

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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April 21, 2017

Lee News & Upcoming
Events

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY!



THE NEW GENERAL FIELD AT LITTLE RIVER PARK
GREAT JOB HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT!!!!



PHOTO BY RANDY STEVENS



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!

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

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY - CELEBRATING 125 YEARS

Last year, the town of Lee celebrated its 250th anniversary. This year, the Lee Public Library is celebrating 125 years of serving the citizens of Lee. Join the celebration with refreshments being served on **April 21st** from **3- 5 pm** at the Library!

The Lee Public Library opened in the fall of 1892 on the 2ND floor of the Town Hall. It was open every Saturday from 1 – 4 pm. The first librarian was Lizzie Stearns; her salary was \$3.00. Other expenses in the library's first full year were \$6.25 for supplies and \$23.32 for books. Fund-raising efforts began immediately with several stories in the 1893 issues of the *Newmarket Advertiser* asking for donations.

“The town library is as yet rather scantily furnished, although many more books are promised. We should suggest that every family fortunate enough to possess a large stock of books should donate one or more good readable ones to the public library.” And later that year, “The literary people in Lee are pleased with the town library. Although the number of books is limited, more are being added by individuals benevolently inclines, and it is to be hoped the shelves will be well filled in time. If every lady when she goes to the city shopping, would purchase one book and present it to the library, she would be benefiting the youth of our town, who already seem greatly interested in reading these books, according to the number of them seen there Saturday afternoons.”

In 1959, as Lee began to sell its unused schools, a warrant article at town meeting proposed that the Center School on Lee Hook Road be purchased and moved to the town center. It took three years to raise the money; the school became the library building in 1962. Additions to the building were completed in 1972, 1984 and 1996. Today the library has grown from its original collection of 348 books in 1894 to 24,500 books, DVDs, magazines and audio books. It is currently staffed with one full-time library director (the town's 13th), a full-time circulation/assistant librarian and three part-time employees and is open 43 hours a week.



LEARN HOW TO TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR ENERGY FUTURE!

Saturday, April 22ND 10:00 am – Noon Public Safety Complex

CLICK HERE for more information on how to take control of your energy future!

Sponsored by the Lee Select Board. Call Sharon Meeker with questions 603-659-5441.



PUBLIC DOCK AT DURGIN PRESERVE IS NOW OPEN

Durgin Preserve, located on Rita Lane, is accessed from Clement Way off of Calef Highway. Please be advised that swimming is at your own risk and boating access is limited to carry in canoes, kayaks, or rowboats only.



PHOTO BY CATHERINE FISHER

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, two walks are scheduled for this weekend: Twilight Frog Walk, Friday evening, **April 21st at 6:30 pm**; Morning Frog Walk, Saturday, **April 22nd (Earth Day!) at 9:30 am**. Unless it's really pouring, we'll give it a go (amphibians don't mind a little drizzle), so please dress appropriately. If we have a real drenching, then both walks will be held on Sunday the 23rd: Morning Walk, **Sunday, April 23rd, at 9:30** and Twilight Walk **Sunday, April 23rd at 6:30**. All ages welcome!

2017 BACKYARD FARMING INITIATIVE PROGRAMS



LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD: A PERSPECTIVE OF FARMING IN LEE

4TH Monday of the Month 7:00 pm

Next one April 24th

JEREMIAH SMITH GRANGE, MODERATOR DON QUIGLEY

[CLICK HERE](#) for event calendar

Presented by the Lee Ag Commission and Lee Public Library

APRIL SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, April 24th starting at 6:30 pm

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

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HAVING A PRINTED LEE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER?

Meeting April 26th 7:00 pm Lee Safety Complex 1st Floor

As you may recall, for many years there was a publication called "The Lee Crier" that was mailed to each household in the town. As in the current Lee Master Plan, a number of goals include providing information, education and increasing awareness of topics contributing to the "sustainable quality of life" desirable in Lee. As a possible venue for providing that information, there seems to be a renewed interest in a printed newsletter as an informational source centered on activities and topics pertinent to the Lee community. On the 26th be prepared to discuss the pros and cons, what kind of content would be desired, what the makeup of the group should be (i.e., strictly Town of Lee departments, committees and commissions, or a much wider community involvement?), who is going to do it, pay for it, where it should go (i.e. each household?) and how often it should be printed. Thank you for your interest!



