

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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December 15, 2017

Lee News & Upcoming
Events

THE LEE TRANSFER STATION SWAP SHOP IS CLOSING FOR THE WINTER
as of Friday, December 29th and will reopen on Tuesday, April 3, 2018



Residents with Bulky Items Please Report Inside Transfer Station

DECEMBER SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, **December 18th** starting at 6:30 pm

Meetings can now be seen on **You Tube** at www.media.leenh.org

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Superior Court's decision in the case Veterans Resort Chapel (VRC) vs.
Zoning Board of Adjustment

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Lee Select Board's Statement on the decision



ATTENTION!

THE SELECTMEN'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20TH FROM
NOON - 2:30pm FOR A HOLIDAY LUNCH

THE TOWN CENTER VISION COMMITTEE

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the TCVC Charge

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Committee website

DECEMBER MEETINGS

Tuesday, December 19th 6:00 pm (with the Select Board)

JANUARY MEETINGS

Wednesday, December 3rd 6:00 pm

ATTENTION!
TOWN HALL ENTRANCE DOOR CONSTRUCTION
Thursday, January 4th All day

The entrance (side) door to Town Hall is being replaced and the work is scheduled for January 4th so access through that entrance will be limited; however, if you need to utilize the ramp, accommodations will be made. Otherwise, plan on entering Town Hall through the front door but please exercise caution. Thank you for your cooperation.



FROM THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Lee Hill Cemetery gates are now closed for the season. Walk in access is still available. [CLICK HERE](#) for the Cemetery Rules and Regulations. Thank you so much for your cooperation.



20 PLUS YEARS OF PROGRESS

Twenty years ago, the lower part of the Lamprey River was designated a federal “Wild and Scenic” River by the U.S. Congress. In 2016 the U.S. Parks Service awarded the Lamprey River Advisory Committee (LRAC) a grant to produce a report covering the history and progress of twenty years as a national Wild and Scenic River. The report was finalized and published in September 2017 and is available on the web site: www.Lampreyriver.org. All of the river and its five most important tributaries are now in the State’s River and Lakes Management and Protection program.

Through LRAC’s efforts, and partnering with other groups, the Committee has leveraged funding totaling \$4,934,881 for land protection, mostly through easements. This has resulted in the protection of 3,512 acres and 16.3 miles of river frontage, some of which is in Lee.

We have working groups devoted to history, outreach and education, recreation, water quality and quantity, and wildlife and ecology and we review projects that are proposed in the river corridor. Mast Way school fourth graders study the Lamprey with the aid of our curriculum and field trips. We’ve produced two books and put them in every school and local library, the newest of which is “Chick and Dee’s Lamprey Adventure.” Check our website for more information on the Lamprey and our efforts to protect this diverse and rich river watershed.



LSC Announces the Lee Well and Groundwater Awareness Program

The Lee Sustainability Committee (LSC) is proud to distribute our new document, the [Lee Well and Groundwater Awareness Program](#). As part of our education mission, the LSC produced this document to inform Lee residents about their water supply. Our primary goal is to raise community awareness around water use in order to promote sound conservation practices. We were fortunate to work directly with the NH Department of Environmental Services on this project. Much of our document is based on information from NH DES and the 2016 – 2026 Lee Master Plan.

The **Awareness Program** document includes a form which you can fill in with information about your own well and household water system for future reference. We urge you to record details now, before a problem develops. The form may be filled out and saved on your computer or it may be printed and filled out with a pen if you prefer. Paper copies are available at Lee Town Hall and the Lee Library.

Surface water on the North River in the past year.



October, 2016



December, 2017

Same spot on the North River, north of High Road bridge, Lee

Our initial motivation was the drought, which got severe in the summer of 2016. Over 60% percent of the state was in a severe or extreme drought condition, with the worst concentrated here in the southeast. Fortunately the drought is over. Nonetheless, we realized that we have very little information about how much available water is in the ground in the Town of Lee. We have anecdotes of wells failing but no overall picture of how healthy our water supply is.

