

# Laconia

CITY ON THE LAKES



Ready for Summer at the Weirs!

## Laconia Links

June 7 2013 - Edition #87



# Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)



Captain William Clary, Sergeant Gary Hubbard and Detective Sergeant Scott Roy traveled to the University of New Hampshire recently to present medals to participants of the Special Olympics of New Hampshire Summer Games.

More than 1,000 athletes, families and volunteers enjoyed a fun filled weekend!

Pictured at left are Captain Clary at the podium with medal winners of the 100 yard dash.

**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](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

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



**Thursdays**  
**June 6 to September 26, 2013**  
**3pm 'til 7 pm**

Municipal Parking Lot Downtown Laconia

**Vegetables ~ Bread ~ Local Meat ~ Eggs**  
**Raw Milk ~ Flowers ~ Wine ~ Wool ~ Candles**  
**Embroidery ~ Crafts ~ Soaps ~ Jewelry**  
**Coffee ~ Treats ~ Seafood ~ Plants ~ Herbs**  
**Live Entertainment**

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**Come & enjoy the fun!**



## Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

### Museum Passes

Summer is almost here and time to explore some of the great attractions and sights that New Hampshire has to offer! The Library currently offers the following passes which you can check out on your Library card: *Castle in the Clouds*, *Currier Museum of Art*, *McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Ctr.*, *Museum of Natural History*, and *Squam Lakes Science Center*.

Please call the Library at 524-4775, or access the Library's website for additional information.



## Movies & More for Kids !



Friday, June 14th @  
3:45 p.m. in Laconia  
Rotary Hall:

*Sophia the First :  
Once Upon  
a Princess*

This film is 48 minutes in length and rated G. Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by a responsible person aged 14 years or older and adults must bring a child.

Admission is free and snacks are provided!

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

# Upcoming Meetings...

Meeting  
in  
Progress

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda. Meetings are open to the public....you are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

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!*

### **City Council Finance Comm.**

June 10, 2013, 6:45 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **City Council**

June 10, 2013, 7:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **TRC I**

June 12, 2013, 9:30 am  
City Hall, Room 200A  
[Agenda](#)

### **Heritage Commission**

June 12, 2013, 5:00 pm  
City Hall, Room 200B

### **Board of Assessors**

June 13, 2013, 6:30 pm  
City Hall, Room 200B

## LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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



[Laconia High School Website](#)



[Laconia Middle School Website](#)



[Elm Street School Website](#)



[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights Website](#)

# Huot Career Tech Center



Two weeks ago we featured the Richard Dearborn Science Center. Last week we offered an update on the Bank of NH Stadium. This week we are highlighting the 32,000 sq. ft. Huot Career & Technical Center addition that has just opened right next to Laconia High School.

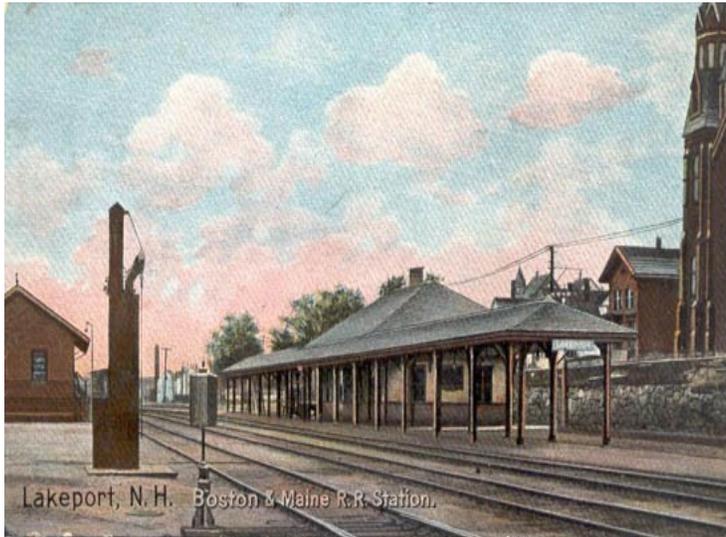
The Meredith Village Savings Bank Culinary Arts Center anchors this energy efficient, high tech addition. Students from Belmont, Franklin, Gilford, Inter-Lakes, and Winnisquam have access to 7 updated programs in the new building. The MVSBCulinary Arts Center has a beautiful restaurant that will be featuring special events open to the public starting this fall. Students from this program can gain college credit while being prepared for the restaurant industry of the Lakes Region.

