

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE
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**Lee News & Upcoming
Events
April 16, 2021**

SELECT BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM
MONDAY, April 19th 6:00 pm

Meeting ID 892 7541 3158 & Password 124855

Please check the website for Agendas and instructions on how to access Zoom meetings
Subject to change, please check the website meeting calendar

Meetings can be seen on **You Tube** at [CLICK HERE](#)



**LEE CEMETERY GATES OPENED
ON APRIL 15th**

[CLICK HERE](#) for CEMETERY RULES

[CLICK HERE](#) for CEMETERY FEES

PICKLE BALL COURTS OPEN AND READY FOR PLAY
Little River Park

Thanks to the Highway Department for getting it ready!

RITA LANE IS NOW OPEN

PUBLIC DOCK AT DURGIN PRESERVE WILL HOPEFULLY BE OPEN BY MEMORIAL DAY



LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND LEE LIBRARY PRESENT:
**JOHN WINANT: NEW HAMPSHIRE MAN OF THE
WORLD**

Wednesday, **May 5th** at 7:00 pm

Presenter: Richard Hesse

[CLICK HERE](#) to register for this VIRTUAL PROGRAM.

Funding for this presentation is provided by the NH Humanities

CONSERVATION MONITORING IN LEE

From now until early fall, join the Conservation Commission on Wednesday mornings as they conduct site walks on the Town's conserved properties. Some of these lands are owned by the Town, but most of them are privately owned and protected in perpetuity with a conservation easement. If you'd like to walk along, go to <https://www.leenh.org/conservation-commission> and email the Conservation Commission Chair Dawn Genes by clicking on her name. Monitoring begins at 9:00 am and generally takes 1½-2 hrs. Most outings require traversing through thick brush. Standard precautions for COVID, ticks & mosquitoes are advised.

TOWN OF LEE PROPERTY VALUES UPDATE

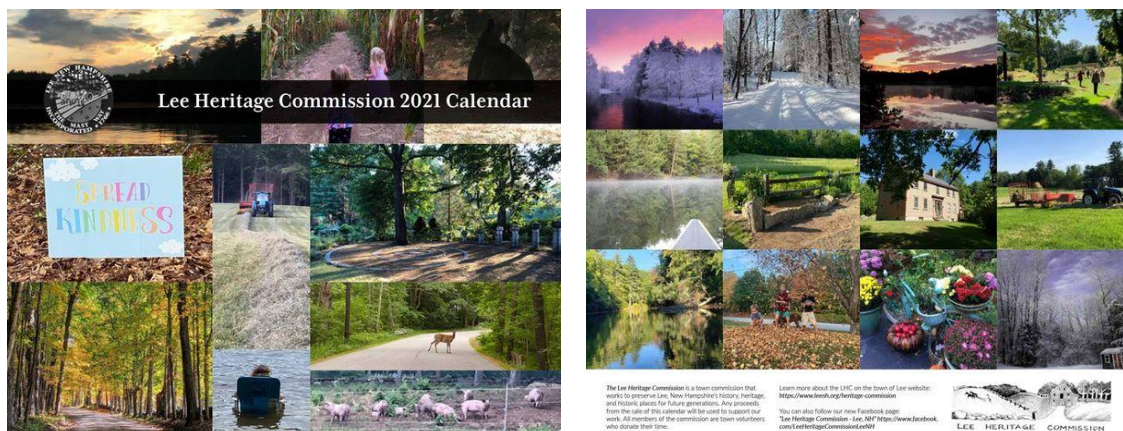
Cross Country Appraisal Group (CCAG) will be in town to look at properties for the purpose of verifying sales data for the time period 4-1-2019 to 4-1-2021 as part of the ongoing town-wide revaluation process. Rick Earls, CCAG Appraiser, has signs on his car, carries an ID card, and his vehicle is a Blue Kia Nero with license plate CCAG 4.appraisers. This process will be completed over the next few months resulting in new values for the fall tax bill. All properties that have sold within the past two years (4-1-2019 to 4-1-2021) will be re-measured and listed. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

