TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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April 22, 2016



TODAY IS EARTH DAY



Picture featured by Jessica Jordan in the NH.Life Newsletter



Watch Courting Woodcocks on Earth Day at the Joe Ford Wildlife Sanctuary Friday, April 22nd 7:00 PM – Earth Day Saturday, April 23rd 7:00 PM

What better way to celebrate Earth Day and springtime than an evening spent viewing sky dancing woodcock at the beautiful Joe Ford Wildlife Sanctuary. With moonrise occurring at 8:05, we'll be able to enjoy a view of the sanctuary bathed in the ethereal light of the full, Sprouting Grass Moon, whose bright light may entice the woodcock to extend their spectacular courtship performance well past twilight time.

We'll also keep an ear out for barred owl duets, the gorgeous song of the hermit thrush and cardinal pairs calling to each other as color drains from the world.

Join us for an evening at the Joe Ford Preserve on Garrity Road and experience some of the sights and sounds of early spring. The viewing area is a short walk along the field edge, which is somewhat rough and mounded; sturdy shoes are suggested. Spring evenings can still be quite cool, so check the forecast, and dress accordingly. Feel free to bring a folding chair and binoculars if you have them. This event is sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission. All ages are very welcome, but children must be able to stand or sit quietly as noises and sudden motion may disrupt the woodcock and other critters. Joe Ford Wildlife Sanctuary is located about 1/2 mile on the right from Mast Road. The entrance is through a white board fence. There will be an event sign posted. Parking permitted along roadside.

NEW RAILINGS AT LITTLE RIVER PARK! GREAT JOB HIGHWAY CREW!





FINGERPRINTING EVENT

With the Lee Police Department and Billy the Bear Northeast Credit Union, 145 Calef Highway, Lee Saturday, April 23rd 9:30 am – 11:00 am CLICK HERE for flier

LEE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

The PD has been experiencing issues with houses not being properly numbered when responding to calls. This is a serious issue for First Responders and victims who need our help and we cannot locate a residence. In 2012 the Board of Selectmen adopted the "Enhanced 911 Emergency Response Ordinance" which reads in part: "Any building or structure for which a number has been assigned, shall have the number affixed to a post, or equivalent, a minimum (3') high next to the driveway leading to the house so that the number is visible from both directions. The alphabet shall not be used to represent the number in word form; all numbers shall be represented using block figures." The penalty after being issued a warning letter is \$10.00 per day for each day of non-compliance. We are asking that residents of Lee comply with this ordinance. We will be issuing warning letters and fines if needed in an attempt to get this issue taken care of. The Fire Association can provide the proper signage for \$25.00 or materials can be found at your local hardware store.



HEALTHY SOIL, HEALTHY LEE: BUILDING SOIL HEALTH

7:00 – 8:30 pm with 'soil' related desserts Jeremiah Smith Grange, Lee Hook Road, Lee, NH

April 25, 2016 – Repairing soil – Dorn Cox, Director of Green Start; Daimon Meeh, Field Specialist, UNH

May 23, 2016 – Healthy Soil, Healthy Lee – Steve Haendler, Drumlin Farm; John Hutton, Coppal House Farm

Sponsored by the Backyard Farming Intiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library. CLICK HERE for more details

APRIL SELECT BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 25th at 6:00 pm – Public Hearing & Meeting
Go to www.leenh.org for more Town meeting dates
Go to http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH LibraryCal/?formid=158
for the Library Calendar



NEW ENGLAND COTTONTAIL RABBITS

Biology & Management
Wednesday, April 27th 7:00 pm
By Haley Andreozzi, Wildlife Outreach Coordinator UNH Cooperative Ext
CLICK HERE for flier



PUBLIC DOCK AT DURGIN PERSERVE 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.

OPENINGS ARE STILL AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:

RECREATION, AGRICULTURAL and CONSERVATION COMMISSIONS
ADVISORY BUDGET, ENERGY, LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY, SENIOR ADVISORY,
and SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES
PLANNING and ZONING BOARDS

CLICK HERE for Application

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



Apply now to the Sustainability Advisory Committee

The new Sustainability Advisory Committee (Warrant Article #3) is accepting applications for prospective members; however, the application period will be closing soon. Interested residents are invited to apply. Applications are available online or at Town Hall. Working together, the Select Board, Town Administrator Julie Glover and Paul Gasowski, a signatory to Warrant Article #3 (Sustainability Committee), have developed a schedule for organizing and starting the Sustainability Committee. Under the direction of the Lee Select Board, the committee will study cost-effective practices to create a sustainable, energy-efficient and resilient Town. In collaboration with other Town committees, commissions and personnel, the committee will establish a baseline measure of functions and services, such as facilities, procurement, transportation, fuel use, and waste management and share results through community outreach and education programs. CLICK HERE for an Application. Questions please call the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 659-5414 or Paul Gasowski at 659-5273.



