

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

This Weekend ! The Lee Historical Society Museum will be open from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon on **June 16th** . The museum is open the third Saturday of each month from April to November.

CHURCH SUPPER **This Weekend !**

Lee Church Congregational 17 Mast Rd
Saturday, June 16th 3:00 pm- Until SOLD OUT
Chicken BBQ –Eat here or Take Out

THE LEE FARMER'S MARKET

The Farmer's Market is now open for the 2012 season! The Market is located at the Highway Department on Mast Rd (old fire station) in Lee. The hours are 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Thursdays. To participate as a vendor, please contact Dick Babcock, Market Master 659-9329

**UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION:
SUPPORTING FARMERS MARKETS, SAVING
FARMS** To read the UNH Today article highlighting
the farmers and agriculture of Lee [CLICK HERE](#) .

THE TOWN CENTER SURVEY

The group discussion at the June 1st Listening Session identified “big picture” questions in need of answers. Please take a few minutes to review the survey questions and forward your answers and any other questions to the Board of Selectmen either by email at dhayes@leenh.org or by US mail to: Board of Selectmen, Lee Town Hall, 7 Mast, Lee, NH 03861. You can also stop in at Town Hall or the Lee Library and fill out and return a hard copy of this survey. [CLICK HERE](#) for Town Center Survey.

If you were unable to attend the 1st Town Center Listening Session [CLICK HERE](#) to watch it! You may also watch it on Channel 13. Selectmen’s Meetings and other important town meetings run daily on Channel 13 at 5:00 am, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

FROM THE ROAD AGENT

Landscaping -

For residents who are planning landscaping projects such as: fencing, walls, loaming, etc... Please keep in mind the Town’s Right of Way extends well beyond the edge of the pavement.

Please call the Highway Department at 659-6515 or NH DOT at 868-1133 (for state maintained roads) before doing any landscaping adjacent to the roadway.

Crack sealing -

Crack sealing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19th and Wednesday, June 20th - weather permitting. The following roads are scheduled: Furber Dr., Belle Ln, Hobbs Rd, Sawyer Rd, Riverside Farm Drive, Hale Farm Rd., Davis Ln, Spencer Ln, Lee Hill Rd, Cartland Rd, and Lamprey Ln.

Centerline striping will be occurring soon on all town roads that are now striped. Striping has been scheduled several times but cancelled due to wet pavement conditions.

VISIT LEE'S CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

The Conservation Commission has begun its yearly monitoring of each of the easements the Town holds on privately-owned farm and forest lands in Lee. If you would like to have first-hand experience walking one or more of these properties and observing what goes into easement monitoring, please join us!

Each Wednesday at 8:45 a.m. throughout the summer we will meet in the Town Hall parking lot. Please call the Town Office at 659-5414 if you are planning to attend. Dress for the weather, including sturdy shoes or boots, and be prepared for bugs and brambles. A water bottle is always a good idea. We usually complete the monitoring by 11:00 am, though some properties may take longer. Hope you'll join us!

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Zoning Board of Adjustment will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, **June 20, 2012** at the Public Safety Complex 20 George Bennett Rd at 7:00 pm. The property owner is requesting a variance for a commercially-zoned parcel located on George Bennett Road. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

PLANNING BOARD SITE WALK

The Planning Board has scheduled a site walk on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, 6:00 pm at the property located at 119 Calef Highway. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

ORCSD SUMMER CAMPS

Looking for fun and safe activities for your kids this summer? Summer Camp Programs include: Video Production, Woodworking, Kindergarten Musical Theater, LEGO Creations, SAT Preparation, GEO Cache, Character Illustration, Adventures in Cooking, Got to Dance, and much more! Registration is now open for 56 camps!

Please see the brochure at www.orcsd.org for program descriptions, dates, and fees. Please note, there is a \$10 per class registration fee for families not enrolled in the ORCSD. For more information, please contact Deb Byrne, ORCSD Summer Camp Coordinator at dbyrne@orcsd.org or call the Mast Way School at 659-3001.



TOWN CELEBRATES MEMORIAL DAY

The Lee Memorial Day parade has grown in the past few years with more groups from the town participating. There were Scouts, the Lee Church Women's Guild, old cars bearing some of our older veterans, as well as the usual ambulance, fire and police vehicles, and the Newmarket Militia. It was a beautiful sunny day and a large crowd was in attendance.

