public Library from Molly the Trolley!

Each youth participant will receive WOW Trail Mix, a free ticket for the Kindle raffle, and a "10 Books for \$10" Reading Log from TD Bank North!

Check out the Library's website
Click [here!](#)

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.

Click on a specific meeting for more information. Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

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

Meeting
in
Progress

Zoning Board of Adjustment

May 20, 2013, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

Parks & Rec. Commission

May 20, 2013, 7:00 pm
Community Center

Water Commission

May 23, 2013, 8:00 am
117 Stark Street, Water
Treatment Facility Conf. Room

LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Developing the potential for success with every student, every day, in every way



Laconia High School

Advanced Learning Opportunity

FOUR STUDENTS from Laconia High School were accepted at the Advanced Studies Program at St. Paul's this summer. This five and a half week residential summer program is highly selective and provides an opportunity for students to be 'immersed in a college-level curriculum' and to be 'challenged to discover new ways of learning.'



The students and their program from left are: John Hammond: Artificial Intelligence; Brittney Pond: Changing the World — Civil Rights Movement; Danielle Cote: Ecology; and Nicole Bogert: Forbidden Fictions.

[Laconia High School website](#)



Laconia Middle School

LMS NEWSLETTER

May 13th-8th Grade Group Photo

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May 19th-Student Council All Students @ 7:15am
May 19th-PTO @ 6:30pm
May 16th-17th-NECAP
Testing 6th Grade
May 17th-Talent Show 6pm

A LOOK AHEAD

May 22nd-Spring Concert @ 7pm
May 24th-Great East Festival
Memorial Day Celebration
May 27th-Memorial Day NO SCHOOL
May 28th-TWIST follow in The Dark
June 4th-NJHS Induction
June 7th-6th Quarter Grades Close

NWEA

May 9th-13th-NWEA 7th Grade
May 14th-16th-NWEA 6th Grade

FIELD TRIPS

April 30th-French Leaves for Canada
June 5th-Team Maple to Star Island
-June 7th-6th Grade to The Mt. Washington Cruise Ship
June 8th-6th Grade to Gunklock Mountain
NJHS and Student Council to York Beach
June 9th-NHD off to College Park Maryland
June 12th-8th Grade to Wallace Sands

AWARDS DAY!

June 14th @ 1pm

GRADUATION

June 17th @ 6pm



7th grade students at Laconia Middle School have been painting rain-water catchment barrels, through a grant from the NH Lakes Association. These rain barrels, painted by LMS students, can be viewed at the Laconia Main Street Outdoor Marketplace on Thursdays June 13, 27 and July 18, 25.

There will also be designated days when people can come to Market Days and paint their own barrels. The barrels the kids are painting will be auctioned off. The money from barrels available for purchase goes back into the NH Lakes Rain Barrel program promoting water conservation & protection.

For more info click [here](#)
[Laconia Middle School website](#)



Elm Street School

Congratulations to CARE/Super Students for April

CARE students:

Kendora Harper, Jarod Casa, Perrin Drolet, Brianna Harlow, Carolyn Keenan, Sierra Johnson, Sarah Ancora, Dustyn Danforth, Andrew Riopel, Gloria Lako, Gavin Buttermore, Emma Keenan, Wynston Huckaby, Lizzie Gillis and Maddie Van Praet.

Super Students:

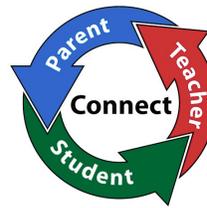
Hayes Livernois, Emma Kidder, Brody Rollins, Cheyenne Scott, Emma Smith, Ella Tryon, Kaden Dolloff, Nicole Johnson, Hailey Gove, Taylor Florence, Damien Gullage, Sierra Shaw, Kaley Zingg, Eric Phelps, Sarah Mize, Joey Baldi, Madison Brooks, Kendora Harper and Adam Michalevich.

[Elm Street School Website](#)



Pleasant Street School

Special Thank You To VIPSS



Pleasant Street School Staff would like to thank VIPSS for all the wonderful treats they provided last week during Teacher Appreciation Week! We'd like to

send a big thank you to everyone who helped out, especially Wendy Dickey for organizing and setting up the treats each day. Pleasant Street School Staff loves their VIPSS Volunteers!

