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# First Selectwoman's Corner

After a long hard winter, we are finally seeing warmer weather, and though late, the trees and flowers are finally in full bloom. The winter storms, ironically occurring on Mondays, caused the cancellation of our regular Annual Town Meeting (twice!), as well as several other meetings and workshops. We were finally able to have our Annual Town Meeting on Feb. 26th, a full month late, and the Board of Selectmen named Lynn Fairfield-Sonn as the 2014 Citizen of the Year for her steadfast loyalty and dedication to the Town of Old Lyme. Lynn and her family have lived on Lyme Street in the heart of Old Lyme since 1984. She has served as president of the Junior League of Greater New Haven as well as the Old Lyme Day Care (now Children's Learning Center), and served on the boards of the Chamber of Commerce of Southeastern Connecticut, the Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Janus House, and New Haven Habitat for Humanity. Lynn was a Board of Selectmen appointee to the Historic District Commission for 8 years. In addition, she was co-president of District 18's Friends of Music for 4 years, and President of the Football Booster club for 6. She has twice served the Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library Board as its Treasurer, and served as Chairman of our Regional School District #18 Board of Education for eight years. Lynn currently serves as Director of Development and Community Relations for the Child and Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut, where she first volunteered in 1989. Congratulations to **Lynn Fairfield-**

**Sonn, the 2014 Citizen of the Year,** and thank you for all your service to our community!



**First Selectwoman  
Bonnie Reemsnyder**

**The Solarize Old Lyme** program was also impacted by the numerous winter storms, resulting in a two week extension of the program, which ended on April 24th. Through this program, 17 contracts for solar installation were signed, and many residents were able to learn a lot more about the power of solar energy for their homes. While we were hoping to see more installations, this initiative gave homeowners a comfort level with considering solar energy for their homes. If you are interested in installing solar energy, and would like a list of the companies that were part of our initiative, please visit the Solarize CT website at [www.solarizect.com](http://www.solarizect.com). While some homeowners did not choose solar, they did have a home energy assessment done. It is a terrific opportunity for all homeowners, at just \$99, to have an expert come to your home, evaluate where your biggest energy loss occurs, and perform up to \$1000 of improvements at no extra cost. As part of the program, the Town receives credits, which can be used to apply for grants for energy efficiency projects on town buildings. If you

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## Caroline's Miracle Foundation 5k Run & Walk

**Saturday, July 25th**

Our 6th year raising funds for the CMF!  
At LYSB, 59 Lyme Street. Join us for the  
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6:45 am - Registration opens

8:00 am - 5K Walk

8:15 am - 5K Run

9:00 am - Kid's K

Post Race party with music, massages,  
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For race details and registration info visit:  
[www.carolinesmiraclefoundation.org](http://www.carolinesmiraclefoundation.org).

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from this event will support the Caroline's  
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to bring smiles to the faces of children  
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as supporting safety initiatives in Old  
Lyme.

## Fall Lobster Fest

The Old Lyme Fire Department Auxiliary  
will hold their Fall Lobster Fest on  
Saturday, September 12, at the Lyme Street  
Firehouse, 69 Lyme Street from 4-7pm.  
The meal includes lobster, chowder, corn,  
roll, and soda/water. Hotdogs will also  
be available. Tickets will be limited and  
sold in advance only. Cost will be based  
on market price of lobster. Tickets will be  
available in late July at Old Lyme Seafood  
or by calling 860-434-5472 or 860-434-  
0233. Proceeds will benefit ongoing  
projects of the Old Lyme Fire Department  
and Auxiliary.

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are interested in a home energy assessment for your home, go to this website for more information and to make your appointment: <http://www.energizect.com/residents/solutions/energy-assessments>. Special thanks to the Solarize Old Lyme committee – Jean Dailey, John Forbis, Susanne Colton-Carey, George James and Steve Dix for all the great ideas and hard work on this initiative.

While it wasn't an actual blizzard, the major **Winter Storm** that hit our area on **January 26, 2015** was declared eligible for FEMA assistance by President Obama in parts of Connecticut. New London county was in the region eligible, so we anticipate some reimbursement on our costs for that storm. We are pleased that this should help out, as our staff overtime, equipment and salt/sand budgets were much higher than planned. Our Public Works Department did a great job of keeping up with the road clearing, as well as the sidewalks with their new equipment. They deserve our gratitude for the many nights they were on the job keeping our roads safe.

**Boathouse Hains Park Improvements Committee** continued to work through the winter and early spring on the boathouse plan. You may have noticed the new dock system that was installed at Hains Park. The two longer docks provide a much safer launch area, and are extremely sturdy and resistant to the natural elements. These docks were actually purchased through donations made specifically for the docks, and to support the rowing activities at Hains Park and Rogers Lake. While the revised design of the boathouse has not yet been determined, we do know that it will not have a second floor. The BHPIC will continue to meet monthly to finalize the design of the boathouse. All agendas, documents and minutes are regularly being posted on the Town website for public access.

**The Rte 156 Bike Path and Sound View Improvements** project is making some progress as we continue to make plans for the park, restrooms and bike path to Sound View. As the project is funded by a Federal grant, the Town is required to have a well

noticed Public Information Meeting to share the plans at 30% completion before proceeding. This meeting will provide a consensus of support to continue with the plans in order to assure the 80% matching funds for the project. While the grant covers most of the project, the committee was informed that the grant will only fund a bathroom cost of 10% of the total project. Since the bathroom is within the AE flood zone, it is likely that this cost will exceed the 10% due to engineering requirements for flood prevention. The committee is working diligently to keep the cost down as we continue with the project. The **Public Information Meeting** is scheduled for **June 9th at 7:00 pm** at the **Lyme Old Lyme Middle School Auditorium**. We hope you will take time to attend and find out about this great project.

**The Rogers Lake Weeds Study Committee** met on March 31st to review the report from New England Environmental and give their recommendation. The study included a Plant Survey, Water Quality Monitoring, Domestic Well Impact Evaluation, Herbicide Permitting, Herbicide Impact Assessment on Human Health, Wildlife Impact Evaluation and a review of Non-Chemical and Chemical Vegetative Control Options. After the Rogers Lake Weeds Committee accepted the recommendation of the report, the team from NEE presented their report at a public information meeting on April 27th at the Middle School Auditorium. The recommendation was to control the overgrowth of Lily pads through hydroraking, control the invasive weeds, variable-leaf milfoil and fanwort, through the use of the herbicide flumioxazin, and to continue to use benthic mats in the shallow areas. They also recommended that the towns continue to perform the water quality monitoring on an annual basis to be sure the lake remains healthy. There was a lot of information presented on the recommendation, but essentially, the herbicide would be applied once per season to a targeted area for safety and accessibility to the lake. The entire final report can be found on the Town website, along with minutes from the meetings of the committee.

In preparation for the **FY 2016 Budget**, the Board of Selectmen reviewed the budget requests and passed on a budget to the Board of Finance. They met weekly to review the budget requests and approve a proposed budget. Because of revaluation, our grand list went from \$1,613,137,480 to \$1,563,587,269, a decrease of about 3%. The budget for FY 2016 is \$31,678,111, an increase over FY 2015 budget of \$31,162,635. The mill rate, which is 19.66 mills for FY 2015 will be 20.62 mills for FY 2016. It was a challenging year for the Boards of Selectmen and Finance, considering a lower grand list, and some pressing issues to be addressed, but they did a fine job of producing this budget.

The Board of Selectmen will soon be making appointments to create the **Halls Road Improvements Committee**, which will begin the task of identifying needed improvements to Halls Road. Many residents have expressed an interest in seeing some updates to this roadway, as it is our main commercial/retail area in town. The committee will work to develop a master plan that will address several areas, including signage, lighting, pedestrian access, traffic, crosswalks, aesthetics, plantings and other areas. Of course, money is always important, so the committee will also need to research grant opportunities to help with the initiative. Please be sure to contact the Selectmen's Office if you have an interest in this, as we want to be sure to include all stakeholders, either as part of the committee, or future sub-committees.

As we get ready for the Summer of 2015, we wish everyone a warm, fun-filled and safe summer. Special Congratulations to the **Lyme Old Lyme Class of 2015!**

Bonnie Reemsnyder, First Selectwoman

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# Duck River Garden Club

The Duck River Garden Club is in the process of creating an Old Lyme Street Garden Beautification Program based on those done in many New England communities. We plan to call it Duck River Garden Club's "Welcome Garden" program. It is designed to foster civic beautification and to recognize businesses that make a special effort to use plants and flowers for the pleasure of local residents and visitors to our community.

Duck River Garden Club will give each business an identifying marker to indicate their participation in our recognition program. Participating gardens will be photographed in early July. These gardens will receive special recognition in local newspapers showing all entries with the names and addresses of the businesses that participated.

If you are interested in creating a "Welcome Garden" as part of this new and exciting Old Lyme beautification program, please contact us at [www.oldlymeduckrivergc.org](http://www.oldlymeduckrivergc.org) or send the name of your business, your name, phone number and email to: Duck River Garden Club, PO Box 4116, Old Lyme, CT 06371.

Duck River Garden Club meets at 7:00 pm on the second Monday of each month at the Lymes Senior Center, Town



Duck River Garden Club Members (L to R) Platt Arnold and Linda Clough do spring clean-up at the Old Lyme Post Office at one of the club's 7 civic beautification sites in Old Lyme.

Woods Road, Old Lyme. There is no charge for our programs. During the year, we maintain plantings in various town locations, provide holiday wreaths for public buildings, assist residents of Bride Brook Health Center with seasonal arrangements, and provide library exhibits for Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library. Join us if you love flowers, want to learn more about gardening, enjoy the camaraderie of other gardeners and want to give something back to the community. Call Kathy Burton, Membership Chair at 860-434-8024.

