

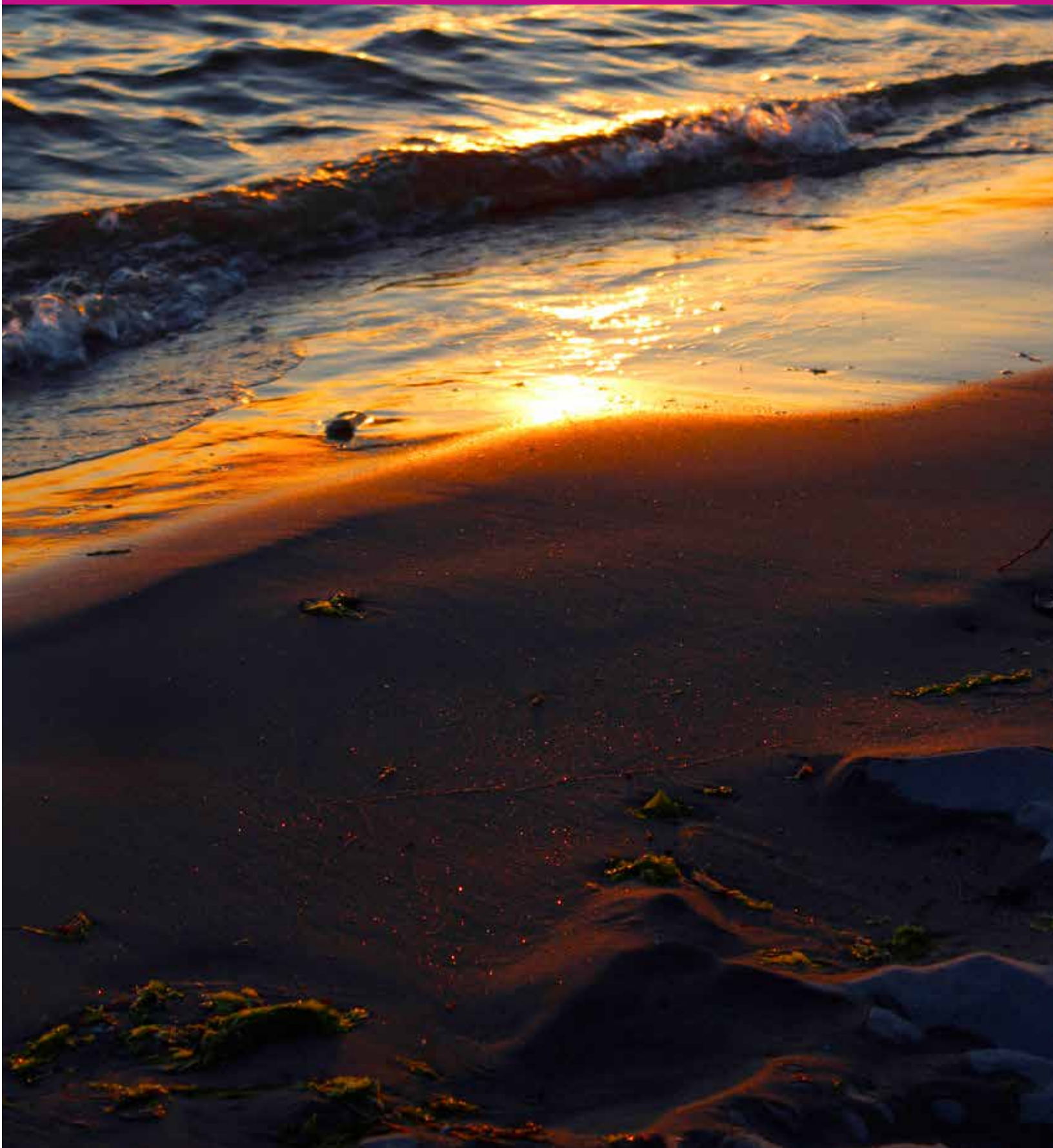
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Selectwoman's Corner

It's hard to believe another Fall is nearly gone, and we are within striking distance of a new year! We have been happy to have gotten through the Hurricane Season with no major storms, and hope that the Winter will be as kind!

WPCA/ WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT STUDY: The Wastewater Management Study, being conducted by Woodard and Curran out of Windsor Locks, has continued throughout the summer and early fall. The first portion of the study included many test holes, soil sampling, and other data collection to determine if a local option is viable. Once the data was collected, the firm spent time applying that data to anticipated waste flows. In addition, they were required to confirm information and costs for a regional solution for this issue, so that comparisons could be made. In the beginning of October, they presented their findings to the WPCA, confirming that both the local alternative and a regional solution are viable options. They continue to work with the CT DEEP to validate their findings and determine the permitting requirements for a local alternative. Stay tuned for further updates and a Public Information Meeting to present their findings.

ROUTE 156 BIKE PATH AND SOUND VIEW IMPROVEMENTS GRANT FUNDING: Thanks to a DOT Enhancement Grant, a Bike Path on Rte. 156 and improvements to Sound View are one step closer to becoming a reality.

The process has been moving forward since the selection of BSC Group as the firm to develop the Plans and Design Specs for the project. The Selection Committee, headed by Selectwoman Mary Jo Nosal, is working with BSC to define the Scope of Work, which will provide the cost of this first phase of the project. Once the cost is identified, there will be a Town Meeting to approve the funds for this part of the project. While 80% of this cost is paid for with the grant, the entire amount must be approved at a Town Meeting. The second phase of the project will be the actual construction, and that will also go to a Town Meeting for approval of funding, which is also part of the 80% grant. There will be public information meetings scheduled to preview the design as the project moves forward.

ROGERS LAKE DAM REPAIRS: After years of preparation, plans and applications for funding, the Rogers Lake Dam has been repaired. The repairs began in late June, and continued through the summer, with the lake being lowered to accommodate the work. Because of aquatic life, weather and other considerations, the lowering of the lake could only take place




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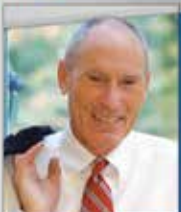
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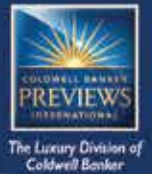
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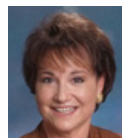
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during August and Sept. While the lake was never lowered more than the anticipated 18" to accommodate the work, the extremely dry weather of August and September caused the lake level to continue to drop through evaporation. Some residents with shallow wells in the Rogers Lake and Grassy Hill areas of town had experienced water shortages due to this. When asked, the Town provided drinking water to those residents in an effort to help. The fish ladder has also been installed, as planned, and a dry hydrant will be installed at the dam for Fire Safety for residents and businesses in this area. Thankfully, we will not face repairs of this kind for many years to come, as we acknowledge the inconvenience that this has caused. Thank you to all of our residents for their patience as we completed this much needed project.

BOATHOUSE/STEAP GRANT AWARD: The Board of Selectmen has created a Boathouse and Hains Park Improvements Committee (BHPIC) to oversee the expansion of the Boathouse at Hains Park on Rogers Lake. In July of 2013, the Town was awarded a \$478,000 STEAP grant for this project. The project will include improved docks, a larger boathouse and bathrooms inside the boathouse, as well as other work in the area. Selectman Skip Sibley is the BOS representative who has agreed to serve as ex-officio on the BHPIC. Anyone interested in helping on this committee should fill out the application form, which is available on the town website at www.oldlyme-ct.gov. The Board will be announcing the committee members soon.

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING REMINDER: Single stream recycling makes recycling very convenient, as we no longer have to separate paper, plastic, glass, etc. The bins help to keep the recycling contained, and we no longer have papers blowing around in the wind. But on occasion, we need a reminder to only put those items that are approved for recycling in the green bins. If you are unsure of the entire list of recyclable items, please go to the Shoreline Sanitation website and click on Single Stream Recycling, or you can type in this url: <http://www.shorelinesanitation.com/recyclelist.htm>

Please remember – GREEN bin for recycling; BLUE bin for garbage. Thank you for recycling properly.

BUSINESS BREAKFAST: On Sept. 25, The Town of Old Lyme and the Lyme Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce hosted a Business Breakfast for local businesses in Old Lyme. The breakfast took place at 7:30 am at the Old Lyme Town Hall Meeting Room, with a delicious selection of foods and coffee. The Keynote Speaker was Barbara Crowley of The Chocolate Shell, who spoke about expanding your business through Social Media. Following Barbara's excellent presentation, we had an open discussion about "What a Business Friendly Town" looks like. The meeting was well attended by business members of the community, members of the Economic Development Commission, the PGN Library, the Chamber of Commerce and a new group in town called the Mentoring Corps for Community Development (MDDC). With so much interest, we hope to have another Breakfast in the Spring to continue the discussion.

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On behalf of the entire Board of Selectmen, I wish you a Happy Holiday Season and best wishes for a Healthy and Safe New Year.

