

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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April 17, 2020

Lee News & Upcoming
Events



PLANT A TREE AT HOME IN OBSERVANCE OF ARBOR DAY ON APRIL 24, 2020



#WeAreInThisTogether

 **Stay at Home**

New Hampshire has issued a Stay at Home order due to COVID-19

Let's work together to help stop the spread.
We CAN make a difference!

Only leave home to:



Seek medical care



Get essential supplies
(Groceries, medication, cleaning supplies)



Get food from take-out
only restaurants



Exercise outside while
practicing social distancing

For more information visit:
nh.gov/covid19/



Although you may not be able to see some of us, please be assured that we are all still hard at work to keep Town operations flowing as seamlessly as possible, even though Town Hall, the Planning & Zoning office, and the Library remain closed to the public. Employees are now working remotely on a rotating schedule with one staff member at a time working in Town Hall, the P&Z office and the Library. We monitor on a daily basis all communications from the state and federal governments and we continue to communicate with each other so that everyone is connected and staying informed and up to speed on the latest information, which, as you all know changes rapidly.

We are encouraging anyone who has questions or needs assistance to call us or utilize our online systems for access to assessing records, motor vehicle registration, etc. (20-day temporary plates issued after 3/1/20 for NEWLY ACQUIRED vehicles have been extended through April 30, 2020.)

NH Department of Health and Human Services FAQ Sheet on COVID-19 [CLICK HERE](#)

Please see the Town website <https://Leenh.org> for more information and be sure to subscribe to **"Town News"** to get the latest notices emailed directly to your inbox.

Police/Fire/ Ambulance Emergencies	911
Police Business Number	659-5866
Fire Business Number	659-5411
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	659-2964
Planning & Zoning/Building Inspector	659-6783
Selectmen/Assessing/Finance Office	659-5414

New Hampshire residents who have concerns about COVID-19 can call 2-1-1. Information and referral specialists are on hand to direct people to the appropriate resources. NH 2-1-1 is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Outside of New Hampshire, call 1-866-444-4211.

To immediately report any suspected cases of COVID-19 to the Division of Public Health Services call 603-271-4496 (M-F 8:30 am - 4:30 pm) or after hours at 603-271-5300. Callers should expect to leave a message and be patient while waiting for a return call.

If you are sick with symptoms such as fever, cough and/or shortness of breath call your own healthcare provider and follow their instructions.

Please stay safe and keep everyone else safe by following the CDC's guidelines – limit social contact – wash your hands – stay in if you are sick – clean and sanitize surfaces.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT WE ARE NOT WIPING DOWN PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT,
PICNIC BENCHES OR ANY OTHER SURFACES**

Be smart. Do your part.

The Town of Lee urges our residents and visitors to do their part to stop the spread of COVID-19 in our community. If you go to a park or trail to exercise, use extreme caution. Maintain at least 6 feet of distance between yourself and others when outside. Do not participate in any team and contact sports, such as basketball, football, softball and soccer. Cookouts are also not permitted in Little River Park, until further notice. Avoid touching surfaces including playground equipment, benches, and other sports equipment that are handled by others.

We discourage gathering in our parks and remind everyone that groups of 10 or more are now prohibited under Governor Sununu's Emergency Order No. 16.

Our parks and trails are open, but please:

- Do not gather in groups of more than 10 or get closer than 6 feet from others
- Do not touch any surfaces that are likely to be touched by other people
- Refrain from using playground equipment
- Do not participate in activities involving physical contact or sharing of equipment

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION

THE TRANSFER STATION IS OPEN BUT HAS A FEW CHANGES

CHANGES TO MIXED PAPER

Mixed paper should now be placed with Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) until further notice. We are doing this to protect our employees, as it takes a great deal of handling and sorting in order to make it recyclable. When we are no longer under the conditions brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, we will switch to having residents separate office paper and magazines from other types of paper in order to maximize our recycling revenue.

PLEASE CONTINUE PRACTICING SOCIAL DISTANCING

Both bays remain open as we have seen an improvement in the flow of traffic, especially on Saturdays and everyone is doing a good job of maintaining a safe distance.

