## TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

7 Mast Road Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (603) 659-5414 June 20, 2014

## JUNE 21, 2014







## APPRECIATION DINNER FOR LEE VOLUNTEERS MAY 3, 2014



SIGN PRESENTATION

## SIGN IS IN FRONT OF TOWN FIELD



## THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN:

The Police Association and Selectwoman Carole Dennis for donating the funds to purchase the sign.

Ricky Stevens for donating the wood to make the posts.

Randy Stevens and his Team at the Highway Department for putting up the sign and topping it off with handmade steel post caps!

#### TOWN OF LEE RECEIVES ANOTHER AWARD FROM NRRA



At the Annual Conference of the NRRA (Northeast Resource Recovery Association) on June 9<sup>th</sup> another award was given to the Town of Lee. We were tied for first place with the City of Keene for "The Most Programs Through the NRRA in 2013". This award came to us because the residents of Lee are recycling so many different items that we can recycle through the NRRA.

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#### **SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLE**

The Town of Lee is accepting sealed bids for a Surplus Vehicle (2008 Ford Crown Victoria). Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the invitation to bid and bid instructions.

# SIGNAGE REMINDER

We would like to remind residents that it is unlawful to place signs upon utility poles, street signs, markers posts etc. If you do put signs out for yards sales etc., please make sure that they are free standing, not blocking the view of traffic, not on town property and if on private property that you have the land owners permission and that you remove them once the event is over. Signs that are left behind generally end up blowing away and become trash. Thank you!

APPLY NOW FOR A POSITION ON THE AD HOC RACETRACK COMMITTEE SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE TOWN HALL <u>CLICK HERE</u> for an application

#### APPLY NOW FOR A POSITION ON THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE

The Board of Selectmen and The Lee Public Library Board of Trustees are seeking additional members for the Lee Public Library Community Center Building Committee. Citizens with interest in our community's building project and/or experience in the fields of budgeting, working on large projects, landscaping architecture or interior design are invited to submit your application for consideration to the Town Administrator no later than June 30, 2014. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for an application. *Working Together, Lee Can Build It*!



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## PUBLIC DOCK at DURGIN PRESERVE

Durgin Preserve located on Rita Lane is accessed from Clement Way off of Calef Highway. Please be advised swimming is at your own risk and boating access is limited to carry in canoes, kayaks or row boats. Please note no vehicles or trailers are allowed beyond the parking lot!

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#### COME JOIN THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION FOR A WALK ON WEDNESDAYS

Residents are invited to join members of the Conservation Commission every Wednesday morning through the summer and early fall while they conduct a site walk on the Town's conserved properties. Some of these lands are owned by the Town, but most of them are privately owned but protected in perpetuity with a conservation easement. If you'd like to participate, call the Town Secretary, Denise Duval. Meet in the Town Office parking lot at 8:45 am, dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks and mosquitoes are advised. Walks typically take 1½ - 2 hours.



OPEN EVERY 3<sup>RD</sup> SATURDAY – NEXT ONE Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

#### THE EDUCATIONAL SURROGATE PARENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

is looking for caring individuals who are committed to children and understand the importance of education. Next required training class offered on: Saturday, June 21, 2014, Concord, NH 9am - 5pm <u>CLICK HERE</u> to find out more



CHICKEN BBQ Lee Church Congregational Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> 3:00 pm

It's picnic time and at this month's supper pick-up a delicious BBQ Chicken meal to eat there or bring with you to your favorite picnic spot. We will be serving a ½ BBQ chicken, homemade coleslaw, baked beans, dessert and water. \$8 per dinner or \$5 for a ½ chicken only. Supper will be served until sold out, so come early to avoid disappointment. For questions, call 603-659-2861 (open weekdays).



AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE Lee Church Congregational June 27<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

This course is designed for drivers over the age of 50 and is available to anyone. This opportunity to learn safe, defensive driving skills often provides a discount on auto insurance policies for those completing the course. To register please call instructor John Wheeler @ 603-682-7769

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## LAMPREY RIVER RECREATION: HIKE IT, BIKE IT, LIKE IT Wiswall Falls Parking Lot, Wiswall Road June 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 - noon

This summer, the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee will lead participants on three low-impact, family-friendly activities. The first will involve exploring the human and natural history of the Wiswall Falls area in Durham on **June 22<sup>ND</sup>**. The Wiswall Falls area is listed in the <u>National Register of Historic Places</u>. This now quiet place once served as an industrial hub in Durham. Come learn the rich history of the site and how the site continues to be relevant today. After the short history walk, explore some of the natural features of the area and enjoy a nice picnic lunch by the Lamprey River. Bring your own lunch and blanket. If you plan to explore the area's natural features after the history walk, please be aware that poison ivy is present. Please contact <u>spetersen.lrac@comcast.net</u> if you have any questions.

#### SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Walking at Little River Park. Our third LRP Walk will be led by Julie Heincelman and Cassie Beckwith, exercise specialists. They will share information on the benefits of walking for your health. If you are not able to attend the walk, they are a resource for everybody in the community and able to provide health and wellness information and programs. If you have an area of expertise that would fit into our like would join walking plan and to us contact shirlwalker@comcast.net. SAC continues to encourage you to drop by the Safety Complex on the second Monday of the month, 9:00 AM, to express concerns or ideas you might want to share that would contribute to a healthy life style for our 50 and over community members. We have received a few replies to our questionnaire and are looking forward to your responses to help us develop programs that are of interest to you.

> LETTER to RESIDENTS <u>CLICK HERE</u> <u>CLICK HERE</u> for QUESTIONNAIRE

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### HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATE

As the Town of Lee gears up for the  $250^{\text{th}}$  birthday celebration, the Lee Historical Society plans to take a significant role in the planning and festivities. We have some big ideas, including new exhibits, two new books, living history programs and special kids' projects, but we need more people to get involved in order to accomplish them. We invite all past members to reconnect with us and welcome new members to come see what we are all about and help where they can. The museum is open every third Saturday of the month, from 10 AM – 2 PM. If that time doesn't work, call me and I can open the doors for you.

Right now we are working on an exhibit about ice harvesting in town. If you have any information about how and where ice harvesting happened here, or even better photos or stories of the process, I'd love to hear about it. The other exhibit will be on the Mast Trade. Again any information will be welcome and researchers are invited to help. Phyllis is still looking for information, photos, personal accounts, or

artifacts having to do with Lee schools. I am working on a book about the Native American presence in town. Any help will be appreciated. Jan Allen, President

## **READY RIDES: VOLUNTEER DRIVER PROGRAM**

We currently offer free curb-to-curb rides to medical appointments to the disabled and over 55 residents of Lee. For more details please contact Meri Schmalz at 603-244-8719 or email <u>info@readyrides.org</u>. **Please join us as a VOLUNTEER or CLIENT! Thank you!** 

## NH DEPT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION -ANNUAL LOW & MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

New Hampshire residents who own a homestead subject to the State Education Property Tax, resided in the homestead as of April 1, 2013 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, 2014, but no later than June 30, 2014. For an application form DP-8, click <u>HERE</u>.

