TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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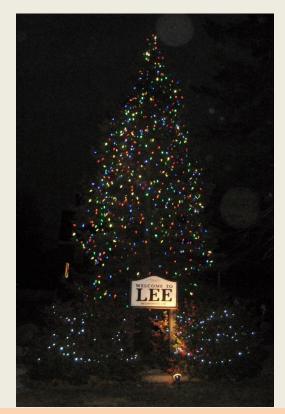
FY15 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

December 16, 2013 6:00 pm

Public Safety Complex

THE LEE CENTER CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING TOOK PLACE ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH







CAROLERS GATHER AROUND THE TREE

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LEE NEWS!!!! THE 2013 TAX RATE HAS BEEN SET! THE NEW RATE IS \$28.75! Tax bills are due by December 27th

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STRAFFORD COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS PRESENTS "COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS" Wednesdays, January 8th – February 5th 6 – 8:00 pm AND Saturday January 18th 8:30am – 4:00 pm Somersworth High School, Somersworth, NH <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information

MCGREGOR MEMORIAL EMS ANNOUNCES ANNUAL FUND DRIVE CLICK HERE for more information

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 4TH Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting Friday, December 20, 2013 at 10:00 am The State House in Concord, NH <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the minutes VISIT the LEE FARMERS MARKET FB Page YEAR ROUND for AGRICULTURAL and COMMUNITY EDUCATION and EVENTS www.facebook.com/LeeFarmersMarket

The NH LOCAL ENERGY WORK GROUP (LEWG) presents the LOCAL ENERGY SOLUTIONS (LES) TRAINING SERIES consisting of WEBINAR trainings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from Noon – 1:00 pm

December 11th - Take Control of Your Town's Energy Budget: Energy Reduction for Municipal Buildings

JANUARY SCHEDULE TO BE DETERMINED

FROM THE TRANSFER STATION

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for 10 Year Anniversary Announcement

The new Red Transfer Station stickers are available and are good until the end of 2015. Please take a minute, if you haven't already, to put one on your vehicle.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

LEE SENIORS GROUP

We are looking for input as we develop a program to reach out to the seniors of Lee. Please email us at <u>lee.Seniors.Group@gmail.com</u>.

RFL: REQUEST FOR LOGO 1766 – 2016 250th CELEBRATION FOR LEE

With plans underway to celebrate the Town of Lee's Incorporation in 2016, the planning committee for the 250th Celebration has the need for a distinguishing design or logo to be the graphic identity for this event. Our town has many talented artists, writers, photographers and designers and the committee is putting out a <u>RFL - Request for Logo</u>. This is a great opportunity to take part in the history of our town.

All ideas are welcome and can be submitted by email to Clara Kustra at: Lee250@lee.nh.org

Please remember to include your contact information with your submissions.

LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

The Library Community Center plans and budget estimates are available online at the following link: www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH BComm/Building/index. These are also available at the Lee Public Library. All Lee residents are welcome to attend the Building Committee meetings. The next meeting is December 19th at 6:30 pm in the Library.

LEE RECEIVES \$10,000 FOR NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY

http://fosters.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20131118 /GJNEWS_01/131119345/-1/FOSNEWS

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

Tuesday, December 24th – 9:00 am – Noon OPEN Wednesday, December 25th – CLOSED

Tuesday, December 31st – 9:00 am – Noon OPEN Wednesday, January 1st – CLOSED

Monday, January 20th - CLOSED

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT INFORMATION

The library recently held a talk about the Affordable Care Act. The presenters left a variety of printed material regarding the Affordable Care Act that is available to the public. Drop by the library and ask for more information at the desk.

STORY TIME

Thursdays & Fridays 10:30 am

Stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board & a craft. Registration is not required. All ages welcome.

ROCKIN' READERS

First Thursday of the Month 3:00 - 4:00 pm

In this book club for 5th and 6th graders, 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!