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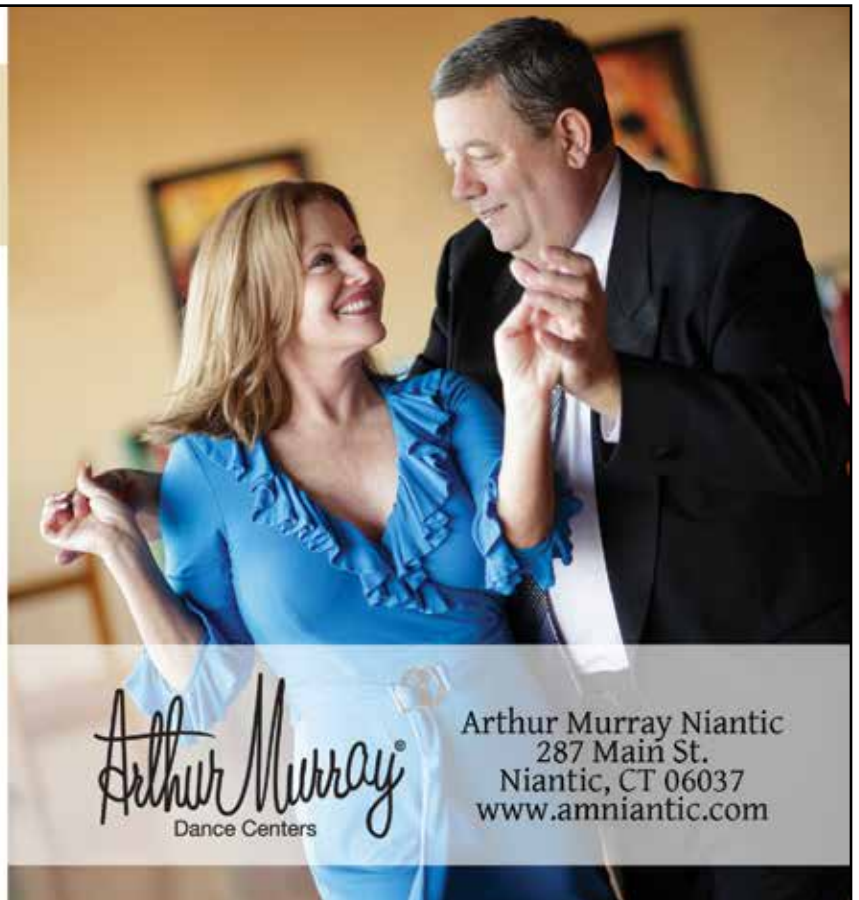
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# Midsummer Festival

Everyone loves the Old Lyme Midsummer Festival July 24 and 25



Wander the French-style market bursting with fresh flowers, produce, breads, cheeses, and special foods at the Florence Griswold Museum.



Visit local plein air artists "on the fence" at the Center School lawn demonstrating their mediums – watercolor, acrylic, oil, and pastel.



Follow the yellow balloons down Lyme Street for sidewalk sales, jewelry, fine art, sweet treats, and live music!



Relax by the river at the Florence Griswold Museum's free Friday evening concert by Manhattan Brass.



Listen to music, enjoy the art, meet the artists, and learn about their work at Studio 80 + Sculpture Park.

The Midsummer Festival may be about art, music, food, and fun, but there is something very special that ties the celebration together – community. For nearly 30 years, community organizations have come together to schedule two days of activities that are sure to please all ages.

On Friday night enjoy art as you stroll through open houses, then head to the Florence Griswold Museum for their annual free concert on the banks of the Lieutenant River. In the spirit of community, the evening marks the beginning of the 25th Anniversary Season

of Musical Masterworks, a chamber music series based in Old Lyme. Musical Masterworks presents an evening of American music by the dynamic Manhattan Brass from 7 to 9 pm.

Saturday events take place at eight locations along Lyme Street: the Florence

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For a full list of events please see [OldLymeMidsummerFestival.com](http://OldLymeMidsummerFestival.com).


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# Advance Tickets Now Available for Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour

Advance tickets are now available for the **2015 Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour**, taking place on June 19 & 20. Just in time for the start of summer, the Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour comprises six carefully chosen destinations in Lyme, all within minutes of each other.

Visitors to the Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour will: Stroll through the grounds of a master gardener's home and learn how she practices sustainable gardening. Marvel at a garden space that was created around a granite outcropping. Delight in the gardens of an acclaimed interior designer—and get a sneak peek at her remarkable kitchen! Be awed by the extent and variety of rare plant specimens on display at a botanist's home, and tour his heated conservatory. Breathe in the calm at a former turkey farm that features a new post-and-beam barn and now hosts cows and chickens. And bask in the elegance of an English garden that overlooks the Eight Mile River. Each of the gardens on the 2015 Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour offers a unique perspective on gardening along the shoreline in Connecticut, and together they provide a fitting welcome to a long-awaited summer! Lunch by Saybrook Catering will be



available on both days, and the ever-popular Garden Boutique will offer gifts and furnishings for garden, home, and you!

The Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour takes place (rain or shine) on Friday June 19 and Saturday June 20, 2015. The self-guided

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tour runs from 10am to 4pm both days, and visitors should allow at least three hours to complete the tour. Advance tickets for this year's Garden Tour (\$25 advance, \$30 day of tour) are available locally through June 17 at The Bowerbird and Old Lyme Landscape in Old Lyme; Hadlyme Country Market in Hadlyme; and Pough Interiors in Essex. Tickets can also be purchased at the Child & Family Agency offices at 255 Hempstead Street, New London, or by sending a check and SASE to P.O. Box 324, Old Lyme, CT 06371. Online sales are available at [www.childandfamilyagency.org](http://www.childandfamilyagency.org).

All proceeds from the 2015 Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour will benefit the many services and capital projects of the Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut, a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to the well-being and development of all children and their families, with emphasis on the unmet needs of children lacking physical, emotional, and intellectual care and nurturing. With offices in New London, Essex, and Groton, Child & Family Agency is the largest nonprofit children's service provider in southeastern Connecticut. For more information, see [www.childandfamilyagency.org](http://www.childandfamilyagency.org).

## Dog Licenses


Dog licenses will be available in the Town Clerk's office in June and should be purchased by June 30, 2015.

**FEE:** Male or Female - \$19. Neutered Male or Spayed Female - \$8. **PENALTY:** Late Fee - \$1. per month after June.

- 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.

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# The Long Island Sound Blue Plan

## State Representative Devin Carney

Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Westbrook

On April 22nd, the State House of Representatives unanimously passed HB 6839, An Act Concerning A Long Island Sound Blue Plan And Resource Use Inventory, a bill I co-sponsored. It requires the completion of an inventory of the Sound's uses and natural resources and the development of a plan to preserve and protect them.

The bill creates a 16-member advisory committee who will come up with the plan by 2019. The committee includes representation from UConn's marine sciences faculty, shoreline towns, and industries such as oil & gas, boating, shellfishing, and commercial/recreational fishing. The tourism industry and waterfront businesses will also have the opportunity to discuss their thoughts and concerns.

Under the bill, a "Long Island Sound Inventory and Science" subcommittee would take an inventory of the plants, animals, and habitats in the Sound and also how it is currently being used (boating, fishing, shellfish beds, pipelines, power lines, etc.). This inventory would enable the DEEP to easily make recommendations when reviewing applications for requests such as shellfish grounds leases, dredging, placing fill, or laying down utility lines.

In addition, the bill's advisory committee will make recommendations for more effective stewardship of the Sound's waters, better management practices, protecting sensitive marine life, promoting public access, and, most importantly, fostering sustainable uses that capitalize



on economic opportunity with little or no detriment to the Sound's natural beauty.

The Sound is Connecticut's greatest natural resource and the driving force behind many local businesses, industries, and jobs, so it's important we have a plan for the future. This is both good for the environment and good for the economic vitality of towns like Lyme/Old Lyme.

As always, please contact me at any time with your questions or concerns. I can be reached by e-mail at [repdevincarney@gmail.com](mailto:repdevincarney@gmail.com) or by phone at (860) 240-8700.

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# Lymes' Senior Center



## Special Events

June 10th at 1:00 pm join us for a free presentation, “**Crossing the CT River Before and After 1911**” will be presented by local historian Mark Lander. Call to register.

June 12th join us for a **Night of Country Music**. Put on by The Senior Centers of Southeastern Connecticut and held from 6:00 pm-9:00 pm at the Polish Club in Montville CT., The Country Jamboree Band will perform. The band will be featuring the music of Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, Tammy Wynette, Merle Haggard, Loretta Lynn, & many more. Cold and Hot appetizers will be served and there will be a cash bar. Tickets are \$25.00 and are available at the Lymes' Senior Center. Seats are limited. Call for more information.

June 16th at 1:00 pm join us for **Hurricane: The greatest Storm on Earth**, a free multimedia presentation. This program will be presented by Art Horn, meteorologist who has worked on television and radio with CBS, ABC, NBC and PBS for the past 25 years. You may remember watching him on NBC30 in Connecticut from 1992 to 2005. Call to register.

June 24th at 1:00 pm Sirena Sultana and Company will share her passion for **belly dancing** with us. Along with a student,

the two will put on a show you will not want to miss! Imported from Egypt and Turkey their costumes will also amaze you.

\*Friday, June 26th through Sunday June 28th the Lymes' Senior Center will be holding a Free Community Event, **The Second Annual Art and Nature Weekend**. Please see special Art & Nature section for details or call for more information.

July 1st at 1:00 pm join us for “**Gettysburg**” presented by author and historian Matthew Bartlett. Call to register.

July 7th at 1:00 pm please join us for a free **Essential Oils Workshop** given by Certified Reflexologist Susette Christensen. Call to register.

July 8th at 1:00 pm Local resident, Janet Cody will be presenting a program on **Raising Guide Dogs**. Call to register.

July 15th at 1:00 pm Mark Albertson, historical research editor at Army Aviation magazine and author will present a program on **FDR and the Transformation of the American Presidency**. Call to register.

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July 29th at 1:00 pm to help us better understand **Elder Financial Abuse**, Pamela Glasner will be presenting her 30 minute documentary entitled "Last Will and Embezzlement." A question and answer period will follow. An elder law attorney will also be here to answer questions. This information is important for all seniors to know. Call to register.

