

OLD LYME TYMES

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Holiday 2006



FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT

The **Town Hall Expansion** Committee, under the leadership of John Forbis, is moving the expansion project ahead on an ambitious timeline. The closing on the Speirs property (50 Lyme St.) took place on October 25, but nothing will happen to the property until voters approve construction funding for the entire project at a Town referendum, tentatively scheduled in February 2007.

We were informed by Regional School District 18 that it has decided against locating its Central Offices in the renovated Town Hall. We are pleased we were able to provide the District with an option against which other options may be compared. Meanwhile, our architect, Paul Bailey of New Haven, has redesigned plans for Town Hall offices only and we recently received a Certificate of Appropriateness from the Historic District Commission. We will be presenting the expansion plan to other Land Use Boards and Commissions this quarter.

Because so much of the architectural and engineering work must be done before the Town referendum next February, the Boards of Selectmen and Finance have recommended to a Special Town Meeting to be held on November 13 the approval of an additional \$225,000 to fund the A&E costs. This request is in line with the overall budget. The A&E work will provide us with sufficient detail so that we may have an accurate cost estimate of the project for the referendum. The Committee is hard at work applying for two State grants totaling \$800,000.

We are also applying for other grants in order to reduce the cost of the project to the taxpayers. If we stick to our schedule, construction could start in April of 2007.

The Towns of Lyme and Old Lyme were notified that each will receive a Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) grant of \$325,000, for a total of \$650,000, to complete **Phase II of the Town Woods Park** project. Phase II consists of constructing two softball/baseball fields behind the Field House. We had a brief ceremony to celebrate the grant awards and we thanked Sen. Stillman and Rep. Giuliano for their help in securing the grants. The engineering work has already been done. A Town Woods Building Committee, under the leadership of Bob Dunn, will begin its work so the project can be put out to bid in the spring of 2007.

The membership of the Black Hall Club and the voters of Old Lyme approved authorizing the funds to purchase two **open space** parcels of land owned by Black Hall Woods, LLC. Some of the owners of the LLC are still evaluating the terms of sale, but we are hopeful that they will agree to the terms of sale, as approved. The Club and the Town were authorized to each pay up to \$415,000 over the next two years (without interest) for the approximate 39 acres. The Old Lyme Conservation Trust has pledged \$10,000 toward the Town's share and there are other contributions, as well. A closing is planned in January 2007 and it must be in accordance with the

terms approved.

The Ethics Formation Committee has completed its work on the proposed **Code of Ethics**. The Code can be viewed on the Town's web site and the Board of Selectmen welcomes comments from the public. We plan an information meeting on the Code in November. Following that, the Code and an Ethics Ordinance will be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in January 2007. Thanks to Chairman Glenn Sulmasy, and Committee members Irene Carnell, Jack Collins, David Klein, Mark Mercurio and Bob Roser for moving this important business along so swiftly.

The Town and District 18 have discussed the possible **relocation of the bus barn** from Jadon Dr. to a portion of the Town's landfill property at Four Mile River Rd. at the end of the bus contract in June of 2010. The Town is willing to allow the District to use the location at no cost. The bus company would pay only operating costs, such as maintenance and insurance. We believe operating costs would be less than \$10,000 per year. Currently, the District pays indirectly about \$50,000 per year in rent. While the District is receptive to our concept, it is unwilling to pay for the upfront analysis to determine if the site is suitable for a bus barn. The District believes the Town should do the work and foot the bill. I believe that, because the District will be the beneficiary of an estimated \$40,000 per year in rent savings well into the future, it should perform the work and pay the cost of the analysis.

In an effort to move this along, I have asked our Landfill Closure engineering firm to provide a process and cost estimate to relocate the bus barn.

