TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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September 14, 2012



LAMPREY RIVER PADDLE

This Weekend!

Saturday, Sept 15th 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Join a guided paddle up the river and back from the canoe launch at Wadleigh Falls on Route 152 in Lee.

Parking is available along the road. Bring your own boat and life vest. The trip will be lead by Mark West, local wetland scientist and ecologist, who will point out plants, insects and wildlife.

Sponsored by the Lamprey River Watershed Association 659-9363

See you on the River!

ROOT OUT THE INVADERS (ROTI)

This Weekend!

An invasive plant, oriental bittersweet, has gotten started at the edge of the Town Forest behind the Safety Complex. This invader is known to threaten vegetation of all heights in forested and open areas by growing up and over native trees and shrubs, ultimately killing them by girdling or overtopping them, preventing photosynthesis.

On Saturday, **September 15**th, join the Conservation Commission in our effort to stop this invader. We will be pulling small to middle-sized plants and bagging the vegetation for landfill disposal so that its seeds will not mature and spread.

Appropriate gear: sturdy work gloves, long sleeved shirt and long pants, drinking water and insect repellent. Be aware that poison ivy is also present where we will be working. If you have a garden fork, please bring it. Also, a pair of loppers for cutting the vines for bagging. At 9:00 am we will meet on the grassy slope behind the Safety Complex. Let's take a stand!



BENEFIT RIDE FOR OFFICER MARC CILLEY

This Weekend!

Sunday, September 16, 2012

Ride Begins/Ends at Lee Safety Complex 20 George Bennett Rd Registration 8:00 am – 9:30 am (kickstands up at 10:00 am) Registration \$20 Rider, \$10 Passenger

The Lee Police Association in cooperation with the Milton and Durham Police Departments are hosting this event for Officer Marc Cilley, a patrolman with the Milton NH Police Dept. Marc is a former combat veteran who served in the US Marine Corps from 2004 -2009. Marc has been diagnosed with cancer, has had one surgery and is undergoing chemo-therapy. Marc is a dedicated family man who has given most of his young adult life to the serving of his community and his country. All net proceeds will go to aid Marc's family during this time of hardship.

For more information please contact Sgt. Tom Dronsfield of the Lee Police at tdronsfield@leenh.org

PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS of SEPT 11, 2012

On September 11, 2012, 806 Lee residents cast their votes in the NH State Primary Election. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the results in Lee.

THE LEE FARMER'S MARKET

Visit the Farmer's Market located at the Highway Dept on Mast Rd (old fire station) in Lee! There is a variety of local produce, meats, baked goods, honey, syrup and crafts for sale. Hours are 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Thursdays. **The final market of the year will be Thursday, Sept 20th.** For questions, contact Dick Babcock at 659-9329.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, September 22, 2012

8:30 am - 12:30 PM

Dover Community Services Garage 271 Mast Rd, **DOVER**Most household chemicals are hazardous and are an ever growing problem. To minimize the risk of polluting the environment, please bring your unwanted household chemicals to the **DOVER** collection site for safe disposal.

To view other important information and a map **CLICK HERE**.

NH DOT PUBLIC MEETING/LEE TRAFFIC CIRCLE

On **September 24, 2012** the NH Department of Transportation will hold a meeting at 7 Hazen Dr, Room 211, Concord, regarding the reconstruction project for the Lee Traffic Circle. The project will improve safety and capacity by reconfiguring the roundabout to two lanes.

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to see the Public Hearing Notice for more information.

PROJECT NOTICE from CONTINENTAL PAVING INC

Continental Paving will be working on the State of NH D.O.T. project "Northwood-Lee", in Lee, Northwood, Nottingham, and Barrington through **September 28, 2012.** The paving work will be performed in the evenings, while the guardrail work will be performed during the daytime hours.

LEE VFW POST 10676 HAPPENINGS

Little River Park Celebration

The Post participated in the Little River Park festivities with a booth and raffle. We wish to thank all the donors of prizes for our raffle and all who bought tickets. The organizing committee should be thanked for organizing such a great family event. A real sense of community was enjoyed by all!