PLEASE KEEP CHILDREN IN YOUR VEHICLE

We understand that many of you have children at home with you as the schools and daycares have closed and you may not be able to leave them at home when you come to the Transfer Station but PLEASE have your child(ren) stay in your vehicle while you are disposing of trash and recyclables. This is for their safety! If they have to be out of the vehicle please keep them next to you at all times and do not let them run through the Transfer Station, roadways or parking areas.

There are several important issues you must be aware of regarding your household trash and recycling disposal if you or anyone in your household has been quarantined for COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19. Your trash and recycling must be handled and disposed of under different rules. Please consult Caren Rossi, Lee's Health Officer to discuss the new steps that must be taken. Email is crossi@leenh.org or phone at 659-6783. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping everyone healthy!

Bulky items are accepted at the Transfer Station, HOWEVER, payment will be by check only – there will be a drop box available. Employees will not be able to assist with removing items from your vehicle but will be available to guide you, weigh items, and answer your questions.

The Transfer Station remains open during regular posted hours, 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday. **Please try to avoid peak traffic day on Saturday.** In order for our employees and residents to maintain the recommended safe distance of six feet, employees will not be stationed on the wall during this time but will still be there to answer questions.

The Swap Shop will remain closed until further notice.

MCGREGOR AMBULANCE UPDATES RELATED TO COVID-19

In recent weeks, we have been asked about McGregor's preparation and response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Considering recommendations from federal and state agencies, we have implemented significant modifications since we began preparing for the COVID-19 pandemic earlier this year. We wanted to highlight just a few of these changes which are most relevant to our patients:

- **Riding to the hospital with a loved one.** Due to hospital restrictions and to help protect everyone involved, we are no longer able to transport friends and family with patients in the ambulance. Exceptions can be made in limited circumstances including parents of younger children.
- **Hardship waivers for families in need.** As is always the case, McGregor offers a generous hardship waiver process for families struggling to afford an ambulance bill. We do ask that families first work with their insurance company to ensure that as much of the bill as possible is paid. That said, given the hardship created in this uncertain time we want to remind people of this option. The hardship application is available under "Patient Resources" at www.McGregorEMS.org



- **A new look for EMS crews.** While McGregor crews have always undertaken precautions for personal and patient safety, crews are now wearing enhanced protective equipment on all 9-1-1 calls. For some calls, equipment includes a gown and "CAPR" helmet which provides N95 level respiratory protection without using up a mask. We are also responding to a large number of calls in full protective gear even when a patient does not likely have COVID-19. This is for the protection of all involved.

- **Do not hesitate to call 9-1-1 for true emergencies.** Everyone is reminded to not hesitate to call 9-1-1 for emergencies such as chest pain or pressure, symptoms of stroke, difficulty breathing, bluish lips/face, or confusion. For more on distinguishing emergencies from routine illness visit the [CDC website](https://www.cdc.gov) or watch this [PSA from the NH Bureau of EMS](#).

Anyone who may have questions can contact McGregor at 862-3674 or info@mcgregorems.org

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DISASTER DECLARATION FOR NH

Based on the request of Governor Sununu, the SBA has declared a disaster declaration for the entire State of New Hampshire based on economic injury due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

All the details including the joint press release, the loan application process, assistance for government contractors, and other resources can be found [here](#).

Small businesses looking for assistance should reach out to one of the following partners for help with things such as filling out paperwork, questions or even advice. These partners include SCORE, NH Small Business Development Center, and the Center for Women & Enterprise (NH's Women Business Center and Veterans Business Outreach Center). You will find links to these partners at www.sba.gov/nh.

Since this is a very rapidly developing situation, to keep up to date on all activities effecting NH small businesses, please join our mailing list [click here](#).



New Hampshire Department of
**BUSINESS AND
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS**



WEEKLY COVID-19 UPDATE

What you need to know this week:

- Governor Sununu restricted hotels and other lodging properties, including Airbnb, to providing lodging only for essential workers and vulnerable populations through [Emergency Order 27](#).
- The Small Business Administration (SBA) reports that its Office of Disaster Assistance expects to roll out Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) next week. Eligible applicants can receive a \$10,000 emergency grant. For more information, click [here](#).
- Our partners at the [New Hampshire Small Business Development Center](#) is helping small business owners navigate the programs and resources available to them. Their comprehensive COVID-19 page explains available loans, grants and deferment programs available, as well as a link to connect with a small business advisor.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has grounded many New Hampshire companies doing business in the global marketplace. The Department of Business and Economic Affairs' Office of International Commerce invites companies experiencing a slowdown to join the free webinar, [Using Digital Strategies to Maximize International Sales](#), from 11 am – noon, on April 15. OIC's popular [Export Boot Camp](#) is now available online, for more information and to register visit the website.
- The [New Hampshire Procurement Technical Assistance Center \(NH PTAC\)](#) is a free resource for companies doing business with the federal government. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, government spending, particularly defense spending, continues, as new and increasing needs posed by the coronavirus emerge daily. For free technical assistance, contact NH PTAC.

