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TOWN VOTING

March 8, 2011 Public Safety Complex 7:00 am – 7:00 pm

TOWN MEETING

March 9, 2011 Mastway School 6:30 pm – until finished



~TOWN MEETING~

The residents of Lee have long wanted the Board of Selectmen to consider changing the legislative part of town meeting to a Saturday. The Board of Selectmen posted a survey on the town website asking residents to vote on whether they wanted to continue Town Meeting on Wednesday evening or move to the first Saturday following Election Day in March. The vote was overwhelming to move town meeting to a Saturday.

At Town Meeting in 1960, warrant article #18 states "(Petitioned by Theodore W. Turner and nine other registered voters of the Town of Lee). To hold the Town Meeting in the evening." The article passed.

Since it was a warrant article, vote to move town meeting to an evening, it will require a town meeting vote to change to a Saturday. You will see a warrant article at Town Meeting requesting the residents "to vote to continue Town Meeting on the Saturday following Election Day in March."

SUPERVISORS of the CHECKLIST



On January 18, 2011 from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm, the Supervisors of the Checklist will meet at the Town Hall for corrections of the checklist. New voters, address, name, and party changes will be accepted.

On February 26, 2011 from 11:00 am to 11:30 am, the Supervisors of the Checklist will meet at the Town Hall for corrections of the checklist. New voters, address, name, and party changes will be accepted. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, March 8, 2011.



TOWN OFFICES ARE CLOSED THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:

New Years Day Friday, December 31, 2010

Martin Luther King Jr Day Monday, January 17, 2011

President's Day Monday, February 21, 2011 TOWN of LEE -

Election Workers needed for

Town Meeting, March 2011. Candidates considered for this position must be a registered voter and a resident of the town. You will be required to work all day while the polls are open (7:00 am to 7:00 pm) and may be needed to work the night of Town

Meeting as well. Duties require the candidate to be detail oriented and very responsible. Please complete an application at the Town Hall 7 Mast Road, Lee, NH 03861.

Per Diem Secretary - The Selectmen's Office is looking for an individual willing to work occasional hours to cover the Town Secretary position for vacation time, sick time, training time and to act as a back-up worker or assist with special projects. Duties include answering the phone, take messages, filing, greet/assists residents, and provide secretarial support to the Town Administrator and the Selectmen. The candidate will be required to multi-task while performing basic office duties. Interested candidates may send a resume to the Town of Lee, Attn: Town Administrator, 7 Mast Road, Lee, NH 03861.

LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Lee's Story From Diaries"

Six of the twelve, George W. Plumer diaries, currently owned by Patricia Jenkins, have been transcribed. Many thanks to Donna Eisenhard. for deciphering the cursive penmanship in five of these diaries. The transcription process has yielded hardcopies, and computer files for downloading. They are on file at the Museum.

The Society is seeking others who would like to transcribe any of the remaining diaries. If you are interested in this important work, please contact Phyllis White at 659-2883, or Patricia Jenkins at 659-3988.

LEE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

The Lee Firemen's Association will hold their annual meeting on January 18. 2011, 7 pm at the Public Safety Complex on George Bennett Rd. The Meeting is open to all interested members of the community.

Officers to be elected for 2011, goals to be set for 2011. Bring your ideas for the Fire Department and the community.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, 7 pm, at the Lee Safety Complex. Come and join us meeting the needs of the Fire Department and community!

For more information, please call Barbara Gingras, secretary, 659-3919 E-mail barbging@comcast.net

FRIENDS OF THE LEE LIBRARY

The Members of the Board of the Friends of the Lee Library wish the Lee residents a very happy New Year. Among the many resolutions we all make at the beginning of a new year, let the Friends of the Lee Library membership be one of them. It is so easy! The next time you are in our library, ask at the desk when your membership renewal is due or ask for а new membership form. After determining your membership status, please go and view the Friends' latest contribution to your library with the

help of the Oyster River Parents of Preschoolers, the Reading Corner. All dues go directly to vour librarv to enhance vour experience.





