TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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February 5, 2016

Lee News & Upcoming Events



NEW HAMPSHIRE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

FEBRUARY 9, 2016 7am – 7pm Public Safety Complex

250th CELEBRATION EVENTS BEGIN

MEET THE SURVEYOR - TO BE RESCHEDULED DUE TO SNOW

Friday, February 5th 10:00 am & 11:00 am
Forest Behind Lee Church

A giant pine in the forest behind the church will be identified and marked as a "King's Tree". Using tools of the 1600's, a "King's Deputy" will mark the over 21" diameter tree. The settlers will be warned not to cut or in any way harm that tree, or risk a heavy fine and possible imprisonment. Join the fun as a settler or an observer.

"TAR" AND FEATHERING

Saturday, February 6th 12:00 pm Parking Lot Behind Lee Church

A family event! Records show that some of the early New Hampshire settlers not only refused the edict that they not cut the trees on their own property, but that they attempted to stop the "King's Agents" from marking the trees. Join us as the New Hampshire Colonial Brigade, Dearborn Company re-enacts one of the earliest revolts against the British rule. The original settlers used hot tar and feathers, which although meant to humiliate, often ended up leaving painful scars. Our re-enactment uses molasses, and gives everyone a chance to "decorate" the king's agent with feathers.

TREE FELLING

Friday, February 12th 10:00 am Forest Behind Lee Church

TIMBER !!!! Using only 18th century tools this magnificent tree will be felled. Be a part of history and part of our 250th celebration.

NEW DATE & LOCATION FOR THE 250TH KICK OFF CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 13th 1:00 – 3:00 Mast Way School

HAULING OF THE TREE

Friday, February 19th 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm Forest Behind LeeChurch

The huge tree, stripped of its branches, will be loaded onto a cart and hauled by oxen a short distance to its resting place in front of the school. Witness this exciting piece of history and marvel at the close relationship between man and beast, as the well-trained oxen re-enact their part in Lee's history.

If you are interested in learning more about the history of the "King's Trees", click here to open and read.

CHECK OUT THE PASSPORT TO LEE PROGRAM CLICK HERE

LICENSE PLATES ON SALE AT THE PD & THE LIBRARY FOR \$20!
ANY NH REGISTERED VEHICLE MAY DISPLAY THIS PLATE.
YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A LEE RESIDENT.



250th COMMEMORATIVE MEMORABILIA ON SALE AT THE LIBRARY

TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON



IMPORTANT OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT DATES TO REMEMBER

Meet Candidates

Februrary 16th 7:00 pm ORHS

March 8th Annual Meeting Session II – Voting Day

Durham, Oyster River High School, 7am-7pm Lee, Public Safety Complex, 7am-7pm Madbury, Madbury Town Hall, 11am-7:30pm

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO WWW.ORCSD.ORG



HEALTHY SOIL, HEALTHY LEE: BUILDING SOIL HEALTH

Every 4th Monday, January thru May 2016 7:00 – 8:30 pm with 'soil' related desserts Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH

February 22, 2016 – Soil Fertility: the birds and beets – Eric Sideman, Organic Crop Specialist, MOGFA

March 28, 2016 – Causes of soil degradation – Kim McCracken, State Soil Scientist, NRCS, USDA

April 25, 2016 – Repairing soil – Dorn Cox, Director of Green Start; Daimon Meeh, Field Specialist, UNH

May 23, 2016 – Healthy Soil, Healthy Lee – Steve Haendler, Drumlin Farm; John Hutton, Coppal House Farm

Sponsored by the Backyard Farming Intiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more details



MARCH 8, 2016 TOWN ELECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX POLLS OPEN 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

CLICK HERE for TOWN WARRANT
CLICK HERE FY17 BUDGET

ARTICLE #2 - POWDER MAJOR FARM AND FOREST

A remarkable property in Lee, Madbury and Durham is planned for protection by the Society for the Protection of NH Forests. Working with the three towns, the Forest Society is planning to purchase and conserve 195 acres of forest lands as a new Forest Society Reservation and further to protect an abutting 32 acres of farmland with a conservation easement. The Powder Major property has an extensive trail system for a wide variety of public recreation activities. Conservation will also protect the Oyster River, a drinking water source for UNH and Durham, which travels for more than \% of a mile through the property. There are also a variety of important wildlife habitats and historical features. The Town is proposing to help the project by acquiring a conservation easement on the 46 acres in Lee. Although the purchase will cost \$150,000, the money will come from existing conservation funds, so no new taxes will be required. The Select Board and the Conservation Commission have unanimously endorsed this project.