PINEWOODS YANKEE FARM NEW ADDITIONS



PHOTOS BY TINA SAWTELLE

70% of teens who have abused prescription drugs took them from friends or family.



Do You Know Who is in Your Medicine Cabinet?

Don't let your home be a source of temptation.

**National Prescription Drug Take Back Day
Saturday, April 29th from 10am-2pm**

at the **Lee Police Department**
20 George Bennett Road
Lee, NH

For more information and additional drop off locations visit www.DEA.gov

Pat Jenkins presents "A Bit of Twist: Where Would You Be Without It?"

Wednesday, May 3rd 7:00pm Public Safety Complex

With extensive experience in both spinning and weaving, Pat has taught at the UNH Thompson School in the Horticultural Technology Program; demonstrated the art of spinning at the Canterbury Village; is a member of NH Spinners and Dyers Guild; and an officer of the Northeast Hand Spinners Association. She is known throughout New England for her skills and willingness to share her knowledge. Refreshments will be served at the end of the program. Sponsored by the Lee Historical Society and the Lee Library.



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Ace Hypnotist Steve Coppola

Saturday, May 13th 5:30 pm Cocktail Party - Show Starts at 7:00 pm

Support the Lee Police Association

This year's event will be held at the Flag Hill Winery at 297 North River Road, Lee, NH. The event will start with a cocktail party from 5:30pm - 6:30pm. Separate tickets will be available for purchase at Flag Hill Winery for a buffet dinner at \$20 per person. The show will start at 7:00pm after Comedian Dennis Fogg warms up the crowd. Tickets for the show may be purchased at the Lee Police Department or at Flag Hill Winery for \$20. The event sold out last year so get your tickets now! Come enjoy a hilarious night of entertainment while supporting the Lee Police Association.

WEIGHT LIMIT POSTING

On or about February 28 through May 15, 2017

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

2/27/17
(Date)

Scott Bugbee, Chairman

John LaCourse, Selectman

Cary Brown, Selectman

APPLY NOW FOR THE LEE TOWN COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

**AGRICULTURAL, CONSERVATION, & RECREATION COMMISSIONS;
ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES**

Hand deliver to Town Hall or email application to the Town Secretary at dduval@leenh.org.
[CLICK HERE](#) for Application



LEE CEMETERY RULES

[CLICK HERE](#) for Rules

CEMETERY GATES ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON

SELECT BOARD OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 am – 2 pm Town Hall, 7 Mast Road, Lee, NH

POLICE REMINDER

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

Please remember that 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. Scammers are still using the scams we have noted before: where they state they are from the FBI, where they send you an email that your banking/credit card information needs to be updated, where they call and state they are your grandchild and need money while they are on vacation, they call or email stating they are from Microsoft and there is a problem with your computer, the list goes on and on.



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

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



**MARCH / APRIL 2017
NH STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE
SAFETY EDUCATOR**

[CLICK HERE](#)

BURN PERMIT

[CLICK HERE](#) for BURN PERMIT CHECKLIST

GO TO www.nhfirepermit.com to obtain a fire permit online



THIS IS IT!

THE REMAINING 250th ANNIVERSARY ITEMS at rock bottom prices!

All items are at the Library.

Mugs, \$5; Adult T-Shirts, \$8; Adult Organic T-Shirts, \$5; Hats, \$10; Coins, \$8; Wooden Nickels, \$0.25; Bells, \$2; Long Sleeve Adult T-Shirts, \$10; Kids T-Shirts, \$8; Kids Tie-Dye Long Sleeve T's, \$8



LEE HERITAGE COMMISSION

The answer to last week's trivia question: In 1837, the Town of Lee purchased property on Wednesday Hill Road to serve as its "poor farm". From 1835 – 1878, this parcel served as the Lee Town Farm, caring for the indigent and homeless until they could get back on their own. It reverted to private ownership in 1878 and has been farmed continually to this present time, primarily raising elk and various kinds of produce for sale.

