TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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December 13, 2019

Lee News & Upcoming Events

ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING DECEMBER 7, 2019





DECEMBER SELECT BOARD MEETINGS – Mondays Starting at 6:30 pm

Dec. 16 - Lee Speedway Public Hearing & Dec. 30 - 1st Budget Public Hearing





20 George Bennett Rd Lee, NH 03861

December 18, 2019 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Congressman Pappas is committed to hearing from and addressing the needs of all constituents in the First Congressional District. One of the Congressman's Constituent Service Representatives, Christian Seasholtz, will be available to assist constituents with issues they may be facing with a federal agency. Examples may include: $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left$

- Veterans benefits Social security
- MedicarePassports and visa

Christian will be able to answer questions and/or open an inquiry with a federal agency.

Contact: Christian Seasholtz at (603) 918-1033 or christian.seasholtz@mail.house.gov



SNOW CASTING NOTICE

The Town has been experiencing more and more issues with snow casting. The road crews have been working very hard to keep our roads clear only to have some residents plow, snow blow or shovel snow back onto the roads. The Town has posted this numerous times on Facebook and in the E-Crier along with issuing warnings but to no avail! The Police Department will be issuing fines from this point forward. Please see the Snow Casting Ordinance below:

SNOW CASTING ORDINANCE

The following ordinance is adopted by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to authority granted under RSA 31:39.

- 1. Be it hereby ordained that $NO\ PERSON$ shall throw or allow to be thrown, cast, placed or deposited any snow or ice into or upon the plowed portion of any street, sidewalk or public way in the Town of Lee, it being the intent and purpose of this ordinance to prohibit all persons from throwing, casting, placing or depositing snow and ice in such manner as to become a hazard to vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
- 2. In the event that a contractor is hired for snow removal and is not present at the time of the violation, the home owner, landlord or lessee shall be held responsible.
- 3. Any violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of up to (\$100.00) one hundred dollars.

Revised/Adopted January 7, 2008

Frank Reinhold, Chairman

Town of Lee **Board of Selectmen**



One Bin at a Time - Glass

Talking trash with Jen Messeder, LSC member

At its most basic, glass is melted sand. We can make it, but so can nature – obsidian is volcanic glass and "frozen lightning" (fulgurites) can be the result when lightning hits a sandy beach.

Pretty cool!

Like metal, recycling glass is as simple as melting it down and making something else. And this recycling can go on indefinitely with no loss of quality. It costs us a bit to recycle glass, but it's cheaper to recycle it than to toss it into a landfill, so recycling glass is a cost-reducer.

Glass can also be crushed back down to sand size and mixed into the sand used on roads in the winter – true recycling! Here's the scoop on recycling glass in Lee.

YES, please!

Examples:

- Bottles
- Jars
- Window panes (no frames)
- Ceramic and porcelain items (mugs, plates,
 ... as long as there's no metal on/in them)

Toilets cannot go in with the glass!

The new chute allows for small items to pass safely to the bin. For larger items, ask an attendant.





NOT HERE (but maybe in another bin)

- CFL light bulbs there's a table up by the office with lots of buckets on it. One of those buckets is for CFLs.
- Fluorescent tube light bulbs there's a barrel near the exit for these.
- Incandescent light bulbs these are trash.
- Pyrex
- Mirrors
- Car headlights and windshields
- Plastic caps (trash) and metal caps (small bucket by the aluminum and steel cans)



Refuse • Reduce • Reuse • Repair • Repurpose • Recycle • Rot

• Lee NH Sustainability Committee • Low Carbon Diet - Seacoast NH • "Zero Waste" groups

FOOD WASTE COMPOSTING PROGRAM IS A SUCCESS! BE PART OF THE PROGRESS AND HELP THE TOWN SAVE MONEY ON MSW!