Lamprev Health Care's Senior Transportation Program offers daily shopping/errand trips and monthly day trips for senior citizens and disabled adults in Atkinson, Auburn, Barrington, Brentwood, Candia, Danville, Deerfield, Durham, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter. Fremont. Greenland, Hampstead, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kingston, Lee, Newfields, Newmarket, Newton, North Hampton, Northwood, Nottingham, Plaistow, Raymond, Rye, Sandown, Seabrook and Stratham, Call 659-2424 or (800) 582-7214.

Lamprey Health Care is a community health organization with health centers in Newmarket, Raymond, and Nashua that offers primary health care services regardless of your insurance status or ability to pay. Our programs & services include primary health care, prenatal and pediatric care, obstetrics and gynecology, family planning, chronic disease management, prescription nutrition assistance. counseling. behavioral health and care coordination, access to social services, as well as staff and community health education.

For more information on Lamprey Health Care and our programs and services, visit us online at <u>www.lampreyhealth.org</u>, or call us at 603.659.2494.

SEXUAL ASSAULT Support Services (SASS) is dedicated to the prevention of child sexual abuse, sexual assault and stalking, while supporting victims, survivors and others impacted by sexual violence.

This mission is accomplished by providing the following services:

24-hour toll-free sexual assault crisis 1(888) 747-7070. hotline 24-hour accompaniment to police and hospital emergency rooms for sexual assault victims. Support groups for rape survivors, sexual abuse survivors, parents, and others affected by sexual assault or abuse. Professional training and consultation to police departments, hospitals, schools, and others in the community. Sexual abuse and sexual assault prevention education in the schools for children. teens. and parents.Sexual harassment workshops for teachers and students.

Amy Stevens, Operations Manager Sexual Assault Support Services <u>www.sassnh.org</u> (603) 436-4107

CUB SCOUT PACK #359



On Saturday, November 13th Cub Scout Pack #359 worked hand in hand with volunteers from the town to help plant over 400 daffodil bulbs at the Lee Hill Cemetery.

The bulbs were donated to the town through the "New Hampshire the Beautiful" initiative and the scouts provided the labor to plant them. We are all looking forward to a bit of color this coming spring across from the Town Hall. Thanks to Jackie Neill as the organizer of the planting.

LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY COMMITTEE



You're Invited

Planning is under way to conclude the "Sense of Time and Place along the Lamprey" series by discussing issues facing the river. Topics will focus on flooding and recreation. Paul Gasowski's video on Mary Folsom Blair and the Lamprey River will be featured. Further details will be announced.

A Sense of Time and Place along the Lamprey, Part 2: Wiswall and Folsom Mills: Two Historic Tales of How Water Power Became Economic Power on the Lamprey

What did it take for Thomas Wiswall to build a successful mill complex and become one of the largest employers in Durham, and how did he suddenly lose it all? These questions were the focus of Curt Mackail's documentary on Wiswall's mills, shown publicly for the first time on Sept. 18 at Epping Town Hall. Wiswall's story is one of many along the Lamprey, where about one hundred mills operated in olden days. Following the film, Jim Deely gave a presentation about these mills and how they evolved. He then led a walking tour of the ruins of Folsom mills, where granite blocks still form perfectly vertical walls at the river's edge and the "mill race" canal is slowly losing the battle against nature and time.

New LRAC Leadership

After several years of leadership by Sharon Meeker of Lee, the LRAC has a new chair, Sara Callaghan of Newmarket. Sara has been on the committee for several years, serving actively on the land protection subcommittee and the wildlife & ecology sub-committee. She is a wildlife biologist with the Strafford Rivers Conservancy and recently worked for the Society for the Protection of NH Forests.

Wiswall Mill History

Two panels were recently installed in a new kiosk at John Hatch Memorial Park in Durham. One panel focuses on the Wiswall Mill complex, while the other panel puts the mills into the larger context of waterpower along the Lamprey. The panels were a project of the Wiswall Historic Interpretive

Committee, comprised of representatives from Durham and LRAC. Stay tuned for a fish ladder, a panel dedicating the park to artist/conservationist John Hatch, and improved site markers.