\*Join us **Thursday nights in July** at 7:00 pm for a **FREE Summer Concert Series** open to all ages and to be held rain or shine. Concerts will be outdoors, weather permitting. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, etc. Also, on July 9th the Rolling Tomato food truck will be here selling pizza starting at 6:00 pm. A Free Ice Cream Social will follow all concerts. See special concert section for band information.

August 5th at 1:00 pm Rambling Dan Stevens from the Nightingales will perform in a **Variety Show of old time popular songs**, country, rock and roll, and original songs. Call to register for this free performance.

## Senior Update

### From Congressman Joe Courtney, 2nd Congressional District

#### Protecting Seniors' Personal Information from Scammers

Congress recently passed a bill that will remove Social Security numbers from Medicare cards. In addition to stabilizing the payment rates for doctors who treat Medicare patients, the bipartisan legislation sets a deadline to change both newly-issued and existing cards over a period of four years. As scammers become more prevalent and sophisticated, this change to Medicare cards will help keep crucial identity information safe.

#### Keeping Social Security Strong for the Future


Congressman Courtney recently joined Connecticut Congressman John Larson as a co-sponsor of the Social Security 2100 Act. This legislative proposal would update Social Security benefit calculations to increase monthly payments, strengthen the Social Security Trust Fund, and cut taxes for beneficiaries by raising the taxation threshold. While the Social Security program is currently projected to remain solvent for more than two decades, this bill would extend the solvency of the trust fund beyond 2100.

If you have questions or need assistance with Social Security, Medicare, or any other issue, contact Congressman Courtney at 860-886-0139.

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# 2nd Annual Art & Nature Weekend

## June 26th, 27th and 28th

**Free Community Event.** Sponsored by Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road, Old Lyme. To register, or if you have any questions, call (860)434-1605, ext. 240.

You and your family are invited to join in the festivities of this special weekend celebrating the beauty of our surroundings and the many talents of our citizens. The Lymes' Senior Center will be filled with the art work of its **Shoreline Artists' Workshop**. Original paintings, prints, and greeting cards will be for sale with a portion of sales going to the Senior Center.

## Blooming Art Exhibit

This exhibit features carefully selected paintings from the Shoreline Artists Workshop and Floral Designs inspired by them arranged by members of both the Duck River Garden Club and the Lyme Garden Club. In addition, the winning photos from the 9th Annual Land Trust Photo Contest will be on display.

## Friday, June 26th

**5:00-6:30 pm:** Gala Art Opening & Reception. Come meet the artists and enjoy savory and sweet appetizers and refreshing libations. All are welcome!

**6:30- 8:00 pm:** Artist Demonstration. Join dynamic Lyme artist Mary LaForge for an exciting painting demonstration. Known for her lyrical floral watercolors, Mary will be sure to delight all with her free spirit approach to her muse.

## Saturday, June 27th

**9:30-10:30 am:** Family Hike of Pleasant Valley Preserve will be led by Ecologist, Tony Irving, who serves as chairman of the 8 Mile River Wild and Scenic Commission and on the Lyme Land Trust. For more information or to register call the phone number listed in this article.

**10:00am-3:00pm:** Blooming Art Exhibit

**10:00 am:** The Paint Brush Challenge! So you think you couldn't draw a straight line. Guess what...sign up with Mary LaForge and see (call number listed).

**11:00 am:** The Paint Brush Challenge! So you think you couldn't draw a straight line. Guess what...sign up with Mary LaForge and see (call number listed).

**10:00-11:00 am:** High Hopes Pony Visit

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**11:00-1:00 pm:** Lions Club Lunches for Sale. Food choices include: chicken teriyaki skewers, salad, burgers, dogs, water, & ice tea.

**1:00 pm:** Container Gardening Program

## Sunday, June 28th

**9:30- 10:30 am:** Family Hike of Banningwood will be led by Wendy Hill, Lyme Land Trust Director and Open Space Coordinator. Following the hike, all are welcome back at the Senior Center to view paintings done recently by local artists in a Banningwood Paint-Out! For more information or to register, call the phone number listed.

**10:00 am-2:30 pm:** Blooming Art Exhibit.

**11:30 am:** Show Your Patriotism in our Pooch Parade – Dogs sporting an Independence Day theme will be eligible to win a “poochie” prize. Gift certificates have been donated by Olivers Tails in Old Lyme and the Feed Bag in Old Saybrook. A picture of your pooch will also be featured in our upcoming newsletter. For more information or to register your pooch, call the phone number listed.

**12:00 pm:** Bring your own picnic lunch- Water will be available for purchase from the Friends of the Lymes’ Senior Center.

**1:00 pm:** Pequot Nature Center Presents “Critter Encounter” - live animal show showcasing the gray tree frog, bull frog, painted and box turtles, snakes, and an owl.

## Bikes for Kids

The Lyme Land Conservation Trust announced it was pleased to host used bike drop offs for Bikes for Kids, Old Saybrook, CT. Volunteers from the Gowrie Group were on hand to collect used bikes from Tour de Lyme riders at our annual cycling event held on May 17, at Ashlawn Farm in Lyme.

**Drop offs can also be made in the month of June, at Reynolds Subaru, Route 156, Lyme.**

Bikes for Kids is a charity organization that collects, refurbishes and distributes bikes primarily to kids in CT of families in need. All bikes are distributed with new cycling helmets.

Since its founding in 1989 they have collected, refurbished and distributed 17,000 bikes to kids of families primarily in the inner cities of New Haven, New London, Middletown and Hartford. Bikes for Kids efforts extend beyond CT and include deliveries to Bell Harbor, New York, Haiti and 30 mountain bikes to Tanzania.



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## Adult Programs

**Summer Sizzle Book Discussion and Travel Feature on Scotland.** Monday July 6 at 7 pm, My Beloved Scotland with Scottish expert Jeff Robertson. Jeff's stunning visual presentation will bring the viewer through Scotland's landmarks, folklore, and cultural references to the novel Outlander.

**Monday July 13 at 7 pm Diana Gabaldon's Outlander Book Discussion with Marsha Bansavage,** Connecticut Humanities member. Participants will explore why this work of historical fiction has become a literary phenomenon. The novel showcases Scotland's past, high adventure and love.

**Summer Art Exhibition & Opening Reception featuring Brian Keith Stephens, July 17, 5- 7 pm.**

**Midsummer Festival at the Library Saturday July 25, 9:30 am-4 pm.** Books, Art, Music & Fun for All Ages including:

**April's Balloon Creations: Balloon Art for kids.** Twist and turn ordinary balloons into whimsical creations you can take home as keepsakes.

**Nature Nick** - Come meet a pack of exotic animals on the Library Lawn with Nature Nick of Animal Adventures! Nick will introduce us to a kangaroo, a monkey, a bird of prey and more at this funny, fast-paced show perfect for kids and families.

**Superhero Cuffs** - You'll be able to conquer evil villains and save the universe after you've designed your very own superhero cuffs!

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**Author Talk & Book Signing** - Cookbook author Terry Walters who is dedicated to sharing her knowledge and passion will talk and sign her latest book, *Eat Clean, Live Well*. She is at the forefront of the clean eating lifestyle movement based on buying from local sources to use the freshest ingredients possible.

**Frank Andrews Mobile Kitchen** will be serving scrumptious tossed Napolitano-style pizzas, calzones, and breads made from locally grown and prepared fresh food & baked in artisan wood-fired ovens.

**The Meadows Brothers** - Their songs originate from the roots of American music: bluegrass, the simple sophistication of folk, haunting melodies of the Appalachian Mountains, foot-stomping backwoods blues, and hard-driving honky-tonkin' country music.

**Annual Indoor & Outdoor Half Price Book Sale** by the Friends of the Library: Visit them under the tent for a huge selection of Children's and Adult books in hard and soft cover. (Collectibles excluded.) Follow the signs into the BookCellar for the best selections.

**Artisans Corner:** Paintings by Old Lyme artist Judy Chapman; Contemporary quilted wall hangings and home accessories by Nel Udo; GreenStone Studio - handcrafted jewelry by Denise Rathbun; Absinthine Jewelry - Beautiful colored stones set in sterling silver by Michaelle Pearson; Solstice Handcrafted LLC - small batch organics for body and home; The Women's Exchange - home accessories and handmade gifts;

**Contemporary Classics Book Discussions.** Monday Evenings at 7:00 pm with Marsha Bansavage. September 8 (Tuesday after Labor Day) *Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens. October 5, *Ragtime* by E.L. Doctorow. For the full listing of all book titles in the series, please see the Library's website.

### Teen Events:

Get ready for an amazing summer full of cool crafts, action-packed superhero flicks, and live concerts at the Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library! Kids in grades 6-12 can sign up for Summer Reading and enjoy gift cards to local businesses plus be entered into our grand prize raffle. Call Interim Young Adult Librarian Michelle DeSarbo at (860) 434-1684 for more information.

**Friday, June 5, 2:30-3:30 pm - Henna by Heather:** Kick off your summer with an awesome henna design. 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

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own, drawn by Heather from her naturally created henna dyes.

**Saturday, June 20, 10:00 am-2:00 pm – Summer Reading**

**Registration Day:** Stop by the Library and start your summer break off right by signing up for summer reading. Kids in grades 6-12 who register will automatically win a prize. Check our website for more summer reading details.

**Every Thursday starting June 25, 2:30-3:30 pm – Super-Powered Workshop Series:** Make an evil minion, build your own pom-pom popper and create a LED power bracelet at any of our super powered workshops. Registration is required. Check our website for our full schedule of activities. Note: workshops will not be held on July 2nd, July 30th, and August 13th.

**Every Tuesday June 30th-July 21st, 5:00 pm – Summer Superhero Film Fest:** Pull up a chair and watch your favorite superhero flicks on the big screen. Movie snacks will be served. Check our website for the full schedule of films.