Bonnie A. Reemsnyder, First Selectwoman

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FOXGLOVE FARM

Lyme: A gracious and spacious embankment ranch with 2 BR and 2.5 baths on the main level, and a fully finished walk-out lower level 'in-law' suite. Post and beam barn has 4 garage bays, tack room, and walk-up loft area. Great 3 ac. mini-farm.
 MLS: E269260 \$720,000
Paul Smyth 860.867.6620



CEDAR LAKE FRONTAGE

Lyme: Private, tranquil lakefront home on 6.5 acres in Lyme. 2900 sq ft cedar ranch-style home has plenty of space for family or guests. 420 ft of frontage on pristine and private Cedar Lake. Huge deck, dock, 2 fireplaces. Great Privacy!
 MLS: E269022 \$695,000
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EXPANSIVE VIEW

Old Lyme: Beautiful quieter section of beach right out the front door. Broad expansive view over Long Island Sound. Second parcel included in this sale is a separate lot with a 2 car garage (in need of updating) with gorgeous views over the marsh.
 MLS: M9142425 \$525,000
Randi Bradbury 860.510.2478
Joyce DeFord 860.625.7576



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 MLS: M9143347 \$524,900
Sherri Milkie 860.460.9599



20 ACRE PARCEL

Lyme: Privacy abounds on this lightly wooded twenty acre parcel abutting protected forest. One possible subdivision conducive to building on many different areas of the land. Building packages available.
 MLS: M9142920 \$479,900
Christian Driscoll 860.823.7698
Jenifer Egan 202.669.7811



UPDATED RANCH

Lyme: Outstanding home updated and packed with surprises. Add'l 1392 sf in walk out Lower Level that is smartly finished. Expansive 3 bay garage, along with 2 bay garage well situated for easy conversion for home office, hobbies or additional living space.
 MLS: M9143093 \$479,000
Allyson Cotton 860.227.6016



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Old Lyme: Sprawling Antique Farmhouse includes 3 conjoined Capes; First Circa 1690, 2 more in 1800's. Home to a local food writer, this Chef's Kitchen is "to Dine for". Outldgs incl. workshop, 3 car gar, 1B/1Ba guest cottage. Wonderful family gathering place.
 MLS: M9143689 \$469,000
Tim Boyd 860.304.5524



CLOSE TO BEACHES

East Lyme: This wonderful house has so many features, 3 bedrooms with the possibility of a 4th on the first floor, eat in kitchen opens to beautiful dining room and living room, fabulous deck and a workshop. Close to beaches and downtown.
 MLS: M9143640 \$289,000
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Hadlyme: Waterfront on a peaceful peninsula. Totally renovated to perfection 4BR, 3.1 bath home with wide wood floors, custom doors and built-ins and detailed paneling. Enjoy magnificent views! 2 Car garage with attached guests quarters.
 MLS: M9139445 \$1,295,000
Colette Harron 860.304.2391



MAGNIFICENT WATERFRONT CLASSIC

Old Black Point: This spectacular 5 bedroom house and 2 bedroom guest house are perfectly positioned on 1.5 landscaped acres. The house was designed to maximize the sweeping views of Long Island Sound & Fishers Island.
 MLS: M9144168 \$2,200,000
Jamie Childs 860.501.2110



VACATION AT HOME!

Niantic: Sited on a direct waterfront triple lot, with amazing water views, this delightful Cape features a first floor-open floor plan, wrap-around outdoor decks, in-ground pool, a boat-house, and rights to a deeded dock.
 MLS: M9143211 \$725,000
Jennifer & Jane Associates 860.227.6634
John Garufi 860.510.6804



A DREAM COME TRUE!!

East Lyme: This Classic New England country home now being offered on 4.8 acres with pretty red barn, endless stone walls, apple orchard, waterfall & brook, stone bridges, meadows and wildlife. Conservation land affords great privacy!!
 MLS: M9141550 \$695,000
Mariette Woolfson 860.883.3667



BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL

East Lyme: Beautiful, well-maintained, bright and airy, loads of amenities including master bath heated floors and Jacuzzi, central vac, finished basement, speaker system throughout, custom closets throughout, lawn irrigation system.
 MLS: M9143370 \$649,000
Carolee Cannata 860.391.3396



EXCEPTIONAL HOME!

Old Lyme: Home on oversized professionally landscaped lot. Extensive updates inc patio, new kit w/ granite, hardwood floors, Buderus furnace, whole house generator, new roof, water pump, sump pump, slider.
 MLS: M9142932 \$570,000
Owner/Agent Karen Ursini 860.304.6044



WATERFRONT LOCATION

Lyme: A bright open c.1859 mill house redesigned by Centerbrook architects to maximize living area and take advantage of a very special waterfront location. Almost like shipboard living, with a place for everything. May be purchased with the adjacent property.
 MLS: M9142769 \$500,000
Rick Weiner 860.227.3191



FABULOUS POST & BEAM

OldLyme: Completely remodeled. Sited on a 3 acre private lot. Hardwood floors, remodeled kitchen and baths. Walkout family room. Complete with stone walls & expansive deck off living & dining rooms. One of a kind! Very impressive!
 MLS: M914393 \$369,000
John Garufi 860.510.6804



POINT O' WOODS

Old Lyme: Perfect shingled summer get-a-way at Point O' Woods. Enjoy association tennis, boat basin, pavilion, beach, and community events. Spacious sleeping loft, skylights, fans. Master bedroom with sliders to deck. Completely charming and in move-in ready!
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Town Clerk's Office

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We congratulate the following on their recent marriages:

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James T. Scott & Caroline Spencer Griswold - July 6
Russell Woolverton Todd & Stephanie Lee Wilcox - July 14
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Jason Daniel Simms & Jillian Pearl Mackey - August 2
Ryan Michael Havanec & Amelia Louise Tomas - August 3
Jacob Antonius Konst & Chloe Hall Lubell - August 10
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Frederic J. Ariale, Jr. & Donna B. Lott - September 1
Charles Edwin Delinks Jr. & Eva Jane Cheshire - September 21
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Child & Family Agency's Annual Cookie Walk

Cookies, cookies, cookies! What would the holidays be without those beautiful, colorful, sweet delights? But they can be so much work, right? And who has the time to bake during the crazy holiday season?

Worry no more: You can purchase your holiday cookies at Child & Family Agency's annual Cookie Walk, taking place this year on Saturday December 7 from 10am to 12 noon during the "Light up Old Lyme" festival at the Old Lyme Marketplace. Here you'll find an array of lovely, homemade holiday cookies, baked with care by members of the Child & Family Agency Lyme/Old Lyme Auxiliary. But get there early: the annual Cookie Walk has become so popular that the cookies often sell out before the scheduled closing time.

So what's a "cookie walk" anyway? No, it's not a carnival game like a "cake walk." At the Child & Family Agency Cookie Walk, our auxiliary volunteers bake and decorate beautiful holiday cookies and bring them to the event site where more volunteers arrange them on platters and display them attractively on tables. Customers walk by the tables with bakery boxes that we provide and choose the cookies that they want to serve their families and holiday guests. Once they've chosen all the cookies they want, our volunteers weigh the boxes (sold by the pound) and package them to take home. It's that simple. Cookies done. And no one will know that you didn't slave away in the kitchen! We won't tell!

In addition to the cookies, the Cookie Walk will also have available for purchase sets of note cards depicting scenes of



From the December 2013 Cookie Walk.

Lyme and Old Lyme, as well as the Child & Family Agency holiday ornament and Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour market bags.

Proceeds from the Cookie Walk benefit the many programs and capital projects of Child & Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut, a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to the well-being and development of all children and their families. With offices in New London, Essex, and Groton, and programs dealing with children's health care, child abuse, family violence, teen pregnancy, parent education, and child guidance, Child & Family Agency is the largest nonprofit children's service provider in Southeastern Connecticut. For more information, see www.childandfamilyagency.org.

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Applications will be available at the end of January 2014 for the Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council Scholarship. The Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council represents Old Lyme, Lyme, East Haddam, Haddam Neck, and Salem.

In 2010, the Council initiated the scholarship program for graduating seniors from member towns who plan to study communications or in a communications related field after high school.

Twelve local students have received awards to date, including: Meghan Nosal, Blaise Berglund, and Lindsey Kneppshield (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 will be available at http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/Pages/OldLymeCT_BComm/councilscholarship%202013 and 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 will be made by the high schools during Senior Year Award ceremonies.



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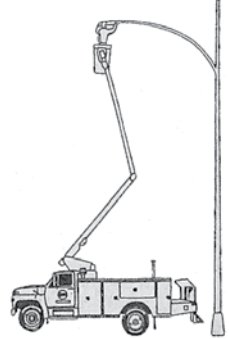
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The Cooley Gallery

Let the holiday season begin! The Cooley Gallery launches the celebrations with the holiday exhibition "ALL PAINTINGS GREAT AND SMALL."

Opening November 21st, through January 11th.

The Cooley Gallery is proud to announce the opening of the annual holiday exhibition *All Paintings Great and Small* featuring historic and contemporary works of art 12" in size or smaller. For many in the area this annual exhibition, in its 26th year, has become an undisputed kick-off to the holiday season with a celebratory opening the Thursday before Thanksgiving. More than sixty artists from around New England, with a concentration of works by artists in Connecticut, participate in this annual show. Many well-known artists return to The Cooley Gallery in addition to several newly discovered talents showing for the first time.

As in years past, *All Paintings Great and Small* offers a wide range of subjects and media carefully chosen by the staff at the gallery. Jeff Cooley notes, "Everyone gets involved in everything around here but especially with this exhibition: suggesting artists and choosing their favorites. Lorre Broom, our gallery manager, orchestrates the logistics and Nancy Pinney, our website guru, makes sure the images are perfect and gets it all posted in time for people to get a start on their holiday shopping."

Among the great little historic and contemporary paintings there will also be unique items in other media like fine

jewelry by Linda Kindler Priest and Katharine Walker, sculptures by Michael McLaughlin and Dan Potter, and glasswork by Ludwig F. Ostfeld and Mundy Hepburn.

Three of the four galleries at 25 Lyme Street are hung "salon-style" with multiples from floor to ceiling, and a wealth of varied artwork. Prices range from the low hundreds on up giving collectors at all levels a chance to acquire some truly wonderful original works of art. The other exhibition in the back gallery features recent acquisitions, paintings from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Don't miss the gallery's great holiday opening, a culmination of a year's worth of searching and a great party where artists and their admirers gather to launch the holiday season.

The show begins on November 21st at The Cooley Gallery, 25 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, CT with an opening reception from 5-8 pm. *All Paintings Great and Small* runs through January 11, 2014.

