

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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February 16, 2018

Lee News & Upcoming
Events

FEBRUARY 19, 2018
HAPPY PRESIDENT'S DAY



**TOWN OFFICES AND LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19th
IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY**



BLOOD DRIVE

**LEE CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL, 17 Mast Road
(Route 155) Lee, NH**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2018 1:00 – 6:00 PM

Winter Blood Shortage: Blood and Platelet Donors Needed

Lee Church recommends making an appointment to donate at the blood drive. Red Cross now offers a Rapid Pass to complete your pre-reading and health history questions online using any computer, tablet or smartphone prior to your visit. For more information or to schedule an appointment, visit <http://www.redcrossblood.org/rcbmobile/drive/chooseDonationTime.jsp> or call 1-800-733-2767 for availability.

Site walk at Town Field and Mast Way School

Please join the Select Board and Planning Board on a site walk at the Town Field and Mast Way School on **Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 3:00pm**. The discussion will center on the possible tree cutting at the Town Field on Mast Road and using the Field for construction access while building an addition to the Mast Way School. Construction is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2018. If you have any questions please contact Caren Rossi at rossi@leenh.org or 659-6783. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

FEBRUARY SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, **February 26th** starting at 6:30 pm

Meetings can now be seen on  at www.media.leenh.org
The 2018 Deliberative Session is now available for viewing on YouTube.



OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT KINDERGARTEN AND NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION 2018 – 2019

Scheduled for March 5th – 9th

Monday from 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Mast Way Elementary School

Moharimet Elementary School

If your child will be age 5 on or before September 30, 2018,
he/she will be eligible for our Full Day Kindergarten Program

Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and 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 residency is required for all incoming Kindergarten students, including those with siblings already enrolled in our elementary schools.

For further information, please call:

Mast Way Elementary School

Mrs. Seaman
603-659-3001

Moharimet Elementary School

Mrs. Ficker
603-742-2900



Tuesday, March 13, 2018

Lee Safety Complex / Polls open 7:00 am – 7:00 pm

[FY19 Proposed Budget](#) and [2018 Warrant Articles/Ballot Questions](#)

THE TOWN CENTER VISION COMMITTEE

The Town Center Vision Committee was formed to inform Lee residents about the condition of the town center buildings and the proposed plan for facility renovation and modernization of the structures. The town center buildings consist of the Town Hall, Lee Library, Lee Historical Society Building (old South Lee freight depot building), the Town Annex, and the Tool Shed with Tramp Room, also known as the Hobo Shed.

In previous weeks' E-Crier articles, we showed the conditions at the Town Hall, Lee Library, Tool Shed, Lee Historical Society Museum and the town Annex as well as . This week we will be focusing on the proposed solution for these buildings as well as the proposed solution for these buildings and the proposal to purchase some property from the Lee Church Congregational.

This week's update is on our process to get this information out to the Lee citizens about the Town Center Building Project. The Committee is working on a pamphlet to have the Boy Scouts pass out at the Transfer Station on Saturday, March 3, 2018 and Saturday, March 10, 2018. These pamphlets will also be available around Town at town buildings and local businesses. The Committee is also working on setting up a Facebook page and preparing a mailing to Town of Lee households.

If you missed the Deliberative Session on Saturday, February 3, 2018, the Town Center Vision Committee made a presentation regarding the town center buildings and purchasing the Church property. [CLICK HERE](#) to see a copy of this presentation.

For more information about the buildings and the proposed plan, please go to the Town Center Vision Committee's website at http://leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH_BComm/centervision/index

ENERGY COMMISSION UPDATE

At the Town's February 3rd Deliberative Session Lee residents voted to move 2 renewable energy Warrant Articles to the Town's March 13th ballot. The Select Board recommended both articles, and each requires a majority vote.

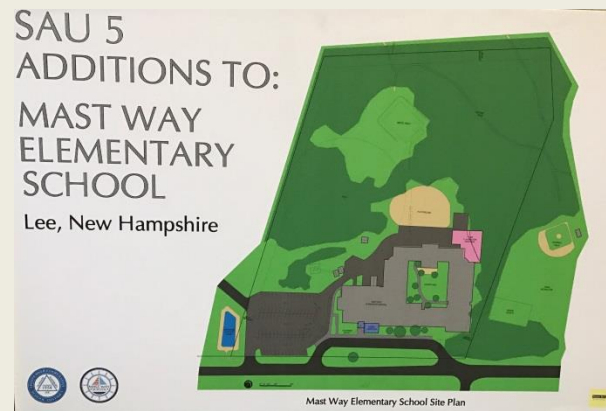
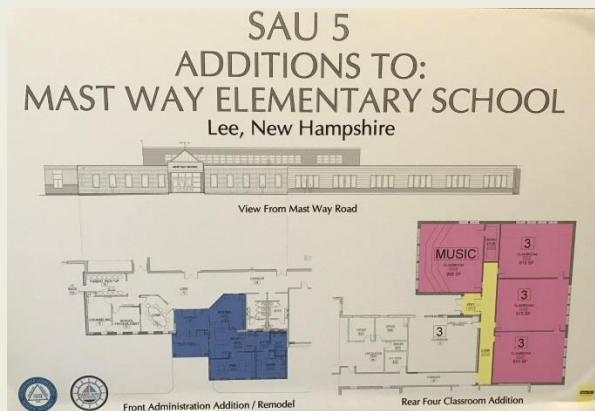
If passed, Article 21 will save the Town money on its electric bills from day 1 of operation. The Lee Energy Committee has proposed the installation of a solar panel array under a Solar Power Purchase Agreement (PPA). There are no upfront costs to the Town; and after 5 years, the solar array may be purchased, or we may keep purchasing electricity under the PPA. The Town could save an estimated \$140,000 - \$200,000 over 20 years. Many New Hampshire towns, including Durham Brentwood, and Nottingham, have entered into similar solar PPA agreements.