Interested residents should e-mail the Public Works Manager Steve Bullek at sbullek@leenh.org, call him at 603-659-6515 or sign up at the Transfer Station. CLICK HERE for Flyer! The Town will provide special compostable bags to bring the food waste to the Transfer Station.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HEATING OIL TANK REPLACEMENTS

NHDES is looking to increase awareness of the <u>Safetank program</u> among NH cities and towns. This nearly 20-year-old program provides eligible homeowners assistance of up to \$2,250 for the replacement of an aboveground heating oil tank if they meet the definition of "low-income" by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Page 5 of the <u>Safetank application</u> contains the current income eligibility requirements. Please keep this program in mind for residents of your communities who may need the assistance. For more information please contact: Genevieve Al-Egaily at <u>Genevieve.Al-Egaily@des.nh.gov</u> or (603) 271-3577, or Erik Paddleford at <u>Erik.Paddleford@des.nh.gov</u> or (603) 271-3431.





IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! BARRY CONSERVATION CAMP SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION STARTING NOW!

The Lee Conservation Commission is once again sponsoring a campership for a Lee youngster, who must be at least 10 years old. The camper will go to Barry Conservation Camp, which is located in Berlin, NH in the White Mountain National Forest. The camp is operated by UNH Cooperative Extension 4-H in conjunction with the N.H. Fish and Game Department. As their brochure states, "Campers learn responsible use of firearms safe hunting practices, environmental awareness, conservation principles and an appreciation for the beautiful state we live in. There is swimming and canoeing, as well as group activities that encourage teamwork."

Lee youngsters, ages 10 and up, are eligible for this campership. (The Hunter Safety and Certification Program requires that they be 12 years and older.) For further information, please call Laura Gund, 659-2044, or e-mail at walgrove@comcast.net. It's important to apply as soon as possible as spaces fill up fast. The Conservation Commission must notify the camp by February 3, 2020 with the name, age and gender of the Lee camper we will be sponsoring, along with the session they wish to attend. No requests will be accepted after February 3".

LEE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT



20 George Bennett Road Lee, New Hampshire 03861 (P): 603.659.5411 (F): 603.659.9611



Scott M. Nemet Fire Chief Jeffery S. Liporto Deputy Chief

TIMELY TOPICS FOR THE WINTER SEASON

The Lee Fire and Rescue Department would like to remind you of a few winter safety tips.

- If using live Christmas trees in your homes keep them watered. If the tree dries out and needles being to fall from your tree, promptly remove tree from your home to prevent fires. Check all lights to make sure that they are UL listed and are functioning properly before decorating tree. Inspect lights and wires for damage and do not use if damaged. Do not place live trees in close proximity to heating appliances such as heaters, wood stoves, pellet stoves or fire places. Do not place tree over any floor heating vents as it will dry the tree out faster.
- Use caution while cooking holiday meals. Keep a charged dry chemical extinguisher on hand
 for any potential oven or stove fires. If using a deep fryer for your turkey make sure you
 remove all excess water from the turkey before placing in the heated oil. Use the deep fryer
 at a safe distance from all structures and have a dry chemical fire extinguisher on hand in
 case of fire.
- Keep all exits from your home and business clear of snow and ice. Clear paths from exits for easy egress in case of fire.
- Keep all heating vents and gas regulators clear of snow and ice.
- Make sure there is a carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your home and business especially in the area outside of sleeping areas.

Happy Holidays from all of us at Lee Fire & Rescue!



LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS

CLICK HERE for more information

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for the November/December Safety Educator

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for the November/December ONE STOP Educator

BACKYARD BURNING QUICK GUIDE
DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS FIRE PERMIT BROCHURE

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Fire Department Fee Schedule

Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide



BURN PERMIT CLICK HERE for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATONS

WHEN SECONDS COUNT...

Can the Police, Fire, or Ambulance find your home when you need them for assistance with an emergency? Can they find it at night? Can they find it during a snowstorm?