The Department of Business and Economic Affairs is working with its state and federal partners to provide resources to New Hampshire businesses affected by COVID-19. For information, visit www.nheconomy.com/covid19 or email us at info@nheconomy.com.

**[CLICK HERE](#) for the SMALL BUSINESS OWNER'S GUIDE
TO THE FEDERAL CARES ACT**

RECREATION COMMISSION PROGRAM UPDATE
Fishing Derby Postponed – TBD
Model Rocket Day and the Music in the Park Program – Stay Tuned

LEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The museum will not be opening on April 18th.

The Lee Historical Society's Annual Meeting set for April 17, 2020 will be rescheduled along with the program, *"The Founding Father: What Were They Thinking"* originally scheduled for May 6, 2020.



**During this time of social distancing and no Farmer's Markets –
Please remember to shop your local farms online, by delivery or pickup**

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Lee Farms and Agricultural Brochure



NEXT ANTICIPATED SELECT BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM

Monday, April 27th – TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED

Subject to change, please check the website meeting calendar

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

**Any events listed in the E-Crier are subject to change without notice, although
we will do our best to keep you informed in a timely manner**

NH Department of Health and Human Services

Press Release

4/9/2020

NH DHHS Announces Resource Guide and Warm Line to Support Families During COVID-19

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) has developed two new resources to help children, youth, families and caregivers during the COVID-19 emergency.

The first is “[Supporting Child and Family Wellbeing During the COVID-19 Emergency](#),” a new resource guide with practical tips on how we can all support children and families during COVID-19. The guide also provides a list of resources available to families statewide. The second resource is the [Family Support Warm Line](#), a partnership between DHHS and Waypoint. The Family Support Warm Line is a no-cost, confidential phone support line focused on promoting family resiliency. Residents can call 800-640-6486 and speak with family support professionals and parent partners for help with managing family challenges, coping strategies, or emotional support during COVID-19.

“Our data has shown a decline in the number of calls made to DCYF from those community helpers who regularly see kids face to face, but this is continues to be a stressful time for families and our focus has to remain on prevention,” said DCYF Director Joseph Ribsam. “Having resources readily available and a place where parents and caregivers can turn if they need to talk to someone can make a difference for our families and guide them to the services they need to stay strong and healthy, before they reach a tipping point that leads to abuse or neglect.”

The efforts stem from [Emergency Order #22](#), issued by Governor Chris Sununu on April 1, which authorizes emergency funding for critical child protection services to ensure that New Hampshire families continue to receive the right services at the right time during the COVID-19 emergency. In addition to the Family Support Warm Line, the funding will support domestic violence and substance use supports, expansion of the DCYF Strength to Succeed Program, and additional technology support for DCYF-involved families.

March data from the Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) shows a [decrease in referrals](#) to DCYF’s Central Intake, compared to the same time period over the past two years. New child abuse and neglect referrals are down nearly 50% each week overall.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. To learn more about NH’s Child Abuse Prevention Month activities, visit the [New Hampshire Children’s Trust](#) website. To learn more about recognizing the signs of child abuse and neglect, visit [Know and Tell](#), an education program offered through the Granite State Children’s Alliance, the Chapter Organization for the network of New Hampshire’s Child Advocacy Centers.

The Family Support Warm Line can be reached toll-free at 1-800-640-6486, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call the DCYF Central Intake line at (603) 271-6562 or toll-free (in state) at (800) 894-5533.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
STATE JOINT INFORMATION CENTER
603-223-6169 or jic@dos.nh.gov



Notice : Change in Services Due to Social Distancing Recommendation

Ready Rides is still operating during this time. We have adjusted our services to reflect the recommendations in place and to protect both our drivers and riders while still remaining available to those most vulnerable without taking them from their homes to incur possible contact with the virus.

