



Lakeport Freighthouse Museum

Laconia Links

November 21, 2014 - Edition #161

Lakeport Freighthouse Museum

Recycling Update

2 Week Total - October 27 through November 7, 2014

Fiscal YTD Recyclables Collected = 593.63		Savings to Taxpayers Fiscal YTD * (@ \$150/ton) = \$89,044.50		Lost Opportunity Dollars Fiscal YTD = \$18,016.50	
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		38.94			
Monday	24.60	5.35	21.8%	7.38	\$304.50
Tuesday	42.15	11.70	27.8%	12.64	\$141.00
Wednesday	45.62	11.85	26.0%	13.69	\$276.00
Thursday	42.66	9.47	22.2%	12.80	\$499.50
Friday	38.37	7.82	20.4%	11.51	\$553.50
	Total = 193.40	Route Total = 46.19	Curbside Ave = 23.8%	Total = 58.02	Total = \$1,774.50
*Fiscal Year to Date: 7/1/14 - present			Prior 2 Weeks = 24.6%	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!



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS ON CURBSIDE COLLECTION ROUTES



Thanksgiving Thursday, Nov. 27th

There will be a **ONE DAY DELAY** in curbside collection of trash on Thursday, November 27th. Thursday's route will be collected on Friday and Friday's route will be collected on Saturday.

Any questions, please call Ann @ 528-6379, ext. 300

Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....

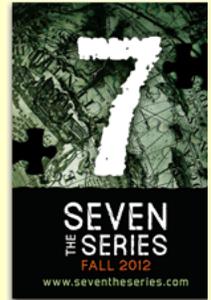
Please Note! The Library will be closing early on Wednesday, November 26th at 4:00 pm and will be closed all day on Thursday, November 27th for Thanksgiving. We will be open our normal hours on Friday. Enjoy the holiday!



What's New in the Teen Room...

Fiction: Seven (The Series):

1. Between Heaven and Earth - Eric Walters
2. Lost Cause - John Wilson
3. Jump Cut - Ted Staunton
4. Ink Me - Richard Scrimger
5. Close to the Heel - Norah McClintock
6. Devil's Pass - Sigmund Brouwer
7. Last Message - Shane Peacock



Goss Reading Room Programs

The Goss Reading Room has storytime every Tuesday afternoon at 3:30.

Come join us!



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

City Council

November 24, 2014, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

[Agenda](#)

Minor Site Plan Committee

November 26, 2014, 2:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

November 27, 2014
CITY HALL CLOSED

November 28, 2014
CITY HALL CLOSED

LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ensuring success with every student, every day, in every way



[Laconia High School Website](#)



[Huot Career Tech Center Website](#)



[Laconia Middle School Website](#)



[Elm Street School Website](#)



[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights School Website](#)

WEEK AT A GLANCE IN LACONIA

11/24	11/25	11/26	11/27	11/28
		<p>Thanksgiving Break - No School Enjoy time with family and friends.</p>		

TASTE TEST TUESDAY @ PSS—PUMPKIN DIP

Once a month for Taste Test Tuesday we try to offer the students a healthy food that is tasty, and something they might not have tried on their own. The goal is to increase their consumption of healthy, good tasting food. This month we offered a healthy pumpkin dip. It was enjoyed by most students with many asking for the recipe.

Pumpkin Dip

- 1 cup low-fat vanilla yogurt
- 3 tablespoons canned pumpkin
- 1 tablespoon orange juice concentrate
- ½ tsp. of pumpkin pie spice

Mix all ingredients together. Dip in with graham crackers and enjoy!

The final results were: 212 (Yes, I like it) to 25 (No, I don't like it)



HUOT BUILDING TRADES - ALL CALL FOR PROJECTS!

The Huot Technical Center Building construction program is seeking inquiries and applications for 2014-2015 school year projects. In an attempt to provide hands-on experiences for students, the program is forming project schedules that best address the NH State Competencies for Building Construction. To apply for a potential project to be completed by the Huot Technical Center's Building Construction program for the 2014-2015 school year, please fill out an application which can be found [here](#). You can also mail completed applications to HTC Building Construction, c/o M. Towle, 26 Dewey St, Laconia, NH 03246, fax them at (603)524-5711, or send by email to mtowle@laconiaschools.org.

