

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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April 5, 2019

Lee News & Upcoming Events

HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, April 12th Jeremiah Smith Grange, 1 Lee Hook Road
Pot luck Supper 6:00 pm / Short Meeting 7:00 pm Followed by Program

The meeting will be followed by a program called "What's in and on your head about Lee"
(Museum's hat collection and your Lee stories and experiences in Lee)



HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM OPENING
Saturday, April 20th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

May 1, 2019 "Lee's Flora and Fauna Program" - POSTPONED UNTIL FALL 2019

REPLACEMENT FOR THIS MAY PROGRAM

"Tales of New England Life, the stories of Alice Brown"

May 22, 2019 – Public Safety Complex

Co-hosted by Lee Public Library and Pontine Theater Performance



2019 BACK YARD FARMING INITIATIVE

Mondays, April 22nd (Small Livestock) and May 20th (Fowl)

Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH 7:00 pm

[CLICK HERE](#) for schedule

Donna-Lee Woods, Hickory Nut Farm, discusses goats, their care and keeping; Eleanor Kane, Brazen Farm, talks about rabbits and their care; Bob Barth, Birch Hill Farm discusses pigs; Dwight Barney, Woolmark Farm, sheep and wool talk.

APRIL SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, April 8th & 22nd Starting at 6:30 pm

Meetings can now be seen on  at www.media.leenh.org

THE 8TH ANNUAL FROG WALK
Sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission
Coming Soon to a Vernal Pool Near You!



Spring is here, and in vernal pools throughout Lee, spotted salamanders and wood frogs will soon emerge and make their way to vernal pools where they will breed and lay eggs. Spotted salamanders have whiled away the frozen months hibernating in underground burrows safely beneath the frost line. Wood frogs (pictured here) have spent the winter under leaf litter in their forest homes. These small, cryptically marked, terrestrial frogs are the only North American amphibian able to live above the Arctic Circle and have mastered cryogenics - that is, each wood frog is able to withstand the freezing of 45-60% of its body during

hibernation. During the winter, wood frogs become, in effect, frogcicles, lying quiescent, without respiration or heartbeat, until spring.

Once the ground has thawed and the air has warmed sufficiently, wood frogs de-ice and begin to make their way to their breeding grounds. Often there is still snow in the surrounding forest and there may still be parts of their pools that are ice-covered. Spotted salamanders generally arrive some weeks later: they wait for the right combination of conditions: rainy nights with temperatures at 40 -50°. Occasionally, when these optimal conditions are delayed, the salamanders emerge en masse in what is referred to as a Big Night. (Photo by David McCormick)

The breeding season of these amphibians is brief: courtship, mating and egg-laying is often accomplished within a few weeks. Following this short procreative period, both salamanders and frogs return to their woodland habitat leaving vernal pools full of the egg masses that will, in a matter of months, produce the next generation.

Other animals, too, use vernal pools - as places to feed, places to breed, and places to rest during long migrations. During early spring visits to the pools folks have been treated to the sights (and sounds!) of barred owl mating duets, wood ducks, hermit thrushes, and bull frogs. Last year the vernal pool near Mast Way School was swimming with ethereal fairy shrimp - another creature that, like the wood frog and spotted salamander, is a vernal pool indicator species.

There will be a Friday evening (7:00 pm) walk and a Saturday morning (10 am) walk. The date will be determined by the frogs. While the pools are currently almost entirely iced-over, things happen quickly once ice-out occurs, so stay tuned!

Per Order of the Lee Select Board on March 11, 2019
Pursuant to RSA 41:11, 231:91

On or about March 12th through April 30, 2019

All Class V Roads will be restricted to a maximum of 23,000 lbs. total weight of vehicle and load.

Please contact the Lee Highway Supervisor, Steve Bullek at 603-659-6515
for a written exception or questions.

FROM THE SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Lee Recyclers Be Proud – Recently, there has been much negative publicity regarding recycling and recycling markets. The Solid Waste Committee would like to assure Lee residents that due to the high quality of the Town's recyclables, the due diligence of the Transfer Station staff, and the town's long term association with the Northeast Resource Recovery Association, Lee is currently still doing quite well marketing its recyclables. Below is a chart showing tonnages and revenues for recyclables marketed in 2018. Note that the town has to pay to recycle glass and mixed paper at this time; however, the cost is still well below the cost to send these products to the landfill. Other recyclables make up the difference so in total the Town received average revenues of \$125.00 per ton for its recyclables, generating a total of 59,946.47 dollars in revenue and 38,295.12 dollars in cost avoidance. Not bad considering the market situation. Keep up the good work recycling, Lee Transfer Station staff and residents!

