TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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February 1, 2019

Lee News & Upcoming Events





THANK YOU TO THE LEE FIRE, LEE POLICE, MCGREGOR AMBULANCE AND NH FISH AND GAME FOR SAVING THIS LITTLE GUY





Photos by Fire Chief Nemet

On Wednesday, January 30th NH Fish and Game were called for a bear cub in the area of Turtle Pond Road and Joe Ford Road. Fish and Game determined that the bear cub was malnourished and under sized for his age. They tried to trap the bear cub with food and a Have-a-Heart trap. Fish and Game arrived back on scene and the bear cub ran into the woods and up a tree. Fish and Game tried using a sedative to calm the bear. With no luck due to the bear cub being hypothermic and the sedative not working it was decided to use a ladder to remove the bear cub. The bear cub was brought down uninjured and taken by NH Fish and Game to be taken care of. No other bears were found in the area.



UPDATE

SAVED BEAR IS DOING WELL IN LYME NH AT THE BEAR REHABILITATION CLINIC!

Photo by NH Fish and Game Biologist Dan Bergeron



FILING PERIOD FOR LEE ELECTED OFFICES ENDS TODAY Friday, February 1, 2019 AT 5:00 PM

There is no filing fee required. The Elections will take place on Tuesday, March 12th at the Public Safety Complex, 20 George Bennett Road, Lee, NH from 7am – 7pm. Citizens that would like to become involved in Lee Town government must file for one of the positions listed below at the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office during the filing period noted above. Questions may also be directed to that office by calling 603-659-2964 or emailing Town Clerk Linda Reinhold at Ireinhold@leenh.org. Residents interested in learning more about any of these positions are invited to contact the Administrator's Office at 603-659-5414 or write to dduval@leenh.org.

Selectman – 3 year position (1 available) Town Treasurer – 3 year position (1 available) Trustee of the Trust Funds – 3 year position (1 available) Library Trustee – 3 year position (2 available) Cemetery Trustee – 3 year position (1 available) Advisory Budget Committee – 3 year position (2 available)

LEE TOWN CENTER PROJECT

Important Dates to Remember

Deliberative Session

February 2, 2019 at 9:00am

Mast Way School

TCVC Public Presentation

March 6, 2019 at 7:00pm

Lee Public Safety Complex

•Town Vote / Election Day

March 12, 2019 from 7:00am to 7:00pm Lee Public Safety Complex

You can find more information about the Town Center Project on the web site: <u>http://leetowncenter.org/</u> and on the Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/LEETCVC/.</u> As information about the Town Center Project becomes finalized, it will be posted on both sites.

ORCSD KINDERGARTEN AND NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION 2019-2020 MAST WAY AND MOHARIMET ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Kindergarten & New Student Registration Week is scheduled for February 4th – 8th, 2019 Monday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Children who turn 5 on or before Sept. 30, 2019, are eligible for the Full Day Kindergarten Program. Materials needed at the time of registration:

- **Proof of Residency** in the Mast Way Elementary School or Moharimet Elementary School catchment of the Oyster River School District by providing a current, dated utility bill or lease, mortgage, or deed with the parent's or guardian's names and address. Please note that proof of residency is required for all incoming Kindergarten students, including those with siblings already enrolled in our elementary schools.
- A copy of your Child's Birth Certificate

For further information, please call: Mrs. Seaman at Mast Way School 603-659-3001 or Mrs. Flicker at Moharimet School 603-742-2900.

FEBRUARY SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, February 11th & 25th Starting at 6:30 pm

Meetings can now be seen on You Tube at <u>www.media.leenh.org</u>

2019 BACK YARD FARMING INITIATIVE

Mondays, February 25th, March 25th, April 22nd and May 20th Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH 7:00 pm **CLICK HERE** for schedule

Series moderated by Chuck Cox. Sponsored by the Lee Agricultural Commission, Backyard Farming Initiative, Lee Sustainability Committee and the Lee Public Library. Baked goods by Ruth Eifert, Lee Library Director.