Coming Soon: A New and Improved www.lampreyriver.org

The LRAC has hired a web-designer to help create a more user-friendly website. Viewers will be able to learn about the Lamprey's assets and issues and provide valuable feed-back to the LRAC. Links included to; FaceBook, videos, and interactive maps to report rare species and invasive plants. The goal is to have the new website up and running at the beginning of 2011. If you have suggestions, please forward them to Sharon Meeker, outreach chair, at <u>s-meeker@comcast.net</u>.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT



Bridges

Old Mill Bridge The State DOT completed rebuilding the Old Mill Bridge recently. The town should be able to get another 15 to 20 years out of the bridge before any major work will be required. The Town pays 20% of the cost of the work DOT did. There are pictures of the bridge repair posted on the Town's website.

High Rd Bridge- The Preliminary Final Plans for the replacement of the High Rd. Bridge have been approved by the State DOT. The Town's firm consulting Quantum Construction Consultants \mathbf{is} now making minor changes and drawing up the Final Plans that will be sent out with the bid package. The Shoreland Permit has been approved, the Wetlands however. Permit probably will be a while longer before it is approved.

Winter Operations

We would like to Thank Dave Miner for his 20 years of service to the town as a seasonal plow driver. Dave decided to retire this year, however, he has said he still will be available on an emergency basis. Thanks Dave for all of your long hours and responding to the early morning calls over the past 20 years.

Mailboxes

The Highway Department drivers do our best to avoid hitting mailboxes during plowing operations. At times we are plowing when visibility is near

zero. If we cannot see your mailbox it is a lot harder to miss it. Some things that can be done to improve mailbox visibility are as follows; keep the mailbox shoveled out, put some reflective tape on the mailbox, when the snow banks get high put a stick or small pole with a reflector or flag beside the mailbox so that it can be seen by the plow driver. Although the Highway Department gets blamed for all mailboxes that get hit there are other causes such as driveway plows, cars skidding off the road, and mailboxes that are old and are ready to fall over anyway.

Sand

A sand and salt mixture is available for residents of Lee at the Highway Garage in the first bay of the salt sand shed. This mixture has just enough salt to keep the sand from freezing (10 parts sand-1 part salt). The general rule is a few 5 gallon bucketfuls per household. Truck loads of sand or sand for commercial sanding is not allowed. Please use sparingly so all residents can benefit.

Equipment

A new plow /dump truck fully equipped is approximately \$140,000. The last time the town bought a new dump/plow truck in 1995 the cost was \$66,000. The average age of the town's four large plow trucks is 18 years old with the oldest being 26 years old and the newest being 10 years old. It may be time to upgrade the fleet soon.

We appreciate the support we get from residents in Lee!



GIRLS ON THE RUN is coming to Mast Way in Spring 2011!

Girls on the Run NH is a non-profit organization which has served girls in various New Hampshire communities since 2001 using the curriculum developed in Girls 1996 bv on the Run® International. located in Charlotte. North Carolina. GOTR International is the parent organization to more than 169 councils across North America. The mission of Girls on the Run is to educate and prepare girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living.

Girls on the Run® is a life-changing, experiential learning program for girls in 3^{rd} thru 5^{th} grade. The programs combine training for a 3.1 mile running event with self-esteem enhancing, uplifting workouts. The goals of the programs are to encourage positive emotional, social, mental, spiritual and physical development.

Teams will meet twice a week for 10 weeks, right after school beginning late March and finishing with our 5K Event on June 18, 2011.

Specific days and times will be posted late February 2011.

For further information, contact Jen Hubbell, Executive Director, 603.778.1389 or <u>gotrnh@yahoo.com</u>

Please visit our website at <u>www.girlsontherunnh.org</u> for information on registering your daughter! Registrations are accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Scholarships are available



You can Save a Life!

Volunteer with McGregor Memorial EMS McGregor Memorial EMS is always looking for town residents who are willing to join our team of professional volunteers. McGregor provides extensive training to its volunteers to ensure that they are supported and prepared to respond to emergencies. To learn more about medical and non-medical volunteer opportunities please visit <u>www.McGregorEMS.org</u>

Local EMT Class Beginning in February

McGregor Institute of EMS (an affiliate of McGregor Memorial EMS) will host its annual spring EMT-Basic class on the

UNH campus beginning in February. This course is the first step to becoming a Nationally Registered EMT and is appropriate for those who wish to volunteer or



begin a new medical career. This 3-month course will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-10pm. For information or to signup please visit <u>www.McGregorInstitute.net</u>

McGregor EMTs Renew Skills at Regional EMS Conference

Forty McGregor EMTs each received 15 hours of training this past weekend at the Focus EMS Conference on the UNH campus. Lee Fire Department Lieutenant Martin Castle also attended. The conference, which is hosted by McGregor, is the leading regional EMS conference



and serves EMS professionals from NH, Maine and Massachusetts. Approximately 140 EMTs attended. The conference focused on

special patient populations that EMTs often find challenging, including pediatric, geriatric and bariatric patients.



