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*A view of mid-October foliage as seen from the window of the town clerk's office
(Photo courtesy of Vicki Urbowicz, Assistant Town Clerk)*

Back Cover:

*A view of the sunset from Blackhall River bridge, taken on November 14, 2014
(Photo courtesy of Vicki Urbowicz)*

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Introduction

For the second time in the twenty-plus years I've been editing and compiling Old Lyme's annual report, there is no theme, but I think this time it is "the wave of the future" and that I won't seek a theme from now on. No matter how universal I think a given theme might be, when contributors can't relate their reports to it, it's then up to me to flesh it out. Individual boards and commissions can always center their reports around major events of their group's past fiscal year, developing and expanding their own individual themes as they see fit. Having no theme for the annual report, however, will mean that no group has to try to jump through hoops.

In early November, I received via email a photo that I wanted immediately for the cover. It arrived as a surprise—I hadn't started beating the proverbial bushes for pictures. Assistant Town Clerk Vicki Urbowicz had taken a photo on a sunny fall day right out her office window of some spectacular foliage. Kirk Felton, Graphics Artist of Quality Printers, utilized the contrast of foliage colors in the sun with the darker interior of the building, divided by the windowpanes themselves, to create an impressive visual for the cover. I am very grateful to both Vicki and Kirk for their artistry.

A window is actually good material for the cover of an annual report beyond appealing scenery. I hope this book serves as a window into the events and activities of forty-seven different departments, boards, commissions, and organizations in Old Lyme's government and community over the course of a fiscal year and maybe beyond. It contains statistics, like deaths, marriages, and election results. You might learn something new, see the name of an old friend on the current roster of a commission, recognize a student you've known who just won an award, or decide that the activities or goals listed by a certain organization might appeal to you enough to make an inquiring phone call or even attend the next meeting "open to the public." Like a view through a window, I hope what's between the covers will prove interesting, and my thanks to all who helped make it so. Take a look...

Michele Dickey
Editor

Selectwoman's Report

Bonnie Reemsnyder
First Selectwoman

Our **Annual Town Meeting** was held on January 27 in the Town Hall Meeting Hall to accept the FY 2013 Town Report. The Board of Selectmen named **Peter Cable as the 2013 Citizen of the Year**. He has been a quiet force serving the town in many ways -- on the Open Space Commission, the High School Building Committee, and the Gateway Commission. In addition, Peter is always willing to lend a hand; when soliciting volunteers to visit our citizens who sought shelter at the East Lyme Middle School during Storm Sandy, Peter was one of the first to offer assistance. He was a comfort particularly to the elderly residents who waited anxiously to be able to return to their homes. We are grateful for his good deeds and congratulate Peter Cable on this honor!

The summer of 2014 began with the long-awaited repairs to the **Rogers Lake Dam**, requiring the lake to be lowered by up to eighteen inches. For years, the dam was leaking at the damaged frame of the sluice gate, and the spillway needed repairs as well. When seeking approval for the repairs, it became apparent that a fish ladder would also need to be installed. The fish ladder would allow the native alewives to return to their original spawning grounds, Rogers Lake. After years of planning with the help of Nathan L. Jacobson & Associates, the work finally commenced and continued through most of the summer. Of course, the lower lake level had a negative impact on the recreation on the lake, as well as causing problems for some residents with shallow wells. While it was an inconvenience for some time, we got through the construction, thanks to the leadership of former First Selectman Tim Griswold and Ellie Czarnowski, who helped keep things moving along. In addition, a new dry hydrant was installed for the safety of the residents in the Rogers Lake area.

The Annual **Midsummer Festival** was held on July 26 and 27, culminating in a presentation by the Old Lyme Town Band, followed by the annual fireworks display behind the Middle School on Saturday evening. We were blessed with excellent weather, and the fireworks were quite a crowd pleaser. As always, the Midsummer Festival is a terrific event that highlights the arts and businesses in our community.

With the award of the grant for the **Route 156 Bike Path and Sound View Improvements**, which will pay for up to 80 percent of the project, **BSC Group, Inc.** was selected to develop the plans and specifications for the project. The project includes a bike path on Route 156 from the I-95 intersection to Hartford Avenue, ending at the town parking lot, which is planned to become a combination park and parking lot, complete with public restrooms. A committee was formed according to DOT requirements for grant-funded projects and has worked throughout the year on the planning. An allocation of \$148,500 (80 percent paid through grant) for plans and specifications for the project was approved by DOT and by the residents at a Town Meeting on March 24, 2014. Phase 1 of the project is expected to be completed in the spring of 2015, with Phase 2, the construction phase, to be completed by the spring of 2016. All updates on the plans are posted on the town website for residents to view and provide feedback. We are excited about the positive improvements that it will bring to the Sound View area of town.

The Town of Old Lyme was awarded a **STEAP Grant** in the amount of \$478,000 for renovations to the Emerson Boathouse in Hains Park as well as some improvements to the park itself. The community is one of the few in the state that has a program for high school students and also an active program for adults and young rowers. The Old Lyme Rowing Association has been actively involved in acquiring the rowing shells for both programs and supporting the high school team in other ways. The boathouse and the docks used to launch the boats have been in need of a facelift for some time. It will be exciting to see the improvements as we go along with the project.

For the third year in a row, our local police were awarded a **Police/Youth grant of \$10,000** from the State of Connecticut, which allowed our officers to continue their work (and a bit of fun) with students in the community. This program has been well received by students, parents, and community leaders and has resulted in positive outcomes that will continue to benefit the community. Special thanks to LYSB for their collaboration and the Old Lyme Police Officers who have been willing to spend so much quality

Selectwoman's Report *(continued)*

time with our students.

As required by State Statutes, the Town of Old Lyme began the revaluation process through **Vision Government Solutions Inc.**, who is the firm hired to complete the program. The reassessment project continued through fiscal year 2014, with new appraisal figures expected by October of 2014. For the most part, the process went smoothly thanks to the cooperation of our residents. The new figures will be used when setting the mill rate for the FY 2016 budget.

The **Lymes' Senior Center** had a new well drilled after water tests revealed contamination, causing the closure of the center for over four weeks. As our Meals on Wheels program is coordinated at the center, there was concern about the continuity for those who depend on this vital service. Thanks to the First Congregational Church and the use of their commercial kitchen, the Meals on Wheels program continued uninterrupted. In addition, several other community organizations, such as the PGN library and LYSB, offered space to maintain the regularly scheduled classes. It was a great example of how a small community pulls together to get through an unforeseen crisis. We extend a special thank you to all those who stepped up to support our Senior Center programs.

Another grant that was awarded to the Town of Old Lyme was for a recycling initiative to increase recycling in our community. While our community currently has a decent rate of about 28 percent, the state is hoping to increase the recycling rate statewide to 60 percent by 2024. A committee formed to oversee the grant was charged with determining if **Pay as You Throw**, or **Unit Based Pricing** such as a bag program, would be a good fit for Old Lyme. While the Board of Selectmen has not yet committed to this model for incentivizing recycling, the committee was instrumental in highlighting the need for education, enforcement, and outreach for our residents. They determined that there are still many residents who have questions about what can be recycled or don't realize that it is a requirement in our state. The committee will continue their efforts through FY 2015 and report back to the Board of Selectmen.

The **Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (NHMP)** for the Town of Old Lyme was developed with the help of Jeremy DeCarli from the RiverCOG and submitted to DEEP for

approval. After some minor revisions requested by DEEP, the final plan was approved and subsequently submitted to FEMA for final approval, which was granted. The plan includes a comprehensive list of tasks that could be considered to mitigate risks for our community. Any tasks that are included in the approved plan are now eligible for grant funds available through FEMA, making the NHMP an important and valuable document to our community.

In April, the Town of Old Lyme took part in a unique anniversary with an event called Light Up the Night. The Historical Society, now in their new home in the former Grange Hall at 55 Lyme Street, hosted the event with Mark Lander telling the story of the event during the War of 1812, when British soldiers navigated up the Connecticut River and decimated ships in Essex Harbor. Militia forces from both sides of the river staged a defense, attempting to prevent the British soldiers from returning to their ships anchored in Long Island Sound. Bonfires were lit in an effort to "light up the river" so the boats were visible. The British soldiers succeeded in returning to their ships, and the raid, which was the largest attack on a port until Pearl Harbor in 1941, has been overshadowed for years. The commemoration was held on April 8 at the Dingy Dock on Ferry Road and was well attended and enjoyed by many.

The Board of Finance met weekly throughout February and March to review the budget requests for FY 2015. The final budget of **\$33,524,624** was approved on May 19, 2014, increasing the mill rate from **19.30 to 19.66 (1.87-percent increase)**. This was an overall increase of \$671,513 over the prior year's budget, for a **2.04-percent increase**. The town continues to maintain a healthy surplus of over 15 percent, which is helpful in maintaining our current **Standard & Poor's rating of AAA**.

Finally, we said goodbye to our **Land Use Coordinator, Ann Brown**, who retired after serving the town for twelve years. **Keith Rosenfeld**, who served as Town Planner/Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer in the Borough of Naugatuck since 2001 and was City Planner for Waterbury from 1993 to 2001, joined the Old Lyme team in June 2014 as our new Land Use Coordinator. We welcome Keith and wish Ann Brown all the best in her retirement.

Elected Officials

	Term Expires
First Selectwoman, Bonnie A. Reemsnyder (D)	Nov. 2015
Selectman, Skip Sibley (R)	Nov. 2015
Selectwoman, Mary Jo Nosal, (D)	Nov. 2015
Town Clerk, Eileen Coffee (R)	Jan. 2018
Town Treasurer, John Bysko (R)	Nov. 2015
Tax Collector, Judith Tooker (R)	Nov. 2015
Board of Finance	
Andrew L. Russell, Chairman (R)	Nov. 2015
Janet Sturges (R).....	Nov. 2019
Christopher W. Kerr (R).....	Nov. 2019
David Woolley (D)	Nov. 2015
H. Perry Garvin III (R).....	Nov. 2017
Wayne E. Devoe (D)	Resigned Jan. 2014
Bennett J. Bemblum (D)	(Appointed Feb. 2014) Nov. 2015
Board of Finance Alternates	
J. David Kelsey (R).....	Nov. 2015
Robert Jose (R).....	Nov. 2015
Bennett J. Bernblum (D).....	(Appointed to BOF Feb. 2014) Nov. 2015
Gil Soucie (D).....	(Appointed June 2014) Nov. 2015
Board of Assessment Appeals	
George Finley (D)	Nov. 2017
Roderick M. White (R)	Nov. 2015
Robert W. Dunn (R).....	Nov. 2013
Timothy C. Griswold (R)	Nov. 2017
Planning Commission	
Harold L. Thompson, Chairman (R).....	Nov. 2015
Robert P. McCarthy, Vice Chairman (D).....	Nov. 2017
Steven Ross (R).....	Nov. 2019
Christopher W. Kerr (R).....	Nov. 2016
Stephen Martino (U).....	Nov. 2013
Edgar Butcher (D).....	Nov. 2018
Regional Board of Education	
Jim Witkins, Chairman (R) Lyme.....	Dec. 2015
Stephen Spooner (R)	Nov. 2013
Sarah Smalley (D).....	Dec. 2015
Russ A. Gomes, Jr., (R)	Dec. 2013
Diane Linderman (D).....	Dec. 2017
Allison Hine (R)	Dec. 2013
Nancy Lucas Edson (D)	Dec. 2017
Steven Cinami (R).....	Dec. 2013
Jean Wilczynski (D).....	Dec. 2017
Vicki Lanier (R)	Dec. 2013
Rick Goulding (D).....	Dec. 2017
Beth Jones (D) Lyme.....	Dec. 2013
Paul Fuchs, Vice-Chair (D)	Dec. 2015
Michelle Roche (D).....	Dec. 2017

Elected Officials *(continued)*

Term Expires

Registrars of Voters

Don Tapper (R)..... Jan. 2017
Sylvia Peterson (D)..... Jan. 2017

Zoning Commission

Patrick Looney (D)..... Resigned Jan. 2014
Joan Bozek (D)(Appointed Jan. 2014) Nov. 2017
John Johnson, Vice-Chairman (R) Nov. 2018
Thomas Risom (R)..... Nov. 2014
Gil Soucie (D)..... (Elected Nov. 2013 to begin Nov. 2014) Nov. 2019
Jane Cable, Chairman (D)..... Nov. 2015
Jane Marsh (R)..... Nov. 2016