### LIBRARY TRUSTESS UPDATE

#### Why do we need a Community Center? Aren't there already plenty of meeting rooms in Lee?

The meeting room at the current library is located in the basement and not ADA-compliant. At most, it can accommodate 25-30. As a result, most of the library-sponsored programs are held off-site in the Public Safety Complex or the Grange. Yes, there are other gathering places such as the Lee Church and the gymnasium and cafeteria at Mast Way School, but these spaces are not always compatible with programming needs and are already being regularly used. The various town commissions and committees as well as local community organizations such as the scouts - all need spaces to meet that are comfortable, easy to access and suitable for the planned activity whether it's a small group meeting, a reception for local artists, a community dinner, craft workshop or children's program. Currently, there are not enough spaces to meet the demand and scheduling conflicts frequently occur. The modern library is a community gathering place which offers opportunities to connect with neighbors and the world. The desire for this connection has been well-demonstrated. Over the past three years, adult attendance at library-sponsored program has increased by 123%. Despite its drawbacks, the library meeting room is in constant demand for meetings and programs - meetings frequently spill over into the library proper - to the one available table upstairs, which means people trying to study must retreat into the stacks to find a quiet spot and those working at the public computers are disturbed. A community gathering place is not just about more meeting space. The new Library Community Center will also offer a comfortable place to sit and chat with a friend over a cup of coffee, browse through magazines or have a friendly discussion with a neighbor about the headlines in the newspapers. There is no such place available in the town of Lee - a central place where all its citizens can come together, learn together, share their ideas and experiences – a place that will turn our town into a community.

## 2013 STRAFFORD COUNTY ANNUAL REPORT IS NOW AVAILABLE <u>CLICK HERE</u> FOR FULL REPORT



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LEE FARMERS MARKET THURSDAYS 3:00 – 6:00 PM <u>CLICK HERE</u> for details



www.facebook.com/LeeFarmersMarket



#### SAVE THE DATE for the LEE FAIR SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2014

Be sure to mark your calendars for the Lee Fair. It is on Saturday, September 6, 2014 at the Town Field. The Trot 4 Kids Road Race will be held in the morning prior to the start of the Fair, ending the Fair will be the Harvest Supper! There is limited vending space so be sure to reserve your space early. Any questions, contact Caren Rossi at 659-6783. See you in September!





#### CLOSED FOR JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY Summer Saturday Hours starting July 5<sup>th</sup>: 9:00am – 12:00pm

#### **ADULT SUMMER READING!**

Experiment with Literary Elements this summer when the Lee Public Library presents the Adult Summer Reading Program! Write very short reviews (one or two sentences) about the books you read this summer to enter our summer reading drawing! Also, we'll be reading <u>Ender's Game</u> by Orson Scott Card then discussing it on Monday, July 28<sup>TH</sup> at 7:00 pm. If interested in participating in a discussion of this book, please pick up a copy at the circulation desk. Adults and teens are welcome to join in.

Thank you to the Friends of Lee Public Library for encouraging all readers to read by providing fun prizes!

#### **TEEN SUMMER READING - SPARK A REACTION!**

Teens entering grades 7-12 may register for our teen summer reading program, starting Monday, June 23<sup>RD</sup>. This summer fill out a simple form for each book read and be eligible to win an iTunes card in weekly raffles. Also be sure to register for a fun evening with local YA author Adi Rule and ask about Open Mike night.



## CHILDREN SUMMER READING - FIZZ, BOOM, READ!

Registration begins on Monday, June 23<sup>RD</sup> and will be ongoing. Whether you are reading or being read to this is the program for you! Read on for some of the first funtabulous events of the summer!

#### SUMMER READING KICKOFF: MOUSETRAP MACHINE SHOW

Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30 am Lee Safety Complex

Join us as Jungle Jim entertains us with his amazing, hilarious interactive Mousetrap Machine Show! Kids will be "wowed" by eye popping, **oversized** balloon sculptures as they learn about simple machines. For all ages. This event is co-sponsored by the Madbury Public Library.



#### BUILD A CATAPULT Tuesday, July 8<sup>TH</sup> 3:00 - 4:15 pm Grades 5-8

Catapult physics uses stored energy to hurl a projectile without the use of an explosive. Join us and build a simple catapult and see how far you can make your projectile travel. Please register.

#### AUTHOR ADI RULE Tuesday, July 8<sup>TH</sup> 6:30 pm Grades 7 & up

Meet Adi Rule, a local author who writes Young Adult literature. She will talk about her writing process and the world of publishing. She will read from her recently published YA novel, *Strange, Sweet Song.* Please sign up so we have the right set up!



