

# TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

June 30, 2017

Lee News & Upcoming  
Events



Happy 4th of July!

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## TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR HOURS 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY WEEK

MONDAY, 7/3	CLOSED
TUESDAY, 7/4	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY, 7/5	8 AM – 4 PM
THURSDAY, 7/6	8 AM – 4 PM
FRIDAY, 7/8	8 AM – 4 PM

The first tax bill for tax year 2017 is due on July 5, 2017. You may pay in person, on line, by mail or drop in lockbox through the mail slot to the left of the door into Town Hall.

Have a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July!



**LEE TOWN OFFICES AND THE TRANSFER STATION**

**WILL BE CLOSED ON JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**ENJOY YOUR HOLIDAY!**

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**CONGRATULATIONS ROGER AND BEST OF LUCK IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!**



**WELCOME TOBY VAN AKEN TO HIS NEW POSITION AS TRANSFER STATION MANAGER BEGINNING TODAY!**



## PART-TIME HELP NEEDED AT TRANSFER STATION

The Town of Lee is seeking a part-time/on-call Solid Waste Operator for the Transfer Station. Candidates must have or be able to acquire a NHDES Level I or higher Solid Waste certification and will need to pass a pre-employment exam and criminal background check. Ability to operate a skid-steer, baler, bobcat and other heavy equipment preferred. Pay starting at \$15.15. Please submit applications with at least 3 references to Town Hall, 7 Mast Road, Lee, NH 03861. Open until filled.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Employment Application

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**READ ABOUT HOW LEE'S OWN ELKE VADEBONCOEUR FOUND THIS  
PURPLE HEART AT THE LEE TRANSFER STATION'S SWAP SHOP AND HELPED GET  
IT BACK TO FAMILY MEMBERS IN NEW YORK STATE !!**



PHOTO COURTESY OF PURPLE HEARTS REUNITED  
ARTICLE BY KIMBERLEY HAAS

<http://www.unionleader.com/article/20170628/NEWS18/170629283/0/SEARCH>

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## JULY SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 6:30 pm

Meetings can now be seen on  at [www.media.leenh.org](http://www.media.leenh.org)

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## COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Go to [www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH\\_MeetingsCal/?formid=158](http://www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH_MeetingsCal/?formid=158)

## LIBRARY CALENDAR

Go to [http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH\\_LibraryCal/?formid=158](http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH_LibraryCal/?formid=158)

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## CEMETERY CLEAN UP COMPLETED!

The Cemetery Trustees have completed their walk-through of the cemeteries and have cleaned up the remaining items. According to the Cemetery Rules & Regulations all non-conforming items will be removed and placed in the pick up box by the cemetery shed. Thank you for your help. **LEE CEMETERY RULES** [CLICK HERE](#)

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## SELECT BOARD OFFICE HOURS

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

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**LEE COOPERATIVE FARMERS MARKET**  
3-6 Thursdays

**The Lee Farmers Market is Celebrating 10 years!**  
June 1 through September 21, 2017

**Find us**  
at the Corner of Mast Rd (Rt155) and Recycle Center Road in Lee, NH

**Mark your calendar for every Thursday afternoon!**

vegetables  
fruits  
bakery items  
flowers  
cheese  
local meat  
honey  
syrup  
plants  
crafts  
soaps  
herbs  
fudge  
and more!!

GO TO <https://www.facebook.com/LeeFarmersMarket/>  
FOR UPDATES ON WHAT WILL BE AT THE MARKET EACH WEEK

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**COME WALK WITH THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO SEE CONSERVED LANDS IN LEE! EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING**

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.



## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT GETTING A NEW TRUCK – FIRST TIME IN 22 YEARS!

As many of you know, the crew at the Highway Department has been quite content with buying used plow trucks, fixing them up, and getting many years of service out of them. The last new plow/sander truck was purchased 22 years ago.

However, the Select Board was becoming concerned with the aging fleet and strongly suggested that the Highway Department look into buying a new truck. The voters agreed, as a warrant article for this purchase was approved in March by utilizing funds already saved in the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.

After many, many hours of research, talking to other towns, going out to bid, and looking at all of the models that were bid on, the crew and Select Board decided that the Town would be best served by a Western Star Truck. It seems to be the best design both for operator comfort, dependability, and ease of maintenance. It still has a lot of the old fashioned, proven features and is assembled by hand and not robotics. The Western Star has the least amount of electronic modules and plastic of all of the trucks considered.



The cab and chassis has been ordered and is expected to be completed by September 22<sup>nd</sup>. It should be ready to be delivered to the body company by October 1<sup>st</sup> at the latest. At the body company, a stainless steel dump body, stainless steel sander, plow hitch, 11'plow, side wing, central hydraulics, and lights will be installed. This should take 3-4 weeks, so somewhere between Halloween and Thanksgiving the Highway Department should have a 2018 heavy duty plow truck that with proper care should last in excess of 25 years.

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 **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](mailto:dduval@leenh.org).

[CLICK HERE](#) for Application



**Answer to Last Week's Lee Trivia Question:** Which Lee colonist built a bridge over the Lamprey River (between his own house and the mills he also owned) - and then charged a toll for other people to cross his bridge?