This year's guest speaker was Maj. Joshua Stringer, US Army, and Commander of the UNH ROTC detachment. A special treat this year was the addition of several musical selections sung by members of the Lee Church choir directed by Diane Spires. The memorial wreath was laid by Harold Ward and Jud Porter members of the Lee VFW Post 10676. After the salutes with musket and cannon taps was played by Patrick Dube and Mysia Dyes from Dover High School.

The VFW is again collecting worn and tattered flags to be properly disposed of in a short ceremony in the fall. Flags can be left at the Flag Hill Winery during business hours.

Post meetings are held on the first Monday of each month at the Flag Hill Winery at 7:30 pm.

Dale Hardy, Commander
Lee VFW Post 10676

LAMPREY RIVERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The entire Lamprey River and five of its major tributaries have been in the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program for one year. The representatives from the fourteen towns are now in the process of writing the rivers' management plan. The members must look at current issues and forecast the issues that will necessitate action in the next few years. They must look at the geographic, social, and financial issues of fourteen different towns and carefully consider many variables such as: *keeping water clean and address areas that are not clean; ensuring adequate flow so that people and nature have enough water; ensuring access to the river for appropriate recreation; preserving historic and cultural assets; protecting valuable habitats; engaging citizens and governments.*

The Wild and Scenic River towns created a management plan and revised it in 2007. Please visit <http://www.lampreyriver.org/about-us-2007-mgmt-plan-revision> to review the plan. For suggestions for the river plan, contact Sharon Meeker at 659-5441 or s-meeker@comcast.net.

In 2011, the committee built a canoe launch just downstream of Wadleigh Falls on Route 152. The launch is open to the public and offers a safe place to park to access the river. Paddle upstream and let the river carry you back to the canoe launch. Please be aware that Wadleigh Falls is just downstream of the canoe launch, and your canoe will not survive going over the falls without damage. Wadleigh Falls is best enjoyed from land. **Have fun and "tread lightly" on our Wild and Scenic Lamprey River!**

EXPLORING THE LAMPREY RIVER

The Lamprey River offers a wealth of activities to enjoy: fishing, bird-watching, canoeing or kayaking, exploring a flood plain or old mill site, or enjoying nice views from a bicycle or car. The Lamprey River Advisory Committee has a tour map and guide of river sites to visit in the towns of Epping, Lee, Durham, and Newmarket.

Maps can be downloaded at

http://www.lampreyriver.org/UploadedFiles/Files/LampreyTourMap_page_1.pdf

The accompanying guide can be downloaded at

<http://www.lampreyriver.org/UploadedFiles/Files/LampreyTourGuide.pdf>. Maps/tour guides are also available for free at the Lee Public Library.

SUMMER'S HERE: A GREAT TIME TO START CONSERVING WATER (from nationalgeographic.com)

Water is the basis of life, and on this planet only a tiny share—less than one percent of all water—is available for nearly 7 billion people and a myriad of freshwater aquatic ecosystems. It's that tiny share of freshwater that we have to use to meet all of our needs—irrigation, industry, drinking water, and sanitation—and the needs of thousands, if not millions, of other species that we share the planet with.

The average American lifestyle demands 1,800 gallons a day to support, with 70 percent of that going to support our diets. If each of us learned how to conserve just a little more water, it could add up to big savings. National Geographic's Freshwater Fellow, Sandra Postel, thinks you should start with these simple changes:

- 1. Choose outdoor landscaping appropriate for your climate. Native plants and grasses that thrive on natural rainfall only are best.**
- 2. Install low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators. Because you're saving hot water, you'll also reduce your energy bill.**
- 3. If you're in the market for a toilet, buy a low-volume, ultra low-volume, or dual-flush model.**
- 4. Fix leaky faucets. All those wasted drops add up—sometimes to 10-25 gallons a day.**
- 5. Run your dishwasher and washing machine only when full. When it's time to replace them, buy a water- and energy-efficient model. Remember, saving water saves energy, and saving energy saves water.**
- 6. Eat a bit less meat, especially beef. A typical hamburger can take 630 gallons to produce.**
- 7. Buy less stuff. Everything takes water to make. So if we buy less, we shrink our water footprint.**
- 8. Recycle plastics, glass, metals, and paper. Buy re-usable products rather than throw-aways, as it takes water to make most everything.**
- 9. Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth and washing the dishes. Shave a minute or two off your shower time. Millions of people doing even the little things make a difference.**
- 10. Know the source of your drinking water—the river, lake, or aquifer that supplies your home. Once you know it, you'll care about it. You just won't want to waste water. (Learn more about the Lamprey River at www.lampreyriver.org)**

