

TOWN OF LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
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Lee, New Hampshire 03861  
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Lee News & Upcoming  
Events  
July 16, 2021

**SELECT BOARD MEETINGS BACK TO IN-PERSON**

**MONDAY, July 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

**Public Safety Complex, 20 George Bennett Road**  
Subject to change, please check the website meeting calendar

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

**MUSIC IN THE PARK**

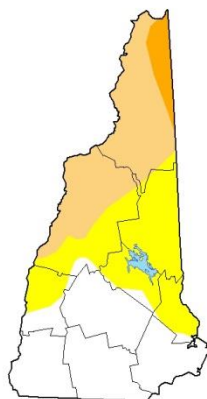
**Thursday Night Concert Series Schedule**

**Little River Park / Randy Steven Pavilion 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

<b>July 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Knock on Wood</b>
<b>July 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Dave Gerard-Truffle Duo</b>
<b>Aug 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Clandestine</b>
<b>Aug 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Clandestine</b>
<b>Aug 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Chickenshock Bluegrass Band</b>
<b>Aug 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Alt-137</b>
<b>Sept 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Claire Li</b>

[CLICK HERE](#) for U.S. DROUGHT MONITOR  
**Southern NH is out of Drought!!!**

**U.S. Drought Monitor  
New Hampshire**



**July 13, 2021**  
(Released Thursday, Jul. 15, 2021)  
Valid 8 a.m. EDT

	Drought Conditions (Percent Area)					
	None	D0-D1	D1-D2	D2-D3	D3-D4	D4
Current	39.98	60.02	30.58	3.92	0.00	0.00
Last Week (07-06-2021)	40.39	59.61	37.07	3.93	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago (04-15-2021)	0.00	100.00	42.54	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year (01-01-2021)	51.63	48.37	12.20	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year (09-29-2020)	0.00	100.00	100.00	95.06	10.59	0.00
One Year Ago (07-14-2020)	7.73	92.27	49.32	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Intensity:**  
None D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Moderate Drought D2 Severe Drought D3 Extreme Drought D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/about.aspx>

**Author:**  
Adam Hartman  
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC



[droughtmonitor.unl.edu](https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu)



## Compost Committee to Survey Lee and Durham Food-Related Businesses

- Dean Rubine, Lee Sustainability Committee

The Lee Sustainability Committee and the Regional Compost Working Group are inviting selected food-related businesses in Lee to participate in the Community Sustainability Survey. Those businesses will soon receive an email from us, the Lee Sustainability Committee, with a link to the online survey. The survey is designed to inform future local sustainability initiatives, including community-scale composting and renewable energy projects.

The survey was created as part of a research project by the UNH Sustainability Institute, working with the Regional Compost Working Group (RCWG). The RCWG has representatives from the Lee Sustainability Advisory Committee, Durham Integrated Waste Management Advisory Committee, Oyster River School District Sustainability Committee, the ORHS Sustainability Club, and UNH Sustainability Institute. The survey has the backing of the Lee Select Board and the Town of Durham, and has been reviewed and approved by the UNH Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects in Research.

Lee food-related businesses: get your voice heard! Please help us understand your sustainability practices and needs by taking our survey. Check your email for the survey link. We're hoping for responses by July 23rd, but take more time if you need it.

Also, if you're a Lee food-related business that didn't get emailed a survey link, please contact us at [sustain@leenh.org](mailto:sustain@leenh.org).

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### Supervisors of the Checklist to Verify the Voter Checklist

NH law requires that the Supervisors of the Checklist verify the checklist every ten years, and this is the year. Any person on the checklist who has not voted in the past four years (since April 1, 2017) must re-register to remain on the checklist. On Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Supervisors approved which voters were sent a 2021 Verification of Checklist letter. If your household should receive one of these letters and the person no longer lives there, simply throw away the letter. Unfortunately, people who registered last fall but then did not vote or whose absentee ballot arrived late, will also receive a letter and will need to re-register at some point.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> session will be held by the Supervisors of the Checklist on **Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6-7pm in the Lee Library parking lot (hobo shed located in that lot if raining)** to allow voters that received the 2021 Verification of Checklist letter an opportunity to re-register. Voters that still live in Lee and would like to remain on the checklist may come before us at this time or go to the Lee Town Clerk's office during normal business hours before July 22<sup>nd</sup>. At this July 22<sup>nd</sup> session, Supervisors will also accept applications for new voter registration and accept requests for the correction of the checklist and/or change of political party affiliation. Voters may check their party affiliation online [HERE](#).

Applicants for registration or re-registration, whether at the Clerk's office or with the Supervisors, should bring with them proofs of identity, age (18 by the next election), citizenship, and domicile. Affidavits may be signed under oath if proofs are lacking.