Zoning Commission Alternates

Ted Kiritsis (R) Jan. 2015
Joan Bozek (D) Jan. 2014
Harland Frazier (U) Jan. 2014

Zoning Board of Appeals

Susanne M. Stutts (R) Nov. 2013
Judy McQuade (R)..... Nov. 2017
Arthur E. Sibley (R)..... Nov. 2019
Kip Kotzan (D)..... Nov. 2016
Mary Stone (D)..... Nov. 2018
Karen Conniff (D) Nov. 2015

Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate

Martha Rumskas (R)..... Nov. 2013
Richard J. Smith (U)..... Nov. 2013
Harry Plaut (R)..... Nov. 2015
Nancy Hutchinson (U) Nov. 2015

Appointed Officials

Term Expires

Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council

Catherine Frank (R)	Jan. 2015
Tim Devlin (R)	Jan. 2015
Russ Gomes (BOE Appt., R)	June 2013

Commission on Aging

Donald Tapper, Chairman (Municipal Agent for the Elderly)	(standing)
Linda Camarra (OLVNA)	(standing, through July 2014)
Frank Oliveira (R)	Jan. 2016
Phyllis Shepard-Tambini (R)	Jan. 2017
Doris Rand (D)	Jan. 2015
Cliff Johnson (R)	Jan. 2016
Neil Feinberg (U)	Jan. 2015
Stephanie Lyon (Sr. Ctr. Dir.)	Ex Officio

Connecticut River Gateway Commission

Peter Cable, Delegate (D)	July 2016
Suzanne Thompson, Alternate (R)	July 2016

Conservation Commission

George James (R)	Jan. 2015
Linda Clough (D)	Jan. 2017
Lauralyn Lewis (D)	Jan. 2015
Tom Sherer (D)	Jan. 2017
Maureen Plumleigh (U)	Jan. 2015
Susan Baehr (U)	Jan. 2016

Conservation Commission Alternates

John Stearns (U)	Jan. 2015
Jasper Sha (U)	Jan. 2015
Peter Cable/Suzanne Thompson	Ex Officio

Eastern Connecticut Regional Tourism District

Roderick M. White (R)	Sept. 2015
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Economic Development Commission

Robert Jose, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2016
Joseph Camean (R)	Jan. 2018
Susan Howard Cihocki (R)	Jan. 2019
Geraldine Foster (D)	Jan. 2019
John Stratton (R)	Jan. 2015
Frank Oliveira (R)	Jan. 2015
Heather Gagnon (D)	Jan. 2016
William O'Meara (R)	Jan. 2017

Ethics Commission

Michael P. O'Brien, Chairman (U)	Jan. 2015
Brian Hautaniemi (D)	Jan. 2015
Gloria Dimon, Secretary (D)	Jan. 2016
Dwayne Basler (R)	Jan. 2015
Robert Staab, Vice-Chairman (R)	Jan. 2016

Appointed Officials *(continued)*

	Term Expires
Ethics Commission Alternates	
Bonnie Kramm	(Appointed Jan. 2014) Jan. 2015
Patricia M. Trainor	Jan. 2015
Jennifer Kendall	Jan. 2016
Emergency Management Director	
David Roberge	Jan. 2015
Estuary Transit District	
John Forbis (D)	Jan. 2017
Flood and Erosion Control Board	
Steve Ross (R)	Jan. 2016
Gary Smith, Vice Chairman (R)	Jan. 2016
Todd Machnik, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2016
Steve Martino (D)	Jan. 2015
Ellie Czarnowski (U)	Jan. 2015
Flood and Erosion Control Board Alternates	
Donald Willis (R)	Jan. 2015
David Roberge	Ex Officio
Harbor Management Commission	
Steve Ross, Chair (R)	Jan. 2018
Robert Doyen (D)	Jan. 2017
Michael Magee (U)	Jan. 2018
Ned Farman, Vice Chair (D)	Jan. 2018
David Frederiks, Secretary (R)	Jan. 2016
William Harris, Treasurer (D)	Jan. 2016
Harry Plaut (R)	Jan. 2017
Tom Meyer (R)	Jan. 2017
Michael Mackey, Deputy Harbormaster (U)	Ex-Officio
Harbor Management Commission Alternates	
David Musto (R)	Jan. 2015
Curtis Rasmussen (R)	Jan. 2017
Jim Jake (D)	Jan. 2018
Health Director	
Vijay Sikand, M.D. (R)	Jan. 2018
Historic District Commission	
Kenneth Levin (U)	Jan. 2015
James Bechtel (U)	Jan. 2017
Nina Peck (R)	Jan. 2014
Joanne DiCamillo (U)	Jan. 2016
Barbara S. Traskos (R)	(Resigned Jan. 2014) Jan. 2018
John Forbis, Vice Chair (D)	(Appointed Dec. 2013) Jan. 2016
John Pfeiffer, Chair (R)	(Appointed Jan. 2014) Jan. 2018

Appointed Officials *(continued)*

Term Expires

Historic District Commission Alternates

John Pfeiffer (R).....	(Appointed to commission Jan. 2014)	Jan. 2016
John Forbis (D).....	(Appointed to commission Dec. 2013)	Jan. 2016
Barbara Traskos (D)	(Appointed Jan. 2014)	Jan. 2016
Janet Sturges (R).....		Jan. 2014
Dini Mallory (R).....		Jan. 2017

Inland Wetlands Commission

Janet Bechtel (U)		Jan. 2017
Timothy Rollins (U)		Jan. 2017
David McCulloch (D)		Jan. 2017
Lewis DiCamillo, Chairman (R)		Jan. 2015
Stanley Kolber (U)		Jan. 2015
Evan Griswold (R).....		Jan. 2016
Linda Krulikowski (D).....	(Resigned Oct. 2013)	Jan. 2016
Christian Tompkins (U).....	(Appointed Nov. 2013)	Jan. 2016

Inland Wetlands Commission Alternates

Christian Tompkins (U).....	(Appointed to commission Nov. 2013)	Jan. 2016
Mike Moran (R).....		Jan. 2017

Inland Wetlands Hearing Panel

Robert DePianta (D).....		Jan. 2015
Thomas Degnan (U).....		Jul. 2014

Justices of the Peace: 1/7/2013-1/2/2017

(Elected at caucus or through application)

William U. Archer (D)	Doris C. Johnson (R)	Bonnie A. Reemsnyder (D)
John A. Bysko (R)	Victoria K. Lanier (R)	Ruth Dillon Roach (D)
Jane E. Cable (D)	Leslie J. Massa (R)	Mervin F. Roberts (R)
Nancy L. Campbell (D)	Brendan P. McKeever (R)	Jennie Anne Rubera (R)
Christopher Carter (R)	Agnes Q. O'Connor (D)	Martha Ann Rumskas (R)
Karen B. Conniff (D)	Frank Oliveira (R)	John D. Seckla (U)
Barbara McBride Doyen (D)	Gloria J. Pendleton (D)	Walter O. Seifert (R)
Jason Cameron Gagnon (U)	Earl J. Peters (D)	Michelle K. Speirs (U)
Verdina P. Ghirardi (D)	Lawrence I. Peterson, Jr. (D)	Judith A. Tooker (R)
Timothy C. Griswold (R)	Daria M. Phelps (D)	Kurt J. Zemba (R)
Luisa B. Grogan (D)	Doris A. Recor (U)	

Lymes' Senior Center—Board of Directors

Mary Miles, Vice Chairman (D).....	Jul. 2014
Ruth Young, Chairman through 6/13 (Lyme)	Jun. 2014
Gary Weed (Lyme).....	Jun. 2014
Diana Seckla (Lyme).....	Jun. 2014
Dorothy McAndrew (R).....	Jul. 2016
Robert Pierson (R).....	Jul. 2014
Donald Tapper, Municipal Agent for the Elderly (R)	Jul. 2015
Doris Johnson (R).....	Jul. 2015
Ann Griffith (D)	Jul. 2015
Susan Campbell, Chairman beginning 7/13 (U).....	Jul. 2016
Doris Rand (D).....	Jul. 2016
Diane Blackwell (R).....	Jul. 2014

Appointed Officials *(continued)*

	Term Expires
Open Space Commission	
Diana Atwood Johnson, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2017
Amanda Blair (D).....	Jan. 2016
Evan Griswold (R).....	Jan. 2017
George James (R).....	Jan. 2017
William Dunbar (R).....	Jan. 2015
Theodore Kiritsis	(Resigned Sept. 2014) Jan. 2016
Peter Cable (D)	Jan. 2016
Open Space Commission Alternates	
Bruce Baratz (U).....	Jan. 2015
Kurt Zemba (R).....	(Resigned Mar. 2014) Jan. 2015
Marianne Gotfredson (R).....	(Resigned Nov. 2013) Jan. 2014
Mary Stone (D).....	Jan. 2017
Parks and Recreation Commission	
Glynn McArw (R)	Jan. 2017
Robert Dunn (R)	Jan. 2017
Roger Zito (R)	Jan. 2014
Nigel Logan (R).....	Jan. 2017
John Flower (U).....	Jan. 2015
Mary Ellen Garbarino (R).....	Jan. 2015
Missy Colburn (U).....	Jan. 2016
Tim Gavin (U).....	Jan. 2016
Don Bugbee, Parks and Rec. Director	Ex-Officio
Pension Committee	
John Bysko (R).....	Jan. 2017
Gil Soucie (D)	Jan. 2015
Bob Jose, Board of Finance	Ex-Officio
Kathleen Hall, Employee Rep	Ex-Officio
Planning Commission Alternates	
Donald Willis (R).....	Jan. 2015
Todd Machnik (R)	Jan. 2015
Regional Mental Health Board, Region II	
Elizabeth Rubitski (U).....	Jan. 2015
Rogers Lake Authority	
Tom Baehr (D).....	Jan. 2017
Robert Recor (U).....	Jan. 2015
Richard Smith, Chairman (U).....	Jan. 2016
Tom Mondelci, Lyme	
Dennis Overfield, Lyme	
Michael Sicord, Lyme	
Shellfish Commission	
Mervin F. Roberts, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2015
David Redfield (R).....	Jan. 2017
John Seckla (U).....	Jan. 2015

Appointed Officials *(continued)*

	Term Expires
Sound View Commission	
David Kelsey (R)	Jan. 2015
Harry Plaut (R)	Jan. 2016
Joanne Reis Lishing (D)	Jan. 2016
Frank Pappalardo, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2017
Michaelle Pearson (D)	Jan. 2017
Sound View Commission Alternates	
Frank Maratta (R)	Jan. 2015
Russ Carlo (R)	Jan. 2015
Sandra Ziemba (D)	Jan. 2015
Town Counsel	
Marilyn C. Clarke (D)	Jan. 2016
Town Historian	
John Pfeiffer (D)	
Tree Commission	
Joanne DiCamillo, Chairman (U)	Jan. 2017
Anne Bing (D)	Jan. 2016
Emily Griswold (R)	Jan. 2016
Geraldine Foster (R)	Jan. 2017
Joan Flynn, M.D., Alternate (U)	Jan. 2015
Tom Degnan, Tree Warden (U)	Ex-Officio
Tree Warden	
Thomas Degnan (U)	Jan. 2015
Water Pollution Control Authority	
Dmitri Tolchinski (R)	Jan. 2018
Donna Bednar (D)	Jan. 2018
Frank Chan (D)	Jan. 2018
Ernest Lorda (U)	Jan. 2015
Kurt Zemba, Chairman (R)	Jan. 2015
Richard Prendergast (R)	Jan. 2017
Tom Risom, Vice Chair (R)	Jan. 2017
Douglas Wilkinson, Secretary-Treasurer (U)	Jan. 2017
Robert McCarthy (D)	Jan. 2017
Water Pollution Control Authority Alternates	
Andrea Lombard (R)	Jan. 2017
Water Pollution Control Authority Hearing Panel	
Robert DePianta (D)	July 2014
Luisa Grogan (D)	July 2014
Roger Breunig (R)	July 2014