Teen Summer Lawn Concerts Wednesdays in July from 6-8 pm. Bring your blanket, beach chair and picnic supper and snacks to enjoy on the lawn while hearing the best youth bands in the area. Our lineup is as follows:

**July 15, The Modern Riffs:** This Connecticut-based group showcases a unique, high-energy blend of experienced musicians

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**July 22, Open Mic Night.** Music Now.org Young Artists Showcase.

**July 29, Madison Red with Braiden Sunshine** creates a huge, rich sound that relies on heavy riffs, soaring multi-part harmonies and guitar wizardry. Their influences are as eclectic as their musical style.

**Friday, August 28, 2:30-4:00 pm – Teen Summer Reading Finale Party.** Celebrate the end of summer reading with our party. We'll have snacks, play games, and announce our grand prize winner. You don't need to be present to win. Contact Interim Young Adult Librarian Michelle DeSarbo at 860-434-1684 for more information.

**Children's Events:**

Looking for a dynamite summer? The Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library can help! When children aged pre-K through 12th grade sign up for Summer Reading or Summer of Numbers, they'll enjoy gift cards to local businesses, get entered into our grand prize raffle, and experience our amazing programs. There's something for everyone to enjoy. Call Children's Librarian Michelle DeSarbo at (860) 434-1684 for more information.

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**Friday, June 19, 6:30-7:30 pm, Eric Girardi: Bending Gravity:**

Bend gravity with Eric Girardi at our Summer Reading Kickoff. You'll be spellbound as he brings inanimate objects to life in this show perfect for kids of all ages and their families. Please note that this event will take place at Old Lyme Town Hall.

**Saturday, June 20, 10:00 am-2:00 pm – Summer Reading**

**Registration Day:** Stop by the Library and sign up for a summer full of great books, fun prizes, and programs that will have you on the edge of your seat. Children aged pre-K through 12th grade are welcome.

**Monday, June 22, Monday, July 20, & Monday, August 17, 10:30 am – “Heroes in Our Community” Story Time Series.**

As part of a special collaboration between the Lymes' Youth Service Bureau and the OL-PGN Library, preschoolers and caregivers are invited to enjoy a series of three special events highlighting everyday heroes! The fun will begin with a story time and end with a themed craft or activity – plus a visit from a very special guest – at LYSB. Registration is required.

**Monday, July 20, 4:30-6:00 pm, Drama Workshop with Ingrid Schaeffer: The Day the Crayons Quit.** Based on Drew Daywalt's beloved picture book, kids ages 5-10 are invited to join acting teacher Ingrid Schaeffer as they play the crayons and act out this very funny but very true tale together. Afterwards,

we will have a parade through the library with our protest posters and complete a special craft.

**Saturday, July 25, 9:00 am-4:00 pm – Midsummer Festival Activities on the Library Lawn:** It's that time again and we're pulling out all the stops! Kids lineup includes: **April's Balloon Creations, Nature Nick, Superhero Cuffs, and Superhero Masks.** See full descriptions under Adult Listings.

**Thursday, July 30, 4:00-5:00 pm – Mr. Magic.** You won't believe your eyes! Music and audience participation combine to create this dazzling, family-friendly show from veteran magician Richard Rothstein.

**(Date and Time TBA), Library Lawn – Lawn Concert with Eleanor Robinson and Friends:** Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of Eleanor Robinson's original songs written for kids of all ages.

**Thursday, August 13, 4:00-5:30 pm – Clay Workshop.** Back by popular demand. Let your imagination run wild as you create your very own cartoon character out of Crayola Model Magic with super “cowtoonist” Debra Hamuka-Falkenham.

**Friday, September 4, 4:00-5:00 pm – Summer Reading Finale Party.** Don't miss our summer reading celebration where we will reveal the winner of our grand prize drawing. Even if you're not the lucky champ, we'll still have plenty of fun. Grades K-5 are welcome.

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**August 19:** Summer cocktails at Bee & Thistle from 6 pm.

Look for faeries in participating businesses this October when Florence Griswold Museum presents Wee Faerie Village. And

celebrate the holidays with businesses and non-profits in town during Light Up Old Lyme!

Details on these and other events at [www.VisitOldLyme.com](http://www.VisitOldLyme.com). Please don't forget to BUY LOCAL to support businesses in our community.

## New From the Office of Information Technology

### Ruth Dillon Roach, Technology Coordinator

You can now search for your tax bills online: [www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov), click Online Payments. You can search by Name, Property Location, Bill #, Unique ID or List Number.

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to the Town website and all that information will be at your fingertips!

If you haven't already subscribed to "News and Announcements" on our website, this is the time to do so. You can also subscribe to other news, including Board and Commission Minutes and Agendas, so you'll know what is happening all over town.

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## Hospital Opens New Urgent Care Center

Middlesex Hospital opened a new urgent care walk-in medical center on June 1 at 1687 Boston Post Road in Old Saybrook (at the intersection of Spencer Plains Road). The Center provides patients with a lower-cost alternative for non-emergency medical care. The Hospital has two other urgent care centers, one in Madison and another in Middletown.

More and more people are seeking lower-cost, more convenient options for their health care needs. As a result, urgent care centers have begun to spring up in many communities to address this consumer preference.

The Middlesex Hospital Center is unique from other such centers, because of the electronic patient medical records system that ties together all hospital medical records, as well as medical records from all Middlesex primary care physicians. This gives the providers at the urgent care center access to a patient's medical history, as well as allowing for results of the urgent care visit to be reviewed by the patient's primary care provider.

The new urgent care center treats non-emergency health problems, including colds, coughs, earaches, moderate fevers, minor cuts, bruises, severe sprains and more. Patients should seek immediate emergency care for things such as head injuries, broken bones, uncontrolled bleeding, chest pains and any signs of a stroke.

The urgent care center is staffed with physician assistants and advanced practice registered nurses, and also has x-ray capabilities.

More information on Middlesex Hospital Urgent Care Centers can be found at [www.mhurgentcare.com](http://www.mhurgentcare.com).


## Beach Sticker Information


Beach Stickers are available on line at the Town's website ([www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov)) beginning May 18 or in the Selectman's Office, Monday through Friday, 9 am – 3 pm. 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 is \$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 day 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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## Perinatal Mood Disorder

Did you know that 1 in 7 women experience significant depression or anxiety during pregnancy or in the weeks or months following the birth of their child? We don't hear a lot about it, unless it's in dramatic news headlines about mothers harming their babies. Such upsetting stories make it even more difficult for mothers and mothers-to-be to talk about these feelings. After all, this is supposed to be the happiest time in a woman's life. It's all about joy and bonding and unlimited love, right?

Many women feel overwhelmed and experience the "baby blues," due to fatigue, hormonal changes, and the demands of a new baby. But a more pronounced experience of depression or anxiety occurs in about 15% of mothers, and is compounded by her sense of shame and inadequacy. The silence around this serious mental health concern leaves these women feeling alone in their suffering. While hormones play a part, they don't explain why 10% of new dads experience similar depressive symptoms. Or the fact

that many adoptive parents also experience depression and anxiety after an adoption. Parents experiencing depression and anxiety during pregnancy or following the arrival of their child are in need of mental health treatment and support. Professionals trained in postpartum or perinatal mood disorders can help parents reduce their painful experiences and find their way back to a sense of normalcy.

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## Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

The Board of Selectmen will soon be making appointments to a Solid Waste & Recycling Committee, who will begin the task of reviewing our Town Ordinance regarding trash and recycling, and making recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

Too many residents and businesses are unaware of the State and Town

mandatory requirements regarding trash and recycling, and continue to place prohibited items (yard waste, construction debris, etc.) in the automated cans. The Committee will consider options for education and information.

The State of Connecticut's goal is to reach 60% recycling by the year 2020. The Solid

Waste & Recycling Committee will also recommend ways to reduce trash and increase recycling.

If you are interested in participating in this important committee, please complete a Request for Appointment forms (available in the Selectman's Office, and on the Selectman's page of the Town website).

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# Old Lyme Historical Society

Those of you who travel frequently on Lyme Street may have seen an increase of activity at Number 55, the new home of the Old Lyme Historical Society. The Tuesday Morning Work Crew as it is affectionately known, is headed up by Ellis Jewett, and has continued its hands-on renovation of the former Grange. So far, an office/reception area has been created, new wiring and insulation has been installed, two new windows spark up the front, and by the time you read this, a beautiful new double door will welcome visitors to the building. In addition, in consultation with retired architect Steve Joncus, plans have been laid for the archive which will occupy the area directly below the main floor. Work on its construction will begin shortly. Very exciting times for the Society, and, at times, very messy.

Region 18, Board of Education, celebrated *Center School: Eighty Years of Change* in

May. As a complement to that celebration the Society developed a mini exhibit, *A Glimpse of Early Education in Lyme, CT 1650-1868*. It was intended to be up on the day of the Center School celebration, but between the renovation work, and the intake for the tag sale held over Memorial Day weekend, it was deemed impractical to install the exhibit. The good news is that it will be up through the Mid-Summer Festival. In researching the topic, it is clear from early town records that education was an important piece of the fabric of Lyme from the very beginning. By the 1860s, there were eight school districts, pretty impressive for this small town.

The Society will host in June (exact date and time TBA) Board Member Michaelle Pearson and her husband, Jim Lampos, in a reading from their new book *Remarkable Women of Old Lyme*. Please plan to join us in hearing this creative duo.



Black Hall School.

On Sunday, July 19 at 4 pm, the Society together with Christ the King Roman Catholic Church, the Historic District, and the Florence Griswold Museum will host the Old Lyme Town Band in a concert on the South Green of Lyme Street. Complimentary ice cream will be served. What a nice way to spend a summer Sunday afternoon. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the Parish Hall.