Questions can be directed to the Town Clerk's office, 603-659-2964 x308 or any Supervisor.

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## LEE FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION



### ICE CREAM SMORGASBORD

Little River Park, Lee NH

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Come support your local Fire Association!

Kids \$3 and Adults \$5.

Chocolate, Vanilla & Strawberry with all the fixings!

### THE LEE SWAP SHOP STILL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!!!

If you are interested, please email [swapshopleenh@gmail.com](mailto:swapshopleenh@gmail.com).

**Great NEWS!**  
The SWAP SHOP  
is OPEN!



★ **NOW OPEN! Tue/Thur/Sat 8-5** ★

**PLEASE... ONLY**  
**1-large tote of donations**  
**per week / per family**  
**we have very limited space!**  
want to let everyone have a chance to  
donate before we're too full!

**& UNBROKEN ITEMS ONLY**  
Will be accepted  
A volunteer will go through all your  
donations with you when you drop off

**TOYS & GAMES**  
must be in good  
shape, no missing  
pieces!



[sorry, no stuffed animals]

★ **NEW PROCEDURE**  
**For Large, Bulky**  
**Upholstered items**

1. First go to bulky area at Transfer Station
2. Pay for items you wish to donate (\$5 per couch/easy chair)
3. Receive **GREEN** Sticker.
4. **Bring to Swap Shop!**  
**(BEFORE NOON!)**

**SORRY...**  
**but that's**  
**UNACCEPTABLE!**

**Lee Swap Shop is unable to accept the following**  
(a mandated list - not by us!)

**NOT ACCEPTED WHERE/ALTERNATIVES?**

Alkaline Batteries - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Large Appliances (Washer/Dryer etc.) - **METAL BIN UNLESS HAS FREON - HAVE TO PAY**  
Batteries (rechargeable, Lead-Acid, Button cell) - **UNIVERSAL WASTE**  
Car Batteries - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Carpet/Rugs - **BULKY BUILDING (PAY)**  
Cell Phones - **TABLE BY THE GLASS BIN**  
Child car seats (they have expiration dates) - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Construction/Demolition debris (wood/plastic windows, doors, fence, boards, sheetrock, cabinets, non-metal toilets, sinks, etc.) - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Cosmetics - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Clothing, shoes, bed linens & pillows - **PLACE IN DONATION BINS**  
Explosives/Flares/Fireworks/Ammunition - **BIG NO!**  
Food - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Futon Beds - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Helium tanks, Fire Extinguishers, Metal Gas Cans (Even empty) - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Helmets - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Household Hazardous Waste Materials (oil paints, varnishes, chemicals, fuels, poisons, etc.) - **SAVE FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY**  
Lawnmowers, Snow blowers, motorized equipment, exercise equipment - **METAL DROP OFF**  
Lightbulbs - **TABLE BY GLASS BIN** Fluorescent bulbs - **UNIVERSAL WASTE**  
Liquids (soaps, chemicals, cosmetics, sprays, poisons, fuels etc.) **TRASH OR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY**  
Mattresses, Box springs - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Medications/Needles/Sharps - **SEE TRANSFER STATION EMPLOYEE FOR DISPOSAL**  
Mercury items (fluorescent bulbs & tubes, thermometers, thermostats, etc.) - **UNIVERSAL WASTE**  
Pianos/Organs - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Propane/Oxygen/Other gas tanks - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Swing sets/ slides/ Structures - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Trailers - **BULKY BUILDING**  
Trophies - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Smoke/CO detectors - **UNIVERSAL WASTE**  
Stuffed Toys - **DISPOSE IN TRASH**  
Weapons - **BIG NO!**

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\* Or 1-LARGE CARDBOARD BOX!

## Conservation Commission Easement Monitoring Notes from 7-7-2021

### Maidenhair Fern

During last week's monitoring we visited a conservation easement situated on a sloped woodland whose western border ends at the Oyster River. Across the river, with its attendant floodplain and wetland habitats, is Old Mill Reserve, a reclaimed gravel pit maintained as an early succession shrubland habitat. A power line right of way abuts the northern boundaries of both properties, and because plant growth beneath the utility poles is regularly cut back, it, too, serves as a habitat favored by shrubland species.

Besides providing important and distinct habitats, the river and the power line right of way also benefit wildlife by acting as corridors, allowing animal species to move safely between wetland, forest, and shrubland and thus providing them with greater access to food and water. Faunal movement through habitats also spreads seeds and pollen. By enabling wildlife to move from one patch to another, the gene flow between each of these habitats is enhanced. Situated amid these varied habitats, this is a conservation easement where a lot of biodiversity happens, particularly at the ecotones - where one type of habitat transitions to another.