Glidden-Towle-Edgerly House Listed on NH State Register of Historic Places

The NH Division of Historical Resources listed the Glidden-Towle-Edgerly House, at 194 Wadleigh Falls Rd, in the NH State Register of Historic Places at their October 2010 meeting.

Glidden-Towle-Edgerly House Today

Today the house is a time-worn and neglected landmark on the corner of Wadleigh Falls Rd and Campground Rd. It used to be one of the most elegant homes in Lee. New owners, Brian and Stephanie Fischer, intend to rebuild it. The beloved house has suffered severe neglect over the past twenty-two years, and foreclosure and fire in the past year. The plans are to reclaim the gardens and vard, replace the sills, rewire the electrical system, replace the missing and damaged boards and shutters, replace the septic system, and rehabilitate the interior. The Fischers hope to bring the house back to play a useful role in the community.

Glidden-Towle-Edgerly House History

The rear center chimney Georgian portion of the Glidden-Towle House is said to have been built in the mid-1700s by the **Glidden family**. The family has a long history in the neighborhood of Wadleigh Falls and the various mills associated with the falls. The rear portion may have been moved or reoriented from another location.

Between the late 1700s and 1806, the house was known as the **Esquire Steele House**, owned by Jonathan Steele, sonin-law of General John Sullivan. He was a wealthy and prominent citizen of the community.

Gardner Towle, a trader and businessman, came to Wadleigh Falls about 1810, and eventually purchased the house. It is estimated, from the foundation stone work, that Gardner Towle built the elegant 3-story Federal addition onto the front of the house between 1825 and 1830, and did major remodeling of the original rear portion of the house. It includes a ballroom on the third story, with two fireplaces. (One reference states, the 3-story addition was built by John Sanborn in 1819.)

Sometime between 1852 and 1860, Gardner Towle sold the house to Isaiah Chesley. In 1869, Isaiah Chesley sold the house to Dr. Isaiah D. Edgerly. He bought the old Wilson mill across the river and ran a medicinal and grist mill "Dr.Edgerly's which manufactured Salve", made from herbs, barks, roots, and spices. It was a popular item in local households. After Dr.Edgerly died in 1970, his son, Isaiah, continued to operate the mill. It was said that local students would gather ingredients for the mill from the forest and would purchase slippery elm bark from the Wilson-Edgerly mill for use as gum.

The Wadleigh Falls Bridge was an important link in the historic road system of Lee. The Wadleigh Falls Rd was mentioned in 1752 as the connection between Wadleigh Falls and Newmarket.

The Stagecoach Era in Lee lasted from 1800-1889. There was a stagecoach stop at the Glidden-Towle House, using the large barn that was demolished in the mid 1950s. The Drake Stage Coach Line made daily trips between Northwood and Newmarket.

Wadleigh Falls was the site of the first settlement in Lee, with the first recorded grant in 1657. It was an important commercial and trading center from the early 1700s through the early 1900s. The last mill at the falls burned in 1924. The mills of Lee helped support the farms, homes, taverns, and small stores that developed around them. The primary owners of the Glidden-Towle House were Gardner Towle and the Edgerlys. The house was a social and commercial gathering spot, with its stagecoach stop, post office, inn, general store, and mill business, and as a home for the families of prominent citizens.

The Wadleigh Falls Post Office was located in the older rear portion of the house when the Edgerlys owned the house. The post office moved from the house to the South Lee Station when the Nashua and Rochester Railroad arrived in 1874. John Crawford ran the general store in the early 1870s. The store was opened again and run by a member of the Glidden family in 1884-1885. The general store building was still standing in the early 1900s. The Glidden-Towle House was most prosperous between 1825 and 1902. Isaiah Edgerly died in 1902. and his family moved to Massachusetts soon afterward.