[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



Woodland Heights School

Outstanding Students



On Friday, May 3rd the Woodland Heights Community recognized many students for their outstanding work during the month of April. Pictured above are the students who were recognized by their classroom teachers as well as Art, Music, PE, Library and Computer Specialists. Nice Job - Boy and Girls keep up the great work through the month of May!

[Woodland Heights Website](#)



Laconia School Board

Terri Forsten Appointed Superintendent of Schools

The Laconia School Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Terri Forsten as Superintendent of Schools in Laconia, effective July 1, 2013.

Terri is uniquely positioned to carry out the Strategic Plan of the Board. She has been in our District for 18 years. Having been a Principal for the first 10 years and our Assistant Superintendent for the last 8, she knows Laconia and Laconia knows her.

Terri has been the architect of many of our Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment initiatives including Full Day Kindergarten, our Student Services process, and the Academic Coordinator of Teaching and Learning positions.

As a Board, we are excited that she will keep the momentum we've built, and more importantly, move us forward. It seems fitting that a few years ago Terri worked with several Board Members to craft our mission statement. As we look to close out this school year and plan for the 2013-14 school year as being the best to date, it is comforting to know that our Superintendent is dedicated to *"developing the potential for success with every student, every day, in every way"*.



SAU 30 Upcoming Meetings

Policy Committee Meeting -
Monday, 5/20/13 - 8:00 am - SAU 30
Facilities Committee Meeting -
Tuesday, 5/21/13 - 6:00 pm - SAU 30
Laconia School Board Meeting -
Tuesday, 5/21/13 - 7:00 pm - SAU 30

[School Board Website](#)



The new vehicle (*left*) for the Fire Prevention Officer was put into service last week. The truck is equipped with a matching cap and side compartments, which allows the Deputy Chief easy access to many of the tools and equipment he needs while doing an inspection or an investigation. In addition, the truck can be used to carry equipment back to the fire station after a fire. The truck was purchased using funds from Motorcycle Week.

This vehicle, as well as a Polaris and two automatic defibrillators, were purchased from the fund this year.

That Our Flag Was Still There

Like most of us, the Main Street Initiative of Laconia assumed that our American Flags were proudly made by Americans in America. It turns out however, that they were proudly made, but by other good people in lands far across the oceans.

We are on a campaign to replace the faded, tattered, and outsourced flags that fly aloft our Main Street—our city's Memorial Day parade route—with high quality, embroidered, crisp, Made in America, American Flags, and we are asking for your help to do so.

A setting that is befitting and respectful of our symbol of freedom and the sacrifices made by our service men and women to protect those freedoms is also important. A large part of our campaign is to quadruple the floral plantings around downtown, with patriotic red, white, and blue super-tunias planted in barrels and new hanging baskets.

Please join us by making a statement, in deed and in word, that America is still proud, self-sufficient, and strong by making a contribution to our American Made—American flags campaign.

Please visit www.laconiamainstreet.org to make an online contribution.



Thank You !!!



CITY OF LACONIA

BOARD & COMMISSION VACANCIES

The following Boards and Commissions either have current vacancies or terms of current members will be expiring and up for renewal at the end of June 2013:

- Planning Board (2 reg. and 2 alt. positions)
- Board of Water Comm. (1 reg. position)
- Bd. of Assessors (1 reg. & 2 alt. positions)
- Zoning Bd. of Adjustment (2 alt. positions)
- Library Bd. of Trustees (2 alt. positions)

If you are interested in applying for one of these positions, please contact the City Manager's office at 527-1270 (or by e-mail at brown@city.laconia.nh.us) for further information or to request an application.

Applicants must be residents of Laconia. Service on more than one Board or Commission is acceptable as long as it is a non-conflicting Board. The deadline for receipt of applications is Friday, May 24, 2013.



A Medication Collection and Disposal Box is located in the lobby of the Laconia Police Department for your convenience in disposing of old or unused prescription drugs in a safe manner. Open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk.

Questions? Call the Laconia PD at 524-5257



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www.LaconiaAirport.com



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The Newsletter of the Lakes Region Community Emergency Response Team March-April 2013

The ALERTER



Gilford Ave Fire Activation

By Tim Carter

A rambunctious cat that knocked over a lamp in a bedroom, and later gave up its ninth life, was responsible for the LR-CERT activation on March 24, 2013. It was a dry but chilly Sunday night that saw us performing traffic control for a serious apartment building fire at the busy Gilford Avenue/Morill Street/Highland Avenue intersection in Laconia. Twelve people were left homeless, while two were perished.