With overcast skies and temperatures in the mid-sixties, the morning had a September feel to it - perfect conditions for a woods walk. A fine mist, what the Scots call a smirr, gave the forest a muzzy, dream-like quality. We followed a stonewall that marks the property's southern boundary and made our way down to the river. Occasionally, a hermit thrush broke the silence with its ethereal song. Recent rains had produced optimum conditions for fungi to produce their fruiting bodies, and everywhere brilliantly-colored mushrooms lit up the forest floor.

Nearing the river, we found hardwood saplings that had been downed by beaver, and further on found several beaver haul-ups emerging from waters that had risen into the floodplain; clearly there was a beaver impoundment somewhere downstream. With high water levels and marshy areas precluding our usual riverside walk, we took a more upland path to the northern boundary.

Being forced to walk on a steeply sloped surface made the walk a bit more challenging than usual, but we were rewarded by happening upon a group of northern maidenhair ferns, *Adiantum pedatum*. With glossy, black, wiry stems; pale, water-proof leaves (note the beaded raindrops adorning the leaves in the photograph); and distinctive, fan-shaped growth habit, this is, perhaps, the loveliest of all our native ferns. The only fern species unique to eastern North America, northern maidenhair fern is also an eco-indicator species - where you find maidenhair fern, you can expect to find moist, well-drained soils rich in organic matter. It's not a species encountered often in our monitoring, and finding this beautiful colony was one of several bright spots in what was a most enjoyable morning's ambling.



PHOTO BY CATHERINE FISHER



## 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.

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## TAKE FIVE DOGCARE INSTALLS ANOTHER DOGGIE BAG STATION!

Big shout out and thanks to Take Five Dogcare for donating and installing a brand new doggie bag station at Maud Jones! This is the third station they have donated: the others are located at the Lee Town Forest and Little River Park. Take Five continues to support our community by making it easy for all two and four legged Lee residents to enjoy the town trails.

Pictured below is Robin Wunderlich, Take Five Founder and Facilities Manager, installing the doggie bag station. Photos by Deb Sugerman.



## 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 4/1/2019-4/1/2021 as part of the ongoing town-wide revaluation process. The following CCAG employees have signs on their cars, carry an ID card and have the following vehicles: Rick Earls, CCAG Data Collector, has a 2020 Blue Kia Nero with NH license plate CCAG 4; Jeff Earls, CCAG Supervisor, has a 2021 Copper Kia Sportage with NH license plate CCAG-1; and Eric Ober, Data Collector, has a 2008 Grey Subaru Legacy with NH license plate 445-4002. This process will be completed over the next few months resulting in new values for the fall tax bill. All properties that have sold between (4/1/2019-4/1/2021) will be re-measured and listed. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

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## 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from **5:30pm - 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](mailto:leechurchucc@comcast.net). All visits to the pantry are strictly confidential.

## LEE TOWN COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION VACANCIES

Various Committees have openings to be filled. If you are interested contact the Office Manager Denise Duval at 603-659-5414 or email [dduval@leenh.org](mailto:dduval@leenh.org). [CLICK HERE](#) for Application.

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## COMMITTEE, COMMISSION & BOARD [MEETING CALENDAR](#) [LIBRARY CALENDAR](#)

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### READY RIDES

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](mailto: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](#).

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### WHEN SECONDS COUNT... **Please take the time NOW to SAVE TIME in an EMERGENCY.**



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. 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 \$50.00 and it will be installed by the Lee Firemen's Association. [CLICK HERE](#) for **Reflective House Number Sign Request Form**

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## RECENT COVID-RELATED INFORMATION [NH COVID-19 WEBSITE](#)

### UNIVERSAL BEST PRACTICES

The Governor's Office released the "[Universal Best Practices](#)" guidance document which replaced the "Safer at Home Business Guidance" documents as of May 7<sup>th</sup>.

These "Universal Best Practices" are recommendations related to COVID-19 practices for all individuals, businesses, and organizations to consider and implement for the operation of their business. Nothing in this document or other guidance precludes any business, organization, or individual business operators from taking additional precautions for the health and safety of its employees and consumers. Additionally, a set of stand-alone guidance for "[Overnight Congregate Settings for Children](#)" has been released.