Founded in 1981 and located in the heart of historic Old Lyme, the Cooley Gallery specializes in fine American paintings from the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries, including the Hudson River School, American Impressionism, and select contemporary artists. Regular gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 10am to 5pm. Please call (860) 434-8807 or visit www.cooleygalleries.com for additional information. The Cooley Gallery is located at 25 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, CT 06371.

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Off To A Good Start for Business

A volunteer organization seeking to assist start-up entrepreneurs and nonprofits has formed in the Lower River Valley. The Old Lyme-based Mentoring Corps for Community Development (MCCD) provides experienced volunteer “mentors” to aid entrepreneurs and non-profit organizations in start-ups, and turnarounds. The focus of the Mentoring Corps is to improve company operations, efficiency, effectiveness, and performance. The work of this community-minded group is pro bono.

Originally conceived to assist students with their careers and to help victims of natural disasters with economic issues, the Mentoring Corps for Community Development (MCCD) of Old Lyme was formed in 2012. MCCD’s roots are grounded in addressing basic needs in the local community.

One of MCCD’s first and most challenging efforts was to aid those whose lives were disrupted and whose homes were damaged or destroyed by tropical storm Sandy in the fall of 2012. Focusing on the urgent needs of individuals and families who sustained devastating damage to property during this super storm, MCCD identified the sources of appropriate financial, technical and social assistance. Since then, the Mentoring Corp has assisted other families and individuals with acute financial needs.

Recently, the International Executive Service Corps (IESC), headquartered in Washington, DC, and the Mentoring Corps



for Community Development (MCCD), headquartered in Old Lyme, have announced an agreement to collaborate in assigning volunteer experts to provide consulting services to businesses and other organizations in Connecticut and nearby states.

MCCD’s volunteer mentors are available to offer assistance to businesses within the region, and may be contacted by email (rhsusa@gmail.com), or phone: (860-671-1634).

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Child & Family Agency

From baking cookies to raking gardens, members of Child & Family Agency's Lyme/Old Lyme Auxiliary get their fingers dirty because "It's About Children."

The Auxiliary is a group of volunteers who come together to raise funds for and awareness of the work of 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. Through the biennial **Lyme/Old Lyme Garden Tour**, the annual **Cookie Walk**, participation in the Agency-wide **Polar Express** program and the **Annual Sale**, and other events, the **Lyme/Old Lyme Auxiliary** helps to raise unrestricted funds for the Agency that fill the gaps between funding from other sources. Read more about Child & Family Agency at www.childandfamilyagency.org.

The Lyme/Old Lyme Auxiliary welcomes new members! Events are held throughout the year, so there's always something to do. But you can give as little or as much time as you are able. You'll work on some really great events, you'll make new friends, and you'll be doing a good thing! Because, as it says on the Agency logo: *It's About Children!*



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Last year 26 teams of local businesses, "celebrities," parents, volunteers and members of the community came together to raise over \$6,000 for the Lyme Old Lyme Education Foundation.

With Eyewitness News 3 Anchor Kevin Hogan as EmmCee, Kinny Newman and Chris Pomroy as celebrity judges and of course our very own Bee Keeper Mike Kane; twenty six teams battled it out with Guildford Education Foundation proving eventual winners of the now highly coveted Perpetual Bee Trophy.

There are lots of ways to take part: Get a team together and enter \$200/team. Sponsor a team and get your ad in the program \$250. Come and cheer on your favorite team: FREE or sign up as our event friends and sponsors \$50 - \$1000. Find out more about this Bee-dazzling fun-draiser at www.LOLEF.org.

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Tax Collector's Notice

Notice is hereby given to the Taxpayers of the Town of Old Lyme that the second installment of a tax of 19.3 mills on the dollar laid on the grand list of October 1, 2012 is due January 1, 2014. Also due on that date are the supplement Motor Vehicle tax bills.

Payments must be made on or before February 1, 2014 to avoid penalty. Any payment made after that date will be charged interest at the rate of 1½% per month going back to the due date. (February interest is 3%)

Payments may be made at the Old Lyme Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street or mailed to the Old Lyme Tax Office, P.O. Box 482, Old Lyme, CT 06371.

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Lyme Art Association

November 15 to January 4

Deck the Walls and Work by Newly Elected Artists. The Lyme Art Association's annual holiday show and sale features over 200 works of art in all sizes and mediums by member artists. This exhibition is a great place to find gifts for family and friends. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 1 pm-5pm. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme Street. (860)434-7802; lymeartassociation.org

January 10 to February 22

22nd Annual Associate Artist Exhibition and Winter Landscapes. Landscape, portrait and still life paintings, as well as sculpture by Associate Artist members on view in the Cooper/Ferry, South and Cole galleries. Winter scenes by members of all levels on display in the Goodman gallery. Opening reception on Friday, January 17, 5-7 pm. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 1pm-5pm. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme Street. (860)434-7802; lymeartassociation.org

February 28 to April 12

Nocturne: Images of the Night; Holding Still; Hot Off the Presses! and A Contemporary Look. Four new exhibitions, each with a different theme, on view in the Association's beautiful historic galleries.

Nocturne features paintings created from dusk 'till dawn; Holding Still showcases still life paintings by member artists, Hot Off the Presses! promises an exciting collection of hand-pulled works showcasing a variety of printmaking techniques by member and invited artists, and A Contemporary Look is an invitational exhibition of abstracted, yet still representational work by regional artists. Opening reception on Friday, March 7, 6-8pm. Gallery hours are Monday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm, Sunday 1pm-5pm. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is suggested. Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme Street. (860)434-7802; lymeartassociation.org.

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Estuary Council

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CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES: Board Games, Billiards, Ping Pong, Yoga, Exercise Classes, Mah Jongg, Wii, Cribbage, Writer's Group, Book Club, Quilter's Group, Needlecrafters, Hand and Foot, and more! Check the Gazette for all of our programs.

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

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

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Health & Wellness Day

The annual Health & Wellness Day event was held on Saturday, November 2nd. This fair included the participation of 30 health field professionals and service providers. There were consultations with doctors, dentist, nurses, audiologists, nutritionist, and therapists. Low cost blood tests were available from the L&M hospital lab. The Yale-New Haven Hospital Mammography Van was on site doing digital tests. Flu immunizations were given for those in need of inoculation. A number of wellness and health and environmental oriented services were also represented by providers with experience and information in these fields. There was a karate demonstration and presentations of yoga and hypnotherapy. Fair attendees enjoyed light refreshments and a few fortunate people went home with the free drawing awards of gas or food store gift cards. The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association sincerely thanks all the gracious presenters and professionals for their participation and our volunteer staff for their time and efforts in helping to make this event such a success.

Social Service News

The State of Connecticut, Department of Social Services provides a broad range of services to the elderly, people with disabilities, families, and individuals who need assistance in maintaining or achieving their full potential for self-direction, self-reliance and independent living. In order to receive services through the Department of Social Services, you will need to apply. This process can be overwhelming or difficult if you don't have access to the internet.

Many of these forms are available to apply for programs in the Social Service office at the Old Lyme Town Hall. Old Lyme Social Services offers help with information, paperwork and documentation processing for many of the State and Federal programs available to residents. Old Lyme Social Services will act as an advocate for any Old Lyme resident and will make appropriate referrals to agencies and programs to help meet their needs. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact; Valerie Goncalves, Social Service Coordinator at 860-434-1605 Ext. 228, or by email: vgoncalves@oldlyme-ct.gov. Office hours are available in the town hall Tuesday–Thursday from 9am to 1 pm; and at the Senior Center twice a month.

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BABIES FIRST - Tuesdays 9:30-10:45. For expecting moms, or parents of children up to 12 months. The group is casual, comfortable, and informative. Weekly topics of interest are based on the diversity of your questions, hopes, desires and concerns commonly found during the first year of parenthood. Meeting in the casual child friendly atmosphere of Mimi's Place at LYSB, nursing moms and diaper changing always welcome! Pre-register by calling LYSB 860-434-7208 x0.

ACTIVE LEARNING FOR ONES PLAYGROUP - Wednesdays

9:30-10:45. Celebrating your toddler's desire to play! Parents and children come together to explore, discover, and exercise your child's newest skills. Group activities will support your child's emerging curiosity, language, problem solving, motor skills, and cooperation in the gentlest manner. Circle time includes lap play, face time, movement, finger-play, & nursery rhymes. Pre-register by calling LYSB 860-434-7208 x0.

TWOs PLAYGROUP - Thursdays 10:00-11:15. Mimi's Place has a new room-scape for early childhood programs & caregivers including a Cozy Corner, a Group Area, and a Messy Area. Areas for nursing mommies too! Children ages 2 and up will gain social and literacy skills while enjoying circle time, free play, snacks, crafts and outdoor time at Mimi's Place adjacent playground for children up to age 5. Siblings always welcome. Each week the groups will explore a new theme. Pre-register by calling LYSB 860-434-7208 x0.

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (YAC). Every Wednesday 7:00-8:00 pm. YAC is a high school community service club that participates in a variety of fun projects throughout the year. All high school students in L/OL are welcome to join us any Wednesday night! For questions call 860-434-7208 x0.

MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM. Meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15 to 4:00 pm. Come hang out at LYSB and participate in a variety of crafts, games, and fun activities. Students can walk to LYSB after school and passes for the Late Bus will be provided. This is a drop in program open to any LOLMS student. Registration fee of \$25 and permission form required, available on our website www.lysb.org.

ELEMENTARY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM. Every Wednesday 3:00 to 5:00 pm. For grades 2-5. Come to LYSB's Activity Center with your friends to play games, enjoy crafts, snacks, and more. Fun is guaranteed! Students from Center School will be escorted to LYSB. Students from Mile Creek & Lyme Schools will take the bus directly to LYSB. Fee is \$100 for the year. Pre-register by calling LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

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CASFY: Community Action for Substance Free Youth. Meets the First Monday of the month at LYSB at 7 pm. CASFY is the prevention coalition for Lyme and Old Lyme and our goal is to reduce substance use among youth through a variety of strategies. We are fortunate to have a strong group of citizens who care about this issue. Please join us at an upcoming meeting. Newcomers are most welcome! To learn more about our work, visit www.lysb.org and click on CASFY.



