

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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June 7, 2019

Lee News & Upcoming
Events

2nd ANNUAL MUSIC IN THE PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Hosted by the Lee Recreation Commission

Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks will be available for a \$5 donation from 6:30-7:30pm
on a first come, first serve basis.



CONCERT SCHEDULE

June 6th - Scott Plante
June 13th - The Blue Note Big Band
June 20th - Clandestine
June 27th - Dave Gerard
July 4th - NO SHOW
July 11th - Jimmy D
July 18th - Mike Morris

July 25th - Reunion Hill Band
August 1st - Jumbo Circus Peanuts
August 8th - Mike Morris
August 15th - April Cushman
August 22nd - Paul Smith
August 29th - Kevin Burt

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JUNE SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, **June 17th** Starting at 6:30 pm

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

PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 17TH 6:30 pm Public Safety Complex

Proposed Policy to Prohibit the Use of Tobacco Products at Lee Recreational Fields

[CLICK HERE](#) for Draft Policy

Swap Shop Thank You!!

Thanks for filling the Swap Shop with cute dishes, clean appliances, complete puzzles & useful tools, etc. Can you believe what's not going to the land fill?? Come and take a look....bring some & take some!! Please park diagonally in front of the Swap Shop and pull up to the cones to be off the pavement. The driveway needs to remain clear for emergency use vehicles. You may park across from the Swap Shop. Look out for the speed bumps!

We are still in need of volunteers and some just for substitutes. Fill out a paper and we'll get you set up. Swap Shop hours are Thursday and Saturday, 7:00 am - 5:30pm.



SIGN UP FOR THE FOOD WASTE COMPOSTING PILOT PROGRAM

mrfoxcomposting.com

The Select Board and Solid Waste Committee are seeking up to 200 interested residents to participate in food waste pilot program. The Town will provide special compostable bags to bring the food waste to the Transfer Station. Mr. Fox, a company specializing in food waste composting, will then transport the food waste to their facility in Eliot, Maine where it will be composted into a soil like material. Acceptable items are all food scraps and bones, eggshells, bread, seafood, wooden stirrers, sugar packets, wax muffin wrappers, tea bags, coffee grounds/filters, waxed paper liners, fruits and vegetables. Do NOT miss your chance to participate in this important program to keep food waste out of the landfill and make a useful product out of it.

Interested residents should e-mail the Public Works Manager Steve Bullek at tsbullek@leenh.org or call 603-659-6515 to sign up.



Native Garden update from the Strafford County Master Gardeners

Butterfly gardens are fun, but they also present their challenges. In our case, this is a 'native' garden so native plants needed to be sourced. We also had to consider the birdbath that had been part of the landscape for a couple of years. Attracting birds is not exactly what we wanted to do once we decided to establish a Monarch Waystation.

However, the birdbath is an integral part of the landscape so we needed to get creative. We decided to make a Fairy House in the bird bath even utilizing a bird's nest that had been found in the garden.

If you stop to check out the Fairy House, you may notice lots of wire, cages, and fencing in the new butterfly garden. It seems wherever you garden, it is not without its unique obstacles. Our new plants were all nibbled on or chewed down by a four-legged individual who thought we had put out a fresh salad bar. We are now attempting to get the plants back on track.

'We' are a group of Lee Master Gardeners, residents and Strafford County Master Gardeners including Linda Seedner, Annie Gasowski, Carol Doering, Erika Hunter and Bob Hart. If you'd like to join our group of Native Garden tenders, please let us know. Feel free to talk to Linda or email us at nhscmgga@yahoo.com. *Many hands make light work.*

Judy Von Feldt

New Hampshire Strafford County Master Gardeners Association

www.scmga.wordpress.com



JULY 20TH – LITTLE RIVER PARK PAVILION HOSTED BY THE LEE RECREATION COMMISSION

Begin assembling model rockets at 9:00 a.m. with first launch happening around 10:30!
Kids of all ages are welcome. Event is open and FREE to Lee residents only.



One Bin at a Time – Food Waste

Talking trash with Jen Messeder, LSC member

Imagine a 13 gallon kitchen trash can that's emptied once every eight weeks. Not eight days, eight *weeks*.

Your first thought is probably, "ew, that must stink!" It actually doesn't, because food waste is not allowed in the can. It's rotting food that makes trash stink, and it's the stink that prompts us to toss a trash bag, even if it's not full yet. If you're tossing bags before they're full, you're using more bags than you need to.

Now, imagine we have a Pay per Bag program in town. You'd want to use as few bags as possible, right? Well, if you're like most of us, you already are on a Pay per Bag program. You probably pay to buy bags at the store, so the more bags you use, the more you have to buy and the more you pay.