# Lee Public Library

## LIBRARY HOURS

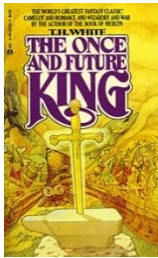
Monday – Wednesday 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

Thursday & Friday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am – 12:00 pm



Thursday, July 22, at 10:30 or 11:30am via ZOOM, the Lee, Durham and Madbury libraries will be presenting the Seacoast Science Center Library Turtle Time. Register online at [www.durhampubliclibrary.org](http://www.durhampubliclibrary.org) to join this fun event



The adult book discussion group book is now available at the library. We will be reading *"The Once and Future King"* by T.H. White. Call and reserve one today, 659-2626. We are expecting a couple more copies later this month. The Discussion will be held on Monday September 13, 2021 at the Library at 6:00 pm.



**Adult Summer Reading Program**  
**July 1 -August 4**  
**No Registration required**

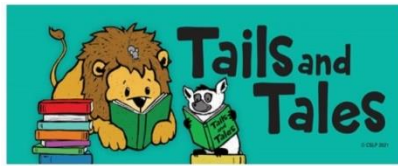
- Read a book.
- Visit the Library.
- Write a short review.
- Enter to win a weekly prize.



**Special for the Summer Reading Program during July and August**

**8 downloads** per month! To see what's available, go to [hoopladigital.com](http://hoopladigital.com)

Summer Programs Sponsored by the **Friends of the Lee Public Library**.



Summer Reading 2021  
 "Tails and Tales"  
 Programs  
 July 1—August 4

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
11-7 June 28 Registration	11-7 June 29 Registration	11-7 June 30 Registration	July 1 10:30 AM via ZOOM Jungle Jim	July 2
July 5 The LIBRARY is closed for Independence Day	July 6 11:30-12:30 Little River Park Sandwich & a Story 2 pm Craft Grab & Go/Stay & Create	July 7 12-1 Library sandwich and a story *4:30 on Facebook Live	July 8 10:30 AM via ZOOM Wildlife Encounters	July 9
July 12 3-4 pm Middle School craft group Foam Stamping	July 13 11:30-12:30 Little River Park Sandwich & a Story 2 pm Craft Grab & Go/Stay & Create	July 14 12-1 Library sandwich and a story *4:30 on Facebook Live	July 15 10:30 AM via Zoom Eric Carle	July 16
July 19 3-4 pm Middle School craft group Chalkboard craft	July 20 11:30-12:30 Little River Park Sandwich & a Story 2 pm Craft Grab & Go/Stay & Create	July 21 12-1 Library sandwich and a story *4:30 on Facebook Live	July 22 10:30 AM via ZOOM Seacoast Science Center	July 23
July 26 3-4 pm Middle School craft group Plastic canvas sewing	July 27 11:30-12:30 Little River Park Sandwich & a Story 2 pm Craft Grab & Go/Stay & Create	July 28 12-1 Library sandwich and a story *4:30 on Facebook Live	July 29 10:30 AM via ZOOM Keith Munslow	July 30
August 2 3-4 pm Middle School craft group Painting craft	August 3 11:30-12:30 Little River Park Sandwich & a Story 2 pm Craft Grab & Go/Stay & Create	August 4 12-1 Library sandwich and a story *4:30 on Facebook Live		

All **RED LETTER** programs require pre-registration at [www.durhampubliclibrary.org](http://www.durhampubliclibrary.org)  
 All **GREEN LETTER** programs require pre-registration. Call us 659-2626.

## Regional & State News & Events

### GOVERNOR & EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

[CLICK HERE](#) for the 7/14/2021 Minutes

Next Governor & Executive Council Meeting

**Wednesday, August 4, 2021 10:00 am at The Colonial Theater Showroom, Keene, NH**



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



**MARINA'S MILES VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK**  
**REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL RACE AND RUN/WALK A 5K ANYTIME BETWEEN**  
**JULY 18 AND AUGUST 18, 2021**

To participate, register for the race, run or walk your 5K anywhere, and send us your run/walk race times. Registration fee for the race is \$20. Participants may register at [MarinasMiles.org](http://MarinasMiles.org) or on our Facebook page (Facebook.com/MarinasMiles).

We have free t-shirts for the first 100 registrants, and raffle prizes will be awarded via drawing. If you email your run/walk race times to [MarinasMiles5K@gmail.org](mailto:MarinasMiles5K@gmail.org), your results will be posted on Marina's Miles' website and Facebook pages.

Marina's Miles raises money for college scholarships in memory of Marina Slavin. Scholarships are awarded annually to Oyster River High School students. Marina was an Oyster River High School graduate, UNH student, NH state champion runner, and most importantly, a person who loved life and people from all walks of life.

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**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](mailto:vfwpost10676@yahoo.com) for assistance.

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If you do not have the internet please come to the Town Offices for a **printed copy** 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!