We are still providing rides to patients who require life sustaining services such as dialysis, blood transfusions, injections etc. We will take each request as they come in and assess the depth of the need. We are suspending all rides to counseling, physical therapy and general health and dental checkups. We recommend you utilize family friends and neighbors who you already have regular contact with to help provide rides during this short suspension.

A service we are adding to our registered riders is pharmacy pickups and food pantry and grocery pickups. If you have placed an order with Walmart.com or Hannaford.com we have volunteers who will pickup 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. Currently if you live in the town of Durham call 868-2324 for assistance. If you live in the town of Newfields call 772-9010 and ask for Helping hands for assistance.

Barrington, Lee, Madbury, New Market, Northwood, Barrington, Nottingham and Strafford towns do not directly have things in place yet. Call us here at 244-8719 and we will do our best to find a way to get you the help you need.

What Ready Rides Offers During Normal Operation

Ready Rides provides transportation at no charge for the elderly & disabled residents living in: Barrington, Durham, Lee, Madury, Newfields, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham and Strafford. 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 us at info@readyrides.org or call (603) 244-8719. You can find an [Application](#) for riders and a [Volunteer Application](#) can be printed from this website and emailed or mailed to Ready Rides P.O. Box 272 Northwood, NH 03261. Be sure to also print out our service description.

For other transportation options available in the region, please visit ACT's [Community Transportation Directory](#).

LEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Things to See and Places to Go – April 17 - April 24, 2020

TERRESTRIAL

Check Out Our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/LeeConservationCommission/> Amanda Gourgue, who maintains the Conservation Commission's Facebook page, publishes frequent posts to help folks learn about local trails, flora, fauna, and habitats. Her posts about outdoor/indoor activities for families and how to enjoy the outdoors while keeping safe during this period of social distancing are well worth a look.

This week's Town Forest Nature Walk: This week's walk, the 4th since we began on March 26, focusses on red maple flowers, spotted salamanders, their egg masses, Canada mayflowers, snow fleas, and the Town Bog. Each week, we look at what changes are occurring along a marked, dedicated trail. All four walks are posted on the Conservation Commission's Facebook page (see link above; #4, will be up this weekend), but you'll have to scroll down a bit to get to the earlier posts. The write-up for the Walk #1 gives directions, but basically, you begin at the Red Triangle Trailhead nearest the dugout at the baseball field adjacent to Mast Way School, and follow the purple ribbons whenever there's a fork in the trail.

Bird Academy: Online Course to Learn about Birds: Cornell Ornithology Lab's eBird Essentials gives an excellent, free online course on how to get started learning about birds. <https://academy.allaboutbirds.org/product/ebird-essentials/>

Bird Academy Play Lab: Play an Online Game and Learn about Birds: A good, rainy day, nature activity. Cornell Ornithology Lab's eBird has an entire page of online games to help children and adults learn about such things as bird song, the evolution of flight, bird anatomy, feathers, etc. <https://academy.allaboutbirds.org/learning-games/>

Nature Bingo Cards: Massachusetts Audubon has a wonderful assortment of printable nature bingo cards on their website. You can choose from cards featuring nature-in-general, birds, insects, trees, or seasons. They're all available at this link: <https://www.massaudubon.org/get-outdoors/young-explorers/explore-a-sanctuary/nature-bingo>

Critter Cards: Mass Audubon's Joppa Flats Education Center has issued two more critter cards. Each card provides information and several activities that you and your child can do. Folks are encouraged to post their observations, drawings, paintings, photos, poems, etc. Last week's critter card featured wood frogs:

<https://www.facebook.com/MassAudubonJoppaFlats/photos/a.257414180946/10156695262270947/?type=3&theater>

This week's features sow bugs:
<https://www.facebook.com/MassAudubonJoppaFlats/photos/a.257414180946/10156717086145947/?type=3&theater>