Appointed Officials *(continued)*

TOWN STAFF

Animal Control Officer	Lynn Philomen
Assessor.....	Walter E. Kent, Jr.
Administrative Assessment Technician	Maribeth Fraser
Building Department –Administrative Assistant	Kathleen Hall
Assistant Building Official/Assistant Sanitarian	John Flower
Emergency Management Director.....	David Roberge
Finance Director.....	Nicole Stajduhar
Finance Administrator	(Retired Oct. 2014) Doris Johnson
Fire Marshal	David Roberge
Health Department Administrative Assistant	Patricia Myers
Health Department, Sanitarian.....	Sonia Marino
Information Technology Coordinator.....	Ruth Roach
Land Use (<i>Inland Wetlands, Planning, Zoning, Zoning Board of Appeals</i>)	
Zoning and Inland Wetlands Enforcement Officer	Ann Brown (Retired May 2014),
.....	Keith Rosenfeld (As of June 2014)
Land Use Administrator.....	Kim Groves
Zoning Enforcement Technician (Certified)	Kim Barrows
Payroll Administrator	Michele E. Hayes
Parks and Recreation Director	Donald Bugbee
Selectman’s Office – First Selectwoman	Bonnie Reemsnyder
Selectman’s Office –Executive Assistant	Catherine Frank
Selectman’s Office – Manager.....	Michele E. Hayes
Senior Center Director	Stephanie Lyon
Social Services Coordinator	Valerie Goncalves
Tax Clerks	Ann Johnson, Toni O’Connor
Tax Collector.....	Judy Tooker
Town Clerk.....	Eileen Coffee
Assistant Town Clerk	Vicki Urbowicz

Resident State Trooper: TFC Gary Inglis

Town Police: Wayne Collins, Thomas Heinsen, Martin Lane, Todd Maikshilo, Sal Milardo, Dominic Solari, Robert Tyson, William Zipadelli; Keri Zito, Part-Time Clerk

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Public Works Superintendent – Edward Adanti

Recycling Coordinator – Donald Rutty

Richard Campbell
Jamie Curley
Lawrence Galbo

Richard Gocka
Brian Lorentson
Robert Perry

Donald Saunders
Robert Swaney
Robert Wanat

Election Results – November 5, 2013

First Selectman

Democratic – Bonnie Reemsnyder, 1,167*

Selectman

Republican – Arthur E. Sibley, Jr., 684*

Democratic – Mary Jo Nosal, 849*

Town Clerk

Republican – Eileen Coffee, 1,083*

Board of Finance (Full Term)

Republican – Janet Sturges, 1,005*

Republican – Christopher Kerr, 980*

Board of Finance Alternate

Republican – Robert Jose, 798*

Republican – J. David Kelsey, 940*

Democratic – Bennett Bernblum, 973*

Board of Assessment Appeals

Republican – Timothy Griswold, 735*

Democratic – George Finley, 805*

Planning (5-yr. term begins 2013)

Republican – Donald Willis, 678

Democratic – Edgar Butcher, 781*

Planning (5-yr. term begins 2014)

Republican – Steven Ross, 949*

Zoning (5-yr. term begins 2013)

Republican – John Johnson, 905*

Zoning (5-yr. term begins 2014)

Republican – Tom Risom, 681

Democratic – Joseph G. Soucie, 765*

Zoning Board of Appeals

(5-yr. term begins 2013)

Republican – Martha Rumskas, 551

Democratic – Mary Stone, 897*

Zoning Board of Appeals

(5-yr. term begins 2014)

Republican – Arthur Sibley, Sr., 954*

Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate

Republican – Laurie O'Brien, 887*

Republican – Harry Plaut, 858*

Board of Education (Full Term)

Republican – Kirk Hoerauf, 549

Republican – Maxwell Greenwood, 528

Republican – Steven Cinami, 586

Rep./Dem. – Rick Goulding, 1,401*

Democratic – Jean Wilczynski, 975*

Democratic – Diane Linderman, 904*

Democratic – Nancy Lucas Edson, 845*

Board of Education (Fill Vacancy for 2 Yrs.)

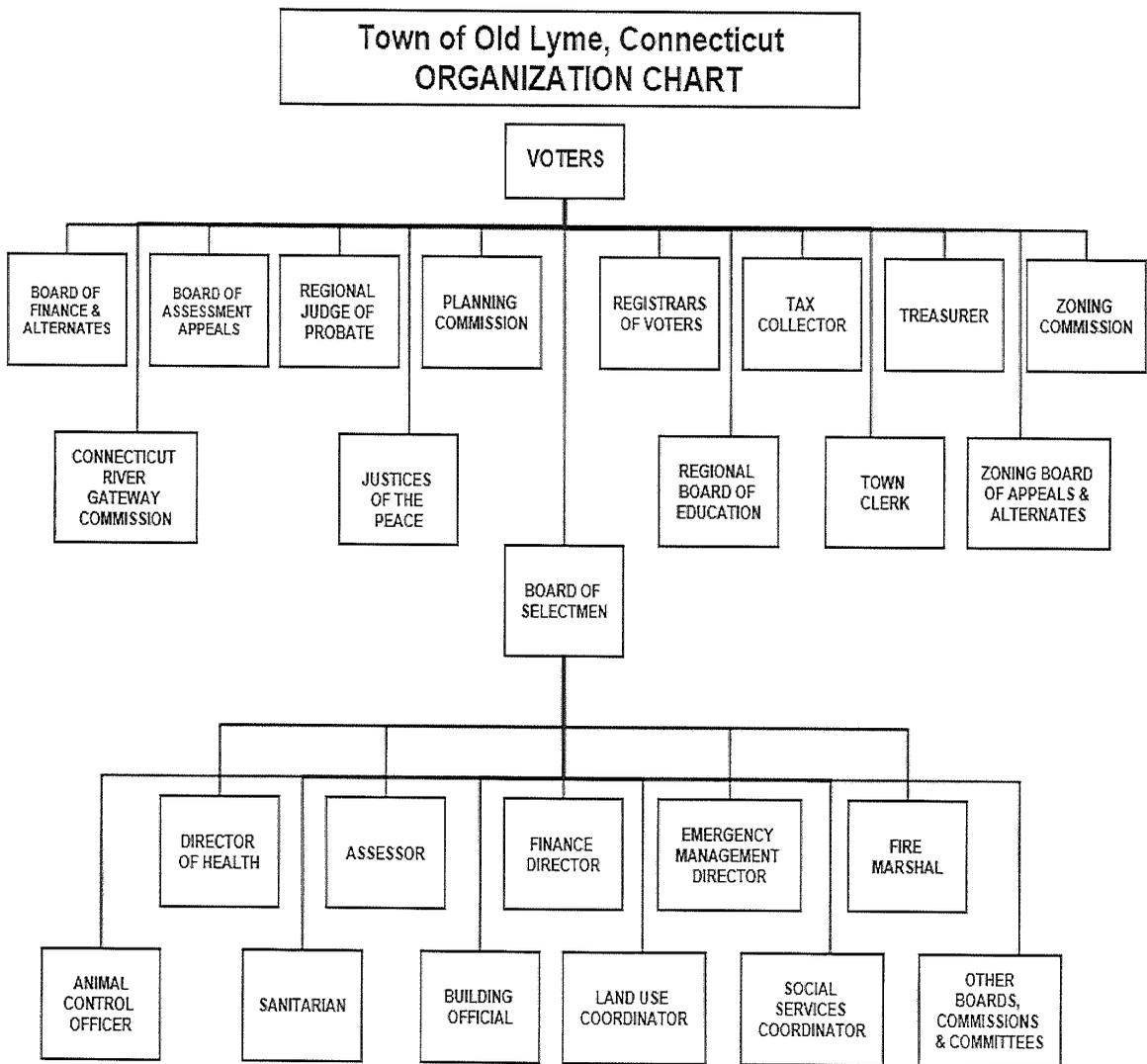
Republican – Stephen Spooner, 510

Democratic – Sarah Smalley, 756*

Petitioning Candidate – Russ Andrew Gomes, Jr., 236

(* - Indicates elected)

Organization Chart



Marriages July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014

Angelo Vincenzo Parziale - Lauryn Ann Yanelli.....	July 6, 2013
James T. Scott - Caroline Spencer Griswold	July 6, 2013
Michael James Powers - Melissa Naomi-Ann Morgan	July 6, 2013
Kyle James Chilleri - Crystal Gayle Wilcox.....	July 13, 2013
Russell Woolverton Todd - Stephanie Lee Wilcox (New London)	July 14, 2013
Richard James Ventura - Susan Carol Schrey	July 20, 2013
Michael Owen Eagan, Jr. - Elizabeth Marie Tyler	July 26, 2013
Jermaine Antonio Matheson - Katherine Suzanne Ruddick.....	July 27, 2013
Timothy David Lettelleir - Susan Renee D’Onofrio	July 27, 2013
Scott Paul D’Amato - Jennifer Ashley Salafia (Old Saybrook).....	July 28, 2013
Jason Daniel Simms - Jillian Pearl Mackey (New Haven).....	August 2, 2013
Ryan Michael Havanec - Amelia Louise Tomas	August 3, 2013
Eric Joseph Andrews - Jeanne Pietromonaco Kahn	August 10, 2013
Jacob Antonius Konst - Chloe Hall Lubell.....	August 10, 2013
James Barrett Cummins - Marina Taylor Thompson.....	August 10, 2013
Matthew Jacob Bernard - Joanna Magdalena Czekajewski.....	August 10, 2013
Christopher Robert Dobransky - Natalie Iris Vega.....	August 12, 2013
David Anthony Noe - Amanda Leah Shlien.....	August 17, 2013
Michael Sean Bosko - Kristen Elizabeth Jacobson.....	August 20, 2013
Matthew Spencer Lewis - Caitlyn Parkinson Zatursky	August 31, 2013
Frederic J. Ariale, Jr. - Donna B. Lott (Portland).....	September 1, 2013
Raymond Watson Griffin - Thomas Anh Robinson	September 3, 2013
John Henry Kucinskias, Jr. - Rachel Ann Ludecke	September 7, 2013
Justin Michael Stabley - Kristi Elizabeth Corrigan.....	September 7, 2013
Shawn Michael Kotecki - Isabella Giovanna Abare-Brown.....	September 10, 2013
Michel Anthony Ciccone - Lori Lynn Pazameta.....	September 12, 2013
Kyle Gerard Hahn - Carley Marie Litchfield	September 14, 2013
Nicholas Allen Michaelson - Sarah Elizabeth O’Sullivan.....	September 14, 2013
Robert John Previti - Melanie Kathleen Glanert	September 14, 2013
Keith Hempstead Chapman - Evelyn Gonzalez Spinnato	September 18, 2013
Charles Corbin Cummins - Katrina Anne Paleski	September 21, 2013
Charles Edwin DeLinks, Jr. - Eva Jane Cheshire	September 21, 2013
Carlos Manuel Garcia - Heather Lynn Hawkins.....	September 21, 2013
Michael Alexander Zarolinski - Ashlee Fahringer Fox.....	September 21, 2013
Joseph Terrence Palladino - Nora L. Parsons.....	September 24, 2013
John Allan Bysko, Jr. - Janessa Lynn Storace	September 28, 2013
Anthony Francesco Girardi - Karla Elizabeth Garbe (Preston).....	September 28, 2013
Benjamin Parker Donaldson - Lisa Rosanne Kereszi	September 29, 2013
Giorgi Kveladze - Mariam Avetisova	October 3, 2013
Edward Michael Walsh III - Maria Katia Sierra.....	October 12, 2013
Christopher Michael Konow - Ashlee Marie James (Lebanon)	October 12, 2013
Wilhelm Wolfgang Meya - Barbara Joan Willkens.....	October 12, 2013
Paul Nicolosi - Marlise Rose Pagano.....	November 2, 2013
David Ernest Nance - Jasmine Jake McTigue	November 8, 2013
Peter Paul Mariani III - Heather Elizabeth Nazarko	November 8, 2013
Jack Barry Hotchkiss - Margaret Rose Piver Comstock (Stonington).....	November 12, 2013
Donald James White - Kelly Ann Shannon	December 7, 2013
Cameron Clarke Staples - Christi Jennifer Holmes.....	December 29, 2013
David Michael Plante - Christian Militello	December 30, 2013
Nathan Alan Keay - Jordan Louise Skowron	January 4, 2014

Marriages July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 *(continued)*