Article 22, submitted by petition, requests initiation by the Town of a defined process that would encourage Governor Sununu to request exploration of the feasibility of offshore wind power as part of the State's renewable energy options. The assessment would be via a bi-partisan task force funded, organized, and run by the federal Bureau of Ocean Energy Management. Massachusetts and Maine already participate in the task force program; and, more generally, except for New Hampshire, all other US East coast states with measurable offshore wind power capacity are already active in offshore wind investigation and/or development. The floating system would be located beyond the Isle of Shoals in federal waters and barely visible from New Hampshire's shoreline. The governor has said that he wants to hear from New Hampshire citizens on the issue.

Currently, New Hampshire's economy suffers because we need to spend \$5 - 6 Billion annually for importing fuel and oil, with the challenge of unpredictable price variations. In a 2017 ranking of U.S. states leading the clean tech revolution, New Hampshire ranked 18th from the top, but at the bottom in the 6 states in the New England sector.

ORCSD FY19 BUDGET UPDATE

[CLICK HERE](#) for Dr. Morse's Presentation to the Lee Select Board on 1/29/18
Drawings of the Proposed Addition to the Mast Way School



BACKYARD FARMING INITIATIVE
2018 Home Garden Series
Mondays, February – May 7:00 pm
Jeremiah Smith Grange Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH

February 26th What to put in your garden. Presented by Jill Nooney & Tom Lee
How much do I plant? How to select & obtain seeds, start seeds, care for seedlings & choose plants.

March 26th Where to put your garden. Presented by Annie & Paul Gasowski, Chris Scogland
Should I use buckets or other containers for my gardens & what about raised beds or cold frames?
Where are the best sites for your garden?

April 23th How to care for your garden. Presented by Dick Wolmar
Care and maintenance of your garden, before, during & after harvest. Talk about composting, mulching, fertilizing & weeding.

May 21st When to harvest. Presented by Kristin Cisneros
How long is the growing season, planning for a continual harvest. Help my harvest is great! What do I do with it? Harvesting, preserving, freezing & fermentation and keeping root cellars.

Series presented by members of the Lee Community and moderated by Chuck Cox and Don Quigley.
Sponsored by the Lee Agricultural Commission, Sustainability Committee and Public Library. For more information call the Library, 659-2626 or leelibrary@comcast.net.



LEE TOWN COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
AGRICULTURAL, CONSERVATION, &
RECREATION COMMISSIONS;
ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES
[CLICK HERE](#) for Application

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

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

POLICE REMINDER

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

The scammers are still working to obtain your information. Do NOT click on any links in emails or provide any personal or banking information either on the telephone or on the internet, unless you initiated the contact. Also, remember the IRS will NEVER call you! They will always send mail!



LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

[CLICK HERE](#) for Safety Educator **WINTER EDITION**

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

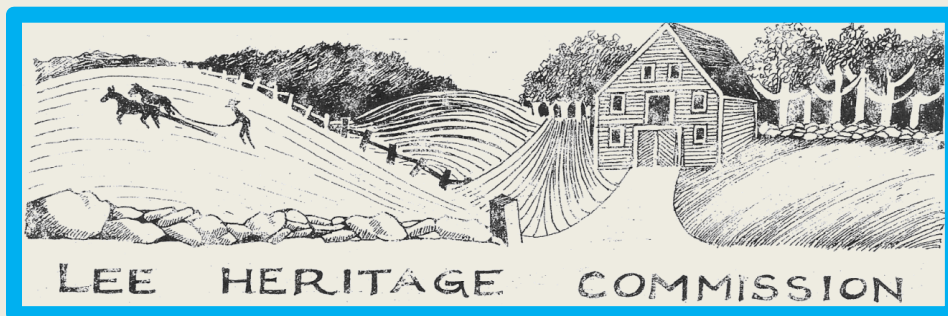
The Select Board recently approved a new Fee Schedule for the Lee Fire Department.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Fee Schedule

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide

BURN PERMIT

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS
GO TO www.nhfirepermit.com to obtain a fire permit online



TWO HISTORIC LEE TOWN CENTER BUILDINGS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN APPROVED FOR THE NH STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES!

The Lee Heritage Commission is delighted to share that it has received word that the Lee Town Hall and the Town Shed with Tramp Room are now listed on the NH State Register of Historic Places! The application regarding the Lee Historical Society Museum is still pending. It will be considered at an upcoming NHDR meeting. Stay tuned for an update on this.