Students in Health Science & Technology can complete the requirements and be eligible to take the State Nursing Assistant Certification exam to be a licensed LNA. Many college nursing programs are expecting this type of high school preparation. The “medical mannequin” in this program is the same type of cutting edge healthcare training used at LRGHealthcare.

Multimedia Communications has a new studio and sound proof recording room in the addition. Students are creating electronic media, learning the techniques of video production, graphic communications and editing. There is also a partnership with our Law Enforcement program to record Public Service Announcements.

There is so much more to see in this energy efficient Career & Technical Education addition. Contact us to take a tour of the Early Childhood Program, Business Education, or our Career Support Specialist setting up internships with our Lakes Region Business and Industry partners. If you would like a tour of our city’s high school, please call Janet Brough at 524-5710 or email her at [jbrough@laconia.k12.nh.us](mailto:jbrough@laconia.k12.nh.us).

# Lakeport Community Association



The Lakeport Freight House Museum, located near the corner of Union Avenue and Elm Street in the vicinity of the Lakeport Fire Station, will be open to the public on Saturday, June 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Please plan to join us!*

## City Manager Updates

Two new updates have been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

First, check out the newest version of [Project Updates](#) providing a concise update of projects in the community.

Next, take a look at the updated [Financial & Operational Trends](#) report. In this document you'll find financial information for the current year compared to prior years in several departments, such as fire and rescue call data, revenue from motor vehicle registrations and property taxes, winter storm costs, police incidents, overtime costs and much more!

*We hope you find these documents helpful and informative!*



Contact the City Mgr's office at 527-1270, or [info@city.laconia.nh.us](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)



### Opening Day, Saturday June 15th!

Be sure to come out to the opening Day of Laconia Farmers' Market Saturday, June 15th from 8-12. Meet your local farmers and shop from a wonderful selection of produce, baked goods, cheese, meats and seafood, soaps and crafts!

The Laconia Farmers' Market, in its 40th year, is dedicated to providing the Lakes Region with fresh vegetables, garlic, herbs, fruits, berries, natural meats, seafood, and delicious farmstead jams and jellies, baked goods, artisan breads, and a selection of unique hand-made crafts. We offer Organic and Gluten-Free products too!

Experience our beautiful outdoor market, open every Saturday, beginning the third Saturday in June through the last Saturday in September. Market open rain or shine!

**Location: Beacon St. East, Laconia City Hall Parking Lot, Laconia, NH**  
**Hours of Operation: 8 am to 12 noon**



# Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)



Officers spent the afternoon with students and faculty at the Woodland Heights School during the annual summer cookout. Officers cooked hamburgers and served hundreds of children on a beautiful sunny day!

Pictured from left to right: PTO Ben Black, Detective Tony Horan, Officer Kyle Jepsen and Detective Jeff Wholley serve hungry students.

Not pictured: Commissioner Armand Maheux, Chief Chris Adams, Captain Matt Canfield, Sergeant Tom Swett, PTO Joe Marquis, and PTO Jon Howe.

## Updates from the Planning Office...

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

- 1) Fences can be placed on your property line, they do not have to meet setbacks. It is strongly suggested that you keep your fence at least two feet away from the property line, this will allow you to maintain the fence without trespassing onto your neighbor's property.

Please also keep winter in mind when you plan your fence location, remember to leave room for snow removal and snow storage.

- 2) The "good side" of a fence can face any direction— in towards your house, or out towards your neighbors.

- 3) Height:

- a) Fences located within the required front setback area cannot be taller than four feet (front setback distances vary between zoning districts. Please call us to ask what yours is!).
- b) Fences over six feet require a building permit, fences under six feet do not.
- c) Per State law (NH RSA 476) any fence taller than five feet that is erected for purposes of annoying your neighbors may be deemed a "Spite Fence" by a court, and the court may require you to remove the nuisance.