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CHANGE HAPPENS: A program for children of divorce. Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Change Happens is LYSB's program for children and adolescents whose families are going through divorce, separation, remarriage, and custody issues. This program was designed to assist children through the continuum of family reorganization, change or upset. We will address self-esteem, issues of loss, communication and transition. Hands on activities will help young people express themselves. All young people who are managing the emotions and hurdles of family transitions will benefit from this program which will be held at LYSB and led by a licensed clinical social worker. Fee: \$90 for six week sessions. Pre-register by calling LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0. All calls are confidential.

HANDMADE HOLIDAYS. December 5, 12 & 19, 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Ages 7 and older, Fee: \$85. The best gifts are handmade! Let's sew and decorate a beautiful felt stocking, colorful collage frame and yummy homemade cookies. Learn creative hand sewing and crafting techniques. All supplies included in class fee. Pre-register by calling LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

LYSB HOLIDAY PARTIES. Sunday, December 8th, 5-7 pm. This fun event brings together neighbors to celebrate the start of the holiday season, while raising funds for LYSB. Thirty simultaneous parties in Lyme and Old Lyme. If you are interested in hosting a party in your neighborhood, or helping on our committee, please contact LYSB at 860-434-7208. If you



have never received an invitation to our Holiday Parties, we want to include you so please call us to share your info.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE FAMILY WORKSHOP. Sunday, December 8th, 12:30-2:30 pm. An LYSB tradition. Your family will make your own Gingerbread House to take home. Leave the mess with us. We supply all the ingredients. Bring your camera! \$10/house. Pre-register by calling 860-434-7208 x0.

CPR & AED Training for Teens & Adults. Friday, December 13, 6-9 pm. If a family member, friend or infant in your care had a cardiac or first aid emergency, could you recognize the signs & respond quickly & appropriately? This course teaches CPR and use of an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and clearing of an airway obstruction for adults, children, and infants. You will learn everything you need to know to provide quality care during a cardiac or choking emergency and earn 2 year AHA certification. CPR has changed...plan to spend 3 hours learning & practicing the skills necessary to save a life. Wear comfortable clothing as this is a hands-on class. Fee: \$50. Certification good for two years. Pre-register by calling LYSB at 434-7208 x0.

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AMERICAN GIRL HOLIDAY TEA. Saturday, December 14th, 10:00 to 11:30 am, Fee: \$20, for Ages 5 and up. It's time for LYSB's annual American Girl Tea! You'll create festive holiday crafts and have a traditional tea party with china cups and tea cakes. Time for party games and stories too! Call LYSB to register 860-434-7208 x0.

LET'S GET SEWING WORKSHOP! January 9, 16, 23, 30, 4:00 to 6:00 pm, 8 and older, Fee: \$90. Join your friends and learn all about sewing on a machine! Design and sew a beautiful project for yourself and your room, using colorful fabrics, beautiful ribbons and embellishments to complete your projects. All materials included. Machine and hand sewing will be taught. Pre-register by calling LYSB at 860-434-7208 x0.

GIRLS CIRCLE. A three week empowerment program for girls. Middle School session (gr 6-8): Three Mondays January 27, February 3, and 10, 2:15-4:00 pm. "The shortest distance between isolation and belonging is a Circle." Join us each week for a new theme and activity designed to increase girls' self esteem, body image, and social support. During this program girls will: • Develop connections and feel included; • Build strong interpersonal skills; • Strengthen self-care and well-being, even under stress; • Dissolve barriers to respect, confidence, and empathy; • Nurture friendships. Call LYSB to register 860-434-7208 x0. More info at www.lysb.org.

SITTER SAFETY CLASS. Four Mondays: March 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2:15 to 4:00 pm. An intense sitter safety and training course appropriate for babysitters, big brothers and sisters, and children staying home alone for the first time. This course touches on a variety of safety skills such as basic first aid, fire safety, and 911 skills. Fee is \$40 and includes supplies, snacks, and guest speakers. Call LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

CPR FOR BABYSITTERS. Monday, March 31, 2:15-4:00 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. 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 cost is \$40 and awards a Certificate of Completion. Contact LYSB to pre-register at 860-434-7208 x0.

ACTING UP! LYSB's prevention drama troupe for any high school student living in L/OL. Meets Mondays 6:00-8:00 pm (first meeting in March tba). The purpose of Acting Up! is to provide high school students with the necessary tools to "dramatically" improve their lives and self esteem through the art of acting and writing, and to positively influence the lives of middle and elementary school students through performance. Working with an acting coach, Acting Up! members will write and perform their own sketches for middle and elementary students about the problems they are facing or will face in the near future. Topics may include peer pressure, underage drinking, drug use, bullying/teasing, eating Disorders, etc. It is our goal that through our work with younger students, we will be able to give our own members a sense of pride knowing they are helping to make a difference. Acting Up! is a place for people to grow, both within themselves and as valuable members of the community. For more information about Acting Up!, call LYSB at 860-434-7208. Fun is guaranteed.

YOGA FOR TEENS & ADULTS. Thursdays, 7pm - 8pm year round. Relax and restore your mind, body, and spirit. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat. \$10/class, drop in. Taught by Joanie Fitton.

JOB BANK. Do you need help with your lawn? Need a new babysitter? Have odd jobs waiting for attention? Call the LYSB Job Bank for names of area youth interested in working for you. (860-434-7208).

Kids who want to be listed in the Job Bank need to register at LYSB with a parental permission form available at www.lysb.org For middle and high school youth ages 12 to 18.

Join Us at the Lymes Senior Center

As the holiday season approaches we are looking forward to getting into the season with some exciting performances, craft classes and demonstrations, and other interesting programs including our monthly lifelong learning classes.

This quarter we have also added 5:30 pm fitness classes to accommodate working seniors. Our evening Zumba for Seniors, and Yoga classes have seen great response and for \$4 a class they are surely hard to beat.

The Coast Guard Band Woodwind Quintet will be here on Tuesday, December 17th at 1:00 pm to entertain and educate us about the Coast Guard and the Coast Guard Band. The Groton Christmas Chorus will be performing on December 20th at 1:30 pm after our holiday meal. The Old Lyme Town Band will perform their holiday concert on December 29th at 4:00 pm.

To find out more about the many exciting events you can find our newsletter on the town website under announcements, at the Town Hall, at the Post Office and many businesses throughout the town or you can receive it in the mail or by email by calling (860) 434-4127.

In the upcoming months we will be exploring the benefits of reflexology in our free lifelong learning class, offering ipad tips and tricks classes, providing information on how to prevent elder financial abuse, offering reflexology sessions and free reiki clinics, having a live presentation of the beautiful birds of prey, and much much more. Many of the programs that take place here are either at no or low cost.



Come down and see us sometime!

I encourage those 60 and over to look over our newsletter, pick programs that interest you, and join us. We are open Monday through Friday from 9 am - 3 pm and certain evenings when noted. Here at the senior center we love welcoming new people. If you are new to the area or just to the senior center please stop by and see us. I know you will be glad you did!

Stephanie Lyon, Senior Center Director

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Old Lyme Municipal Departments

Department	Contact	Phone
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Board of Selectmen	Bonnie A. Reemsnyder	434-1605 x211
Board of Selectmen	Mary Jo Nosal	434-1605 x212
Board of Selectmen	Skip Sibley	434-1605 x212
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Emergency Management	David Roberge	434-1605 x231
Finance	Doris Johnson	434-1605 x215
Finance Director	Nicole Stajduhar	434-1605 x232
Fire Marshal	David Roberge	434-1605 x231
Harbormaster	Michael Moran	434-1605 x212
Health	Vijay Sikand, M.D.	434-1605 x214
Information Technology	Ruth Roach	434-1605 x237
Town Historian	John Pfeiffer	434-8829
Land Use	Kim Groves, Kim Barrows	434-1605 x236
Parks and Recreation	Don Bugbee	434-1605 x235
Police	TFC Gary Inglis	434-7080
Probate Court	Hon. Jeffrey McNamara	739-6052
Public Works	Ed Adanti	434-2461
Registrar of Voters	Sylvia Peterson & Don Tapper	434-1605 x226
School District #18	Superintendent of Schools	434-7238
Senior Center		434-4127
Social Services	Ruth Roach	434-1605
Tax Collection	Judith Tooker	434-1605 x216
Town Clerk	Eileen Coffee	434-1605 x221
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Zoning Enforcement	Ann Brown	434-1605 x225
Other Agencies		
Library/Passports	Mary Fiorelli, Director	434-1684
Youth Services Bureau	Mary Seidner, Director	434-7208

Old Lyme - Community Listings

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OLD LYME VISITING NURSE	(860) 434-7808
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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE DISTRICT 18	(860) 434-7238
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Ashlawn Farm to Host Lyme Land Trust's 2014 Tour de Lyme

Ashlawn Farm on Bill Hill Road, Lyme's popular coffee house, will host next year's Tour de Lyme, the fundraising cycling event launched this year by the Lyme Land Conservation Trust.

Land Trust President John Pritchard announced the Ashlawn Farm venue and the date for the next year's Tour de Lyme cycling event, which he said will be on Sunday May 18, 2014.

"We are delighted that Carol and Chip Dahlke are allowing us to hold our event at their lovely Ashlawn Farm. Everything will be in one spot – parking, registration and a picnic lunch with music by the EightMile River Band," said Pritchard.