A friend once commented that trash bags are something we make whose sole purpose is to be thrown away. When we buy trash bags, we buy trash. Hmm.

If you want to make good use of your bags, you'll want to be sure they're full before you toss them. The first step to keeping bags until they're full is to get the stinky food waste out.

Beginner:

- Reduce the amount of food (and money) you waste. Check out "SavetheFood.com."
- Put food waste in a zip-closed bag and freeze until dump day.

Intermediate:


- If a neighbor composts at home, ask if you can add your plant-based food waste to their pile. (Bonus points: Offer to learn how to help care for your neighbor's compost pile.)
- The Select Board has approved a composting pilot program with Mr. Fox at the Lee Transfer Station. Interested residents should e-mail the Steve Bullek at sbullek@leenh.org or call 603-659-6515 to sign up.

Advanced:

- Start your own backyard compost pile. (Connect on any of the Facebook groups listed below for composting tips and tricks.)
- Below: From kitchen bucket, to compost piles, to finished compost for the garden.



Refuse • Reduce • Reuse • Repair • Repurpose • Recycle • Rot

 • Lee NH Sustainability Committee • Low Carbon Diet - Seacoast NH • "Zero Waste" groups



**CONSERVATION MONITORING HAS
BEGUN AGAIN!
COME SEE CONSERVED LANDS IN LEE
EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING**

From now until early fall join the Conservation Commission on Wednesday mornings 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. Meet in the Town Hall parking lot at 8:45 a.m., dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks & mosquitoes are advised. Walks take 1½-2 hrs.



**Please Join Us on June 10th to Discuss the
Future of the Parish House Building**

The Lee Heritage Commission is holding a public meeting with Andrew Cushing of the NH Preservation Alliance on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Lee Public Safety Complex. Mr. Cushing will be meeting with the Lee Heritage Commission to discuss the funding and assessing assistance the NH Preservation Alliance might be able to give us to determine the future use of the Parish House building. He will also discuss other funding and grant options available to us. The NH Preservation Alliance assisted the Lee Heritage Commission in getting the Parish House building designated as one of the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance's "Seven To Save" buildings for 2018. We hope you will be able to attend to help determine the fate of this structure. Please tell your interested friends, family, and neighbors about this important meeting to determine the future of this Lee landmark.



LEE TRIVIA QUESTION:

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

This Week's New Trivia Question:

*In colonial times, there was a "log hill" at Wadleigh Falls. What was a "log hill" used for?
(The answer will be given in next week's Lee E-Crier.)*

Answer to Last Week's Lee Trivia Question:

What was the Two-Mile Streak? (Hint: There is a sign in Barrington on Route 125.)

In the eighteenth century, the Two-Mile Streak was a section of land two miles wide that was granted to the owners of the iron works in Newmarket to supply them with fuel for their furnaces.



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 May Safety Educator

FIRE DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE

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

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide



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Fire Chief

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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

There have been reports of individuals being contacted by someone pretending to be an SSA employee. The caller generally asks you for personal information such as 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. 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, phone 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



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!**



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 Planning Board, Solid Waste Advisory, Energy, 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

Lee Public Library



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

Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 10am – 3pm

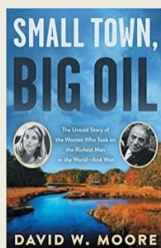
DISCOUNTED MUSEUM PASSES

The library has many discounted museum passes provided by the Friends of the library including: Woodman Museum, Boston Children's Museum, Museum of Science, Children's Museum of NH, Currier Museum of Art, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Museum of Fine Arts, Seacoast Science Center, Strawberry Banke, Peabody Essex Museum and the New England Aquarium. **Stop by the library or call 659-2626 to reserve a pass.** ***The Aquarium pass is now available year round***

ORION STARBLAST TELESCOPE



If you're an astronomy buff or you just enjoy gazing at the night sky, the library has an Orion StarBlast Telescope to lend. Using the telescope, you can expect to see planets, stars, the moon, and deep-sky objects such as nebulae, star clusters and some galaxies. If you'd like to borrow the StarBlast, call the library at 659-2626 or come in and check it out.



ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Monday, June 10th 7:00 pm

"Small Town, Big Oil"

By David W. Moore

"Activists and organizers will find lots of ideas and inspirations in this book's detailed account of an epic battle. It's a very timely reminder that when we fight we often win." - Bill McKibben, author Radio Free Vermont.