Calendar Year 2018 Common Recyclables Marketed – Lee Transfer Station

2018	Tons	Revenue \$	Price/ton	Avoidance \$	Total \$
Al. Cans	13.76	20,911.20	1,519.71	1,100.80	22,012.00
Auto Bat	1.56	842.94	540.35	124.80	967.74
News	21.96	2,261.88	103.00	1,756.80	4,062.60
Mixed Paper	109.21	-(2,234.91)	- (20.46)	8,736.80	6,501.89
Cardboard	87.25	\$ 7,876.89	90.28	6,980.00	14,856.89
Glass	78.5	-(2,349.00)	- (29.92)	6,280.00	3,931.00
HDPE (MC)	8.35	2,637.77	315.90	668.00	3,305.77
HDPE (nat)	8.35	4,173.84	499.86	668.00	4,841.84
PETE	25.66	6,578.76	256.38	2,052.80	8,631.56
St Cans	21.37	3,861.87	180.71	1,709.60	5,571.47
Non Ferrous	4.43	5,303.05	1,197.08	354.40	5,657.45
Scrap Metal	97.74	10,082.18	103.15	7,819.20	17,901.38
Totals	478.14	59,946.47		38,295.12	98,241.59

*Average recyclable revenue for 2018 = \$125.37/ton - Aluminum Cans are about 2 years' worth

*\$ avoidance is \$80 per ton if sent to landfill instead of being recycled.

*Total \$ is the revenue received plus cost avoidance which offsets other disposal and operating cost at the Transfer Station.

*Chart does not include tires, yard waste, wood waste, electronics, textiles, books, concrete, etc. which are also recycled at the Transfer Station.

SWAP SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

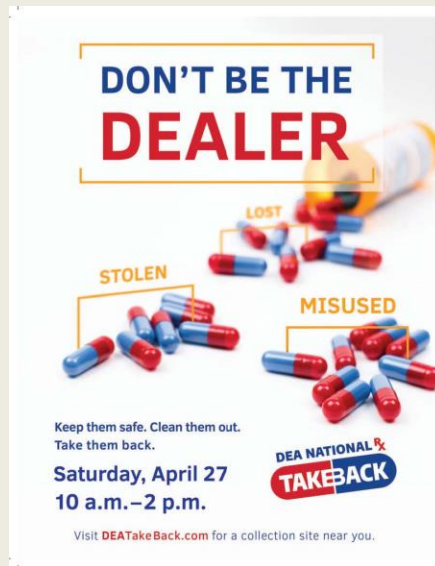
Please call Shirley McKeon at 603-659-8163 or email her at smckeon123@aol.com.

SWAP SHOP HOURS & RULES REMINDER

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

SUMMARY OF RULES

There's a 15 minute time limit. * If you cannot use it then do not take it * 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.



NEWS RELEASE

Lee Police Department is taking back unwanted prescription drugs. On Saturday, April 27, from 10:00 am - 2 pm the Lee PD and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public its 17th opportunity in 9 years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to the Lee Police Department at 20 George Bennett Road. (Sites cannot accept liquids, needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. Last fall Americans turned in nearly 460 tons (more than 900,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at more than 5,800 sites operated by the DEA and almost 4,800 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 16 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in almost 11 million pounds—nearly 5,500 tons—of pills. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 27th Take Back Day event, go to www.DEATakeBack.com.



[CLICK HERE](#) for Town of Lee Annual Report
Hard copies available at Town Hall and the Library



Copies of the beautiful [2019 Historic Lee, New Hampshire Wall Calendar](#) are still on sale at:

- Lee Town Hall
- Lee Library

[Reduced price while supplies last / \\$5.00 each.](#)

NEW LEE TRIVIA QUESTION!

The answer will be given in next week's Lee E-Crier.

(No prizes – just the satisfaction of confirming how much you know about your town!)

This Week's New Trivia Question: According to the State of New Hampshire's web site, what is the largest employer in the Town of Lee, NH?

Answer to last week's Lee trivia question:

Daniel Meserve Durrell, a Representative to the U.S. Congress from New Hampshire was born in Lee, N.H., on July 20, 1769. He graduated from Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H., in 1794, studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1797, and commenced to practice law in Dover, N.H. He was elected as a Republican to the Tenth Congress (March 4, 1807-March 3, 1809). He was later a member of the State house of representatives in 1816, chief justice of the district court of common pleas 1816-1821, United States attorney for the district of New Hampshire from 1830-1834 and later resumed private practice of the law. Durrell died in Dover, N.H. on April 29, 1841 and is interred in Pine Hill Cemetery in Dover.