Though we are intensely curious, at the current time we are not asking anyone to return the form. The LSC and the Town of Lee are not collecting this data. We may in the future ask homeowners to voluntarily send information in.



LEE TOWN COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES
AGRICULTURAL, CONSERVATION, &
RECREATION COMMISSIONS;
ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEES
[CLICK HERE](#) for Application

Hand deliver to Town Hall or email application to the Town Secretary at dduval@leenh.org.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Go to www.leenh.org/Pages/LeeNH_MeetingsCal/?formid=158

LIBRARY CALENDAR

Go to http://leenh.org/pages/LeeNH_LibraryCal/?formid=158



LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

[CLICK HERE](#) for Safety Educator

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Select Board recently approved a new Fee Schedule for the Lee Fire Department.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Fee Schedule

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide

BURN PERMIT

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS
GO TO www.nhfirepermit.com to obtain a fire permit online



HUNTING

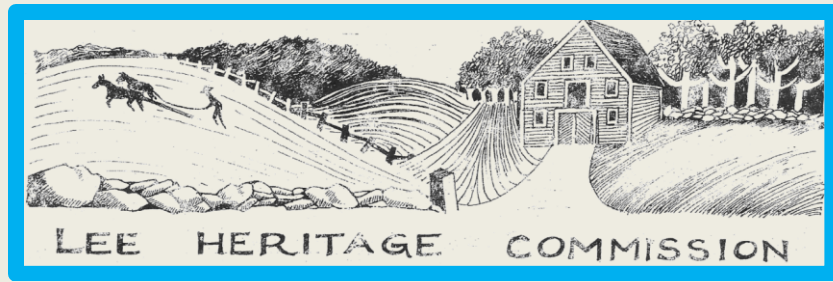
Please note it is Hunting Season again! Please be safe and take precautions. Go to

<http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/hunting/hunt-dates.html> for details.

POLICE REMINDER

Please do not become a victim. WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T GIVE IT OUT.

The scammers are still working to obtain your information. Do NOT click on any links in emails or provide any personal or banking information either on the telephone or on the internet, unless you initiated the contact. Also, remember the IRS will NEVER call you! They will always send mail!



THIS WEEK'S NEW LEE TRIVIA QUESTION!! *(Answer will be given in next week's Lee E-Crier):*
The Lee Town Hall Annex building at the town center was originally the town's first Fire Station.
How many bays did the Fire Station have originally?

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:

In what year was the Lee Public Library organized and where was it located?

The Lee Public Library was opened on January 28, 1893, and was located on the 2nd floor of the Lee Town Hall until 1962, when the library was moved into the former Center Lee School building. The Lee Center School had originally been built in 1897 on Lee Hook Road, south of the present day Jeremiah Smith Grange. The school building was moved in April 1962, a distance of a half mile, to its present location. The move took most of a day. The building, now serving as the front part of the Lee Library, opened as the new library building in April 1964. Since then the Lee Public Library has been enlarged three times; in 1974, 1984, and 1996.



Lee Center School, April 1962.

Photo taken on the day the old Lee Center School was moved to its present location to become the new home of the Lee Public Library.

If you have suggestions for Lee Trivia Q's & A's, please email Anne Jennison: (jennison.anne@gmail.com)

2018 Lee Wall Calendar Update! The calendars have arrived and are now on sale at the Town Hall and Library! It's a beauty! **Perfect for stocking stuffers and mementos for family and friends who have visited or lived in Lee!**



PHOTO BY GERALD SEDOR



READY RIDES offer free rides to medical appointments for residents 55+ and those who are disabled and unable to drive. They serve Lee, Barrington, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. Please call Meri Schmalz at 224-8719 or email info@readyrides.org for more details about how to help your neighbor. **Volunteers from Lee are needed!**



FOOD PANTRY

WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY

Lee Church Congregational
17 Mast Rd

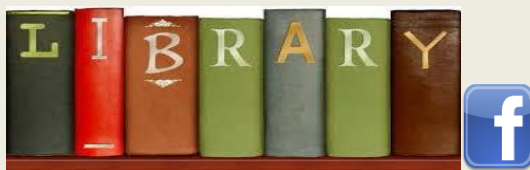
The food pantry is open to **any family** in the towns of Lee, Durham, Newmarket and Nottingham. The pantry is open the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00 pm. **The Pantry will be closed on December 18th and January 1st.** If there is an emergency please call the Church office at 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.



