

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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April 6, 2018

Lee News & Upcoming
Events

EASTER EGG HUNT 2018



Before the swarm descends onto the field and within a minute or two, every egg is gone. The bigger kids take a little longer to actually “hunt” for their eggs in the woods.



Thanks to the high school students and parents who came out to help hide (or drop) the eggs!

DORN COX, OWNER OF TUCKAWAY FARM IN LEE, AWARDED NEW NATIONAL CONSERVATION AWARD

[CLICK HERE](#) to see NRCS State Conservationist Rick Ellsmore recognize Mr. Cox with the 1st Annual Hugh Hammond Bennett Excellence in Conservation Award for his work in soil conservation and read the Foster’s Article by Kyle Stucker.

**The Town of Lee Police Department welcomes Officer David Luna
Sworn in on Friday, March 30, 2018**



PHYLLIS WHITE, Historical Society President
Gives a presentation on her book
“Lee’s Proud History of Education, Its Scholars and Teachers”



CARTLAND ROAD MORNING OF April 5, 2018



APRIL SELECT BOARD MEETINGS
Monday, **April 9th & 23rd** starting at 6:30 pm

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

JOIN A DRONE CLUB!

The Lee Recreation Commission is interested in forming a drone club. If you are interested in joining please call Cary Brown at 603-828-9616 or email him at cbrown@leenh.org.



7th Annual Frog Walk
Friday, April 13th 7:00 pm
Saturday, April 14th 10:00 am

Though it's difficult to believe after the weekly nor'easters that March brought us, spring is here, and in vernal pools throughout Lee, spotted salamanders and wood frogs will soon emerge and make their way to breed and lay eggs. Spotted salamanders (pictured above) have whiled away the frozen months cozily underground, hibernating in burrows safely beneath the frost line. Wood frogs, on the other hand, 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 spotted salamanders emerge from hibernation. Then they wait for the right combination of conditions before making their way to their breeding grounds. On one of the first rainy nights with temperatures at 40 -50° these amphibians emerge, and journey to their natal pools. Occasionally, when these optimal conditions are delayed, they emerge en masse in what is referred to as the Big Night.

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.

Anyone interested in learning more about spotted salamanders, wood frogs and vernal pools is invited to participate in one of our annual Frog Walks in the Town Forest. **Sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission, and led by Catherine Fisher**, two walks are scheduled above. All ages are welcome. Please meet in front of the library.

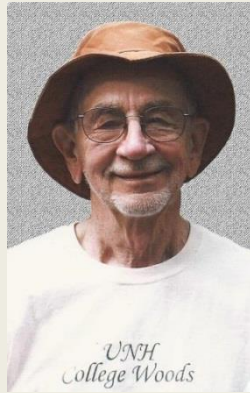
HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING
Friday, April 20th 7:00 pm Jeremiah Smith Grange

The evening will start with a pot luck supper at 6:00 pm. All are welcome to bring a dish to share. The supper will be followed by entertainment. New Hampshire author, humorist and story teller Rebecca Rule will be joined by Joel Sherburne, of Calef's Country Store. Joel was the subject of Rebecca's book "Sixty Years Cuttin' the Cheese: Joel Sherburne and Calef's Famous Country Store". Rebecca and Joel will bring to life with great humor a unique aspect of life in New Hampshire. www.leenhistoricalsoc.org



HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM OPENING
Saturday, April 21st 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The museum is chock full of historical artifacts that focus on Lee. The one room school house display is of great interest to younger visitors.



An Earth Day Celebration of Richard Weyrick
Sunday, April 22nd 2:00 pm
Behind the Public Safety Complex

Members of the Lee community are invited to a memorial gathering celebrating Richard Weyrick. Dick served on the Lee Conservation Commission for over thirty years, was active in the organization of Lee's recycling program, helped numerous Boy Scouts in the completion of their Eagle Scout projects and was a tireless and cheerful advocate for the environment.

Behind the Public Safety Complex is a small grove of healthy American chestnuts which were planted by Dick and Bill Humm over a decade ago. As part of his commemoration, Dick's family will plant five additional chestnuts and a white pine - a species that was one of his favorites.

Refreshments and memory sharing at the Lee Grange will follow the tree planting ceremony.

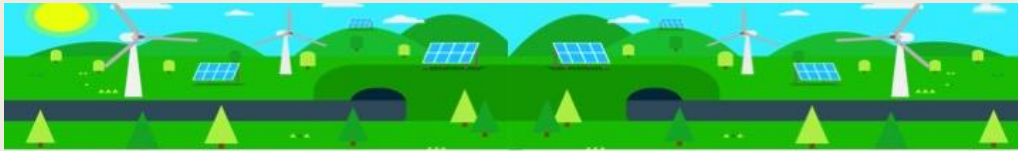


BACKYARD FARMING INITIATIVE
2018 Home Garden Series
Mondays, April & May 7:00 pm
Jeremiah Smith Grange Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH

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.



