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Selectwoman's Corner

The warm weather is finally here! What a very long and arduous winter we've had, followed by a cooler than normal spring. Surely, many of you questioned if the flowers would bloom and the leaves open? It is a good reminder to get out and enjoy the good weather while we have it. As usual, things are busy in town, and as we close some projects, we begin to work on others.

Rogers Lake Dam/Fish Ladder: For the first time in hundreds of years, the alewives will be able to return to Rogers Lake to spawn, thanks to the installation of the Fish Ladder at the newly repaired dam. The fish ladder was officially opened in April, and reportedly, a handful of fish have already found their way up the ladder. How would we know that? Well, believe it or not, there is a fish counter installed, so we can definitively say that the FISH HAVE ARRIVED! Well, just a few – but they have. The Committee that worked so hard on this project is planning a little celebration for the installation of the Fish Ladder and return of the alewives. An informational kiosk will be installed at Hains Park, where we will have the celebration. Look for flyers and emails with more information!

Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan: The draft updated plan, required by FEMA in order for the Town to be eligible for Federal grants to fund mitigation projects, was completed in March and submitted for approval to the CT DEEP, after a thorough review by the Committee. I am pleased to report

that the CT DEEP has already approved the plan and has passed it on to FEMA! If approved by FEMA, it will go to the Board of Selectmen for approval and recommendation to a Town Meeting. There is a chance that FEMA will want to see some changes, which will be addressed by the Committee if that happens. Again, many thanks to the Committee and Jeremy DeCarli of RiverCOG for their hard work on this project.

Special Town Meeting: At a Special Town Meeting on March 24th, the town unanimously approved the update to the Design and Construction Standards for Public Improvements (which had not been updated since the 80's); authorized the expenditure of \$148,000 to develop Plans and Specifications for the Route 156 Bike Path/Sound View Improvement Project, 80% of which comes from a grant; authorized an expenditure of \$13,000 for an additional parking kiosk in Sound View; and authorized an expenditure of \$478,000 for the Boathouse/Hains Park Improvement Project, which is fully funded through a STEAP grant. In addition, the WPCA and Woodard and Curran, our engineering firm, gave a presentation on the status of the wastewater management study that began in



First Selectwoman
Bonnie Reemsnyder

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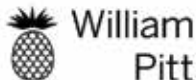
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April 2013. The CT DEEP has responded to the study with some questions and requests for further information, and the WPCA and W&C are reviewing the feedback. There were lots of great questions at the meeting, and hopefully some misinformation was corrected. If you are interested in information on this project, or almost any of our ongoing projects, you should visit the Town website and click on "Current Projects" on the left side of the page.

Budget for FY 2015: Like clockwork, the Board of Finance met weekly throughout February and March to review the budget requests for FY 2015. This year's proposed budget would increase the mill rate from 19.30 to 19.66, or 1.87%, which represents an overall increase of \$660,413 over the FY 2014 budget, which is a 2.17% increase. A hearing was held on April 21 at Town Hall with an excellent overview of the proposed budget presented by Andy Russell, BOF Chair. There were about a dozen attendees and questions from some residents. As the RSD #18 budget has just passed, we hope that when you are reading this, the full budget will have been passed on May 19, 2014. Again, thanks to the unsung heroes on the Board of Finance who devote so much time each year to the budget process: Chairman Andy Russell, H. Perry Garvin, Christopher Kerr, David Woolley, Bennett BJ Bernblum, Janet Sturges, and alternates David Kelsey, and Robert Jose. Wayne Devoe recently retired from the board after many long years of service. Thank you, Wayne, for your service – you will be missed!

Rte 156 Bike Path and Sound View Improvements: With the approval of the expenditures for Phase I of this project, BSC Group, Inc. of Glastonbury will proceed with the Plans and Specifications for the Bike Path, Park and restrooms. As this is the time to encourage public involvement, the Board of Selectmen has recommended that the Committee be expanded to include additional members. There will be a public presentation when the plans are about 30% complete in order to incorporate suggestions, concerns and feedback of residents and to assure approval of a final plan. It will be exciting to see the plans progress and to work with the stakeholders to develop a plan that we can all embrace. Stay tuned for updates as we continue with this project.

Boathouse Hains Park Improvements: This committee has been very hard at work through the spring, as they sorted through RFQ submittals, conducted interviews with several firms and made a decision to work with Nina Cuccio Peck Architects on the boathouse expansion and improvements to Hains Park. They have made great progress and will develop a master plan for Hains Park, even though they may not be able to complete all the work through this STEAP grant. This will assure that any work done to the park will not need to be undone when future improvements are made. The Committee meets every two weeks and hopes to see the project substantially completed by late fall. You can find updates on their progress by going to the town website and linking through

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Byron Lazine 860.941.2755



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Randi Bradbury 860.510.2478
Joyce DeFord 860.625.7576



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Old Lyme: Delightful Year-Round Cottage just minutes walking to the beach. Sweet memories can be made in this completely remodeled Contemporary Cottage. Vaulted ceiling with fan. French doors open to den from Living-room. A must see to appreciate.
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"Current Projects." Thank you to all the members of this committee for their time and effort on this project.

New Land Use Coordinator – Keith Rosenfeld: As was previously reported, Land Use Coordinator Ann Brown is retiring, and we posted an advertisement for the position. A search committee that included Tom Risom, Kristen Leverone, Evan Griswold and Todd Machnik reviewed many resumes received and interviewed several candidates. I am pleased to report that Keith Rosenfeld has accepted the position and will start in early June. Keith has served as Town Planner/Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer in the Borough of Naugatuck since 2001, and was City Planner for Waterbury from 1993 to 2001. He also served in Groton for a short time, so he is familiar with the area. Keith has already visited to meet the staff and we are all looking forward to his arrival. We wish Ann Brown all the best and thank her for her 12+ years of service to Old Lyme.

Revaluation continues: The Town of Old Lyme is still in the process of collecting data for the State mandated 2014 Revaluation and the firm of Vision Appraisal has been hired to assist the Town. The data collection phase continues on both exterior and interior inspections. The town has published several repetitive announcements in an effort to notify everyone that data collectors may be on their property as they work to complete the job. The employees of Vision have ID readily available and their vehicles are registered with the Police

Dept. should anyone call questioning their presence. Please, if you are concerned about anyone on your property, you should not hesitate to call the police. You can also make an appointment to have your home inspected by calling 1-888-844-4300 between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated as we complete this task.

Recycling Incentives Grant: A committee has been formed to work with the CT DEEP and representatives of DSM Consulting Group, who has been hired by DEEP to work on recycling incentive programs for the state. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the Town of Old Lyme has been awarded a \$16,000 grant to adopt policies that would incentivize recycling and reduce trash. In order to be eligible for the funds, the Board of Selectmen must pass a resolution or ordinance committing to Unit Based Pricing. To many, this means buying individual trash bags, unique to our community, for trash disposal. This concept has prompted spirited discussion both on the committee and among the Selectmen. We continue to review this requirement and the impact on our current system before adopting the resolution. Ultimately, the goal is to reduce the amount of trash we generate and reduce the overall cost through increased recycling. You can all be helpful in this goal by increasing your own recycling every day. Recycling is not optional – it is mandatory, and regulated by State Statute. Not sure what to recycle? Check the Shoreline Sanitation webpage at www.shorelinesanitation.com/recyclelist for a list of recyclables.

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Business Breakfast/Halls Road Improvements Committee:

On April 30th, at 7:30 am (yawn!), the Town of Old Lyme and Lyme Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce sponsored a second Business Breakfast at the Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library. While it was an early morning, nobody was yawning as Sarah McCracken gave a presentation on the possibility of a Master Plan for Halls Road improvements. Sarah is a licensed, professional Landscape Architect in Connecticut and has a broad range of experience in the design of large

urban projects. Her presentation was well received and prompted the creation of a committee to begin the process. As our main commercial district, and situated perpendicular to Lyme Street, it would be wonderful to improve the aesthetics and feel of Halls Road. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please fill out a Request for Appointment form, which can be found on the Town website.

Don't Forget: The Midsummer Festival is July 25 and 26. Look for the brochure that will arrive by mail!

On behalf of the Board of Selectmen, I wish you a wonderful "Summer of '14," filled with family time, fun and laughter.

Bonnie A. Reemsnyder, First Selectwoman

Caroline's Miracle Foundation 5k Run & Walk



Saturday, July 26th. Our 5th year raising funds for Caroline's Miracle Foundation. At LYSB, 59 Lyme Street. Join us for the biggest party on Lyme Street!

- 6:45 a.m. - Registration opens
- 8:00 a.m. - 5K Walk
- 8:15 a.m. - 5K Run
- 9:00 a.m. - Kid's K

Post Race party with music, massages, food & fun. We encourage you to register in advance online. For race details and registration info visit: www.carolinesmiraclefoundation.org.

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Old Saybrook \$2,180,000
NEWLY LISTED - Waterfront set high, spectacular views of CT River! Views from nearly all rooms. Immaculate property. New addition with oversized master suite with sitting room, exceptional patio surrounded by professionally landscaped grounds and stone walls.



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Lyme Art Association Summer Exhibitions



Breezy Afternoon, oil on linen (22x28) by Neal Hughes.

American Waters: A Marine Art Exhibition. On view: June 6 to July 27. Opening Reception: Friday, June 13, 6 - 8 pm. Visitors of all ages will enjoy this summer exhibition of work by the country's premier maritime artists, on view in the Lyme Art Association's beautiful sky-lit galleries. A juried exhibition of marine art by the Association's member artists will be on view simultaneously. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10 am - 5 pm. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme Street. (860)434-7802; lymeartassociation.org.

Summer Painting and Sculpture Exhibition and the Connecticut Pastel Society. On view: August 1 to September 20. Opening Reception: Friday, August 8, 6 - 8 pm. Portraits, landscapes, still life paintings and sculpture abound in this annual juried exhibition of work by the Association's members. A separate juried show in the Goodman gallery will highlight the talented artist members of the Connecticut Pastel Society. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10 am - 5 pm. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme Street. (860) 434-7802; lymeartassociation.org.

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In addition, the Board of Selectmen will soon be appointing members to three special committees: Beach Stipend Committee, Route 156 / Sound View Improvement Committee, and Halls Road Improvement Committee.

Appointment application forms are available in the Selectman's Office at the Town Hall, and on the Town website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov). You can also request one by phone (860-434-1605) or email (selectmansoffice@oldlyme-ct.gov).

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The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection

Volunteering is a great way to learn new skills and meet new people and often prior experience is not required. Have you wanted to learn more about gardening? There are two local organizations listed on the Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection where you will improve your gardening skills as you work alongside knowledgeable people. Learn all about growing vegetables at the Common Good Gardens in Old Saybrook. Volunteers are needed Tuesday or Saturday mornings or on Thursday afternoons through October. This garden supplies fresh produce for the Shoreline Soup Kitchen pantries. Garden Gang volunteers at the Florence Griswold Museum work with Landscape Historian Shiela Wertheimer in the restoration and maintenance of its beautiful perennial gardens. The Garden Gang works for about three hours on Friday mornings during the growing season. Have you wanted to learn more about horses? High Hopes is always in need of volunteers to assist in its riding program or in the care of the horses. The minimum recommended age is fourteen years. Volunteers are required to attend an orientation and training session and must be available at the same day and time each week for a minimum of one hour per week. Have you wanted to learn about local history? The Florence Griswold Museum needs volunteers interested in assisting the curatorial staff in research for upcoming exhibitions; restructuring and organizing the cataloging database; genealogy, town and object research;

and collection inventory. The Museum also needs docents to guide visitors through the historic house while relating information about the Lyme Art Colony, the Griswold family, and the history of Lyme and Old Lyme. Docents receive in-depth training. Have you wanted to learn about working in a library? At the Lyme Academy College volunteers are needed to assist with multiple aspects of library work. The work is primarily clerical in nature and may involve computer skills, data entry, image creation and editing, sorting of materials, repair and shelf-preparation of library or archive materials. The Old Lyme – Phoebe Griffin Noyes library also has a number of volunteer needs including in its Children’s Room, Young Adult Area, and Circulation.