Second Session, Monday, February 25th

Allen Eaton "The Bug Guy", Retired UNH Extension, talks about integrated pest management and beneficial bugs. Dave Miner, Live 'N Learn Day Care, talks about children in the woods and backyards.

SWAP SHOP HOURS & RULES REMINDER

Swap Shop now open on Saturdays only 7am–4pm until further notice.

Interested in volunteering? Please call Shirley McKeon at 659-8163 or email smckeon123@aol.com.

SUMMARY OF RULES

- There's a 15 minute time limit.
- If you cannot use it then do not take it.
- Do not try to avoid bulky fees. If an item has a bulky fee then it must be paid. CLICK HERE for Bulky Fees.
- Large items such as furniture or mattresses & broken or hazardous items are not accepted.
- Dumping is prohibited. Security cameras are installed. Do not be the first to get charged.

TRANSFER STATION HIRING PART-TIME SOLID WASTE OPERATOR INQUIRE IN PERSON AT THE TRANSFER STATION OR CALL TOWN HALL 659-5414



WINTER SAND/SALT MIX

The Highway Garage has winter sand/salt mix available free for Lee residents. Note: This is NOT FOR COMMERCIAL USE.



FROZEN PIPES WARNING <u>CLICK HERE</u> to read about a few reminders when it comes to preventing frozen pipes during very cold weather

TOWN OF LEE RIGHT OF WAY POLICY (Including Mailbox Guidelines) - <u>CLICK HERE</u> APPROVED BY THE LEE SELECT BOARD DECEMBER 17, 2018



REMEMBER THAT LEE HAS A SNOW CASTING ORDINANCE!

This means that you cannot throw, "cast," place or deposit snow or ice onto any plowed street or public way. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to read more. The fine for this violation can be up to \$100.00.The Lee Police will also be strictly enforcing RSA 265:79-b Negligent Driving or otherwise known as "Jessica's Law" for drivers who do not clear the snow off of their vehicles. The fines are \$250-\$500 for the first offense and \$500-\$1000 for subsequent offenses.

Please be sure that no vehicles are parked on a roadway during snow removal. Let's help our new Highway Supervisor Steve Bullek, Warren, Peter and the rest of the people who plow this season.

LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Solid Waste Advisory, Energy, LRAC and Sustainability Committees AND Recreation Commission have immediate openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email <u>dduval@leenh.org</u>. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for Application.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Go to www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH MeetingsCal/?formid=158

LIBRARY CALENDAR

Go to http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH LibraryCal/?formid=158



The Lee's Trees Contest

A Celebration of Lee's Trees and the Arts

Awards and Notes of Appreciation_

As part of a very festive evening, the awards for the Lee's Trees Contest were presented at the Backyard Farming Initiative's program on Monday night at the Jeremiah Smith Grange. A slideshow of the award winners may be found <u>HERE</u>.

Lee's Trees and the Lee Sustainability Committee would like to thank the following for their contributions to the project: Don Quigley, Catherine Fisher, the Mast Way School students, David McCormick, Mary Ellen Webb, Heather Darois, Heather Buswell, Carrie Vaich, the Lee Conservation Commission, the Lee Public Library, the Lee Heritage Commission, Ruth Eifert, Donna-lee Woods, Chuck Cox, Cary Brown, Denise Duval, Dave Miner, Laura and John Gund, Ruth Sample, Penny and Dale Hardy, Kelly Perkins, Patricia Jenkins, Dean Rubine, the Cox family, Scott Bugbee, Annie and Paul Gasowski, Jennifer Messeder, Lori and Allan Wright, Jill Nooney, Bob Mungers and all of the folks in our fair town who hug Lee's trees. Thanks.