Steven Darl Griffin - Gail Anne Montesanto (Stonington)	February 1, 2014
Christopher Lawrence Pritt - Tammy Renae Losh.....	February 14, 2014
Robert F. Sicuranza - Paula C. Meister (Meriden)	February 14, 2014
Steven Mark Scanlon - Anna Marie Pascale.....	March 1, 2014
Jeffrey David Abbott - Linda Ann Urtel.....	March 1, 2014
Arthur Edward Newman III - Amy Lorraine Page (Waterford).....	March 6, 2014
William James Tulloch, Jr. - Tracy Lynn Bonin	March 15, 2014
Stacy Christine McDougal - Lori Ann Christman (Old Saybrook)	March 15, 2014
Gregory Philip Bowerman - Yherik San Miguel Torres (Lyme).....	March 22, 2014
John Charles Petersen - Dinty Nova Pascual Loyola	April 8, 2014
Edward Francis Hackett III - Nicole Colburn (Guilford)	April 20, 2014
Arthur Paul Kiritsis - Yasmin Mary Colon	May 10, 2014
Jovany Alberto Alvarez - Rosali Lopez	May 17, 2014
John Thomas Scanlon III - Nina Marie Wendel (Westbrook)	May 24, 2014
Kevin John Keser - Margaret Ann Henderson.....	May 25, 2014
Jamie Christopher Curley - Rebecca Erin Latham (Lyme).....	May 25, 2014
Michael Lesley Lilburn, Jr. - Adrienne Diane Candela (East Haven).....	May 25, 2014
Keith Stephen Lukasiewski - Katharine Young Healy (Wethersfield)	May 31, 2014
Mark Andrew Kus - Lori Ann Knight.....	June 7, 2014
Steven Michael Karlowicz, Sr. - Rebecca Susan Hall	June 15, 2014
John J. Wallace - Natalie K. Crotty	June 20, 2014
John Patrick Spratt - Melissa Carol Ostering	June 21, 2014
William John Hurtle - Jennifer Whitney Tiffany	June 21, 2014
Andrew Michael Gunn - Ariana Tonuzi	June 21, 2014
Mark Edward Stanczak - Sylvia Patrice Perry	June 21, 2014
William Thomas Christopher - Marilyn A. Jacobs (East Lyme)	June 21, 2014

Deaths

July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014

Robert Dwight Bair.....	March 23, 2013
Frank W. Hamilton, Jr.	April 15, 2013
Raymond C. Cann III.....	July 16, 2013
Robert C. Gordon (New London).....	July 17, 2013
Rosemarie Coco.....	July 18, 2013
Nancy L. Lussier (Essex).....	July 18, 2013
Richard N. Brown.....	July 22, 2013
Betty C. Burries (New London).....	August 7, 2013
Bernard Pollack (Niantic).....	August 11, 2013
Donald L. Charlton, Jr.	August 15, 2013
Hilma Larson Berggren (East Haddam).....	August 15, 2013
Vivian Alouise Keenan.....	August 21, 2013
Amy E. Henry.....	August 23, 2013
Seungah Kim Cho.....	August 29, 2013
Joan Mae Kuruc.....	August 30, 2013
George F. King (Niantic).....	September 10, 2013
Frederic Tunnell Cliffe, Jr.	September 20, 2013
Kathleen R. Hotchkiss.....	October 12, 2013
Andrew Montanaro.....	October 13, 2013
Richard Hallahan (New London).....	October 19, 2013
Otto Keele (Middletown).....	October 23, 2013
Vernice D. Garguilo (Niantic).....	October 28, 2013
Charles Michael Kelsey (West Haven).....	November 5, 2013
James B. Blair (Norwich).....	November 7, 2013
Bonny May Hesselman (New Haven).....	November 7, 2013
Carolyn M. McCarthy (Bridgeport).....	November 10, 2013
George J. Mumblo (Hartford).....	November 12, 2013
Ann Robertson (Branford).....	November 20, 2013
Michael J. Quinn.....	December 3, 2013
Filippo Iannucci aka Philip Inannucci (Niantic).....	December 4, 2013
Bessie M. Davy (New London).....	December 6, 2013
Sheila O'Sullivan Appleby (Waterford).....	December 21, 2013
Robert G. Arrowsmith (Niantic).....	December 27, 2013
Harry C. Lundberg (New London).....	January 1, 2014
Joseph Chiarenza (Middletown).....	January 3, 2014
Nydia Vargas.....	January 6, 2014
Mary Panioto Melluzzo.....	January 6, 2014
Carlos Sacadura.....	January 11, 2014
Charles H. Doersam, Jr.....	January 27, 2014
Albert G. Mangels (Chester).....	February 1, 2014
Mario J. Bertolini.....	February 7, 2014
Ozrenka Lazovic-Tepavac (New Haven).....	March 9, 2014
Douglas Hotchkiss Thomson, Jr.	March 27, 2014
Henry Michael DeMazza (New Haven).....	April 9, 2014
Mary Rose Reiher (New London).....	April 11, 2014
Jean Tina Sabo.....	April 18, 2014
Susan Foote (New Haven).....	April 19, 2014
Thomas Joseph Hesselman, Sr. (Middletown).....	April 20, 2014
Helen Stiffle Dolph.....	April 26, 2014

Deaths July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 *(continued)*

Diane Eleanor Varley (Middletown).....	April 27, 2014
Bettye Lambert York (Brafton)	April 29, 2014
Anthony Licitra (New London)	April 29, 2014
Angela R. Beskin (East Lyme)	May 4, 2014
Ruth Congdon Oppelt (New London).....	May 15, 2014
Anna Chiarenza (Middletown)	May 16, 2014
Carolyn Ruth Sosnoski (Waterford)	May 17, 2014
Mary Kay Conover (Middletown)	May 19, 2014
James T. Gallagher III	May 22, 2014
Tracey Anne Heddle	June 1, 2014
Richard George Gauthier	June 3, 2014
Brett Wayne McKenna (New London)	June 9, 2014
Elizabeth Marcella Goucher (Westbrook)	June 10, 2014
C. Heather Wright Dillenbeck (New Haven).....	June 11, 2014
Margaret Paula Fravel (Niantic)	June 19, 2014

Animal Control

Lynn Philomon
Animal Control Officer

Police Officer Tom Heinssen
Animal Control Supervisor

Leah Russell
Assistant Animal Control Officer

We have had another successful year serving the Town of Old Lyme. We are happy to say that we have had a record low number of animal intakes this year and a very high rate of adoptions; this is a great thing! This fiscal year we found forty-six animals new forever homes, and twenty-nine were redeemed by their original owners! Unfortunately, four animals were found dead on arrival, and one had to be euthanized due to illness. We investigated a total of eighty-eight complaints and just fourteen bite reports this year.

Throughout December we will be holding an animal food drive in town. We have boxes set up at the high school on Lyme Street and at our animal control facility located at 3 Machnik Drive. We are looking for any donations of pet food or supplies that will be given to the less fortunate in Old Lyme in need of support with the cost of food and care for their animals that they cannot afford. We also always welcome and encourage any used towel and blanket donations to the shelter as well as supplies such as pet food, toys, and houses.

We have received quite a few wildlife-related calls this year, including many sightings of coyotes, fisher cats, bobcats, and even a bear! We have had far too many missing animals in town this year and would like to see that number decrease. Please keep your pets indoors, and monitor them closely when going outside, day or night. Please be sure your animals are current on their rabies shots. Failure to vaccinate means not only risk of the illness but also a \$136 fine for each dog. If you have any questions regarding the wildlife in your area, please call us at 860-434-3047 or the D.E.P Wildlife hotline at 860-424-3011.

We are working diligently to ensure all residents have their dogs licensed by the town. To obtain a license, provide a current rabies vaccination to the town hall. All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed by June 30 of each year. Failure to do so will result in a \$75

fine in accordance with state statute 22-349. Remember, a license can be a lost dog's ticket home!

Here at Old Lyme Animal Control, we work hard to help pet owners keep their animals in their current homes rather than surrender them to the shelter. Through the state we can provide vouchers for spay/neuter for low-income families, and we also work with various organizations that provide low-cost spay/neuter services. Please contact us for more information about these programs!

Although our office hours vary we have a 24/7 answering service that will contact us for emergency calls. Otherwise, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. You can find a list of our adoptable animals on Petfinder.com and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/animalcontrolol>. We are located at 3 Machnik Drive and can be reached at 860-434-3047. We welcome you to call or stop by with any questions or concerns.



Assistant Animal Control Officer Leah Russell introduces an eager adoptable cat to a visitor.

Assessor

Walter E. Kent, Jr., CCMA II
Assessor

Mickie Fraser
Administrative Assessment Technician

The Assessor's Office is nearing the completion of its state-mandated revaluation. All property owners will receive a notice outlining their new assessment in late November. The notice will contain an 800 number to schedule an appointment with Vision staff if you wish to discuss the new assessment. **Hearings are by appointment only** and will be held in the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall during December. All those attending a hearing will receive a second notice to inform them of the results of their appeal. After the completion of the revaluation, property owners still have the right to apply to the Board of Assessment Appeals.

Applications for the Board of Assessment Appeals process will be available in this office the middle of January. Applications must be filled out and returned to the Assessor's office *in their entirety* on or before February 20. The board meetings in March will be set the end of January.

The Assessor's Office reminds residents of *Elderly & Totally Disabled* and additional *Veterans* tax relief availability. Elderly & Totally Disabled Tax Relief for Homeowners is available from *February 15 through May 15*. An additional Veterans Exemption is also available for those who qualify for the above. To qualify, recipients must have reached the age of 65 or older by the end of the previous year or be totally disabled. Eligibility is also based on combined/single income limitations and length of home ownership. Applicants may not be receiving federal, state, county, or municipal financial subsidy or aid.

Blind Exemption must be filed by January 31, 2015. Contact the Assessor's Office for more detailed information.

Please call Mickie Fraser, Administrative Assessment Technician, at 860-434-1605 ext. 219 with any questions.

Board of Finance

Andy Russell
Chairman

As the local economy continues to be challenging, the Old Lyme Board of Finance has continued to be very conservative when we develop our town budget. Since the majority of our tax income comes from homeowners' property tax, we are mindful of the fact that our residents are stretched financially.

The preliminary financial report for the 2014 FY year that ended on June 30, 2014 shows us that we collected over \$490,000 more taxes than anticipated thanks to our taxpayers and our tax collector, Judy Tooker. We also brought the expense side in under budget with the help of our finance director, Nicole Stajduhar, and department heads. We continue to strive to keep the recommended fund balance for us to maintain our strong bond rating between 10-15% of our total town budget, including our share of Region #18's budget. As of June 30, 2014 we are in that range.

We have continued to maintain our infrastructure. We spent just under \$200,000 on maintaining our roads. We also replaced the public works department's backhoe.

We have continued to support upgrades to the equipment our police and fire departments use to keep us safe. Some of the items include air bottle replacements and a thermal imaging

camera for our volunteer firefighters, radio and vehicle replacements for our police department, and the completion of the dry hydrant at the Rogers Lake dam.

We have completed the capping of our landfill. We funded this over the last ten years so we would not have to bond over \$1,000,000 it took to properly close the landfill, and we schedule purchases of larger capital items and projects with funds from multiple years to soften the impact on taxpayers.

Our thanks need to go to board secretary Michele E. Hayes and our town report editor, Michele Dickey.

Your board of finance spends hours developing the budget each year. Our prime budget season is from the end of January through budget approval in May. During this time we meet weekly as a group, and individual members meet with department heads and associations to better understand their needs.

As chairman of the board of finance, I would like to thank our board of selectmen and town employees for their help with the budget process. I would also like to invite you to join us during this process. Our regular meetings are the third Tuesday of each month, and we meet every Tuesday during February and March.

Building Department

John Flower
Building Official

Building Permits Issued from 7/1/2013 to 6/30/2014

23 Permits -	Accessory Buildings	\$334,305.00
38 Permits -	Additions	\$1,347,643.00
6 Permits -	Additions/Alterations	\$801,125.00
54 Permits -	Alterations	\$2,884,037.00
1 Permit -	Barn.....	\$0.00
11 Permits -	Demolition	\$0.00
271 Permits -	Electrical.....	\$592,996.00
15 Permits -	Foundation	\$6,651,485.00
7 Permits -	Garage	\$281,800.00
125 Permits -	Heating, A/C	\$804,890.00
12 Permits -	New Residence.....	\$0.00
209 Permits -	Plumbing.....	\$242,861.00
6 Permits -	Pools.....	\$94,000.00
133 Permits -	Repairs	\$3,137,951.00
15 Permits -	Replace Fuel Tanks	\$16,549.00
8 Permits -	Satellite Antennae	\$265,000.00
1 Permit	Security	\$419.00
11 Permits -	Temporary Structures	\$41,257.00
14 Permits -	Wood Stoves	\$0.00
<i>Total Cost of Permits Issued</i>		<i>\$17,496,309.00</i>
<i>Total Number of Permits Issued</i>		<i>960</i>
<i>Total Fees Received During Fiscal Year</i>		<i>\$176,360.00</i>
<i>Total Cost of Permits Issued</i>		<i>\$17,496,309.00</i>



2013 was the fifth year for the Florence Griswold Museum's popular October outdoor installation. Over 17,000 people came to town to see "Wee Faerie Village in the Land of Oz." The museum encourages visitors to make a day of it and shop and dine in the area.