This is just a sampling of the opportunities that are available. Please visit the Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection’s website volunteer.truist.com/ollvolunteer to see the range of opportunities and organizations that need volunteers. Don’t see your favorite organization listed? Please encourage them to participate in this free community resource. The Old Lyme – Lyme Volunteer Connection would like to continue to add additional organizations to the website. If you are the leader of an organization that is either located in or provides services to Old Lyme or Lyme and would like to participate contact Noah Christiano, the high school student who manages and administers this website, at ollvolunteer@gmail.com.



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Town Clerk's Office

Congratulations!

We congratulate the following on their recent marriages:

Steven Darl Griffin & Gail Anne Montesanto - February 1
 Robert F. Sicuranza & Paula C. Meister - February 14
 Christopher Lawrence Pritt & Tammy Renae Losh - February 14
 Steven Mark Scanlon & Anna Marie Pascale - March 1
 Arthur Edward Newman III & Amy Lorraine Page - March 6
 Gregory Philip Bowerman & Yherik San Miguel Torres - March 22
 John Charles Petersen & Dinty Nova Pascual Loyola - April 8

With Sympathy

We would like to express our condolences to the families of recently deceased Old Lyme residents:

Mario J. Bertolini	Harry C. Lundberg
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Helen Stiffle Dolph	Douglas Hotchkiss Thomson, Jr.
Ozrenka Lazovic-Tepavac	

— Eileen K. Coffee, Town Clerk,
 Vicki Urbowicz, Assistant Town Clerk

Assessor's Office

Personal Property forms will be mailed at the end of September. Forms are due on or before November 1, 2014. A 25% Penalty is imposed on the assessed value if postmarked after November 1, 2014.

In order for new residents in town to have their Veteran's Exemption on their properties; they must file their DD214 (Discharge papers) with the Town Clerk before October 1, 2014.

Anyone interested in applying for Farm, Forest and Open Space must file an application (available in the Assessors office) and present it to the Assessor between September 1st and December 31st, 2014.

The 2014 Revaluation is winding down with all households in Old Lyme having had an initial visit by a data collector. Letters have been sent so homeowners will have an opportunity for an inspection of their property. Appointments are scheduled through the Vision website and phone number and run Monday through Saturday.

Additionally, appraisers will review all field cards for accuracy. Residents may see them in their neighborhoods this summer.

Those Commercial Properties who were sent Income & Expense forms (I & E) must have them filed in the Assessor's Office by on or before June 1, 2014 or they will receive a 10% PENALTY.

Any questions, contact 860-434-1605 Ext.218 Walter E. Kent, Jr. Assessor or Ext. 219 Mickie Fraser, Administrative Assessment Technician. Office hours are Monday through Friday 9 am to 4 pm.

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The Lymes' Senior Center

June and July Special Events, Lectures and Programs

- On Tuesday, June 10th at 1:00 pm, a representative from Collette Travel was here to do a free presentation on upcoming trips from Lymes' Senior Center which includes a 6 day Southern Charm Trip in November to Charleston, Savannah, and Jekyll Island, and an 11 day trip in April 2015 to Netherlands, Belgium, and Paris.
- On Tuesday, June 17th at 1:00 pm Frank Williams, retired Chief of Justice of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island and one of the country's most renowned experts on Abraham Lincoln, presents "Lincoln and Leadership."
- Art in Nature Weekend will be held June 20th -June 22nd. This event is open to the entire public and will feature the art work from the Shoreline Artists' Workshop and the Duck River and Lyme Garden Clubs. There will be a silent auction, a painting demonstration by Mike Eagle, landscape painting classes by Florence Griswold Museum, unique floral arrangement demonstrations by Elements Flowers, a "Meet the Artists" Reception, Trail Hikes, Lunches by the Lions Club, and much, much more. Please see the Art in Nature Schedule of Events (later in this publication) for details.
- On June 24th at 1:00 pm, Pharmacist Daniel Tavares of Quality Care Drug will be here to talk to us about how to combat arthritis. During this free program he will focus on different activities, over the counter treatments, and medical equipment that can be used to help increase quality of life, and manage pain and stiffness. There will also be a question and answer session at the end to answer any questions that have not been discussed during the presentation.
- On June 25th at 1:00 pm, the Humble Bees, a five-man group from central Connecticut, perform in their unique musical style. (Note: A rousing performance of "Danny Boy" is often played on a 100-year-old saw!) There will also be familiar songs in a sing-a-long format, and humorous songs performed by the Humble Bees.
- On Thursday's in July (July 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st) at 7:00 pm we will be having our Annual Summer Concert Series and Ice Cream Social. These concerts are free and open to all ages. Many of the concerts will be held outside (weather permitting) so bring your lawn chairs and blankets. See the Summer Concert Series section of this publication for details.
- On Tuesday, July 15th at 1:00 pm Faith Community Nurse Deborah Ringer from the Visiting Nurses of the Lower

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Valley will do a free presentation on Summer Safety.

- On Wednesday, July 23rd join us as we explore The Top Ten Weirdest Side Effects with Pharmacist Daniel Tavares of Quality Care Drug. This is a free presentation and no sign-up is required.
- Keep moving! On Monday, July 28th at 1:00 pm, join Axel Mahlke, owner of Anytime Fitness and certified personal trainer, to learn about the three pillars of exercise for life with independence and dignity. Focus on strength, balance and flexibility - and keep moving. You will not want to miss this informative presentation!
- On Tuesday, July 29th come try out our free Senior Boot Camp Class at either our 4:30 or 5:30 pm session. It will be held outside if the weather is comfortable. This class is specifically designed to meet the needs and capabilities of seniors.
- On Wednesday, July 30th at 1:00 pm, the Victorian Lady will be joining us and she will take us on a journey of discovery by using clothing and accessories as a tool. Throughout the presentation she shares insights into the clothing, lifestyle, manners, etiquette and customs of men, women and children. Included are interesting anecdotes and 'myth busting'.

For more information on these programs or to become a member, please call Stephanie Lyon at (860)434-4127.


2014 Beach Stickers Available Online

We apologize for the delay in offering Beach Stickers this year. We have been setting up a new Beach Sticker system to enable our residents to obtain stickers online.

While you can still obtain a Beach Sticker in the Selectman's Office (Monday through Friday, 9 am – 3 pm), you can save time and pay with a debit or credit card if you use the online system: (www.oldlyme-ct.gov) Only cash/check is accepted in the Selectman's Office.

Price for a beach sticker is \$25 and \$20 for senior citizens over 60. Car registration must be shown and additional proof of property ownership (if vehicle is registered in a place other than Old Lyme) may be required at time of purchase. Please note the cost for replacement stickers are \$25 unless the original sticker is returned (regardless of condition).


In addition, weekly cottage renters (with lease dates) can request a temporary beach pass for use during their stay for \$25, and we also offer a temporary pass for \$10 for other special circumstances. Please visit the Selectman's Office or phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) for details and purchase of these passes as well as additional questions you may have. Thank you!



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Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association, Inc. thanks the nurses at Lyme/Old Lyme High School for coordinating with our organization for our annual clinic there. Blood pressure screenings were done for students and staff and a few elevated readings were detected, which will be followed up on by the school nurses. Spring water was given to participants and two informational handouts were distributed. One pertained to statistical studies showing an increase in hearing loss in young people and precautions to take to avoid it. While the other gave information about a program titled "It is not OK" which promotes conversation among students in regards to self respect along with developing tolerance and respect for others as well.

Old Lyme seasonal as well as year-round residents are welcome to come by the Town Nurse's office in the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road, Old Lyme. The office is open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Monday to Thursday and from 12 noon to 1 p.m. every Friday for free consultations, physician ordered allergy and vitamin injections and/or blood pressure and heart rate checks.

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association Scholarship and the Mary H. Noyes Memorial Scholarship awardees will be published by the Association following notification to the students at their school ceremonies later this month. The scholarships are presented to students who will be majoring in nursing or other direct health related course of studies in college.

*Muriel Dragan, Executive Director,
Old Lyme VNA Administration*

"All Natural" Exhibit Opens at Spectrum Gallery

Spectrum Gallery and Artisans Store of Centerbrook opens ALL NATURAL, an exhibit showcasing the artwork of artists and fine artisans who use natural materials in their work. The show runs from June 27 until August 10 and at 61 Main Street, Centerbrook, CT. ALL NATURAL includes macro photography of the natural world and fine art and crafts using materials such as seaglass and river glass, encaustic, wood, feathers, spider

webs, egg tempera and casein. During the six-week exhibition, there will be a number of free Gallery events open to the public including an Open Reception, Friday, June 27, (6:30 - 9 pm). Spectrum is the newest extension of the non-profit arts organization Arts Center Killingworth, whose mission includes providing opportunities for emerging and established artists to display and sell their work.

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Wastewater Management Update

The WPCA contracted with the engineering firm of Woodard & Curran to develop a comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan for the Old Lyme shoreline. W&C was asked to consider all options for alleviating pollution along our shoreline. After considerable testing and data analysis, both the WPCA and W&C agreed that the best option was a local, community treatment solution, rather than connecting to the regional New London treatment plant. The members of the WPCA felt strongly that a community Wastewater Management Plan would benefit the town by keeping treated wastewater in town to help recharge our aquifers. In addition, a community system designed and scaled to meet our town's current and future needs would allow Old Lyme to best manage current and future costs.

Approximately 4 months after Woodard & Curran submitted the WPCA's Wastewater Management Plan to the CT DEEP we received a response, which indicated that they would require more testing. Their review and executive summary of the community wastewater plan made it clear to members of the WPCA that the CT DEEP would not support a local wastewater treatment plan.

At the WPCA meeting in May, First Selectwoman Bonnie Reemsnyder expressed her disappointment in the lack of cooperation from the DEEP, but reiterated the importance of the Town taking a stand on wastewater issues. She said the

WPCA should be proud of their resolve to find the right solution. "We started this process to solve a problem," she said, "and we have to keep moving forward."

WPCA members agreed that their responsibility is to deal with pollution along the shoreline, and voted that the Town of Old Lyme should take on Wastewater Management for the entire shoreline through its WPCA. This management will include the development of inter-Town municipal agreements, a centralized pump facility, and necessary infrastructure to connect to the New London Regional facility.

WPCA Chair Kurt Zemba stated that the DEEP made it clear they supported this approach. Management by the Town will offer cost-efficiencies for the private beach associations who have already begun the New London facility connection process.

More information will be made available as the WPCA's management plan proceeds.