Lee Trivia Questions will resume in a few weeks.

If you have suggestions for Lee Trivia Q's & A's, please email Anne Jennison: (jennison.anne@gmail.com)



CALENDAR COVER PHOTO BY GERALD SEDOR

2018 Lee Wall Calendars are here!

You can buy your 2018 calendars at the Town Hall and Library! They are \$10.00 each.

The photos were all taken by Lee residents and Liz McCaffrey did the layout & design.

Perfect as mementos for family and friends who have visited or lived in Lee!

It's already time to think about submitting photos for our 2019 Lee Calendar!!

If you enjoy taking pictures of Lee, please share them with us. They may be featured in Lee's 2019 photo calendar. We're looking for recent photos of historic homes, barns, farms, landmarks, natural settings and other special features and events in Lee. We want to see all the seasons, too! Along with each photo, please send a brief description of the subject of the photo and when/where it was taken. If you didn't take the photo yourself, please list the photographer's name so we can get their permission to use the photo – and give them proper credit in the calendar. We're really looking forward to seeing what photos come in this year! **Photos and questions can be sent to:** LeeNHcalendar@gmail.com



FOOD PANTRY

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 1st & 3rd 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.



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 email info@readyrides.org for more details about how to help your neighbor. **Volunteers from Lee are needed!**



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.

Lee Public Library



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

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Don't forget—you can Scan, Fax, Email and Copy at the library. There is no charge for scanning and emailing documents; however, we do charge \$.10 for b&w copies \$.25 for full color copies and \$1 per page for faxing.



The Library Wireless connection can be accessed from the library parking lot. Just look for "LPL Public" in your Wi-Fi listings.



ROCK PAINTING
Saturday, February 17th
10:30 am - Noon

Drop by for some fun rock painting! Instructor and Lee resident Peg Langlois will assist in the painting of nature themed rocks. Rocks, paint and brushes will be provided. **Ages 8 & above unless accompanied by an adult.**



MEMOIR WRITING GROUP
3RD Tuesday of Every Month 6:30 pm
Next Meeting: February 20th

Interested in writing your own memoirs? If you want someone to listen to you read or tell your stories, or perhaps provide feedback, come join us.



**WINTER SCHOOL VACATION
SNOWFLAKE BOOKMARK DROP-IN CRAFT
February 26th – March 3rd**



TIM VAN EGMOND
Thursday, March 1st 10:30 am

Join us for a fun, interactive performance by musician & storyteller Tim Van Egmond. Cosponsored with Madbury & Durham libraries to be held at **Lee Church Congregational**.
Thank you to the Friends of the Lee Public Library for funding this event.



MICHAEL WARD – RESCHEDULED TO
Wednesday, March 28th 6:30 pm
Lee Public Safety Complex

Michael Ward, author of A Colored Man in Exeter, reads from his biographical account of his father's life and times. Presented by the Lee Public Library and Oyster River Community Read.

Oyster River Community Read fosters community by bringing people together through books and reading. Check out the website to see this year's featured books and for the calendar of events:
www.ORCread.org



New England
Aquarium



Tired of Winter? Reserve your museum pass now. Dates for school vacation week going fast! New England Aquarium and Museum of Science still have dates available! Call us 659-2626.

ONGOING PROGRAMS



STORY TREKKERS
Tuesday Afternoons 3:30 – 4:30pm

This program for **grades K-4** will introduce children to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft are also included. Mast Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.



ROCKIN' READERS BOOK CLUB
1ST Thursday of each Month
3:30 – 4:30 pm Grades 5-6

Participants will read & discuss a different book each month. Pizza will be served. Students may arrange to take **bus 6** directly to the library after school. If interested, **sign up** by calling 659-2626.



STORY TIME
Thursdays 10:30 am Children ages 2-6

These fun 30-40 minute programs include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. **Registration not required.**



TINY TOTS LAPSIT
Children up to 2 years of age
Fridays at 10:30am

Join us for a baby/toddler lapsit. This 20 minute program offers songs, stories and movement with relaxed time afterwards for play and socializing. **Registration is not required.**



NO FOOLIN, JUST FUN
ADULT GAME DAY
Tuesdays 9:30am
All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



KNITTING FOR 50+
1st & 3rd Wednesdays 9:00am
February 21st
Help is available from instructor Donna Kay. All levels welcome.

**Regional & State
News & Events**

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 10:00 am

Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH



WEDNESDAYS, 6:30 – 8:00 pm FEBRUARY 7TH – APRIL 11TH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

EXETER JOB AND RESOURCE FAIR

Thursday, March 15th 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Exeter Town Hall, 1 Front Street, Exeter, NH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



[CLICK HERE](#) for Lamprey River Advisory Committee Winter Newsletter



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

ATTENTION!

We heard that there may be Lee residents who wish to see the E-Crier but do not have the internet!! If you have contact with these people kindly direct them to Town Hall for a **printed copy** or to the Library to view it there. If they cannot leave their home please have them call Denise Duval, Town Secretary, at 659-5414 to have it mailed!