COMMUNITY GATHERS TO ADDRESS SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The Greater Laconia Ministerial Association partnered with Stand Up Laconia, The Laconia Middle School and JAG (Jobs for American Graduates) to respond to the recent substance abuse overdoses and deaths in our community. More than 125 people came together on November 13th in the LMS Café to participate in a collaborative informational presentation by the Laconia Police Department, Laconia School personnel, LRPPH and Stand Up Laconia. Forum participants received a presentation focusing on what is being done to keep children and young adults away from drugs and what resources are available for families seeking help.



PANCAKES FOR PLAYGROUNDS AT WOODLAND HEIGHTS

On Saturday, November 15th more than 175 people came for breakfast at Woodland Heights School to raise funds for a playground renovation. Breakfast was donated by Mike Soucy from the Soda Shoppe and coffee was donated by Big Cat Coffee. Over \$700 was raised at this event.



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Laconia Sachems Jazz Band
cordially invites you to our

HOLIDAY JAZZ DINNER

Tuesday, December 2, 2014
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

MVSB Dining room, Huot Technical Center
Laconia, New Hampshire

**\$10 for adults, \$8.00 for students & seniors
Children under age 5 free**

Dinner will include spaghetti with sauce, salad, breads,
drinks, and dessert with entertainment by the Jazz Band
and Concert Choir

Tickets available for purchase from a band/chorus
members or at the door. Email
laconiasachembandboosters@gmail.com with questions.



St. James Christmas Fair

formerly across from Oposhee Park, now at 2238 Parade Rd., Laconia
at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Saturday, Nov. 22

9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Raffle
\$400 American Eyecare
100 gallons of oil (Stafford Oil) (up to \$350)
Quilt of Valor
Counted cross-stitch New England Sampler
Handcrafted teddy bear
\$100 certificate to Gilford Home Center

Homemade donuts and coffee 9:00 to 11:00
Chowder/soups and a roll after 11:00

Crafts
Ornaments
Baked goods
Plants
Books
New to you table

We hope we will see you at our new location!



Reminder!

**The next recycling
collection week begins
Monday, December 1st!**



NOTICE



**THE CITY OF LACONIA
HILLIARD ROAD BRUSH DUMP
HAS NOW COMMENCED
WINTER HOURS OF OPERATION
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
(Normally at 1:00, weekdays)**

**PLEASE CALL ANN @ 528-6379,
Ext. 300 TO SCHEDULE
APPOINTMENTS**




The City of Laconia's winter parking ban is now in effect! No vehicle is allowed to be parked on a public street between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:30 a.m. from Nov. 1st to May 1st. This parking ban allows our City vehicles to safely and effectively keep our streets passable during and after a winter storm. Failure to comply with the winter parking ban may result in your vehicle being towed at your expense. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please drive safely this winter!

Congregational
Church of
Laconia



*Thanksgiving Meal at the
Congregational Church of Laconia,
UCC - 46th Annual
Hazel Duke Dinner*

As the holidays approach, the Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC has much to celebrate in their continued mission to give back the greater community. This year, the annual tradition of serving Thanksgiving dinner will be prepared in a totally renovated church kitchen. The renovation is a part of multi-phased project funded by donations from a capital campaign to make church programs more accessible. The first phase kitchen improvements were completed earlier this year, in time for the 46th Annual Hazel Duke Thanksgiving Dinner. The church is excited to be preparing this traditional Thanksgiving meal for the community in this new wonderful space.

As a beloved Laconia elementary school teacher, Hazel Duke believed all people who might otherwise be alone should have a place to share fellowship and a meal on Thanksgiving Day.

Please join us at the church at 69 Pleasant Street at 11:30 AM on November 27, 2014. If you are planning on attending the Annual Hazel Duke Thanksgiving Dinner please call the church office at 524-0688 and put your name on the list so we have an idea of many we will be serving. Let's give thanks together.



**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Please Note! City Hall will be closed Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th for Thanksgiving. We apologize for any inconvenience.