The Edgerly family owned the house until 1946. It sat empty for decades until it was sold to the **Fitzgibbon family** in 1946. Daughter, Louise Fitzgibbon, who grew up in the house, married Harry Bradshaw, and raised their family in the house until 1988. Louise Bradshaw and her daughter, Linda, still live in Lee.

The Lee Historical Society, Lee Heritage Commission, and Lamprev River Advisory Committee are working together with the NH Division of Historical Resources to gather more of the Wadleigh history Falls neighborhood. If you have any historical documents or photographs to share, contact the Lee Heritage Commission at the Town Hall.

NH the BEAUTIFUL, INC. Awards Grant to Lee, NH

Lee was awarded \$5,000 to help purchase a used Horizontal Baler which they purchased from the City of Franklin – how is that for recycling!!! The award was presented to Roger Rice, Transfer Station Manager, Town Administrator Diane Guimond, and Board of Selectmen Chair John LaCourse by Larry Melanson and Wes Elmer of Coca Cola Bottling Co. of NNE/NH the Beautiful and Dennis Nesbitt, NH the Beautiful. Also present was Michael Durfor from Northeast Resource Recovery Association. Lee has a state-of-the-art operation with a complete two lane drive-thru building and has received much recognition in the Solid Waste Circle of NH. This baler will reduce wear and tear on their existing baler and allows them to bale two products at the same time making them even more efficient. NH the Beautiful applauds Lee for their aggressive recycling program.

NH the Beautiful, Inc. is a private non-profit charitable trust founded in 1983 and supported by the soft drink, malt beverage and grocery industries of NH. NHtB offers municipal recycling grants (over \$2.5 million), signs. anti-litter programs, and technical assistance to recycling programs. www.nhthebeautiful.org



LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY



Winter 2011

Library Museum Passes

Check them out!

Looking for an escape from the winter doldrums? Why not take a day trip to Boston to check out the Museum of Fine Art's new Art of the Americas **wing** which displays over 5,000 works from the Museum's American collections, more than doubling the number previously on view. A day pass admits two adults at the reduced admission price of \$7 per person (regular admission price is \$20) and children get in for free during after school hours, as well as weekends and vacation weeks.

A trip to the MFA not in your plans? Check out some of the other passes available:

- Children's Museum of NH
- Currier Gallery of Art
- Isabelle Stewart Gardner Museum
- Boston Children's Museum
- Boston Museum of Science
- Seacoast Science Center (open Saturday-Monday in the winter)
- Strawbery Banke (closed during winter months)

Passes may be reserved up to one month in advance. Passes are available thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Lee Public Library.

Book Discussion Group

A Conspiracy of Paper by David Liss Monday, January 10 at 7:00 pm

Benjamin Weaver, a Jew and an exboxer, is an outsider in eighteenth-London. tracking century down debtors and felons for aristocratic clients. The son of a wealthy stock trader, he lives estranged from his family-until he asked is to investigate his father's sudden death. Thus Weaver descends into the deceptive world of the English stock jobbers, gliding between coffee houses and gaming houses, drawing rooms and bordellos. The more Weaver uncovers. the darker the truth becomes, until he realizes that he is following too closely in his father's footsteps-and they just might lead him to his own grave. (from the publisher).

My Antonia by Willa Cather Monday, February 14 at 7:00 pm

This classic tale of pioneer life tells the story of the spirited Antonia, a Bohemian immigrant, as seen through the eyes of her orphaned friend, Jim. Set in the Nebraskan plains of the 1880s, *My Antonia* describes the rural immigrant experience, with the challenges created by class, gender and nationality.

The White Tiger by Aravind Adiga Monday, March 14 at 7:00 pm

Born in a village in the heartland of India, Balram, the son of a rickshaw puller, is taken out of school by his family and put to work in a teashop. As he crushes coals and wipes tables, he nurses a dream of escape--

of breaking away from the banks of Mother Ganga, into whose depths have seeped the remains of a hundred generations. The White Tiger is a tale of two Indias. Balram's journey from the darkness of village life to the light of entrepreneurial success is utterly amoral, brilliantly irreverent, deeply endearing and altogether unforgettable. Winner of the 2009 Booker Prize. (from Man the publisher).