Having your name and number on a mailbox is just not enough. Some mailboxes are clustered together. The numbers are small and the location may not mark the entrance to your driveway.

The Lee Firemen's Association, in a joint effort with the Lee Fire Department, has a program to install reflective house number signs at driveway entrances to assist all emergency responders in locating your home in a time of need. The cost for each sign with a post is \$30.00 and it will be installed by the Lee Firemen's Association.

Please take the time NOW to SAVE TIME in an EMERGENCY **CLICK HERE** for Reflective House Number Sign Request form







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 info@readvrides.org with or questions go https://readyrides.org/ for details. Volunteers from Lee are needed!

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. If there is an emergency please call the Church office at 659-2861. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Planning Board, Energy, and Sustainability Committees have immediate openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email dduval@leenh.org. CLICK HERE for Application.

COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Go to https://www.leenh.org/calendar

LIBRARY CALENDAR

Go to https://www.leenh.org/node/14/events/month/2019-08

Lee Public Library



Holiday Hours: Monday 12:00 – 8:00pm

Tuesday, Dec. 24th 12:00 – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 25th CLOSED

Thursday, Friday: 10:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm Tuesday, Dec. 31st 12:00 – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 1st CLOSED



Free Online Continuing Education Courses with Universal Class

Universal Class is a free online learning center brought to you by the Lee Library. It provides video-based courses for patrons interested in professional or personal growth. Learn at your own pace and in your own time. Expert instructors provide continual feedback on over 500 subjects from personal finance to yoga 101. Sign up today to start your training, www.leepublicnh.universalclass.com.



Knitting for 50+ 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 9 am December 18th

A drop-in group meets at the library. Help is available from instructor, Donna Kay.

All levels welcome.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Monday, Tuesday and Friday during December school vacation week we will have the Legos out and available for play. Stop by any time we are open and get creative!



PAJAMA STORY TIME Tuesday, December 17th 6:00 - 6:45 pm

This month we will read stories and do activities about hibernation.



MAKE AND TAKE CRAFT December 14th – 23rd

Stop in anytime we are open and paint a cinnamon ornament.



FRIDAY CRAFTING 2ND & 4TH Friday of the Month 3:30 – 4:30 pm

This fun time for crafting is geared toward YOUTH GRADE 3 AND UP. Crafts include: mosaics, canister/game craft, string art and a wreath. Please call to register as bus space is limited to 15. Due to the school vacation, Friday crafting in December was December 13 only.



STORY TIME Thursdays & Fridays 10:30 – 11:30 am

These fun 30-40 minute programs for ages 2-6 include stories, songs, finger plays, flannel board and a craft. **Registration is not required**. This year we will be working our way through the alphabet (with a few breaks to celebrate the changing seasons).

*****No story time the week of December 23. We will have the wooden trains out downstairs and a drop-in craft upstairs*****



STORY TREKKERS – GRADES K-4 Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:30 pm No Story Trekkers 12/24

Children will be introduced to a variety of authors and award-winning books. A snack, games and a craft will also be included. Students may arrange to take **Bus 73** directly to the library after school. Please call the library at 659-2626 to register as bus space is limited to 15. This program is currently full. Please call the library if you want your child to be placed on a waiting list.



LEGO CLUB
Thursdays 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Through December 19th

Ride **Bus 73** to the library and play with our large selection of Legos. The first session's theme will be creating the bedroom of your dreams – maybe a treehouse?? Please call the library at 659-2626 to register as bus space is limited to 15. **This program is currently full. Please call the library if you want your child to be placed on a waiting list.**

******We will start a new session of LEGO Club on January 6, 2020. Registration will open December 17th*****

Regional & State News & Events



OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

36 Coe Drive Durham, New Hampshire 03824

Telephone: 603-868-5100 Facsimile # 603-868-6668

To all interested parties,

I've been asked to inform you that a Citizen's Committee has been formed to promote the passage of the proposed new middle school: "ORMS--Go Vote."

