TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

7 Mast Road Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (603) 659-5414 December 12, 2014

TOWN TREE LIGHTING DECEMBER 7, 2014



CAROLING PRIOR TO TREE LIGHTING



AFTER TREE LIGHTING MUSIC AND REFRESHMENTS SERVED AT THE GRANGE

LEE TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS ON DECEMBER 25TH, 26TH AND IANUARY 1ST



DONATIONS NEEDED

CAP is seeking food and monetary donations to help fund their Annual Holiday Food Program. Each year they give HUNDREDS of holiday food baskets to people in need. Please call 603-516-8146 for donation information or give via PayPal at straffordcap.org/donate.

FOR THE STRAFFORD COUNTY COMMUNITY ACCESS TO RECOVERY DAY Saturday, December 13th 10:00 – 2:00 pm Wentworth Douglass Hospital CLICK HERE for more information or go to <u>www.straffordsheriff.com</u>



RELEASE OF THE OYSTER RIVER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Thursday, December 18, 2014 6:00 – 7:00 pm Madbury Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Road, Madbury, NH <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Agenda

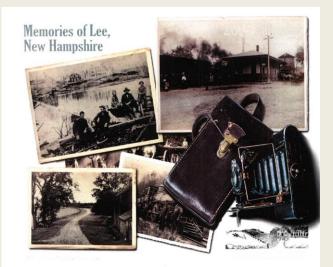


DURGIN PRESERVE ANNOUNCEMENT The Gate at Rita Lane for Durgin Preserve has been CLOSED for the winter and will reopen in April 2015.

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 3RD

CLICK HERE for the minutes Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting Tuesday, December 23, 2014 at 10:00 am in the Executive Council Chamber at the State House Concord, NH

NOW ON SALE AT TOWN HALL! 2015 MEMORIES OF LEE, NH CALENDAR



CREATED BY THE LEE HERITAGE COMMISSION IN COLLABORATION WITH THE LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



HISTORIC PHOTOS OF LEE <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information

STILL ON SALE AT TOWN HALL!

The Early Mills and Industry of Lee, NH Compiled and researched by Randy Stevens and Susan Wellington Proceeds to benefit the Heritage Commission SWAP SHOP VOLUNTEER NEEDED! Call the TS Manager Roger Rice at 659-2239 or the Town Administrator Julie Glover at 659-5414 for details.

TOWN OPENINGS: TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS LEE RECREATION COMMISSION

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for an application & deliver to the Town Hall

READY RIDES NEEDS volunteer DRIVERS from LEE!

READY RIDES volunteer drivers offer free rides to medical appointment for residents 55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford.

They need volunteer drivers from Lee! This program receives support from the town and is a great opportunity for active residents with minimal amount of time to volunteer. Drivers receive 25 cents per mile and can pick as many or as few rides as they want to do. Drivers must be at least 25 years old, have a valid driver's license and a favorable driving record. You must have a legally registered, inspected and insured vehicle to transport the rider. You will need to complete a volunteer application that includes a motor vehicle and criminal background check. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or email info@readyrides.org for information about how to help your neighbor.



Lee Public Library Community Center - Public Info Session Thursday, December 18TH 7:00 pm Public Safety Complex, 2ND Floor Conference Room

Thanks to everyone who attended the November 20th information session. There was some good information shared and good questions asked. For those unable to attend, a video of the session is available at http://media.leenh.org/?page_id=256 There will be another Information Session on December 18th, with updated information about the floor plan and financing options. Architect Dennis Mires and representatives from Milestone Engineering will be on hand to explain the revisions and answer questions.

Working together, Lee can build it!



VERNAL POOL

SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE FAMILY NATURE WALK IN TOWN FOREST Saturday, December 13th 9:30 am Weather Permitting

Things can get hectic and stressful during the holidays and a walk in the woods is the perfect antidote. We'll visit a porcupine den, check out the beautiful new bridges, look at some mammal skulls and stop by a vernal pool. Along the way, we may find tracks to follow, small evergreen plants to learn about and odd trees to admire. For those of you who have children who take part in the nature walks at the Mast Way School, this is an opportunity to visit some of the places your children are getting to know. We'll meet behind the backstop of the baseball field adjacent to Mast Way School. All ages welcome! Monthly family Nature Walks are sponsored by the Lee Conservation Commission and the Senior Advisory Committee. If the weather is bad again this week we will postpone our walks until January.

The next meeting of the Senior Advisory Committee is January 12th, 9:00 am at the Safety Complex. We are researching the topic of senior housing and members have visited housing in Newmarket and talked with NH housing developers over the past several months. Frank DeRocchi will be attending a local board meeting of Ready Rides. This group is still looking for two volunteers from Lee who will drive community members to medical appointments.

The following is a link to Code Red sign up instructions if you wish to be informed of news of a community emergency.

https://cne.coderedweb.com/Default.aspx?groupid=PghVk8S5PXe2qvl eTBP6%2fw%3d%3d If you do not have the capability of signing up from home, please call Fire Chief Scott Nemet at 603-659-5411.

The Wednesday 9:00 am Knitting Gathering will meet on December 17TH at the Lee Library. We continue to be inspired by the able knitters in this group and inspired by the breadth of knowledge of Donna Kay, knitting instructor, who inspires us to keep moving forward to more advanced projects. Our group-knitted gift for Sharon Taylor, former Lee Library Director, will be presented to her this holiday season for her many kindnesses that enabled us to have a central meeting place outside of official library hours. Our thanks go out to the Library Trustees who are continuing in Sharon's footsteps. The program is sponsored by the Lee Library and Senior Advisory Committee.