- 4) Nonresidential properties (every lot that isn't a single family or two family lot) must have fence types and locations approved by Planning staff as part of their overall site plan.

- 5) The City has no "view" ordinances – unless you have a view easement in your deed, the view that you have across your neighbor's property can be 'blocked' by a fence.





Over 30 volunteers assisted at the April, 2012 daylily planting effort.

## *Lilies For The Lakes Region - Thousands Of Daylilies Ready For Planting In Local Public Spaces*

The Laconia Rotary Club is part of a world-wide organization of business and professional leaders providing local community service. Locally, among a host of other efforts, the Laconia Club arranged for a massive planting of tulip bulbs in Laconia's Stewart Park, complimenting plantings years before in Rotary Park, just across the Winnepesaukee River. Never resting on their laurels, the Club has initiated an even larger landscape enhancement effort with the assistance of Belknap Landscape Company.

### **Three Years and 10,000 Daylilies**

The Laconia Rotary Club is sponsoring this beautification project which will plant 10,000 daylilies in a 3-year effort. While the Club is paying for the plants, volunteer assistance is sorely needed. Further, the Club is happily accepting donations to help defray the cost of the plants at just \$1.00 per daylily plant.

Along with Rotary Club Members, local companies, residents and youth groups will donate all of the labor to plant the lilies, together creating a spectacular summer show for the enjoyment of the entire community. To help, please volunteer the day of the event or just watch, but please attend!

On Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 PM, rain or shine, volunteers are asked to meet at the Belknap Mill, in the Laconia Rotary Park Gazebo. Volunteers are asked to come with a shovel or hoe in hand, collect a bag of daylilies and head off to an assigned planting location. Another way to help sustain the planting is to make a check payable to Laconia Rotary Club and drop off or mail to the Historic Belknap Mill at 25 Beacon Street East, Laconia, NH 03246.

*For more information or to volunteer, please contact:*

Dale Squires at Belknap Landscape Co., 603/455 1594 or [dale@belknaplandscape.com](mailto:dale@belknaplandscape.com).

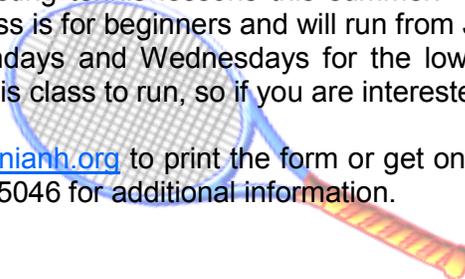
**LACONIA  
PARKS & RECREATION  
DEPARTMENT**



## **TENNIS LESSONS**

Laconia Parks & Recreation will be hosting tennis lessons this summer. The lessons will be taught by Gilford Hills Sports Club Pros. This class is for beginners and will run from July 8th through July 31<sup>st</sup>. The times will be 9:00 – 10:00am on Mondays and Wednesdays for the low price of \$65.00 for this time period. There is a minimum of 12 for this class to run, so if you are interested please sign up now!

To register go online at [www.cityoflaconianh.org](http://www.cityoflaconianh.org) to print the form or get one from the Parks & Rec Office at 306 Union Avenue. Please call 524-5046 for additional information.



# Public Works Department



## Recycling Demonstrations Scheduled!



All residents not currently participating in the City of Laconia Recycling Program are cordially invited to a Recycling Demonstration presented by Ann Saltmarsh, Laconia Department of Public Works and James Presher, Executive Director of the Concord Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery Cooperative (the COOP).

Residents are encouraged to attend one of the following neighborhood meetings on a night and at a location most convenient for them:

Mandatory Recycling becomes effective July 1, 2013 – in order to have your trash collected, you must be participating in the Recycling Program. Ann will outline what containers are acceptable for curbside placement of recycling and what materials are accepted for recycling. Come with questions! Jim will present a very interesting slide show of a Single Stream Recycling Facility which will demonstrate what happens to the recycling materials after they leave the curb!