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# The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection

## A Great Place to Find Summer Opportunities for Students

Summer is just around the corner, so if you are a student looking for interesting ways to spend your summer while also making an important contribution to the community, it's worth exploring the numerous opportunities listed on the Old Lyme - Lyme Volunteer Connection website ([volunteer.truist.com/ollvolunteer](http://volunteer.truist.com/ollvolunteer)). Teens that are at least fourteen can volunteer with High Hopes' summer programs; the hours are flexible and there are a variety of jobs to do. Other opportunities include volunteering in The Nearly New consignment shop and helping people in need receive groceries at the Shoreline Soup Kitchens and Pantries on Saturday mornings. The Common Good Gardens, located in Old Saybrook, provides fresh produce for the Soup Kitchen and could use volunteers on a regular basis throughout the summer. The libraries and local arts organizations also list a number of interesting positions.

The Volunteer Connection is a resource for all members of the communities of Old Lyme and Lyme, regardless of age. We now list twenty-six agencies that are in need of volunteers. The newest organization to join is the Old Lyme Conservation Trust; they are currently seeking new members and a Secretary. The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection is a free community resource, thanks to a grant from the Lyme-Old Lyme Education Foundation and the effort of volunteers. We 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 Sophie Christiano, the high school student who manages and administers this website, at [ollvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:ollvolunteer@gmail.com). No special computer skills are needed to participate.

## Town Hours & Holiday Schedule

**Town Hall will be closed** on the following Holiday: Friday, July 3 - Independence Day.

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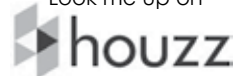
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# White Blends for Spring

It has been a very long winter, and with Spring here we will once again be able to sit outside and enjoy a nice glass of wine. We are eagerly waiting with a refreshing white blend to kick off the season. There are a lot of interesting white blends to choose from, and with the huge interest and popularity of red blends in today's market, it is no surprise that white blends were next to be on the rise. Although not new to the market by any means, these blends are becoming more sought after.

In France, white Bordeaux is one of the oldest forms of the "white blend", being comprised of mostly Sauvignon Blanc, and then blended with Semillon and in some cases Muscadelle. This wine compliments seafood dishes exquisitely, being soft and dry with nice acidity. France is also well known for their Rhone Valley varietals, Marsanne, Rousanne, Viognier, Grenache Blanc and Clairette. When blended these

grapes produce a weightier dry white that bursts with flavor. They are typically labeled as "Cotes du Rhone Blanc" or "Châteauneuf-Du-Pape Blanc."

Italy is also known for their white blends, although many people are unaware of the fact that they are actually drinking a blend. Orvieto is one of the most popular blends, being comprised of 40%-60% Trebbiano, 15%-25% Verdello, and any remaining percentage can consist of Grechetto, Canaiolo, Drupeggio, or Malvasia. Having a slight fruity edge and complexity to it Orvieto can pair well with chicken and pork dishes.

If you are looking for something a little fruitier, or to pair with a spicy dish, California has a large variety of White Blends to choose from. Viognier and Chenin Blanc blend together beautifully for a fruity yet dry wine. Many California

blends use Gewürztraminer and/or Moscato to give the blend a sweeter edge, since the market is once again leaning towards sweeter wines. They pair wonderfully with Asian foods and anything with heat!

Start prepping for green grass and barbeques by seeking out your favorite wine guru and having them suggest a great white blend. Whether it be to pair with food or simply to enjoy with friends, they are gems searching to be found... and they will not disappoint!

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Ruth Dillon Roach, Technology Coordinator

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- Same day payments up to 5pm
- one-time payments without the need to login
- email notifications provide timely alerts about bills and payments
- pay from our mobile website and receive text message alerts

**You do not need to take any action now**, but please note that your payment history will not be converted to the new system. If you would like a record of past payments, login to the current online system and go to Payment History to view your information. You will need to go to [www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov) to access the new online bill pay system after the upgrade.

**Important: If you have scheduled any payments beyond the upgrade date, they will automatically be canceled. You must reschedule them in the new online bill pay system.**

You will receive another email about one week before the upgrade date with further details. This notification is only the first to let you know about the improvements being made to the system. We will keep you up to date as the process evolves.

## 2015 Edgar Rice Burroughs/ Dum Dum Convention

Edgar Rice Burroughs Bibliophile Convention (aka Dum Dum) from August 20-23. Includes a movie marathon, panel discussions and a Tarzan yell competition. Open to the public for FREE at Andrews Memorial Town Hall, 54 East Main Street,

Clinton, CT. A banquet at the Clinton Country Club (for a fee) at 6:00 pm on August 22nd. Followed by a Chamber of Commerce fireworks extravaganza at the Clinton Town Beach. August 23rd: Dum

Dum Dutch Treat farewell breakfast, also at the Clinton Town Beach.

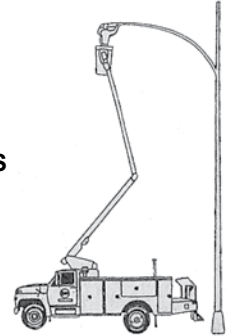
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### Congratulations

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#### February

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#### March

Jeffery Lynn Alexander & Samantha Marie Pink

Michael Louis Wujtewicz & Rhonda Sue Meaie

### With Sympathy

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

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## Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation

The Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation announces its officers for 2015-2017.

President: Meredith Huntley. Vice-President: Bruce Abraham. Secretary: Ann Lander. Treasurer: Matthew Cantner.

The additional trustees of the Foundation are: Peggy Hotchkiss, Dylan Lee, Elaine McGirr, Dyanne Rafal, Molly Sturges. In addition, Hilarie Clark Moore and Stephanie Lombardo were recently appointed as well

The RAHMF was formed following the retirement in 1999 of Ruth Ann Heller, longtime Lyme-Old Lyme High School band director. The Foundation is a non-profit that offers scholarships for

private instrumental lessons for student members of the bands at the Lyme-Old Lyme Middle and High Schools. This past year the organization awarded 16 scholarships of \$200 each.

To date the organization has awarded more than \$40,000 worth of scholarships. You may find more information about the organization at rahmf.org or on Facebook.

Donations are welcomed year-round to help our local children develop their musical skills, and may be given via Paypal or checks to Ruth Ann Heller Music Foundation, P.O. Box 298, Old Lyme, CT 06371.



## Drug Drop Boxes

Because of a change in DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) regulations, Drug Take Back events will no longer be scheduled in Old Lyme.

Please bring your unwanted medications to the drug drop box located in a nearby Police Station.

### Drug Drop Boxes at Nearby Police Departments

All Drug Drop boxes are located in the police department lobby and available 24/7.

East Lyme	278 Main Street	860-739-5900
Waterford	41 Avery Lane	860-442-9451
New London	181 State Street	860-440-6694
Clinton	170 E Main Street	860-669-0451

Other area police Departments with Drop Boxes are Montville, Norwich, Colchester, Groton, and Ledyard.

**Restrictions:** No sharps (needles, lancets), aerosols, or liquids. Over-the-counter medications are discouraged, except for cough and cold pill medications with pseudoephedrine.

#### Directions for Proper Disposal of Medications

1. DO NOT flush medications down the toilet or sink (unless expressly directed to do so).
2. Keep medications in their original containers. Remove the label or use a permanent marker or duct tape to cover private information.
3. Make them less appealing. Mix prescription drugs with hot water to dissolve them and add an undesirable substance (e.g., used coffee grounds, kitty litter).
4. Contain, seal and dispose. Place medications inside a container, such as a can or plastic sealable plastic bag, tape it shut and dispose of the container in your regular garbage can—NOT the recycling bin.
5. To properly dispose of sharps, please see the link below.  
<https://web.archive.org/web/20140110233446/http://safeneedledisposal.org/index.cfm?load=page&page=71>
6. Dispose of aerosol medication in your regular garbage (according to Old Lyme Sanitation).

### Proper Home Security of Medications

- Keep all over-the-counter and prescription medications in one location in your home.
- Store them in a combination safe, locked cabinet, or locked drawer—not your bathroom medicine cabinet. Childproof lock boxes are available at a hardware store or online. LYSB has some available for free.

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## Lymes' Youth Service Bureau



**Beach Dances.** Every Tuesday 7-9 pm, starting June 30th through August 18th. At White Sands Beach for middle schoolers in Lyme and Old Lyme. \$5/ admission – music, food, fun, friends. Weather permitting, please check our website or facebook page for possible cancellations due to weather by 5:00 pm on Dance nights. LYSB requires registration forms for the beach dances. Please fill out a form in advance and bring with you, or can do this at the beach when you arrive. (You only need to give us the form once, not every dance).

**Exploration: Lyme & Old Lyme.** Monday, July 6 through Thursday, July 9, 10-12. For Grades 3 and up. Fee: \$40. Please join us as we explore often overlooked areas within Lyme and Old Lyme. There are so many hidden gems within our two towns, and many people, especially kids, don't even know about them. Every day we will explore a new place and learn about history and interesting facts pertaining to the site. We will take a walk down the beach to Griswold Point, explore some of the wonderful open space that Lyme and Old Lyme have to offer and take a hike thru Devils Hopyard. Since these activities are all outdoors, they will be weather permitting. All children must be picked up and dropped off at the daily location. More details about specific locations is coming soon. Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Heroes In Our Community.** A collaboration with OLPGN and LYSB! Start your morning at OLPGN for story time, and then we all move down the street to LYSB for theme related crafts and activities.

**Story time** at OLPGN at 10:30 am. **Fun time** at LYSB at 11:15 am. **Monday, June**

**22nd: The Hero Inside Me.** Explore sharing, siblings, and friends. **Monday, July 20th: The Heroes in My Community.** Have lunch with a Special Hero in our community. (hint: a fire truck might be involved!) **Monday, August 17th: Heroes Make Me Feel Better.** Learn all about healthy habits.

As part of a special collaboration between the Lymes' Youth Service Bureau and the Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, preschoolers and caregivers are invited to enjoy a series of three special events highlighting everyday heroes! The fun will begin with a story time and special guest reader at the OL-PGN and end with a themed craft or activity at LYSB. Attendees will be treated to stories, songs, rhymes, finger plays, crafts and visits from some very special guests. Check the LYSB ([lysb.org](http://lysb.org)) or OL-PGN ([oldlyme.lioninc.org](http://oldlyme.lioninc.org)) websites for updates!