THERE AREN'T THAT MANY LEFT!

GET YOUR COPY of the ANNUAL TOWN REPORT AT TOWN HALL, LIBRARY or TRANSFER STATION It is also available at www.leenh.org under News & Events



COME WALK WITH THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING IN LEE!

Residents are invited to join members of the Conservation Commission any Wednesday morning from now until early fall while they conduct site walks on the Town's conserved properties. Some of these lands are owned by the Town, but most of them are privately owned and protected in perpetuity with a conservation easement. If you'd like to participate, call the Town Secretary, Denise Duval, at 659-5414. We meet in the Town Hall parking lot at 8:45 am, dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks & mosquitoes are advised. Walks take 1½-2 hrs.



250TH PROGRAMS & EVENTS CHECK OUT THE PASSPORT TO LEE PROGRAM CLICK HERE

Passports are available at the Library and Town Hall. There is still plenty of time to start collecting stamps and stickers. Now that the snow is gone, stamp boxes are available at the 8 Lee Heritage sites and Town Trail. Look for a plastic box containing information and a number stamp, with ink pad. Stamp your Passport, but please leave the box in place. Each box has an introduction to the Site. You can find a complete history at the Town of Lee website, Heritage Commission section. Our Town Farms are starting their new season. Visiting one will earn a Passport stamp. Please be sure to call before visiting or watch the E-Crier for announcements of their Public Events.

COLONIAL CLOTHING PROGRAM

Saturday, April 30, 2016 1:00 pm Public Safety Complex

Jennifer Roy will present a FREE program on how to put together Colonial Clothing from things you have already. Why would you need Colonial Clothing? Well, it could be just for fun or you might need an outfit to wear to the Settler's JubiLee. In August Flagg Hill Winery will host a unique town event. Including local foods and entertainment, there will be an old fashioned dinner dance. Period clothing is optional, but if you would like to get into the spirit of the evening wearing 1766 style clothing, Jen can help you put it together. As a member of the Dearborn Company, NH Militia, Jen wears period clothing often. The Dearborn Company is the re-enactment group which helped us with the Mast Tree Program. They will also be encamping during our Parade Weekend in July.

MAST TREE PROGRAM

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 7:00 pm Public Safety Complex Presented by Professor Don Quigley

Professor Quigley, an expert woodsman, will present a program on the Mast Trade, one of the earliest industries of New England, and perhaps one of the most controversial. Who really owned those huge trees on private land? The land owner or the English King? Don will talk about how they were used, why they were so important at the time, what trouble they caused, and the process of early logging. In addition to his talk, Don will premiere the video, created by Breakaway Media. The four programs presented to the Mast Way Students and Lee Townspeople in February are brought together in a fun, educational video bringing the Mast Trade to life. This is a "not to be missed" night! Presented by the Lee Library and Lee Historical Society, refreshments will be served and 250th souvenirs will be available for sale.



Annual Fishing Derby Saturday May 14th



Memorial Day Parade May 30th

A PARADE IS COMING AND WE NEED YOU

July is only 3 months away so you need to begin planning your float!

As part of our Semiquincentennial Weekend extravaganza, July 16-17, we are planning a huge town parade. We are hoping that every business, organization, team, troop, neighborhood and family pet shows up to march or ride on a float! Information and applications are available on our website.

REMEMBER THE SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL EVEN AFTER IT'S OVER!

Be sure to check out the Semiquincentennial Souvenirs. Once the year is over, they'll be gone. Commemorative coins in Gold, Silver and Bronze appearance are available. Beautiful wine glasses, sporting our logo, have just arrived. Our coffee mugs are popular sellers, as are the many color and style shirts, including Ts, long sleeve polos and hoodies. Hats and canvas bags are continue to sell well. We even have good old fashioned wooden nickels. All of these are available at all of our events, as well as in the Lee Library.