From the Editor

The two months documented in this issue of The ALERTER reflect one of the busiest periods in the history of LR-CERT. We responded to two emergency activations, four public service call-outs, including the 3-day Sted Dig Derby, and participated in two monthly training meetings. The leadership team also began reorganizing for greater efficiency in the face of anticipated future changes. And fifth's not enough, May has begun with bang—a fire-alarm brush fire in Laconia that will headline our next issue. Stay tuned and stay prepared.

Click Here!

Coming Up

May 16

May Training Meeting

CRATED refresher training. Certification for all members who need it. Date and location to be announced.

June

June Training Meeting

First Aid refresher training. Recertification for all members who need it. Date and location to be announced.

Prep Tips

Download a free emergency preparedness presentation by Steven Harris. www.beforetheformhits.com.

It was my first emergency call-out, and even though my CERT training was the best, I still was filled with a certain amount of anxiety as I drove into Laconia. When I turned onto Gilford Avenue from Union and saw the array of flashing strobe lights, I knew it was going to be a fascinating experience. Three hours later, as mutual-aid fire departments were released from the scene, the traffic control tasks were modified to open more of the roadways. CERT was released just after 10 PM, and after a hot wash at Dunkin Donuts, we headed home to warm homes and comfy blankets, having once again pitched in to assist the Lakes Region Fire Responders.



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 Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health, Inc. lrppht.org

Click above to read the latest CERT newsletter!



City Council Budget Hearings
Continue Monday, May 28th, 6 pm



On May 28th the City Council will continue its detailed review of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2013/2014. During a series of meetings department heads present information on various revenue and expenditure items within their department's budget. The budget prioritizes and supports municipal services and functions within our community. Your input and comments are appreciated to offer direction on how best to move the City forward. Following is a schedule of budget hearings... meetings begin at 6 pm in City Hall, Room 200A:

Please Note!

May 28: Finance (Fiscal, Welfare, MIS, Tax, Benefits, Insurance, Debt), Administration (Legal, Capital, Records)

Click [here](#) to view the Budget document

The City Manager's office (527-1270) is always available to answer questions or provide information.



Laconia Police Department

Link to
Laconia
PD [here](#)

Graduation Season – April, May, June – is a VERY Dangerous Time for Teens



April, May, June – a time when the weather is warming up and everyone is excited for the summer! However, these months also bring an increase in risky behavior for teens. Outdoor parties and graduation activities start to occur on a more frequent basis, which can lead to underage drinking. **Each year, one-third of the alcohol-related traffic fatalities involving teens occur during these three months – April, May, June.**

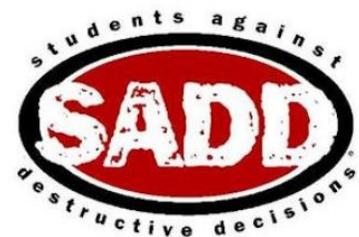
There should definitely be regular conversations between teens and parents during ‘graduation season’. Teens put lots of thought into their spring activities and post-graduation parties, but there should also be planning with parents about the logistics of staying safe. It’s important for parents to place attention on safety and good decision -making in order to promote healthy, memorable experiences.

Whether or not your teen is graduating, the spring-time season can be a high-risk time for teens, where alcohol & drugs can often be seen as “part of the experience” at parties and graduation events. 2011 data from Belknap and Carroll Counties showed that 45% of high school students had used alcohol in the past 30 days, 26% had used marijuana and 11% had abused a prescription drug (*2011 NH Youth Risk Behavior Survey*). These situations can be amplified during graduation season, so parents and teens have to be prepared.

Discussion topics between parents and teens should include: times & specific location of activities/ events, safe transportation, checking-in at certain times, avoiding alcohol and drugs, and avoiding the pressure to have sex. Parents should also ASK their teen what they are most concerned about before they head out to a party or graduation event. Building trust and communication between teens and parents can help to facilitate responsible behavior.

Help your teen identify risky behaviors by discussing them – it is important to remember that parents DO make the difference. Teens who learn anti-drug & alcohol messages at home are **42%** less likely to use drugs & alcohol.