We have hooked-up the Cross Lane Firehouse to the **Connecticut Water Company** water main. The well water had deteriorated in quality, so this was a good option. We are also trying to extend Ct. Water Company's 8" water main to the end of Hartford Ave. It now stops just south of Martino Rd. and about a dozen property owners would like it extended while we are reconstructing Hartford Ave. The timing to complete the work and the end of the paving season is tight, but we would like to assist with this improvement to Sound View. All costs associated with the water main extension would either be paid by Ct. Water or the property owners.

District 18 and the Town conducted a bid opening for a **new financial and accounting system** on October 16. The Town's Information Technology Committee and the Business Manager for the District must evaluate the bids and make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Education. We would like to have the new system up and running for the new fiscal year (July 2007).

The **Landfill Closure** is moving ahead with the construction of a large equipment storage shed and the installation of the truck scale. We are on track to begin using the new transfer station next spring and the capping of the actual landfill will occur in the future. The Town has ordered 5,000 **recycling bins** to help residents recycle. The 14 gallon bins will have tops and will be stamped with the Town seal and the words "newspapers, magazines, and household papers". The cost per ton of recycling is significantly less than disposing of garbage, so we encourage all residents to participate fully. If you want more information about what can be recycled, please consult the Town's web site or stop by the Selectman's Office.

Last, we mourn the loss of our Town Hall cat, Marmalade, who died on October 4. She was our official greeter for about 5 years and was a big hit with the children. There has been discussion about a replacement cat, so stay tuned. The Board of Selectmen hopes you and your families have an enjoyable holiday season.



Timothy C. Griswold
First Selectman



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Citizen of the Year nominations are sought by the Board of Selectmen for the Annual Town meeting on January 22. Appointments to town boards and commissions will be made by the Board of Selectmen in January. Volunteers are needed to fill these important positions. Application forms are available online (www.oldlyme-ct.gov) and at the Town Hall.

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 17.8 mills on the dollar laid on the grand list of October 1, 2005 is due January 1, 2007. Also due on that date are the supplemental Motor Vehicle tax bills.

Payments must be made on or before February 1, 2007 to avoid penalty. Any payment made after that date will be charged interest at the rate of 11/2% per month going back to the due date. (February interest is 3%)

Payments may be made in person at the Town Hall, 52 Lyme St., mailed to the PO Box 482, Old Lyme, CT 06371 or **paid online at** www.oldlyme-ct.gov.

Judith Tooker
Tax Collector

Applications for the **Board of Assessment Appeals** process will be available in the Assessor's Office at the end of January. Applications must be **completely filled out** and returned to the Assessors office on or before Feb. 20. The Board meets 3 times in March 2007.

Congratulations to LOLHS students Thomas Koski and James Logan, who were awarded **the N. Rutherford Sheffield Memorial Scholarship** by the Chamber of Commerce last year.

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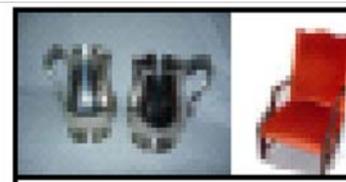
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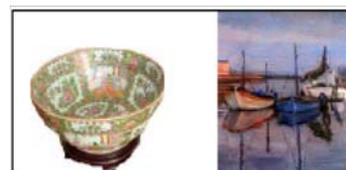
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The **Social Services** Department will accept applications for the 2006/2007 **Connecticut Energy Assistance Program** starting Nov. 1. Assistance is based on income and household size. To see if you qualify or request an application, phone Sherry Meyer at 434-4127.

The Assessors Office reminds residents of *Elderly & Totally Disabled and Additional Veterans* tax relief availability. For more information, call Mickie Fraser, Administrative Assessment Technician, 434-1605, ext. 219.

On Dec. 5, members of the **Duck River Garden Club** will gather with greens, gloves and clippers to create 17 large holiday wreaths to adorn the Town Hall, library, fire station, senior center and other sites frequented by community residents and visitors. Join the club and learn to create a wreath for your own home. Other ongoing civic projects include maintenance of plantings at nine town locations, weekly exhibits and donations of horticultural books to the OL/PGN Library, Garden Therapy flowers and entertainment at Bridebrook, and scholarships to LOLHS graduating seniors. The annual plant sale held in May provides support for these and other club efforts.