Source: Lee Town Records.

Next week's trivia question: Who turned Lee's Old Quaker Meeting House into a school - and what was the name of that school?

PRICE REDUCTION!

2017 Lee Heritage Commission Wall Calendars are now only \$5.00 while they last.



**The Lee Heritage Commission Wants
Your Photos for the 2018 Wall Calendar!!**

Please share your pictures of Lee with us. A photo you share with us might end up being featured in Lee's 2018 photo calendar. Don't be shy! Let your creative self shine! This is a lovely way to show your appreciation for your hometown.

We're looking for recent photos—taken in all seasons—of Lee's historic homes, farms, barns, as well as landmarks, special features, & natural settings.

Along with each photo, please send a brief description of the subject of the photo and where it was taken in Lee. If you didn't take the photo yourself, please list the photographer so proper credit can be given in the calendar.

Photos and questions can be sent to LeeNHCalendar@gmail.com

Check out the Lee Heritage Commission's Fb page. We invite you to post photos or comments that are relevant to Lee's heritage. <https://www.facebook.com/LeeHeritageCommission>



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CONCORD

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH Legislative Update

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2017

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 3, 2017 10:00 am

Executive Council Chamber, State House, Concord, NH.

Livestock Workshops in Merrimack County

UNHCE Merrimack County, 315 DW Hwy, Boscawen

All of the events are at Merrimack County UNH Cooperative Extension office. All workshops run from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm and all cost \$10.00 per person. Most allow 4-Hers for free if accompanied by a registered adult. If you have any livestock questions, please [email Dot Perkins](mailto:Dot.Perkins@unh.edu) or 796-2151. If you have questions about the registration, please [email Mary West](mailto:Mary.West@unh.edu).



[Gardening 101: Getting Down and Getting Dirty](#)

May 1, Boscawen

Master Gardener Ann Lacroix will cover the basics of gardening and so much more. Learn how to prepare the soil, what and when to plant, how to water, mulch and fertilize and she will cover IPM (Integrated Pest Management). This talk is free.



[NH Sheep & Wool Festival](#)

May 13 & 14, Deerfield

Dot Perkins, UNH Cooperative Extension Livestock Specialist, will once again be giving two talks at the NH Sheep & Wool Fest (both) on Sunday, May 14th. At 9:45 am, she will discuss "A Year in the Life of Sheep" and at 1:30 pm, she will discuss "Parasites: the Down and Dirty". Get a complete list of events and schedules, costs, and directions at www.nhswga.com

2017 Scale Clinics

VARIOUS DATES MARCH - AUGUST 2017

The Clinic is only open to those who grow and sell their own agricultural products and who uses a scale commercially at farmers markets or a farm stand. Inspection and certification is free to growers who have 3 or fewer scales under 100 lb. capacity and no other commercial devices. Please note: no jeweler scales can be tested at these clinics.

Attendees should bring: 1. legal-for-trade scale(s) and any necessary accessories; 2. current scale license (if you have one); and 3. renewal forms and payments due (no credit cards accepted). Click [here](#) for more details & dates.



Upcoming Events at Remick Museum & Farm

VARIOUS DATES IN APRIL 2017

Remick Museum & Farm

58 Cleveland Hill Road, Tamworth, NH

Events Include:

- Full Moon Campfire Walk
- Foragers Gathering
- Remick Homeschool Class: Weaving Baskets
- School Vacation Week Activities
- Earth Day Celebration

Check out their [calendar of events](#) for more details.



NH Sheep & Wool Festival

MAY 13 & 14, 2017

Deerfield Fair Grounds

Festival Includes:

- Handspun Skien Contest
- Art Contest
- Fleece Sale & Judging
- Lots of great Workshops
- Youth Shows
- And much more!