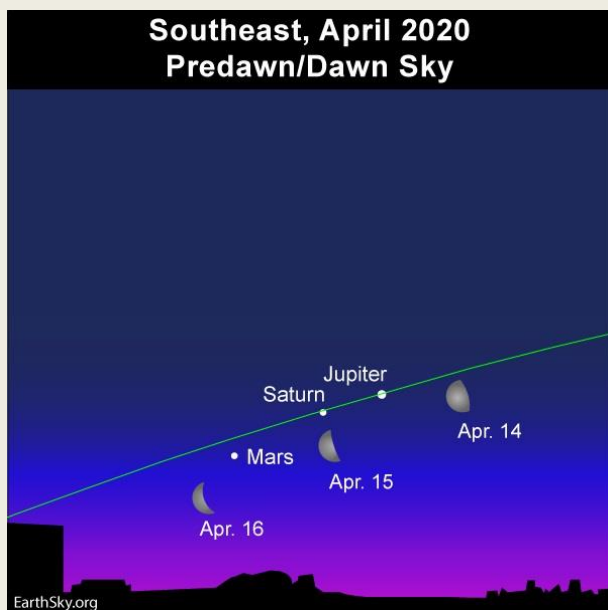
Bird of the Week - Chipping Sparrow: Late on Tuesday afternoon, I saw my first of the year chipping sparrow feeding on the ground on the east side of Mast Way School. A small bird (slightly larger than a chickadee) with a relatively long, notched tail, the chipping sparrow's plumage is, like most New World sparrows, a mixture of brown, grey, black and white. Male and female sport identical plumage, and such coloring allows them to blend in when foraging on the ground. The warm, rusty cap and black eye stripe are distinctive. Note, too, the faint pair of white wing bars. The beak, which during the breeding season is black (pink in winter), is not as stout as other members of its family, but it is definitely a tool for cracking seeds, which make up the bulk of this species' diet. Feet and legs are pink. The name chipping sparrow derives from its song: a rapid, almost mechanical "chip-chip-

chip-chip-chip". The following link is to a video of a singing male and provides a much better image of this dapper little bird than my poor capture at right. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1d7Poyi3Fo>

Chipping sparrows prefer fields, forest openings, and suburban settings. In a family known for being shy and skulking, chipping sparrows are remarkably tolerant of humans, often nesting in foundation plantings, particularly conifers. It frequently visits bird feeders and is often seen foraging along roadsides. Its nest is a prototypical cup shape, woven with rootlets, grasses and stalks, and lined with hair. The species is so devoted to this latter material, that chipping sparrows have been observed removing hair from horses and sleeping dogs - a predilection which gave rise to its folk name "hair bird". At Casa Fisher, long ago when there were three long-haired residents, we used to put the hair from our brushes out on the trellis for birds to use; one fall we found on the ground in our yard, a chipping sparrow nest lined with long, blond hair. Each December, that nest goes on our Christmas tree.



CELESTIAL



Throughout April, before sunrise, Looking East - Mars, Saturn, and Jupiter: Though the moon won't be a part of the picture as in the graphic at left, the planets will be in the same position relative to each other in the eastern, pre-sunrise sky. Pay special attention to the red planet. Mars has been particularly bright and ruddy this spring, and that's only going to get better. Mars' two year orbit around the sun has been bringing it closer and closer to the earth. Throughout spring and summer, Mars will grow brighter, until, on October 13, Earth will pass between the sun and Mars. On that evening Mars will be brighter and closer than it has been for the past two years.

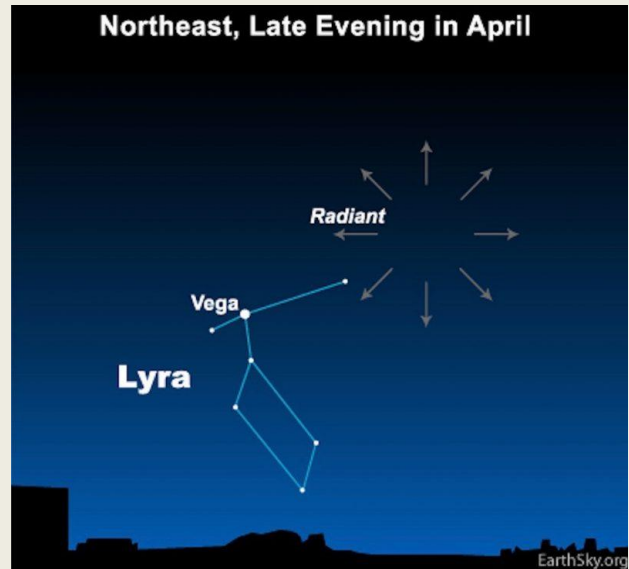
April 19-21, Lyrid Meteor Shower: Meteor showers are annual events that occur whenever Earth passes through an area of concentrated debris - often