The Board of Selectmen acknowledges **Peter Cable**

for his lengthy service to the Town of Old Lyme

Our 2013 Citizen of the Year has been described as a “quiet force.” Through his participation on the Open Space Commission, Connecticut River Gateway Commission, committees for Regional District 18 and other organizations, Peter Cable has demonstrated his thoughtful reliability time and again.

Peter and Jane Cable have called Old Lyme home since 1971. A physicist specializing in underwater acoustics, Peter is a member of the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering, an organization he has served as secretary and for which he continues to direct study groups. He was living two blocks from the Pentagon on a work assignment on September 11th, and Jane recalls two things: seeing Peter’s apartment in the coverage and welcoming him home every weekend.

In his early years in town, Peter joined the Associated Taxpayers of Old Lyme and Citizens Against I-95 Expansion. He was initially appointed to the town’s Open Space Committee in 2008, serving as their secretary for three years and vice chairman for two. When a new ordinance established the Open Space Commission in 2011, Peter was one of the first appointees. His quiet presence was noteworthy during collaborations with the Conservation Commission and Old Lyme Land Trust to publish a Trail Book and when he volunteered to explore Old Lyme’s

participation in National Trails Day. Peter has been our town’s delegate to Connecticut River Gateway Commission since June 2010.

Over the years, Peter Cable’s skills have also served our Regional School District well. He is one of the original members of the High School Building Committee. A conservative estimate suggests that Peter & fellow Building Committee members have spent nearly 1,000 hours working on the new high school – and their work continues today. Peter volunteered to serve on an ad hoc High School Observatory Committee during the same period.

Peter loves music and has attended the New Orleans Jazz Fest for 19 consecutive years. It was no surprise when he responded to Hurricane Katrina by volunteering for the Red Cross in Louisiana. He is currently a volunteer with and legislative committee member of the Connecticut Humane Society. Peter is also a past board member of Habitat for Humanity. Many Old Lyme residents were comforted by visits from Peter at the regional shelter where they sought refuge from Hurricane Sandy. He neither seeks the spotlight nor offers an opinion unless asked, traits that his wife believes people in our community value.

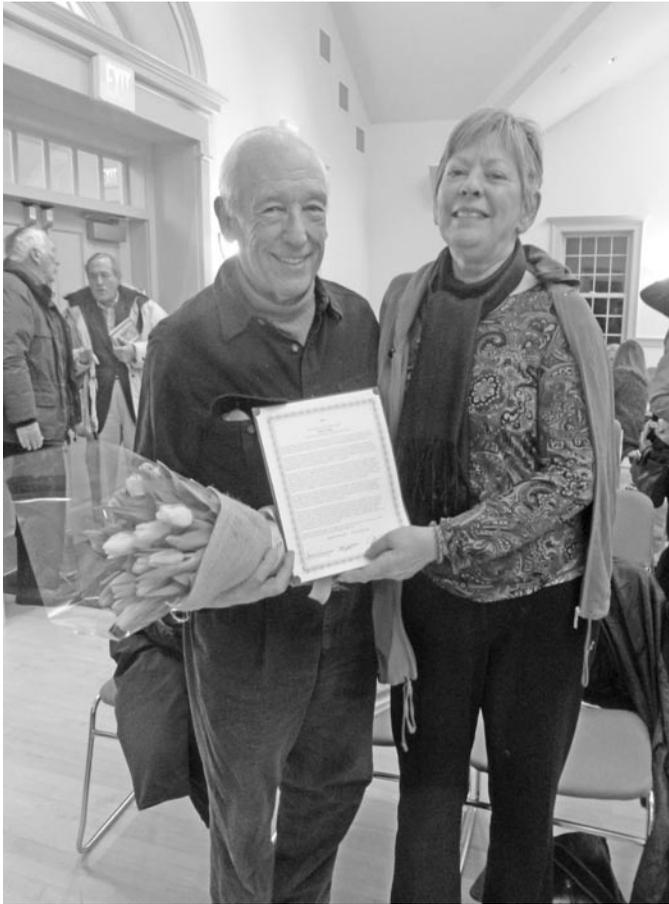
The Board of Selectmen agree, and thank Peter Cable for his quiet service to the Town of Old Lyme. We proudly name him our **2013 Citizen of the Year**.



Citizen of the Year Peter Cable receives the award from First Selectwoman Bonnie Reemsnyder (center), Mary Jo Nosal, and Skip Sibley.



Peter Cable stands with 2010 Citizen of the Year Janet G. Sturges and 2012 Citizen of the Year Robert Pierson



2013 Citizen of the Year Peter Cable holds his framed certificate with his wife, Jane Cable.

Commission on Aging

Don Tapper
Chairman

The Old Lyme Commission on Aging meets at the Lymes' Senior Center on the third Tuesday of every month except for July and August at 1 p.m. We invite anyone with senior concerns to attend. Our mission throughout the year is to inform senior groups in the towns of Lyme and Old Lyme, through a round-table discussion, about senior topics and upcoming senior events.

We encourage all seniors to take advantage of the senior center's many programs, events, and services, including daily lunch at a very affordable price and the Meals on Wheels program. The center has been used as an emergency respite center for both towns.

Our director., Stephanie Lyon, does an exceptional job serving the many needs of our senior population.

Connecticut River Gateway Commission

J. H. Torrance Downes
Staff

History

In 1973, the Connecticut Legislature recognized the Lower Connecticut River Valley as one of the state's most important natural, recreational, and scenic areas and authorized establishment of the Connecticut River Gateway Commission. In July 1974, the commission became operational with eight eligible towns, two regional planning agencies, and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection participating.

The Gateway Conservation Zone is about thirty miles long and includes those portions of its eight member towns (Chester, Deep River, East Haddam, Essex, Haddam, Lyme, Old Lyme, and Old Saybrook, including the Borough of Fenwick) within view of the river. Since 1973, this area has been recognized as a unique area by the Nature Conservancy, the international Ramsar Convention, and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior. In 1999, the river was designated as one of fourteen American Heritage Rivers by President William Clinton.

Scenic Preservation Responsibilities

While other organizations have concerned themselves primarily with natural ecological systems in the river valley, this commission has concentrated much of its attention on the protection of key lands along the river that contribute to the valley's scenic qualities. Since its inception, the commission has worked with others to protect well over 1,000 acres of land through over \$1 million in gifts or purchase of scenic easements, development rights, and fee-simple titles. The commission is in the process of donating its last two fee-owned properties in East Haddam and Chester to conservation organizations for stewardship.

Land Use Oversight Responsibilities

A significant role assigned to the Gateway Commission by the 1973 legislation is establishing common zoning standards for height, setback, lot coverage, and the like, which member towns have agreed to adopt and enforce within the Gateway Conservation Zone. At its monthly meetings, the commission reviews and acts on zone changes, regulations changes, and variance applications affecting land within

the conservation zone referred to it by local boards and commissions. No zone change or change in regulations affecting land within the conservation zone can become effective without the commission's approval, a statutory responsibility that gives the commission a great deal of authority and say over land use along the river in the lower river valley. It's a responsibility that the commission takes very seriously.

As of June 30, 2014, Gateway member towns of Chester, Deep River, East Haddam, Haddam, Lyme, Old Lyme, and Old Saybrook have incorporated the 2004 standards into their zoning regulations as required by state statute. The Gateway Commission has agreed upon new standards that will allow each of the eight member towns more flexibility in administering the Gateway Commission mission. The commission is in the process of reviewing those changes with the eight member towns and anticipates that the new standards will be adopted by all eight towns in 2014 or early 2015.

Delegates

Members as of June 30, 2014 include the following: Margaret Wilson (Treasurer) and Martha Wallace of Chester; Nancy Fischbach (Vice Chairman) and Amy Petrone of Deep River; Harvey Thomas and Emmett Lyman of East Haddam; Claire Matthews of Essex; Susan R. Bement and Derek Turner of Haddam; J. Melvin Woody (Chairman) and Lisa Niccolai of Lyme; Peter Cable and Suzanne Thompson of Old Lyme; Madeline Fish (Secretary) and Belinda Ahern of Old Saybrook; Raul de Brigard of the former Midstate Regional Planning Agency; and David Blatt of the Connecticut DEP (Commissioner's Representative). Fenwick Borough has been designated an ad hoc member and is represented by Borough Warden Ethel Davis.

Contact

For more information, contact River COG Senior Planner and Gateway staff J. H. Torrance Downes at 860-581-8554 or at tdownes@rivercog.org. Contact information can also be found on the web at www.ctrivergateway.org.

Conservation Commission

Tom Sherer
Chairman

Old Lyme's Conservation Commission coordinates conservation efforts; supervises natural-resource monitoring; and aids in the coordination of land development in an effort to preserve our natural resources and remaining open land and to sustain recreational property. The commission meets at the town hall at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month and welcomes the public to attend. Please visit the commission's website at http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/pages/oldlymect_bcomm/conservation.

Political Action

Members of the commission are active at both the state legislature and local government to represent the concerns of town residents regarding the environmental health and safety of our community. At the state level, members have attended hearings addressing the use of pesticides on town fields and advocated strongly for the health of our children. Locally, the commission has worked with town planning and zoning commissioners to establish best management practices regarding open-space areas in the Rogers Lake watershed in order to curtail storm runoff and prevent potential nutrient loading of the lake. The commission has advocated for town-wide solar initiative programs and continues to serve as a resource as residents look to install photovoltaic systems domestically throughout the town.

Increasing Awareness Regarding Environmental Issues

The commission has continued with its efforts to increase community awareness regarding the negative impact of pesticides and positive benefits to organic alternatives. Along these lines, the commission funds the biannual display of a banner on Hall's Road promoting the theme "Keep it Clean... Because We're All Downstream." This effort also includes

the creation and distribution of instructional materials (brochures, flyers, etc.) that provide information to assist residents in making safe and effective choices regarding household chemicals and lawn-care products. To promote this end, the commission's materials will continue to be available to residents at the town hall and the library. A complete list of pesticides is available on the commission web site.

Outreach Programs

The commission continues to cooperate with the First Congregational Church's Environmental Committee in their effort to promote organic treatment of lawns and to "go green." The Conservation Commission once again participated in the annual VNA Health Day during the past year and has also maintained a display at the Florence Griswold House Library highlighting the environmental advantages of buffer gardens.

Rogers Lake

The commission continued to make a concerted effort to focus town attention on Rogers Lake as one of the town's most valuable resources. The commission has worked with both the Rogers Lake Authority and the town selectmen to explore non-pesticide solutions to the invasive weed issues that have increasingly become important to town residents. The commission installed a new sign this past spring that provides information on the demonstration barrier plantings established at Hains Park to prevent runoff into the swimming area and use of the beach by Canada geese. The commission provided input to the Boathouse/Hains Park Improvements Committee regarding future master planning for Hains Park.

Economic Development Commission

Robert Jose
Chairman

Over the past fiscal year, the Old Lyme Economic Development Commission has continued to support projects that will enhance existing businesses and attract new ones to the town. One of our members has spearheaded the effort for the hiking/biking trail that runs from the I-95 bridge on route 156, eastward to Sound View and ties into the development of the park and pavilion at the end of Hartford Avenue with the thought of encouraging more tourists to town.

Also, we have actively supported the Halls Road project that is studying the best path to a unified, cohesive, and welcoming main street that would encourage additional folks to town to shop, eat, and enjoy the outdoors and museums. Going forward, we are focused on the new developments in the adjacent towns and their potential impact on Old Lyme and how we may benefit. In addition, we have begun to review the key elements for attracting new prospects for business to our mostly residential town.

Emergency Management

David W. Roberge
Director

For a pleasant change, Mother Nature was very cooperative to the town this fiscal year 2013-2014. While we had our usual snow, rain, and wind events, we weathered through them with no major impacts to the community.