Pritchard went on to say, "One of the goals of Tour de Lyme, apart from raising money for the Lyme Land Trust, is to showcase the special agricultural heritage and rural beauty of our town. Being able to associate Tour de Lyme with iconic Ashlawn Farm is an honor and privilege for the Land Trust."

"Ashlawn Farm is the embodiment of why so many people love Lyme – farms, forests, stone walls and lightly travelled roads," he said.

Ashlawn Farm was an enthusiastic supporter of the 2013 Tour de Lyme, he noted, offering free coffee to participating riders who stopped for a break, and along with Erik Block, and Erica's E-List they helped field a riding team – Builders, Baristas and Blabbers.

This year's Tour de Lyme on May 11 was "a huge success," said Pritchard, noting that it was the first time the land trust held the event and that the weather was overcast and raining for most of the morning.

More than 300 cycling enthusiasts turned out to participate in several road and trail bike rides, he said, and 13 local and regional businesses signed on as sponsors.

Tour de Lyme is a non-competitive event in which none of the rides are timed. It is intended as an opportunity for both serious and casual cyclists to enjoy the beauty of Lyme's highways and byways and of the trails on the thousands of acres of preserved open space in the town.

"When we started planning our first Tour de Lyme more than a year ago, we really didn't know what kind of turnout to expect," he said, "but as the event date approached and pre-registrations poured in, we were pretty sure that the cycling community was going to support this fundraiser. On the eve of the event, we were a bit nervous because of the rain forecasts, but 90 percent of those who preregistered showed up, and last-minute on-site registrations more than made up for the no-shows."

Now that the Tour de Lyme is an established cycling event, Pritchard predicted that next year it will likely draw even more participants who can enjoy the rural beauty of Lyme.

For more information go to www.tourdelyme.org or email info@tourdeplyme.org.



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Duck River Garden Club



Members Picture First Photo: L to R. Nancy Strohla, Barbara Beal, Beverly Pikna, Kathy Kensel, Kathy Burton, Paula Mazzalupo, Judy Grant.

Duck River Garden Club meets at 7:00 pm on the second Monday of each month at the Lymes Senior Center; Town Woods Road in Old Lyme. There is no charge for the programs. During the year, members of the Duck River Garden Clubs maintain the plantings of eight civic beautification sites in Old Lyme in addition to providing a floral display for the reception area at the Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library. Members also assist residents of Bride Brook Health Center to make seasonal arrangements and at Christmas. Wreathes will be created by members on December 9 at 7 pm at Rogers

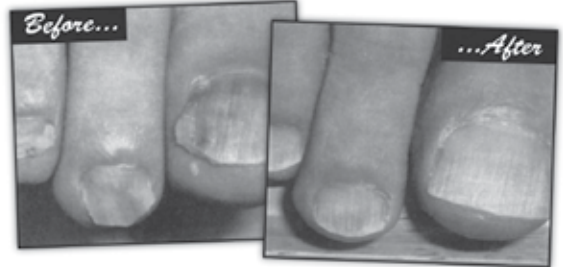
Lake Community Center for display at public buildings in Old Lyme. In the spring, we encourage community support of our one fundraiser, the Annual Plant Sale and Garden Fair. Scholarships are offered to high school seniors interested in horticulture, botany or environmental studies.

You do not need a degree in botany or a botanical knowledge of plants to be a member; only an interest in learning about gardening. For more information about the club or to join us in our annual wreath making event, please call Bruce Baratz at 860-625-1808 or email brucebaratz@sbcglobal.net.

Free Flu Shots Available While Supply Lasts

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association has started its 2013 Influenza Immunization Program. Due to a delay in the manufacturer dispensing the vaccine serum, our first clinic had to be postponed to October 26th. At the clinic we gave free flu shots to 125 persons. The Town Nurse has also started her rounds of dispensing the inoculations to the homebound, town personnel, the Fire, Ambulance and Police Departments members and the residents at Lymewood. In addition, any Old Lyme resident 18 years of age or older can come to the nurse's office at 26 Town Woods Road every Monday through Friday between 11 am to 1 pm to receive their injection free for as long as our supply on hand lasts. We also offer Pneumonia vaccine free to Old Lyme residents age 65 and up who have not previously been inoculated. To receive this service pre-registration with the nurse is required, so to do so please call 860-434-7808.

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Attending a program? Please register! It's simple and easy to register online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the Events tab or call the Library at 860-434-1684 for staff assistance. New programs are posted monthly on the website and in the monthly printed calendar. Sign up for the Library's electronic newsletter on our website for convenient delivery to your Inbox. The Library does not share your emails with businesses or marketing agencies.

Friends of the OL- PGN Library. The Friends Annual Holiday Book Sale, December 7, 10:00 am -3:00 pm in the Community Room. Start your holiday shopping early at The Friends of Library Annual Holiday Book Sale! Prices are below retail on excellent copies of the latest best sellers, classics, a wide array of children's' books, music CDs and a broad selection of nonfiction titles. This is a wonderful chance to purchase like-new books at reasonable prices for everyone on your holiday list. All proceeds go to benefit the library. Support the Library by patronizing the Friends!

Save the Date! "An Evening in Paris" – The 2014 Bookworm Ball. Saturday, March 8, 2014 – 7:00 - 11:00 pm at the Old Lyme Country Club. All proceeds of the Bookworm Ball are used to benefit the OL-PGN Library.

Adult Events: Mondays at 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Contemporary Classics: Evening Book Discussions with facilitator Marsha Bansavage. Join us for engaging discussions on ground breaking and award winning contemporary literature. Visit the Pinterest board Contemporary Classics for more suggested books and films.

December 2: *Bridge of San Luis Rey* by Thornton Wilder. January: Winter break, no program. February 3: *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker. March 3: *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury. April 7: *Great Gatsby/Tender is the Night* by F. Scott Fitzgerald. May 5: *Yellow Birds* by Kevin Powers.

Thursdays at 11:00 am Phoebe's Book Chats. Phoebe's Book Chat is held on the second Thursday of the month. Drop-ins welcome.

December 12: Reader's Choice - bring a favorite to discuss. January 9: *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern February 13: *Little Princes: One Man's Promise to Bring Home the Lost Children of Nepal* by Connor Grennan. March 13: *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jaime Ford. April 10: *The Aviator's Wife* by Melanie Benjamin. May 8: *The Astronaut Wives Club: a True Story* by Lily Koppel. June 12: *The Burgess Boys* by Elizabeth Strout.

Opera Lecture and Lunch Series Returns! 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Guest speaker James Kuslan. Love opera? The spring series will enrich your experience with presentations on the theme of romantic love to accompany performances of audience favorites. James Kuslan returns with lively educational discussions of the Metropolitan Opera's simulcast productions at the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center

in Old Saybrook. Lectures are accompanied by musical clips of outstanding operatic performances by the world's most renowned singers. All programs take place at the Old Lyme Inn. Programs will end promptly at 12:30 pm to ensure our participants have ample time for Met Live in HD performances at the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center at 1:00 pm. The lecture is free and lunch is optional. Reservations are required as seating is limited. The cost for lunch is \$25.27 per person paid in advance. All registrations and payments will be managed by Library. Deadline: one week in advance of each performance. Call to reserve your seat at 860-434-1684.

Masset's Werther - March 15, 2014. Two of opera's greatest artists – Jonas Kaufmann and Elīna Garanca – appear together for the first time at the Met in Massenet's sublime adaptation of Goethe's revolutionary and tragic romance. It is directed and designed by Richard Eyre and Rob Howell, the same team that created the Met's recent hit production of Carmen. Rising young maestro Alain Altinoglu conducts.

Puccini's La Bohème - April 5, 2014. Puccini's moving story of young love is the most performed opera in Met history—and with good reason. Anita Hartig stars as the frail Mimì in Franco Zeffirelli's classic production, with Vittorio Grigolo as her passionate lover, Rodolfo.

Mozart's Così fan tutte - April 26, 2014. Music Director James Levine conducts Mozart's beloved opera about testing the ties of love. The cast is filled with youthful Met stars: Susanna Phillips and Isabel Leonard are the sisters Fiordiligi and Dorabella, Matthew Polenzani and Rodion Pogossov are their lovers, with Danielle de Niese as the scheming Despina.

Red Carpet Movies: January 16, February 20, March 20, April 17 and May 15. Monthly on Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the Community Room. The red carpet will be rolled out for a new movie series featuring award winning audience favorites. The season opener will present Academy and Golden Globe winner for Best Film of 2013 followed by nominees for this year's Golden Globe, Academy Award or Sundance Film Festival winners. Discussion follows the screening. Programs are free. Refreshments served.

January 16: *Argo* directed by and starring Ben Affleck (120 minutes). February 20: *Fruitvale Station* starring Michael B. Jordan and Melonie Diaz (85 minutes). March, April & May selections TBA.

Coming soon: Presentations on Connecticut history, genealogy, and nature by outstanding experts from around the state who will guide us in exploring new topics. Visit our website often or sign up for the newsletter delivered to your Inbox at the beginning of each month.

Mah Jongg Classes with Joanie Fitton, Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 pm. Mah Jongg classes are one of the Library's most popular programs and a great way to meet new friends. It's a fun, challenging and competitive game that was brought to America in the early 1920s from China. It is commonly played by four players with a set of 136 tiles based on Chinese

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characters and symbols. Mah Jongg is a game of skill, strategy and calculation, involving a certain degree of chance. Learn how to play and focus on the skills that will make you a patient and avid player while keeping the brain active and agile. Beginners and experienced players are all welcome. Joanie Fitton is a well-known Old Lyme instructor of both yoga and Mah Jongg. All classes will take place in the Community Room. (Please consult with instructor for dates when there are no classes)

All classes are ongoing. The cost is \$10 per person per class with checks made out to Joanie Fitton. A portion of the fees go to support the Library. All participants must register at their first class and pay in advance. Registrations accepted on a first come basis.