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

> 1766 LEE 2016 250th

ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF LEE!!

LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATE



LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM NOW OPEN EVERY 3RD SATURDAY 10 AM – 2 PM APRIL THRU NOVEMBER

Our exhibits include artifacts from our earliest residents, kitchen gadgets through the ages, ice harvesting on our ponds and rivers, the Mast Tree Trade and the railroad which once ran through town where Route 125 is now. Kids will especially enjoy our upstairs exhibits including a replica one-room school, Great-Grandma's toy shelves, clothing to look at and some to try on and tools that helped create and care for them. This year we welcome Grace, our junior docent, who will be joining us in the upstairs children's exhibits. Admission is free. Please visit and explore our town exhibits, in the Town Center, next to the Library. This year we welcome Grace, our junior docent, who will be joining us in the upstairs children's exhibits.



The Past in Postcards

Cardboard Clues to History

- Postcards are labeled. Often the publisher prints a picture title, or the sender explains what's in the picture.
- Postcards are dated. Postmarks tell us when a postcard was mailed, if not when it was printed.
- Postcards sometimes contain a story; a peek into the life of a town resident or visitor.
- Postcards are collectable. They were printed individually or by the dozens, and are still collected and traded one hundred years later.

Special thanks: To the New Boston Historical Society's website for information on postcards & the Frank Swallow Post Card Co. of Exeter, NH and information about the use of post cards in preserving history. (http://www.newbostonhistoricalsociety.com/postcard.html)



This postcard of the Old Union Meeting House in South Lee, NH was published by James B. Walker, but printed by the Frank W. Swallow Postcard Company of Exeter, N.H. The Old Union Meeting House was located near the intersection of Route 152 and Fox Garrison Road in South Lee and served as a common church for the various religious denominations in town. It was originally built in the late 18th century – early 19th century and was renovated in 1891. It seated at least 250 people on its main floor and in its roomy gallery. During the early 1900's the Meeting House was used by different church groups for Sunday morning and afternoon services, while during the week it became a town gathering place for local entertainments and activities. Sadly, however, the building was torn down in 1928 when its usefulness seemed at an end.

(Sources: The Annual Report of the Town of Lee for the year ending 12/31/1960 and The Newmarket Advertiser, 11/21/1891)



Frank Swallow and his "Swallow girls" printed hand-colored postcards in the first half of the 20th century. Swallow claimed to be the "first to introduce the Souvenir Post Card to One-Half of New England" and marked his cards with a picture of a swallow bird. Rather than send his postcards to Germany for color printing, he employed an assembly line of local women to handpaint the cards with water colors. (Source: *Postcards from Exeter* by Carol Walker Aten)

SUBMITTED BY THE LEE HERITAGE COMMISSION

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TRANSFER STATION UPDATE

This week the Transfer Station was awarded a grant from New Hampshire the Beautiful for \$700.00 to help defray the cost of a new storage container for recyclables.

The TS shipped out eight and a half tons of our Aluminum Can inventory and will receive a check in a few weeks for \$8,380.

Spring is here and we have a supply of compost that is FREE for residents to pick up and bring home to enrich their gardens.

We have a new volunteer to the Swap Shop for Thursday 3:00 - 6:00 pm. Please say "Hello" and welcome to Huw Powell. We could still use another volunteer to help share the schedule! Thank You to all of the Swap Shop volunteers; Paul, Shirley, Lynn, Nadean and Huw.



FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

BURN PERMIT

CLICK HERE for BURN PERMIT CHECKLIST
CLICK HERE for ONLINE FIRE PERMIT PRESS RELEASE
GO TO www.nhfirepermit.com to obtain a fire permit online. CLICK
HERE for CodeRED Brochure



READY RIDES NEEDS DRIVERS from LEE!

READY RIDES offer free rides to medical appointments for residents 55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. You will need to complete a volunteer application that includes a motor vehicle and criminal background check. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or email info@readyrides.org for more details about how to help your neighbor.