2014 Annual Laconia



Info & Registration Available at:

Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce
383 South Main Street, Laconia | 603-524-5531 | Lakesregionchamber.org
All My Life Jewelers
639 Main Street, Laconia | 603-528-8541



LAKE REGION
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Public Works Department

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM

All Laconia households play a vital role in preventing neighborhood sewer system blockages. Please do your part to protect and maintain the City's significant investment in the sanitary sewer collection system. Click [here](#) to find out what is not allowed to be disposed of in the toilet or down the drain, and the proper way to dispose of such items. Questions? Please call Matt Mooney, DPW, at 528-6379, Extension 303.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated!



Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)



The 2014 Laconia Police Department Citizen's Police Academy graduated on 11/18/14. The graduation was held at the Huot Technical Center, and the culinary students catered the event.

The Citizens Academy is a ten week program which teaches Laconia residents and business owners about the criminal justice system. The students go for ride-alongs with LPD Officers, and have classes in everything from the hiring process to examining a crime scene. The students also tour the E911 facility, the Belknap County Jail, and the District Court.

The program is run every year from September through November. The exact dates for next year have not yet been set, however the Laconia Police Department does accept applications all year long for the next Academy session. For more information about the Academy, or to obtain an application, check the LPD website at www.laconiapd.org or contact Lt. Rich Simmons at 524-5257 ext.332 .



Do you know a property owner in Laconia that has significantly improved the appearance of their property? The "Front Porch Award" was created to recognize citizens who show pride in their community by improving the appearance of their property and, on a larger scale, the entire City. Anyone can make a nomination for the award to recognize improvements to a property such as general appearance, landscaping, clean-up, painting, window replacements, etc. Recipients will be recognized at a City Council meeting and presented with an award. Winners will also be highlighted in a display in the front lobby of City Hall and in the City's weekly newsletter, *Laconia Links*. Just click [here](#) to access the Nomination Form. Questions? Call the City Manager's office at 527-1270 or email brownn@city.laconia.nh.us



Did you know...

It's easy and quick to keep updated on Council decisions, discussions held during Council meetings and items on their agenda for an upcoming Council meeting.

The City of Laconia's website has copies of Council meeting minutes from 2010 to the present. Minutes are posted to the website when they are completed, and can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

In addition, City Council agendas are posted for each Council meeting. The agenda is available for viewing in a briefer format, but also in its entirety so that you can see the same public documents the Council does in relation to specific agenda items. Follow this [link](#) to access this page of our website.

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Laconia Putnam Fund Presents

THE 3RD ANNUAL

Blues FRIDAY

Johnny A.

Johnny A. is that kind of performer. For the better part of three decades, the Massachusetts-based guitarist and bandleader has proven himself capable of generating heat at venues from working-class bars to international amphitheaters – and every sort of venue in between. And when the house lights are turned up, he's just as adept at captivating serious students of the six-string with a virtuosity that earned him the rare honor of having his name placed on a signature Gibson® guitar.



Also Performing
James Montgomery Band



When blues legend James Montgomery plays the harmonica, he "brings it on home". Whether it's recording with Kid Rock, sitting in with Gregg Allman, or fronting his hot band of thirty years, Montgomery plays with authority. While growing up in Detroit he learned first-hand from the masters - James Cotton, John Lee Hooker, and Jr. Wells - at the legendary "Chessmate." Over the years, he and band mates George McCann, David Hull and Seth Pappas, have carried on in the tradition and continue to be a vital presence in Blues as some of the most dynamic performers on the scene.

Blues Friday, November 28th, 2014 at 7:00 PM
Laconia High School Auditorium.

Admission is Free, First Come, First Seated

Like us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/LaconiaPutnamFund>



Health Insurance Matters... Are You Covered?



Health Insurance Marketplace

(Open Enrollment 11/15 – 2/15)

NH Health Protection Plan

There's a plan for everyone regardless of income level!



FREE ENROLLMENT FAIR!