This committee has been established to advocate and raise money to promote the passage of the proposed middle school bond, something that the school district cannot do.

In March 2020, The Oyster River Cooperative School District will be proposing Warrant Article #3 for a \$49,842,732 million dollar bond for a new middle school. As many know the current middle school opened in 1936, has served the district well, and is beyond repair.

ORMS - - Go Vote is independent of the school district and can be reached at f.wolff@comcast.net (Treasurer) juliesreece@gmail.com (Chair).

Thank you.

Dr. James C. Morse, Sr. Superintendent

SAU #5 DURHAM, LEE, MADBURY

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS December 4, 2019

On December 4 the Board held an abbreviated meeting devoted to a report from Lisa Allison, the Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee, which makes projections on school enrollments. The Committee predicts that enrollment will decline gradually over the next 10 years, from the current figure of 2173 to 1915 in 2029-30. Ms. Allison affirmed that the proposed new middle school would not exceed the 700 students it is planned for, even in the top range of the prediction. The full report is available on the district website:

http://www.orcsd.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server 538005/File/School%20Board/Board%20Appointed% 20Committees/Long%20Range%20Planning/LRPC%20Report%20December%202019.pdf

The rest of the meeting was devoted to a workshop in which the board explored various options that would moderate tax rate increases, should the middle school bond pass.

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, 2019

CLICK HERE for the Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 10:00 a.m. at the State House in Concord, NH

NHES Operation VET Connect

Operation VETS Connect is a challenge to connect those who served and those who are serving and their spouses to employment, training and services they need to return to employment or into training to assist them with obtaining employment. Additional goals are to build an employer's awareness of the benefits to hiring those who served along with the awareness for those who served of the skills they have or need to build on to return to employment.

Employers are asked to register for the challenge by completing the registration form on the website under Job Fairs. (http://www.nhes.nh.gov/media/job-fairs/index.htm) The information from their registration form will be entered into a spreadsheet by Operations staff and made available to the offices. The employer name, industry, and town/city will also be listed on the website weekly. ESRs and LVERs should verify that the employer is registered in JMS and if appropriate, contact the employer to advise of the services available to them, including RTW and OJT.

Veterans, those currently serving and their spouses are also asked to complete a registration form on the website under Job Fairs. (http://www.nhes.nh.gov/media/job-fairs/index.htm) Their information will be entered into a separate spreadsheet and distributed to the office nearest their homes.

CLICK HERE for the Operation VET Connect Flyer

If you are a Lee Resident in need of assistance with a Veteran's issue the Lee Memorial VFW Post 10676 may be able to help.

This post serves the communities of Lee, Durham, Madbury and Newmarket and has Service Officers who can help folks with just about any Veteran's related issue. At the State level they have a seat on the SVAC (State Veterans Advisory Committee) and are linked with tens of other non-profit Veterans organizations that provide a host of services. Please contact Andy Corrow, Commander, VFW Post 10676, at 603-397-9267 or vfwpost10676@yahoo.com for assistance.

McGregor EMS Volunteers Needed

McGregor EMS is currently seeking both Medical and Non-Medical Volunteers. Those interested may email membership@mcgregorems.org. To learn more about this great service CLICK HERE!

CHECK OUT MAPGEO HERE

A GIS Collaboration between the Strafford Regional Planning Commission and Lee bringing basic GIS (Geographic Information System) technology to your fingertips. GIS map data is now displayed on the MapGeo website. The site allows residents to search for tax map info, as well as view several different overlay layers.

ATTENTION!

To receive the E-CRIER via email every week go to www.leenh.org, click on the Subscribe button under the Town Resource Center section & follow the directions to subscribe.

If you do not have the internet please come to Town Hall for a **<u>printed copy</u>** or go to the Library to view it there. If you cannot leave your home please call Town Secretay Denise Duval at 659-5414 to have it mailed!