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The Lymes' Youth Service Bureau, a private non-profit agency, is dedicated to promoting the positive development of children and youth in Lyme and Old Lyme through a rich variety of programs and services. We offer parent education, mental health counseling, drug and alcohol prevention initiatives, juvenile justice programs, as well as positive youth development activities. Read more about LYSB and our good work at www.lysb.org

CHILL OUT AT LYSB. Monday through Thursdays, 2:00-5:00 pm, June 23 – July 31. Chill out at the LYSB after park and rec! Children will be walked from park and rec day camp to the LYSB where they can hang out with their friends, play basketball, watch movies, games, art and crafts and much more. Snacks will be provided. This program is \$40 per week. Sign up for one to six weeks. This program is open to any Lyme/Old Lyme resident even if not participating in the park and rec day camp. Contact LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

Week 1: June 23 to June 26. **Week 2:** June 30 to July 3. **Week 3:** July 7 to July 10. **Week 4:** July 14 to 17. **Week 5:** July 21 to 24. **Week 6:** July 28 to 31.

BEACH DANCES. Every Tuesday 7:00-9:00 pm, starting July 1st through August 13. At White Sands Beach for middle schoolers in Lyme and Old Lyme. \$5/admission – music, food,

fun, friends!! Weather permitting, please check our website for possible cancellations due to weather by 5:00 pm on Dance nights.

KINDNESS CLUB. Tuesdays from 10-11:30. Ages 5 and up. \$20 per day or all four \$75. Four special hands projects your children will handcraft. Designed to build community awareness, create simple gestures of thoughtfulness, and bring comfort to those around us. Children of all ages and abilities are encouraged to attend. Children will work together to make their own special contributions. Parents do not need to stay. This year our completed projects go to the Food Pantry, Senior Center, Children's Hospital and Women's Shelter.

Projects:

July 8th: No Sew Fleece Hats and Scarf

July 15th: Yes, No, Maybe – Magic 8 Ball


July 22nd: Soap-making

July 29th: Birthday Boxes

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- 6-7 pm Pizza, dessert, & games
- 7-7:45 Teddy Bear Picnic story and songs with Margie
- 7:45-8 pm Goodbyes

Margie is a member of the American Society of Composers and Publishers as well as, the Connecticut Storytelling Center.

BEACH BLANKET BINGO. Thursday, July 17, 6:00-8:00 pm at White Sands Beach. Price: \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Pizza dinner is included. Join us at the beach for an evening of family fun and bingo. Prizes will be awarded to winners. Make sure to bring your beach blanket, bug spray and your appetite. Event will be postponed in the case of inclement weather. Please check our website www.lysb.org

prior to event for possible weather cancellation.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT on the BEACH. Wednesday, August 6th. Pizza and Snacks for sale at 7:00 pm. Movie at 8:00 pm (title tba). Please join us for an outdoor family movie night! Bring your beach chairs, snacks, bug spray, & blankets. This is a free event. At White Sands Beach. Open to all families in Lyme and Old Lyme. Please check our website for possible weather related cancellation. www.lysb.org

SITTER / SAFETY CLASS. Monday, July 28 through Thursday, July 31, 12:00-2:00 pm. For grades 6 and up. Fee: \$40 includes supplies, snacks, guest speakers. This is an intense sitter safety training course that is appropriate for babysitters, big brothers and sisters, and children staying at home alone for the first time. This course will teach a variety of safety issues, basic first aid, fire safety, 911 skills. Contact LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

CPR FOR BABYSITTERS. Friday, August 1, 12:00 to 1:30 pm. Add this valuable class to your LYSB babysitter's course and learn how to save a life. Learn CPR and how to clear a blocked airway in children and infants. Parents want to hire babysitters who know CPR and can help kids who are choking! This class is a must for anyone who cares for children... parents, grandparents & babysitters. Local AHA instructors, EMTs and EMSIs Doug Lo Presti and Colleen Atkinson will teach you everything you need to know to provide lifesaving care during a cardiac or choking emergency in this 2-hour class. Class cost is \$40 and awards a Certificate of Completion.

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ARTS & CRAFTS CAMP. Monday, August 4 through Friday, August 8, 9:30 am-12:00 pm. Ages 7 and older. Let's get creative, make new friends and learn new and exciting art techniques. In this week long class, children will explore a variety of high quality craft activities and enjoy the outdoors. Mold a beautiful bowl with self hardening clay, design colorful tie/dye shirts, try basket weaving, learn mosaic techniques, create papier mache critters and draw and paint "plein air." Join your friends for a fun and crafty time. Drawing, outside time, and snacks each day. Fee: \$150, includes all supplies. Led by arts educator Claudia Mathison. Contact LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

HIP HOP HIGHLIGHTS. Monday, August 4 through Friday, August 8, 1:00-3:00 pm. Fee: \$40 includes snacks. The Lymes' Youth Service Bureau is pleased to offer a new and exciting program for boys and girls in grades 3 and up. During the week students will learn a choreographed hip hop dance routine to new and popular music. This routine will be performed for family and friends on the last day. Space is limited, and this program is sure to be a blast, so please call LYSB at 860-434-7208 to register.

LEGO CAMP AT LYSB. Engineering FUNdamentals; Pre-Engineering Ages: 5-7: Monday, August 11 to Friday, August

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Engineering FUNdamentals Ages: 8-11: Monday, August 11 to Friday, August 15, 1:00 pm -4:00 pm. Power up your engineering skills with Play-Well TEKnologies and over 100,000 pieces of LEGO®. Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture through engineer-designed projects such as arch bridges, skyscrapers, motorized cars, and the Battletrack! Design and build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in a supportive environment. An experienced instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level. Contact LYSB to register at 860-434-7208. Fee: \$150.

JOB BANK. Do you need help with your lawn? Need a new babysitter? Have odd jobs waiting for attention? Lyme and Old Lyme residents can call the LYSB Job Bank for names of area youth interested in working for you. (434-7208). Kids who want to be listed in the Job Bank need to register at LYSB with a form available on our website www.lysb.org/job-bank We currently are in need of teens who are interested in doing yardwork.

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- All dogs six months or older must be licensed and wear a collar and tag at all times.
- A dog without a tag is presumed to be unlicensed and is not protected by law.
- An assigned tag must be used on the dog described in the license bearing the corresponding number.
- A dog owner is liable for damage done by owner's dog, including damage to shrubs, flowers or trees.
- All dogs must be vaccinated against rabies and proof of the vet's certificate must be submitted to the Town Clerk when licensing a dog. (Per CGS Sec. 22-338).
- Owners of roaming dogs are liable to prosecution.
- When a spayed or neutered dog is licensed for the first time, a certificate from a licensed vet must be presented.
- If application is made by mail, make check payable to: Town of Old Lyme. Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

MAIL TO: TOWN CLERK, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, CT 06371. Please notify the Town Clerk of any dogs who are deceased or have moved from Old Lyme. 860 434-1605, Ext. 221 or 220.

Chamber Update

Our annual celebration of local business – Taste of Lymes Business Expo – returned to the Old Lyme Country Club in April. The event featured demos by local chefs, food samplings from member restaurants & caterers, and exhibits from many local businesses and organizations.

We welcomed State Senator Art Linares to our dinner meeting at Jessie's Restaurant in May and made plans for our Annual Meeting at the Shoreline Community Center in June. The Chamber once again provided flags to Memorial Day Parade marchers and will have a table at the annual Midsummer Festival in July.

This fall, we once again invite visitors to "continue down the rabbit hole and" visit our shops and restaurants after they enjoy the Florence Griswold Museum's special exhibit: Wee Faerie Village in a Steampunk'd Wonderland. And, holiday magic will abound during the six weeks marking Light Up Old Lyme.

We welcomed a number of new members in recent months, including the Old Lyme Historical Society, Child & Family, Living Statues in Motion, White Glove Cleaning, and Atria Senior Living. Please join us in wishing a Happy 25th anniversary to The Bowerbird. The Chamber is proud to support the Lyme/Old Lyme community. Please check www.VisitOldLyme.com for news & updates – & don't forget to "BUY LOCAL."

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Town Notes

Town Holiday Schedule. Town Hall will be closed in observance of the following Holidays: Friday, July 4 – Independence Day; Monday, September 1 – Labor Day; Monday, October 13 – Columbus Day; Monday, November 11 – Veterans Day; Thursday & Friday, November 27 & 28 – Thanksgiving; Thursday, December 25 - Christmas.

Town Hall hours for most departments: Monday through Friday, 9 am – 4 pm.

Notary Public services are usually available at the Town Hall for some documents and by appointment only. During lunch hours and vacation periods, it is possible that no notary will be in the building. Please phone ahead to be sure a notary will be available.

Trash & Recycling. Curbside trash removal is performed by Shoreline Sanitation (860-434-0052). There is no trash pick-up on the following Holidays: New Year's Day (Jan. 1), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in Sept.), Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in Nov.), and Christmas Day (Dec. 25). Trash that would normally be collected on Thanksgiving will be picked up the next day, along with the regular Friday pickup. For Monday holidays, garbage pickup will move up a day, except on Thursday and Friday, which will remain on schedule. This does not affect the curbside recycling program. Phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605,

ext.212) with any additional trash removal questions that you may have.

Please have trash or recycling container out at curbside by 6 am on your assigned day. Containers should be three feet away from any other objects, such as mailboxes, cars, other containers, planters, etc. Please be mindful when positioning your container not to block breakdown/emergency lane or obstructing walkers and/or cyclists. Thank you! Clearly mark your address on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans.

Curbside recycling is performed every other week by Shoreline Sanitation (860-434-0052). There is no recycling pick-up on the following Holidays: New Year's Day (Jan 1), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in Sept.), Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in Nov.), and Christmas Day (Dec. 25). Recycling that would normally be collected on Thanksgiving will be picked up the next day, along with the regular Friday pickup. For Monday holidays, recycling pickup will move up a day, except for Friday, which will remain on schedule. Recycling information is available on the Town's website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov), in the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall on Lyme Street, or at the Landfill/Transfer Station. Please phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with additional questions.

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Single stream curbside recycling items include clean bottles, cans, #1 - 7 plastics and paper products co-mingled in the green recycling carts every other week. A complete list of acceptable single stream recyclables is available on the Town's website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov), trash and recycling link on both the Selectman's and Public Works pages, as well as on Shoreline Sanitation's website (www.shorelinesanitation.com) and in the Selectman's Office at Memorial Town Hall on Lyme Street, or at the Landfill/Transfer Station. Please phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with additional questions.

Additional automated trash and recycling containers should be ordered through Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) in the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall on Lyme Street. Containers cost \$80, checks made payable to the Town of Old Lyme.

Hazardous Waste Schedule. 2014 Household Hazardous Waste located at the Estuary Region Hazwaste Facility on Dump Road, Essex. Directions from Route 9 driving north: Take Exit 4, go straight across Route 154, over the railroad tracks and up the hill. Scheduled dates are Saturdays between 9am – 1pm on the following dates: May 17, 31, June 14, July 12, 26, August 9, 23, September 6, 20, and October 25, November 8. For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable materials visit www.rivercog.org or call 860-581-8554.

Transfer Station. Transfer Station Hours. The Transfer Station is open: Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am-3:45 pm, Saturday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday. Their phone number is 860-434-2337. Feel free to call Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with any questions you may have.

Electronics are now accepted at the Transfer Station. Residents are able to bring the following items to the Transfer Station on Four Mile River Road: computers (personal computers, mainframes, med-range computers, laptops); networking equipment (hubs, switches, control cards, etc.); computer monitors, televisions, printers, keyboards, mice, adaptors, stereos, speakers, VCR's, scanners, fax machines, copiers telephones and telephone systems, computer wire and cable; computer drives and storage devices (floppy drives, CD ROMs, hard drives), power supplies, circuit boards, microwaves, scrap copper (cable, pipe, etc.), scrap aluminum (machine and machine parts, cable extrusions, etc.), fluorescent light bulbs, UPA (uninterrupted power supply) batteries, and related computer and electronic equipment.

