

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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LEE ANNUAL TOWN REPORT NOW AVAILABLE



**GET YOUR COPY AT TOWN HALL, LIBRARY OR THE
TRANSFER STATION**

It is also available at www.leenh.org under News & Events

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

The last day to register to vote [in the Town Clerk's office] for the Town Election on Tuesday, March 8th will be **Friday, February 26th**. If Lee residents miss the deadline they may also register to vote at the polls.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Supervisors of the Checklist of Lee will be in public session on **Saturday, February 27th**, 11:00 - 11:30am at the Lee Library for correction of checklist for 2nd session of annual town meeting. No corrections or additions may be made after this session until Election Day (March 8).

250th CELEBRATION EVENT
HAULING OF THE TREE on February 19th



CLICK HERE for Foster's Article

<http://www.fosters.com/article/20160219/NEWS/160219304/-1/topic>



Thursday, March 3rd 5:30 - 6:30pm

Lee Public Library

All candidates that have filed for any office for the town have been invited to meet the voters and share their background, qualifications and reasons for running for office. Hosted by the Board of Trustees, light refreshments will be served.

**DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT TO TEST NH ALERTS EMERGENCY
NOTIFICATION SYSTEM & NH ALERTS SMARTPHONE APP IN
LEE/STRAFFORD COUNTY on THURSDAY, MARCH 3RD**

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



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 $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile through the property. There are also a variety of important wildlife habitats and historical features. Historically, the property is noted for "Council Rock" where Chief Moharimet and early European settlers met. During the Revolutionary War, the farm was owned by Major John Demeritt who became known as the "Powder Major" after he helped bring gunpowder to the Continental Army at the Battle of Bunker Hill. 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.

3rd ANNUAL FARM STYLE BREAKFAST
Sunday, March 13th, 2016 7:30am - 12 Noon
Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee, NH
 Celebrating Lee's 250th Birthday and the NH Farm Bureau's 100th Anniversary!

MENU:
 Scrambled eggs, French toast, plain and blueberry pancakes, home fries, homemade baked beans, bacon, sausage, local maple syrup, rhubarb sauce, beverages and you never know what else!

Suggested Donation: \$10 for Adults and \$7 for Kids 14 and under.
 Benefits the Strafford County Farm Bureau's "Youth In Agriculture" Grant Program
Tickets available at the Lee Town Hall, Lee Public Library & at the door.
 Info: Laura Gund 659-8106 walgrove@comcast.net, Erick Sawtelle 659-8106 esawtelles@aol.com
 Sponsors: Lee and Durham Agricultural Commissions and the Strafford County Farm Bureau

MORE 250TH PROGRAMS & EVENTS

CHECK OUT THE PASSPORT TO LEE PROGRAM [CLICK HERE](#)

The first passports have been handed out. The Mast Way students will have them soon. Anyone interested can pick them up at any of our events or at the Lee Library. Through a variety of activities, the passport encourages you to explore our town, past and present, in unique ways. At the end of our Semiquincentennial year, participation will be rewarded. Especially of note to all of our artistic folks is the "Image-In-Lee" program which calls for art of any kind which will be exhibited during our closing ceremony and beyond.

LEE REMEMBERS: AN EVENING OF PHOTOS, VIDEOS & STORIES

Friday, **March 18th** 7:00pm
 Public Safety Complex

This event is sure to bring back memories of the recent past in Lee. Paul Gasowski promises to start the evening off with local documentaries about Lee from the 1980's that were created by Oyster River High School Students in his video production course. He is also seeking photos, films, and videos in any format to include in the program. So look through those old tapes and reels to find your gems. Paul will transfer submitted media into a more usable format. If you have media that you would like to share, please contact Paul 659-5271 or by emailing lee250@leenh.org.

**A PARADE IS COMING
AND WE NEED YOU!**

July seems far away, but it is really just under the snow! As part of our Semiquincentennial Weekend extravaganza, **July 16-17**, we are planning a huge town parade. We are hoping that every business, organization, team, troop, neighborhood, and family pet shows up to march or ride a float! Information and applications are available on our website.

As you can see, there is a lot happening in town this year. We hope everyone gets involved. For more information on these and other programs, please go to our website: www.lee250.com



**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**

**OPEN POSITIONS ON TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND
COMMISSIONS:**

**RECREATION, AGRICULTURAL & CONSERVATION COMMISSIONS
SENIOR ADVISORY, ENERGY & LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEES
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARDS**

[CLICK HERE](#) for Application.

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

ORCSD KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE REGISTRATION
[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.



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

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 Initiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library. [CLICK HERE](#) for more details



FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Inside the February/March 2016 issue of the [Safety Educator Newsletter](#) will find the following topics: It Can Happen in a Flash with a Splash: Liquid and Steam Burn Like Fire, Fall Prevention for Older Adults, Keep Loved Ones Safe with Clean Smoke Alarms and Poison Prevention.

The February/March 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. **It will also support students wishing to participate in the 3rd grade Annual Fire & Life Safety Calendar Contest.**

Finally, the January 2016 [In the News Newsletter](#) 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

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. Water is also available to residents at the Transfer Station on days that they are open on the lower back side of the office. Containers may be available along the wall on the right side as you enter the transfer station building.



