TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE 7 Mast Road, Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (603) 659-5414



November 9, 2012



TOWN OFFICES CLOSED for UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

Please be advised all Town Offices will be **CLOSED** on **Monday**, **November 12th** for Veteran's Day; **Thursday and Friday November 22nd and 23rd** for Thanksgiving.

The Transfer Station will also be **CLOSED** on **Thursday**, **November 22**nd.

2012 TAX BILL DUE BY DECEMBER 12, 2012

Tax bills are being mailed to property owners on November 9, 2012 and are due by Wednesday, December 12, 2012.

The 2012 tax rate is \$29.94 per thousand. The Town Rate is \$6.67, Local School Rate \$18.22, State School Rate \$2.41 and the County Rate \$2.64. Overall, this is \$0.18 less than the 2011 Tax Rate, although the Local School Rate increased by \$0.31.

SUPERVISORS of the CHECKLIST

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on November 17, 2012 at the Lee Town Hall from 11:00 - 11:30 am. This is the last day to accept voter registration applications. **No additions or corrections will be made to the checklist after this session**, until the Special Town Meeting on November 29, 2012. New voters may register at the polls.

NOVEMBER 6, 2012 ELECTION RESULTS IN LEE

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT:

Barack Obama/Joe Biden - 1621

Mitt Romney/Paul Ryan - 921 Gary Johnson/James Gray - 36 Virgil Goode/James Clymer - 2

GOVERNOR:

Maggie Hassan – 1673 Ovide Lamontagne – 819 John Babiarz – 67

REPRESENTATIVE FOR CONGRESS:

Carol Shea-Porter – 1587 Frank Guinta – 864 Brendan Kelly – 86

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR:

Christopher Pappas – 1519 Robert Burns – 715 Kenneth Blevens – 114

STATE SENATOR:

Martha Fuller Clark - 1690 Peter MacDonald - 696

The Town Clerk reports an 81% turnout of the 2877 voters on the checklist and 350 new voters registered at the polls on November 6th. Statistics for the 2008 General Election: 3127 voters on the checklist voted and 232 new voters registered at the polls for a 76.4% turnout.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to see the full 2012 General Election results for the Town of Lee.

FROM the SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Medicare Made Easy - Medicare open enrollment is from now until December 7th. A Walgreen's pharmacist will help explain Medicare drug plan benefits and help you research Medicare plans so you can confidently choose or switch to a plan that could save you money and improve drug coverage. Tuesday **November 13th** at 10:00 a.m. at the Lee Safety Complex.

Please note there will be NO Senior Advisory Committee meeting in December.

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Library will be CLOSED Monday, November 12^{TH} for Veterans Day.

New Books

We have the books on the New York Times Best Sellers List! Other new books you may be interested in: <u>100 Fresh and Fun</u> <u>Handmade Cards, Civil War Ghost Trails, Crochet Scarves, Day</u> <u>Trips New England, Fresh Egg Cookbook, Grow your Handmade</u> <u>Business, Ace Your Teacher Interview, The Pickled Pantry, 150</u> <u>Best Jobs for Your Skills, Transformational Fasting; The Complete</u> <u>Beginner's Guide to Raising Small Animals</u> just to name a few. Reserve books online at

http://www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH Library/onlinecatalog

Greeting Card Making

Tuesday, November 13 from 6:00 -7:30 pm For seniors 50 and older

Using "The Big Book of Greeting Cards" as her guide, Caroline West will teach a class on greeting card construction. Stop by the library and peruse "The big book of greeting cards" to choose the design you would like to create! Class is limited to 8 people. **Registration is required.** Sponsored by the Senior Advisory Group and the Lee Public Library.

Book Discussion

Monday, November 19 at 7:00 pm

<u>Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry</u> by Rachel Joyce "Accomplished BBC playwright Joyce's debut novel is a gentle and genteel charmer, brimming with British quirkiness yet quietly haunting in its poignant and wise examination of love and devotion. Sure to become a book-club favorite."—Carol Haggas, *Booklist*

Senior Knitting

Wednesday, November 21 and December 12 at 9:00 am

If you are looking for great knitting instruction this is the class for you. Bring your project and get the help you need...finish in time for holiday gift-giving!

No Fret Cooking!