WILKINSON FOOD PANTRY - Lee Church Congregational, 17 Mast Rd

Even though our building is closed, the food pantry is open to any household in Lee, Durham, Madbury, Newmarket, and Nottingham. Delivery is through a walk-up window service to minimize contact during this time. The pantry is open the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month from 6 - 7:00pm. If you have an emergency need for food outside of the normal hours, please call the Church office at 659-2861 or email at leechurchucc@comcast.net. All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

2022 LEE HERITAGE COMMISSION CALENDAR

In hopes of getting photos of Lee throughout the year, we will be calling for submissions every month. We're particularly interested in folks sending us photos at the new ice rink next to Mast Way School and winter-time fun. Please email high-resolution version of your photos to: LeeNHcalendar@gmail.com.



LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

The Planning Board, Energy, Advisory Budget, and Sustainability Committees have 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](#) [LIBRARY CALENDAR](#)

READY RIDES

Ready Rides is still providing rides to patients. We recommend you utilize family friends and neighbors with whom you already have regular contact to help provide rides if possible but we are here for you if you need us. **We have added pharmacy pickups and food pantry and grocery pickups our registered riders. If you have placed an order with Walmart.com or Hannaford.com we have volunteers who will pick up these orders and bring them to your door with minimal contact.** If you are unable to order online and you are in desperate need of help with acquiring food or some necessity here are some resources.

If you live in Barrington, Lee, Madbury, Newmarket, Northwood, Barrington, Nottingham and Strafford towns call 244-8719 and we will do our best to find a way to get you the help you need.

Ready Rides provides transportation at no charge for the elderly & disabled residents living in: **Barrington, Durham, Lee, Madury, Newfields, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford** NH. Rides are provided by volunteer drivers using their own vehicles. **Accessible rides available.** To request information about registering as a rider or becoming a volunteer driver, please email info@readyrides.org or call (603) 244-8719. You can find an [Application](#) for riders and a [Volunteer Application](#) on this website. Email or mail it to Ready Rides P.O. Box 272 Northwood, NH 03261. For other transportation options available in the region, please visit ACT's [Community Transportation Directory](#).

RECENT COVID-RELATED INFORMATION

GOVERNOR SUNUNU HAS LIFTED THE MASK MANDATE, Effective 4/16/2021
However, towns and businesses may still require them

COVID-19 VACCINE AVAILABILITY OPEN TO ANYONE, EVEN NON-RESIDENTS

Anyone 16+ can register for a vaccine through the NH DHHS Website

<https://www.vaccines.nh.gov/>

Or by Calling 211

TRAVEL QUARANTINE GUIDANCE

Domestic travel within the U.S. outside of New England no longer requires quarantine upon return to NH, although people are recommended to still follow CDC's travel guidance, including wearing a well-fitted face mask while traveling, practicing social distancing, getting tested 3-5 days after travel (with a molecular or PCR-based test), and limiting public interactions after travel (even if not required to quarantine).

FORBEARANCE & FORECLOSURE PROTECTIONS for HOMEOWNERS

The Biden-Harris Administration recently announced an extension of COVID-19 forbearance and foreclosure protections for homeowners. The most recent actions announced will extend the foreclosure moratorium for homeowners through June 30, 2021; extend the mortgage payment forbearance enrollment window until June 30, 2021 for borrowers who wish to request forbearance; and provide up to six months of additional mortgage payment forbearance, in three-month increments, for borrowers who entered forbearance on or before June 30, 2020. More information can be found [here](#).

NH FOOD BANK – UPCOMING MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

The NH Food Bank will be hosting several mobile food pantries across the state in April using a drive-thru distribution model. Recipients will remain in their car and fresh produce, non-perishable items and more will be delivered right to them. These events are open to anyone in need. More information can be found [here](#).

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP PAYING THEIR RENT AND UTILITIES BECAUSE OF COVID-19?

The New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program provides assistance to eligible residents who are experiencing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and are at risk for homelessness, or living in unsafe or unhealthy housing.