Source: Biographical Directory of the United States Congress,
<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=D000565> Accessed: 4/4/2019



**LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL
FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS**

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

**[BACKYARD BURNING QUICK GUIDE](#)
[CATEGORY I & II FIRE SPECIFICATIONS](#)**

**[CLICK HERE](#) for March Safety Educator
[CLICK HERE](#) for March One Stop Educator**

FIRE DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

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

Please [CLICK HERE](#) 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 THE SPRING SEASON

With spring approaching your fire department would like to remind everyone to consider these recommended safety practices.

- The Fire Department recommends that you change the batteries in all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. There should be at least one smoke and carbon monoxide detector on each level of your residence. If you would like suggestions on where to place smoke detectors you may call us here at the fire station and we would be glad to come to your home to help.
- Check your fire extinguishers to make sure they are fully charged and ready for use.
- Clean out your dryer vents to prevent dryer fires.
- Keep your outdoor grill clean and maintain the burners and gas lines to prevent grill fires. Keep your grill away from your house and out from under overhangs and decks when in use to prevent grill fires from spreading to your home. Keep a fire extinguisher nearby in the case of grill fires.
- If you have severe allergies especially to bees, wasps and hornets make sure your epi pen is up to date and available for immediate use in time of need. As the weather becomes warmer bees, wasps and hornets will become more active.

BURN PERMIT

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS

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, [CLICK HERE](#) 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
[CLICK HERE](#) 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 email info@readyrides.org with questions or go to <https://readyrides.org/> for details. **Volunteers from Lee are needed!**



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.



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

LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

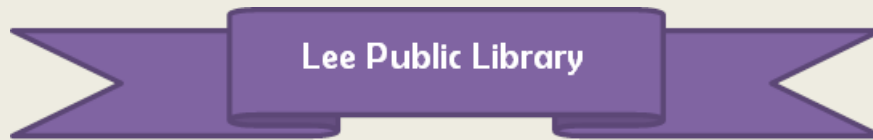
The Solid Waste Advisory, Energy, LRAC and Sustainability Committees have immediate openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email dduval@leenh.org. [CLICK HERE](#) for Application.

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



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



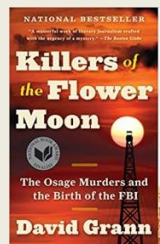
DROP-IN TECH HELP **Wednesdays 4 - 6pm**

We offer a range of services to help you become tech savvy. Come to a free drop-in tech help session! Drop-In Tech Help sessions are

held at the library on Wednesday afternoons from 4 PM to 6 PM. No appointment is required. All you need to bring are your technology questions/problems and any relevant devices.

You can get started with these [online tutorials](#) provided by Universal Class to get comfortable using basic technology and digital resources. You can also get help with online job searches, resumes, cover letters, completing forms, learning basic computer skills, and more [here](#).

*Please note that Drop-In Tech Help is meant to provide basic technology help. Please bring any devices that you have questions about. Please bring any relevant login information (e.g. usernames and passwords) for any accounts related to your questions. This is a drop in session and multiple people may show up. Sessions may be limited to 15 minutes per patron when demand is high.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Monday, April 8th
"Killers of the Flower Moon"
by David Grann

"A masterful work of literary journalism crafted with the urgency of a mystery. . . . Contained within Grann's mesmerizing storytelling lies something more than a brisk, satisfying read. *Killers of the Flower Moon* offers up the Osage killings as emblematic of America's relationship with its indigenous peoples and the 'culture of killing' that has forever marred that tie." —*The Boston Globe*

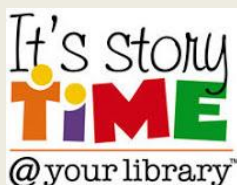


DROP-IN CRAFT
Monday, April 15th – Saturday, April 20th
Rainy Day Duck



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 659-2626.**



STORY TIME
Thursdays @ 10 am

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



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.**



Knitting for 50+
1st & 3rd Wednesdays 9 am
April 17th
Help is available from instructor Donna Kay. All levels welcome.

**Regional & State
News & Events**

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 10:00 am

Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH



[CLICK HERE](#) for Your Estuaries Partnership News for March 2019



[CLICK HERE](#) for March e-News!



New Hampshire Association
of Conservation Commissions

[CLICK HERE](#) for March Legislative Update

NH Extension Pruning Demonstrations

Various Dates and Locations

There's nothing more satisfying than picking fruit at peak ripeness from your home orchard. With some work and know how, New Hampshire homeowners can grow a wide variety of fruits at home, including dozens of varieties of apples, pears, sour cherries, peaches, blueberries, grapes, and brambles (such as raspberries and blackberries).

One of the most important annual tasks for the home fruit grower is pruning, which UNH Cooperative Extension recommends for the early spring. When pruning isn't done right, year after year, fruit trees and small fruits often produce lower yields with lower quality fruits and are more prone to fungal diseases.