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

Parents' Support Group
Thursdays 7 - 8:30pm
Wentworth Douglass Hospital, Central Avenue, Dover
Walk-ins welcome
CLICK HERE for flyer

HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START APPLICATION DAY May 2nd from 9am – 2pm Farmington, Dover, Milton & Rochester Head Start Centers

Head Start is a half-day program open to children ages 3-5 (children do not have to be potty trained) at no cost to families. It includes an inclusive program with individualized curriculum on a school-year schedule. There are also meals, health and family services included. Early Head Start is a home-based program for pregnant woman and families with children under the age of 3. The program includes infant-toddler activities, comprehensive health care, nutrition, education and social services for the children and their families. Call 603-652-0990 or email headstart@straffordcap.org.Visit www.straffordcap.org.



PASTURE & HAYFIELD REJUVENATION FREE WORKSHOP Friday, April 22nd 2:00 – 4:00pm The Clarke Farm, Epping, NH CLICK HERE for flier



2015-2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

CLICK HERE for Notice of Public Comment Period
& Public Hearing
CLICK HERE for Draft MTP for Public Comment
CLICK HERE for Appendix A, B & C

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE STRAFFORD COUNTY DELEGATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Friday, May 6th, 10:00am, Strafford County Justice Building, Dover, NH
CLICK HERE for NOTICE





LEARN THE SKILLS YOU NEED AT THE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CLASS

Friday, May 6th at 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Saturday, May 7th & Sunday, May 8th at 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Dept of Environmental Services, 222 Intern'l Dr. Ste 175, Portsmouth
CLICK HERE for more information

HANNAFORD HELPS REUSABLE BAG PROGRAM SUPPORT MCGREGOR MEMORIAL EMS



McGregor Memorial EMS has been selected to be a part of the exciting and innovative *Hannaford Helps* Reusable Bag Program, designed to support local nonprofits like McGregor. For every blue *Hannaford Helps* Reusable Bag with the good karma messaging purchased at the Hannaford Durham store during the month of April, \$1 is donated to our cause in order to help us continue to serve the local communities. We continually appreciate all the support you give, which has allowed McGregor to maintain the outstanding work we do. The *Hannaford Helps* Reusable Bag Program provides an opportunity for a simple and fun way to continue this support! Imagine if every one of our supporters purchases just ONE bag! What if everyone bought TWO! AND, purchasing these beautiful blue *Hannaford Helps* Reusable Bags will support us while also helping to eliminate paper/plastic use!

Please pass this exciting news on to your friends and family. Let them know that the blue *Hannaford Helps* Reusable Bags with the good karma message are located on the reusable bag rack and at various registers. Thank you so much for your continued support.



Strafford County Backyard Grower Programs

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for a list of upcoming programs

All programs are open to the public and FREE

Massabesic Audubon Center Spring 2016 Garden Workshop Series with Ron Christie

March 16 - May 7, 2016 Massabesic Audubon Center 26 Audubon Way, Auburn, NH 9 Workshops in March & April

Improve the function of your garden while increasing yields, lowering costs and reducing your workload. We will talk about garden location & layout, seeds, plants, equipment & supplies, harvest, storage, and so much more. Instructor Ron Christie is passionate about teaching people how to grow their own nutritious organic food for better health and well-being. He is an avid four-season grower and loves sharing his experiences as a gardener and farmer. Ron is the Rockingham County Master Gardener Program Coordinator for UNH Cooperative Extension. He also runs Living Earth Farm, a certified organic vegetable and fruit farm in Brookline, NH. Click here for a flyer of all 9 workshops.



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REGULAR HOURS

Saturday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

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



Universal Class

Over 500 courses covering subjects including:

- *Computer Training
- *Personal Finance
- *Business
- *Pet and Animal Care
- *Professional Development
- *Health Services Training
- *Music and Painting and much more

The program features remote 24/7 access via the internet. Call your librarian for course listing and availability details at **659-2626**.



250th COMMEMORATIVE MEMORABILIA ON SALE AT THE LIBRARY

WOODEN NICKELS, LICENSE PLATES, COFFEE MUGS, TOTES, HATS, LONG & SHORT SLEEVED T-SHIRTS, ZIP-UP HOODED SWEATSHIRTS & WINE GLASSES



LIBRARY LEGO®
April 22ND – May 27TH

Back by popular demand, we are offering another session of Library Legos. Kids in grades 1-4 can have fun building cool stuff. The program is running for 6 consecutive Fridays from 3:30-4:30 pm. Registration is not required. Mast Way students can ride **Bus 6** directly to the library.