This program is free but please pre-register so we can plan for supplies. Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Playgroup At Mimi's Place.** Thursdays in June, 10:00-11:00 am \$30/4 weeks. June 4th - Dino Dig; June 11th - Ice Cream Making; June 18th - Water Play; June 25th - Pirate Day. Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Drop-In Playgroup at Mimi's Place in July.** Please call us to schedule your group Mon-Fri (July). Celebrate your child's desire to play. Get off the beach or out of the house. Enjoy the air-conditioning. Drop in with friends to make up your own group or come, as you are to meet new friends. Mimi's Place has:

- Cozy Corner for quiet play.
- A Group Area, for children & adults to come together for music and movement play.
- A parachute.
- A Messy area including a rice table that holds a variety of sensory materials, and art/crafts activities.

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- Ample space for block, kitchen, active, and dramatic play.
- Its own outside playground.
- Areas for nursing mommies too!

**Beach Blanket Bingo.** Thursday, July 15, 6-8 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](http://www.lysb.org) prior to event for possible weather cancellation.

**Sitter / Safety Class.** Monday, July 27 through Thursday, July 30, 12:00-2:00 pm. For grades 6 and up. Fee: \$50 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, July 31, Session One: 12:00 to 1:30 pm OR Session Two: 1:45-3:15 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. Our instructors will teach you everything you need to know to provide lifesaving care during a cardiac or choking emergency in this 2-hour class. Class fee is \$45 and awards a Certificate of Completion. Contact LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Best Of Pinterest Arts & Crafts Camp.** Monday, August 3 through Friday, August 7th, 1-3 pm. Our favorite crafts from Pinterest. For Grades 5 and up. Fee: \$50 includes supplies and snacks. Please join us for a fun and interactive craft camp featuring our favorite crafts from Pinterest. Every day we will make a new project that is sure to become a treasured keepsake! Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Hip Hop Highlights.** Monday, August 3 through Friday, August 7, 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. Fee: \$50 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. Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Infant And Baby Massage.** Thursdays Aug. 6, 13 & 20th 10-11am Fee: \$30. This program is sponsored by the Lymes' Youth Service Bureau and will be held in the Community Room of the Lyme Public Library, 482 Hamburg Road, Lyme. Learn to massage your



baby with the help of an IAIM Certified Infant Massage Instructor (CIMI). Pressure, rate, rhythm, the length of the massage, respect, and bonding, why babies cry, babies' body language, relaxation, and parent empowerment are some of the skills and topics you will learn. Pre-register online [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or call LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

**Engineering Camp: Hands-on, Mind-On.** Monday August 10 through Friday, August 14th. Ages 5-8: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Ages 9-14: 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Discover the marvelous and

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### Family Movie Night On The Beach!

Wednesday, August 12th. 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](http://www.lysb.org).

**Two Outings For Young People.** Call LYSB to pre-register for either of these two family field trips. 860-434-7208 x0. *Connecticut River Museum* – A river discovery ride aboard the Mary E Schooner & story time in the museum.

Thursday July 23, 10:00 am-12 noon. Weather permitting bring your own bag lunch. \$15 per person, must register with LYSB for group price as seating is limited. *Ivoryton Playhouse* – *Bubblemania*. Friday August 21, 11:00 am-12 noon. \$9 per person, must register with LYSB for group price as seating is limited. Back by popular demand! Casey Carle performs tricky undulations, manipulations and juggling with bubbles. An extremely unique program combining high energy

entertainment with artistic achievement, BubbleMania is loaded with visual comedy, quick wit, big band swing music and the untamed, often unbelievable qualities and beauty of spherical liquids. Casey's creations grow from intricate and imaginative bubble art forms to "trapping" people inside bubbles! This is a bubble show to keep the 5 to 75 year-olds mesmerized.

### Back To School Ice Cream Social.

Wednesday, August 26th, time tba. At LYSB for middle schoolers and their families. After you tour the middle school, walk over to LYSB to meet our staff, register for programs, and check out our facilities!

**Youth Job Bank.** Do you need a babysitter? Yard work needing to be done? Dog walking? Odd Jobs? Call LYSB to hire local youth who are interested in working for you! L/OL youth in grades 6-12 who are interested in adding your name to our Job Bank, fill out an application on our website [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) 860-434-7208 x0.

### Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group of Southeastern CT.

Joining hands as we walk on this journey together towards healing one breath at a time. We are a group of survivors, together to offer support, comfort, and understanding. Our group provides an atmosphere of acceptance for exploring feelings that are often not understood by others. It offers a chance to share helpful resources, and to give and get support through the long grief process. Meeting times: 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at LYSB, 59 Lyme Street, Old Lyme.

**For town updates & information:**

**[www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov)**

# 55+ Upcoming Trips

## Sponsored by the Lymes' Senior Center & Open to All Age 55 and Over

Call (860)434-1605, ext 240 for information on these upcoming trips. When registering for any of the trips listed below, you can sign up yourself and one other person only. Payment is due upon registration. Please stop by the Senior Center office.

### Day Trips

Registration begins on the dates noted below. Register as soon as you can. Trip counts are required a month in advance to determine if we have the minimum number for a trip to run. Detailed flyers are available for all Day Trips.

**Thursday, July 2, "My Fair Lady"** at the Theatre by the Sea in Matunuck, RI. Lunch included. Trip fee is \$80 pp. Registration has begun. Minimal walking.

**Thursday, July 9, All You Can Eat Lobster** and Musical Performance by John Timpanelli at The Delaney House in Holyoke, MA. Trip fee is \$94 pp. Registration has begun. Minimal walking.

**Tuesday, August 4** - Join us for a guided "Corsets & Top Hats" tour of the Canfield House and the Marble House in Newport, RI. Mrs. Caroline Astor will escort you and provide you with details of how High Society lived during the Gilded Age. Lunch included. Trip fee is \$96 pp. Registration has begun. Moderate walking.

**Tuesday, August 25** - Let's go to Gloucester, MA and get aboard the Privateer IV for a 7 Seas What Watch. This boat tour lasts between 3 and 4 hours and will be narrated by their outboard naturalist. Lunch not included. Time prior to the Whale Watch to eat in downtown Gloucester. Trip fee is \$84 pp. Registration has begun.

**Thursday, September 10 Boston-On-Your-Own Trip.** No need to drive and park. Relax on the bus ride to the city. Once you arrive, you will have plenty of time to sightsee or shop- the bus will leave Boston at 6pm. Trip fee is \$40 pp. Registration begins June 8th. Heavy Walking.

**Sunday, September 27, An Unforgettable Day in Harlem.** Special guided tour of Harlem's famed Apollo Theatre, lunch at the famous Sylvia's Restaurant (included in price) where you will enjoy amazing entertainment, and a guided riding tour highlighting the diversity, history, and beauty that is in Harlem, from the Harlem Meer in Central Park, the Cathedral Church of St John the Divine, the famous brownstones, the beautiful West Side and so much more. Trip fee is \$119 pp. Registration begins June 8th. Moderate walking.

**Wednesday, October 7, Covered Bridges of New Hampshire Oktoberfest Luncheon.** Guided driving tour of covered bridges in Southern New Hampshire and an Oktoberfest Luncheon at the Inn at East Hill Farm (included in price) & a stop at Kringle Candle on the way home to peruse their candle shop, country barn (with toy loft) and chocolate cottage. Trip fee is \$90 pp. Registration begins July 1st. Minimal walking.

**Wednesday, October 28, Haunted Happenings, Salem, Massachusetts.** Self guided tour of the Salem Witch Museum (admission included in price) The museum brings you there through a dramatic history lesson using sage sets with life-size figures, lighting and narration. After your visit you will have time to venture on your own enjoying the "Haunted Happenings around town. You'll be able to enjoy the Carnival, or visit the Witch Dungeon Museum, or the Salem Pirate Museum, take a walk or a trolley ride. Trip fee is \$59 pp. Registration begins July 1st.

**Wednesday, November 8, 911 Museum and NY City.** Trip fee is \$73 pp. Call for details. Registration begins August 3rd.

**Thursday, November 12, Mohegan Sun Trip.** Trip fee \$20.00pp. Casino package is included in price. (Current package is \$15.00 toward food/ retail & \$15 bet coupon.) Registration begins August 3rd.

**Wednesday, December 2, Radio City Christmas Spectacular Trip.** Trip includes bus trip, lunch at Brazil, Brazil is in the heart of the Theatre District. Orchestra/First Mezzanine seats to the show featuring the Rockettes is \$146 pp. Registration has begun. Seats are limited call today.

### Overnight Trips/Cruises

Detailed flyers available.

**October 12-14 - Joseph at the Sight & Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster, PA.** Two night stay at the Crown Plaza Hotel. \$475 pp double. \$450 pp triple. \$550 pp single. Registration has begun.

**January 28 - February 7, 2016 - Fully escorted Hawaiian Cruise.** 11 days, 7 shore excursions included in price. Starting at \$4449 pp.

## Streetlights

**The Town of Old Lyme owns the streetlights on town roads only. Outages on private roads should be reported to private associations.**

**Reporting Streetlight Problems:** Please 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.

# Trash and Recycling

**Curbside trash removal** is performed by Old Lyme Sanitation (860-434-3800). There is **no trash pick-up on the following**

**Holidays:** Christmas (December 25), New Year's (January 1), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in September), and Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November). Trash normally collected on Thanksgiving is picked up the next day, along with the regular Friday pickup. For other holidays, trash pickup moves to the following day, until Thursday and Friday, which remain on schedule. Please be advised that Old Lyme Sanitation DOES NOT take off the same Holidays as the Town does.

Please have trash container out at curbside by 6am 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 not to block breakdown/emergency lane with receptacle. **Clearly mark your address on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans.** Phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with any additional trash removal questions that you may have.