With all this free time we continue to work with FEMA on reimbursement funding for past major events. To date we have finalized reimbursements for over \$400,000.00 from storms in 2010, 2011, and 2012. Again this year, the Town of Old Lyme was the recipient of grants of \$20,000.00 from the Nuclear Safety Emergency Fund. These funding sources continue to provide for additional response equipment and emergency operations center improvements.

Other projects currently moving forward include radio communications upgrades. These improvements will enhance interoperable communications between all town public safety departments, allowing communications along a single bandwidth for improved communications.

This office is continuing to move forward with the FEMA “Natural Hazard Mitigation Grant” program. Working with the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments

(RiverCOG), we successfully have completed required updates and revisions to our town-wide plan and anticipate successful acceptance from the state and FEMA. Once approved, this plan will continue to provide financial support for local storm-related and natural hazard education and remediation projects. We continue to serve as a liaison with the Flood and Erosion Control Board, and the board continues to investigate potential drainage improvement projects within the beach communities.

Also, we have begun the finalizing implementation of a new town-wide emergency notification system. This new reverse 911 call system will create an opportunity for residents to register their electronic devices to our new “Old Lyme Alerts” program. Similar to the CT ALERTS program, this is only for alerts that relate solely to the town of Old Lyme. When vital or emergency-related information is needed to be shared with the community, Old Lyme alerts will send these messages via text, voice, or email to any electronic device a resident registers. Registration will be available online at the town’s website or in person in Municipal Town Hall. A registration card is also available in the back of this report.

Emergency Management *(continued)*

We are still expanding our data files for local residents who might have “Special Needs” in the event of a localized emergency incident. Persons who might have potential mobility problems or transportation needs or be dependent upon electricity for life support are encouraged to register with this office. A Special Needs Registration Form is included again in the back of this year’s annual report. If you or someone

you know in town might be in need of special assistance, please take a moment to complete the form and return it to this office. All information received is maintained confidential.

In addition you can now follow Old Lyme Emergency Management on Facebook and Twitter for important information and storm updates.

Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc.

Paul J. Doyle
Executive Director

The Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc. (ECSI) is a nonprofit regional senior center located at 220 Main Street in Old Saybrook with café sites in Old Lyme, Westbrook, and Clinton. Since 1974, the ECSI’s mission has been to promote senior’s quality of life, community involvement, and independent living. Last year the ECSI provided over **72,000** nutritious meals, including nearly 56,000 home-delivered Meals On Wheels and over **16,000** congregate meals, and 500 rides to medical outpatient appointments outside the nine-town Estuary Region. Also, **650 individuals** received free preventative health screenings and participated in social and exercise programs too numerous to count. We are pleased to have brought back our “Choices” senior counseling position that helps seniors connect with other services available to them in the community as well as navigate the Medicare/Medicaid and Prescription Drug programs.

In addition to our essential senior service, ECSI is a fun place for mature residents to exercise, dance, play cards, go on trips together, get a massage or facial, hear an interesting lecture, attend an art exhibit, get a haircut, take a painting class, join a book club or writers group, volunteer, shop at the Thrift Shop, or just sit and enjoy our beautiful view. ECSI has a lovely, large

facility that welcomes residents of the estuary region fifty years old or better. All in all we had over **108,000** visits to our center in the reported timeframe for meals, activities, support, and fun.

During the reporting period, the ECSI served 181 residents a total of **7,821** home-delivered meals, and an additional **3,043** residents joined us for congregate meals. Our Emergency Medical Outpatient Transportation provided 11 individuals with **32** rides to medical appointments. We had a total of **12,920** visits by a total of **517** people overall to the center from residents of Old Lyme.

ECSI is funded in part by contributions from the generosity of the nine towns in the estuary region, Senior Resources Agency on Aging with Title III funds made available under the Older Americans Act, grants, donations, and fund-raising efforts. I would like to thank the Town of Old Lyme for your continued support of our programs.

For information and schedules of our services and programs, please call 860-388-1611 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or visit our website at www.ecsenior.org.

Estuary Transit District

Joseph Comerford
Executive Director

The Estuary Transit District (ETD) was formed in 1981 by the nine towns of the Connecticut River Estuary region -- Clinton, Chester, Deep River, Essex, Killingworth, Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, and Westbrook. The ETD's mission is to provide local, coordinated public transportation for all residents of the area. To meet this goal, ETD operates public transit via the 9 Town Transit (9TT) service.

The Estuary Transit District is governed by a board of directors. Each member town appoints one representative, each having a weighted vote based on the population of the town he or she represents. Towns receiving contracted services appoint a non-voting member. The directors serve in a voluntary capacity to adopt policy, set budgets, and conduct long-term planning for the district. In 2008, the board hired First Transit, Inc., a professional transit management company, to provide an executive director to manage the day-to-day business of ETD. Regular board meetings are held on the third Friday of every other month at 9:30 a.m. at the Estuary Transit District. All meetings are open to the public.

The four deviated fixed routes of 9TT serve the main corridors of the region, with connections to public transit providers serving the surrounding regions. The routes include the Old Saybrook to Madison Shoreline Shuttle, the Old Saybrook to Chester Riverside Shuttle, the Old Saybrook to Middletown Mid-Shore Express, and the new Old Saybrook to New London Southeast Shuttle. Free connections are offered onto the New Haven, New London/Norwich, Middletown, and Hartford area bus services.

In addition to the deviated fixed routes, 9TT provides door-to-door service throughout all nine towns of the estuary region as well as the towns of Durham, East Haddam, and Haddam through its Dial-A-Ride service. As with all of 9TT's services, the Dial-A-Ride service is open to all persons with no age or disability restrictions. For more information or to make a reservation, call 860-510-0429 and follow the prompts.

The services of ETD are subsidized by federal, state, and local funding. This allows for inexpensive fares of \$1.50 for deviated fixed

routes and \$3.00 for Dial-A-Ride. ETD also receives a Title III grant through the area agency on aging, which allows area senior citizens to ride any ETD service on a donation basis in lieu of the fare.

During the fiscal year, East Haddam began contracted demand response service with the district. Dial-A-Ride service began in East Haddam in January and had provided 344 trips by year's end. In addition, ETD began providing Dial-A-Ride service to parts of Middletown, offering improved access to medical services.

Ridership continued to grow throughout most services. We provided nearly 104,000 passenger trips during the fiscal year, doubling the annual trips provided just five years ago. Though ETD has continued to grow senior ridership, 80 percent of all trips are made by persons below 60 years of age, and over half of all trips are employment related.

Though the expansion of services slowed this year, ETD is aggressively pursuing funding to provide new deviated fixed route service between Middletown and Madison along Route 81. Funds are also being sought to extend the Shoreline Shuttle hours as well as make service adjustments to improve the on-time performance.

ETD continued to grow its unrestricted fund balance, which is now at almost 12 percent of the annual operating budget. This has enhanced ETD's cash flow position, reducing the need for borrowing and reducing interest expense.

Board of Directors

Noel Bishop		Westbrook
Joan Gay		Killingworth
Ralph Eno	<i>Vice-Chairman</i>	Lyme
John Forbis	<i>Treasurer</i>	Old Lyme
Roland Laine		Old Saybrook
Peter Bierrie		Essex
Richard Smith		Deep River
Leslie Strauss	<i>Chairman</i>	Chester
Virginia Zawoy	<i>Secretary</i>	Clinton

Administrative Staff

Joseph Comerford	Executive Director
Allison Meshnick	Operations Manager
Halyna Famiglietti	Finance Manager

Fire Marshal

David W. Roberge
Fire Marshal

Building inspections for commercial and public buildings continue annually to ensure compliance of their occupants. These annual fire safety inspections of occupancies prescribed by the Fire Code as set forth in Chapter 541 of the Connecticut State Statutes continue, along with plan reviews of new commercial construction projects in town. We anticipate continued cooperation from the property owners and contractors to ensure full compliance with provisions of the code.

Structural fire losses in town remain low this year, with no major home or building losses. We performed numerous investigations of vehicle and brush fires, including the fire loss of a tractor trailer hauling a load of frozen crab legs on I-95.

Many thanks again go out to the Old Lyme Fire Department for their timely and effective responses to fire emergencies and for all they do to educate the community on fire safety.

As part of state-mandated continuing education, the fire marshal attended various in-service education programs sponsored in part by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, the International Association of Fire Investigators, and the National Association of Fire Investigators.

Flood and Erosion Control Board

Todd Machnik
Chairman –

Land topics for the past fiscal year were pretty quiet. The Rogers Lake dam improvements have been completed.

The most discussed item of the year has been the Swan Brook Outfall between Miami Beach

Association and Hawks Nest Beach Association. The commissioner is attempting to find state or federal grants that may be of assistance funding this project between these properties.

We meet quarterly.



A noted sculptor in the field of public art, Matthew Geller designed a work for the museum grounds that combines a recycled tree trunk with three “bionic” limbs fabricated from Corten steel. Playful and unexpected, Anticipator offers elements of surprise that encourage visitors to interact with it and each other, fostering a sense of community as they stroll the grounds.

Florence Griswold Museum

Jeffrey W. Andersen
Director

Beyond its collections and historic resources, one of the most distinctive characteristics of the Florence Griswold Museum is its beautiful riverfront campus, which once inspired the painters of the Lyme Art Colony. Over the past year, thanks to a federal grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, we have been able to explore a variety of ways to use the campus as a gathering place for the community. We've commissioned outdoor sculpture, reconstructed a historic portable studio, added interpretive signage, and used the grounds as the setting for a series of outdoor events such as GardenFest, the Midsummer Festival, and Wee Faerie Village. What we have learned is that the museum's campus can be an inviting entry point for families and friends to learn, be creative, and connect with each other informally.

Last fall's "Wee Faerie Village in the Land of Oz" is probably the most dramatic example of this trend. Over four weeks in October, 17,212 visitors were attracted to this delightful outdoor exhibition in which families and children went on a magical journey to view miniature settings that told the story of the Wizard of Oz. Equally imaginative are the series of temporary exhibitions that took place in the galleries, such as "Animal/Vegetable/Mineral: An Artist's Guide to the World," in which the works of contemporary artists were juxtaposed with the museum's collection. This was followed by a retrospective of the modernist artist Harry Holtzman (1912-1987) that the *New York Times* called an "immensely satisfying show."



Museum Director Jeff Andersen (third from left) welcomes a group of students and faculty from the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts for their yearly ice cream social. A nice way to meet the neighbors!

Then, earlier this year, we presented a look at the international career of the Lyme Art Colony artist Lucien Abrams. Our commitment to local history was much in evidence through our Lyme Historical Society Archives, which is open to the public, and with the museum's award-winning History Blog, which is featured prominently on our new website.

Educational service to all ages is at the heart of what the museum does. Our partnerships with schools and families have grown to 9,193 students in 2013-14. This includes school field trips with teachers, outreach to classrooms, college-level classes, evening programs, and hands-on Sunday activities. None of this would be possible without the deep and abiding interest of the residents of this community, many of whom are involved as members, volunteers, parents of children in the schools, and business partners. But I come back to the setting where this takes place. The Florence Griswold Museum – and the town of Old Lyme – is fortunate to have a central, park-like campus that provides a friendly place for all of us to come together and find common ground. I look forward to seeing you here whenever the spirit moves you!



The museum's Magic of Christmas celebration spilled into the gardens in 2013 with this illuminated glass sculpture by artist Mundy Hepburn.

Harbor Management Commission

Steve Ross
Chairman

Ned Farman
Vice Chairman

Harbor Management Commission: Progress Along the Waterfront

The Harbor Management Commission moved forward on a number of fronts in FY2013-2014. The first phase of the Navigable Waterways Study -- essentially a feasibility study for possible dredging of the Black Hall and Four Mile Rivers -- was completed. We contracted with Coastline Consulting and Development for Phases 2 -- Dredge Design -- and 3 -- Regulatory Permitting. Phase 2, which involved extensive benthic studies (studies of living things found on the bottom or in bottom sediments of a body of water) and sediment testing, was completed, and Phase 3 is progressing. We expect to submit formal, completed applications to DEEP and the Army Corps of Engineers in September/October.

Deputy Harbor Master Mike Mackey developed a new database system to record all pertinent mooring information. The town currently licenses 168 moorings. The new system should greatly improve the process for the issuance of permits and the identification of mooring owners. Due to improved accounting, enforcement also has been improved and the number of moorings placed without a permit has been reduced greatly. Accordingly, permit revenue has increased. The commission continues to place a high priority on fair and cordial relations with those we serve when it comes to mooring field issues that occasionally arise.