HEALTHY SOIL – REPAIRING SOIL Monday, April 25th at 7:00 pm Jeremiah Smith Grange

Dorn Cox, Director of Green Start and Daimon Meeh, Field Specialist, UNH are our featured speakers for the evening. Can crop rotation, cover and companion crops, using mixed agriculture help to repair our soil? What about no-till, strip-till or sub-soiling? Do soil amendments help? Join us for the evening to learn the answers.

Sponsored by the Backyard Farming Initiative of the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library.



IKEBANA: THE ART OF JAPANESE FLOWER ARRANGING
Tuesday, April 26TH at 7:00 pm
Lee Safety Complex

Holly O. Harris' formal training in the 330 year tradition of Japanese Flower Arranging began 15 years ago when she started lessons with Ritsuko Chojin in the Kittery Point Ikebana Ikenobo chapter. She has been an active member ever since. Ms. Harris will give a brief description of the philosophy and history of Ikebana. The presentation will feature her demonstration of an Ikebana arrangement.



FROGGIE FUN-VACATION WEEK CRAFT

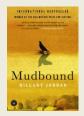
We'll be hearing peepers again soon. Stop by the library (April 23-30) and make a frog friend to take home with you.



MUSICIAN KEITH MUNSLOW Thursday, April 28th 10:30am Lee Safety Complex

Join us for musician Keith Munslow's rollicking, interactive show. You will be delighted with his unique mix of funny, original songs and stories.

This performance is cosponsored by the Friends of the Lee library and the Madbury and Durham public libraries.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION Monday, May 9TH 7:00 pm "Mud Bound" by Hillary Jordan

Jordan's writing and perfect control of the material lift it from being another "ain't-it-awful" tale to a heart-rending story of deep, mindless prejudice and cruelty. This eminently readable and enjoyable story is a worthy recipient of Kingsolver's prize and others as well. --Valerie Ryan Amazon.com

Armchair Traveler - China Wednesday, May 11TH 7:00 pm

Join Jan Allen at the library as she tells us about her trip to China last fall.



HOW SWEET IT IS – THE FASCINATING LIFE
OF THE HONEY BEE AND ALL HER SWEET
REWARDS
Wednesday, May 24TH 7:00 pm
Lee Safety Complex

Wendy Booth, owner of My Bee Buddy - Hive-side Lessons and Inspections, will give a digital presentation on the fascinating life of the Honey Bee and the sweet rewards of keeping bees. If you are thinking of becoming a beekeeper, love to garden or are just curious about nature, come and see what all the "Buzz" is about. We will discuss products from the hive, taste honey and have a few laughs along the way.

ON - GOING PROGRAMS



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

Come join the fun, make new friends and learn some new games. All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



KNITTING FOR 50+ 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAYS May 4th & 18th 9:00 am

A drop-in group will meet at the library. Help is available from instructor, Donna Kay. All levels welcome. Offered by the Senior Advisory Committee and the Lee Library.



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

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



Thursdays & Fridays 10:30 am

These fun 30-40 minute programs for children **ages 2-6** include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required.



BOOK CLUB 1ST Thursday of month 3-4 pm 5 & 6 Graders

Participants will read and discuss a different book each month. And - pizza will be served! Students may arrange to take **bus 22** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.



STORY TREKKERS Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30pm Ages 6-10

Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft will also be included. Mast Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** 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!



LAMPREY HEALTH CARE SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Lamprey Health Care's Senior Transportation program provides rides to essential services for individuals over the age of 60 and/or with disabilities. Our handicap-accessible buses take seniors and adults with disabilities to the grocery store, pharmacy, doctor or bank! Call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday - Friday, 8am - 4pm or go to lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-services/transportation program



JOIN THE LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPT.

Please stop by the Safety Complex Monday - Friday 8am-4pm.



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Town of Lee Police, Fire & Emergency Management utilizes the emergency notification system CODE RED. Visit leenh.org to sign up!

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

MEETING CALENDAR

To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org CLICK HERE



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

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



WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd

The food pantry is open to **any family** in the Town of Lee. The pantry is open the first and third Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00 pm. If there is an emergency please call the Church office at 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

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

ATTENTION!

If you know someone who wants to see the e-crier but does not have the internet please direct them to Town Hall for a printed copy or to the Library to view it there. If they cannot leave their home please call Denise Duval, Town Secretary, at 659-5414 to have it mailed!