TOWN OF LEE NOW OFFERS ONLINE SERVICES



for car registration renewals, dog licenses, vital records and property taxes. To access the new online services, please visit the Town of Lee's website at <u>www.leenh.org</u>. Credit/debit cards and ACH payments (bank-to-bank transfers) will be accepted for all online transactions. Credit/debit card and internet processing fees will apply.



The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office now accepts MasterCard, Visa, American Express, and Discover credit cards; debit cards that display these logos are also accepted. *Please note:* There are additional fees to cover the cost of using a credit or debit card – 2.95% of the total transaction with \$1.50 minimum. These convenience fees go directly to the Town of Lee's third party credit/debit card processor and are not retained by the Town of Lee. Convenience fees cannot be refunded. Cash and checks are still accepted forms of payment and do not require additional fees.



LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

You like us at the library, now like us on Facebook!



LIBRARY REGULAR HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:00 – 8:00 pm Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

December 24th 9:00 am – Noon December 25th & 26th – Closed December 31st 9:00 am – Noon January 1, 2015 – Closed The library would like to revive its **Armchair Traveler series**. Are there any interested travelers out there who would like to share their adventures with people in the community? If so, please contact the library at 659-2626 or email us at <u>leelibrary@comcast.net</u>.



HOLIDAY GRAHAM CRACKER HOUSE Saturday, December 13th 10:30 am

Families are invited to come to the library to create a holiday graham cracker house. This edible treat makes a great holiday centerpiece! Please talk to a librarian or call the library to register.

ON GOING PROGRAMS



Thursday & Friday at 10:30 am

These fun 30 – 40 minute programs include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required.



NO FOOLIN, JUST FUN - ADULT GAME DAY

Tuesdays, Next day December 16th at 9:30 am

Come join the fun, make new friends and learn some new games. All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



STORY TREKKERS Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30 pm Ages 6-10

Read a variety of authors and award-winning books. Snack, games and a craft included. Mast way students ride bus 23. Please register. This program is currently filled and has a waiting list.



KNITTING GET TOGETHER Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

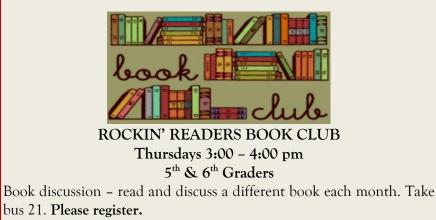
Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Bring that project you've been meaning to finish and make some new friends. Sorry, there are no instructors.



KNITTING FOR 50+

ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS, NEXT IS DECEMBER 17th 9AM

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.





DONATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning on November 1, 2014, the library will no longer accept book donations for the book sale until the spring of 2015. Our book sale shelves are bursting at the seams, so please feel free to come by anytime there isn't a program going on downstairs and fill a bag.



MARIPOSA MUSEUM AND WORLD CULTURE CENTER Peterborough, NH

Thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Lee Public Library, we now have a membership to the Mariposa Museum and World Culture Center. The pass admits 2 adults and 2 children for free. The museum is currently running an exhibit called "World of Chocolate" until January 15, 2015. Check out their website <u>www.mariposamuseum.org</u>.



CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART Manchester, NH

Our pass to the Currier courtesy of the Friends of the Lee Public Library, admits up to 2 adults for free. Children under 18 are also free. Beginning September 20, 2014 - January 5, 2015, the museum is presenting an exhibit by M.C. Escher called "Reality and Illusion". There will be a \$5 special exhibition charge to view the exhibit. Upcoming exhibits include, Still Life: 1970's Photorealism, Audubon's Wild Animals of North America, Witness to History: James Nachtwey Photography, and Killer Heels: The Art of the High Heeled Shoe. Check out their website for all their programs: www.currier.org.



nook

Did you know the library has a Kindle and a Nook available for checkout? Great opportunity to explore whether or not you like reading on an electronic device!

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.



Please visit the following link to view all the library's programs: <u>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> !

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! For reservations or more information call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday through Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm or go to lampreyhealth.org/index.php/patient-services/transportation_program



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!



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.

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MEETING CALENDAR

To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org CLICK HERE



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off box is available at the Public Safety Complex for unused and unwanted prescriptions.

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. <u>dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/influenza/index.htm</u>

FoodPantry

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.



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.straffordcap.org</u>.



FUEL & ELECTRICAL ASSISTANCE

CAP employees are now taking appointments for fuel and electrical assistance. Last year, we served nearly 3,900 households. Incomeeligible households can get help paying their winter heating bills by applying for fuel assistance now through April 30, 2015. Electrical assistance is available year round. We have flexible hours and locations for appointments. Call today at 603-516-8126 or 603-516-8191. Visit www.straffordcap.org



DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRIES

We are seeking donations of non-perishable food items, grocery store gift cards and financial donations to help stock our food pantries in Dover, Farmington and Milton. Supplies are critically low yet demand remains very high. To donate, visit <u>www.straffordcap.org/donate</u> today! Our food pantries serve individuals and families from all over Strafford County.

BITS of HISTORY from The NEWMARKET ADVERTISER December 1, 1900

A disastrous cyclone swept over some parts of Lee Wednesday, November 21. It was especially so on Mast Road. Near the old cemetery about twenty pine trees were broken off and piled up in such a manner that it took five men all of one day to make the road passable. During that time teams were obliged to pass through the adjoining fields. The windmill belonging to G.E. and T.B. Chesley was badly damaged, necessitating a trip to Boston to purchase repairs. Three chimneys were blown from the house of M. Frank Dearborn and part of the roof to his barn was blown a considerable distance.

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