ARTICLE #10 - POLICE CRUISER

Warrant Article 10 on this year's ballot asks for funding for a new police cruiser. Since the funding will be coming from "surplus" no new funds are needed through general taxation. The Police Department reduced its fleet in 2014/15 by eliminating three vehicles. There were no cruiser purchases approved for FY2016. The Department currently operates with five (5) cruisers, three of which each have over 100,000 miles. The oldest vehicle, a 2006 with 173,000 miles, is not suitable for regular use. Each of the other cruisers puts on an average of 25,000 miles each year. By July of 2016, 4 of the 5 cruisers will be out of warranty. If this Warrant Article passes, the 2006 will be replaced with the new cruiser; therefore it will not add to the number of vehicles in the fleet. Having aging, high mileage emergency response vehicles is a real concern. The safety of our officers and the public while responding to emergency calls is paramount.

ARTICLE #13 - POLICE FINGER PRINT SCANNER

Warrant Article #13 is proposing to purchase an inkless finger print scanner and printer system for the Police Department. The current system was purchased in 2007 with funding from Drug Forfeiture, the Lee Police Association, and help from some local businesses and no funds from the town. This system is out of warranty and has become outdated and expensive to repair. The proposed new system enables officers to finger print arrest subjects in a much more efficient manner. The Department also uses the system to provide a service to Lee residents and businesses for employment background checks and to create "Child Identification Kits," at no charge. This warrant article will also use "surplus" funds and therefore no funds need to be raised from general taxation.

OPEN POSITIONS ON TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:

RECREATION COMMISSION, SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ENERGY COMMITTEE, LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION, HERITAGE COMMISSION, CONSERVATION COMMISSION, PLANNING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD

CLICK HERE for Application.

Hand deliver to Town Hall or email application to the Town Secretary at dduval@leenh.org

CLICK HERE for ORCSD Kindergarten Registration Requirements **CLICK HERE** for Kindergarten & New Student Registration

Parents may start the registration process by visiting their assigned school during *Registration Week* March 7th – 11th.

The structure for assignment to schools is as follows: 1. Families enroll students at their neighborhood schools according to School Board designations. If unsure of designated school this can be checked at http://www.infofinderi.com/tfi/address.aspx?cid=ORC-S557JPE2A1

2. There will be 54 seats available at each school. If classes fill to the recommended school board levels, (18 per class) at a school, then families will be assigned to their sister school. This will be a first come first served process so parents are urged to register early.



"JUST EAT IT" Film Showing - FREE Thursday, February 11th 6:30 pm ORHS http://www.foodwastemovie.com/

Just Eat It is a 74-minute documentary film about food waste in this country and the difficult issues this produces for people and our planet. A Panel discussion will follow with Jessica Carson, UNH Carsey Institute, Joanne Curran-Celentano, UNH Nutrition Program, Helen Costello, NH Food Bank, Joanne Burke, UNH Nutrition Program and Sustainability Institute Sponsored by Seacoast Interfaith Stewards of the Earth, UNH Campus Ministry, NextGen Climate and the Oyster River Sustainability Committee.

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Inside the January 2016 issue of the <u>Safety Educator Newsletter</u> readers will find the following topics: New Year for Home Fire Safety Awareness, Home Fire Sprinklers, Pet Safety, Fire Safety for Older Adults and Wood/Pellet Stove Safety

The January 2016 One Stop Educator Newsletter supports and provides fire and life safety educators with teaching information and links discussed from this month's edition of the Safety Educator Newsletter.

Finally, the January 2016 <u>In the News Newsletter</u> will provide Fire & Life Safety Educators with information that may assist them in educating their community and to provide educational and networking opportunities.

BURN PERMIT

CLICK HERE for BURN PERMIT CHECKLIST
CLICK HERE for ONLINE FIRE PERMIT PRESS RELEASE
GO TO www.nhfirepermit.com to obtain a fire permit online.
CLICK HERE for CodeRED Brochure

POLICE UPDATES

THE LEE PD IS LOOKING FOR A HIGHLY SELF-MOTIVATED PROFESSIONAL TO JOIN OUR AGENCY AS A POLICE OFFICER

The Lee Police Department is currently hiring for the position of Police Officer. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, possess a high school diploma or equivalent and have a valid driver's license. Applicants must also be able to pass the NH Police Standards and Training physical agility requirements, a polygraph examination, extensive background check and a psychological examination. The position requires shift work including nights, weekends and holidays. Please send your resume with a cover letter to the Lee Police Department, 20 George Bennett Road, Lee, NH 03861 or via email: mail@leenhpolice.org. Resumes are to be received no later than Friday, February 12, 2016 at 3:00pm. Salary dependent on qualifications. The Town of Lee is an equal opportunity employer.