January 7, 2014. Watercolor Classes for Beginners with Joan Bernard Tuesdays at 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Instructor Joan Bernard, a local watercolor artist, will guide students through composition, color mixing and other basic elements of painting. Each participant will have time to learn and receive feedback from Joan on their compositions and progress. Classes run on a continuous basis throughout the year. Joan has studied fine art at Syracuse University, the Silvermine Art Center and the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts. She has been painting in watercolor for 40 years. She is a resident of Old Saybrook and volunteers on the Art Exhibition Committee at the Library. New sessions begin January 7, 2014. To register contact Joan at 860-388-1983. Fee: \$140 per person. Advanced Beginners meet from 10:00 am -12:30 pm; Beginners meet from 1:00 pm 3:00 pm.

Children's Events:

Mondays at 10:30 am: Toddler Time. Two to five-year-olds will delight in listening to stories, singing songs, and making a themed craft. All this free fun takes place in the Community Room. Each program lasts approximately thirty minutes. No need to register – just drop in. (No class Martin Luther King Day, January 20, 2014 or Presidents' Day, February 17, 2014)

Mondays at 11:30 am (starting January 6, 2014): Toddler Time. We are adding an additional Toddler Time session!

Thursdays 10:15 am Drop-In Baby Time. Children ages birth through age two. Introduce your baby to the library and meet new people! Activities include: sharing books, singing songs and finger plays, and then playtime and exploration with an optional simple craft. Each program lasts approximately thirty minutes. No need to register – just drop-in.

First Monday of every month: 3:00-4:30 pm, CrAfter School. Join us in making a themed craft the first Monday afternoon of each month through June (12/2, 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5, 6/2). Materials will be provided. CrAfter School is for children in grades three through five. Register online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the "Children's Program" tab or call the Library at 860-434-1684.

Tuesday, December 3: 6:15-7:00 pm, Lullaby Nights. Join Eleanor Robinson, owner of Sweet Beats, to sing lullabies before tucking in for the evening. With our voices, her stringed instruments, and percussive instruments to share, we



will enjoy a melodic close to the day. Miss Eleanor has taught music and movement classes for over a decade in libraries, nursery schools, community centers, and churches. She has performed in classic rock and bluegrass bands.

Children in jammies welcome! Favorite stuffed animals too! This program is great for families ages birth to five. Registration is encouraged. Register online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the "Children's Program" tab or call the Library 860-434-1684.

This program series is generously sponsored by the Bombaci Family Fund of the Community Foundation of Greater New Britain. The Bombaci Family Fund is devoted to bringing music based programming to the community and is pleased to be able to sponsor this effort at the Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library.

Thursday, December 5th, 4:00-5:30 pm. Mrs. Claus Story Time and Library Tree Lighting. Come to the Reading Room and meet the one and only Mrs. Claus! Fun for families and kids of all ages, we will get into the holiday spirit with songs and stories followed by a special Library tree lighting on the portico outside.

Saturday, December 7th, 10:00 am-3:00 pm Friends Holiday Book Sale. Shopping at the Friends Holiday Book Sale? Drop your little ones off in the Children's Room for music, fun, and some special winter crafts before you go! All materials will be provided. No need to register, just drop in.

Thursday, December 19th, 3:30-4:30 pm, Holiday Cookie Decorating. Sugar, frost, and decorate the afternoon away with this fun craft! Kids in grades K-5 can come to the Community Room and pick out a sugar cookie, then add frosting and

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other edible decorations. Registration required for planning purposes. All materials will be provided, so just bring yourself!

Friday, December 27th, 10:30am-12:15 pm, Morning Movie Matinee: Monsters University. Nothing to do on your holiday break? Grab your friends, head to the library and catch a morning movie! Bring comfy pillows and cozy blankets to sit on and we'll provide the rest. We will be showing the film "Monsters University." Light refreshments will be served. Registration is strongly preferred but not required.

Tuesday, January 7th, 2014 and Tuesday, February 4th: 6:15-7:00 pm, Teddy Bear Story Time. Little ones 2-5 years of age can dress in their jammies and bring their teddy bear along for this special evening story time! Enjoy bedtime stories, soothing songs, rhymes and fingerplays as we get ready for bed. All are welcome to join us at this free, fun event. Registration is strongly encouraged. Register online at www.oldlyme.lioninc.org under the "Children's Program" tab or call the Library 860-434-1684.

Thursday, January 16th, Thursday, February 20th and Tuesday, March 18th from 3:30 pm-4:30 pm, Library LEGO® Fun*. LEGO® fans unite! Come to the Community Room to play, imagine, and create using our stash of LEGO® bricks. You can stick to our theme for the month (TBA) or design a model you choose yourself. After we have finished, we will take your

creations and put them on display in the Children's Room! Kids in grades K-5 are welcome. We will provide all materials.

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Thursday, January 23, 2014 3:30-4:30 pm, Drop-In K-5 Craft: Snowflake Mania. Take some snow home with you with Snowflake Mania! Little ones will delight in constructing their own beautiful snowflakes out of tinfoil and construction paper. Older kids can grab a pair of scissors and cut out unique and elaborate designs from printed patterns. Bring a friend and come hang out!

Thursday, January 30th, Tuesday, February 25th and Tuesday, March 25th, 2014 3:30-4:30 pm, Grades 3-5 Book Discussion Group. Make new friends and share your love of reading at our new book discussion group especially for children in grades 3-5. We will meet in the Community Room. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, February 1st, 2014, 10 am-12 pm, Take Your Child to the Library Day. Come to the Library for a story and craft time with songs all to celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day!" Our stories, songs, and rhymes will be all about books and the library. Afterwards, come visit the Children's Room and share some books together. Parental involvement in craft time is encouraged. All are welcome. Registration is not required – just drop in.

Thursday, February 13th, 2014 3:30-4:30 pm, Make Your Own Scratch-Off Valentines. Kids in grades K-5 can come to the Community Room and give their Valentines an extra special twist this year with our scratch-off hearts. We will provide all materials. Parental involvement is strongly encouraged. No need to register, just drop in and be ready with a special message for the ones you love.

Friday, March 28th, 2014 3:30-5:00 pm, Make Your Own Marshmallow Launchers: Part Deux. Marshmallow Launchers are back! Kids in grades 3-8 are welcome to attend this free competition. Come to the Community Room to build your own mini marshmallow launcher. All materials will be provided. Target and distance competition will take place after assembly is complete. Space is limited. Registration is required for materials planning purposes. Snacks will be served. We hope to see you there!

Young Adults Events

Thursday, December 26th, 3:00-4:30 pm, Drop-In Teen Scene Craft. Sip your hot chocolate in style – come down to the library and decorate your own mug! We will provide the paint markers and mugs. No need to register, just drop in.

Tuesday, January 21st, 3:00-4:30 pm, Teen Scene Improv Party. Do you love acting and improv games? If so, our improv party is for you! Even if you don't like the spotlight, you can crack up in our audience. We will provide refreshments, the scene ideas, props and prompts. No need to register.

Thursday, February 27th, Time 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Teen Scene Candy Making. Don't stay outside and shiver! Come to the Community Room and make your own chocolate-coated peanut butter bites and pretzels. We will provide all the necessary materials. No need to register, just drop in.

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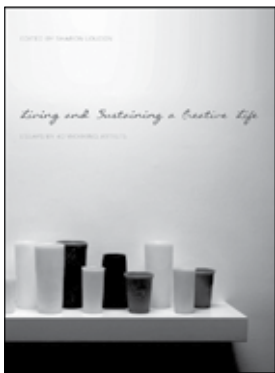
Enjoy Art in Many Forms at Lyme Academy College

Get a jump-start on holiday shopping while supporting an emerging artist! Come to the annual *Student Holiday Art Show and Sale* at the College's Sill House Gallery on Friday, December 6 from 5 to 8 pm. This popular event opens with a festive reception and continues through Saturday, December 14. All proceeds go to the student artists.

The College is premiering an *ArtfulArt Film* series on Sunday, December 8, with films on Sol LeWitt at 5 pm and Roy Lichtenstein at 6 pm. This selection of art films from the highly regarded Checkerboard Film Foundation focuses on iconic artists. The second *ArtfulArt Film* evening is Friday, December 13, with films on Picasso and Braque at 5 pm and Ellsworth Kelly at 6 pm. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be available during the screenings. The cost for all four films is \$15 or \$5 for one. Reservations are required as seating is limited. Contact Ann de Selding at 860.434.3571 ext. 117.



Student preparing artwork for the Holiday Sale.



Living and sustaining a creative life is not only the dream of most artists, but also the subject of a book by author and artist Sharon Loudon, who will be giving a lecture and book-signing at the College on Tuesday, December 10. Loudon's book is a collection of artist testimonies valuable to anyone interested in being a working artist. A reception at 6 pm precedes the lecture at 7 pm. Admission is free.

Our galleries are open with free admission from 10 am to 4 pm, Monday through Saturday. Currently on show through January 11, 2014 in the Chauncey Stillman Gallery is the retrospective exhibition by illustrator Tim O'Brien. The Juried Student Exhibition opens on Friday, January 31, 2014, with a reception at 6 pm to which all are welcome.

Sharon Loudon will sign copies of her book at the College on December 10

Thank You from Senior Center Board

The Board of Directors of the Lymes' Senior Center would like to thank the sponsors who contributed to making Thursday evenings in July the place to be for good music and entertainment by many wonderful and talented musicians.

The sponsors who contributed to the series were: Town of Old Lyme, Town of Lyme, Town of Lyme Fire Department, Essex Savings Bank and Interim Health Care.

Music was provided by High Society, Dixieland Jazz Ensemble of the Westerly RI Band, Waterford Community Band, String of Pearls Band and The Old Lyme Town Band.

In addition we thank the following businesses, Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe and Salem Valley Farms for providing ice cream for sundaes.