The Post is collecting old, unserviceable flags for disposal. We will have a flag burning this fall to properly retire them. They may be dropped off at Flag Hill Winery during their business hours. Dale V. Hardy, Commander

MAST WAY ANNUAL SPORTS SALE AND COSTUME SWAP

Parents! Start putting aside your outgrown and old sports equipment and costumes. Mast Way's Annual Sports Equipment Sale is **OCTOBER 6th**, 9 - 11AM.

Get your used sports gear that your family has outgrown together and consign with us on Friday, October 5th...We'll sell the equipment and split the profit, with the PTO's percentage going to Enrichment Activities and PE Equipment at Mast Way!

Curious as to what can be consigned or donated? Hockey equipment, skates, helmets, ski equipment, bicycles, outerwear, boots, exercise equipment, LAX equipment, cleats, baseball equipment, soccer, hockey and LAX goals.....you name it, we'll consign it! Just make sure it's in good operating condition.

Get your gear together now, as October 5th will be here soon! Need equipment? Come to Mast Way at 9 AM on October 6th...items move quickly!

Share last year's Halloween costumes on Friday evening, and then return on Saturday to find new ones. There is a table set aside just for the costumes.

Where: Mast Way Gym

Drop Off: Friday, Oct 5th, 6-8 PM (you can get your tags in

advance for easy drop off!) **Sale:** Saturday, Oct 6th, 9-11AM.

For questions, please contact Laura DiMeglio at 659-3537 or lmdnh70@gmail.com

THE SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Will meet on **October 27, 2012** at the Lee Town Hall from 11:00 to 11:30 am. This is the last day for town clerk/supervisors to accept voter registration applications.

No additions or corrections will be made to the checklist after this session, until State General Election day on November 6, 2012. *New voters may register at the polls.*

FUEL AND ELECTRICAL ASSISTANCE

It's time to think about the colder months ahead. Residents who are concerned about their upcoming heating bills are encouraged to apply for Fuel Assistance through Strafford County Community Action.

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, (Fuel Assistance), provides income-eligible households with help in paying energy bills during the winter months. You may also apply for the Electrical Assistance Program (this gives you a monthly discount on your electric bill) and Weatherization (this program can help to make your home more energy efficient). You may be eligible even if your heat is included in your rent!

Strafford County Community Action and the Town of Lee have made arrangements for applications for the above programs to be accepted on **Thursday, October 18**th at the Public Safety Complex 20 George Bennett Rd, Lee. <u>You must call Strafford County Community Action at 516-8126 for an appointment.</u> If you are unable to make an appointment for October 18th, make sure you call the number above to make an appointment for another day. Winter will be here before we know it!!!

EXPLORE LEE'S CONSERVED LANDS

Wednesday mornings through the summer and early fall, the Conservation Commission conducts a site walk of one of the Town's conserved properties. Residents are invited to join us!

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, Dawn Hayes. Meet in the Town Hall parking lot at 8:45 am, dressed for walking in the woods. Standard precautions for ticks and mosquitoes are advised. Typically, site walks take an hour and a half.

dB READINGS AT THE LEE USA SPEEDWAY

As a result of the Race Track Ad Hoc Committee formed last year, decibel readings have been taken regularly through the 2012 racing season.

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the data gathered thus far. At the end of the 2012 racing season the committee will meet again to review and analyze all readings.

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. **CLICK HERE** to view meetings and videos online through the media site at leenh.org.

ELECTION INFORMATION

GENERAL ELECTION - November 6, 2012

Polls are open from 7:00 am – 7:00 pm. Voting takes place at the Public Safety Complex 20 George Bennett Rd, Lee.

CLICK HERE for FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
CLICK HERE for information on the new VOTER ID LAW
CLICK HERE for an ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION

THE TOWN CENTER SURVEY

A Town Center Committee is in the process of being formed. When the committee has been organized a third Town Center Listening Session will be scheduled. There is still time to complete a survey!

CLICK HERE for Town Center Survey.

CLICK HERE to view the 1st Town Center Listening Session.

CLICK HERE to view the 2nd Town Center Listening Session.

COAST BUS TRANSPORTATION IN LEE

Transportation from Lee to: Newmarket, Durham, Newington and Portsmouth is provided by Lamprey Health Care through the Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST). The bus picks up at the Lee Town Hall at 8:45 am on Thursday's only. Please CLICK HERE to view the brochure regarding time and locations of stops and fares.

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.