A SCAM ALERTS

what to know and do about scams in the news

The Lee Police Department has received several calls about a telephone scam. Scammers are calling advising they are from the IRS and that they will be arresting people due to non-payment of taxes. These are scam calls. Please do not provide any personal or banking information to anyone with whom you did not initiate the call.

To receive scam alerts, please check out: http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/scam-alerts. Don't become a victim.



SAND & WATER AVAILABLE for RESIDENTS

The Fire Station has a 24 hour water fill station on the east side of the building. There is sand available for residents at the Highway Garage and the Transfer Station.



Like the Lee Conservation Commission on Facebook at <u>page</u> or go to: www.facebook.com/LeeConservationCommission/



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK AND SHAKE WITH TOOK FRIENDS:

Lee Heritage Commission – Publications and Price List Available at the Lee Town Hall and Library

Lee in Four Centuries edited by Mrs. Ursula Baier - \$5.00 Lee, NH by John Scales [reprint, 1916] - 4.00

Oliver Cromwell Gilbert A Life by Jody Fernald & Stephanie Gilbert - \$10.00

The Early Mills and Industry of Lee, NH by Richard Wellington with Randy Stevens

and Susan Wellington - \$20.00

The Early Roads and Settlers of Lee, NH by Melvin E. Jenkins - \$15.00 The History of the Jeremiah Smith Grange by Donna F. Eisenhard - \$20.00

The Railroad That Passed Through Lee, NH - 1874-1934 by Randy Stevens - \$12.00

2016 Historic Lee NH Wall Calendar - \$10.00

BITS of HISTORY from The NEWMARKET ADVERTISER Saturday, January 9, 1897

LEE.

Married, Jan. 2, at the home of the bride, John Davis of Middleton to Susie Cate of Lee.

Jacob Cilley of Nottingham is critically ill with typhoid fever in Haverhill, too sick to be removed from his boarding house to the hospital.

During a family quarrel at their home last Sunday evening Irving and Walter Clay assaulted their stepfather, Herbert Judkins, with an axe, bruising and cutting his head badly. They were arrested, and in the municipal court at Dover found guilty and heavily fined. They appealed and are held in \$100 bonds for the supreme court. Another warrant sworn out by Judkins was issued and served on them, charging them with stealing 50 pounds of pork. They were held in \$500 bonds each for appearance for trial Jan. 9.

John Bailey of Barrington, well known to Lee folks, at last accounts was in Haverhill looking for a wife, declaring he would not go back without one. His second wife died five years ago and was carried to Haverhill for burial. He tried then to find another partner, and has been trying ever since. He is over 70 years, but still loves the fair sex. Strange, that with all the widows and elderly maidens there are sitting around waiting to jump at an offer, that he is still seeking. The Boston papers are trying to aid him by publishing his predicament.

SUBMITTED BY THE LEE HERITAGE COMMISSION



READY RIDES NEEDS DRIVERS from LEE!

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. You will need to complete a volunteer application that includes a motor vehicle and criminal background check. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or email info@readyrides.org for more details about how to help your neighbor.

Regional & State
News & Events

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START APPLICATION DAY March 7th, April 4th, May 2nd from 9am – 2pm Farmington, Dover, Milton & Rochester Head Start Centers

Head Start is a half-day program open to children ages 3-5 (children do not have to be potty trained) at no cost to families. It includes an inclusive program with individualized curriculum on a school-year schedule. There are also meals, health and family services included. Early Head Start is a home-based program for pregnant woman and families with children under the age of 3. The program includes infant-toddler activities, comprehensive health care, nutrition, education and social services for the children and their families. Call 603-652-0990 or email headstart@straffordcap.org. Visit www.straffordcap.org for more information.



CLICK HERE for the 2015 - 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Survey



CLICK HERE for the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee
2016 Winter Newsletter

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 27, 2016

CLICK HERE for the minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting is Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 10 am in the Executive Council Chamber at the State House in Concord, NH.

Lee Public Library

You like us at the library, now like us on Facebook!





LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY

REGULAR HOURS

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:00 - 8:00 pm Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

NEW Online Access to Newmarket Advertiser articles. Go to http://lee.advantage-preservation.com/

See articles from 1891-1932. Years 1912-1913 are missing. Heritage Commission sponsored.

Online Access to Town Reports and Early Town Records

Town Records 1766-1815 link from www.familysearch.org
Town Reports 1863-2007 from UNH's Digital Archive http://leelibrarynh.org/index.php/lee-town-reports/



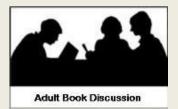
250th COMMEMORATIVE MEMORABILIA ON SALE AT THE LIBRARY WOODEN NICKELS, LICENSE PLATES, COFFEE MUGS, TOTES, HATS, LONG & SHORT SLEEVED T-SHIRTS & ZIP-UP HOODED SWEATSHIRTS

*******Calling all artists/crafts people. The library is looking for artists and crafts people to display their artwork in the upcoming months at the library. Please call us at 659-2626 if you are interested in gracing our walls with your projects.

