TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

7 Mast Road Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (603) 659-5414 March 27, 2015

REGISTER YOUR DOG BY APRIL 30TH AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE



SULLY (the Deputy Town Clerk's pup)

AVOID A \$25.00 FINE BY REGISTERING BY APRIL 30TH. \$6.50 for SPAYED/NEUTERED Dogs & Puppies (4-7 months) \$9.00 for UN-ALTERED Dogs



NH HIGH SCHOOL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL DEADLINE EXTENDED TO APRIL 7TH

The New Hampshire Film & Television Office, part of the Department of Cultural Resources, will once again present the New Hampshire High School Short Film Festival, which will take place on May 23, 2015 at Red River Theatres in Concord. Students from NH public and private high schools, as well as homeschooled students, are encouraged to submit projects no longer than 7 minutes in length, which do not have to be created as part of a class assignment. More details are available at <u>www.nhstudentfilm.com</u>. Media arts faculty interested in receiving updates about the Festival via e-mail should contact film@nh.gov.

TACO BAR DINNER at LEE CHURCH

For Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser Saturday, March 28th 4:30 pm View Auction Items Taco Bar Dinner 5:00 – 7:00 pm Silent Auction Bidding starting at 5:00 pm NH Gentleman entertain during dinner Dinner Tickets: Adults \$8/Children under 12 years \$5



Auction items include: locally produced products, gift certificates to area businesses, hand-crafted items, housewares, antiques & more... Call 659-2861 for additional information. Handicap accessible

OPEN POSITIONS ON TOWN COMMITTEES AND/OR COMMISSIONS LISTED BELOW TOWN CENTER COMMITTEE RECREATON COMMISSION SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE ENERGY COMMITTEE CLICK HERE for Application

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

OYSTER RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION RIVERWALK!

Saturday, March 28th 9:00 am - Noon

The plan is to meet at the Demeritt Hill Farm store parking lot, about a half mile north along Route 155 (Turtle Pond Road) from the Five Corners intersection in Lee. We will walk downstream, ending at the bridge on Route 155A (Sherburne Road - formerly Old Concord Turnpike). Demeritt Hill Farm is protected by a conservation easement; this includes several hundred feet of frontage along the river and extends to the Durham - Lee town line. Along the way, we'll check out the beaver dam at the old Beech Hill Road that periodically creates an upstream impoundment. Further downstream, we'll pass across from The Cottages, a commercial student housing complex. Our ending point at Route 155A is the location of a USGS streamflow gauging station, which constantly monitors the flow of the Oyster River. Upon completion of the walk, shuttle service back to the starting point will be available. Unless there is a dramatic change in weather, this event is shaping up to be a rubber boot experience on a combination of wet but firm ground and crusty/crumbling snow, so come prepared to handle the weather and conditions for the day. Updates on the event can be obtained by calling or e-mailing Dick Weyrick at 868-2862 or dweyrick@comcast.net.

MARCH SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, March 30th at 6:00 pm Go to <u>www.leenh.org</u> for more Town meeting dates Go to <u>http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH_LibraryCal/?formid=158</u> for the Library Calendar



PLEASE DO NOT BECOME A VICTIM

Please keep in mind that there are a lot of telephone and internet scams going around. The callers or people sending the emails could pretend that they are from your bank, the IRS, a jury selection process, Publisher's Clearinghouse, your grandchildren, Microsoft, or any other place you can think of. Our reminder is **PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE ANY PERSONAL OR BANK INFORMATION TO ANYONE WITH WHOM YOU DID NOT INITIATE CONTACT.** If you are not sure that the call is legitimate, hang up and call the company they are representing directly. But, do not use the telephone number they provided. Use the corporate telephone number, or the number you have listed on your credit/bank cards. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Lee Police at 603-659-5866.

CLICK HERE for information from other sources

TRANSFER STATION UPDATE

Spring has finally arrived at the Transfer Station and we are putting out compost and getting wood chips ready for pick-up. We have compost bins (\$50) and rain barrels (\$65) for sale. We hope to soon start a Food Waste Drop-off service at the T.S., but we still need 6 more families to sign up. More details to follow. Our new Swap Shop volunteer is Lynn Kuegel and she works Thursday 9:00 to noon. Her husband is a local Farrier and they both make jewelry. Today's check for a load of #1 and #2 plastic was for \$2,647! THANKS for recycling!!



TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND for Training But will OPEN THURSDAY, APRIL 23RD 8:00 am – 4:00 pm Normal hours of operation will resume the following week.



BARRY CONSERVATION CAMP

Each year the Lee Conservation Commission sponsors a campership at the Barry Conservation Camp which is located at the Fish Hatchery in Berlin, NH. The 4-H Camp is operated in conjunction with the NH Department of Fish & Game. "Barry Conservation Camp emphasizes environmental awareness, responsible use of firearms, safe hunting practices, conservation principles and ethics." There is also swimming and canoeing, as well as group activities that encourage teamwork. Lee youngsters, ages 10 and up, are eligible for this campership. (The Hunter Safety & Certification Program requires ages 12 and up.) For further information, or to apply for the campership, please call Laura Gund at 659-2044 or <u>walgrove@comcast.net</u>. It's best to apply as soon as possible while there is still room available! To learn more about the http://extension.unh.edu/4-H-Youth-Family/Barrycamp go to Conservation-4-H-Camp.



FAMILY NATURE WALK AT LEE TOWN FOREST SATURDAY, APIRL 4th 9:30 am

Yes, there's still a lot of snow and temperatures have been below average, but spring is here and the signs are everywhere. Each day is longer than the one before, the snow is receding, leaf buds are swelling, foxes are pairing up, male cardinals are engaging in "singing wars", chipmunks have emerged from their dens and crows are building nests. Celebrate the new season with a walk in the woods. We'll take a last look at the forest in its winter aspect and look for signs of the new season. We'll meet behind the backstop of the baseball field adjacent to Mast Way School. All ages welcome! Monthly family Nature Walks are sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission and the Senior Advisory Committee.

COMING TO A VERNAL POOL NEAR YOU!



After a rigorous and persistent winter, Spring's advent has been halting but everywhere there are encouraging harbingers. The snow is receding. Red maple flower buds are swelling. The year's first red-winged blackbirds have arrived; goldfinches are beginning to take on their yellow nuptial plumage; and each morning begins with a small dawn chorus of mourning doves, cardinals, chickadees and titmice singing up the sun. Soon another herald of the young season will be heard as quacking of wood frogs will be heard in the forests where their breeding pools are found. Having spent the winter under leaf litter in the forests where they live, these small, cryptically marked, terrestrial frogs emerge from hibernation very early in the spring and make their way to vernal pools to breed. Their breeding season is brief - only a few weeks in which to mate, lay eggs and return to the woods. Wood frogs may not sport the brilliant colors of tropical frogs, but they are every bit as remarkable. The only North American amphibian able to live above the Arctic Circle, the wood frog has mastered cryogenics - that is, they are able to withstand the freezing of up to 45% of its body during hibernation. During the winter each frog becomes, in effect, a frogcicle, lying quiescent, without respiration or heartbeat, until spring.

Anyone interested in learning more about these remarkable creatures and observing them in their breeding pools is invited to participate in a Frog Walk in the Town Forest sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission. There will be three walks this year: an afternoon children's walk, an early evening walk and an early morning walk. All will take place in the Town Forest. Dates will depend upon when the wood frogs emerge, so keep checking the Lee E-Crier.

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Senior Advisory Committee met for a 2nd time in March to hear a presentation by David Choate. David is the NH Executive VP of Colliers International, a real estate company. He described for us property in Lee that could be suitable for senior housing. He has invited us to visit a completed senior housing project in Rye, NH, in April and talk with the persons responsible for its development.

The SAC is looking to have several new members to be sworn in by the end of the month.

The Knitting Gathering will meet on Wednesday April 8th and 22nd at the Lee Library, 9:00 - 11:00 am. Donna Kay, knitting instructor, is available to help get you started on a new project or teach you if you are a beginner. Some very inspiring projects are seen at each meeting! The Knitting Gathering is sponsored by SAC and the Lee Library.



OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN Saturday, April 4th 9:00am on the dot at Town Field Participants should gather behind Mast Way School by 8:45am Children will search for over 3,000 plastic Easter eggs filled with candy and prizes all hidden in the field and the adjacent woods.

