TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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WELCOME FALL!

LISTENING SESSION & PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Board of Selectmen will hold a Listening Session on **Monday, October 1**st, 6:00 pm at the Public Safety Complex to discuss E-911 recommendations regarding road name and numbering changes.

The changes discussed at the Listening Session will be voted on at a Public Hearing on **Monday, October 15**th, 6:00 pm at the Public Safety Complex.

For a list of the proposed changes and to view the public notice, please **CLICK HERE.**

FROM THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Road Agent, Randy Stevens advises that paving is tentatively scheduled for Old Mill Road on **Tuesday**, **October 2**nd.

Please expect delays. However, one lane of traffic shall remain open.

SOUTHEAST NH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Southeast NH Habitat for Humanity is looking for Partner Families for a 4 bedroom duplex in Farmington. Families are selected based on specific criteria such as: employment, income, inability to obtain a conventional mortgage, willingness to work on their home and/or other Habitat projects and ability to pay monthly interest-free mortgage payments (typically \$600-\$700).

Applications are available at the following Family Partner Information Meetings: Wednesday, **October 3**rd at 6:00 pm; Saturday, **October 6**th at 6:00 pm; Thursday, **October 11**th at 6:00 pm. Meetings are held at the Habitat ReStore 29 Fox Run Rd, Newington. If you plan to attend, please call 433-9555. Please **CLICK HERE** for more information.

MAST WAY ANNUAL SPORTS SALE/COSTUME SWAP

Bring your outgrown/old sports equipment and costumes. Mast Way's Sports Equipment Sale on **OCTOBER 6th**, 9:00 – 11:00 am.

Consign you used/outgrown sports gear with us on **Friday, October 5**th. We'll sell the equipment and split the profit, with the PTO's percentage going to Enrichment Activities and PE Equipment at Mast Way!

Consigned or Donate: hockey/baseball/ski/exercise equipment, skates, helmets, bicycles, outerwear, boots, LAX equipment, cleats, baseball equipment, soccer, hockey and LAX goals! Please make sure it's in good operating condition.

There is a table set aside just for the costumes.

Where: Mast Way Gym

Drop Off: Friday, October 5th, 6:00 - 8:00 pm (you can get

your tags in advance for easy drop off!)

Sale: Saturday, October 6th, 9:00 - 11:00 am.

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

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR

Please be advised, the Town Clerk's Office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, **October 8**th for Columbus Day. All other town offices will be open.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 7TH - 13TH!

Urges Residents to "Have Two Ways Out!"

The Lee Fire & Rescue Department will be hosting Station Tours and providing handouts during Fire Prevention Week to promote "Have Two Ways Out!" Residents can learn more about the importance of fire escape planning and practice, as well as the power of prevention.

If you woke up to a fire in your home, how much time do you think you would have to get to safety? According to the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), 1/3 of American households estimated that they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life threatening. Unfortunately, the time available is often less. Lee's Fire Dept is teaming up with NFPA during Fire Prevention Week, to urge residents to "Have Two Ways Out!" This year's theme focuses on the importance of fire escape planning and practice.

In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to 369,500 home structure fires. These fires caused 13,350 civilian injuries, 2,640 civilian deaths, and \$6.9 billion in direct damage. "One house fire was reported every 85 seconds in 2010," says Scott Nemet, Captain of the Lee Fire & Rescue Dept. "Fire is unpredictable and moves faster than most people realize. Having a tried and true escape plan with two ways out is essential to ensuring your family's safety should fire break out in your home."

Lee Fire & Rescue Department recommends the following tips for planning your family's escape:

Make a map of your home. Mark a door and a window that can be used to get out of every room.

Choose a meeting place outside in front of your home. This is where everyone can meet once they've escaped. Draw a picture of your outside meeting place on your escape plan.

Write the emergency telephone number for the fire department on your escape plan.

Sound the smoke alarm and practice your escape plan with everyone living in your home.

Keep your escape plan on the refrigerator and have your family practice the plan twice a year or whenever anyone in your home celebrates a birthday.

To learn more about "Have Two Ways Out!" visit NFPA's Web site at www.firepreventionweek.org or contact: Captain, Scott Nemet at 659-5411 or snemet@Leefire.org

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.*

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

FUEL AND ELECTRICAL ASSISTANCE

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.