Bulky Waste and Demolition: Vehicles are charged by weight at \$110/ton. Recyclables should not be mixed in the same load with Bulky Waste or Demolition debris. Loads of less than 100 lbs. will be charged a minimum fee of \$5.

Brush will be charged on a per load basis. No wood or limbs thicker than four inches will be accepted.

Grass clippings will not be allowed at the Transfer Station because of chemical contamination from pesticides and fertilizers and cannot be deposited in your trash can. Please compost on your property.

Streetlights. Phone Michele Hayes in the Selectman's Office at the Town Hall (860-434-1605, ext. 212) to report a streetlight outage and/or trash or recycling problem. When reporting a streetlight, please make note of the pole location and pole number. Please note that streetlights located on a private road or within a private association are the responsibility of the association, not the Town.



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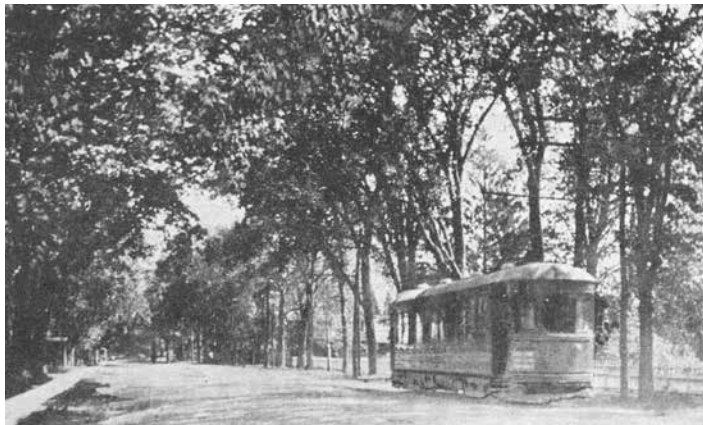
A Brief History of the Brief Life of the Old Lyme Trolley



If you enjoy cycling in Old Lyme, it is hard to miss the rippled roadway along the shoulder of the Post Road, most noticeable in front of the Laysville Cemetery. These bumps, formed by pavement sinking around wooden crossties that lie underneath, are remnants of the Shoreline Electric Railway's trolley line,

which operated for a brief six year period beginning in 1913.

In 1911, the first bridge crossing the Connecticut River between Old Saybrook and Old Lyme was completed. This enabled the Shoreline Electric Railway to extend its trolley line from Old Saybrook to Flanders, the construction of which was completed two years later in 1913. In Flanders the trolley tracks connected with those of the New London and East Lyme Street Railway and in Old Saybrook the tracks connected with those running to New Haven. The trolley route ran through the center of every town, but once outside of the centers they frequently followed a straighter and shorter cross-country route. In Old Lyme, after crossing the bridge, the tracks turned right to follow today's Neck Road until they reached Ferry Road where they turned left. At Church Corner the tracks turned left on what was then referred to as "the Street", today's Lyme Street, and then followed the Post Road to Flanders. Trolleys ran hourly in each direction from 5 am until 10 pm. The fare was five cents for each three mile segment. There was one



Trolley on Lyme Street.

set of tracks so sidings were built to allow cars to pass one another. This required the cars to adhere to a precise schedule so that cars going in opposite directions would meet at the sidings. The heavy trolley cars could reach 60 miles per hour, although the fastest they traveled on the shoreline was closer to 40 and they probably averaged only 30.

The trolley's brief six year life was due to several factors. First, the automobile was growing in popularity. Second, there were several trolley crashes in 1917 and 1919, one of which

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tragically killed fourteen people in the Branford area. Also in 1918, a key financier of the trolley line, Morton Freeman Plant, died. The Shoreline Electric Railway shut down its line between Flanders and Stony Creek. Three years later, the company reorganized as the New Haven and Shoreline Railway and resumed service from Stony Creek to Old Saybrook, but the line to Flanders never operated again. This second iteration of the trolley line was doomed and by 1929, the shoreline trolley was gone. Although the trolleys almost never earned a profit, the reorganized company gambled and switched to buses. This bus line followed the Post Road from New Haven to New London. It operated successfully, lasting until the mid-1950s.

In addition to the rippled pavement from the cross-ties remaining underneath the Post Road, a large remnant of the trolley line is the building that contained the former power plant that generated its electricity. It is a large block-like building with a tall red and white striped chimney located at a marina in Old Saybrook that can be seen from the Old Lyme side of the river from the DEEP property. Perhaps if the trolley had arrived earlier, before the automobile became the dominant form of transit, it may have been able to pay off its construction debts and could possibly have lasted much longer, as did the city trolley lines which survived into the 1940s.

Community's Support Needed for Grange Hall Purchase

At the end of February the Old Lyme Historical Society, Inc. purchased the historic Grange Hall building located at 55 Lyme Street. The purchase of this building on Lyme Street marks a major turning point for the Society, which was formed in 2005 to collect, preserve, and interpret the rich history of Old Lyme. Once necessary improvements are made, the 2,600 square foot Grange building will meet the Society's current needs for a permanent temperature controlled archive, periodic exhibits, lectures, meetings, receptions, and a shop for the Society's publications. The purchase was made possible through the generosity of charitable contributions from the community, the Society's membership, one hundred percent of the Board Members, and private loans. The Old Lyme Historical Society continues to work towards raising the full amount of their capital campaign goal of \$225,000. Contributions in any amount and/or stock transfers to this capital campaign are greatly needed and will be deeply appreciated. The Old Lyme Historical Society, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Tax deductible contributions should be mailed to P.O. Box 352, Old Lyme, CT 06371. More information about the Society, its interesting activities and publications, may be found on its web site www.oldlymehistoricalsociety.org.

Mark Lander

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News from the Sound View Commission

It's been quite an exciting year: A town meeting was held on March 24 with two projects specific to Sound View. Phase 1 of the Bike-way and Park project design and engineering was passed unanimously! The work began in May and will entail surveying, geotechnical analysis, design and engineering for the Bike-way on RT 156 as well as the Park and Restrooms. BSC Group of Glastonbury, CT was chosen to do the work with Old Lyme's Nina Peck providing the architectural work for the restroom building. Throughout the spring and summer you'll be seeing surveyors and the like in the area. The project design aspects will be open for comment and input at several public information meetings. It is anticipated that we can start construction the Fall of 2015. The second item, the purchase of a new parking kiosk for the town parking lot in the amount of \$13,000, also passed unanimously. With this kiosk, parking attendants will no longer be needed, at a savings of approximately \$15,000 per year. Our Town Rangers will patrol the lot as well as the street.

Community Events: Summer Concert series: The Commission is working towards some community events at Sound View. A special Events Sub-Committee of the Commission is preparing for 3 or 4 family friendly summer outdoor concerts on Thursday evenings (July 10, 24, August 14). The concert location will be Hartford Ave, at the Flagpole. Check the town web site and the bulletin board at the Shoreline Community Center for more info.

More Bocce! In true community spirit, Lenny Corto (Lenny's on the Beach) and Tom Larson (Just Dump It) have volunteered to assist with the Bocce court maintenance. We're thinking about starting a Sound View Bocce tournament.

Parking: Hartford Avenue: Last year we received plenty of comments about the Hartford Avenue parking configuration, both pro and con. The Kiosk pay system was very successful and the present parking configuration will remain in effect this year. Any future changes will be part of the Bike-Way/Park design.

Town Parking Lot: This year the town lot will be under the direction of Public Safety. All parking fees will be paid by means of a new Kiosk located at the lot. The lot has also been modified to accommodate a separate entrance and exit and new parking space delineation lines. Proper turning radiuses and the separate entrance/exit will assist us in providing a safer experience for our guests. Fees for the parking lot will be the same as street parking: increments of \$5 per 2 hours on weekdays; \$7 per 2 hours on weekends and holidays, from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Vehicles may remain parked for as many 2 hour increments as purchased. Old Lyme residents with beach stickers will continue to park free on the street or lot as space is available. Our Town rangers will be on patrol to ensure adherence with the program.

Public Works: The challenges of maintaining such a heavily congested and visited area can be daunting, and our Public Works Department performs their task well, but you can help them do even better. If you have trees or vegetation obscuring street signs or the alleys, please do your part to keep these areas clear. The alleys must be kept clear and accessible for emergency and resident vehicle passage and street signage must be visible, for both public safety and pleasant community aesthetics. Our Public Works Department will be checking to make sure we have safe, unobscured signs and alleys and will remove any obstruction by May 30. Over the next few years, we also anticipate doing a survey of the alleys and streets, so make sure you don't have any encroachments.

Public Safety: Reminders from Public Safety: Golf carts, ATVs and similar are prohibited from operating on Town roads. Motor scooters, mopeds or motor-bikes: Driver must have a valid motor vehicle operator's license. All fireworks

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are illegal in the State of Connecticut without a proper permit, except sparklers and fountains.

The Sound View Commission continues to strive for improvement and enhancement to Sound View and a successful, safe and vibrant beach community. We meet the 4th Monday of the month, and all meetings are open to the public. Check the Commission meeting agendas and minutes on the Old Lyme Town web site. Comments, correspondence and suggestions are always welcome.

Frank Pappalardo, Chairman

Michaëlle Pearson, Secretary

Members: David Kelsey, Joanne Reis-Lishing, Harry Plaut

Alternates: Russ Carlo, Sandy Ziemba, Frank Maratta

The Size-Up

Here are some safety tips from your Old Lyme Fire Department to help keep Summer dining 2014 fun:

- Before using a grill, check the connection between the propane tank and the fuel line. Make sure the venturi tubes - where the air and gas mix - are not blocked.
- Do not overfill the propane tank.
- Do not wear loose clothing while cooking at a barbecue.
- Be careful when using lighter fluid. Do not add fluid to an already lit fire because the flames can flashback up into the container and explode.
- Keep all matches and lighters away from children. Teach your children to report any loose matches or lighters to an adult immediately. Supervise children around outdoor grills.
- Dispose of hot coals properly - douse them with plenty of water, and stir them to ensure that the fire is out. Never place them in plastic, paper or wooden containers.
- Never grill/barbecue in enclosed areas - carbon monoxide could be produced.
- Make sure everyone knows to Stop, Drop and Roll in case a piece of clothing does catch fire. Call 911 or your local emergency number if a burn warrants serious medical attention.

Campfire Safety

- Build campfires where they will not spread, away from dry grass and leaves.
- Keep campfires small, and don't let them get out of hand.
- Keep plenty of water and a shovel around to douse the fire when you're done. Stir it and douse it again with water.
- Never leave campfires unattended.

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Old Lyme Conservation Commission

Creating a Buffer Garden

Last spring the Conservation Commission installed a demonstration buffer garden at Hains Park on Rogers Lake. The Connecticut Master Gardeners Association contributed a small grant and interns toward the project. The garden will serve as a demonstration of the construction, design and effectiveness of buffer planting to property owners whose land borders the lakes, streams and rivers of Old Lyme. In the period of four seasons, this small garden has held the soil firm against flooding and ice flows. Recently the commission has erected an explanatory sign at the garden. Hopefully residents will visit the garden and watch the sprouting of the foliage on the native plants.