Springtime demonstrations are an opportunity to learn from experts in person and in the field. From the novice home gardeners to experienced fruit growers looking for a refresher, attending a demonstration close to you is an opportunity to network and learn proven, research-based techniques for pruning and grafting. Demonstrations also cover topics including tools, fertility, and pest control.

To find a pruning demonstration near you, click [here](#).



UNH Spring Greenhouse Open House

Friday & Saturday April 5th & 6th 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

UNH Macfarlane Research Greenhouse

Come learn about home gardening, landscaping, current research, and other growing information at the University of New Hampshire Spring Greenhouse Open House at the Macfarlane Research Greenhouses Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, 2019. The greenhouses will be open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. both days. The event is free and open to the public.

For full details, click [here](#).



THE 3RD ANNUAL MARINA'S MILES 5K RUN/WALK

Saturday, April 6, 2019 ORHS Durham

Race Day Registration 8:30am \$30; Online Pre-Registration \$25

Come in PJs or a costume on Race Day and run for just \$15!!

For all registrants...Free lunch! Free chances for door prizes! Free massages available! Free t-shirts (first 250 registrants)! Free coffee!

The event raises money for a college scholarship in memory of Marina Slavin to be awarded to an Oyster River student. Marina was an Oyster River High School graduate, UNH student, NH state champion runner, and most importantly, a person who loved people from all walks of life and loved life. She died from a heart infection (her heart was too big) in 2013 at the age of 20.

A fun, family-friendly, community event! Come remember a treasured member of our community, support education for our youth, and have fun!

To pre-register, visit www.Racewire.com or www.MarinasMiles.org or register at the race. To donate to the scholarship fund, visit www.MarinasMiles.org or mail a check made out to Marina's Miles to 10 Burnham Ave, Durham, NH 03824.

SELT'S ANNUAL WILD & SCENIC FILM FESTIVAL

Friday, April 12th 7pm

The Music Hall, Portsmouth, NH

\$20 General Admission

14 Short Films showcasing the environmental concerns and celebrations of our planet. [BUY TICKETS](#) at the Music Hall Box Office, SELT or TheMusicHall.org.



9TH ANNUAL SEACOAST VETERANS CONFERENCE

Saturday, April 13th 8:30 am – LUNCH

[CLICK HERE](#) for flier

If you are a Lee Resident in need of assistance with a Veteran's issue then the Lee Memorial VFW Post 10676 may be able to help.

This post serves the communities of Lee, Durham, Madbury and Newmarket and has Service Officers who can help folks with just about any Veteran's related issue. At the State level they have a seat on the SVAC (State Veterans Advisory Committee) and are linked with tens of other non-profit Veterans organizations that provide a host of services. Please contact Andy Corrow, Commander, VFW Post 10676, at 603-397-9267 or vfwpost10676@yahoo.com if you need assistance.

TRANSFORMING CONSERVATION LAND INTO WORKING FARMS

Tuesday, April 16th 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Brentwood Community Center

[CLICK HERE](#) for flyer



WELL WATER TESTING BROCHURE FOR RESIDENTS

[CLICK HERE](#) for NHDES Brochure

[CLICK HERE](#) for NHDES Letter



University of New Hampshire
Cooperative Extension

TRAINING FOR PRIVATE PESTICIDE APPLICATORS

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

Oyster River Cooperative School Board News

ORHS graduation for the class of 2019 has been set for June 7th.

The Board also endorsed distribution of a commentary on guns in school. The Board is in favor of legislation prohibiting all but police officers and first responders from bringing guns on to school property. To date the commentary has appeared in five New Hampshire papers.

In district elections on March 12th, at-large Board members Tom Newkirk and Kenny Rotner were re-elected unopposed. The 2019-2020 budget was approved 68% to 32%.

McGregor EMS Volunteers Needed

McGregor EMS is currently seeking both Medical and Non-Medical Volunteers. Those interested may email membership@mcgregorems.org. To learn more about this great service [CLICK HERE](#)!

PENNICHUCK CORPORATION'S ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 4th. 2019 9:00 am

DoubleTree by Hilton, 2 Somerset Parkway, Nashua, NH

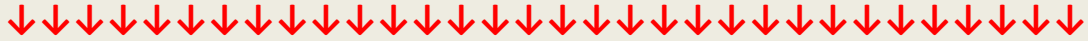
[CLICK HERE](#) for NOTICE

[CLICK HERE](#) for Annual Meeting PROXY MATERIAL

[CLICK HERE](#) for Annual Report

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 www.leenh.org, click on **Subscribe to E-Alerts** 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 Secretary Denise Duval at 659-5414 to have it mailed!