Thank you music lovers for making the series a success. Please remember to support the local businesses and Town officials who made Thursdays in July possible.

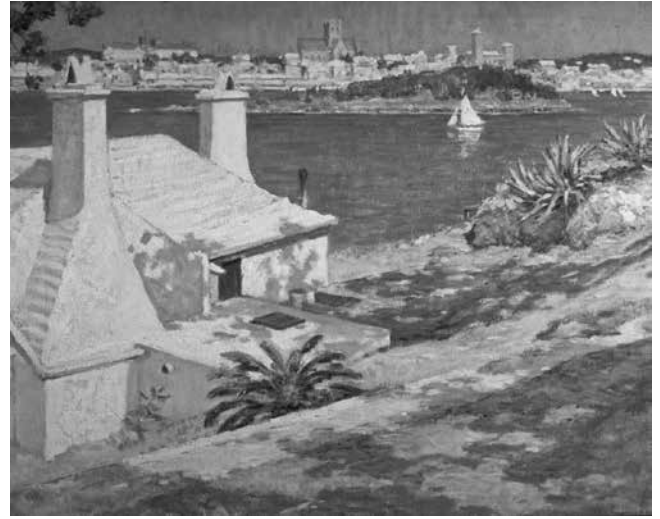
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At the Florence Griswold Museum



MagicChristmas at the Florence Griswold Museum.



William Chadwick's Tropical Harbor.

Harry Holtzman and American Abstraction, on view through January 26, brings new attention to the role Holtzman played in shaping abstract art from the 1920s to the 1980s. A close friend and colleague of Piet Mondrian, Holtzman is best known for helping to bring Mondrian to America. Nearly 60 paintings, sculptures, and drawings highlight the different facets of Holtzman's role as perennial stalwart of the New York avant garde.

Throughout the holidays, the *Magic of Christmas* will be in full swing once again. This year marks the tenth year of the painted palettes for *Miss Florence's Artist Tree*. One hundred and forty artists from across the country have donated works to this one-of-a-kind tradition. Visitors can also enjoy the Florence Griswold House decorated for a 1910 Christmas.

Teas, special events for families, hands-on crafts for children and adults, and wonderful items in The Shop are sure to bring holiday cheer!

The sure cure for cabin fever this winter – two exhibitions opening February 7! *The Artist's Easel*, on view through March 16, provides a rare look at the tools of the artist's trade from inside the Museum's expansive collection of artistic materials – one of the largest such collections in the nation. Examine easels, paint boxes, brushes and palettes once used by Lyme's famed artists, as well as the paintings these tools helped create.

Lyme Artists Abroad, on view through June 1, looks at the eclectic styles and techniques cultivated abroad by American artists such as Harry Hoffman, William Henry Howe, and Willard Metcalf.

Long Range Plan for Rogers Lake Needed: A Conservation Commission Perspective

Ten years have passed since a major study of Rogers Lake gave the lake a water quality rating of "average." The Rogers Lake Authority deserves credit for pursuing mechanical weed harvesting and hand removal, controlling the water fowl population, testing benthic blankets to prevent weed growth, lowering the lake to kill shallow water plants, providing inspectors at the State boat launch, etc. As a last resort they have now recommended that herbicides be applied to kill the weeds and algae that now clog large portions of the lake.

Rogers Lake's 4800 acre watershed is the main source of potable water for most of the wells in Old Lyme. The sand and soils surrounding the lake act as a natural filter for the Lieutenant River and the Black Hall River aquifers, supplying most of the water for shoreline water company wells.

All of the herbicides recommended for use in Rogers Lake are rated "toxic" by Beyond Pesticides, a firm that collects scientific studies of their impact on humans, animals, and aquatic organisms. In addition, applying herbicides in relatively small sections will be ineffective on the total weed population. Weeds will grow back again after a year or two after herbicide treatment and may be thicker than ever.

The Conservation Commission has recommended that the two towns form a task force to develop a long range plan that will address the larger issue of protecting a vital natural resource as well as considering the recreational values and property values of the residents. The task force would address the sources of increased nutrient loading as well as the cost effectiveness of the various options available to preserve Rogers Lake as our number one natural resource.



Old Lyme Historical Society

2014 Now and Then Community Calendar

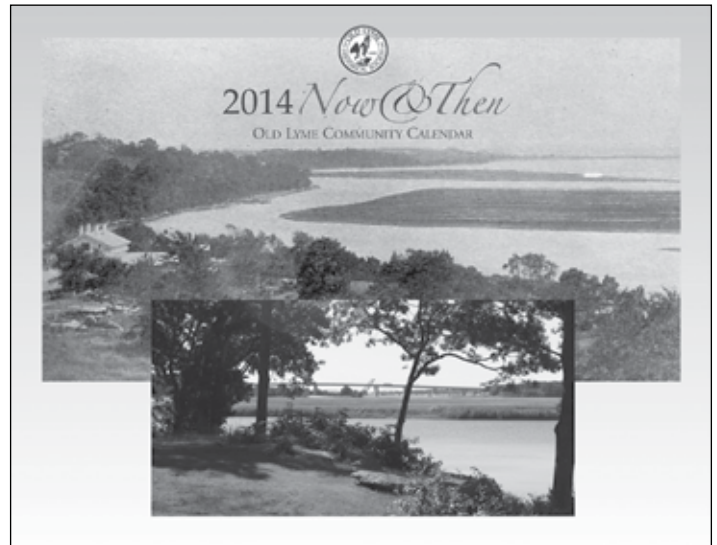
The popularity of last year's inaugural issue of the Old Lyme Historical Society's *Then & Now Calendar* has prompted the organization to create a new community calendar for 2014 that incorporates a different set of photographs from the archives, again juxtaposing the historical images with contemporary ones of the same scene. The images included in the calendar are a small sampling of the many interesting archived photographs of Old Lyme establishments, landscapes, and scenes dating back to the beginning of the twentieth century. Each calendar month is generously sponsored by a different community organization and includes the dates of their events throughout the year. The intent is to highlight and assist in marketing activities occurring in Old Lyme in 2014 as well as remembering the past. The participating sponsors for this year's calendar include All-Pro Automotive, Coffee's Country Market, Cooley Gallery, Florence Griswold Museum, Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts, Lyme Art Association, The Nearly New Shop, Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe and Cafe, Old Lyme Inn, Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, Old Lyme Town Hall, and The Village Shops. The *2014 Now & Then, Old Lyme Community Calendar* was designed by James Meehan and edited by Alison Mitchell. The Copy Editor is Michaelle Pearson. The calendars are available through the Historical Society's website www.oldlymehistoricalsociety.org, at the Florence Griswold Museum, or at The Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library.

Renewals and New Memberships

Memberships to the Old Lyme Historical Society run on a calendar year basis, so now is the time to renew your current membership or the perfect time to consider becoming a new member. A membership also makes a great gift to the history buff or "person who has everything" on your holiday list. Membership includes a subscription to the Historical Society's semiannual newsletter *River & Sound*, a copy of the Lyme Street walking tour, invitations to member-only events, discounts on the organization's publications, discounted rates for certain events, priority status to obtain genealogical research material at the PGN Library, and the satisfaction that your tax-deductible contribution supports a vital cultural resource. Memberships begin at a very reasonable \$10 for students, \$20 for individuals and \$35 for families and may be purchased on the website www.oldlymehistoricalsociety.org.

Publications Now Available for Purchase Online

A handsome four color poster of eleven local historical houses and an accompanying booklet describing the architectural features and summarized events occurring in Connecticut around the time the homes were built is the latest publication produced by the Old Lyme Historical Society. The poster and booklet along with a full selection of the Society's publications are now available through the organization's website www.oldlymehistoricalsociety.org. The Society's earlier works



Cover of the Old Lyme Historical Society's 2014 *Now & Then, Old Lyme Community Calendar*. Top photo, View on Connecticut River Looking South, circa 1898, Photo credit E. Scott W. 23rd St., N.Y. City. Bottom photo, View on Connecticut River Looking South, 2013. Photo credit James Meehan.

include *The Charm of the Place: Old Lyme in the 1920s; Rum Runners, Governors, Beachcombers & Socialists: Views of the Beaches in Old Lyme; The Land Savers; The Hurricane of 1938: Old Lyme Remembers; "This Ancient and Interesting Town";* and *Poverty Island*. Purchases are shipped for easy gift giving. Sales support the ongoing activities of the Old Lyme Historical Society.

Vintage! Antiques Appraisal Event, Save the Date

The Old Lyme Historical Society's very popular antiques appraisal event "Vintage!" will take place on Sunday, March 9 between 1:00 and 4:00 pm at the Old Lyme Town Hall. Bring your vintage treasures to be appraised verbally for just \$5 per item. All proceeds benefit the Society's scholarship fund. There will be a number of appraisers on hand with a range of antiques expertise. If you're a fan of the "Antiques Roadshow" or if you've been wondering what some of your vintage items are worth, this event is for you!

Animal Control

Please phone Animal Control (860-434-3047) to check on your lost dogs & cats. A Lost & Found Pet page is being created for the Town website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov).

Trash & Recycling Information

Town Hall will be closed on the following Holidays: 2013: Wed., Dec. 25 – Christmas, 2014: Wed., Jan. 1, – New Year’s, Mon., Jan. 20 – Martin Luther King, Jr., Mon., Feb. 17 – President’s Day, Apr. 18 – Good Friday, Mon., May 26 – Memorial Day, Fri., Jul., 4 – Independence Day, Mon., Sept., 1 – Labor Day, Mon., Oct., 13 – Columbus Day, Tues., Nov. 11 – Veterans’ Day, Thurs., & Fri., Nov. 27 & 28 – Thanksgiving, and Thurs., Dec. 25 – Christmas Day. Town Hall Hours for most departments is Monday through Friday, 9am – 4pm.