STORY TIME

Thursdays @ 10 am

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

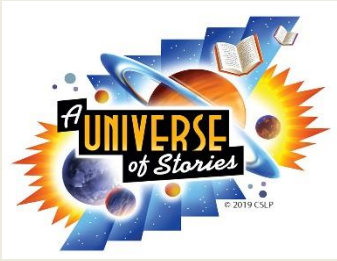


Knitting for 50+

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 9 am

June 19th

A drop-in group meets at the library.
All levels welcome.



2019 Summer Reading Program Kickoff
"A Universe of Stories"
Thursday, June 27th
Madbury Town Hall, 10:30 am

Regional & State News & Events



A BIG SHOUT OUT to the Public Works Memorial Committee on an outstanding dedication ceremony on June 5th. It was incredible to see all the Public Works staff in their safety vests from around the State, the various trucks lined up, and meeting family members for some of the 37 names inscribed on the granite stones. If you are in Concord please stop by and see the memorial dedicated to you. Photos by Steve Bullek.

NH DRA's ANNUAL LOW & MODERATE HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM

The Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief provisions are designed to lessen the economic burden of the State Education Property Tax on certain taxpayers. NH residents who own a homestead subject to the State Education Property Tax, resided in the homestead as of April 1st of the year for which the claim for relief is being made, and have a total household income of \$20,000 or less if a single person (or \$40,000 or less if married or head of household) may apply for property tax relief during the filing period - **after May 1, 2019, but no later than June 30, 2019.**

Find out more information by going to the Department of Revenue Administration's [website](https://www.revenue.nh.gov/forms/low-moderate.htm).

Form DP-8, Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief:

<https://www.revenue.nh.gov/forms/low-moderate.htm>

**DO YOU WANT TO SHARPEN YOUR CONSERVATION FIELD SKILLS?
THEN SIGN UP FOR ANY ONE OF THESE CONSERVATION TRAINING SERIES PUT ON BY THE
NHACC AND UNH EXTENSION.**

CONSERVATION TRAINING SERIES



IMPROVING WILDLIFE HABITAT ON YOUR LAND

Saturday, **March 23, 2019** • 10am – 12pm • Rindge, NH

EASEMENT MONITORING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Friday, **April 26, 2019** • 9am – 2pm • Canterbury, NH

Saturday, **May 18, 2019** • 9am – 2pm • New Durham, NH

MANAGING TOWN FORESTS: Timber, Wildlife, Recreation

Friday, **May 3, 2019** • 1pm – 4pm • Gilmanton, NH

Friday, **May 10, 2019** • 1pm – 4pm • North Conway, NH

Friday, **June 7, 2019** • 1pm – 4pm • Fremont, NH

MAP & COMPASS SKILLS

Friday, **May 24, 2019** • 1pm – 4pm • Concord, NH

INVENTORYING & MONITORING GRASSLAND BIRDS

Friday, **May 24, 2019** • 7:45am – 12pm • Amherst, NH

HOW TO LEAD A NATURE WALK

Friday, **June 28, 2019** • 1:30pm – 4:30pm • Holderness, NH

For more information and to register, visit:

bit.ly/2019ConservationSeries

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. University of New Hampshire, NH Division of Forests and Lands, US Department of Agriculture and NH – counties cooperating.



[For more Information and to Register](#)

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 for assistance.



WELL WATER TESTING BROCHURE FOR RESIDENTS

[CLICK HERE](#) for NHDES Brochure

[CLICK HERE](#) for NHDES Letter

Oyster River Cooperative School Board News from May 15th Meeting

Proposed middle school sustainability - Latest concepts for the proposed middle school include all-electric heat and light and geothermal (ground source heat pump) heat and hot water as the most energy efficient and flexible options. This combined with compact design minimizing hallway space and selecting walls, windows, and insulation to minimize heat loss reduce the overall energy need for the building. The target right now is for the building to require 25 kBtu per square foot per year, about half the national average for school buildings and about half the current middle school's energy usage. The building could generate as much electricity as it uses over a year by adding a photovoltaic solar array of at least 60,000 sq. ft. over the building and parts of the parking. This would be one of the first net zero energy consumption school buildings in New England.

REACH summer camp for students entering grades 1-8 runs through May 31. Students have signed up for over 300 weeks of camp so far!

The **1:1 laptop program** for current ORMS students will be extended to include 9th grade next year.

With 114 students enrolled in Kindergarten for Fall 2019 so far, an additional **kindergarten** class will be added, making 4 classes at Mast Way and 3 at Moharimet.

Principal Carrie Vaich has decided to leave Mast Way at the end of the school year. The district will look for an **interim principal** for the 2019-2020 school year, to allow for a full principal search to be completed in Spring 2020.

The board also approved the **2019-2024 strategic plan**, but left finalization of the long term goal around reviewing the high school grading system for further discussion at the next meeting.

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](#)!

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.



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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!