**Single stream curbside recycling** pick-up is provided for clean bottles, cans, #1 - 7 plastics and paper products co-mingled in the green recycling carts every other week. Corrugated cardboard boxes need to be flattened for recycling. A complete list of acceptable single stream recyclables is available on the Town's website ([www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov)) – click the trash and recycling link on the Selectman's or Public Works pages or at [www.shorelinesanitation.com](http://www.shorelinesanitation.com). Information is also available in

the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, and at the Landfill/Transfer Station on Four Mile River Road. Please phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with any additional questions you may have.

**Curbside recycling** is performed **every other week** by Old Lyme Sanitation (860-434-3800). There is **no recycling pick-up on the following Holidays:** Christmas Day (December 25), New Year's (January 1), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in September), and Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November). Recycling normally collected on Thanksgiving is picked up the next day, along with the regular Friday pickup. For other holidays, recycling pickup moves to the following day, until Friday, which remains on schedule. Recycling information is available on the Town's website ([www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov)), as well as in the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, or at the Landfill/Transfer Station on Four Mile River Road. **Clearly mark your address on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans.** Phone Michele Hayes (860-434-1605, ext. 212) with additional questions you may have.

**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, 52 Lyme Street. Containers cost \$80. **Please mark clearly your address on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans. Homeowners are responsible to replace lost, stolen or broken cans at their expense.**

## Transfer Station Information

**Transfer Station/Landfill Hours.** The Transfer Station is located on Four Mile River Road and is open Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am-3:45 pm, Saturday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday. Taxpayers' vehicles should have a Transfer Station sticker affixed to the right-hand side of windshield. Vehicles without a sticker, should bring proof of property address (i.e., tax bill, mortgage statement or closing papers), along with a driver's license and registration.

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

**Brush** is charged on a per load basis. No wood or limbs thicker than four inches are accepted.

**Grass clippings** are not 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.

**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.

# Cable Advisory Council Scholarships Awarded

Congratulations to graduating seniors Austin Gometz (Hale-Ray High School), and Olivia Angeli (Lyme-Old Lyme High School)! They are recipients of 2015 Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council Scholarships.

Graduating seniors entering a communications program after high school, and who live in East Haddam, Haddam Neck, Hadlyme, Lyme, Old Lyme, or Salem, are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

Local students who have received scholarships from the Advisory Council include: Meghan Nosal, Blaise Berglund, Lindsey Knepshield (Lyme-Old Lyme High School) in 2013; Daniel Koenigs and Carli Smith (Lyme-Old Lyme High School) in 2012; Elissa DeBruyn and Sophia Harvey (Lyme-Old Lyme High School), Dane Paracuelles (Haddam-Killingworth High School) in 2011; and Sophie Bakoledis, Sarah Briscoe, Megan Devlin and Sarah Schmidt (Lyme-Old Lyme High School) in 2010.

Applications are available through the Guidance Offices of the following High Schools: Hale-Ray, East Lyme (for Salem residents), Lyme-Old Lyme, and Haddam-Killingworth (for Haddam Neck residents). Scholarship applications are due March 31 and official notifications are made by the high schools during Senior Year Award ceremonies.

## The Size-Up

### We Need Your Assistance



When you call 911, your Old Lyme Fire Department is going to respond in the quickest and safest way possible. We, as volunteers, are dedicated to the preservation of your life and property. Here are a few things you can do to help us with our mission:

1. When reporting a fire or emergency, please provide the dispatcher with your full address. For instance, "100 Anywhere Lane" may not be totally accurate as the actual residence may be "100 - C" which can be a considerable distance from where we believe the emergency may be.
2. Please have your address clearly posted in a prominent place such as a mail box or on or near the main entryway. Many calls reporting a fire do not involve an obvious amount of outside smoke. We need to be able to find you as rapidly as possible.
3. If you happen to reside on a private road and your home is a significant distance from a thoroughfare, we respectfully request that you post a sign at the road's point of entry stating the distance in feet to your house. The rationale for this is simple: OLFD takes advantage of natural water sources and fire hydrants to put out fires. We are predominantly a rural community. When our fire apparatus arrives, we are going to immediately put a water source relay system in motion. If we know in advance the distances which in some cases add up to several hundred yards, it will enable us to put water on the fire faster.
4. There is no substitute for information! When we arrive, our first and foremost priority is to save lives. All families should have a rallying/muster point plan so that everyone can be accounted for once outside the home. If you know that all

of your family members are safely outside and away from harm, please approach a firefighter (yellow helmet) or preferably an officer (white helmet) and let us know. Conversely, if someone is not accounted for, let us know immediately and, if possible, where you believe they may be in the building.

5. Firefighting is inherently dangerous. When we arrive we would greatly appreciate being advised of any anomalies that might increase risk factors. For example, an excess of paints, oil or fuel which may be stored in a basement area. Another example is oxygen that may be stored in a particular room for medical reasons.
6. As the OLFD Safety Office, I am committed to the reduction of unnecessary risk factors for our townspeople and emergency personnel. As previously stated, firefighting is a hazardous calling. My goal is to eliminate the "IF ONLY" factor: "if only someone had said something this would not have happened."

All of the above being said, we at your OLFD, wish you and your family a wonderful summer. Until next time, stay safe out there.

Firefighter John J. Cody, OLFD Safety/Public Affairs Officer

## Hamburg Fair

**August 21-23**

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Old-fashioned country fair with baking contest, pony rides, farm exhibits, animals, demonstrations, contests and games, midway, musical entertainment.

# The Old Lyme Town Band

The Old Lyme Town Band is celebrating its 40th anniversary this summer with several concerts in Old Lyme and the surrounding area.

In the fall of 2014, the Old Lyme Town Band welcomed our new Director, Carolyn Whinnem, who retired from the Darien, Ct Public Schools, where she was the high school band and jazz band director for twelve years. Prior to that, she was the Director of Bands at Wethersfield and Ridgefield, CT High Schools. Carolyn served a two-year term as the President of the Connecticut Music Educators Association as well as other offices in the CMEA. Carolyn replaced John LaDone of Old Saybrook who had directed the band for several years.

The band is comprised of about 40 people of all ages - teenagers to octogenarians who enjoy playing a variety of music. This summer's program will include "Music Man" which the band performed in its first concert in the summer of 1975. Several of the musicians will be featured in "Clarinet Candy;" "I Dreamed a Dream" (Don Wilcox, alto sax); "Classical Rondo" (Steve Rekant, horn); and "A Tribute to Harry James" (José Cordero).

**Thursday, June 25th** - Sound View 7:00 pm.

**Thursday, July 2nd** - Lymes Senior Center 7:00 pm (rain or shine)

**Wednesday, July 8th** - Old Saybrook Green 7:00 pm

**Thursday, July 9th** - The Stone House, Deep River 6:30 pm

**Monday, July 13th** - Evergreen Woods, North Branford 7:00 (rain, July 14th)

**Sunday, July 19th** - Old Lyme South Green 4:00 pm(rain or shine)

**Saturday, July 25th** - Old Lyme Fireworks - Behind the Lyme -Old Lyme Middle School - 7:30 pm

**Tuesday, July 28th** - Mystic River Park 7:00 pm

Please bring a chair, a blanket, a picnic dinner, your friends and enjoy our music!

The band rehearses are on Monday evenings at Christ the King Church from 7-9 pm and we welcome new members to join us in September when we start to prepare for our holiday season. More information is available from our website [oldlymetownband.org](http://oldlymetownband.org) or at 860-434-2671.

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# Summer Concerts

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On **Thursday, July 2nd at 7:00 pm**, join us for the first of our five week Summer Concert Series. The band will be announced at a later date. 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.

On **Thursday, July 9th at 7:00 pm**, join us for the second of our five week Summer Concert Series as the **United States Navy 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.

On **Thursday, July 16th at 7:00 pm**, join us for the third of our Summer Concert Series as the **Waterford Community 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.




Funky Dawgz Brass Band.

On **Thursday, July 23rd at 7:00 pm**, join us for the fourth concert of our Summer Concert Series. The band will be announced at a later date. 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.

On **Thursday, July 30th at 7:00 pm**, join us for the final concert of our Summer Concert Series as **The Corvettes Doo Wop Revue** performs for us. Feel free to listen or bring your dancing shoes for this lively band. Bring your chairs and blankets; the performance

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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.

## Sound View Summer Concert Series

The free outdoor concerts will be held at Sound View Beach, Old Lyme, Hartford Avenue, at the Flagpole 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Free parking in the Town Lot and on street. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy a great family evening of music.

**June 25, 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. <http://oldlymetownband.blogspot.com/>.

**July 9\*\*, Grass Routes Bluegrass Band:** On the scene since 1980 they have been delighting audiences with repertoires ranging from traditional bluegrass standards to folk and contemporary songs, performed in their own unique bluegrass style with skillful instrumentals and tight vocal harmonies. [www.grassroutesbluegrass.com](http://www.grassroutesbluegrass.com)

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For more information contact the Sound View Commission, [www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov). Dates and entertainers may be subject to change.

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## Florence Griswold Museum

**It's Nautical, Floral, and More at the Florence Griswold Museum this Summer.**

*All the Sea Knows: Marine Art from the Museum of the City of New York.* June 5 through September 20. Before Miss Florence helped introduce the world to American Impressionism, her father, Captain Robert Griswold, made his mark as a respected sea captain. For 25 years he sailed the Atlantic between New York and London on packet ships of the Black X Line. This summer the Museum honors Connecticut's contributions to the history of maritime travel and trade with *All the Sea Knows: Marine Art* from the Museum of the City of New York. The exhibition reveals the diverse ways the sea has been depicted in American art and its connections to the Connecticut shore.



James Edward Buttersworth (1817–1894), *Yacht Race off Fort Wadsworth, ca. 1870*. Oil on board, 9 1/4 x 12 1/4 inches. Museum of the City of New York.