Curbside trash removal is performed by Shoreline Sanitation (860-434-0052). There is no trash pick-up on the following Holidays: Christmas (Dec. 25), New Year’s (Jan. 1), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in Sept.), and Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in Nov.). 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 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) – click the trash and recycling link on the Selectman’s or Public Works pages or at 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 Shoreline Sanitation (860-434-0052). There is no recycling pick-up on the following Holidays: Christmas Day (Dec. 25), New Year’s (Jan. 01), Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in Sept.), and Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in Nov.). 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), 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.

2013 Household Hazardous Waste located at the Estuary Region Hazwaste Facility on Dump Road, Essex. Directions from Route 9 driving north: Take Exit 4, go straight across Route 154, over the railroad tracks and up the hill. Scheduled dates are Saturdays between 9am – 1pm on the following dates: September 7, 21, and October 12, 26. For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable materials visit www.riv-ercog.org or call 860-581-8554.

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

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

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

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Brad Ficken was the winner of the Old Lyme Events 3rd Quarter Cover Contest. The photo was taken at the DEEP Marine Headquarters observation platform. Thank you to all who responded!

Chamber Update



Scarecrow, Tin Man and Toto welcome people to Lyme Street and the Lyme Academy College during Beyond the Yellow Brick Road



The munchkins of the Lollipop Guild welcomed visitors to the Fresh Ayer Gallery during Beyond the Yellow Brick Road

Our first meeting of the year was at The Hideaway with Michael Perks of Mentoring Corps for Community Development. Author Todd Gipstein performed magic tricks in October at the Shoreline Community Center, catered by Coffee's Market.

Fresh Ayer Gallery hosted Business with Pleasure at Fresh Ayer in November, co-sponsored with Pizzeria DaVinci, Andy's Deli & Market, The Hideaway, and The Chocolate Shell. Open to all, it was a great way to kick off the six weeks of Light Up Old Lyme holiday magic.

On December 7, take a historic walking tour or horse drawn carriage ride on Lyme Street, and enjoy special sales and events (the Cookie Walk!) on Halls Road. (www.VisitOldLyme.com for details).

2014 Dates

Join us for Business with Pleasure, 5:30 to 7pm, on January 16 at the Lyme Art Association, and meet new Executive Director Joe Newman; and March 15 at Healthy Addictions.

Coming in 2014: find out who will concoct the tastiest new cocktail sensation at a "Bartender Challenge." Details soon.

Pick up a Chamber discount card at the OLPGN Library early in the year – support the library & use the card for discounts at local businesses.

In October, our members made the most of Beyond the Yellow Brick Road. Wee Faerie Village in the Land of Oz at the Florence Griswold Museum, visitors could not help but notice the Oz theme all over town: specialty cocktails at Jessie's, Bee & Thistle and Old Lyme Inn; fantastic Oz displays at The Woman's Exchange, Fresh Ayer Gallery, Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe and The Chocolate Shell; special savings at Old Lyme Stone and life-sized Scarecrow and Tin Man on the front lawn of the College.

To paraphrase: there's no place like our Lymes! And, as we begin the holiday season, don't forget to BUY LOCAL.

Catherine Frank, Lyme Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce President

The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection

Remember to List Your Organization's Volunteer Opportunities

The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection, <http://volunteer.truist.com/ollvolunteer>, is an online resource for the communities of Old Lyme and Lyme that matches the skills and interests of volunteers with the needs of community based organizations, including non-profit organizations, educational institutions, and town committees, located within or providing services to the two towns. Setting up a free account for your organization and listing volunteer opportunities is straightforward and does not require any specialized computer skills. The Old Lyme-Lyme Volunteer Connection currently includes about twenty-five local organizations but would like to have more. If you are the leader of a service organization in need of volunteers, remember to post your listings.

This Holiday Season Make a Resolution to Get Involved

Every holiday season many of us receive numerous requests for much needed cash donations from our local non-profit organizations. However, please remember that the gift of your time, for a one-time event or throughout the year, is also greatly needed and well appreciated. The Old Lyme – Lyme Volunteer Connection website, <http://volunteer.truist.com/ollvolunteer>, lists a wide range of community service opportunities available through our local service and cultural organizations. Participating organizations include the Florence Griswold Museum, the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts, The Nearly New Shop, the Town of Old Lyme, The Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, and the Old Lyme Historical Society, among many others. Volunteering is the gift that gives back.

First Congregational Church of Old Lyme

LBS December Luncheon Meeting. The Ladies Benevolent Society of the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme, 2 Ferry Road, will host its popular Christmas luncheon at noon on Tuesday, December 10th in the Fellowship Hall. The Old Lyme High School Select Choir will entertain with holiday music. Items from the Elephants in Winter Sale will also be on sale. All are welcome to attend however, reservations are necessary.

The cost is \$5 with a donation of a nonperishable food item to the Food Pantry. Call the church office to make a reservation, (860) 434-8686.

Elephants in Winter Sale. The annual Elephants in Winter Sale at the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme on Ferry Road will be held on Saturday, December 7, from 9 am to 12 noon. On sale will be Christmas decorations and gifts, hand-made items from the Sewing Group, International and tribal craft items, and coffee and donuts. Great holiday shopping!

Family Dinner. Family Dinner on Sunday, March 23, 2014 to benefit The Crosby Fund for Haitian Education, to be held in the Fellowship Hall of the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme at 2 Ferry Road. The event is sponsored by the Ladies Benevolent Society. Cost TBA, reservations are necessary, please call the church office at (860) 434-8686.



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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 must 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 are charged by weight at \$110/ton. Recyclables should not be mixed in the same load with Bulky Waste or Demolition debris. Loads of less than 100 lbs. will be charged a minimum fee of \$5.00.

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

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

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. Thank you!




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Gruyere – A Great Cheese for the Holidays

Gruyere is one of my favorite cheeses and it ranks on my top 10 list. The reason is simple: few cheeses come close to the versatility of Gruyere. It gives fondue its body, onion soup its elegance, and Quiche Lorraine its flavor. In fact it can handle any task when it comes to cooking. It has great melting capabilities, it doesn't get stringy, nor does it solidify. Heat enhances its flavor and its keeping quality is longer than most other cheeses.

Basic Gruyere Fondue

Given the hundreds of recipes out there, my favorite is the traditional Swiss recipe. It's tried and true and I've been using it for over 40 years.

1 cup dry white wine	1 garlic clove
1/4 cup Kirsch (optional)	Squeeze of lemon juice
1-pound Gruyere, shredded or cubed	Nutmeg & Pepper to taste
2 tablespoons arrowroot (corn starch or flour will work)	2 loaves French bread, cut into bite sized cubes

Rub the fondue pot with the cut garlic clove (discard garlic). Then mix the shredded or cubed cheese, black pepper and the arrowroot in a plastic bag. Try to coat all of the cheese with arrowroot to stop the cheese from sticking together.

Heat the wine in the fondue pot until hot but not to a boil. Stir in the lemon juice which adds acidity to help the cheese and the wine merge. Add the cheese to the wine, a handful at a time while stirring constantly, until melted and smooth. Top with a little nutmeg and additional pepper to taste.

Paul Partica, The Cheese Shop of Centerbrook,

Sparkling Wines for the Holidays

Sparkling wines are a great way to give a little "pop" to your celebrations. Champagne is the most widely known sparkling wine which is grown and produced in France in the Champagne region. There are many other sparkling wines from all over the world but they are only considered true Champagne if they come from this region. The grapes used to produce these sparkling wines are Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier. Varieties of champagne are: Blanc de Blanc, which is made of strictly Chardonnay grapes; Blanc de Noir, which is a blend of Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier; and Rose, which is typically one of the driest and best Champagnes. Rose Champagne has a small amount of still Pinot noir added to give the beautiful salmon color to the wine. Some sparkling wines are made in the same method as that of Champagne, and using the same grapes, these wines are labeled 'Methode Champenoise.'

Sparkling wine comes in a wide range of taste from bone-dry to sweet and floral flavors. The finishing process in which the wine is made determines this. As sediment collects on the cork, it is removed by placing the neck of the bottle in a freezing brine solution, which results in the sediment popping out under pressure when the bottle is opened. This 'clears' the wine and in-turn leaves a space in the bottle which is filled with a dose of sugar solution. The percentage of sugar solution added determines how the bottle will be labeled. From driest to sweetest they are labeled; Natural, Brut, Extra Dry, Sec, Demi Sec and the sweetest is Doux (which is not carried much in the US).

In Italy, Asti and Prosecco are the two most popular sparkling wines. Asti Spumante is sweet and bubbly having been produced using Moscato Bianco grapes. The Prosecco grape produces a sparkling wine that lacks the sweetness of an Asti yet is not as dry as Champagne. Prosecco has quickly become one of the most popular sparkling wines on the market with its shopper friendly price tag and its approachability on the palate. Ranging from Brut to Extra Dry, Prosecco can be enjoyed with a wide variety of dishes or simply as an aperitif, or with dessert.

To jazz up your sparkling wines you can make a range of popular bubbly drinks. Add a touch of peach nectar to your Prosecco for a Bellini, a classic Italian favorite. Or perhaps you are in the mood for a Kir Royal, adding cassis to your Champagne. Orange Juice is a traditional American Brunch favorite to add to your sparkling wine. Or if you just want a kiss of fruit, place a few sliced strawberries in your glass. Whatever the occasion, sparkling wine is always a great addition.

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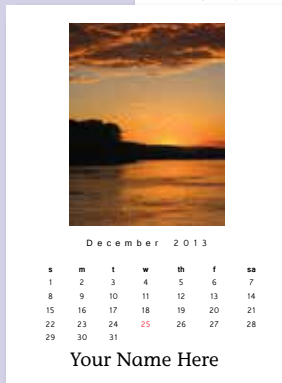
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