SADD, or Students Against Destructive Decisions, has a [“Contract for Life”](#) that may be a useful tool to review with your teen. Go to www.sadd.org/contract.htm to download a copy.



Here are some more tips to help your teen have a FUN and SAFE Graduation Season:

- Ask your teen for details about parties and events they attend, including venues, times and contact numbers.
- Know exactly what activities are taking place and where – if the party is at a friend’s house, CALL the PARENTS to confirm and make sure that alcohol will not be present.

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Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)

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- Establish an agreed-upon curfew.
- Get to know your teen's friends.
- Make sure your teen will have a charged cell phone that is turned ON at all times.
- Outline your policy on alcohol and drug use and the consequences for violating the rules.
- Remind your teen not to use alcohol or drugs, or ride in a vehicle with a driver who is under the influence.
- Tell your teen that if anything occurs at a party that makes them feel uncomfortable, they can call you and arrange to leave with no questions asked.
- If, for some reason, they do consume alcohol or drugs or get into any kind of trouble, let them know they can still call you and arrange to leave at any time.

And, remember, those who HOST, can lose the most: Most underage drinkers get their alcohol from adults. In 2004 the NH legislature passed a law (RSA 644:18) to hold "hosts" of parties responsible for the actions of underage participants. This law can be applied to any adult.

Under this Law "Host" means a person who:

- Is at least 17 years old;
- Owns, rents, or has control of the site;
- Knows about the party; and
- Knows that persons under the age of 21 have a plan to drink alcohol or use drugs.

"Party" means:

- Five or more people under the age of 21 (not related to the host) are present; and
- At least one person under the age of 21 has an alcoholic drink or an illegal drug.



What can happen to "hosts"? Under this law, a person who hosts a party where minors drink alcohol or use drugs may be charged with a misdemeanor, fined up to \$2,000 and spend a year in jail.

To Stay Safe Under This Law

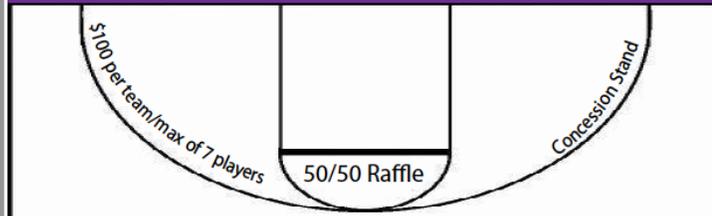
People whose properties may be the site of underage drinking or drug parties should:

- Tell local law enforcement officials as soon as possible;
- Take action to prevent the party; and/or
- Try to stop the party, if it has already started.

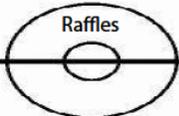
You can be part of the solution: Call the NH Liquor Commission's Bureau of Enforcement at 1-888-8-Over-21 (888-868-3721, then #2 after prompt) to anonymously report underage alcohol violations such as sales to minors or upcoming parties.

Partnering with law enforcement is a key strategy to reduce underage drinking in our communities.

Laconia Parks & Recreation
is Hosting a 5 on 5
Basketball Tournament



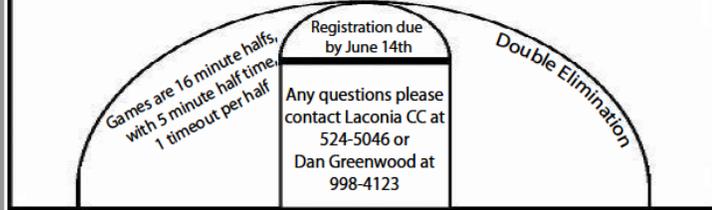
In Memory of Lily Johnson and
Support of Allyssa Miner



Younger Division (12 teams)
15 years and younger

Older Division (12 teams)
16 years and older

June 20th-23rd
At Leavitt Park



Department of Public Works

**MEMORIAL DAY
Solid Waste Collection Delay**

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON
CURBIDE COLLECTION ROUTES**



Memorial Day is Monday, May 27th
there will be **A ONE (1) DAY DELAY** in curbside
collection of trash this week

Monday collections will be on Tuesday
Every other day will be moved ahead by one day

Any questions, please call Ann @ 528-6379.