Want to know more about NH energy choices and how they are impacting your pocketbook and household?

Why are New Hampshire's electricity prices so high (6th in the nation)? With the defeat of projects such as Northern Pass, do NH citizens need to worry about future brownouts? What mix and priority of clean energy alternatives are optimal for the state and its residents, and how might the state's changing climate impact our energy needs? What should a "New Hampshire First Energy Plan" look like to best ensure that we remain competitive with our New England neighbor states? Bring your questions and ideas to

Meet Michael Mooiman, Associate Professor at Franklin Pierce University and long-time observer of NH energy systems, on Monday, April 30 at 7 PM in Lee

An experienced engineer and businessman, Professor Mooiman created an MBA in Energy and Sustainability Studies to focus on energy issues from a combined business and sustainability viewpoint. The event venue is Lee Church Congregational, 17 Mast Road, Lee NH. Ample parking is adjacent to the church building. Refreshments will be served.

Co-sponsors: The Lee Energy and Sustainability Committees

On or about February 27 through April 30, 2018

All Class V Roads will be restricted to a maximum of 55,000 lbs total weight of vehicle and load, and all Class VI Roads will be closed to wheeled vehicles. Written exemptions may be obtained from the Highway Supervisor. Please contact Randy Stevens at 603-659-6515 with any questions.

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

2/26/2018

(Date)


John LaCourse, Chairman

Cary Brown, Selectman


Scott Bugbee, Selectman



**LEE TOWN COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
CONSERVATION & RECREATION COMMISSIONS;
ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES**

[CLICK HERE](#) for Application

Hand deliver to Town Hall or email application to the Town Secretary at duval@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



Low Carbon Diet

Would you like to lose 5000 pounds?
(Wait...whaaaat?)

5000 pounds of carbon per year from your household carbon footprint, that is!



How? One change at a time following the "Low Carbon Diet."

No, this is not a low-carbohydrate diet for weight loss, though the titular play on words sometimes causes confusion there.

What it *is* is a workbook written and published by the Empowerment Institute (<http://www.empowermentinstitute.net/>) that helps households cut their carbon footprints, one change at a time. The book is often studied in small groups that encourage and support – and empower – each other over the course of four group meetings.

The Lee Sustainability Committee and Lee Energy Committee will co-sponsor this series to help Lee residents take specific actions to reduce household carbon, from recycling, to conserving water, to changing to a renewable electricity supplier and more.

Workbooks are free to Lee households – while supplies last!

Facilitator: Jen Messeder

Information session (optional): Monday, April 30th, 7:00 pm, Lee Public Safety Complex

Group meetings:

- ☐ Monday, May 14th, Tuesday, May 29th, Monday, June 11th, Monday, June 25th
- ☐ All sessions are at 7:00 pm at the Lee Public Safety Complex

For more information:

- ☐ LowCarbonDiet.SENH@gmail.com
- ☐ On Facebook at "Low Carbon Diet - Seacoast NH"

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Select Board 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



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!**



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.



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.



New Trivia Question: How many members of our community serve on the Lee Conservation Commission? Can you name them without looking them up on the town website??

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

Answer to Last Week's Lee Trivia Question: According to the information on the Lee Highway Department's Town website, the six designated "Scenic Roads" in the Town of Lee are: Cartland Road (accepted in 1972); Demeritt Avenue (accepted in 1972); High Road (accepted in 1972); Stepping Stones Road (accepted in 1975); Birch Hill Road (accepted in 1985); and Sheep Road (accepted in 1990).

New Hampshire RSA 231:157 allows the establishment of Scenic Roads. Scenic Roads are substantially different from Scenic and Cultural Byways. Scenic Roads are local town designations. These roadways are only recognized locally, cannot be on Class I or II roads, and are not specifically part of a statewide system.

Designation as a Scenic Road means that repair, maintenance, and reconstruction work to the roadway should not involve the cutting or removal of trees (defined as 15 inches in diameter or more) or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls without prior written consent of the planning board or board responsible for the local Scenic Roads program. The RSA also goes on to say that designation of a roadway does not affect the rights of any abutting landowners on their property, and does not affect the eligibility of the town to receive construction, maintenance, or reconstruction aid.

Sources:

NH Dept. of Transportation - <https://www.nh.gov/dot/programs/scbp/index.htm>

NH General Court, the entire RSA Section 231:158 on Scenic Roads can be read online:

<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/xx/231/231-158.htm>

Town of Lee Highway Dept. <http://www.leenh.org/Pages/Scenic.pdf>

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 **ON SALE!**

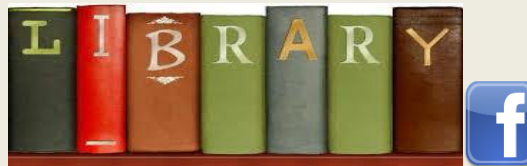
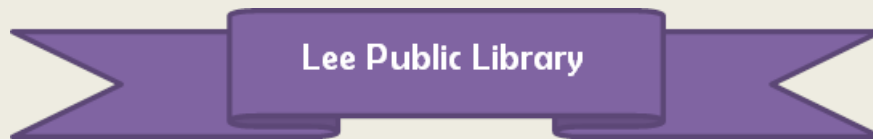
You can buy your 2018 calendars at the Town Hall and Library **for only \$5.00 each.**

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

Perfect as mementos for family and friends.

SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE 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 looking forward to seeing what comes in this year! **Send photos or questions to:** LeeNHcalendar@gmail.com



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:00 – 8:00 pm

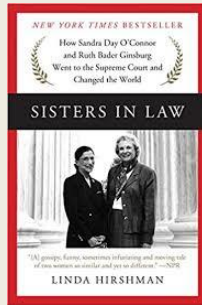
Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm



Come Meet the New Children's Librarian!

Hello, from Inga Cullen, Lee Library's new Youth Services librarian. Please stop by and say hi. Inga cannot wait to meet everyone, plus she'll be jumping right in and resuming children's programming the first week of April.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION – SISTERS IN LAW

By Linda Hirshman
Monday, April 9th 7:00 pm

For anyone interested in the court, women's history or both, the story of Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg, their separate routes to the Supreme Court and what they accomplished during the more than 12 years they spent together is irresistible. (Linda Greenhouse, New York Times Book Review)



MEMOIR WRITING GROUP

3RD Tuesday of Every Month 6:30 pm
Next Meeting: April 17th

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.



LET'S ROCK 'N' ROLL & READ

Thursday, April 26th 10:30 am
Durham Public Library

Award winning musician, Steve Blunt and best-selling author/illustrator Marty Kelley will perform original songs and stories for the whole family's enjoyment. **Sponsored by the Lee, Madbury and Durham Libraries.**



SPRING BIRD ORNAMENT DROP-IN CRAFT

April 23rd – 28th

School Vacation Week

Drop by the library and make a spring bird ornament to hang on your window



New England
Aquarium



Museum of Science

Spring is here! Reserve your museum passes now! Call us at 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 or email childrenservices@comcast.net.



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

Read a great book and discuss over pizza. Students may arrange to take **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626 or email childrenservices@comcast.net.



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

Read, sing, move and make art. Stories, puppet shows, flannel boards and activities that will be sure to delight. **Registration not required.**



TINY TOTS LAPSIT
Fridays at 10:30am

What better way could there be to say "I love you" to your little one? Meet other babies and parents in a group setting of music, movement, play and of course, interactive stories. **Registration is not required.**



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

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 9:00am
April 18th

Help is available from instructor Donna Kay. All levels welcome.

Regional & State News & Events



Read the article about the Wild and Scenic Rivers System and the 50th Anniversary of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act published on April 5th in USA Today!

The Lamprey photo is #13. **How exciting is it to have the Lamprey highlighted in a national publication!** <https://www.usatoday.com/story/travel/experience/america/national-parks/2018/04/05/americas-wild-and-scenic-rivers-50th-anniversary/487297002/>



WEDNESDAY, 6:30 – 8:00 pm APRIL 11TH
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 11, 2018 10:00 am

Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH



NH EMPLOYMENT SECURITY & UNH DURHAM JOB & RESOURCE FAIR

Thursday, April 12th 12:00 – 4:00 pm

UNH, Hamel Recreation Center, 5 Edgewood Road, Durham, NH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information; [CLICK HERE](#) for Employer Registration Form



Pruning Grapes, Blueberries & Raspberries
 UNH Demonstration at Woodman Farm,
 70 Spinney Lane, Durham, NH
 Thursday, April 12th 3:30pm – 5:30pm
[CLICK HERE](#) for flier

8TH ANNUAL SEACOAST VETERANS CONFERENCE
 Saturday, April 14th 8:00 am – 2:00 pm
[CLICK HERE](#) for flier



Wild & Scenic Film Festival: Tickets Now on Sale
 Join us **April 20th at 7pm** at The Music Hall for this sell-out event! Enjoy beautiful short films that explore and celebrate our shared environment, telling amazing stories of the human-nature connection. Get your tickets early! All proceeds benefit SELT. Purchase from our office or The Music Hall box office for \$20. Buy online for \$25.

For our full schedule of events visit [our website](#) or [Facebook page](#)

SELT is a member-supported nonprofit land trust dedicated to conserving the special lands of our region, for today and tomorrow. Through land acquisitions and conservation easements, SELT strategically protects land for public access, clean water, farming, and wildlife. **To learn more, renew your membership, or join as a member visit www.seltnh.org.**

**UNH COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and THE CENTER ON AGING
 AND COMMUNITY LIFE in partnership with ENDOWMENT FOR HEALTH
 PRESENTS AGE OF CHAMPIONS
 A FREE MULTIGENERATIONAL HEALTH FAIR
 Saturday, April 28th 10:00 am – 1:00 pm UNH Field House
[CLICK HERE](#) for flier**



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ATTENTION!

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