A special gallery unites, for the first time, paintings from MCNY's collection with selections from the Museum's collection that depict ships of the Black X Line. In addition, transcribed letters to Captain Griswold from his wife are the basis for an online theatrical presentation that provides insight into the lives of sea captains and those left behind, as well as how the shipping industry affected the entire shoreline community.

**GardenFest.** June 5 – June 14. Explore the Museum's historic gardens in bloom and enjoy the events celebrating the season. Events include the Garden Gang Plant



See what talented floral designers create in response to works of art during Blooms with a View: A Display of Art & Flowers, on display June 12, 13, and 14.

Sale; Faeries in the Garden, a musical performance by Parent's Choice award-winning artist Maria Sangiolo; the Annual Garden Luncheon; Blooms With A View: A Display of Art & Flowers; a 3-Day Watercolor Workshop; talks by garden experts; and hands-on fun for kids.

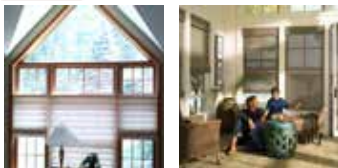
**Plus, Each Sunday is Discovery Sunday.** In addition to the popular "Make-A-Painting" activities, where visitors of all ages use the Museum's supplies to create their own masterpieces, *Discovery Sundays* now include a new outdoor Art Cart that guides families to explore the grounds and its connection to the artists who famously painted there.

These are just a few of the activities and special events planned for this summer at the Florence Griswold Museum. For more information, please go to [FloGris.org](http://FloGris.org).



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## Host Families Needed for Spanish Students

The Language Connection (TLC) is seeking families in CT who are willing to provide room, board and a nurturing environment to Spanish students for four weeks this summer.

TLC students, ages 12 to 17, wish to live with American families to practice their English skills and to experience family life in the U.S. Each student has taken English classes for several years and will have insurance and spending money.

TLC matches students with hosts based on applications from both. American and Spanish TLC representatives provide

support throughout the visits. The students arrive on June 24 and depart on July 23.

Please contact Lauren Salvemini, Program Coordinator, for further information.

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# Annual White Elephant Sale

## The First Congregational Church of Old Lyme

Friday July 10th, 9-2 pm and Saturday July 11th, 8-12

It's that time of year again for one of the biggest and best rummage sales in all of New England; The White Elephant Sale [WES] sponsored by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme! 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 basement and attic for those treasures you have been saving and bring them to the church starting Thursday June 25th for 8 days through July 3rd [closed Sunday]. Quality items will be accepted from 9-2 each day. Please visit the church website [www.fccol.org](http://www.fccol.org) and select the White Elephant Sale tab, for a calendar and a list of donations that we can and can not accept.

For those new to the town or those who have never taken part, this is the 79th 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. Some 200+ volunteers pitch in for two weeks collecting, sorting, pricing and organizing items for the big day – Friday morning when the

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crowds anxiously 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 their favorite departments looking 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.

It is one of the most amazing experiences: seeing and being part of the annual White Elephant Sale. Few events can compare in

excitement and camaraderie amongst the workers and even the shoppers who line up in the same spot each year.

All of this in support of great causes and the less fortunate – what a deal! To donate or to volunteer, call the church office at 860-434-8686. See you at the sale!

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# Land Trusts Photo Contest Winners Announced

The 9th Annual Land Trusts Photo Contest winners were announced at a March 6, 2015 reception highlighting the winning photos and displaying all entered photos.

Land trusts in Lyme, Old Lyme, Salem, Essex and East Haddam jointly sponsor the annual amateur photo contest to celebrate the scenic countryside and diverse wildlife and plants in these towns. The ages of the photographers ranged from children to senior citizens.

Youth photographer Jesper Silberberg won the top prize, the John G. Mitchell Environmental Conservation Award, with his photograph of a rain soaked feather shot at the trailhead of the Goberis Chadwick Preserve in Old Lyme entitled "For Grandma." Alison Mitchell personally presented the award, created in memory of her late husband.

According to Tony Sullivan, founder of the contest, "John G. Mitchell, a former judge of the contest, dedicated his career as editor at National Geographic to writing about the environment and conservation, so the award is for the picture best reflecting that subject."

The contest judges - William Burt, a naturalist and wildlife photographer acclaimed for his beautiful books; Amy Kurtz




Winning photo of the John G. Mitchell Environmental Conservation Award: Jesper Silberberg (Youth) Old Lyme.

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local photographer and antique house restoration housewright – chose the winning photographs from 267 entries.

The sponsoring land trusts - Lyme Land Conservation Trust, Essex Land Trust, the Old Lyme Land Trust, Salem Land Trust, and East Haddam Land Trust - thank the judges as well as Lorensen Toyota, the Oakley/Wing Group at Smith Barney, Evan Griswold at Coldwell Banker, Ballek's Garden Center, Essex Savings Bank, Murtha Cullina LLP, ChelseaGroton Bank, and Alison Mitchell, all generous supporters of this annual amateur photo contest.

**The winning photographs are:**

John G. Mitchell Environmental Conservation Award  
Jesper Silberberg (Youth), Old Lyme

**Youth**

First Place: Rebecca Johnson, Colchester  
Second Place: Grace Vanvliet, Old Saybrook  
Third Place: Courtney Briggs, Old Saybrook

**Cultural/Historic:**

First Place: Erin Reemsnyder, Hadlyme  
Second Place: Cheryl Philopena, Salem  
Third Place: Lance Johnson, Colchester



First place winning photograph in the Landscape/Waterscapes category: Pat Duncan, New Canaan.

Honorable Mention: Carol Giese, East Lyme  
Honorable Mention: Michael Cathcart, Lyme  
Honorable Mention: John Dannecker, East Haddam

**Landscapes/Waterscapes**

First Place: Pat Duncan, New Canaan  
Second Place: Thomas Nemeth, Salem  
Third Place: Erin Reemsnyder, Hadlyme

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Honorable Mention: Cheryl Philopena, Salem

Honorable Mention: Dalton Patton, Guilford

Honorable Mention: Doug White, Westbrook

## Plants

First Place: Nicholas Avados, Norwich

Second Place: Hank Golet, Old Lyme

Third Place: Tammy Marseli, Rocky Hill

Honorable Mention: Erin Reemsnyder, Hadlyme

Honorable Mention: D. E. Palm, Old Lyme

Honorable Mention: Dalton Patton, Guilford

## Wildlife

First Place: Linda Waters, Salem

Second Place: Hank Golet, Old Lyme

Third Place (tie): Harcourt Davis, Old Lyme

Third place (tie): Bryant Heffernan, Lyme

Honorable Mention: Cheryl Philopena, Salem

Honorable Mention: Nancy Sowa, Colchester

The winning photos will be on display at the Lyme Library for the month of March and can be viewed through the Photo Contest link on Lyme Land Conservation Trust's website: [www.lymelandtrust.org](http://www.lymelandtrust.org).

## Transfer Station/ Landfill Hours

The Transfer Station is located on Four Mile River Road and is open Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am-3:45 pm, Saturday, 8:30 am-4:00 pm. Closed Sunday and Monday. Tax payer's vehicles should have a Transfer Station sticker affixed to the right-hand side of windshield. Stickers are available in the Selectman's office. Bring proof of property address (i.e., tax bill, mortgage statement or closing papers), along with registration.

## CT Agricultural Fairs 2015

**North Stonington Agricultural Fair / July 9-12**

**Lebanon Country Fair / August 7-9**

**Bridgewater Country Fair / August 21-23**

**Hamburg Fair / August 21-23**

**Wolcott Country Fair / August 21-23**

**Brooklyn Fair / August 27-29**

**Chester Fair / August 28-30**

**Terryville Lions County Fair / August 28-30**

**Haddam Neck Fair / September 4-7**

**Hebron Harvest Fair / September 10-13**

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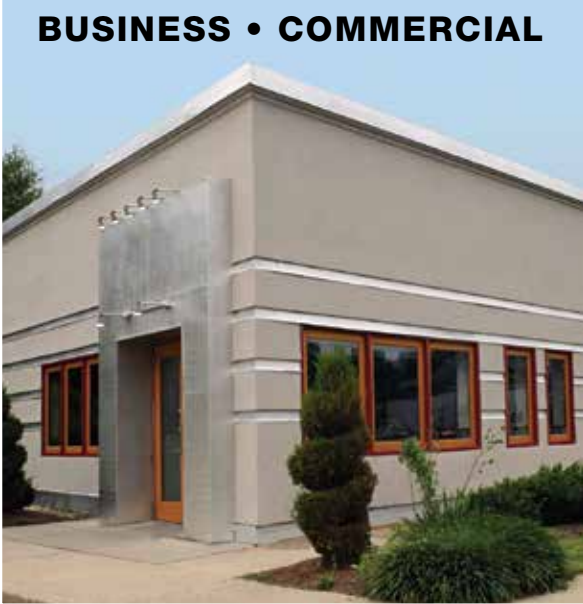
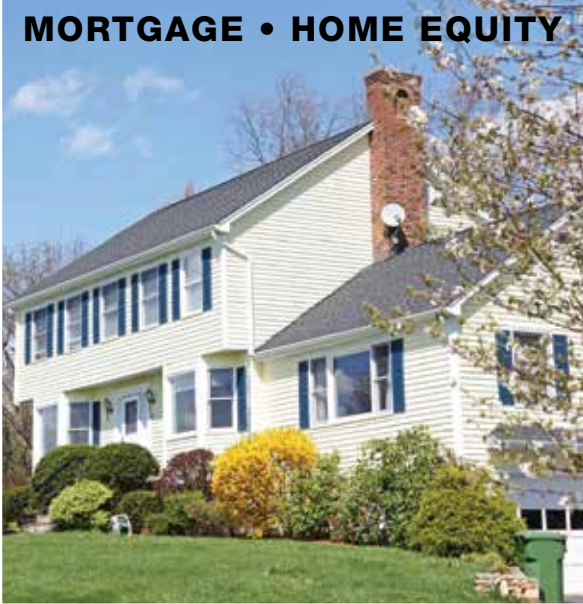
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