particles left by a comet. Lyrid meteors get their name from the point in the sky from which they seem to radiate - near the constellation Lyra. Lyrid meteors are caused by particles of the comet C1861 G1 (Thatcher), a comet discovered by amateur astronomer A. E. Thatcher in 1861. This comet circles the sun every 415 years. The bad news about meteor showers is that they're best seen from midnight to dawn. That doesn't mean you won't see any meteors if you look earlier in the evening, it just means you won't be seeing a shower. The shower reaches its peak on the evening of April 20. If you stay up for the show, expect to see 10-20 meteors/hour. Though the Lyrid show isn't as extravagant as some of the year's other meteor showers, they are noted for occasional brilliant

(brighter than Venus) meteors known as fireballs. For your viewing pleasure, dress warmly; a reclining lawn chair is the most comfortable way of viewing (and avoiding “meteor-neck”).

Whether you go out early or get up in the wee hours, it is great fun to bring children out in the evening and search for meteors. Should you and your children strike lucky and see one of these “shooting stars”, don’t forget to make a wish!

If you’re going all-in for this shower, and you have a clear view of the eastern horizon, keep an eye out for the trio of planets mentioned in the first entry for this week’s celestial events. Jupiter will rise over the horizon shortly after 2:00 a.m., followed by Saturn at @ 2:30, and Mars at 3:00.



Don’t forget these two online resources to help you and your family explore the night sky:

EarthSky (<https://earthsky.org/>). The EarthSky website provides several weeks’ worth of nightly write-ups about what’s going on in the night sky, along with a brief daily feature giving more in-depth information about a particular night-sky object. They’ve very generously given their permission to have their graphics used in this newsletter, and I encourage you and your children to visit their website.

Stellarium (<https://stellarium-web.org/>), has replaced StarAtlas, but remains an interactive map of the night sky. This new incarnation will set itself to your location. You can change the time and date to coincide with when you’ll be star-gazing, and the map scrolls in all directions. If, for instance, in your location the best place for viewing the night sky happens to be facing west, just scroll the map to show the stars, planets and satellites that will appear in that part of the sky. Once you have the sky set for viewing time and direction, you can click on objects in the sky and an information box will appear giving the object’s name plus information about brightness, type of object, etc. This is a fantastic website.

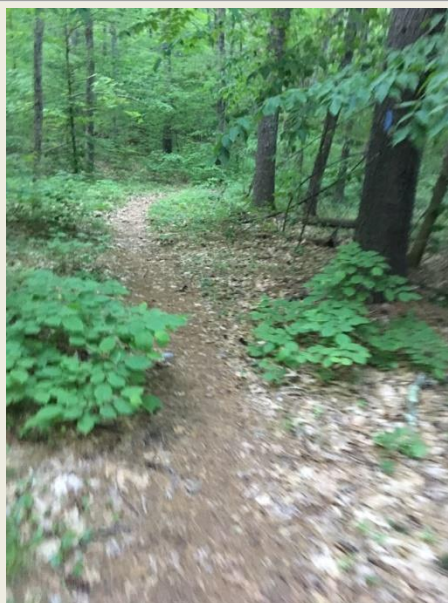


Photo by Dawn Limauro

**WATCH FOR NEW NATURE HIGHLIGHTS
ON THE MAUD JONES FOREST TRAILS BY DON QUIGLEY**



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Deputy Chief

TIMELY TOPICS FOR THE SPRING SEASON

We are in the midst of unprecedented times with the onset of the COVID 19 Virus. In an effort to protect our personnel and the public, the Fire Department has adjusted its operations. We are still fully staffed and operating to protect our community and respond to emergencies, but we have put a hold on or adjusted the way we provide some of our services. The Safety Complex has been closed to all visitors for the foreseeable future. All official business will be conducted by phone or email. Phone numbers and email addresses are provided on the Fire Department's web page (<https://www.leenh.org/fire-department>).

Burn permits are still required for all outside burning and all State burning regulations are still in effect. Burning regulations and permits can be found below.