Please note that book discussion titles are subject to change based on availability. Copies of each title are available for loan at the checkout desk one month prior to the discussion date.

Handicraft Programs

Sock Knitting Workshop Wednesdays, January 5, 12, 19 & 26 6:30-8:00 pm

Would you like to keep your feet toasty warm this winter with a pair of hand knit socks? If so, please join Cheryl Adams and Jeanne Link for



sock knitting classes, using a single long circular needle, to be held Wednesday evenings in January, 2011 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. The first class on January 5th will be dedicated to

casting on and getting started on the circular needle. Class size is limited to 6 knitters who know the basics (caston, knit, purl etc.). Experienced knitters are welcome to audit.

Please contact the library at 659-2626 or drop by to sign up and get a materials list.

Rug Braiding Workshop Tuesdays, January 18 & 25 February 1 & 8 6:00-7:30 pm Learn the rug braiding techniques for creating a traditional wool rug.



No sewing experience needed. A materials list will be available at the library. Depending on what supplies and fabric you may already have on hand, costs could range from \$20 for some basic supplies to \$90 for a complete beginner's kit. Beginner kits are available for viewing online at www.countrybraidhouse.com.

Presenter Annie Gasowski will have a sampling of her rugs, as well as some made by her mother, on display as the featured artist of the month for January. Questions about the workshop may be directed to Annie at: 659-5273. Registration for this workshop is limited to six people. Call the library to register at: 659-2626.

Valentine's Holiday Workshop Monday, February 7 7:00-8:00 pm



Join us at the library to make a scented sachet and Valentine card for someone you love. Class size is limited to 12 people ages 14 & up. Preregistration is required. Contact the library at 659-2626 to sign up.

March Craft Workshop Monday, March 7 7:00-8:00 pm

The craft for this month is yet to be determined. Please check the library website in early 2011 for more details.

Armchair Traveler Series

America's Roof: Hiking the Highest Point in Every State

Monday, January 24 at 7:00 pm



Local hiker Norm Michaels will provide an overview of the **Highpointers Club**, a national organization that

promotes climbing to the highest point in each of the 50 states. His presentation will include a history of the club and Highpoint comparisons in difficulty, elevation and danger. Michaels, who has completed 25 of the 50 hikes, will share his personal experiences climbing some of the highest state summits.

Riding from New Hampshire to Argentina by Motorcycle

Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00 pm

In October 2009 Hooksett resident Ben Slavin set out on a 23,000 mile journey through 15 countries on his Kawasaki KLR650 motorcycle, nicknamed "El Burro." With only his rudimentary Spanish and advice from fellow motorcyclists to guide him, Slavin spent six months motorcycling from New Hampshire to Ushuaia, Argentina, the southernmost city in the world. Throughout his voyage, he documented his adventures on his blog, "A Few More Miles" (www.afewmoremiles.com). Slavin has just returned from another month-long ride south of the border, where he was filming an educational and inspirational how-to-guide for Motorcycling in Mexico. (www.MotorcycleMexico.com)

The Beauty of Olympic National Park Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Come travel with Win and Carolyn Bassage up the Pacific Redwood Coast to the Olympic National Park in Washington. Visit the high peaks, the temperate rain forest and the foggy logstrewn Pacific coast with pictures and enthusiastic dialogue!

FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

CPR and AED Certification Monday, January 31 6:00 – 8:00 pm

The McGregor Institute of EMS (an affiliate of the Durham Ambulance Corps) and the library are sponsoring an American Heart Association AED course to be held on Monday, January 31 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the library. The course teaches adult, child and infant CPR and the use of an Automated External Defibrillator. The program is free, but there is a \$20 materials fee. To register, contact Nate at the Durham Ambulance Corps at 862-3674 or email cprregistration@mcgregorems.org

First Aid Certification Wednesday, February 16 6:00 – 8:0 0 pm

The McGregor Institute of EMS (an affiliate of the Durham Ambulance Corps) and the library are sponsoring an American Heart Associate First Aid Certification Course on Wednesday, February 16 from 6:00 -8:00 pm. The course teaches adult, child and infant first aid; participants will receive a 2-year certification card upon successful completion of the course. The program is free, but there is a \$20 materials fee. To register. call Nate at the Durham Ambulance Corps at 862-3674.