DISPOSAL OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

A drop-off is available at the Public Safety Complex to the left of the front entrance for unused and unwanted prescriptions.

Lee Public Library



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:00 – 8:00 pm

Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

******There are no Lego sessions in December. They will begin again on Friday, January 5, 2018 at 3:30 pm and continue through February 9, 2018******



Don't forget—you can Scan, Fax, Email and Copy at the library. There is no charge for scanning and emailing documents; however, we do charge \$.10 for b&w copies \$.25 for full color copies and \$1 per page for faxing.



The Library Wireless connection can be accessed from the library parking lot. Just look for "LPL Public" in your Wi-Fi listings.



SNOWMAN PIN DROP-IN CRAFT
DECEMBER 26TH – 30TH
DROP BY THE LIBRARY TO MAKE A
SNOWMAN PIN!

ONGOING PROGRAMS



STORY TREKKERS
Tuesday, Dec 19th 3:30 – 4:30pm

This program for **grades K-4** will introduce children to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft are also included. Most Way students may arrange to ride **bus 6** directly to the library after school. Please **register** by calling 659-2626.



ROCKIN' READERS BOOK CLUB
1ST Thursday of each Month
3:30 – 4:30 pm Grades 5-6

Participants will read & discuss a different book each month. Pizza will be served. Students may arrange to take **bus 6** directly to the library after school. If interested, **sign up** by calling 659-2626.



STORY TIME
Thursdays 10:30 am Children ages 2-6
December 21st

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



TINY TOTS LAPSIT
Children up to 2 years of age
Friday, Jan 5th at 10:30am

Join us for a baby/toddler lapsit. This 20 minute program offers songs, stories and movement with relaxed time afterwards for play and socializing. **Registration is not required.**



NO FOOLIN, JUST FUN
ADULT GAME DAY
Tuesdays 9:30am
All are welcome! Open to all adults 18 and older.



KNITTING FOR 50+
1st & 3rd Wednesdays 9:30am
December 20th
Help is available from instructor Donna Kay. All levels welcome.

Regional & State News & Events

McGregor EMC Collecting Donations for The Homemakers Health Services

McGregor EMS is collecting donations on behalf of The Homemakers Health Services, thehomemakers.org, whose mission is to provide health care and supportive services to those in need so they can remain safely in their home. The Homemakers will be making gift baskets for senior citizens in Strafford County. Items needed include nonperishable food, new socks, new sheets or blankets, personal hygiene items and pet food. Items may be dropped off at Madbury Town Hall, Madbury Library, Lee Public Safety Building, Durham Town Hall or at McGregor EMS. If these locations are not convenient, a McGregor member will gladly come to you! Kindly call our station at 862-3674 between 7am and 5pm and ask for a pick-up.

OYSTER RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

http://orcsd.org/school_board/board_appointed_committees/facility_committee/

**ARTICLE BY OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR THOMAS NEWKIRK
REGARDING CURRENT MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Seth Meyers is coming to the Capitol Center

Saturday, Feb. 10, 2018
Two Shows at 7 p.m. & 9:30 p.m.
Seats: \$125/\$78/\$58

A benefit for NH's abused and
neglected children through services
provided by CASA of New Hampshire
and the Granite State Children's
Alliance.

Tickets: www.ccanh.com



NH FISH AND GAME LANDOWNER NEWSLETTER

<http://www.wildnh.com/landshare>



To receive the E-CRIER via email EVERY WEEK go to, click on Subscribe to
E-Alerts and follow the directions to subscribe. It's that easy!

ATTENTION!

We heard that there may be Lee residents who wish to see the E-Crier but do not have the internet!! If you have contact with these people kindly direct them to Town Hall for a **printed copy** or to the Library to view it there. If they cannot leave their home please have them call Denise Duval, Town Secretary, at 659-5414 to have it mailed!