Looking for a special gift for holiday giving? Consider a gift certificate for redemption at this year's **Duck River Garden Fair** on May 18 and 19. For more information call Doreen Thomas, 434-7740.

Another gift idea comes from the **Old Lyme Historical Society** which has published *Poverty Island* by Neri A. Clark. Dr. Clark, now in his late 80's, describes the hardscrabble existence his family endured in Old Lyme in the 1930s. Illustrations are by Old Lyme artist Catherine Christiano. *Poverty Island* is the first in a series of monographs about life in Old Lyme planned by the Society. The book, as well as note cards of the illustrations, are on sale at *The Turning Page* bookstore and *Coffee's Market*.

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The Holiday season begins with the **Annual Tree Lighting & Carol Sing** sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Bring family & friends to the Old Lyme Marketplace on Dec. 7 from 5 to 6pm. Santa will make an appearance.

The **Lyme Art Association** supports **Shoreline Soup Kitchen** and **Pantries** with proceeds from opening night sales of their "**Deck The Walls**" holiday show on Nov. 10. LAA artists feature hand-made holiday decorative items for sale, such as ornaments, wreaths, gift tags, and note cards. The exhibition will run through Jan. 6.

The **Magic of Christmas** takes place at the **Florence Griswold Museum** Nov. 18 through Jan.7. The display features Fantasy Trees, Miss Florence's Artist Tree and the Griswold House decorated in keeping with 1910, the height of the Lyme Art Colony (and Miss Florence's 60th birthday on Christmas day)!

English High Teas are scheduled at the Florence Griswold on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays Nov. 29 through Dec. 29. Seatings 2-3pm and 3:30-4:30pm. \$20 per person includes Museum admission. Reservations are required. Call Matt, 434-5542 ext.111.

Start your holidays the day after **Thanksgiving** with a **horse-drawn ride** on the **Florence Griswold Museum** grounds with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Candy canes to all riders! Afterwards, make a gingerbread ornament in the Education Center. 10am-2pm.

Children can bring their favorite stuffed animal to a **Teddy Bear Tea Party** on Dec. 18, 11am or 2pm, at the Florence Griswold Museum. \$12 per pair (child and adult). Reserve tickets 434-5542,ext. 111 or matt@flogris.org.

'Tis the season for **Holiday Concerts**. The **Old Lyme Town Band** has scheduled their free annual event for Dec. 10, 2pm, at the Lymes' Senior Center. On Dec.13, **The Holly and the Ives**: Festive Songs of Charles Ives, and other Seasonal Music is at the Florence Griswold Museum at 7pm. Fee: \$12 .Reservations required, Phone Matt (434-5542 ext 111) or matt@flogris.org.



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A winter studies program called *Tickling the Ivories: American Piano Music from the Colonial Era to the Present Day* begins at the Florence Griswold Museum on Feb. 2 and continues through April 27. Join Music and American Studies Professor Neely Bruce for this musical course. Tuition: \$200. 434-5542.

Because **Christmas & New Year's** days are on Mondays, Shoreline Sanitation's **Trash pick up schedules** will change: Monday pick up will be Tuesday; Tuesday pick up will be Wednesday; Wednesday & Thursday pick ups will be Thursday; Friday pick up will be on schedule. During **Thanksgiving week**, Thursday & Friday trash pick up will be on Friday.

To report a **streetlight outage or problem**, please phone the Selectman's Office (434-1605, ext. 212) with **the location of the pole and the pole #**. Please note that some streetlights are the responsibility of private associations.

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Christmas trees are picked up curbside after the holiday season. A **Spring leaf collection** is scheduled for the first week of May.