Maintaining a buffer garden at water's edge is one of the best ways to protect against erosion, pollution from lawn chemicals, pesticides and an overabundance of nutrients. A buffer garden on the edge of your property, rather than a lawn going straight down to the water's edge will trap runoff water from rain and snow melt and let it settle into the soil. The water can then be filtered by the soil before it reaches the water through underground routes. Runoff from rain contains phosphorus which is a nutrient that feeds algae that kills fish and turns the water green and ugly and smells awful! Sediment carried into the water settles on the bottom, creating a fertile bed for unwanted weed growth, inhibiting water flow, destroying fish spawning areas and suffocating all organisms living on the bottom.



Creating a buffer garden takes some planning. Before starting you should consider your property's exposure to sun and wind, the soil type, moisture and pH, the slope of the land and the current vegetation in the area. Also, determine if a permit is required prior to buffer construction. Determine how wide your buffer will be. Use native species which will be best suited to the local climate and soil conditions and less susceptible to disease and insect infestation. If maintaining a view is

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important, choose low growing shrubs that can be mixed with grasses and perennials. A path leading down to the shore is best designed to curve and meander so that water will not flow directly down the path but settle into the soil along the way. Paths should be made of permeable materials to help water settle into the soil. Many local nurseries sell native plants. A very good list of species appropriate for coastal Connecticut can be found online at www.seagrant.uconn.edu/publications/coastalres. The following are searchable plant databases available on line:

- University of Connecticut: www.hort.uconn.edu/plants
- Connecticut Botanical Society: www.ct-botanical-society.org
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service: www.plants.usda.gov
- CT Invasive Plants Working Group: www.hort.uconn.edu/cipwg/

Linda Clough, Old Lyme Conservation Commission

Renters Rebate Program

Connecticut State law provides a reimbursement program for Connecticut renters who are elderly or totally disabled, and whose incomes do not exceed certain limits. Persons renting an apartment or room, or living in cooperative housing or a mobile home may be eligible for this program. Renters' rebates can be up to \$900 for married couples and \$700 for single persons. The renters' rebate amount is based on a graduated income scale and the amount of rent and utility payments (excluding telephone) made in the calendar year 2013.

Applications taken between April 1 and October 1. To qualify renters must be over the age of 65 or legally disabled and receiving social security. Income limits for the program are as follows;

- Married Couples income must be under \$41,600.
- Single must be under \$34,100.

NOTE: To apply please contact Valerie Goncalves, Social Service Coordinator for an appointment at 860-434-1605 Ext 228 or by email at vgoncalves@oldlyme-ct.gov.

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 - Proof of Social Security Income for 2013 (form 1099)
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- Total income from 2013 (all sources) taxable and non taxable.
 - Proof of Social Security Income for 2013 (copy of form 1099).
 - Railroad Retirement etc. / Proof of Pension Benefits for 2013 / Proof of Interest, dividends from stocks and bonds for 2013.
 - Proof of 100 % disability from Social Security (form TPQY Stating Disability & form 1099).
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Summer Concert Series at Sound View Beach

*Presented by the Sound View Commission
and Town of Old Lyme*

Free outdoor concerts will be held on Hartford Avenue at the Flag pole. Special area concert day business discounts. Bring your lawn chair for a great family evening of enjoyable music.

July 10, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Funky Dawgz Brass Band. A New Orleans style second line brass band from UConn that really grooves. The Funky Dawgz Brass Band is exploding onto the live music scene not just in their home state of Connecticut but also across the region and even down in New Orleans. This 10-piece funky groove machine is loaded with high-energy horns and a backbeat that is irresistibly funky. They take the music of New Orleans to a whole new level, playing traditional New Orleans R&B, rocking their original music, and adding a brass twist to today's top hits. **Rain location:** Shoreline Community Center, 39 Hartford Avenue.

July 24, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Old Lyme Town Band. Since 1975, the band, whose members represent many area towns, has presented concerts from Guilford to Mystic and from Old Lyme to Middletown, playing a little bit of everything from marches, movie-themed medleys, jazz, big band, pop, and classical.

August 14, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Grass Routes Bluegrass Band. On the scene since 1980, this band has been delighting audiences with repertoire ranging from traditional bluegrass standards to folk and contemporary songs, performed in their own unique bluegrass style with skillful instrumentals and tight vocal harmonies.

Rain location: Shoreline Community Center, 39 Hartford Avenue.

For further information contact the Sound View Commission at the Town of Old Lyme web site.

Spring Into Rosé

Spring is finally here and I am sure everyone will agree that it has been a long cold winter. As the days become longer and the weather warms up, the perfect wines to drink are Rosés. The rosé style of wine has become increasingly popular every year, and why not? Aside from being refreshing, rosés pair well with a vast array of foods and are extremely palatable to almost any wine drinker.

Rosés are comprised of mostly red varietals but are occasionally blended with a small amount of white grapes. You might ask, where does the pink color come from? Well, the juice from all grapes is clear, the color of the wine depends on how long the skins stay in contact during the wine making process. The longer the skins stay in contact, the darker the color of the rosé. In my experience, the deeper rosés tend to have dark fruit flavors such as blackberry, cassis and plum, while the pale rosés taste of strawberry, cherry and watermelon. French rosés from Provence, for example, tend to be a pale salmon-like color and are light and refreshing in body, while Cotes-du-Rhone rosés are brighter pink and weightier in the mouth.

Because of the long run of White Zinfandel in the United States, many people believe that all rosés are sweet. White Zinfandel is made in a different fashion than true rosés, it has lower alcohol and higher residual sugar. Most rosés are in fact drier than one would expect. This makes them easy to pair with many different foods, from appetizers to entrees and desserts.

It is time to invite your friends over, uncover and strike up the barbeque grill, and crack open a refreshing bottle of rosé, it will surely please your entire crowd. Happy Spring!

Art LiPuma, Manager, SeaSide Wine & Spirits

Tax Collector's Notice

Legal Notice, Town Of Old Lyme

Notice is hereby given to the Taxpayers of the Town of Old Lyme that I have a warrant to collect a tax on the Grand List of October 1, 2013. Motor Vehicle taxes are due in full July 1, 2014. Real Estate and Personal Property bills may be paid in full on that date, however, Real Estate and Personal Property bills over \$100.00 are paid in two installments: July 1, 2014 and January 1, 2015. Partial payments are always accepted.

If the tax due, or installment due, is not paid within one month of the due date, the tax becomes delinquent and subject to interest at the rate of one and one half percent (1 1/2%): 18% per year. The minimum interest charge is \$2. August interest is 3%.

Questions pertaining to the assessments and exemptions should be directed to the Assessor's office at 860 434-1605 ext 218 or 219. Tax questions at 860 434-1605 ext 216.

Payments may be made at the Tax Office, Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, weekdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, by mail: Old Lyme Tax Collector's Office, PO Box 482, Old Lyme, CT 06371.

Judith A Tooker, Tax Collector

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- To be a part of your community
- To have an excuse to do something you love

Visit our website www.highhopestr.org for more information about our volunteer program and to apply.

High Hopes Therapeutic Riding will once again be offering Riding and Carriage Driving Lessons to the Community.

We will be offering Group (45min/Hour) or Private (1/2 hour) lessons for \$60 per lesson. All lessons will be on High Hopes horses with PATH International certified instructors.

Dates offered:

- June 16, 17, 18, 19, 20
- August 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 25, 26

Contact Sarah Carlson, Special Programs Coordinator, at scarlson@highhopestr.org or (860) 434-1974, ext. 115. Visit our website www.highhopestr.org for more information.

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Attending a program? Please register! It's easy to register online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the Events tab or call the Library at 860-434-1684 for assistance. New programs are posted monthly. All programs are free unless otherwise noted and some require registration. The Library never shares your emails with businesses or marketing agencies.

Fizz, Boom, Read! Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library Summer Reading Program 2014. *The Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library Summer Reading Program is generously funded in part by the Goldman Sachs Gives Annual Giving Fund and Essex Savings Bank.*

Saturday June 21, 10 am-2 pm Registration Day for the Summer Reading Program will be held in the Children's Room. Can't make it and still want to be a part of it? Email Children's Librarian Michelle DeSarbo (mdesarbo@oldlyme.lioninc.org). Evanced is an online management component for those who prefer to keep track of their summer reading online. Information will be available via our website at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org.

Ages Two through Pre-Kindergarten "Baby Brainiacs" Early Literacy Program. Read to your little one each day and add a sticker to a Reading Record after each book you read. Materials provided. Once the record is full, submit it to Children's Librarian Michelle DeSarbo and receive a gift certificate for an ice cream cone at the Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe! Limit 3 per child. Alternative prizes are available upon request.

Kindergarten-Grade 5 "Fizz, Boom, Read" Summer Reading Program. Receive a "Frequent Reader Card" and fill out a short book review/rating and brief summary for one of every ten books read. Submit Frequent Reader Cards for a gift card to either The Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe or The Chocolate Shell*. The Frequent Reader cards will be used as raffle tickets for a Grand Prize drawing at the Mad Scientist Summer Reading Finale Party on Friday, September 5 at 3:30 pm. * limit of three gift cards per person. Available while supplies last.

Children's Events

Mondays at 10:30 am - Toddler Time. Two to five-year-olds will delight in listening to stories, singing songs, and making a themed craft. No need to register -- just drop in.

Thursdays 10:15 am - Drop-In Baby Time. Children ages birth through age two. Introduce your baby to the library and meet new people! No need to register -- just drop-in.

Friday, June 13th, 6:30-7:30 pm - Summer Reading Kickoff. **Jeff Boyer Presents: Bubble Trouble!** Special Location: Old Lyme Town Hall. A bubble volcano. Bubble roller coaster. A kid in a bubble? Jeff Boyer takes bubbles to the max in this one-man bubble extravaganza. Families, children and teens are all welcome. Registration is required online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the "Children's Program" tab or call the Library at 860-434-1684.

Saturday, June 21st, 10 am-2 pm - Summer Reading Registration Day. Sign up for a summer full of great books and fun prizes. Then, stick around to design your own t-shirt with

our stash of puffy paints. Bring a t-shirt from home or use one of ours. Families with toddlers can get in on the fun too.

Thursday, July 17, 3:30-5 pm Cartooning with Super Cowtoonist Debra Hamuka-Falkenham. Make your very own cartoon chalk talk, create a character, and learn just what it takes to be a cartoonist at this free, fun workshop with professional cartoonist Debra Hamuka-Falkenham. Registration is required online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the "Children's Program" tab or call the Library at 860-434-1684.

Saturday, July 26, 10 am-3 pm - Midsummer Festival: Rainbow Bubble Snakes. All are welcome to visit the OLPGN Library at the Florence Griswold Museum's Hands-On Minds-On Education Area to create a Fizz, Boom, Read-themed rainbow bubble snake.

Tuesday, August 12, 3:30-4:30 pm Cool-ology: Cool Mixtures and Magical Potions. Children in grades K-4 can make their own cool concoctions (elephant toothpaste, lava lamps and slime!) while learning about atoms, molecules and elements! Schoolteacher and educational consultant Claudia Esposito will lead the group in these hands-on science experiments. Parental involvement is encouraged. Registration is required.

Friday, September 5, 4-5 pm - Mad Scientist Summer Reading Finale Party. Celebrate the end of summer reading at our science-themed finale party! No need to register, just drop in!

Young Adult Events

Monday, June 9 at 3:15pm: Teen Movie: Chasing Mavericks Rated PG-13.

Monday, June 16, Monday, July 21 & Monday, August 18 at 2:30: Spark a Reaction Science. Visit the library to do some exciting science experiments every third Monday during the summer. Registration required.

Thursday, June 12 at 3:30 pm: Teen Nutmeg Book Club. Join us to discuss the 2015 Teen Nutmeg nominee *The False Prince* by Jennifer A. Nielsen and make a book-themed craft. Registration required.