PROGRAMS for YOUTH and TEENS

Storytime Program

Preschool story times for ages 3-6 are held at the library on Thursday

mornings at 10:30 a.m. This is a 30-40 minute program. A 20-30 minute toddler story time for ages 2-3 meets



on Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Both programs include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. Registration is not required.

Dog Days at the Library

Read with a 4 footed friend! The Lee Public Library is participating again in the Reading Education Assistance Dogs (R.E.A.D) Program. Dedicated to improving reading skills of children using registered Pet Partner teams as literacy mentors, this program is held the second Thursday of each month from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Children in **grades K-4** can read with Lee resident, Carla Corey and her cocker spaniel, Joy.

If interested in having some reading fun, talk to a librarian!

5th And 6th Grade Book Club

For 5th and 6th grade students, this club meets the first Thursday of each month from 3-4 p.m. Students will read and discuss a different book each month and will help to choose the books they read. And - pizza will be served, courtesy of Pizza Spinners! Students may make arrangements with the transportation office to take bus 84 directly to the library after



school. If interested, please call 659-2626 to sign up.

February School Vacation Week Event Judy Pancoast

Thursday, February 24 at 10:30 am at Oyster River HS

Liven up vacation week by joining us for an interactive. musical songwriter performance by and musician Judy Pancoast! This event will take place on Thursday, February 24 at 10:30 a.m.in the Oyster River High School multipurpose room. It will be suitable for children ages 3 and up and is co-sponsored by the Durham. Madbury and Lee public libraries. Call 659-2626 for more details.

Saturday Make It and Take It Crafts

Drop by the library on Saturday, January 22, Saturday, February 12 and Saturday, March 19 between 10 am and 2 pm and make the following fun crafts!

> Snowman Pin – January 22 Magnetic Snowflake Picture Frame – February 12 Penguin Puppet – March 19

Tell the Story of Winter – Photography By Teens

The library is looking for teens who love to take photographs. If you are in grades 7-12, grab your camera and snap away! Shoot scenes that tell "The Story Of Winter". For each photo submitted, you may enter your name in a raffle for a fabulous prize! All photographs will be displayed at the library during March as part of the Artist of the Month program.

Submission requirements are listed below.

*Each photo must be 8" by 10" and should be matted but not framed

*Up to 2 photographs may be submitted

*Include title of photograph, your name and grade on the mat

*Photographs may be either in color or black and white

*Deadline for submission is February 26

***Plans for a **photography class** are in the works. If interested, call the library at 659-2626.

Read To Ride at Rye Airfield Skatepark



The library is participating in Rye Airfield's Read to Ride program. Readers have a chance to earn a free day pass to the park. All you need to do is read a book and do one of the following (depending on your age):

*Write a short essay/review on the book * Discuss the book with a librarian *Draw a picture about the book

Participants will receive a handout for recording each book reviewed – review five books and redeem your handout at Rye Airfield for a free all day pass! Prior to starting the program, please speak with a librarian to determine which reporting method works best for you. Please call ahead to make sure a librarian is available to meet with you to discuss/review your book. Please speak with Scottie or Lisa if you have any questions.

The Library is now on Facebook!

Want to keep up with library happenings? Find us on Facebook!

LEE CHURCH CONGREGATIONAL

Men's Fellowship Breakfast...is held the 4th Sunday of the month at Lee Church Congregational - 17 Mast Road — Offering food, fellowship and programs of interest to the men of the church and the community. Breakfast 7:00 am, Presentation 7:15-8:00 am. This time of fellowship is open to folks from the church and the wider community, and women are certainly welcome to attend. Come and check us out. For information call 659-2861.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES

Civil Rights Sunday - January 16 at 8:30 & 10:30 am **Ash Wednesday** - March 9 - 7:00 pm

LEE CHURCH YOUTH GROUP-

Open to youth 6th grade & up Meeting dates: First Friday and Third Sunday of each month. Offers Service to Community, Service to Church, Fellowship, Fundraising and Discussions.

Friday evening meal followed by a meeting from 6-8 pm. Sunday evening snack/dessert followed by a meeting from 6-7:30pm. For information, call 659-2861.