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Babysitting Class

Saturday, June 23rd, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

McGregor Memorial EMS will be presenting its babysitting class at the library. This program is designed to prepare young people for babysitting and child care by teaching them to become capable, caring and responsible babysitters. As a public safety organization, the primary goals for this and any of McGregor's programs include injury prevention and preparedness through CPR and First Aid education. This program is recommended for youth 10 years of age and older who do not have extensive experience in babysitting. It is designed to be a hands-on interactive dialogue.

The program consists of five sections:

- *Teach participants that babysitting is a responsibility
- *Provide the participants with the skills and information necessary to keep children safe
- * Familiarize the participants with the responsibilities of babysitting
- * Develop confidence in handling the situations that may be encountered when babysitting
- * Develop a positive attitude toward the care of children

The cost of this class is \$35. For more information, please visit mcgregorems.org/institute/cpr-local. For questions, contact Natalie Thomas cprmanager@mcgregorems.org.

Award Nominee Books

The 2012-2013 Great Stone Face (grades 4-6), Isinglass (grades 7-8) and Flume (grades 9-12) award nominees have all been ordered and will be ready soon for eager summer readers! The books will be easy to find because they will all be labeled and prominently displayed.

Teen Summer Reading Program

Children entering grades 7-12 may sign up for our teen summer reading program. Fill out a simple form for each book read and be eligible to win great prizes in weekly raffle drawings!

Summer Reading Program - Dream Big, Read!

Explore the Night!

The theme for this year's summer reading program is dreaming and learning about all things "of the night". Stars, moon, owls, bats, dreams—the sky's the limit! Registration for this 6 week non-competitive program begins on **Monday, June 18th** and is for children preschool -grade 6. Join us for a summer of great books and fun activities! Don't miss the kickoff event on **Friday, June 29th** at 10:30 a.m. in the Oyster River High School multipurpose room when **Alex the Jester** will entertain!

SENIOR SOCIAL GATHERINGS at the LIBRARY

Knitting for Seniors age 50 and Older

Wednesday, June 27th , 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

A drop-in group will meet every other Wednesday at the library on the following: **June 27th , July 11th & 25th, August 8th & 22nd**. Come with a knitting project and get the help you need to finish from instructor Donna Kay. This program is being offered by the Senior Advisory Committee in conjunction with the Lee Public Library.

Cards, Games and Puzzles for Seniors 50 and Older

Thursday, June 21st & 28th , 2:00 p.m.

Come to the library each week on Thursdays to play a game of cards, work on a puzzle or play a board game. **All Lee residents welcome, age 50 and older.**

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' CORNER

Love the convenience of the library's downloadable books program but frustrated by the lack of popular titles and the long wait? Never fear, Overdrive Advantage is here! Now the library can offer titles exclusively for Lee patrons. Yes, you may still have to wait for the latest bestseller, but the queue for audiobooks and ebooks won't be nearly as long. And as always Overdrive Advantage libraries have access to Overdrive's 350,000+ digital titles, including the largest collection of iPod-compatible audiobooks for libraries.

There's also good news for movie fans. Not only has the library been increasing its DVD collection, you can now place a reserve on the movie you want to watch – either in person at the library or using the online catalog. Be sure to check the E-Crier for listings of new titles.

Don't forget that there's more to check out than books, magazines, movies and audiobooks. The library now has two 10-foot-square tents available for town residents' use, one with sides – so don't let the threat of rain or too much hot sun keep you from planning your backyard event. More guests than chairs? The library also has folding chairs.

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 6:00-7:00 pm. If there is an emergency need please feel free to contact the Church office 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.