Tuesday, June 24 at 2:15 pm: Henna By Heather Mehndi. Artist Heather Caunt-Nulton will give a short talk about the origins and designs of henna. Each participant will then receive a henna design of their very own drawn by Heather from her naturally created henna dyes. Registration is required. For more information contact Teen Librarian Alex Klaus at aklaus@oldlyme.lioninc.org or call the library at 860-434-1684.

Teen Summer Crafts: Drop in Every Thursday to Make a Craft at 2:30 pm. Registration required.

June 19, **DIY Clothespin Picture Frames**; June 26, **Paracord Bracelet**; July 3, **No-Sew Tank Top**; July 10, **Painted Rocks**; July 17, **Goo, Goop and All Things Squishy**; July 24, **Clay Creations**; July 31, **Dream Catchers**; August 7, **Rock Candy**; August 14, **Water Color Art**; August 21, **Tote Bags**; August 29, **Welcome Back Pizza Taste Test Party**; September 12, 3:30 pm-5 pm, **Teen Summer Reading Finale: Black Light Party.** For more information contact Teen Librarian Alex Klaus at aklaus@oldlyme.lioninc.org or call the library at 860-434-1684.

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Adult Events

June 18 from 5-6:30 pm - Those Were the Days: Reliving the 1940's: Carol Whitmer, consulting genealogist for the Connecticut Historical Society will reminisce about the days when children were allowed to roam, radio held center stage, and big-bands dominated music. Join in the discussion and share your memories of growing up during that momentous decade. Registration required.

Wednesdays 12:30-4pm - Mah Jongg Classes with Joanie Fitton. This challenging and competitive game was brought to America in the early 1920s from China and is commonly played by four players with a set of 136 tiles based on Chinese characters and symbols. Beginners and experienced players are all welcome. New participants are welcome at any time. The cost is \$10 per person per class with checks made out to Joanie Fitton. A portion of the fees go to support the Library. All participants must register at their first class and pay in advance.

Tuesdays, 10 am and 1pm - Watercolor Classes for Beginners and Advanced Beginners with Joan Bernard. *New Session begins July 1.* Instructor Joan Bernard, a local watercolor artist, will guide students through composition, color mixing and other basic elements of painting. Each participant will have time to learn and receive feedback from Joan on their compositions and progress. Classes run on a continuous basis throughout the year. Joan has studied fine art at Syracuse University, the Silvermine Art Center and the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts. She has been painting in watercolor for 40 years. To register contact Joan at 860-388-1983 for details and materials needed. Fee: \$140 per person. Advanced Beginners meet from 10 am -12:30 pm; Beginners meet from 1 pm to 3:30 pm.

Thursdays at 11 am-12 pm - Phoebe's Book Chats June 12, July 10 & August 14. Free and open to the public. New members welcome any time during the year. Copies of all titles are available at the Circulation Desk.

June 12 *The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Strout

July 10 *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown

August 14 *Where'd You Go, Bernadette* by Maria Semple

September 11 *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman

Wednesday July 9 at 7pm: **Fabritius' *Goldfinch*, Vermeer's *Girl with the Pearl Earring*, and Kalf's *Still-Life: Humble Subjects and High Aestheticism in Dutch Baroque Art*.** The OLPGN Library presents a special lecture by one of southeastern Connecticut's favorite art experts, Professor Robert Baldwin, Associate Professor of Art History, Connecticut College. Building on the current contemporary fiction writer Donna Tartt's success with her Pulitzer Prize winning novel, *The Goldfinch*, Baldwin will share with audiences the historical facts surrounding the famous work by Carel Fabritius along with two related Dutch paintings (Vermeer's *Girl with the Pearl Earring*, and an exotic *Still Life* by Kalf) which touch on larger issues raised by the *Goldfinch*. His talk will explore the unique blend of humble, everyday subjects and high aestheticism in Dutch Baroque art. Free and open to the public. Registration encouraged for planning purposes.

Wednesday July 16 at 7 pm - Summer Book Buzz: A Discussion of *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. *The Goldfinch*

landed on Best-Selling Books lists across the country, received glowing reviews from every major media source and is recommended by public libraries and independent book stores. Join Marsha Bansavage for an energizing discussion of themes and characters and the power of love, memory and art. Free and open to the public.

Thursday July 10 from 5-7 pm - Summer Breeze Art Exhibition & Reception: Jim Grabowski. One look at Grabowski's work and you will find the impressive power and beauty of nature that his technique and palette conveys to the viewer. A lifelong artist, Jim taught art after receiving his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Fine Art. Jim works from a small studio attached to his house in Marlborough, CT and is best known for his very large (up to 15') and intense abstract paintings as well as his landscapes and coastal scenes that have a strong New England feel about them. His works are exhibited in over 30 galleries in New York and New England and the New Britain Museum of American Art recently acquired one of his works for their permanent collection. Wine and refreshments will be served. Free and open to the public. All works for sale benefit the Library.

Thursday August 14 at 7:00 pm - Italicious with Enzo Boscarino. Enzo Boscarino, originally of Siracusa, Italy, will serenade his audience with traditional Italian music, and several songs from around the globe. The songs will be performed in their original language, with the musical styles ranging from folk to romantic, from classic to modern rock. Enzo intersperses his performance with humorous stories about the predicament of an immigrant Italian family especially the difficulty of learning English. Sing-along with Enzo as we tour some of the best loved music of Italy! Boscarino teaches at Central Connecticut State University and Saint Joseph's University. A poet, scholar, fencing master, linguist, actor, translator, singer and guitarist, he has been dubbed "a true Renaissance Man" by Martha's Vineyard Gazette.

Friends of the Library BookCellar

Wednesdays 10 am-6 pm, Saturdays 10 am-2 pm (June) 10 am-12:30 pm (July-August). A book lover's treasure trove of gently used books awaits your visit to explore its stacks filled with hardcover, paperbacks, Music CDs, children's books and special sales. Classics, popular fiction, as well as travel, history, science, art and every other subject in Dewey's classification is waiting your discovery to buy for your personal bookshelf. All books in good condition and modestly priced with proceeds supporting the Library's services, collections and programs. (Donations accepted during Library hours.)

Midsummer Festival Saturday July 26, 2014 10 am- 3 pm

Visit us on the front lawn facing Lyme Street for events and entertainment as we celebrate the annual summer festival with a special guest, crafts for children, food and the popular Friends Book Sale.

10 am-3 pm Doggie Puppets: Drop by to make a paper bag puppet.

11:30 am -2 pm Cupcakes and Flying Hearts: Indulge in some delectable mini-cupcakes baked by Pat Maillett and Teri Thompson, the owners, creators and sisters behind Cupcakes and Flying Hearts.

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1-2 pm Book signing by Bill Berloni: The first to train actors to work with animals on stage, Tony Award winner, trainer, actor and author, Bill Berloni, will sign *Broadway Tails* and share heartfelt stories of rescue dogs that became showbiz superstars!

10 am-3 pm Rainbow Bubble Snakes: Visit the OLPGN Library at the Florence Griswold Museum's Hands-On Minds-On Education Area to create a Fizz, Boom, Read-themed rainbow bubble snake!

10 am-2 pm Friends of the Library Half Price Book Sale! Back by popular demand, the best summer book sale on the shoreline will offer titles for children and adults in hard and soft cover at half price.

Lymes' Senior Center Summer Concert Series

Come and enjoy a summer evening at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road for "Summer Sounds" a four week musical series. All ages are welcome.

On Thursday, July 10th, 7:00 pm, join us for the first concert in our Summer Concert Series as the Old Lyme Town Band performs for us! Bring your chairs and blankets; the performance will be held out on the lawn (weather permitting) or inside if the weather is inclement. This free concert is open to the public. An ice cream social will follow thanks to the generous donation from the Old Lyme Republican Town Committee.

On Thursday, July 17th, 7:00 pm, join us for the second of our four week Summer Concert Series as the United States Coast Guard Jazz Band performs for us! Bring your chairs and blankets; the performance will be held out on the lawn (weather permitting) or inside if the weather is inclement. This free concert is open to the public. An ice cream social will

follow thanks to the generous donation from the Old Lyme Republican Town Committee.

On Thursday, July 24th at 7:00 pm, join us for the third of our Summer Concert Series as the Waterford Town Band performs for us! This free concert will be held indoors and is open to the public. An ice cream social will follow thanks to the generous donation from the Old Lyme Democratic Town Committee.

On Thursday, July 31st at 7:00 pm, join us for the final concert of our Summer Concert Series as the 102nd Army Band performs for us! Bring your chairs and blankets; the performance will be held out on the lawn (weather permitting) or inside if the weather is inclement. This free concert is open to the public and an ice cream social will follow thanks to the generous donation from the Old Lyme Democratic Town Committee.

The Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation

This academic year the Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation awarded 39 scholarships totaling \$7,800 to students at Lyme-Old Lyme High School and Middle School. We are proud of this achievement, remembering that in 2001 at the start of the Foundation, four scholarships were awarded for a total of \$400!

We would like to share with you the success of Kristian Paradis, one of Ruth Ann Heller's former students, who has established a rewarding musical career. Kristian is an instructor in steel band with the University of Delaware and an active performer and teacher of Caribbean steel drums. After completing his undergraduate studies in music and computer science at the University of Delaware, he was accepted into the U.S. Navy Music Program.

Upon completion of his military music training at the Armed Forces School of Music, Kristian became a member of the U.S. 7th Fleet Band in Japan. He served as the drummer for the Far East Edition show band, drummer and steel-pan soloist in the Navy Jazz Combo and principal percussionist in the Navy concert and ceremonial bands. With these groups he served as a musical ambassador for the Navy and the United States, performing in Russia, China, India, Australia, South Korea and many other countries in East Asia and the Pacific islands.

Kristian credits his participation in the LOLHS band

program, as well as his experiences with regional bands and orchestras, and his relationship with Ruth Ann Heller for launching his musical career. Through Ruth Ann, Kristian was introduced to his first private teacher, master drummer Ernest Centoscudi, and his mentor and colleague at the University of Delaware, Professor Harvey Price.

It is our contributors who make these musical opportunities possible and we are most appreciative. 100% of each donation is used for student scholarships and donations from the Board of Trustees more than cover administrative expenses. We would like to thank John and Dyanne Rafal for their generosity in sponsoring this year's newsletter.

New this year, the Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation has joined Leave a Legacy Connecticut, a public awareness campaign which encourages people to leave something in their wills to support causes about which they care. Please consider making a bequest that will give the gift of music.

Please visit us at <http://RAHMF.org> to learn more about our Foundation and to donate using PayPal (a PayPal account is not necessary in order to donate electronically). We can also be found at <http://www.facebook.com>, where upcoming events and updates on the Foundation are posted. Thank you for considering our Lyme and Old Lyme students this year.

Your Government – By the Numbers

There is a new online resource for Connecticut residents seeking the data and details on state government. Complete with charts and graphs and available for download in a variety of formats, the Connecticut Open Data Portal has made its electronic debut. The Connecticut Open Data Portal will serve as an online portal where information that is collected across all government agencies can be shared. The portal is now live and can be accessed at <http://data.ct.gov>.

This electronic data portal provides a useful database that can be used by entrepreneurs, analysts, academics and the general public. Data collection categories include transportation, public safety, health, business, environment, education and housing among others. To date, the portal contains more than 100 data sets highlighting traffic counts, crime statistics, and leased and state owned buildings.