Rich Velasquez Youth Sports
Equipment Foundation

&



Laconia Kiwanis

Presents



Sunday June 2nd, 2013
at Colby Field at Opechee Park

NEW THIS YEAR.

Our 15 to 18 Division

Participants enter as team of 4.

The team's top 3 of each round will combine
for the team score. Everyone will compete for
Individual awards as well as one overall
Team award.

Start time will be 11am

Other actives for younger youth
will be available.

Stop by and join the fun!

The Rich Velasquez Youth Sports
Equipment Foundation is set up to help
families of the Lakes Region to get
necessary sports equipment for the youth to
participate in organized sports. No Child
should be left out and not be able to
participate for any reason. With this
Foundation needed families simply put in
request and receive necessary equipment.



Divisions for 2013

Little League – 14 and under
Registration minimum of \$25.00 from sponsor sheet.
Most money raised receives gift.

High School – 15 to 18 yrs
Individual sign ups \$30.00
Team sign ups \$100.00

**Coaches/
Volunteer – Adults 18 & up**
Individual sign ups \$35.00

MUST REGISTER BY MAY 30th
To register, contact Jack Batchelder at
rvysef@gmail.com or call 520-4680.

If you would like more information
on Home Run Derby & RVYSEF,
Visit us at rvysef.org.

"Kiwans is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to
changing the world, one child and one community at a time."

MEREDITH
VILLAGE SAVINGS BANK
Presents
The 10th Annual



\$WEEP\$TAKES\$ BALL

SATURDAY, May 18, 2013

6:30pm - 11:00pm

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 • CASUAL ATTIRE IS COOL

THE CONFERENCE CENTER AT LAKE OPECHEE INN & SPA

Support the expansion
of the WOW Trail through
Laconia. Purchasing a ticket
for \$100 entitles you and a
guest to admission, dinner,
dancing and entertainment
and a chance to win a cash
prize. You do not need to be
present to win.

LIVE MUSIC
with
Paul Warnick's
Phil 'N The Blanks

Dinner
courtesy of
Patrick's
Pub & Eatery

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Tickets available online at www.meadowbrook.net or at the Chamber of Commerce,
Laconia Athletic & Swim Club or Patrick's Pub & Eatery.
For more information email info@wowtrail.org or call Jennifer Beetle at 630-4468



Conservation Commission News...

THE EMERALD ASH BORER HAS ENTERED NEW HAMPSHIRE

The invasive insect the Emerald Ash Borer was found in the State of Michigan in 2002. It was transported from Asia by way of the Great Lakes shipping lanes. By 2012 the Emerald Ash Borer had spread into seventeen states and two Canadian provinces. A few weeks ago, New Hampshire became the 18th state to locate infested ash trees in Concord. Since that time, no firewood can enter or leave Merrimack County.



White, Black, and Green Ash trees are found throughout New Hampshire and can be spotted along major river corridors and in landscaped islands of recently developed sites. The Ash tree is most widely used for ax handles and baseball bats. The tree's ring pattern is distinct (see image). Its leaves branch out and grow opposite each other. The Emerald Ash Borer enters through the tree's outer bark. It then tunnels into the inner bark accessing the sticky cambium layer.

Larvae is then produced which, in turn, consumes the nutrient rich bark in an s-shaped pattern, eventually girdling the tree.



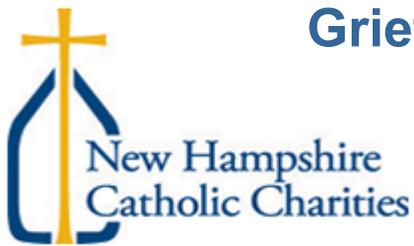
A small D shaped exit hole, smaller than your finger nail, is evidence of its presence. Trees then must be cut down, isolated, stripped of bark and any beetles located during bark removal, and be properly disposed of.



Many existing New Hampshire ash trees have already been weakened by ash canker and other parasites. Weak ash trees create a magnet for this new wide-ranging borer but healthy ash trees are also consumed by this aggressive tiny bug. (see image).

Unlike the less aggressive Asian Longhorned Beetle, the Emerald Ash Borer has a flight range of least one mile allowing it to easily locate and consume its only food source, the ash tree.