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

Come and join other knitters for an evening of knitting and socializing. Make some new friends, while finishing up a project. For experienced knitters, no instructors available!



DOG DAYS AT THE LIBRARY (K-4th students) 3rd Monday of every month 4:00 pm

Come read to a French Bulldog named Izzy. Registration is required. Call 659-2626 to sign up.



DROP-IN WOODEN SNOWMAN CRAFT Saturday, December 21st and 28th You'll want to hang this cute snowman somewhere special!

KNITTING CLASS FOR 50 & OLDER Alternate Wednesdays, 9:00 am December 18th

Join a drop-in group that meets (mostly) every other Wednesday at the library. Instructor Donna Kay will help with your projects! All levels welcome. Program is being offered by the Senior Advisory Committee in conjunction with the Lee Public Library.

BEGINNING JANUARY 1ST WATCH FOR:

BOOK SALE

Saturday, January 4th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Check out the books at 6/\$1.00 or \$0.20/each. Such a deal!

BOOK DISCUSSION

Monday, January 13th 7:00 pm

Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian

"An unforgettable exposition of the still too-little-known facts of the Armenian genocide and its multigenerational consequences."-Kirkus Reviews

DROP-IN SNOWMAN CRAFT

Saturday, January 18th & 25th Make a snowman pin to add pizzazz to a winter coat, hat, or scarf!



MEDICARE INFO SESSION

Wednesday, January 22nd 2:00 pm **Public Safety Complex**

Harvey Epstein, SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) counselor will explain some of the aspects of Medicare. There will be an opportunity for questions at the end. Presented by the Senior Advisory Committee and the Lee Public Library.

DEVICE ADVICE

Wednesday, January 22nd 7:00 pm

Wondering what you can do with the new e-reader or tablet you received. A real user session where we share what works and what doesn't, tips tried and true! Call or write with what you have and we will match you up with someone with the same device. Call 659-2626 or email leelibrary@comcast.net.

LIVING HEALTHY WITH LIVING THINGS Monday, January 27th 7:00 pm **Jeremiah Smith Grange Hall**

The first presentation of the series focuses on Healthy Digestive System for Us and Our Animals and will paint a broad picture of how microbes in nature provide the necessary function in our sustainable ecology. The panel discussion will feature a chef, farmer, nutritionist and other experts as the topics dictate. Presented by the Lee Agricultural Commission and the Lee Public Library.

RUG BRAIDING WORKSHOP

Beginning Tuesday, January 28th at 6:00 pm

Learn the rug braiding techniques for creating a traditional wool rug. Questions about the workshop may be directed to Annie Gasowski at 659-5273. Call the library at 659-2626 to register.

COMPUTER CLASSES

Take classes through the Lee Public Library's Learning Express. (Look for Learning Express on our website) Whatever your goal, Learning Express resources will help you succeed. Each of the Learning Centers offers practice tests, exercises, skill-building courses, and information you need to achieve the results you want—at school, at work, or in life. You can keep track of your progress just by signing in. You can take all courses from your home computer or come into the library and we will help you get started! Some of the courses available to you:

> **Email and Chat** Adobe Dreamweaver Courses Adobe Illustrator Courses Adobe Photoshop Courses Corel WordPerfect Courses Microsoft Access Courses **Microsoft Excel Courses** Microsoft Outlook Courses Microsoft PowerPoint Courses Microsoft Publisher Courses Microsoft Word Courses Windows and Mac Operating Systems Courses **Getting Started with Computers** Getting Started with the Internet Social Networks and Online Communities Web Applications and Internet Security

LEE LIBRARY ONLINE CATALOG NEWS

OverDrive, which powers the NH Downloadable Books service, may now be searched from our card catalog. Directions for using this service are as follows: Enter the title, author or other search term in the search box at the upper-left corner. Then look for the OverDrive tab to limit your search to the NH Downloadable collection. Click on the "Click here to go to..." message to get to the NH Downloadable site and "Sign In" as usual."

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> !