While the portal makes data available to the public, it does so while continuing to safeguard data that must be kept secure under state and federal law. Information that would compromise public health, safety or the public welfare would continue to be excluded from public view.

I urge you to make use of this tool for accessing and understanding information relevant to important functions of government that affect your quality of life.

State Representative Marilyn Giuliano

State Representative Marilyn Giuliano represents Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and coastal Westbrook in the Connecticut General Assembly.

Old Lyme Band Summer Concerts

The Old Lyme Town Band under the direction of John LaDone has several concerts in the area this summer. All concerts are free - Bring a chair, a blanket, a picnic dinner and enjoy an evening of music.

Wednesday, July 9th: Old Saybrook, at the Gazebo on Main Street, 7:00.

Thursday, July 10th: Lymes Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road, Old Lyme 7:00.*

Sunday, July 13th: Essex Meadows, 30 Bokum Road, Essex 4:00.*

Monday, July 14th: Evergreen Woods, 88 Notch Hill Road, North Branford, 7:00.*

Thursday, July 17th: Deep River Stone House, 245 Main Street, Deep River, 6:30.

Sunday, July 20th: Old Lyme South Green (corner of Lyme Street and McCurdy Road), 4:00.*

Tuesday, July 22nd: Mystic River Park on Cottrell Street, Mystic, 7:00.

Thursday, July 24th: Sound View Beach, Old Lyme, 7:00.

Saturday, July 26th: Prior to the Old Lyme Fireworks, behind the Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School, Lyme Street, 7:30.

* *Rain or shine*

Further information: oldlymetownband.blogspot.com, (860) 434-2671 or 860-434-8529.

Fifth Annual “Appetite For Life” To Benefit Middlesex Hospital Cancer Center

Local restaurants throughout the shoreline have joined together for a fifth year in a special dining program, *Appetite for Life*, to benefit the Middlesex Hospital Cancer Center. The Center offers a complete range of services to meet the needs of cancer patients and their families that include preventive, diagnostic, treatment, support, survivorship and end-of-life Hospice and palliative care services. Its team approach to care and treatment is carefully coordinated for patients throughout their cancer journey.

Each of the restaurants listed below have chosen a day during the month of June to donate a portion of their proceeds to the Center:

Centerbrook

June 25 **Gabrielle’s Restaurant** (Lunch/Dinner 15%)

Essex

June 24 **The Black Seal** (Lunch/Dinner 15%)

Madison

June 27 **Lenny & Joe’s Fish Tale** (Magical Charity Carousel 100%)


Old Saybrook

Month of June **The Feedbag Pet Food & Supplies** (Blue Buffalo products)

June 12 **The Back Porch Restaurant & Bar** (Lunch/Dinner 10%)


June 19 **Luigi’s Restaurant**, In memory of Joanne DiBella (Lunch/Dinner 10%)

June 20 **Pizza Works** (Lunch/Dinner 10%)



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6 mph Speed Limit - Before 10 am, after sunset and within 100' of shore or other boats.

Jet Skis - Only allowed 10 am to 6 pm weekdays and 7 pm weekends. Wakeless speed (6 mph) within 200' of shore, raft or other boats.

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Old Lyme Municipal Departments

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Other Agencies		
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Youth Services Bureau	Mary Seidner, Director	434-7208

Old Lyme - Community Listings

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The Cooley Gallery



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Estuary Council

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MEALS ON WHEELS – hot meals delivered to your home. Call Peg at 860-388-1611. A \$3 donation request for those aged 60+. Meals are supported by Senior Resources Agency on Aging with Title III funds available under the Older Americans Act.

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ESTUARY THRIFT SHOP: Open 10 am - 3:45 pm, Monday - Friday; and from 9 am - 12:45 pm on Saturdays. Clothes (men, women, and children), kitchen items, crafts, and more available. Donations are accepted and volunteers always needed.

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THE MARSHVIEW GALLERY AT THE ESTUARY: Open daily 8 am - 4 pm, and from 9 am - 1 pm Saturdays. The art on exhibit changes monthly and highlights the talents of local artists from along the shoreline. The artists donate a portion of their art sales to the Estuary Council of Seniors. An artist’s reception is held the second Friday of each month from 5 - 7 pm. Refreshments are served, and a door prize is drawn each month. All ages are welcome. Call 860-388-1611 for information.

DONATE YOUR CAR OR BOAT TO THE ESTUARY COUNCIL - Turn your car or boat into a tax deduction by calling: 1-800-716-5868. Proceeds benefit the vital services we provide for seniors in the nine-town Estuary Region.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Call Judy at 860-388-1611.

Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries

Old Lyme Pantry & Breakfast: Every Saturday, 9-11 am, at First Congregational Church, 2 Ferry Road in Old Lyme. SSKP serves a family-style hot breakfast prepared fresh by volunteers. Our pantry provides fresh and non-perishable food for those who live in Old Lyme, Lyme, East Lyme, Old Saybrook, Westbrook, Clinton, Chester, Killingworth, Essex, Deep River and Madison. Residents in need receive enough food from the pantry for three meals a day for three days for all those in their household. Guests are reminded to bring bags. All are welcome to attend the breakfast and one SSKP pantry per week.

Visit www.shorelinesoupkitchens.org for a full listing of SSKP’s shoreline meal sites and pantries.

Midsummer Festival



Artists at Midsummer.

Old Lyme's Midsummer Festival is a town-wide celebration of the arts held Friday and Saturday, July 25 and 26. Since the early 20th century Old Lyme, Connecticut has been known as a haven for the arts. The festival takes place in the heart of Old Lyme's historic district, with activities spanning locations along Lyme Street – the Florence Griswold Museum, the Lyme Art Association, and the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts, the Old Lyme Inn, the Bee & Thistle Inn, Studio 80 + Sculpture Park, Center School with the Plein Air Fence Show Artists, and a variety of Lyme Street merchants. For more information visit www.OldLymeMidsummerFestival.com

Cable Advisory Council

The Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council consists of representatives from Old Lyme, Salem, East Haddam, Lyme, and Haddam Neck.

State regulations require each represented town to appoint one or more town residents as Advisory Council members. The number of required representatives is based on population. The Board of Education in each town is also required to appoint one member of the advisory council.

In the past few years, the Old Lyme Area Advisory Council has actively promoted public access in our towns through press releases and a book mark promotion. The Council also started a grant program to provide audio/video equipment for member towns and school districts, and a scholarship program for students attending high school in member towns. To date, 12 local students have received scholarships from the Advisory Council.

Our local Public Access Studio, located adjacent to the Big Y in the Old Lyme Marketplace, is available for use by local organizations, with training available for all who are interested. Phone the Studio (860-434-0643) for more information.

The Advisory Council meets quarterly, alternating the meeting locations among member towns. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 10 at 7:30 pm in the Salem Town Offices. All meetings are open to the public.

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Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts Joins University of New Haven

Offers Popular Summer Classes, Midsummer Festivities

The big news from the College is that we are embarking on an affiliation with the University of New Haven and will become its sixth college. All the necessary approvals have been obtained and, at the time of writing, we are just awaiting final signatures on the official agreement. This exciting partnership promises many new opportunities for both institutions.

The University of New Haven will add the College's high-quality Bachelor of Fine Arts program to its curriculum and our College will benefit from the operational breadth and depth of the university, gaining access to a wide range of facilities and programs. University of New Haven President Steven H. Kaplan stresses, "We are determined to protect and preserve the mission of Lyme Academy College, retaining the unique qualities that appeal to students seeking an arts degree in an idyllic, rural setting in Old Lyme."

Our next event is the Opening Reception for a unique photography exhibit, *Bird's Eye View: Photographs of the Natural World*, by local artist Diana Atwood Johnson – who served on the College's Board of Trustees for over 33 years. The reception will be held in the College's Sill House Gallery on Friday, June 27, from 5 to 7 p.m. and the exhibit is on view through Aug. 30. Both the reception and the exhibition are free and open to the public.

If you're thinking about dabbling in art over the summer, take advantage of the College's excellent Continuing Education and Pre-College classes, which include: *Drawing in Color: Figure Drawing in Dry Pastel; Digital Painting; and Twilight Landscape*. Other classes offered are *Naturalistic Figure Painting; Connecticut River Valley Landscape; and Pastel/Painting and Applied Color Theory*. All six of these courses are held in five week sessions, three hours per day.

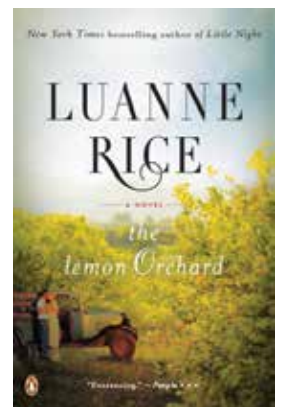
The popular *Pre-College Portfolio Preparation* class will be held over three days for five hours each day. Finally, *Figure Sculpture: An Anatomical Intensive* runs five days for three hours each day. Detailed descriptions, dates, times, and prices for all classes can be found at lymeacademy.edu.



An exhibition of 'Photos of the Natural World' by Diana Atwood Johnson will open at the College with a public reception on Friday, June 27th.

If it's summer in Old Lyme, then the Midsummer Festival must be just around the corner! Stop by both College galleries on Friday evening, July 25, from 5 to 7 pm for receptions featuring the exhibition by Diana Atwood Johnson and also Selected Student Work, which highlights the best current work by students in all of the College's major programs.

On Saturday, July 26, the College presents *New York Times* bestselling author of 30 novels, Luanne Rice. Her talk, followed by a book signing, runs from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Stay on campus for a variety of additional events and happenings, including delicious food, local music, and a wide variety of art and gift selections.



Luanne Rice, Old Lyme-based and *New York Times* best-selling author, will sign copies of her latest book at the College during the Midsummer Festival on July 26th.

How Well Do YOU Recycle?

This is a question which may be posed to you in an upcoming survey developed by the Town's Recycling Incentive Committee. This committee, recently formed, has been meeting regularly over the past two months to evaluate ways to managing our waste, with the primary goal of increasing our community's recycling habits.

Cathy Frank, Executive Assistant to the first Selectwoman, attended a seminar on the trash topic in November. Consequently, Old Lyme was chosen by the CT DEEP to evaluate how we can increase our statutory responsibility to recycle while reducing trash and saving money (SMART: Save Money

and Reduce Trash).

Because we have a hauler contract with one contractor and already charge per item or by weight at our Transfer Station, we have a good system that can be improved.

The committee has been working with DSM Environmental, a consulting group charged with evaluating our current trash and recycling system. Data is being collected, other town systems reviewed, and questions and concerns are being raised.

We would like to hear from you, so please look for the survey in June, and let us know what you think.

Educating Children about Invasive Crabs in Long Island Sound

The Asian shore crab (*Hemigrapsus sanguineus*) has become a commonly known invasive species along the coast of Connecticut. An "invasive species" is any organism that colonizes an area that is not in its native range.

It is speculated that the Asian shore crab first came to the U.S. in the ballast water of cargo ships docking in New Jersey in 1988. In just over 25 years, the distribution now ranges from Maine to North Carolina. The shore crab has no natural predators, which allows for the population to grow and spread exponentially. This growth causes it to compete with other important species to us, such as: the blue crab, green crab, and lobster. While these other crustaceans have natural predators, the Asian shore crab does not. Thus, it has the potential to overwhelm and decrease the other crustacean populations, which we rely heavily upon. It is incredibly important to understand the negative impacts of invasive



species such as the Asian shore crab and even more important to teach our youth.