Click [here](#) for more details. [Event Schedule.](#)





RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW EDUCATIONAL SESSION

Tuesday, April 25th 7:00pm

Durham Town Hall Town Council Chambers, Durham, NH

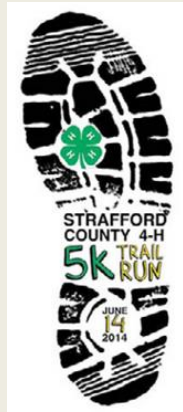
The members of the Town of Lee's boards, committees, commissions and Library Board of Trustees serve as members of public boards and are responsible to act in accordance with the Right-to-Know law in the State of NH. Attorney Laura Spector Morgan from The Mitchell Group will provide an overview of the Right-to-Know law and answer any questions that the Board may have. The general public is invited and Select Board members from Lee, Madbury and Newmarket are encouraged to attend the session or to view it on Durham Community Access Television (Channel 22).

Make a difference in a child's life

There are abused children in your community who need the help of someone like you. CASA of NH strives to protect every abused child's right to grow up in the embrace of a loving family.

New volunteer training begins in Dover on May 17, 2017.

Apply today: www.casanh.org | 800-626-0622



STRAFFORD COUNTY 4-H 5K TRAIL RUN

Saturday, June 3rd 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Gonic Waste Management Trails

Rochester Neck Road, Rochester, NH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

RETIREMENT PARTY FOR DENNIS HARRINGTON

Sunday, June 4th 1:00 – 4:00 Moharimet School Field

Please join us as we celebrate 28 years of service from our beloved Dennis Harrington! There will be fun kid's activities, music, endless pictures & stories, food and more! At 2:30 pm there will be a presentation that you won't want to miss! Bring your own chairs and blankets. There will be no childcare provided, so plan accordingly! There is also a Facebook page called Dennis Harrington Retirement Celebration! Please contact Jill Wiley with any questions at jillmwiley@gmail.com. This will be a great event! Spread the word! Everyone is welcome!



[CLICK HERE](#) for SPRING NEWSLETTER

AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY

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



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!**



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 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.

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

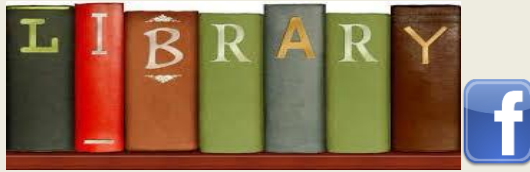
Supported by a contract with N.H. Department of Health and Human Services

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.



**COME CELEBRATE THE LIBRARY'S
125TH BIRTHDAY
FRIDAY, APRIL 21ST 3-5pm at the LIBRARY
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**



WINTER HOURS

Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

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

Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm



Family Research

You have been able to discover your ancestors at the library with **Ancestry.com**. Now you can use **HeritageQuestOnline.com** at the library or from home. If you choose to search from home you will need the library's username and password to access the program. Give us a call at 659-2626 or drop by and pick up a pamphlet that provides access codes and genealogy research tips.



neaq.org

The library now offers the **Boston Aquarium pass** for Lee library patrons. The pass will admit up to 4 adults for \$10 each. Children under 3 are free. Regular admission price is \$26.95 for adults, \$18.95 for children 3-11 and \$24.95 for seniors.

GET AREA MUSEUM PASSES HERE!

Thank you to the Friends of the Lee Library who make it possible for Lee residents to visit area museums at a reduced charge. Stop by or call the library at 659-2626 to reserve your pass.

Strawbery Banke: FREE ADMISSION

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston: 50% admission

Currier Gallery of Art: FREE ADMISSION

Peabody Essex Museum: 50% admission, weekdays. Discount weekend & holidays

Boston Children's Museum (available at Durham library): 50% admission

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum (available at Durham library): Discount admission

Seacoast Science Center: 50% admission

Boston Museum of Science: 50% admission

Children's Museum of NH: 50% admission



LIBRARY LEGOS

FRIDAYS APRIL 21st, May 5th – 26th

3:30 – 4:30 PM

No April 28th

Kids in **grades K-4** can have fun at the library building cool stuff with Legos. A building theme will be suggested each week. Registration is not required. Mast Way students may arrange to ride **bus 30** directly to the library.



PEEP! PEEP! PEEP!

**Drop-In Craft
April 24th – 29th**

Stop by during school vacation week and make some chicks, creeping and peeping in the fresh springtime grass.