Apply for assistance through a [Community Action Partnership \(CAP\) agency](#). The CAP agency will assist with the application process. The application can be completed online, or a paper application can be requested or downloaded (in English and Spanish).

WHAT THE PROGRAM COVERS

- Past-due and future rent payments
- Utilities, such as electricity, home heating, costs, water, sewer, trash
- Other housing-related costs such as internet and relocation expenses associated directly or indirectly with COVID-19
- Relocation expenses including rental application fees, utility hook-up fees and security deposits
- You may qualify for utility assistance even if you do not receive or need rental assistance

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

- At least one person in your household has qualified for unemployment benefits, had their income reduced, had significant costs, or had other financial hardship due to COVID-19.
- [Certain income requirements](#) must be met.
- You do not need to be receiving unemployment benefits payments.
- The CAP agency will assist in identifying information needed.
- Eligible households may qualify for assistance for past-due and future rent and utility payments for a period not to exceed 15 months.

Lee Public Library

Library Hours

Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm



Youth Programs

All of our programs can be found on our Facebook page.

Grab and Go Crafts—Pick up on Tuesday

We will put out new craft kits and activities every Tuesday at 2:00 pm.

April 20 Potted sunflower

April 27 April Aliens/Animals

Preschool Story-time Thursday—11:30 on Facebook

April 22 Earth Day/plants

April 29 No Story time this week. Enjoy the outdoors!



Lap Sit Story-time April 21 at 8:30 am

Facebook live program - Join Shay, Miss Judy and the crew for some fun movement songs and stories. This program is designed for littles 24 months old and younger and their caregivers, but can be enjoyed by all ages.

We will post readings of *The End of the Beginning: Being The adventures of a Small Snail and an Even Smaller Ant*-by **Avi** at 4 pm Monday-Thursday.

Middle School Book Club

Our middle school book club has **moved to the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. We meet via Zoom from 6-6:45 pm.** Contact the library at 659-2626 if you are in grades 5-8 and would like to join us. We have a supply of the books available at the Library.

April 26 6:00-6:45 discussing [The Swap](#) by Megan Shull (pages 1-199)

May 11 6:00-6:45 discussing [The Swap](#) by Megan Shull (pages 200-382)

May 25 6:00-6:45 final book group until fall 2021. TBD

Pajama Story time

Wednesday **April 28th**, at **6:00 pm** is our monthly pajama story time on Facebook live. Put on your jammies a little early, bring along your blanket and favorite stuffy and listen to some bedtime stories.

Regional & State News & Events

OYSTER RIVER COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

April 7, 2021

The Oyster River Cooperative School Board met on April 7, 2021 for the first time since the Governor's latest order on school reopening. Oyster River Schools will offer all students in-person learning starting Thursday, April 22. Sophomores will take the PSAT at ORHS on April 20. To balance bus routes, school hours will be adjusted. Starting on April 22, the Elementary school day will run 8:55 AM-3:25 PM while Middle and High School will be 8:00 AM-2:35 PM.

On April 17, Strafford County Public Health will operate a closed vaccination pod for high school students at Oyster River High School to vaccinate students 16 and over. Details, including how to register, will be shared as they are finalized. Spring Break for Oyster River schools is April 24 - May 2. District health and travel quarantine procedures have been updated based on recent CDC and State guidance. See https://orcsd.org/student_services/health_and_wellness/COVID-19 for the latest. The last day of school for this school year will be June 18, 2021. Planning for these events is in progress:

1. As weather improves and more students bike to school, an on-bike safety skills workshop for ORMS students will be held on Saturday, April 24. This event is being planned by local families in partnership with Durham Parks & Recreation, Oyster River Cycle and Sport, and ORCSD.
2. A Community Forum on recent violence against Asian Americans, including how to incorporate Asian American experiences into Oyster River's commitment to equity and anti-racism will be held on Tuesday, May 25.



[CLICK HERE](#) for 2021 LRAC SPRING NEWSLETTER

GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 4/7/2021 Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 10:00 a.m. in Concord, NH

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.

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