Saturday, Nov. 22nd, 9am – 1pm
Lakes Region General Hospital

Be sure to bring:

- Social Security Number or a document number for legal immigrants
- Current paystub or W-2 Form for yourself, and anyone else in your household
- Current insurance policy numbers if you, or anyone in your household has insurance
- Green card and insurance form from your employer if you have health insurance access through your job.
- Username and password for Healthcare.gov if you've already created an account

Can't make it? Call for an appointment. We'll even come to you if you can't get to us!

- LRGHealthcare: 527.7171
- HealthFirst Family Care Center: 934.1464 Ext. 119
- ServiceLink Resource Center: 528.6945

Log on to
CoveringNewHampshire.org
for a complete list of
enrollment fairs.

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HEALTHFIRST
FAMILY CARE CENTER

ServiceLink
Agency & Disability Resource Center

DESSERT AUCTION

To Benefit

HANDS ACROSS THE TABLE

Offering free weekly hot meals every
Wednesday to those seeking food
friendship and support



Sunday, Nov 23rd

3pm - 5pm

Beane Conference Center
Blueberry Lane, Laconia

Refreshments will be served

Auctioneer:
PK Zyla

Sponsors:
Beane Conference Center
Woodshed Roasting
Contigiani's Catering

Admission:
Canned Goods or
Non-Perishables
for food pantry



ELKS NATIONAL HOOP SHOOT® FREE THROW CONTEST



COMPETE | CONNECT | SUCCEED

43rd Annual Elks Hoop Shoot

If you are a boy or girl age 8 to 13 (April 1, 2015 is the cutoff date), we invite you to join us on November 30th at the Laconia Middle School for the 43rd annual Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw contest.

Trophies will be given for the top three finishers in each age category: boys 8-9, girls 8-9, boys 10-11, girls 10-11, boys 12-13 and girls 12-13.

Registration for this event will start at 9 a.m. and run until 9:45 a.m. The contest will start at 10 a.m. sharp. Please bring proof of age (birth certificate or passport) to verify child's age.

Winners of this event will advance to the District Contest in Plymouth on 1/4/15 with a chance at advancing to the National Championships in Springfield, Ma.

Please come down and support your child, a great organization, and a great event!!

LACONIA PARKS & RECREATION CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

524-5046

Hurray for the Holidays

Date: December 9th

6:00 ~ 8:00pm

\$2.00 per person

Let's have some holiday fun at the Community Center. Bring the family and make ornaments, etc.

Must register & pay by December 5th



Family Cookie Decorating

Date: December 11th

6:00 - 8:00pm

\$10.00 per family of 4,

\$2.00 each additional person

Families make a date and come decorate some sugar cookies.

Must register & pay by December 5th

Snowman Contest

December 1st through March 1st
Make a snowman with your family and take a picture of it. Send the picture in to us by March 1 and possibly win a prize!



LACONIA PARKS & RECREATION CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

524-5046

Santa's Calling

Tuesday, December 2nd
6:00 ~ 8:00pm

Free for those who have the spirit!
Every year Santa comes to Laconia Parks & Recreation to call the kids of Laconia. Please call our office to pre-register your children by December 1st. This is always a big hit with the kids. If necessary we will be adding a second night.



Christmas Caroling

Wednesday, December 3rd
5:30pm ~ Free

Starting at the Community Center, we will leave to sing door to door at the Taylor Community. This will bring a smile to everyone! Cocoa will be provided but please bring your own travel mug. Please call Laconia Parks & Recreation to sign up .

CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

December 4, 5, 6 & 7

Thursday & Friday 6:00 ~ 8:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 2:00 ~5:00pm

FREE with donations accepted & appreciated.

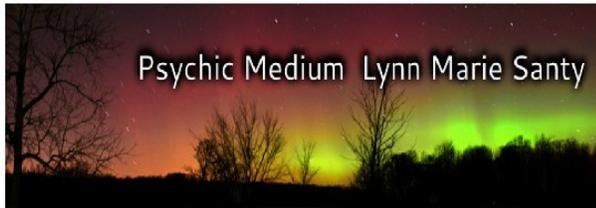
Come see Santa, Mrs. Claus and all their friends from the North Pole.