Monday, November 26 at 7:00 pm

Come listen to the author of "No Fret Cooking," a cookbook that includes something for everyone, even music lovers. This book focuses on fresh, simple, healthy, yummy recipes accompanied by music to cook and dine by. Marilyn Carter will tell us how the book came about and the steps taken to get it published. She will bring samples for people to try. Her husband Steve will play songs from the CD that accompanies the cookbook. **Registration required.**

NOVEMBER IS NaNoWriMo

Lee Public Library is on the list as a place for writers to come write if they so choose during NaNoWriMo 2012. (National Novel Writing Month) What writers have to do to participate: Starting in November write with other NaNoWriMo participants in Lee or write by yourself. Just write, write and then write some more. According to the NaNoWriMo web site "If you write 50,000 words of fiction by midnight, local time, November 30th, you can upload your novel for official verification, and be added to our hallowed Winner's Page and receive a handsome winner's certificate." For information on this event : <u>http://www.nanowrimo.org/en</u>

STORY TIME

Story time is on Thursday and Friday mornings at 10:30 am. Thursday's story time is a 40 minute program. Friday's story time is 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 Tuesday 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 will also be included. Mast Way students may ride bus 22 directly to the library after school. **Registration is 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 3-4 p.m. Participants will read and discuss a different book each month. And – pizza will be served! Students may take bus 8 directly to the library after school.. **Sign up** by calling 659-2626! Thank you to The Friends of the Lee Public Library for providing the refreshments!

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. Between **3:30 - 4:30 pm**, children in **grades K-4** can read for 20 minutes with Carla Corey and her cocker spaniel, Holly on the **second Thursday of the month** or with Barb Brothwell and her French bulldog, Izzy on the **third Monday of the month**. If interested, talk to a librarian and **sign up**.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, November 17th from 7:30 am - 9:00 am

A pancake breakfast with Santa will be held at the Public Safety Complex on George Bennett Rd. \$5 for Adults and \$3 for Kids!

5th ANNUAL HOLIDAY SHOPPING BAZAAR MAST WAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 23 MAST RD, LEE November 17th from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Visit our school, meet the community and enjoy a relaxed shopping experience with over 34 incredible area businesses and local artisans selling a wide assortment of items including jewelry, items for the home, children's toys and books, crafts, apparel, artwork, baked goods and so much more!! The PTO will be selling a variety of refreshments and take home food items and offering a relaxing spot for you to sit and enjoy your food and the company.

Children will stay busy with face painting and tattoos while you enjoy shopping and supporting the local community. Join us for a fun day of food, fun and raffles galore! Bring your friends! For more information or to become a vendor, please contact Laura DiMeglio at <u>lmdnh70@gmail.com</u>.

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING!

Saturday, December 1st at 5:45 pm

At the Lee Triangle on Mast Road

We always have fun meeting our neighbors and sharing in this annual tradition of lighting our tree! Please come and be a part of this community event!

LEE HOLIDAY COMMUNITY CONCERT

SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, December 1st 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 at the Lee triangle 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! <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information.



DON'T FORGET TO VOTE AGAIN!!

The Second Session (Ballot Vote) will be held on **Thursday**, **Nov 29th.** Polls are open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Safety Complex on George Bennett Road.

At the deliberative session on October 25, 2012 over 100 registered voters from Lee passionately deliberated and amended the citizens' petition for artificial turf at Little River Park.

The original petition was amended as follows:

To see if the Town will install an artificial turf field at Little River Park, provided that funding for the added costs of installation above those of installation of natural grass can be raised through donations within twenty four (24) months of the date of passage of this Town vote; to landscape the installed artificial turf field in an aesthetically pleasing manner to the satisfaction of the Board of Selectmen; to use the rock currently at Little River Park as part of the installation which was purchased following a 2010 warrant article, and to maintain the field as a competition level playing field for sports such as soccer, football, lacrosse and field hockey provided that any costs for such management and maintenance, including replacement costs, be secured through general taxation and/or offsetting revenues which may include fees and charges from the use of Little River Park.

<u>dB READINGS AT THE LEE USA SPEEDWAY</u>

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. The Ad Hoc Committee is scheduled to meet with the Board of Selectmen on **November 13, 2012** to discuss the data gathered during the 2012 Racing Season.

FALL TOWN CRIER

The FALL TOWN CRIER, Lee's Quarterly Newsletter covers meetings, events and announcements for October, November and December. In case you missed it please <u>CLICK HERE</u>

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> to view 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 6:00-7:00 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.



<u>COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP</u> 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.