Exploring Ways to save the Old Lee Parish House

When the Town of Lee purchased the land in between the town office complex and the Lee Church Congregational in 2018, both parties had reason to celebrate. The church did not need the property anymore and the town needed room to expand. The only problem was that not everyone in town wanted the parish house that came with the land, due to the expenses that would be involved in repairing and renovating the building. The 2018 town warrant article called for the parish house to be removed from site by July 2019, allowing for the town to start with a clean



slate. But the Lee Historical Society and Lee Heritage Commission are instead hoping to find a way to repair and re-purpose the building on site in a way that serves the needs of Lee's residents, while retaining its presence in the town. The Lee Heritage Commission has invited members of the Lee community to step forward to help discuss ways to possibly save and repurpose the old parish house. To that end, a preliminary meeting has already been held and a lot of good brainstorming was accomplished. But there's much work more to do.



In the meantime, however, the former Lee Church Congregational Parish House has been evaluated by the NH Preservation Alliance at the request of the Lee Heritage Commission - and been designated as one of this year's "Seven to Save" buildings. These are historic places throughout the State that have significant historic value, but have fallen into disuse and disrepair. The goal is to find creative, affordable ways to save and repurpose these buildings. Since the old Parish House now belongs to the Town of Lee, the Lee Heritage

Commission has formed a committee to investigate possible ways that the building could be affordably saved and repurposed.

HOW YOU CAN HELP: Denis Hambucken is leading this effort on behalf of the Lee Heritage Commission. We invite you participate in our next meeting at the Lee Safety Complex on Tuesday February 5th at 7 p.m. to discuss plans to evaluate potential uses for the Parish House. If you have further questions, please email Denis at <u>dhambucken@comcast.net</u>.

NEW: NH State Historic Register Plaques

In 2018 the Lee Heritage Commission successfully worked to add several buildings on the town-owned land next door to the old Parish House to the State Register of Historic Places, including the 1846 Town Hall, 1915 Town Tool Shed with Tramp Room, and 1874 Lee Historical Society building (former South Lee Freight House). Also on site is the former 1897 Center School which is part of the Lee Library building. Clearly, the idea of preserving town



buildings, while re-developing an identifiable "Town Center" is a goal that has been shared by many Lee residents for quite a few years now. In order to help Lee residents and visitors identify these historic buildings, the Lee Heritage Commission has recently designed historic markers to place on buildings in town that have been placed on the NH States Register of Historic Places, both those owned by the Town and those that are privately owned. The plaques will be placed on these buildings in the spring.



LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS CLICK HERE for more information

2018 YEAR END INCIDENT REPORT FIRE PERMIT FLYER CATEGORY I & II FIRE SPECIFICATIONS

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for January/February Educator <u>CLICK HERE</u> for January/February One Stop Educator

FIRE DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Fee Schedule Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide



Scott M. Nemet Fire Chief LEE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

20 George Bennett Road Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (P): 603.659.5411 (F): 603.659.9611



Jeffery S. Liporto Deputy Chief

TIMELY TOPICS FOR WINTER

Joseph P. Lombardo

Assistant Chief

- If you burn wood in your home, have chimneys inspected and cleaned yearly to prevent chimney fires. When burning wood do not burn wood that is green or unseasoned. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more Heating Safety Tips
- Have furnace cleaned and serviced yearly especially if it burns oil, Kerosene or a blend.
- Clear snow from all outside vents and gas meters.
- Carbon Monoxide detectors are recommended on each floor of the residence especially in the hallway outside any bedroom areas. Test them weekly and make sure they have good batteries in them. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more on CO Safety
- Clear snow from all exterior exits to allow for quick evacuation in the event of an emergency.

BURN PERMIT CLICK HERE for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATONS

WHEN SECONDS COUNT...

Can the Police, Fire, or Ambulance find your home when you need them for assistance with an emergency? Can they find it at night? Can they find it during a snowstorm?

Having your name and number on a mailbox is just not enough. Some mailboxes are clustered together. The numbers are small and the location may not mark the entrance to your driveway.

The Lee Firemen's Association, in a joint effort with the Lee Fire Department, has started a program to install reflective house number signs at driveway entrances to assist all emergency responders in locating your home in a time of need. The cost for each sign with a post is \$30.00 and it will be installed by the Lee Firemen's Association.

