Winter is Sneaking In
The days are getting shorter, the air is cooling and we are contemplating that extra layer or two before stepping outside. The library too is preparing for cooler weather and the inevitable—snow! Our curbside pick up will continue, with the Curbside Cart being just inside the main front door. Check our Facebook page or our website for Snow Closings.

December Holiday Schedule
December 24, 2020  10-2
December 25, 2020  Closed
December 26, 2020  Closed
December 31, 2020  10-2
January 1, 2020  Closed

December Book Group-Virtual
The Overstory  by Richard Powers

Join this lively discussion online
Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
"The best novel ever written about trees, and really just one of the best novels, period." Ann Patchett National Book Award winner Richard Powers's twelfth novel is a sweeping, impassioned work of activism and resistance that is also a stunning evocation of and paean to the natural world. From the roots to the crown and back to the seeds, The Overstory unfolds in concentric rings of interlocking fables that range from antebellum New York to the late twentieth-century Timber Wars of the Pacific Northwest and beyond. There is a world alongside our vast, slow, interconnected, resourceful, magnificently inventive, and almost invisible to us. This is the story of a handful of people who learn how to see that world and who are drawn up into its unfolding catastrophe.

Contact the library to reserve a copy. Call us 659-2626, email leelibraryill@comcast.net or stop in the library. To join the discussion, go to Zoom.us, Join Meeting ID 476 452 0503 Password: 675752

Former Library Technician, Adam Shlager’s Gingerbread House from 2019.
Future Plans for the Library

The Library Board of Trustees have started working on the Renovation and Expansion of the library. Our plan is to renovate the current library and, depending on finances, expand the library with a small addition on the north side of the building.

This plan will allow for an expanded children’s area in the front section of the library with space for a librarian’s desk, a relocated circulation desk and office, a vestibule for the front door, additional stacks located in the back basement with lift access, and an open concept reading and small group meeting space in the addition.

We hope to feature a three-season deck with comfortable seating to enjoy the natural surroundings and allow access for outdoor programs.

Is Coming!..... Stay tuned. For a sneak peek at this streaming service, click here. Hoopla offers “no lines, no waiting” access to over 700,000 titles which include Audiobooks, Movies, Music, Comics, eBooks and Television.

Holiday Crafting

Here is a baker’s dozen of holiday crafting ideas. Click the link to go directly to the library catalog.

- DESK 745.5 BIG Year ‘round holiday crafts
- 745.59 STR Holiday Crafting And Baking With Kids : Gifts, Sweets, And treats for the whole family!
- 745.594 CLA Classic crafts and recipes for the holidays : Christmas with Martha Stewart living.
- JUVE 745.594 ROS Crafts for Thanksgiving
- JUVE 394.2 COR Jewish holiday fun
- eBook The ultimate cookie book
- 642.4 SPU The Artisanal Kitchen : Party Food
- 745.59 TAS Taste Of Home Handmade Christmas
- JUVE 745.5 KEN Super simple magnets : fun and easy-to-make crafts for kids
- 790.19 FAU The Handmade Charlotte Playbook : Crafts, Games And Recipes For Families to do together throughout the year
- eBook I’m dreaming of a green christmas : Gifts, Decorations, and Recipes that Use Less and Mean More.
- 641.56 SIX 12 days of Christmas With Six Sisters' Stuff : 144 ideas for traditions, homemade gifts, recipes, and more
- JUVE 745.5 BRA Mason Jar Crafts For Kids : More Than 25 Cool, Crafty Projects To Make for your friends, your family, and yourself!
In-Library Visits Welcome
We are open for in-library visits. We request you wear a mask when visiting the library and limit your time in the library to 15-20 minutes. We have two public computers available for 30 minutes, and our printer and fax machine are also available. We have lots of new items to borrow. You can view what is new and what is coming by clicking here.

Curbside Pickup is Best
Many of our patrons have been using our curbside service and report that it is convenient and fast! Please make your requests either by using the library catalog (best choice), email your requests to Michelle at leelibraryill@comcast.net (second choice) or calling and leaving a message 659-2626. We do try to get your requests ready in a timely manner, but just in case there is any question, you should receive a phone call or an email confirming that your items are ready.

Book Drop is Open 24/7
All items returned to the library will remain in quarantine for 72 hours or longer before they are checked in to our system.

A Virtual Youth Program
December 5, 2020 10:30 am
Cactus Head Puppets
December 5 Cactus Head Puppets presents “Magnificent Monster Circus” 10:30 am Zoom Program.
Sponsored by the Friends of the Lee Public Library.
Register online at www.durhampubliclibrary.org.

Wit and Wisdom: Humor in 19th Century New England (Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7:00pm)
Presenter: Jo Radner

Rosie's Mom: Forgotten Women of the First World War (Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 7:00pm)
Presenter: Carrie Brown

Votes for Women: A History of the Suffrage Movement (Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00pm)
Presenter: Liz Tentarelli

The History of Agriculture as Told by Barns (Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 7:00pm)
Presenter: John C. Porter

John Winant: New Hampshire Man of The World (Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7:00pm)
Presenter: Richard Hesse
Youth Programs December 2020
All of our winter programs can be found on our Facebook page.

Grab and Go Crafts—Pick up on Tuesdays
We will put out new craft kits and activities every Tuesday at 2:00 pm.
December 1 Cinnamon ornaments
December 8 STEAM craft Mouth flute
December 15 Winter hat ornaments
December 22 Tri-bead ornaments
December 29 Block snowmen

Preschool Story-time—Thursdays—11:30 posted on Facebook
December 3 — Gingerbread
December 10 — Santa
December 17 — Winter
December 24—NO STORY TIME
December 31— Snowmen

Lap Sit Story-time December 2nd & 16th 8:30 am
We will do some movement activities and read a story or two. A Facebook Live! Program.

Music and movement Story-time December 9 2:30 pm
We will sing and move to some fun stories and songs. A Facebook Live! Program.

Pajama Story-time — Wednesday December 23 6:00 pm
We will read some fun stories, do some activities and learn some fun facts. A Facebook Live! Program.

Middle School Book Discussion Group
Monday December 7 6:00pm on Zoom.
Our Middle school book club will be held on Monday December 7 at 6:00 pm. This month we will finish reading A Good Kind of Trouble by Lisa Moore Ramee. Our next title will be Because of Mr. Terupt by Rob Buyea. If you are in grades 5-8 and interested in joining us please call the Library @ 659-2626 to register.