Around 1750, Reuben Hill and his wife, Abigail, owned farm land and mills on the Lamprey River. His mills were located upriver from a bend in the river that is currently called "Lee Hook." In 1750, the Town of Lee did not exist yet, so Reuben's property was in the town of Durham. Reuben's mills were located near waterfalls that came to be known as Hill's Falls by the local people. His sawmill and grist mill, a mill to grind wheat into flour, was powered by water from the Lamprey River.

By 1760, Reuben had built a house on a hill just south of the river. The house still stands on Lee Hook Road. His mills were on the other side of the river. Reuben also built a stone bridge across the Lamprey, so that he could get from his house to his mills more easily. He actually charged other people a toll if they wanted to use his bridge, and in 1771 was paid five pounds, one shilling by the Town of Lee. His bridge was known as "Hill's Bridge." There is still a bridge there on Lee Hook Road, although the stone bridge no longer exists.

Reuben was one of 100 men who signed a letter requesting that his village be allowed to separate from the Town of Durham. This letter, or petition, was written on November 18, 1765, signed, and then sent to Governor Benning Wentworth and the General Assembly in Portsmouth. A vote was taken, the governor selected a name, and Lee became a separate town on January 16, 1766. Reuben served as a selectman for the Town of Lee before he died in 1794.

**Resources:**

- Baier, Ursula, Editor. *Lee in Four Centuries: Some Historical Notes Published to Commemorate the Bicentennial of the Incorporation of the Town, 1766 – 1966.*
- Lamprey River Advisory Committee, "Lamprey River Wild and Scenic". <http://www.lampreyriver.org>
- Scales, John. *Lee, New Hampshire.* Dover, NH: C. E. Whitehouse: 1916.
- Thompson, Mary P. *Landmarks in Ancient Dover, New Hampshire.* Durham, NH: Durham Historic Association: 1965.

**This Week's Lee Trivia Question: (The answer will be in next week's E-Crier.)**

What year did Lee get its own unique zip code? (Thanks to Barb Carey for providing this question!)

If you have suggestions for Lee Trivia Q's & A's, please email Anne Jennison at [jennison.anne@gmail.com](mailto:jennison.anne@gmail.com)

Check out the Lee Heritage Commission's FB page.

<https://www.facebook.com/LeeHeritageCommission>

We invite you to post photos or comments that are relevant to Lee's heritage.

**Remember to send your photos of Lee to: [LeeNHcalendar@gmail.com](mailto:LeeNHcalendar@gmail.com)** so they can be considered for the Lee Heritage Commission's 2018 wall calendar.



### **POLICE REMINDER**

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

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. Also, remember the IRS will NEVER call you! They will always send mail!

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

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



[CLICK HERE](#) for Summer Safety Educator

### **BURN PERMIT**

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS  
GO TO [www.nhfirepermit.com](http://www.nhfirepermit.com) to obtain a fire permit online

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**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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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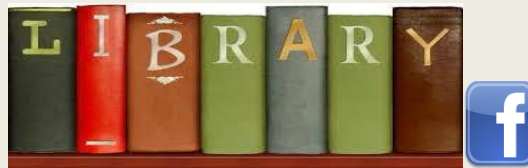
### DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off is available at the Public Safety Complex to the left of the front entrance for unused and unwanted prescriptions.

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### Lee Public Library



### SUMMER HOURS

**Saturday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

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

**Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm**

**The library will be closed Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observation of the holiday**

**[LOOK HERE](#) FOR WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT THE LEE LIBRARY!**



### Regional & State News & Events

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**Lamprey Rivers Summer Newsletter**

**[HERE](#)**

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## NH COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE FARMS DIRECTORY

<https://www.agriculture.nh.gov/publications-forms/documents/csa-directory.pdf>

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### OPEN HOUSE AND MASTER GARDENER SERIES

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday JULY – OCTOBER 9:00am – 11:00am

The Gardens at New Creation, 80 Route 125, Kingston, NH

Each open house will feature a discussion on a different gardening topic led by master gardeners from the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. Attendees are also invited to tour the site and ask the experts their toughest gardening questions. For more information contact: Amanda Gourgue at UNH Cooperative Extension 603-679-5616.

**July 8** Sensory & Butterfly Gardens

**Aug. 12** Herbs for Beauty, Food & Health, based on Herb of the Year since 1995

**Sept. 9** Extending Your Garden, from early spring to late fall

**Oct. 14** Closing Your Garden

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### 2017 SCALE CLINICS

The Clinic is only open to those who grow and sell their own agricultural products and who uses a scaled 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 legal-for-trade scale(s) and any necessary accessories; current sale license (if you have one) and renewal forms and payments due (no credit cards accepted). Click [here](#) for more details & dates.

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### REMICK MUSEUM & FARM

SUMMER & FALL ACTIVITIES IN 2017

58 Cleveland Hill Road, Tamworth, NH

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

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To receive the E-CRIER via email EVERY WEEK go to [www.leenh.org](http://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 who wish 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!