Pictures available for \$3.00





**Café Déjà Vu
Pub Mania Team
Presents**



Psychic Medium Lynn Marie Santy

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 7TH
PATRICK'S PUB & EATERY
GILFORD NH**

**MINGLE BEGINS
At 3:00 PM
SHOW to FOLLOW**



DOOR PRIZES....RAFFLES.....50/50 & MORE

Tickets: \$40.00

Available @ Café Déjà Vu, All My Life Jewelers,
Studio 23 and Patrick's Pub & Eatery
For more info Call (603)998-1418



**Reaching Out Can
Change Your Life**

SAVE the DATE

**Saturday,
November 22, 2014
12:00 PM-3:00 PM***

Sacred Water's Yoga Studio
285 Daniel Webster Highway
Meredith, NH 03253

For information, and to pre-register:
tlevesque@lrpph.org
tel 603-528-2145, x1805
www.lrpph.org

*Walk-ins are welcome, but pre-registering is recommended

Lakes Region Partnership
for Public Health, Inc.



**You are not alone. Join with a
community of suicide loss survivors as
we share stories of healing and hope.**

The Program

- 12:00PM Welcoming with refreshments
- 12:30PM Screening of *The Journey*
- 1:30 PM Small group discussion; Candle Lighting
- 2:30PM Self-Care Strategies and Wrap-up

The Journey

Each gathering will feature a screening of *The Journey*, AFSP's new documentary that tells the stories of a diverse group of suicide loss survivors. It's a powerful film that shows how each survivor is weathering the loss of a loved one, and how they are finding their way back to a life rich in meaning—and even joy.

[Learn More at SurvivorDay.org](http://www.survivorday.org)



Homes for the Holidays House Tour



**OPECHEE GARDEN
CLUB PRESENTS:
HOMES FOR THE
HOLIDAYS
HOUSE TOUR**



On Sat., Dec.6th, and Sun., Dec.7th, from 10 am-3 pm Opechee Garden Club will present its 5th "Homes For The Holidays House Tour", a stroll through 5 festively decorated homes, 3 in Laconia and 2 in Gilford. This self-guided tour offers a most interesting mix of home styles that spans more than 2 centuries, from the historical 19th century to the current 21st century. Continue your holiday themed tour with a visit to the historic Belknap Mill, 25 Beacon Street E. in Laconia. Here you will find the popular "Greens & Gifts Boutique" with fresh holiday greens, wreaths, roping and centerpieces to help decorate your holiday home. Beautifully handcrafted gifts and seasonal accessories are also available. There will be raffles for specialty items and gift certificates and complimentary refreshments of mulled cider, coffee, and homemade cookies, breads and fudge.

Advance tickets of \$20 may be purchased at the Belknap Mill, Gilford and Laconia Libraries, Kitchen Cravings Restaurant in Gilford, and from Opechee Garden Club members. On tour days, 12/6 & 12/7, tickets are available only at the Belknap Mill. The ticket price includes a booklet with descriptions of each home on the tour, and a map with addresses and driving directions.

We are grateful for the continuing support of our financial sponsor, the Bank of New Hampshire, for the "Homes For The Holidays House Tour" and the "Greens & Gifts Boutique". All proceeds from these events will benefit the Opechee Garden Club Scholarship Fund, grants, and community betterment programs. Additional information can be found online at <http://www.opecheegardenclub.com> or by calling 978-502-4619 or 978-306-3350.



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

Wellness Shuttle!



Cold weather has arrived and snow is on the way....now is the time to take advantage of the Wellness Shuttle! Just plan your medical appointments for any Wednesday and take advantage of this wonderful service. Visit the folks at the Senior Center or give them a call at 524-7689 to schedule your trip. Stay warm and safe this winter!

*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@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers, City Manager
City's Website: 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 & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders</i>	
Finance	524-3877
<i>Finance Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Licensing	528-6331
<i>Licensing Clerk - Hilary Young</i>	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
<i>Planning & 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. (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 & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy</i>	
Personnel	524-3877
<i>Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel</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:

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Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Brenda Baer (Ward 4)	524-6349
Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Armand Bolduc (Ward 6)	524-2514
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Visit the City's website at:
www.city.laconia.nh.us