THIS YEAR THE KIDS WILL ENJOY A SPECIAL DONATON FROM LINDT CHOCOLATE For more information call Larry Kindberg at 603-292-5790 or email larrykindberg@comcast.net. LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY POT LUCK DINNER & ANNUAL MEETING ALL ARE WELCOME Friday, April 10th 6:00 pm Lee Grange Come share stories about Lee! Don't forget to bring your dinner dish to share!



BACKYARD FARMING INITIATIVE SERIES 2015 PRESENTS FIVE NIGHTS, 10 FARMS: EXPLORE YOUR FARMING DREAMS

NEXT DISCUSSION Monday, April 27th 7:00 pm

Jeremiah Smith Grange Hall, Lee Hook Road, Lee

This evening's program is being presented by Misty Meadows Herbal Center and Boulder Brook Stables. Misty Meadows offers skilled herbalists, bulk herbs & tea blends, herbal medicines, aromatherapy & essential oils, herbal apprenticeships and short workshops for all levels. Boulder Brook Stables is a multi-discipline, full service equine facility including boarding, training, lessons and clinics.

Sponsored by the Lee Agricultural Commission and Lee Public Library.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for entire series schedule



NH: A STATE OF MIND Thursday, April 2ND 7:00 pm Public Safety Complex

Carl Lindblade, a lecturer in the hospitality management department at the University of New Hampshire, will present a humorous romping look at NH from the time of King George II to the present. Highlights Colonial Days, the NH Political Traditions and Culture. This program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served at the end of the program.



Registration is now open for the Farm to Institution Summit taking place in Amherst, Massachusetts! The Summit is a first-year conference that will bring together at least 800 leaders from the Northeast who are working to get more local and regional food into schools, colleges, health care and other institutions. With over 50 workshops offered in the Farm to School, Farm to College and Farm to Health Care sectors, this is a landmark event not to be missed!

Please make note: the early bird deadline to save on registration is March 2, 2015. After March 2^{nd} , registration fees will increase by at least \$20/day. Online registration will close March 30^{th} and walk-in registration is not guaranteed.

Register Now at: <u>www.regonline.com/builder/site/?eventid=1673184</u> Additionally, if you are in need of a financial scholarship, please go to <u>http://www.farmtoinstitution.org/summit#scholarships</u> Scholarship applications will be accepted until March 2nd.

Please visit the Conference Website for more information about the programming ~ keynotes, workshop descriptions and more: www.farmtoinstitution.org/summit.

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION PRESENTS A FREE WORKSHOP ON BACKYARD CHICKEN BASICS

Sunday, April 12th 1:00 – 2:30 pm Dover Agway



<u>CLICK HERE</u> for details

WILD NEW HAMPSHIRE DAY

Saturday, April 18th 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Fish & Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive Concord, NH

Discover WILD New Hampshire Day is a fun way for the whole family to explore New Hampshire's wildlife resources and legacy of outdoor traditions. Come browse exhibits from environmental and conservation organizations throughout the state. See live animals, big fish and trained falcons. Try your hand at archery, casting, fly-tying and B-B gun shooting. Watch retriever dogs in action. Get creative with hands-on craft activities for the kids. N.H. Department of Environmental Services staff will be on hand to help you discover new trends in recycling, environmental protection and energy-efficient hybrid vehicles. Watch for more details about Discover WILD New Hampshire Day at http://www.wildnh.com.

STATE FIRE MARSHALL SAFETY EDUCATOR NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 2015 <u>CLICK HERE</u>





WARNING

As we approach tax season, please beware of IRS scams! You can also go to <u>www.irs.gov/uac/Tax-Scams-Consumer-Alerts</u> to learn about more about scams using the IRS.



55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. Drivers receive 25 cents per mile and can pick what rides they want to do. Drivers must be at least 25 years old, have a valid driver's license and a favorable driving record with a legally registered, inspected and insured vehicle. 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 information about how to help your neighbor.

FOWN OF LEE NOW OFFERS ONLINE SERVICES



To access the new online services, please visit the Town of Lee's website at <u>www.leenh.org</u>. Credit/debit cards and ACH payments (bank-tobank transfers) will be accepted for all online transactions. Credit/debit card and internet processing fees will apply.