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There are a few simple principles that everybody should understand before they set out to prune a tree.

- Each cut has the potential to change the growth of the tree. Always have a purpose in mind before a cut is made.
- Proper technique is essential. Poor pruning can cause damage that lasts for the life of the tree. Learn where and how to make the cuts before picking up the pruning shears.
- Trees do not "heal" the way people do. When a tree is wounded it must grow over and "compartmentalize" the wound. In effect, the wound is contained within the tree forever.
- As a rule, small cuts do less damage to the tree than large cuts. This is why proper pruning (training) of young trees is critical. Waiting to prune a tree when it is mature can create the need for large cuts that the tree cannot easily close.

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Who can participate? Older adults who are homebound for a variety of reasons. The OLPGN is looking for participants to contact and get started in our program! Do you know someone who might benefit from this service?

What may you borrow? Any of our materials that circulate: books including large print and paperbacks, magazines, movies, music CDs or audio books, can be borrowed through the homebound service. You can check out up to 5 items per delivery.

How do I sign up? You simply have to register for a library card either through a visit by a library volunteer, by mail or phone at 434-1684. You will be put in our computer system.

How frequent are deliveries? How long may I have them? There are two ways to participate: Through the Meals on Wheels service provided by the Lymes' Senior Center or by signing up directly with the library. Books and other materials will be delivered and picked up weekly and loaned for 4 weeks. DVDs and magazines will be loaned for 1 week.

Can I reserve a book? You can make request and reserve an item by phone or online at the library's website. You will be added to the waiting list and receive your item when a copy becomes available.

Are there any fines or fees? There are no fines and no charges for this service.

Have questions? Want to sign up? Call 434-1864.
www.oldlyme.lioninc.org.

Community Organizations & Contacts

Friends of the OLPGN Library: Mary Stone

434-7754 (stonehawkins@ctol.net)

Bikes for Kids: Chuck Graeb 434-3684

Girl Scouts: Denise O'Neil 434-0742

Cub Scouts: Andi Spragg 434-4015

aspragg@sbcglobal.net

Boy Scouts: Mike Gentry 434-1587

Little League: Jerry Zrenda 434-0755

Soccer Club: Brian Cole 434-9034

Lacrosse: Jeff Flower: 434-1402

Old Lyme Town Band: Ann Lander 434-2671

Old Lyme Conservation Trust: 434-0608

www.oldlymeconservtrust.org

Rogers Lake Hall Rental: Robin Koenigs 434-3091

Committee for the Health of Rogers Lake:

Maureen Plumleigh 434-5629

Lyme Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce meets Sept. through June at Cherrystones on the 3rd Thursday of the month. 7 PM dinner. **Annual Carol Sing & Tree Lighting** is Dec. 7. Toys for Tots donations accepted at the December meeting. *Taste of Old Lyme* is scheduled for April. President: Charles Delinks. Info: Office Express (434-9200).

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Lyme Old Lyme Lions was chartered over 50 years ago. Their goal is to provide community service and support International Lions' efforts to eliminate blindness and assist the vision-impaired. Meetings monthly at the Lymes' Senior Center. President: Ray Magaldi (739-3109); Membership: Mike Walker (434-5579)

The Old Lyme Town Band rehearses 7PM Mondays at Christ the King Church. New members are always welcomed. Phone 434-2671 or visit oldlymetownband.org.

Lyme Old Lyme Junior Women meet on Mondays: Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 23, Feb. 13, March 19, April 24, May 21. *Expressions*, their annual Art Show fundraiser, takes place April 27, 28, 29. For additional information, contact Presidents Annie Creagan (434-4212) or Kathy Stephenson (434-5058).

The Lymes' Senior Center has a regular schedule of activities: Bridge, Computer Class, Chair Yoga, Tai Chi, Exercise, Watercolor, Creative Writing and more. Lunch is served weekdays at noon for \$2.25 and Meals on Wheels is available for homebound seniors. Phone 388-1611 to make a reservation.