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Story Times

Thursdays, 10:30 am Ages 3-6 Fridays, 10:30 am Ages 2-3

Social Gathering for Seniors

Thursdays at 2:00 pm through September

Knitting Get Together

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

Come and join other long-time knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish! For experienced knitters only!

Vietnam: First Person Accounts

Wednesday, September 19th at 7:00 pm

At the Lee Public Safety Complex

The Vietnam War stretched over 20 years and left millions of casualties. Nearly half a million young Americans took part in what proved to be the most controversial military intervention in the history of the United States. 40 years later, veterans and our national identity are still struggling to come to terms with the experience.

Come and interact with a panel of local veterans as they share their memories of the war. If you are a Vietnam Veteran and would like to join our panel, please contact the Lee Public Library at 659-2626. Presented by Laura Gund, Denis Hambucken and the Lee Heritage Commission. Hosted by the Lee Public Library and the Lee Historical Society.

September's Artist of the Month is Cori Caputo.

Working primarily in watercolor, Cori Caputo loves to create pictures that allow the viewer to take a journey to enchanted lands and uncharted islands. You are invited to step inside her world and find the painting that speaks to your heart.

FROM THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Senior Wellness Program – for the residents of Lee. Our program will focus on the wellness and fitness needs specific to those in our senior community. Seniors will be encouraged to improve strength, balance, flexibility and cardiovascular endurance. We will modify any movements to suit your ability level. To share any suggestions and comments, or to express interest please contact Dawn Marie Jarrell at 969-8251.

Senior Phone Scan Warning - FairPoint Communications and law enforcement are warning the public about a telephone scam that originates from Area Code 876. Please CLICK HERE for more information.

Greeting Card Class - Caroline West will be holding a class to teach seniors to make greeting cards. This class size will be limited to 8 people and will be held on the evening of **November 13**th at the Lee Library.

Discussion on Dementia - Carly Hellen will also be giving a talk on Dementia on **October 17th** at 7pm at the Lee Library

Meetings - The Senior Advisory Committee meets on the second Monday of each month at 9:00 am at the Public Safety Building. All are welcome to join us!

Free Classes - Mexican Cooking with Pat Wellington and Ceramics with Jacquie Neill (there will be a charge for materials). If there is enough interest in these classes we will schedule them in the Fall.

Please contact the library at 659-2626 to express interest.

THE LAMPREY RIVERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The full Lamprey River and five of its major tributaries have been in the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program for one year. Representatives from fourteen towns are now in the process of writing the rivers' management plan. The members must look at current issues and forecast issues that will necessitate action in the next few years. They look at the geographic, social, and financial issues of the fourteen towns.

They must carefully consider many variables: How to keep the good water clean and address areas that are not clean; how to ensure adequate flow so that people and nature have enough water; how to make sure people can access the river for appropriate recreation; how to preserve important historic and cultural assets; how to protect valuable habitat for a wide variety of creatures; how to engage citizens and their governments.

Fortunately, the members do not need to create a management plan from scratch. The Wild and Scenic River towns of Epping, Lee, Durham, and Newmarket created a management plan several years ago and revised the original plan in 2007.

Please visit http://www.lampreyriver.org/about-us-2007-mgmt-plan-revision to review the existing plan. For those who have suggestions for the full river plan, please contact Sharon Meeker at 659-5441 or s-meeker@comcast.net.

Charting a Course for Fun

Fall is a splendid time to explore the great outdoors. 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 and the accompanying guide can be downloaded at http://www.lampreyriver.org/UploadedFiles/Files/LampreyTourGuide.pdf.

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In the summer of 2011, the committee built a canoe launch just downstream of Wadleigh Falls on Route 152. This launch offers a safe place to park and access the river. 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!

Help Wanted

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. ~Margaret Meade

None of us is as smart as all of us. ~Ken Blanchard

The Lamprey River and its tributaries run through fourteen towns. Each town must have at least one representative on the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee and may have up to four. Currently, Durham and Lee have four, but Northwood has none. Most towns have one or two representatives. By statute, the committee should also represent various interests along the river. Town governments, environmental specialists, and riverside landowners are well represented, but no one is giving a voice to agricultural or business interests.

If you want to be involved in the future of the Lamprey River, please contact Sharon Meeker at <u>s-meeker@comcast.net</u> for more information. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of every month, please join us!