If you spot any of these indicators immediately call 603- 271-3488 or e-mail www.agriculture.nh.gov for instructions. The Emerald Ash Borer is now considered the most destructive forest pest ever seen in North America.

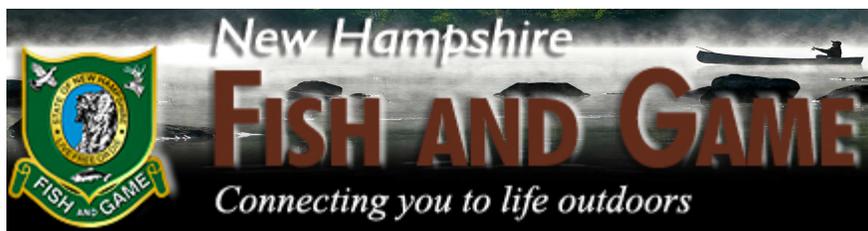


Grief Group Continues in Laconia

New Hampshire Catholic Charities in Laconia is offering a grief group which started May 9th at 3:00 p.m. at St. André Bessette conference center and continues each Thursday for six weeks.

This group is designed to help youth cope with loss from the death of a classmate or loss of a parent through divorce or separation of any kind. This is a safe place to express or not express real feelings, talk about the change that is happening, realize anger is part of the process and work to come to a sense of understanding and forgiveness about the situation.

Sessions will be led by Su McKinnon and Leonard Campbell, Parish and Community Outreach Coordinators in Concord and Laconia. For more information on attending, contact Leonard Campbell at 528-3035 Extension 14 or e-mail lcampbell@nh-cc.org.



**SATURDAY, JUNE 1,
IS FREE FISHING
DAY!**

Saturday, June 1, is Free Fishing Day in New Hampshire, so get out your fishing gear and head for the water! You don't need a license to fish that day, so make plans to cast a line with family and friends. State residents and nonresidents alike can fish any of New Hampshire's inland waters – and saltwater, too. Though you don't need a license, season dates, bag limits and all other fishing regulations must be followed on Free Fishing Day. Please note, anglers fishing for brood stock Atlantic salmon in the Merrimack and lower Pemigewasset rivers must have a fishing license along with a special Atlantic Salmon broodstock permit.

Also on Saturday, June 1, New Hampshire's six state fish hatcheries will be open to visitors from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Stop in and see where the state raises more than a million trout each year that are stocked into New Hampshire's rivers, lakes and ponds. Hatcheries are located at Berlin, Milford, New Hampton, New Durham (Powder Mill), Twin Mountain, and Warren, N.H. Find directions at http://www.fishnh.com/Inside_FandG/hatcheries_visitor_centers.htm.

"Free Fishing Day is a great chance to get out for a relaxing day in the outdoors, take a buddy fishing, and stop off for a fun visit to a fish hatchery along the way," says Jason Smith, Inland Fisheries Division Director at the N.H. Fish and Game Department. Free Fishing Day kicks off 2013 National Fishing and Boating Week in N.H. (June 1 - 8, 2013), a nationwide observance encouraging families to have fun together on the water.

For details on fishing rules, consult the New Hampshire Freshwater and Saltwater Fishing Digests, available online at <http://www.fishnh.com/pubs/fishing.html>. You can find the latest fish stocking information, tackle tips, fishing publications and more at the Fish and Game website at <http://www.fishnh.com/Fishing/fishing.htm>. For ideas on where to fish, a series of regional fishing brochures offers shoreline fishing suggestions.

If you get hooked on Free Fishing Day, why not enjoy the fun year round! Licenses are available online at <http://www.fishnh.com> or from any of 250 friendly local license agents statewide. Youth under age 16 always fish free in New Hampshire.



Photos (above and below) of bluebirds at the Laconia Transfer Station. Thanks to the assistance of local Boy Scouts and a group of volunteers who helped construct and install bluebird houses and plant native vegetation, the bluebirds have now returned!



Are you wondering what's happening at the Laconia Senior Center in May? Just click on the image below to read the latest edition of the "Senior Sentinel"!



Laconia Senior Center
May 2013 Senior Sentinel

Tom Menard
Director
524-7689
17 Church Street
Laconia, NH 03246

MEMORIAL DAY 5/27 represents a day of national awareness and reverence, honoring Americans who died while defending our nation and its values. We are grateful for our fallen heroes and honor the sacrifice of all veterans who gave their life in service to the country.