Our Harbor Master resigned in January. In May Governor Malloy accepted the HMC recommendation and appointed Harry Plaut as Old Lyme Harbor Master. Harry has worked closely with Mike Mackey, Treasurer Bill Harris, and others to implement the new mooring accounting system. Harry has especially worked on improved communication and information for keeping moorings and their inspection and licensing up to date.

The Harbor Management Commission purchased and installed a navigation aid marker at the entry to the Black Hall River from Long Island Sound (red channel marker #CG2554). Thanks to Bob Falaguerra and Harry Plaut for carrying this project through to completion in coordination with the U.S. Coast Guard.

Working with the first selectwoman, the HMC requested that DEEP transfer ownership to the town of a .62-acre parcel of land. The land abuts the town-owned property off Halls Road on the west side of the Lieutenant River (across from Morning Glory). DEEP approved our request, and a town meeting ratified the land transfer from state to town. As a result, one can expect a better view from Halls Road, passive recreational use, and improved access to the Lieutenant River for hand-launched watercraft, crabbing, and fishing.

The HMC, an active member of the Connecticut Harbor Management Association, meets the second Tuesday of each month (except August, December, and February) at 7 p.m. at the town hall. All are welcome to attend.



FINANCIALS

2013-2014

Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2014

	General	Landfill Closure	Harbor Management Dredging Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Assets					
Cash	\$ 1,806,737	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 679,732	\$ 2,486,469
Investments	5,469,783	-	-	363,777	5,833,560
Receivables:					
Property taxes	734,997	-	-	-	734,997
Intergovernmental	49,642	-	-	9,082	58,724
Other	33,495	-	-	13,451	46,946
Due from other funds	141,197	-	109,099	48,715	299,011
Prepaid amounts	178,186	-	-	-	178,186
Total assets	\$ 8,414,037	-	109,099	1,114,757	9,637,893
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$ 211,886	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,583	\$ 247,469
Accrued liabilities	145,068	-	-	-	145,068
Due to other funds	157,814	-	-	121,885	279,699
Unearned revenue	19,815	-	109,099	12,228	141,142
Total liabilities	534,583	-	109,099	169,696	813,378
Deferred Inflows of Resources					
Unavailable revenue - property taxes	678,564	-	-	-	678,564
Advanced property tax collections	109,615	-	-	-	109,615
Total deferred inflows of resources	788,179	-	-	-	788,179
Fund Balances					
Nonspendable	178,186	-	-	-	178,186
Committed	368,626	-	-	777,962	1,146,588
Assigned	-	-	-	176,447	176,447
Unassigned	6,544,463	-	-	(9,348)	6,535,115
Total fund balances	7,091,275	-	-	945,061	8,036,336
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 8,414,037	\$ -	\$ 109,099	\$ 1,114,757	\$ 9,637,893

Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

Reconciliation of Fund Balance
to Net Position of Governmental Activities
June 30, 2014

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position (Exhibit A) are different from the governmental fund balance sheet. The details of this difference are as follows:

Total fund balance (Exhibit C, Page 1)	\$ 8,036,336
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Beginning net capital assets and current additions	19,271,232
Depreciation expense	(424,903)
Disposal of capital assets	(71,873)
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are unavailable in the funds:	
Property tax interest and lien accrual	193,036
Property tax receivable - accrual basis change	678,564
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(139,000)
Some liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Bonds payable	(3,225,000)
Bonds premium	(37,219)
Compensated absences	(123,545)
Landfill postclosure costs	(601,750)
Accrued interest payable	(18,961)
Net position of governmental activities	<u>\$ 23,536,917</u>
	(Concluded)

Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

General Fund
Schedule of Revenues and Other Financing Sources -
Budget and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Property taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 30,713,672	\$ 30,713,672	\$ 31,037,184	\$ 323,512
Interest and lten fees	140,000	140,000	250,576	110,576
Telephone access line grant	37,000	37,000	36,323	(677)
Total property taxes	30,890,672	30,890,672	31,324,083	433,411
Charges for services:				
Building department	125,000	125,000	176,564	51,564
Health department	4,500	4,500	5,382	882
Parks and recreation department	50,000	50,000	35,190	(14,810)
Parking lot	112,000	112,000	110,148	(1,852)
Town Woods Park	32,643	32,643	31,349	(1,294)
Planning commisssion	1,000	1,000	740	(260)
Selectmen's office	8,000	8,000	14,725	6,725
Town clerk's office	200,000	200,000	239,087	39,087
Assessor	2,000	2,000	1,991	(9)
Zoning commisssion	3,900	3,900	18,018	12,118
Zoning board of appeals	8,000	8,000	6,836	(1,164)
Inland/wetlands	3,000	3,000	2,990	(10)
Engineering/legal reimbursements	21,600	21,600	3,804	(17,796)
Historic District commisssion	500	500	200	(300)
Fire marshal	500	500	400	(100)
Senior center	13,809	13,809	21,970	8,161
Septage transfer	45,000	45,000	58,072	13,072
Recycling	1,000	1,000	215	(785)
Landfill	80,775	80,775	107,415	26,640
Parking fines	7,500	7,500	16,418	8,918
Cell phone tower lease	25,680	25,680	28,303	2,623
Beach stickers and permits	24,000	24,000	30,650	6,650
Capital asset proceeds	10	10	22,127	22,117
School crossing guard	15,200	15,200	14,571	(629)
OLVNA reimbursement	6,100	6,100	9,522	3,422
Ambulance fuel reimbursement	11,000	11,000	9,474	(1,526)
Workers' compensation reimbursement	-	-	12,878	12,878
Registrar reimbursement	-	-	2,125	2,125
Miscellaneous	12,010	12,010	7,320	(4,690)
Beach patrol reimbursement	19,200	19,200	8,074	(11,126)
Total charges for services	833,927	833,927	894,556	160,629
Intergovernmental:				
LOCIP	63,278	63,278	49,642	(13,636)
Historic preservation grant	3,000	3,000	4,000	1,000
Emergency management/FEMA	40,000	40,000	111,552	71,552
Educcallon equalization grant	635,055	635,055	605,586	(29,469)
PILOT - state property	-	-	28,161	28,161
Miscellaneous state grants	5,000	5,000	52,290	47,290
PILOT - colleges	34,058	34,058	34,022	(36)
Mashantucket Pequot grant	-	-	13,598	13,598
Tax relief elderly	37,000	37,000	35,510	(1,490)
Veterans' tax exempt	4,000	4,000	3,859	(141)
Town aid road	230,141	230,141	230,000	(141)
DEEP-Clean Water Fund	-	-	82,449	82,449
State police DWI and special events	50,700	50,700	43,008	(7,692)
Total intergovernmental	1,102,232	1,102,232	1,293,677	191,445
Investment income:				
Interest on Investments	15,280	15,280	18,723	3,443
Total revenues	32,842,111	32,842,111	33,631,039	788,928
Other financing sources:				
Appropriation of fund balance	-	203,150	-	(203,150)
Cancellation of prior year encumbrances	-	-	49,284	49,284
Transfers In:				
Landfill closure fund	-	-	284,380	284,380
Town Hall expansion project	-	-	9,100	9,100
Bus barn fund	11,000	11,000	24,645	13,645
Total other financing sources	11,000	214,150	367,409	153,259
Total revenues and other financing sources	\$ 32,853,111	\$ 33,056,261	\$ 33,998,448	\$ 942,187

Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses -
Budget and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
General government:				
Selectmen's office	\$ 230,124	\$ 228,124	\$ 225,519	\$ 2,605
Town clerk	111,402	109,402	107,723	1,679
Tax collector	88,848	89,058	89,057	1
Treasurer	153,811	152,511	148,682	3,829
Registrar	33,701	33,301	27,685	5,616
Information technology	79,060	78,435	74,507	3,928
Probate court	5,300	5,300	5,231	69
Assessor	124,378	123,278	119,882	3,396
Building department	97,515	96,815	95,330	1,485
Health department	190,969	190,369	188,543	1,826
Town hall	109,600	128,420	118,145	10,275
Insurance	688,000	669,000	619,018	49,982
Special deductions	386,500	386,500	359,695	26,805
Total general government	2,299,008	2,290,513	2,179,017	111,496
Boards and commissions:				
Harbor management commission	949	949	801	148
Economic development commission	20	20	-	20
Ethics commission	25	25	-	25
Water management authority	25,713	41,213	37,617	3,596
Board of finance	10,471	10,471	7,563	2,908
Flood and erosion control board	540	540	375	165
Historic district commission	4,750	4,750	4,417	333
Tree commission	17,050	17,050	15,487	1,563
Board of assessment appeals	1,045	1,045	690	355
Land use	279,195	263,595	225,017	38,578
Sound View	1,825	1,825	479	1,346
Conservation commission	3,463	3,463	1,337	2,126
Open space	4,900	4,900	4,360	540
Total boards and commissions	349,946	349,846	298,143	51,703
Public works:				
Public works expenditures	905,998	911,866	911,866	-
Parks and recreation:				
Parks and recreation	228,270	209,020	191,669	17,351
Town Woods Park	155,400	147,314	145,592	1,722
Fireworks/Memorial day	21,500	21,500	20,532	968
Total parks and recreation	405,170	377,834	357,793	20,041
Other public safety:				
Animal control	68,180	67,680	54,802	12,878
Emergency management	13,100	12,600	8,820	3,780
Valley shore communications	128,065	128,065	127,137	928
Ambulance	133,930	133,930	123,473	10,457
Total other public safety	343,275	342,275	314,232	28,043
Social services:				
Social service	16,838	16,538	15,972	566
Lyme's youth services	75,000	75,000	75,000	-
Total social services	91,838	91,538	90,972	566

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses -
Budget and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Fire services:				
Old Lyme fire department	\$ 211,455	\$ 211,455	\$ 203,182	\$ 8,273
Fire protection	26,800	26,927	26,926	1
Fire marshal	61,682	61,682	58,155	3,527
Firemen's Incentive plan	61,066	61,066	58,555	2,511
Total fire services	361,003	361,130	346,818	14,312
Police services:				
Roger lake patrol	8,175	8,175	7,990	185
Resident state police	120,500	128,259	128,259	-
Municipal police	691,865	675,630	643,871	31,769
Total police services	820,540	812,064	780,120	31,944
Health services:				
Social services agencies	2,692	2,692	2,692	-
VNA	60,388	60,388	60,380	8
Total health services	63,080	63,080	63,072	8
Senior citizens' activities:				
Estuary transit district	12,090	12,090	12,090	-
Estuary services	32,500	32,500	32,500	-
Senior center	65,758	76,069	76,069	-
Total senior citizens' activities	110,348	120,659	120,659	-
Other associations	313,000	313,000	313,000	-
Sanitation:				
Municipal refuse collection	347,911	347,911	347,911	-
Single stream recycling	175,718	175,718	175,718	-
CT Resources Recovery Authority	237,000	237,000	190,012	46,988
Recycling	29,920	46,247	46,247	-
Household hazardous waste	24,508	24,508	21,381	3,127
Transfer station	224,676	224,176	214,319	9,857
Septage	102,500	103,073	103,073	-
Total sanitation	1,142,233	1,158,633	1,098,661	59,972
Chartered associations:				
Point O' Woods	20,600	20,600	20,600	-
Old Lyme shores	13,500	13,500	13,500	-
Old colony beach	13,500	13,500	13,500	-
Miami beach	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
White sands beach	16,500	16,500	16,500	-
Roger's lake west shore	5,100	5,100	5,100	-
Hawks' nest beach	3,100	3,100	3,100	-
Federation of Beaches	9,000	9,000	5,285	3,715
Total chartered associations	101,300	101,300	97,585	3,715
Regional School District No. 18	24,314,383	24,314,383	24,314,383	-
Redemption of debt:				
Town Hall expansion	250,000	250,000	250,000	-

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

General Fund
Schedule of Expenditures and Other Financing Uses -
Budget and Actual
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget
Interest on debt:				
Town Hall expansion	\$ 93,813	\$ 93,813	\$ 93,812	\$ 1
Capital outlay:				
General government	184,700	377,502	377,501	1
Public works	120,000	126,299	126,299	-
Public safety	153,476	170,526	144,940	25,586
Public works roads and projects	215,000	215,000	208,270	6,730
Total capital outlay	673,176	889,327	857,010	32,317
Total expenditures	32,638,111	32,841,261	32,487,143	354,118
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out:				
Firefighters' equipment	130,000	130,000	130,000	-
Land acquisition	75,000	75,000	75,000	-
Capital nonrecurring	10,000	10,000	10,000	-
Total other financing uses	215,000	215,000	215,000	-
Total expenditures and other financing uses	\$ 32,853,111	\$ 33,056,261	\$ 32,702,143	\$ 354,118