June 12, 2013	6:00 PM Laconia Middle School Library
June 19, 2013	6:00 PM Woodland Heights School Library
June 24, 2013	7:00 PM Weirs Community Center

Questions? Call Ann at DPW, 528-6379, Ext. 300



## PROPERTY TAX BILLS

Tax bills were mailed on Tuesday, May 28, 2013. They are due on July 1, 2013. Payments are accepted by mail, online and at the counter during normal business hours. Office hours are Monday – Friday 8:30-4:30. For your convenience, there is a drop slot located on the side door of City Hall. A 2.95% convenience fee applies to all credit card transactions.

Please call the tax office at 527-1269 if you have any questions.

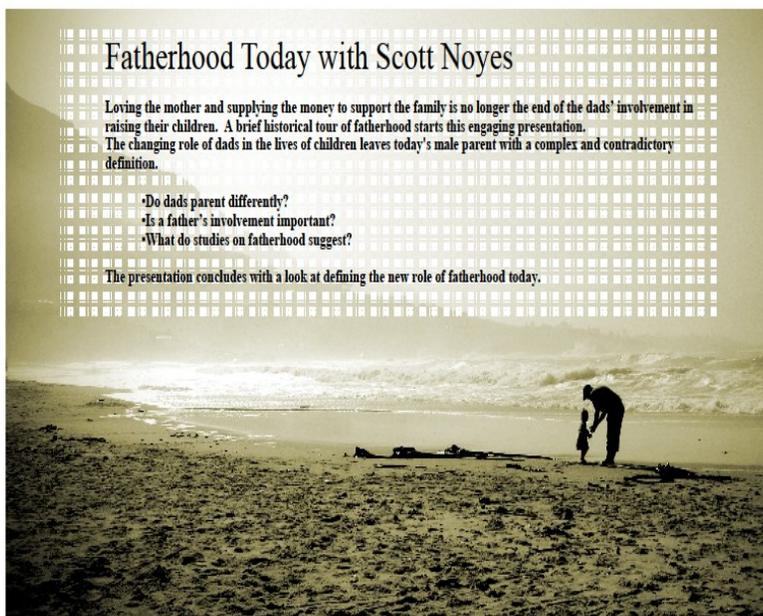
## Fatherhood Today with Scott Noyes

Loving the mother and supplying the money to support the family is no longer the end of the dad's involvement in raising their children. A brief historical tour of fatherhood starts this engaging presentation.

The changing role of dads in the lives of children leaves today's male parent with a complex and contradictory definition.

- Do dads parent differently?
- Is a father's involvement important?
- What do studies on fatherhood suggest?

The presentation concludes with a look at defining the new role of fatherhood today.



Fathers in the Lakes Region, please join us for this free workshop.

When: June 11 from 6:00-8:00 pm (Optional dinner offered from 5:30-6:00 pm)  
Where: LRCS Family Resource Center of Central New Hampshire, 719 No. Main Street, Laconia  
To Register: Contact Shannon Robinson-Beland at 581-1571 or e-mail [shannon@lrsc.org](mailto:shannon@lrsc.org)  
On-site childcare and assistance with transportation available upon request.



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## *Keeping the American Dream – Home Ownership*



The Laconia Area Community Land Trust (LACLT) offers a free post-purchase workshop for homeowners, sponsored by the Meredith Village Savings Bank.

On Saturday, June 22 from 8:00AM to 4:00PM at MVSB's Seneca Ladd Building (next door to the main office) in Meredith you're invited to celebrate your investment and learn how to keep it in top condition. Whether you purchased your home six months or 20 years ago, you will benefit from these topics:

- New home/new budget: the importance of good credit, tax deductions, Schedule A, emergency savings, unforeseen events, reducing expenses
- Energy savings – behavioral economics (looking at habits and where we can save money): Healthy Homes (radon, lead paint, molds, pests, asbestos), phantom energy use, going green (homemade all-natural recipes), recycling, weatherization
- Maintenance and preventive scheduling (a look at all seasons): the cost of lack of maintenance
- Homeowner's insurance (understanding actual vs. replacement insurance): please bring the declaration page of your own policy as we explore applicable discounts
- Safety: radon, fire extinguishers, child safety, carbon monoxide and smoke detectors, furnace exhausts, emergency preparedness, evacuation plan, hazardous waste
- Lenders: equity lending, refinancing, scams
- Home maintenance: innovative products, presentations on do-it-yourself home repairs, renovations and maintenance, basic tools, improvements, when to hire professionals
- Record-keeping – home inventory, shredding, storage
- Community engagement and involvement: curb appeal, pride of ownership, conflict resolution, feeling safe and welcome in your neighborhood, meeting your neighbors
- Plus, Prizes! Lunch and snacks are also provided, in addition to a free book, "Keeping the American Dream."

Space is limited, so please call to pre-register as soon as possible by calling Debra Drake, Homeownership Director of LACLT at 524-0747 or by emailing [ddrake@lactl.org](mailto:ddrake@lactl.org).

*Advance registration is required.*



**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. The collection box is accessible 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week!**



**Questions? Call the Laconia PD at 524-5257**



# Laconia Fire Department

Link to Fire Dept.'s Website [here](#)



Mayor Seymour and City Manager Scott Myers are shown above with the four SAFER hires: Ray Bushey, Jr., Nate Mills, Brennan Lorden, and Greg Aucoin

Laconia Fire Department held a promotion and swearing-in ceremony at Fire Headquarters recently. More than 40 people were in attendance including officers, firefighters, and family members.



Firefighter Dan Doucette, Scott Lewandowski, and Dennis Comeau were promoted to Firefighter First Class after completing their first year of probation.

***Congratulations to All!***



Filing period for the following offices:

- Mayor**
- Council (All Wards)**
- Board of Education**
- Ward 2 & Ward 3**
- Ward Officials (All Wards):**
- Supervisor of the Checklist**
- Moderator**
- Ward Clerk**
- Selectman**
- Police Commission**

Will be held from

**June 5, 2013 – June 14, 2013**

At the City Clerk's Office

8:30am-4:30pm

For the September 10, 2013

Primary Election

Mary A. Reynolds

City Clerk

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www.laonlauoo.org

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Laconia  
Call 603-524-06689



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**COME SEE WHAT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AIRPORT IS ALL ABOUT!**

*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](mailto:info@city.laconia.nh.us)

*Have a great weekend!*



Scott Myers, City Manager  
City's Website: [www.city.laconia.nh.us](http://www.city.laconia.nh.us)



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessing .....	527-1268
<i>Assessor - Jon Duhamel</i>	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
<i>City Clerk - Mary Reynolds</i>	
City Manager.....	527-1270
<i>City Manager - Scott Myers</i>	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
<i>Planning &amp; Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders</i>	
Finance .....	524-3877
<i>Finance Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Licensing .....	528-6331
<i>Licensing Clerk - Katie Walsh</i>	
Planning & Comm. Dev. ....	527-1264
<i>Planning &amp; Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders</i>	
Tax .....	527-1269
<i>Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen</i>	
Welfare.....	527-1267
<i>Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack</i>	
<i>Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) * ....	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Lakeport) * .....	524-7777
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) * .....	366-2229
<i>Fire Chief - Ken Erickson</i>	
Library .....	524-4775
<i>Library Director - Randy Brough</i>	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
<i>Parks &amp; Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy</i>	
Personnel .....	524-3877
<i>Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumoe</i>	
Police (Administration) * .....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) * .....	524-1717
<i>Police Chief - Christopher Adams</i>	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station) .....	528-5822
<i>Public Works Director - Paul Moynihan</i>	
Water.....	524-0901
<i>Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman</i>	

### **City Council Contact Info:**

Mayor Michael Seymour .....	524-6552
Ava Doyle (Ward 1) .....	393-6533
Matthew Lahey (Ward 2) .....	524-4283
Henry Lipman (Ward 3) .....	528-0191
Brenda Baer (Ward 4) .....	524-6349
Robert Hamel (Ward 5) .....	524-6360
Armand Bolduc (Ward 6) .....	524-2514
E-mail: <a href="mailto:citycouncil@city.laconia.nh.us">citycouncil@city.laconia.nh.us</a>	

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