LIBRARY LEGOS



Our first session of Library Legos was so popular that we will be offering another one! Kids in **grades 1-4** can have fun at the library building cool stuff with Legos! This program will run for 10 consecutive Fridays from 3:30-4:30 pm beginning **January 8TH and ending March 11TH**. A building theme will be suggested each week. Registration is not required. Mast Way students may arrange to ride bus 6 directly to the library.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP Monday, February 8TH 7:00pm "Kitchen Confidential" Anthony Bourdain

Anthony Bourdain captures the world of restaurants and professionally cooked food in all its theatrical, demented glory. (USA Today)



LOONS IN NH: DOING QUITE WELL, THANK YOU! Tuesday, February 16th 7:00 pm Lee Safety Complex

This talk will focus on the last 25 years of information about the survival and distribution of the common loon throughout New Hampshire. Maps, generated using GIS (Geographical Information System), will be used to show population growth and spread over time. Data collection methods will be reviewed. Trends in the loon population, loon habitat, nesting habits, hatchling survival and dispersion patterns will be presented. Dr. Congalton's talk will conclude with the current status of loons in New Hampshire.



Penguin Fun – Drop-In Craft Vacation Week February 20th – 27th

Some penguins live where it's snowy and cold. Drop by during school vacation week when it's snowy and cold here and make a cute penguin. It will feel right at home in Lee!



Steve Blunt and Marty Kelley Thursday, February 25th 10:30 am Durham Public Library

Join us as musician Steve Blunt and author/illustrator Marty Kelley present a rollicking mix of songs and stories. This show is cosponsored by the Friends of the Lee Public Library and the Durham and Madbury public libraries.

ON - GOING PROGRAMS



NO FOOLIN, JUST FUN ADULT GAME DAY Tuesdays at 9:30 am

Come join the fun, make new friends and learn some new games. All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



KNITTING FOR 50+
ALTERNATE WEDNESDAY,
Feb. 17th 9:00 am

A drop-in group will meet at the library. Help is available from instructor, Donna Kay. All levels welcome. Offered by the Senior Advisory Committee and the Lee Library.



KNITTING GET TOGETHER Tuesdays, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends. Sorry, no instructors.



Thursdays & Fridays 10:30 am

These fun 30-40 minute programs for children **ages 2-6** include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required.



BOOK CLUB 1ST Thursday of month 3-4 pm 5 & 6 Graders

Participants will read and discuss a different book each month. And pizza will be served! Students may arrange to take **bus 22** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.



STORY TREKKERS Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm Ages 6-10

Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft will also be included. Mast Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.



This is a new library program that encourages families to read 1000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Just register and keep track of how many books you've read on a reading log. We'll help you celebrate the first 100 books milestone with the gift of a canvas book bag. And at each 100 books mark, you'll get a 100 books sticker. Reach 1000 and you'll receive a copy of Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten! Registration is ongoing.



FRIENDS OF THE LEE LIBRARY

The Friends of Lee Library is a non-profit organization that supports Lee Library activities through memberships and fundraising. Activities include museum passes, children's vacation and summer programs and adult educational programs. Not a member yet? It's easy – CLICK HERE!

More About Lee

LAMPREY HEALTH CARE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Lamprey Health Care's Senior Transportation program provides rides to essential services for individuals over the age of 60 and/or with disabilities. Our handicap-accessible buses take seniors and adults with disabilities to the grocery store, pharmacy, doctor or bank! Call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm or go to lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-services/transportation program



JOIN THE LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPT.

Please stop by the Safety Complex Monday - Friday 8am-4pm.



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Town of Lee Police, Fire & Emergency Management utilizes the emergency notification system CODE RED. Visit <u>leenh.org</u> to sign up!



MEETING CALENDAR

To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org CLICK HERE



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off box is available at the Public Safety Complex for unused and unwanted prescriptions.



WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd

The food pantry is open to **any family** in the Town of Lee. The pantry is open the first and third 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.

To receive the E-CRIER via email EVERY WEEK go to www.leenh.org, click on Subscribe to E-Alerts and follow the directions to subscribe. It's that easy!

ATTENTION!

If you know someone who wants to see the e-crier but does not have the internet please direct them to Town Hall for a printed copy or to the Library to view it there. If they cannot leave their home please call Denise Duval, Town Secretary, at 659-5414 to have it mailed!