Cedar Island Marina has instituted a summer camp for children between the ages of 9 – 15. These children will have the opportunity to work side-by-side with real marine biologists doing fieldwork. One major focus of this camp will be to educate children about the fragility of our local marine environment and to show them how invasive species can be so damaging.

They will quickly realize that other crab species that were once common, such as: the green crab, Atlantic marsh fiddler crab, and purple marsh crab, have decreased in abundance. It is incredibly important to educate younger generations on invasive species and their effect on various habitats because they will soon be the "stewards" of our local environment.

*Beth Patrizzi and Kris Shapiro,
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Annual White Elephant Sale

Friday July 11th 9-2 pm, Saturday July 12th 8-12

It's that time of year again for one of the biggest and best rummage sale in all of New England; The White Elephant Sale (WES) sponsored by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the First Congregational Church. The wildly popular sale raises money for missions and good works both locally and through out the world. Some of the beneficiaries include food pantries, health organizations, family support centers, children's programs, world relief, housing, along with many many more.

Donations are needed! Look around in the attic for those treasures and bring them to the church starting Thursday June 26th for 8 days through July 5th (closed Sunday and July 4th). Quality items will be accepted from 9-2 each day. Please visit the church website www.fccol.org and select the White Elephant Sale tab, for a calendar and a list of donations that we can and cannot accept.

For those new to the town or those who have never taken part, this is the 78th successive year and is one of the main events on both the town and church calendars. We've all seen garage and rummage sales but few can match the size and color of this one! The sale items are organized into more than 20 departments that fill the church buildings and every available space on the lawn. It has grown so large, it has become a true "community event" as many of the donations and a number of volunteer workers are non-church members. Many people plan their vacations or family visits to old Lyme so as



to attend or work at the WES. Friday morning when the crowds eagerly gather outside the ropes surrounding the church grounds. When the bell tower clock strikes 9:00 am, the ropes come down and the shoppers run for those bargains. If that isn't enough – there is lunch & soda to refresh the shoppers so they can repeat the same process again on Saturday morning when the prices are half off. Check out the pictures on the church website and a Youtube video link of a previous sale.

To donate or to volunteer, call the church office at 860-434-8686. See you at the sale!!

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The "Munchies Truck" will provide delicious lunches for sale at the Hamburg Cove Yacht Club in Lyme. You may also arrange lunch at one of our area restaurants.

Your support of the "Kitchens of Lyme" will benefit the many programs of Child and Family Agency. You may purchase tickets by: Sending a check made payable to; Child and Family Agency with a self-addressed stamped envelope to Kitchens of Lyme, P.O. Box 324, Old Lyme, CT 06371. Or, you may purchase tickets at: The Bowerbird, Old Lyme; Hadlyme Country Market, Lyme; Balleks Garden Center, East Haddam; Child and Family Agency, New London. Or, online at: www.childandfamilyagency.org. **Directions:** From New Haven/West and New London/ East: I-95, Exit 70.

About Child and Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut: Child & Family's mission is to promote the well-being and development of all children and their families, focusing in particular on the unmet needs of children lacking physical, emotional and intellectual care and nurturing. Programs deal with children's mental health, child abuse prevention, the treatment of family violence, teen pregnancy, children's health care, childcare, and parent education. Last year families were served in 79 towns in New Haven, Middlesex and New London Counties, the Child & Family Agency service region. Visit our website to learn more, volunteer, or donate: www.childandfamilyagency.org

Art in Nature Weekend

June 20th, 21st, and 22nd, Free And Open To The Public, Lymes' Senior Center- 26 Town Woods Road – Old Lyme, CT. To register for hikes or classes, call (860) 434-4127. All workshops, classes, and demonstrations and hiking are free. Some require pre-sign up (noted below). There are fees if you wish to participate in the Silent Auction, purchase paintings, or have lunch.

Friday June 20th - 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Blooming Art Exhibit, Silent Auction, and Art Sale.

5:00-6:30 pm - Meet the Artists/Opening Reception (Free).

6:30-8:00 pm - Artist Mike Eagle/Painting Demonstration (Free).

Saturday, June 21st - 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Blooming Art Exhibit, Silent Auction, and Art Sale.

9:30 am - Trail Hike (Free- sign-up required).

10:00 am - Landscape Painting Class with Florence Griswold Art Educator Julie Garvin Riggs (Free- sign up required).

11:00 am - Landscape Painting Class with Florence Griswold Art Educator Julie Garvin Riggs (Free- sign up required).

11:00 am - 1:00 pm - Lunch prepared by The Lions Club.

The following selections are priced and available: Teriyaki Chicken and Pineapple Skewers, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chili with Cheese, Side Salads, Fresh Baked Goods, Soda and Water.

1:00 pm - Learning from Osprey with Paul Spitzer (Free)
Sunday, June 22nd - 9:30 am- 2:30 pm, Blooming Art Exhibit, Silent Auction, and Art Sale.

9:30 am - Trail Hike (Free- sign-up required).

10:30 am - Horizon Wings (Live Bird Presentation), Free.

11:00 am-1:00 pm - Lunch prepared by The Lions Club.

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1:00 pm - "ELEMENTS" Three Vision- Floral Design Demonstration, (Free).

2:00 pm - End of Silent Auction- Auction Winners can pick up their art.



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Talking Health & Wellness

What is the problem with losing a lot of weight quickly?

Losing weight at a steady pace of two to four pounds per week can be healthy if it is done the right way. However, there are people who want a quick fix and resort to restricted calorie diets or fad diets, which do not work. Creating solid habits with good food choices and exercise is key to weight loss. People who lose weight at a steady, gradual rate by making changes in their lifestyle tend to have better long term success keeping it off because they have changed their habits. It is not entirely about a decrease in weight; it's more important that people learn healthy habits and create lifestyle changes.

Is diet a four-letter word, or should everyone be on some sort of diet to avoid eating the wrong kinds of foods?

I don't like the word "diet" because what we are doing for "diet" in this country isn't working. More than 2/3 of Americans are overweight or obese. I prefer to think of healthy choices and habits, and lose the idea of being "on" or "off" a diet. It's better for your system to rely on food for health, not food for comfort, and focus on fruits and vegetables, nuts and beans, good fats, and lean protein and the phytochemicals and antioxidants in these foods that provide immunity.

Is there ever a reason to be hungry or eat a small portion and remain hungry? It's best to eat three meals and two snacks per day because skipping meals will lead to overeating later. By eating several small meals throughout the day, you will not

feel overly hungry at any particular meal. Learning that your brain does not know you have eaten until 20 minutes after you are finished can help slow you down. Focus on one plate of food eaten slowly, savored and enjoyed. Take your time to enjoy the flavor of your food and don't eat to the point where you are uncomfortable.


What are the top five foods everyone should eat for a fat-burning diet? Fruits and vegetables, especially cruciferous vegetables, are high in fiber and excellent for burning calories. Five of the top food types include dark green leafy vegetables, foods rich in Omega 3 s, like salmon and walnuts, berries low in sugar and full of antioxidants, like raspberries, blackberries, and blueberries. Nuts and avocados provide monounsaturated fat, which helps maintain a healthy weight.






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It was March in Old Lyme, not April in Paris, but the setting was clearly Parisian at The Bookworm Ball on March 8th. Guests arrived to find the twinkling lights of the Eiffel Tower outside the building – the first of many moments designed to transform their night of music and dancing at the Old Lyme Country Club into “An Evening in Paris,” the theme of this year’s event.

This year’s 16th annual Bookworm Ball was presented by The Friends of the Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Library, a non-profit organization that pledges to raise more than \$40,000 annually to buy new books and bring educational programs for tots, teens, and adults to the library. The Friends depend on sponsorship support to help pull off this major fundraiser, and this year that support was generously provided by Sennheiser; All Pro Automotive; Essex Savings Bank; Eye Doctors Elgart, Pinn, Gordon, Elgart; The Lyme Times; Quality Printers; Shoreline WebNews; Underwater Construction Corp; Hamilton Point; The Hartmann Group; Jeffrey N. Mehler CFP; and Paul Burdick Oil.

Mary Haymann, president of the Friends noted that numerous volunteers and friends of the library gave generously of



Bill LaRoue and Jenn Hillhouse at the Bookworm Ball.

their time and energy to make the ball a success. The final profit tally is expected to be approximately \$26,000. All net proceeds from the Bookworm Ball are dedicated to the financial support of the Library’s programs and collections.

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Florence Griswold Museum

This summer, from June 7 through Sept. 21, the Museum presents two exhibitions of American material culture – *Art of the Everyman: American Folk Art from the Fenimore Art Museum* and *Thistles and Crowns: The Painted Chests of the Connecticut Shore*. Curators Amy Kurtz Lansing and Ben Colman were given the rare privilege of borrowing the most important works from the Fenimore Art Museum’s premier collection of American folk art to share with our members and visitors in *Art of the Everyman*. Each work has been examined anew through their own curatorial lens. This extraordinary collection of works created by largely untrained early Americans – many of whom left no other record of their existence – will open a window into the daily life and material culture of the American Everyman. *Thistles and Crowns* – itself a case study in the art of the Everyman – will share the fascinating story of a unique furniture-making tradition found along the shoreline of Connecticut in the early eighteenth century, a much admired but long misunderstood contribution to American design. Look for an enriching line-up of educational programs for all ages that make lively connections from the past to the present day. The summer exhibitions are generously sponsored by CT Humanities and The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company.



Picking Flowers, 1840-1850, Attributed to Samuel Miller (ca.1807-1853), Oil on canvas, H: 44½" x W: 27½", Fenimore Art Museum, Cooperstown, New York.

Check out the FlorenceGriswoldMuseum.org for more information on these great events. **Sunday, June 22:** Connecticut’s Historic Garden Day. **Friday, July 25:** Free Midsummer Festival Concert by The Mighty Soul Drivers. **Saturday, July 26:** Old Lyme Midsummer Festival.

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Duck River Garden Club

There was something for gardeners of every age at the annual Duck River Garden Club Plant Sale on Mother's Day weekend in Old Lyme. DRGC raises funds for its programs, civic beautification and scholarships through its annual plant sale. Monthly evening meetings are held September through May, usually the 2nd Monday of the month, at the Lymes' Senior Center.



Duckies Shirley McHale and Diana Blair ready for business at the annual Duck River Garden Club Plant Sale May 9 and 10 in Old Lyme.



Members of Lyme-Old Lyme Girl Scouts Seniors Troop 63204 organized this year's Kids Corner. Left to right, LOL Girl Scouts Caleigh O'Neil, Sara Urbowicz, Meredith Thompson (a GS Daisy), Sophie Warlitz and Anna Mesham.



The Duck River Garden Club has awarded two \$1500 scholarships to Old Lyme graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to study in environmental fields.

Isabel Ritrovato, daughter of Alison and Charles Ritrovato, will attend the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, where she plans to major in ecology, biology or conservation. A finalist in the American Museum of Natural History's Young Naturalist

Award Competition for her search for invasive crayfish in the Rogers Lake watershed, she has been president of the Lyme-Old Lyme High School Ecology Club for the past three years and is a volunteer shorebird monitor for the Fish and Wildlife Service. Isabel is the Honor Essayist for the Class of 2014 (ranked third in her graduating class.)

Charles Clark, son of Sean Clark and Bethany Clark, will study Marine sciences and fisheries at the University of Maine in Orono, Maine. An avid fisherman and lacrosse player, he is a lifeguard at Mile Creek Beach Club, and plans to participate in the Project Oceanology Summer Program to further his knowledge of local aquatic habitats.

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