CRAFT WORKSHOPS



OFF-LOOM WEAVING

**Saturday, April 29TH 12:00 - 3:00pm
Public Safety Complex**

Must Register by Monday, April 24th

We will use a cardboard loom (provided) that you will string with several colors of string as your warp. For the weft we will utilize many unique materials to create a small weaving that may be used as a sculptural object or a wall hanging. Materials will be provided; however, please feel free to bring small amounts of yarns, strings, small sticks or anything you may have to use in your weaving (including colored garbage bags). This class will serve as a basis for a procedure that can take on major proportions if you wish to expand the size to make larger pieces for art, lampshades, wall sconces or whatever your imagination may conceive. **Limited to 12 adults. No charge for the class. Please call 659-2626 to register. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lee Library.**

MORE CRAFT WORKSHOPS COMING IN MAY & JUNE

Saturdays 12:00pm – 3:00pm Public Safety Complex

Please call the library at 659-2626 to register. Limited to 12 adults.



Silk Painting (**May 20**), Watercolor Collage (**June 3**) and Polymer Beads (**June 17**)



**LOOKING FORWARD – 2017 INNOVATIONS IN
FARMING**

**Monday, April 24th 7:00pm
Jeremiah Smith Grange**

Can farming be sustainable? Dorn Cox, Agricultural Consultant; Dan Winans and Becky Sideman, UNH will answer that question as well as explore marketing, education, research and healthy living. **Sponsored by the Backyard Farming Initiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library.**



PET SERIES TALK
Surgery FAQs
Tuesday, April 25th 7:00 pm

Dr. Karen Woodberry of Oyster River Veterinary Hospital will be talking about issues related to pet surgery including pre-anesthetic work-up, pain control, drug choices, monitoring and post-op.



TOE JAM PUPPET BAND
Thursday, April 27th 10:30am

Join us for a zany, wacky over the top performance by Toe Jam Puppet Band. Be prepared to sing, dance and laugh the morning away! Co-sponsored by the Madbury and Durham libraries



National Be Kind to Animals Week is May 1ST – 6TH! Ms. Scottie has compiled a list of books for preschool through high school aged children which supports animal conservation and protection. And – the library has all the titles in its collection! Please [CLICK HERE](#) to access the list or drop by to pick up a brochure.

TINY TOTS LAPSIT

Friday mornings 10:30 am
Children up to 2 years of age

This 20 minute program offers songs, stories, music and movement with relaxed time afterwards for play and socializing. Registration is not required. **No Lapsit on April 28th.**

ON - GOING LIBRARY 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 GET TOGETHER
Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing.



STORY TREKKERS
Tuesdays, 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Grades K-4

Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft will be included. Most Way students may arrange to ride **Bus 30** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626. **This program is currently filled but we will add names to a waiting list. No Story Trekkers on April 25th.**



KNITTING FOR 50+
1st & 3rd WEDNESDAYS
May 3rd & 17th 9:00 am

A drop-in group will meet at the library. Help is available from instructor, Donna Kay. All levels welcome.



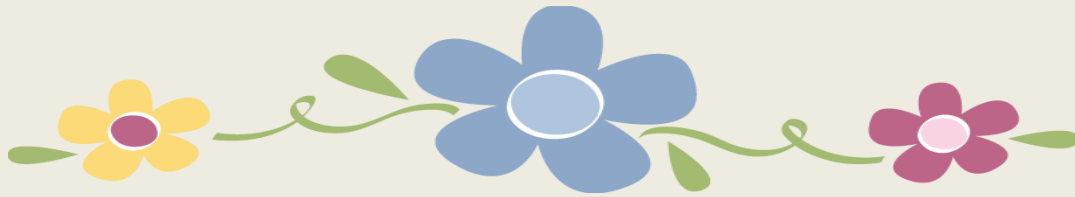
Thursdays 10:30am
Ages 2-6

These fun 30 -40 minute programs include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required. **No Story Time on April 27th.**



ROCKIN' READERS BOOK CLUB
1st Thursday of the Month
3:00 – 4:00 pm

For 5th and 6th 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. If interested, **sign up** by calling 659-2626.



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!](#)