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For Parks and Recreation general information, visit the Town website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov) & link to Parks and Recreation. Call the office 434 1605, ext. 235 or e-mail parkrec@oldlyme-ct.gov. Feel free to contact Don Bugbee at the P&R office with any questions, comments or concerns about any ongoing programs or with new programs ideas and improvements.

Thanks to all of the Volunteer Soccer and Flag Football Coaches who helped to make the Fall season successful. Without this dedication to the youth in our town, these programs would not exist. Volunteers are an important part of Youth Teams and your efforts are appreciated. Thanks also to the High School athletes who are referees of these games. This is a great opportunity for these dependable young adults to increase their understanding of the games.

Ongoing Programs include:

Adult Open Gym Basketball: Open to residents— no fees or sign-ups required. Teams formed each week based on participation. Sessions are held at the High School Gym on Wednesdays from 6:30-9pm through June 6. **Yoga Classes** held at the Middle School on Wednesdays from 7-8:15pm in the area over the Library. Session 2: 4 weeks Nov 15, 29; Dec 6, 13 Fee \$32. Check the website for sessions starting in January.

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Sign-ups for **Winter Youth Basketball** are in-process and teams are now being formed for Grades K-8.

The season runs Jan.6–March 3 at the High School, Middle School and Mile Creek School gyms. Practices will take place in December for Grades 3-8 teams. Check the website for details and all updates.

Employment applications for Summer 2007 will be accepted starting in December 2006. Pick up an application in the Old Lyme Town Hall at the Parks and Recreation Office, Monday-Friday 9am-4pm. We are looking for Lifeguards, Summer Day Camp Counselors, Parking Lot Attendants and Grounds Attendants. Potential Lifeguards must provide proof of Certification for Lifeguarding, First Aid and CPR prior to hiring.

Come to a game— Please find some time to support the Middle School and High School Sports Programs as well. Many of these athletes work for Parks and Recreation as Referees, Day Camp Counselors or Lifeguards. Go Wildcats!

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In order to provide the highest level of assistance to the residents of Old Lyme, the Office of Emergency Management is asking residents to pre-identify themselves in the event of needing special assistance during an emergency. Phone 434-1605, ext. 231 with questions. In the event of an emergency, local emergency workers will contact you and provide assistance.

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EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION OF A RELATIVE OR FRIEND

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

SPECIAL DIRECTIONS TO YOUR HOME:

PLEASE CHECK ANY ITEMS WHICH ADDRESS YOUR NEEDS

I am hearing impaired _____

I use a TDD/TT device _____

I am oxygen dependent _____

I have impaired vision _____

I depend upon electrically powered life sustaining medical equipment:

Respirator equipment _____

In-home dialysis _____

Other _____

I have mobility concerns and rely on the use of a:

Wheelchair _____

Walker _____

Cane _____

Other _____

I have a service animal or guide dog _____

I have special dietary needs _____

I rely on in-home health care assistance _____

I have special prescription needs _____

I would require special transportation in the event I had to evacuate my home _____

I understand that this information is voluntary and will remain confidential.



First Selectman Tim Griswold, Selectwoman Bonnie Reemsnyder, State Rep. Marilyn Giuliano, Selectman Skip Sibley, TW Playground Committee volunteer Sophie Marsh at announcement of \$650,000 in STEAP funds awarded to Lyme & Old Lyme for Phase II at Town Woods Park.