Please take the time NOW to SAVE TIME in an EMERGENCY CLICK HERE for Reflective House Number Sign Request form



POLICE NOTICE

In a follow up to the request that residents properly number their homes, <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Ordinance that applies. The Lee Police will be compiling a list of homes that are not complying with this ordinance and make contact with the homeowners in hopes of getting everyone in compliance which will make it easier to locate a residence in times of an emergency.

SCAM! SCAM! SCAM!

Please do not become a victim. WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T GIVE IT OUT.

An old scam has resurfaced. Residents are being contacted by "Publisher's Clearing House" about having won the jackpot. The stipulation is that the resident must pay \$7,500 in advance. This is a scam. You will never have to pre-pay the "FDIC" for your winnings.

IMPERSONATION OF A SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION EMPLOYEE

We sometimes receive reports where individuals have been contacted by someone pretending to be an SSA employee. The intent of this type of call is to steal your identity and/or money from your bank accounts. The caller generally asks you for personal information such as your Social Security number, date of birth, your mother's maiden name, or your bank or financial account information. The impersonator may state that "the SSA computers are down" or may refer to enrollment in the Medicare prescription drug program. It is possible that an SSA employee may contact you to follow-up on a previous application for SSA/Medicare Part D benefits or to follow-up on other business you initiated with SSA. If you are unsure as to the authenticity of someone who claims to be an SSA employee, please call SSA's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, to verify the reason for the contact and the person's identity prior to providing any information to the caller.

If you wish to report a call from someone you suspect is impersonating an SSA employee, please provide us with the following details:

Caller's alleged name, telephone number, time and date the call was made, information requested by the caller and any other identifying information or details about the content of the call. Please note that there are also "robocalls" from people claiming to be from the Social Security Administration.

Eversource Energy and NH Public Utilities Commission News Release CLICK HERE To Read About How to Avoid Becoming a Victim in 2019



The Lee Hill Cemetery is closed for the winter. The cemetery may be accessed by foot through the open gate. LEE CEMETERY RULES <u>CLICK HERE</u> for Rules



READY RIDES offer free rides to medical appointments for residents 55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or info@readyrides.org email questions with or go to https://readyrides.org/ for details. Volunteers from Lee are needed!



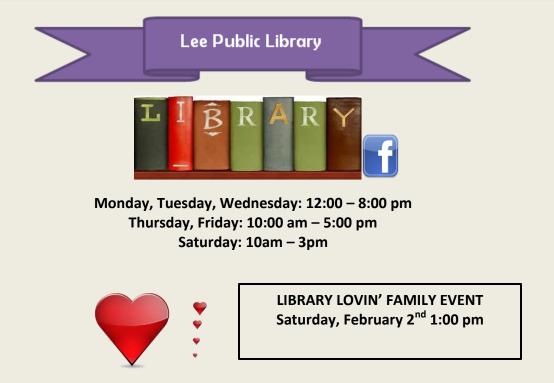
WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd

The food pantry is open to **any family** in the towns of Lee, Durham, Newmarket and Nottingham. The pantry is open the $1^{st} \& 3^{rd}$ Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00 pm. If there is an emergency please call the Church office at 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

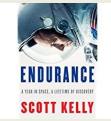


DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off is available at the Public Safety Complex to the left of the front entrance for unused and unwanted prescriptions.



February is library-love month. And, of course, Valentine's Day. Come spend some quality family time celebrating both. Stories, songs, crafts, cards & games.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP Monday, February 11th 7:00 pm

Endurance: A Year In Space by Scott Kelly

"Captivating, charming [Kelly] pulls back the curtain separating the myth of the astronaut from its human realities. . . . It is easy to imagine future generations of explorers and daredevils harnessing the lessons and truths within the pages of 'Endurance' as the blueprints for their own trips into the unknown." —Jaroslav Kalfar, *The New York Times Book Review*



MAGIC BY GEORGE Thursday, February 28th 10:30 am Durham Public Library

Prepare to be dazzled by a special show that will entertain using magic, humor, and storytelling. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lee Public Library and the Durham, Madbury and Lee public libraries.