The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office now accepts MasterCard, Visa, American Express, and Discover credit cards; debit cards that display these logos are also accepted. *Please note:* There are additional fees to cover the cost of using a credit or debit card – 2.95% of the total transaction with \$1.50 minimum. These convenience fees go directly to the Town of Lee's third party credit/debit card processor and are not retained by the Town of Lee. Convenience fees cannot be refunded. Cash and checks are still accepted forms of payment and do not require additional fees.



LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

LIBRARY REGULAR HOURS

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



ZENTANGLE® WORKSHOP Tuesday, March 31st 6:00 pm

Zentangle® is an easy-to-learn, relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. The process of tangling was created by Maria Thomas, a world-renowned calligrapher and Rick Roberts, a musician and former Zen monk. Zentangle® is enjoyed by a wide range of skills and ages and can be achieved by all "…one stroke at a time!" There is a \$10 materials fee for this class taught by Jean Kearney. This class is currently filled. Co-sponsored by the Lee Library and the Friends of the Lee Library.

This is our final workshop for Creating Connections until fall.



RIBBET, RIBBET FROG WALK

Thursday, April 9TH 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Pre-school – Grade 4 Join us for a frog story, a frog walk to a local bog led by Catherine Fisher of the Lee Conservation Commission and a fun frog craft! Mast Way students may ride bus 23 directly to the library, accompanied by a note giving permission to do so. Please register. *This event will take place only if the snow melts and the frogs wake up. If not, it will be rescheduled for Thursday, April 16th at 3:30 pm.



FLOWER BOUQUET DROP-IN CRAFT Saturday, April 11TH Welcome spring by making a pretty bouquet of flowers.

ON - GOING PROGRAMS



Thursday & Friday at 10:30 am

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



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.



STORY TREKKERS

Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30 pm Ages 6-10

Read a variety of authors and award-winning books. Snack, games and a craft included. Mast way students ride bus 23. Please register. This program is currently filled and has a waiting list.



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

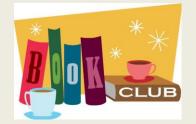
Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends. Sorry, there are no instructors.



KNITTING FOR 50+

ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS, NEXT APRIL 8th & 22nd 9AM 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 in conjunction with the Lee Library.



ROCKIN' READERS BOOK CLUB Thursdays 3:00 – 4:00 pm 5th & 6th Graders Read/discuss a different book per month. Take bus 21. Please register.



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. Thanks to your funding, the Friends of Lee Library will continue to support the wonderful activities! Not a member yet? It's easy – <u>CLICK HERE</u> !

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! For reservations or more information call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday through Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm or go to lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-services/transportation_program



JOIN THE LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPT.

The Department is always looking for new members! Please stop by the Safety Complex Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.



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!



CHANNEL 13

Check your local TV channel 13 to view Selectmen's meetings aired daily at 7:00am; 2:00pm; 7:00pm. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more details. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to view town meetings and videos online through the media site at leenh.org.

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MEETING CALENDAR To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org <u>CLICK HERE</u>



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

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

STRAFFORD COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS HEALTH & SAFETY COUNCIL OF STRAFFORD COUNTY

Click on the "Sr" web page link for more information abou Influenza. <u>dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/influenza/index.htm</u>



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.



Community Action Partnership Pregnant? New Baby? CAP Can Help!

If you are pregnant, know someone who is, or just had a baby, Community Action can help. We have a free Home Visiting program for teens and women age 25 and under. Call CAP's Home Visiting at 603-516-8108 to learn more or visit <u>www.straffordcap.org</u>.



FUEL & ELECTRICAL ASSISTANCE

CAP employees are now taking appointments for fuel and electrical assistance. Last year, we served nearly 3,900 households. Incomeeligible households can get help paying their winter heating bills by applying for fuel assistance now through April 30, 2015. Electrical assistance is available year round. We have flexible hours and locations for appointments. Call today at 603-516-8126 or 603-516-8191. Visit www.straffordcap.org



DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRIES

We are seeking donations of non-perishable food items, grocery store gift cards and financial donations to help stock our food pantries in Dover, Farmington and Milton. Supplies are critically low yet demand remains very high. To donate, visit <u>www.straffordcap.org/donate</u> today! Our food pantries serve individuals and families from all over Strafford County.

ATTENTION!

If you know someone who may want to see the e-crier but does not have the internet please either 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, the Town Secretary, at 603-659-5414 to have it mailed to them! Thank you!

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