Tai Chi Classes

Gentle movements - Yoga without the difficult positions. Suitable for everyone (including Seniors)



Wednesday mornings starting January 12, 2011 at 9:30 am 1 hour class Held at Lee Church Congregational – in the Fellowship Hall - Lee NH Originally developed in China as a form of self-defense, this graceful form of exercise has existed for about 2,000 years. A series of gentle exercises designed to improve circulation, reduce stress, improve bone density, reduce arthritic symptoms, lower blood pressure and improve back problems specially for older adults.

Come learn these flowing simple movements with Marsha Carr. а certified Tai Chi instructor. Along with the instruction in basic tai chi will also movements be а short meditation and internal energy focus. All levels are welcome. Please wear soft-soled shoes and comfortable loose clothing. Please contact the Church office for more info 659-2861.



WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY at Lee Church Congregational

One of the many missions of the Lee Church is their food pantry, which is open to **any family** in the town of Lee. The pantry stocks non-perishable food, paper, and cleaning items for those in need.

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.

Anyone's visit to the pantry is strictly confidential.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' CORNER



What are you getting for about \$6 each month? That's right, based on this year's town budget, the average taxpayer in Lee is paying around \$6 each month to directly support the Lee Public Library.

What does approximately \$6 get you and family? Access to nearly 25,000 books, audio books, movies and magazines. Want a book the library doesn't own? Thanks to the audio book, e-book and inter-library loan programs, you have access to millions of titles in whatever format you choose.

Think about the books, magazines and newspapers you've read or listened to this year, throw in the movies you've watched, the library programs your family has attended -- think about what it would have cost if you'd paid retail.

And if you DID pay retail, think about what you could have saved if you had borrowed those items from the library or attended just one of the great programs sponsored by the library.

The estimated retail value of library services in Lee (based on patron usage and circulation figures) averages between \$60,000 and \$75,000 per month.

Want to find out how much you're already saving or how much more you could be saving? Check out the Library Use Value calculator at www.nhlibrarians.org/calculator.html

Don't forget: the more you visit, the more you save.



LEE ENERGY COMMITTEE

Lee Energy Plan Process

The Lee Energy Committee has chosen, through the bidding process, to have Jeffrey Taylor Associates and Sustainable Development and Energy Systems Group (SDES Group) help us design an Energy Plan for Lee. This plan will take shape during 2011, with the goal of having firm proposals ready for the 2012 Town Meeting. There are four parts to the plan:

1) Town Energy Plan

2) Town Energy Policy, to include the following:

- Energy Chapter for the Lee Master Plan
- Recommendations for changes in zoning ordinances and subdivision regulations
- Recommendations for Property Assessed Clean Energy Program (PACE) proposal for Lee, with help from the NH Community Loan Fund and the NH Charitable Foundation, to help residential and commercial owners make energy efficiency improvements to their properties and pay for the upfront capital costs over time

3) Town building energy audits to complete energy audits on the Public Safety Complex, Town Hall, Town Hall Annex, Transfer Station, and Highway Garage, similar to the energy audit, done last year, for the Town Library through the Municipal Energy Assistance Program (MEAP).

4) Feasibility Study of a District Heating and Cogeneration System for the Town Center Buildings Jeffrey Taylor and Associates will work with the Town on #2, the creation of a town energy policy. SDES Group will work with the town on #1, #3, and #4.

The project will require coordination and communication among the Lee Energy Committee, Lee Planning Board. Town Office. Board of Taylor Selectmen. Jeffrey and SDES Associates. Group, and interested citizens of Lee in order to produce a logical and comprehensive energy plan for Lee that will help us make solid energy efficiency decisions in the years ahead.

We plan to present the plan for the Energy Plan process to the citizens of Lee at a public meeting in January.

~ The Lee Energy Plan project is funded by a \$40,000 planning grant from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program, administered through the NH Office of Energy and Planning, using American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. ~

53rd ANNUAL LEE COUNTRY FAIR



It is time to start working on the 53rd annual Lee Country Fair. The fair is scheduled for September 10, 2011 (the Saturday after Labor Day). We need many hands to gather all the details to put on a fun day for the community.

Monthly meetings are on the first Wednesday of each month, starting on March 2, 2011. Meetings are held at 7:00 pm at the Lee Church. Bring your ideas - Come as you are - No Experience necessary.

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