Like the Lee Conservation Commission on Facebook at [page](#) or go to: www.facebook.com/LeeConservationCommission/

Bits of History from the Newmarket Advertiser Saturday, February 17, 1900

A few weeks ago business at Wadley's was at a standstill because there was no water to run the machinery. Now business is suspended for the reason that the river has become a raging, seething torrent, overflowing the highway, and impeding travel. The ice broke up in the river at about eleven o'clock Tuesday night, and was a sight worth going miles to see, the bright, full moon sailing serenely through silvery mottled clouds, lending an added charm to the wierd scene. Had not the new bridge been built two feet higher than the one destroyed four years ago, it probably would have shared the same fate. The immense ice cakes, as they came crashing against the abutments, jarred the bridges, then with a whirl went rushing over the dam with an impetus indescribable. All day Wednesday the river continued to rise, inundating fields, pastures and highways. The old settlers say they never saw it cover such a territory before. Four bridges in one district alone are knocked askew. The dam at Harvey's mill is gone and the damage everywhere is great. We are only having our share. We are particu-



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.



**Are you concerned about your child's
use of alcohol or other drugs?**

**Parents' Support Group
Thursdays 7 - 8:30pm**

Wentworth Douglass Hospital, Central Avenue, Dover

Walk-ins welcome

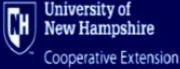
[CLICK HERE](#) for flyer

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.



RASPBERRY SCHOOL
**Same Course,
 Two Locations:**
Brentwood, NH
 Friday, March 11, 2016 - Register by March 8th
 UNH Cooperative Extension - Rockingham County
 Nursing Home - Hilton Auditorium



Join UNH Cooperative Extension for Raspberry School

This workshop is designed to give new raspberry growers the tools they need to be successful, and to serve as a refresher for experienced growers. Topics include marketing concerns, how to establish and manage raspberries, and how to manage insect, disease and weed pests of raspberries.

4.5 PAT Credits approved!

This workshop has two locations, Brentwood and North Haverhill, NH. If interested in attending North Haverhill workshop follow link to brochure provided below.

Brentwood, NH

Friday, March 11, 2016- Register by March 8th

UNHCE - Rockingham County

Nursing Home - Hilton Auditorium

Click [here](#) to consult full brochure for directions: **Do not use GPS!**

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

To Register

<http://bit.ly/RaspberrySchool16>

Or contact Suzanne Hebert at 603-862-3200 or

Suzanne.Hebert@unh.edu

Registration is \$30

AM Coffee and snacks provided. Please bring bag lunch.

SEACOAST VETERANS CONFERENCE

Saturday, April 9th, 8:00am – 2:00pm

Service Credit Union, 3003 Lafayette Rd, Portsmouth, NH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



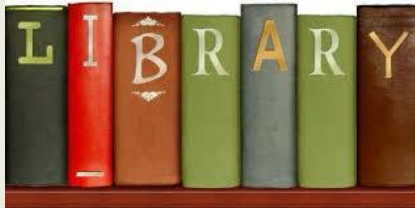
**[CLICK HERE](#) for the 2015 - 2040 Metropolitan
Transportation Plan Survey**



**[CLICK HERE](#) for the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee 2016
Winter Newsletter**



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



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 & WINE GLASSES!

*******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 **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.



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!



Essential Oils 101 Tuesday, March 1st 6:00 pm

Join us for an informational/educational presentation presented by Kelly Roy Williams about how you can use essential oils in your daily life.



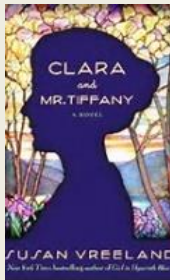
CPR
Wednesday, March 2nd 6:00 – 8:00 pm

The McGregor Institute of EMS will be teaching this American Heart Association CPR program. The program is free, but there is a \$20 materials fee. **To register**, go to McGregor's community calendar at www.mcgregorems.org/institute.



The Art of Psyanky
Saturday, March 5th 10:30 am

Psyanky is an ancient art form of decorating eggs that originated in Ukraine. It involves a wax resist, layering method. Join Christina Pasicznyk Vogel for a demonstration and workshop to learn about this beautiful art form and try your hand at creating a one-of-a kind piece of artwork. **Class size limited to 15 participants age 15 and up. Please register.**



Adult Book Discussion Group
Monday, March 14th 7:00 pm

Clara and Mr. Tiffany – Susan Vreeland again excavates the life behind a famous artistic creation--in this case the Tiffany leaded-glass lamp, the brainchild not of Louis Comfort Tiffany but his glass studio manager, Clara Driscoll..... — **Publishers Weekly**

Copies of the book are available at the library. All are welcome to participate.



First Aid
Wednesday, March 23rd 6:00 – 8:00 pm

The McGregor Institute of EMS is offering a First Aid Certification Course. The course teaches adult, child and infant first aid. The program is free, but there is a \$20 materials fee. **To register**, go to McGregor's community calendar at www.mcgregorems.org/institute.

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+ 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAYS March 2nd & 16th 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. Most Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.

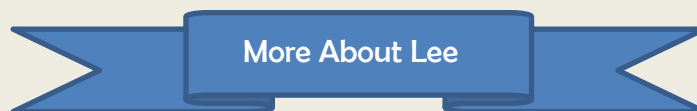


This is a new library program that encourages families to read 1000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Just register and keep track of how many books you've read on a reading log. We'll help you celebrate the first 100 books milestone with the gift of a canvas book bag. And 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!](#)



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 leenh.org to sign up!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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!