For our patrons from the Friends of Lee Public Library Book Page, a monthly newsletter, is filled with ideas for great reading. If you like to give the gift of books, whether in print or electronic, the December issue, available at the library, is bursting with ideas! Here are a few:

Children:

<u>Lego Playbook: Ideas to Bring Your Bricks to Life</u> - Daniel Lipkowitz <u>Real Wonders of the World</u> - Lonely Planet <u>I'd Know You Anywhere My Love</u> - Nancy Tillman

Adults:

<u>Unlikely Loves</u> – Jennifer S. Holland <u>Just One Evil Act</u> – Elizabeth George <u>Orphan Train</u> – Christina Baker Kline <u>The Goldfinch</u> – Donna Tartt (Best of 2013 #1 Editor's Pick) <u>Life After Life</u> – Kate Atkinson (Best of 2013 #10 Editor's Pick)

Audio:

<u>Still Foolin'</u>Em – Billy Crystal <u>Dog Tripping</u> – David Rosenfelt

Children's DVDs for the Holidays available at the library:

Santa Claus 3: The Escape Claus Prancer Home Alone Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas A Charlie Brown Christmas A Christmas Story Jingle All the Way Muppet Christmas Carol Polar Express Shrek the Halls

MUSEUMS

Remember the discount coupons for museums available at the library! We have the Museum of Fine Arts, Children's Museum of NH, Boston Science Museum, Currier Museum, Seacoast Science Museum, and Strawberry Banke just to name a few!

LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY DID YOU ATTEND A SCHOOL IN LEE?

Phyllis White is resuming her research on the history of education in Lee. If you attended a One Room Schoolhouse, the Town Hall, or Mast Way Schools, or if you are a former teacher or the owner of one of the town's Day Care/Nursery Schools, Phyllis would like to hear from you. She can be reached at 659-2883.

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!

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! The service is door-to-door. For reservations call 1-800-582-7214 or 659-2424 Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. Lee residents are welcome to join us for our weekly shopping run to the Fox Run Mall, Wal-Mart and many other stops. The bus currently picks up at Lee Town Hall at 8:50 a.m. on Thursdays.

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.

MEETING CALENDAR

To view the meeting calendar on leenh.org CLICK HERE

WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY

Location: 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.

STRAFFORD COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS HEALTH & SAFETY COUNCIL OF STRAFFORD COUNTY

The below web page link to the NHHS has some good information about Influenza - click on the "Senior" web page link for more information.

http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/influenza/index.htm



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

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



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. For more information, visit www.straffordcap.org.



Holiday Food Basket Program 2013

We are seeking donations to help fund our Annual Holiday Food Program

Each year, we give <u>hundreds</u> of Thanksgiving & Christmas food baskets to people in need

Call **603-516-8146** for donation information or go online at <u>www.straffordcap.org/donate</u>

CAP CAN HELP!



BITS of HISTORY from The NEWMARKET ADVERTISER December 3, 1892

The Jeremiah Smith Grange, a former church built in 1841, was converted to a grange hall in 1891 and still serves as a center for community gatherings in the agricultural town of Lee.

Jeremiah Smith Grange will give an entertainment, consisting of tableaux, farces, vocal music, recitations, etc., at Grange Hall, Tuesday evening, Dec. 6. Music by Edgerly's Orchestra. Admission, 15 cents; supper, 15 cents.

Charles Hardy has taken the contract to tear down the old grist and saw mills on the Wiswall water privilege, and rebuild the dam for the Newmarket Electric Light Heat and Power Company.

The land connected with the Sawyer estate, which was sold by auction last Wednesday, found ready purchasers. The ten acre lot adjoining Josiah Sawyer's farm was purchased by him. The meadow lot was knocked off to Peter Ladd, and Representative-elect Bert P. Thompson purchased the 90 acres of pasture land.

Excerpts submitted by Road Agent Randy Stevens, who has been researching Lee's history in his spare time. Thanks Randy!