All station tours are suspended as are all home visits for wood stove, burn permit and inspection purposes. Furnace installation inspections will be conducted on an emergency basis for emergency replacement only. All furnace replacement work shall be coordinated through the Fire Chief's office before any work is to be done.

All local bodies of water are ice free at this time. Please be cautious when recreating on the water as the water temperature is still near freezing and any exposure to the water could lead to hypothermia very quickly. Always wear a safety jacket when boating and abide by all safe boating practices.

All information regarding the Town of Lee's recommendations and response to the COVID 19 crisis will come from the Town of Lee Health Officer, Caren Rossi. All questions should be directed to her office at (603) 659-6783. Please abide by all recommendations to stay home, social distance, hand wash and protect yourself and the community. Only together can we make it through this crisis. For more information regarding COVID-19, please visit www.cdc.gov/.



**LEE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT SEEKING CALL
FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS**
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

BURN PERMIT

[CLICK HERE](#) for NH BURN PERMIT RULES AND REGULATIONS
[CLICK HERE](#) to get a Burn Permit Online

[BACKYARD BURNING QUICK GUIDE](#)
[DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS FIRE PERMIT BROCHURE](#)

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Fire Department Fee Schedule
Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the Permitting Checklist and Reference Guide

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 \$35.00 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

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](#)!

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

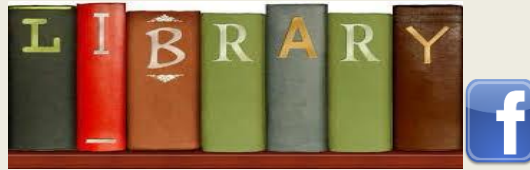
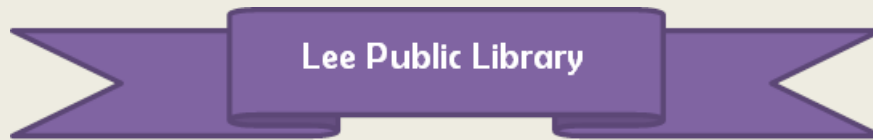
The Planning Board, Energy, and Sustainability Committees have immediate openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Town Secretary Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email dduval@leenh.org. [CLICK HERE](#) for Application.

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>



THE LIBRARY IS NOW CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Starting Saturday, March 28, 2020 the library will discontinue curbside pickup. Per order of Governor Sununu's Stay Home order, we will no longer offer book pickup. We encourage you to keep all the items you currently have on loan until a future date, yet to be determined.

Please DO NOT return anything to the library during this time. When the library reopens we will begin accepting returns. Our Book Drop will remain CLOSED for the next several weeks.

You can reach the library director through email leelibrary@comcast.net with any concerns or questions.

MISSING THE LIBRARY?

You can check out Overdrive, Novelist, EBSCOHost and Universal Class at leelibrarynh.org.



GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, April 8, 2020

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 4/8/2020 Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

Wednesday, May 6, 2020 10:00 a.m. at the State House in Concord, NH

Help UNH Extension map food-access resources and needs across New Hampshire during COVID-19 – [CLICK HERE](#)



10th ANNUAL SEACOAST VETERANS CONFERENCE

Saturday, May 9th 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Service Credit Union Corporate Office, Portsmouth, NH

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED IN STRAFFORD COUNTY

Foster children come from your town, your neighborhood, and your school. They are friends of your child, members of your church, and kids on your little league team. They are babies, toddlers, school-aged kids, and teenagers. They are brothers and sisters who need to stay together. Due to a situation beyond their control, they have to be displaced from their homes and put into a temporary home. They need support, guidance and love. They need a safe place to call home while their family works to put itself back together. Are you able to make a difference in a child's life? Are you able to open your home to a child from your community – enabling them to remain in a familiar school, with familiar friends? There is a real need for foster homes in the Merrimack and Strafford County areas for Children of all ages & sibling groups.

If you'd like to learn more about the foster care program, please contact Dawn Ghiorzi, Recruitment and Licensing Specialist, with Ascentria Care Alliance at 603-931-9582 or at dghiorzi@ascentria.org. For more information on how you may help foster children in the Lee community please call Sally Cedarholm at the Lee Church 603-659-2861 or email her at leechurchucc@comcast.net.

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.

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.

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