LEGO CLUB Fridays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Back by popular demand, Lego Club will meet on Fridays to build with the library's large Lego collection. Students may take the bus 31 from Mast Way School. Those riding the bus need to register for this program. Space is limited to 10 on the bus and up to 20 in the program.



Pajama Story Time Tuesday, January 22nd 6:30 pm

Come in pajamas, bring a stuffed animal & enjoy some stories, songs and family fun before bed.



BOOKS ALIVE Tuesdays 3:30 pm

Join our interactive after school story program that joins reading, movement, hands-on learning and creativity to bring books to life. There will be snacks. This program is geared for grades K-4 and meets after school on Tuesdays. All children ages 5-10 are welcome. **Call to Register.**



STORY TIME Thursdays @ 10 am Fridays @ 11 am

Reading, crafts, puppets, music and more. Who knows where next week's adventures may take us? Large groups and families welcome.



BABY LAPSIT Fridays @ 10 am

Silliness, songs, scarves, rhymes and of course...reading. This baby story time is full of age appropriate activities to facilitate learning and bonding. Give it a **GO**.





<u>CLICK HERE</u> for Great Places NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2019

ORCSD CANDIDATES' NIGHT

Tuesday, February 12th, 7:00 pm

Snow date Wednesday, February 13th

Oyster River High School, C-120

Take advantage of this opportunity to meet, listen to and ask questions of participating district moderator and School Board candidates.

Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Mast Way School PTO. Please submit your questions by noon on 2/8/2019 by calling Wendy at 603-389-3286

or email wdifruscio@orcsd.org.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for ORCSD New Middle School Building Site and Proposed Cost



TRAINING FOR PRIVATE PESTICIDE APPLICATORS <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information

TRAINING FOR MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

UNH is no longer taking applications for the Spring 2019 training starting in February at NH Audubon's McLane Center, Concord. If you would like to be considered for future Master Gardener training sessions, please contact the Master Gardener Coordinator, Ruth Smith at ruth.smith@UNH.edu.

NH FARM & FOREST EXPO



Saturday, February 2nd 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Double Tree Manchester Downtown Hotel, 700 Elm Street, Manchester

The 36th annual NH Farm & Forest Expo, NH's Greatest Winter Fair, will be held at the Double Tree (formerly the Radisson Hotel). This event, open to the public, features a tradeshow with over 100 exhibitors, free educational workshops, demonstrations, and farm animals. "For thirty-six years, our agricultural and forestry exhibitors have demonstrated how these vital industries continue to help our state's economy to grow while educating our residents on relevant industry topics," states AJ Dupere, Chair of the NH Farm & Forest Expo Board of Directors. Admission price is \$7 per person; age 16 & under free. Attendees may save \$1 off admission by bringing at least 1 non-perishable food item to benefit the NH Food Bank. In addition, admission is reduced Friday, February 1st from 5-8 pm to \$5. For more information <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Minutes Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting **Wednesday, February 6, 2019 10:00 am** Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH

McGregor EMS Volunteers Needed

McGregor EMS is currently seeking both Medical and Non-Medical Volunteers. Those interested may email <u>membership@mcgregorems.org</u>. To learn more about this great service <u>CLICK HERE</u>!

CHECK OUT MAPGEO HERE

A GIS Collaboration between the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and Lee bringing basic GIS (Geographic Information System) technology to your fingertips. GIS map data is now displayed on the MapGeo website. The site allows residents to search for tax map info, as well as view several different overlay layers.

To receive the E-CRIER via email every week go to <u>www.leenh.org</u>, click on <u>Subscribe to E-</u> <u>Alerts</u> in the left hand column & follow the directions to subscribe. It's that easy! ATTENTION!

If you do not have the internet please come to Town Hall for a **printed copy** or go to the Library to view it there. If you cannot leave your home please call Town Secretay Denise Duval at 659-5414 to have it mailed!