You must call Strafford County Community Action at 516-8126 for an appointment. If you are unable to make an appointment for October 18th, call the number above to make an appointment for another day. Winter will be here before we know it!!!

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BANNED BOOKS WEEK

September 30 - October 6, 2012

Banned Books Week is an annual observance from the American Library Association's (ALA) Office for Intellectual Freedom (OIF) that celebrates the First Amendment right of the freedom to read. During Banned Books Week, libraries, schools, and bookstores across the country will celebrate the freedom to read by hosting events, exhibits and read-outs.

Celebrate thirty years of liberating literature! Read a book that was challenged...you will be surprised at the list!

STORY TIMES

Thursdays, 10:30 am : A 40 minute program, for all ages. **Fridays, 10:30 am :** A 30 minute program, for all ages.

Both programs include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is <u>not</u> required.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The after school program for ages 6-10 is held on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:30 pm. Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft are included. Mast Way students may ride bus 22 directly to the library. **Program begins Tuesday, October 2**nd. **Registration required**. Call 659-2626 to sign up! Thanks to the Friends of the Library for covering the cost of refreshments.

ROCKIN' READERS BOOK CLUB

For 5th and 6th graders, this club meets the first Thursday of each month from 3:00-4:00 pm. Read and discuss a different book each month. Pizza will be served! Students may take bus 8 directly to the library after school. The first meeting of the school year will be on **Thursday, October 4th**. **Sign up** by calling 659-2626!

DOG DAYS AT THE LIBRARY

Read with a 4 footed friend! This program is dedicated to improving reading skills of children using registered Pet Partner teams as literacy mentors. On the **2nd Thursday of the month** between 3:30-4:30 pm, children in grades K-4 can read for 20 minutes with Carla Corey and her cocker spaniel, Holly! **OR** On the **3rd Monday of the month** with Barb Brothwell and her French bulldog, Izzy! Talk to a librarian and **sign up.** This program resumes on **Thursday, October 11**th **and Monday, October 15**th.

Knitting Get Together

Tuesday, October 2, 9, 16 & 30 6:30-8:00 pm

Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring a project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends! This is not a class. For experienced knitters only!

Wadleigh Falls in the 17th Century

Wednesday, October 3rd

7:00 pm, Lee Public Safety Complex

Dave Meeker will give a talk on the 17th century history of Wadleigh's Falls, in Lee, NH. The influence of the English civil war on the early problems between and among New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and the Colonial Government makes an interesting story. It even stimulated a miniature revolt, the Gove Rebellion, which led to a sentence of death for Edward Gove of Hampton and the imprisonment of others, including three of Robert Wadleigh's sons. Presented by the Heritage Commission, the Lee Historical Society and the Lee Public Library.

D.O.T. - LEE TRAFFIC CIRCLE PROJECT

Town Administrator Julie Glover attended the public meeting held on September 24th at the NH Department of Transportation to review the plans to reconstruct the Lee Traffic Circle. At that meeting, the Highway Layout Commission voted in favor of moving forward with the project, which is expected to go out to bid in Spring 2014. Information regarding this project can be found on the DOT website at http://www.nh.gov/dot/projects/lee15692/index.htm.

FROM THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Senior Wellness Program – 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. To express interest please contact Dawn Marie Jarrell at 969-8251.

Greeting Card Class - Caroline West will be holding a class to teach seniors to make greeting cards. The 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 be giving a talk on Dementia on **October 17**th at 7:00 pm 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). Contact the library at 659-2626 to express interest.

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.

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.

LEE HOLIDAY COMMUNITY CONCERT

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, **December 1**st at 6:00 pm! "FRIENDS OF THE LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY" invite you to attend the community concert at the Grange immediately following the annual tree lighting ceremony on the Lee triangle green at 5:45 pm.

Great Bay Sailor will be performing songs of the season!

Light Refreshments will be available. Free-will donations are greatly appreciated and <u>always</u> go directly to providing Library programs and services! **CLICK HERE** for more information.

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.



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 talk to one of our staff and learn more. Visit www.straffordcap.org for more information.