How to reach elected representatives:

State Representative Marilyn Giuliano (23rd District): Legislative Office Building, Room 4200
300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106
1-800-842-1423, 860-240-8700
Marilyn.Giuliano@housegop.state.ct.us
Fax 860 240-0207

State Senator Andrea Stillman (20th District)
Legislative Office Building, Room 3200
Hartford, CT 06106-1595
860-240-8600, or 1-800-842-1420 Stillman@senatedems.ct.gov

United States Senator Christopher Dodd
448 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510
United States Senator Joseph Lieberman
706 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

United States Representative (2nd Congressional District) Robert Simmons
215 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515. Phone: (202) 225-2076 Fax: (202) 225-4977 Courthouse Square Fifth Floor Norwich, CT 06360 Phone: (860) 886-0139 Fax: (860) 886-2974

HELP WANTED: A clerk/recording secretary is needed by the **Harbor Management Commission**. Responsibilities include recording & filing meeting minutes with the Town Clerk. The Commission meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm, except for December & August. This is a paid position. For additional information, phone Commission chair Charles Delinks: 823-9250.

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The mission of the **Old Lyme Historical Society** is to collect, preserve, and interpret the rich history of Old Lyme and its environs for residents and visitors. They have scheduled a continuing series of talks on topics highlighting our history. 40 residents attended their tour of Duck River Cemetery in October with Dr. John Pfeiffer, Town Historian and an acknowledged authority on Old Lyme history. Steven Cryan and Captain Earl Maxfield gave a lecture on “*Steamboats and Other Salty Stories*” on November 9 at Lymes’ Senior Center. For information on future talks or membership in the Society, visit www.OLHSI.org, or phone Tom Schellens (434-2153) or Bob Dunn (434-6492).

Why maintain a Plan of Conservation and Development? All of Old Lyme’s commissions collaborate on a comprehensive and rational plan for the conservation and development of the town, the **Plan of Conservation and Development**. The purpose is to establish basic goals, update town regulations to meet the goals, and develop a comprehensive plan to guide decision makers for the next decade. This Plan must be updated every 10 years and submitted to the State’s Office of Policy and Management, which compiles a state-wide plan. Basic information to be updated in each plan includes: Population Density, Water Resources, Commercial Development, Residential Development, Roadways, and Storm Water Routes.

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Old Lyme last updated its Plan in 2000, and it is available at Town Hall.

A 1995 State of Connecticut act concerning greenways enables conservation commissions to include greenway plans in Town Plans. To be eligible for certain state funding for additions to a greenway, the greenway must be defined and described in the Plan. The Old Lyme greenway can be better defined by additions to the considerable open space already owned by the Town, the Old Lyme Conservation Trust, The Nature Conservancy, and through partnerships with the State of Connecticut.

The Conservation Commission, together with other commissions, is developing a questionnaire to be mailed to every household seeking input on how you want Old Lyme to be conserved and developed. Please look for it, fill it out, add your comments and send it back. Thank you.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Town Hall 434-1605 Landfill 434-2337 Lymes' Senior Center 434-4127 OL/PGN - Old Lyme/Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library 434-1684
 LYSB- Lymes' Youth Services Bureau 434-7208 High Hopes Therapeutic Riding 434-1974
 Lyme Art Association 434-7802 Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts 434-3571 FGM- Florence Griswold Museum 434-5542
 Old Lyme's designated Emergency Shelter is Lyme Old Lyme High School

Florence Griswold Museum: 434- 5542 through March 25: **The Freedom Business:** Connecticut Landscapes Through the Eyes of Venture Smith featuring the poems of Marilyn Nelson and **A Collective Endeavor:** Three Decades of Acquisitions; November 18 through January 7: **The Magic of Christmas**
Lyme Art Association and Gallery 90 Lyme St., 06371 Hours: Tue-Sat. 10-5, Sun. 1-5. Free admission. 434-7802 www.lymeartassociation. Nov 10 - Jan 6: **Deck the Walls Annual Holiday Exhibition & Sale;** Jan 12- March 10: **14th Annual Associate Artists Exhibition;** Jan 12 - Feb 10: Wonders of Winter; Feb 16- March 17: **Interiors Exhibition**

Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts: 84 Lyme Street 434-5232 www.lymeacademy.edu
 Throughout the fall and winter Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts will be celebrating the 30th anniversary of its founding in 1976 by Elisabeth Gordon Chandler. December 1-February 24, 2007 in the Chauncey Stillman and Sill House Galleries: **Celebrating 30 Years of the Fine Arts: Alumni Retrospective: 1976-2006**

NOVEMBER

15...Thanksgiving Bingo at the Lymes' Senior Center

25... **Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides with Santa** and ORNAMENT MAKING at FGM, 10am-2pm

Special Family Programs take place every Sunday, Nov. 19 though Jan. 7, 1-5pm, at the FGM



DECEMBER

English High Teas take place at the FGM, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, November 29 through December 29. Seatings at 2-3pm and 3:30-4:30pm. \$20 per person, includes Museum admission. Reservations required, call Matt at 860-434-5542 x 111 or matt@flogris.org

2...Friends of the OLPGN Library's **Annual Holiday Book Sale**, 10am to 4pm

5... Duck River Garden Club **Annual Community Wreath Making**, 7PM, Rogers' Lake Community Center, Old Lyme

... GALLERY TALK at FGM, 1PM **Earth, Air, Fire, & Water: The Elements of This Year's Fantasy Trees** David D.J. Rau, Director of Education & Outreach

5... A Daytrip to the National Museum of American Illustration with Lunch at La Forge Casino Restaurant in Newport, Rhode Island Fee (includes lunch): \$100 (members \$90). FGM

7... **Gingerbread House Workshop** 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the LYSB \$ 25 per kit. Advance registration. 434-7208

....**Annual Tree Lighting & Carol Sing**, 5-6pm, Old Lyme Marketplace

10...Old Lyme's **Town Band's Holiday Concert**, 2pm at the Lymes' Senior Center

13... 7pm **Holiday Concert** at FGM. The Holly and the Ives: Festive Songs of Charles Ives, Connecticut's Master Composer, and other Seasonal Music Neely Bruce, Musician and Scholar Fee. Reservations required, call Matt at 434-5542 ext 111 or matt@flogris.org

...**Promoting our Mental Health**, workshop 1-2pm at Lymes' Senior Center. Reserve a seat 434-4127

18... **Teddy Bear Tea Parties** at the FGM, 11am or 2pm.Fee. Reserve tickets. 434-5542, ext 111

19... GALLERY TALK at FGM, 1PM Christmas in 1910: The Holidays at the Boardinghouse for Artists, David D.J. Rau, Director of Education & Outreach

....Choral Concert at LOLHS, 7:30pm

27... Betwizt the Holidays event at the FGM 11am and 2pm. Draiocht: The Magic of Daniel GreenWolf. \$2 per person. Reserve tickets. 434-5542

JANUARY

9, 10... Goodbye, Lenin! 7:30pm CT River Film Forum showing at OLPGN

19... HOT AIR CLUB EVENT at FGM 6:30pm Film Night: Basquiat. Fee. Reserve tickets. 434-5542 ext

22...Annual Town Meeting, LOLMS Auditorium, 7:30pm

23... A Daytrip to the Winter Antique Show in New York with VIP Tour and Lunch.FGM. Fee

FEBRUARY

14, 15.... Central Station 7:30pm CT River Film Forum showing at OLPGN

20...11am or 2pm The Airborne Jugglers. Reserve tickets.434-5542 x 111. FGM

21...11am-3pm Winter Craft Workshop: Build a 3D Snowman Included with admission to FGM.

21-23... WINTER WONDERMENT 2007 at FGM

22... 11am or 2pm Creative Dance Workshop for Kids with L'Ana Burton, Director of the Children's Dance Center. Advance Tickets Required.434-5542 x 111

MARCH

14... A Day on Broadway with FGM. See "Grey Gardens" Fee: \$135 (members \$125).

15, 16 Waiting for Guffman 7:30pm CT River Film Forum showing at OLPGN



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