God bless our
Men and
women
in service.



Click Here!

May Day! We are... Help! In activities at more than 1,000 locations throughout the state. The common goal is to keep Americans healthy and fit. National Senior Health and Fitness Day is the nation's largest annual health promotion event for older adults, usually held at the end of the month. However, we are requesting that you celebrate a little early, put on your walking shoes, and join us for March for Meals, on Saturday May 18th. March for Meals helps us to raise money for our Meals on Wheels Program... "so no senior goes hungry." There are many ways you can help... you could join a fun team, volunteer, or simply pledge whatever amount you can afford... every little bit helps... a lot! But to have the most fun, come and join the walk... you can take the short, easy walk, or a slightly longer more scenic walk. Either way, you will enjoy the festivities, the music, the fun, the camaraderie... and most of all the good inner feeling you will experience knowing you have helped a homebound older adult from going hungry. Please check with your local senior center for more details. But hurry, advanced registration is preferred. Also, for those of you who are Facebook fans, we now have a Facebook page. Please, click this link, "LIKE" us on FACEBOOK and help us get the word out about March for Meals and all our upcoming events! (Or copy and paste: <https://www.facebook.com/ElderServicesEMCAP?ref=ts&fref=ts>)

GOD took the fragrance of a flower the majesty of a tree the gentleness of morning dew the calm of a quiet sea the beauty of the twilight hour the soul of a starry night the laughter of a rippling brook the grace of a bird in flight then God fashioned from these things a creation like no other and when his masterpiece was through he called it simply Mother. By Herbert Farnham

Service Link
Resource Center
1-855-634-9412 or
528-8946
The toll number to call for senior services.

United Way
Lakes Region United Way



Your story will be used to draft a village overlay district to help direct architecture, building placement, streetscape, pedestrian ways, vehicular movements, parking and public space enhancement.

Calling All Downtown Business and Land Owners

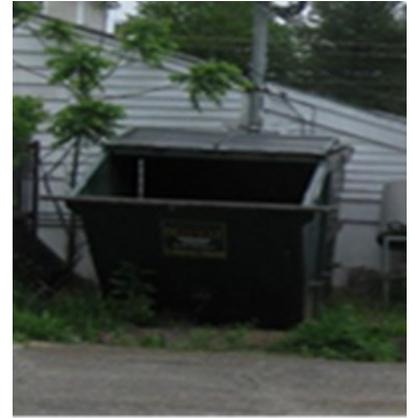
**The Laconia Planning Department
In Conjunction with the
Main Street Initiative of Laconia
Invites you to Listen, learn and
TELL US YOUR STORIES!**

Tuesday, May 21, 2013
6:30 pm at 600 Main
Light refreshments will be available

Updates from the Planning Office...

IS YOUR DUMPSTER SCREENED?

Do you know one of the easiest things to do to make your business more visually appealing is to screen your dumpster? It is also in keeping with local law. The Zoning Ordinance requires storage containers, including dumpsters “shall be obstructed from view both from the street and adjacent properties and from water views by the provisions of a year round screen.” [Section 235-43 (E)]



Can you guess which of the violating dumpsters above remedied the situation and now not only meets the law but looks much nicer to its patrons, as seen below?



Questions? Contact the Planning Department at 527-1264



Link to the Planning Dept's website for info and updates —click [here!](#)

use your head

BEFORE YOU HEAD DOWN THE ROAD,

LEARN TO
RIDE SAFELY!



Saturday, May 18, 2013
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
(rain or shine)

Opechee Park Clubhouse
Parking Lot
North Main Street, Laconia

All participants accompanied by parent/guardian will receive a **Safety Inspection, Certified Helmet** (donation \$5-\$30 value), **Discount Coupons for Repairs, Bicycle Registration Promotion, Certification of Achievement**, refreshments, and a chance to win a **New Bike**.

Sponsored by: Kiwanis Club of Laconia,
Laconia Police Dept, LR&Healthcare
& Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute

laconia kiwanis family safety day

*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@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers, City Manager
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City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Mary Reynolds	
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Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing Clerk - Katie Walsh	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
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Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Welfare.....	527-1267
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Fire Dept. (Central Station) *	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Lakeport) *	524-7777
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) *	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library	524-4775
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