#### FIZZ, BOOM, THINK! Wednesday, July 9<sup>TH</sup> 3:00 – 4:00 pm Grades 1-4

Join us as we explore the great earth we live on...and all of its trash. How much do you throw away a year? What are ways to make trash into something new? Do you know what upcycling is? This interactive program offered by The Children's Museum of NH will explore all of these questions and more. Please register.



#### KNITTING FOR 50+

#### ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS, NEXT IS JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> 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 in conjunction with the Lee Library.

STORY TIME! Thursday, July 10<sup>TH</sup> 10:30 am BUBBLES!



#### **ORION TELESCOPE**

The night sky offers an endless variety of objects and events to observe, from stars and planets, to constellations and meteor showers. Some can be seen with the naked eye, others are dependent on the use of a telescope. The library's Orion telescope is available for checkout. Call us at 659-2626 to reserve it!

#### NO FOOLIN' JUST FUN GAME DAY FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays in April 9:30 - 11:30 am Come to the library for camaraderie, cards and cookies. We are learning to play cribbage. All adults 18 and over are welcome.

#### AWARD NOMINEE BOOKS

The 2014-2015 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 for eager summer readers! Easy to find, they will be labeled and prominently displayed.

#### **BOOKWORM DIGEST**

Sign up for the Bookworm Digest: A monthly newsletter all about everything going on at Lee Public Library. Send an email to <u>leelibrary@comcast.net</u> to get the Bookworm Digest sent once a month.



#### TENTS, TABLES AND CHAIRS, OH MY!

Reserve today for your summer event! We have two 10x10 tents, two long tables, two shorter tables and ten chairs to lend!

Please visit the following link to view the library's ongoing programs: <u>http://www.leenh.org/pages/LeeNH\_LibraryCal/?formid=158</u>



#### 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. Thanks to your funding, the Friends of Lee Library will continue to support the wonderful activities! Not a member yet? It's easy – <u>CLICK HERE</u> !



#### LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY DID YOU ATTEND A SCHOOL IN LEE?

Phyllis White is still continuing her research on the history of education in Lee. If you attended a One Room Schoolhouse, the Town Hall or Mast Way Schools, or if you are a former teacher or the owner of one of the town's Day Care/Nursery Schools, Phyllis would like to hear from you. She can be reached at 659-2883.



### JOIN THE LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPT.

The Department is always looking for new members!

Please stop by the Safety Complex Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm or during one of our training meetings, held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm.



### EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Town of Lee Police, Fire & Emergency Management will now utilize the emergency notification system known as CODE RED. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for instructions. Please visit <u>leenh.org</u> to sign up!

## 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! The service is door-to-door. For reservations call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Lee residents are welcome to join us for our weekly shopping run to the Fox Run Mall, Wal-Mart and many other stops. The bus currently picks up at Lee Town Hall at 8:50 a.m. on Thursdays.

Go to <u>http://www.lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-</u> services/transportation\_program for more information.



### CHANNEL 13

Check your local TV channel 13 to view Selectmen's meetings aired daily at 7:00 am; 2:00 pm; 7:00 pm. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more details on Channel 13. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to view town meetings and videos online through the media site at leenh.org.





#### 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.

## STRAFFORD COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS HEALTH & SAFETY COUNCIL OF STRAFFORD COUNTY

Click below for good information about Influenza. Click on the "Senior" web page link for more information.

http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/influenza/index.htm



Community Action Partnership Pregnant? New Baby? CAP Can Help!

If you are pregnant, know someone who is, or just had a baby, Community Action can help. We have a free Home Visiting program for teens and women age 25 and under. Call CAP's Home Visiting at 603-516-8108 to learn more or visit <u>www.straffordcaporg</u>.



Here is a photo taken around 1910 to accompany last week's article regarding the station agent's flower bed by the depot. Photo provided by Randy Stevens.



It is believed that the stone abutments shown in the picture above and constructed in 1896 are the abutments that are still in place 116 years later. Quality stone work. For more information <u>CLICK HERE</u>!