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut
 Report of Property Tax Collector
 Year Ended June 30, 2014

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2013	Current Year Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfers to Suspense	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections			Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2014	
			Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Interest	Lien Fees		Total
Suspense	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,299	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,299	\$ 1,299	\$ 1,944	\$ -	\$ 3,243	\$ -
1997	845	-	-	845	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998	2	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
1999	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
2000	13	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	13
2001	161	-	-	-	-	161	-	-	-	-	161
2002	145	-	-	-	-	145	-	-	-	-	145
2003	89	-	-	74	-	15	-	-	-	-	15
2004	1,927	-	-	101	-	1,826	-	-	-	-	1,826
2005	2,326	-	-	108	-	2,218	-	-	-	-	2,218
2006	8,960	-	-	111	-	8,849	5,078	860	72	6,030	3,771
2007	23,913	-	-	116	-	23,797	14,186	12,130	144	26,460	9,611
2008	42,150	-	-	119	-	42,031	25,018	19,218	336	44,572	17,013
2009	95,603	-	-	337	12,930	82,336	48,114	20,719	552	69,385	34,222
2010	236,003	-	7	1,233	-	234,772	126,546	50,077	648	177,271	108,226
2011	440,298	-	1,190	3,725	-	437,763	257,115	53,058	1,416	311,589	180,648
Total Prior Years	852,438	-	2,496	6,774	12,930	835,230	477,356	158,026	3,168	638,550	357,874
2012	-	31,113,140	73,370	207,235	-	30,979,275	30,602,152	39,358	24	30,691,534	377,123
Total	\$ 852,438	\$ 31,113,140	\$ 75,866	\$ 214,009	\$ 12,930	\$ 31,814,505	\$ 31,079,508	\$ 247,384	\$ 3,192	\$ 31,330,084	\$ 734,997

Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2014

	Special Revenue Funds										Total
	Social Workers' Fund	Miscellaneous Fund	Dog Fund	Private Duty Fund	Harbor Management Fund	Town Woods Park Fund	Public Building Improvement Fund	Senior Center Board Fund	Bus Barn Fund		Total
Assets											
Cash	\$ 48,242	\$ -	\$ 25,338	\$ -	\$ 18,035	\$ 18,221	\$ 25,463	\$ 19,917	\$ 164		\$ 155,380
Receivables:											
Intergovernmental	-	9,082	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		9,082
Other	-	7,189	-	6,262	-	-	-	-	-		13,451
Due from other funds	-	-	-	28,712	-	-	-	-	-		28,712
Total assets	\$ 48,242	\$ 16,271	\$ 25,338	\$ 35,974	\$ 18,035	\$ 18,221	\$ 25,463	\$ 19,917	\$ 164		\$ 207,625
Liabilities and Fund Balances											
Liabilities:											
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 8,043	\$ 4,339	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 4,339
Due to other funds	96	-	45	-	399	-	3,260	2,768	-		14,611
Unearned revenue	4,000	8,228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		12,228
Total liabilities	4,096	16,271	4,384	-	399	-	3,260	2,768	-		31,178
Fund balances:											
Assigned	44,146	-	20,854	35,974	17,636	18,221	22,203	17,149	164		176,447
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 48,242	\$ 16,271	\$ 25,338	\$ 35,974	\$ 18,035	\$ 18,221	\$ 25,463	\$ 19,917	\$ 164		\$ 207,625

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut
Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Balance Sheet
June 30, 2014

Capital Projects Funds

	Town Hall Expansion Project	Capital Nonrecurring	Land Acquisition	Firefighters' Equipment	Hains Park Bathroom	Reges Lake Dam	Total	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Assets								
Cash	\$ 178,493	\$ -	\$ 345,859	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 524,352	\$ 679,732
Investments	-	223,180	-	140,597	-	-	363,777	363,777
Receivables:								
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,082
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,451
Due from other funds	-	-	-	-	-	19,003	19,003	48,715
Total assets	\$ 178,493	\$ 223,180	\$ 345,859	\$ 140,597	\$ -	\$ 19,003	\$ 907,132	\$ 1,114,757
Liabilities and Fund Balances								
Liabilities:								
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 27,255	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,989	\$ 31,244	\$ 35,583
Due to other funds	-	97,926	-	-	9,348	-	107,274	121,885
Uncearned revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,228
Total liabilities	-	125,181	-	-	9,348	3,989	138,518	189,696
Fund balances:								
Committed	178,493	97,999	345,859	140,597	-	15,014	771,962	771,962
Assigned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	176,447
Unassigned	-	-	-	-	(9,348)	-	(9,348)	(9,348)
Total fund balances	178,493	97,999	345,859	140,597	(9,348)	15,014	768,614	945,061
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 178,493	\$ 223,180	\$ 345,859	\$ 140,597	\$ -	\$ 19,003	\$ 907,132	\$ 1,114,757

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Special Revenue Funds										Total
	Social Workers' Fund	Miscellaneous Fund	Dog Fund	Private Duty Fund	Harbor Management Fund	Town Woods Park Fund	Public Building Improvement Fund	Senior Center Board Fund	Bus Barn Fund		Total
Revenues:											
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ 2,980	\$ 8,902	\$ 24,867	\$ 4,825	\$ -	\$ 4,728	\$ 32,185	\$ 50,000		\$ 128,487
Intergovernmental	-	34,236	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		34,236
Investment income	-	-	38	-	27	31	48	-	22		166
Contributions	8,345	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-		8,445
Other revenue	-	15,290	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		15,290
Total revenues	8,345	52,506	8,940	24,867	4,852	31	4,876	32,185	50,022		186,624
Expenditures:											
Current:											
General government	-	18,270	-	-	-	-	10,986	-	-		29,256
Parks and recreation	-	-	-	-	5,456	-	-	-	-		5,456
Other public safety	-	9,082	7,073	-	-	-	-	-	-		16,155
Police services	-	-	-	18,982	-	-	-	-	-		18,982
Health services	3,273	25,154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		28,427
Senior citizens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,036	-		15,036
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,492		11,492
Total expenditures	3,273	52,506	7,073	18,982	5,456	-	10,986	15,036	11,492		124,804
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	5,072	-	1,867	5,885	(604)	31	(6,110)	17,149	38,530		61,820
Other financing sources (uses):											
Transfers out	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(88,508)		(88,508)
Net change in fund balances	5,072	-	1,867	5,885	(604)	31	(6,110)	17,149	22		23,312
Fund balances - July 1, 2013	39,074	-	19,087	30,089	18,240	18,190	28,313	-	142		153,135
Fund balances - June 30, 2014	\$ 44,146	\$ -	\$ 20,954	\$ 35,974	\$ 17,636	\$ 18,221	\$ 22,203	\$ 17,149	\$ 164		\$ 176,447

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Town of Old Lyme, Connecticut

Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Capital Projects Funds							Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
	Town Hall Expansion Project	Capital Nonrecurring	Land Acquisition	Firefighters' Equipment	Hains Park Boathouse	Rogers Lake Dam	Total	
Revenues:								
Charges for services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 128,487
Intergovernmental	-	-	-	-	-	229,750	-	229,750
Investment income	306	4,154	41	1	-	-	4,502	4,668
Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	60,250	-	60,250
Other revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,290
Total revenues	306	4,154	41	1	-	290,000	294,502	481,126
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government	-	135,182	5,186	-	-	-	140,368	189,624
Parks and recreation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,456
Other public safety	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16,155
Police services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18,982
Health services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,427
Senior citizens	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,036
Capital outlay	-	-	137,700	-	9,348	258,397	267,745	267,745
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	258,397	137,700	149,192
Total expenditures	-	135,182	142,886	-	9,348	258,397	545,813	670,617
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	306	(131,028)	(142,845)	1	(9,348)	31,603	(251,311)	(189,491)
Other financing sources (uses):								
Transfers in	-	23,863	75,000	130,000	-	-	228,863	228,863
Transfers out	(9,100)	-	-	-	-	-	(9,100)	(47,606)
Net other financing sources (uses)	(9,100)	23,863	75,000	130,000	-	-	219,763	181,255
Net change in fund balances	(8,794)	(107,165)	(67,845)	130,001	(9,348)	31,603	(31,548)	(8,286)
Fund balances - July 1, 2013	187,287	205,164	413,704	10,596	-	(16,589)	800,162	953,297
Fund balances - June 30, 2014	\$ 178,493	\$ 97,999	\$ 345,859	\$ 140,597	\$ (9,348)	\$ 15,014	\$ 768,614	\$ 945,061

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Health Department

Vijay Sikand, M.D.
Director of Health

Sonia Marino, R.S.
Sanitarian

Paricia Z. Myers
Administrative Assistant

The Health Department has the responsibility of enforcing state statutes and town ordinances as well as ensuring compliance with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health Code. These responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Inspection of food-service establishments and food vendors.
- Inspection of school cafeterias and daycare facilities.
- Inspection of food service at temporary events.
- The issuance of water well permits.
- Responding to complaints in a timely manner.
- Lead paint investigations.
- Pool inspections.
- Soil testing and plan reviews for new/repair septic systems.
- Reviewing 19-13-B100a Applications (Building Conversions/Changes in Use, Building Additions, Garages/Accessory Structures, Swimming Pools, and Sewage Disposal Area Preservation).

The sanitarian also manages the mandatory septic tank pump-out program for the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) and assists the WPCA in wastewater issues that can affect the town's water quality.

Office hours for the sanitarian are Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Other hours are available by appointment, if necessary, by calling 860-434-1605 ext. 214 and leaving a message. Residents are encouraged to call or email the Health Department at healthdept@oldlyme-ct.gov with any questions or if information is needed.

Environmental Health Incidents

Inspection of Food-Handling Establishments	85
Inspection of Lodging Houses and Motels	3
Inspection of Salons and Barber Shops.....	3
Nuisance Orders Issued	1
Complaints Investigated	37
Septic Systems Inspected	44
Septic System Permits Issued – Repair	35
Septic System Permits Issued – New	12
Well Permits Issued	36
Test Holes & Perc Tests (Sites).....	68
19-13-B100a Reviews	41
Engineered Plan Reviews.....	11

Fees Collected - \$5,600.00 – Fiscal Year July 2013 – June 2014

Historic District Commission

Dr. John E. Pfeiffer
Chairman

The Historic District (HD), created in 1971 by the citizens of Old Lyme to maintain the historic integrity and authenticity of Lyme Street, was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1972. The HD runs from the Christ the King Rectory at 1 McCurdy Road on the South Green for approximately 1.5 miles down Lyme Street past the North Green to Rose Lane on Route 1. The Historic District Commission (HDC) has no requirements as to specific architectural or historical forms or style. The HDC's goal is to maintain Lyme Street as the core of a functioning southern New England town while, at the same time, preserving its historic fiber.

Meetings

The HDC meets on the first Monday of each month (except August) at 9:00 a.m. in the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street. If the first Monday of the month is a holiday, the meeting will take place the following Monday (at the same time and place). Meetings are open to the public, and those interested in the HD are invited to attend.

Contact

The HDC may be reached by telephoning the town hall at 860-434-1605 or visiting the town's website at www.oldlyme-ct.gov Boards & Commissions - Appointed Boards.

Certificates of Appropriateness

The HDC issued eleven Certificates of Appropriateness during the current fiscal year:

- 22 Lyme Street – Swimming pool
- 40 Lyme Street – Roof shingle replacement
- 2 Library Lane – Parking area fence
- 90 Lyme Street – Exterior renovation/restoration
- 110 Lyme Street – Exterior renovation/addition
- 34 Lyme Street – Exterior lighting
- 68 Lyme Street - Sign
- 75 Lyme Street - Fence
- 85 Lyme Street - Sign
- 100 Lyme Street – Sculpture
- 2 Ferry Road – Solar panels

Historic Plaques

The plaque program was initiated eight years ago by the HDC to acknowledge historic buildings in Old Lyme. There are currently twenty-nine plaques in the HD and nine plaques outside the HD. To qualify, buildings must have been built prior to World War II (1939). Having a historic plaque will not impose any restrictions on the owner's ability to remodel or make changes. The 16" x13" white oval plaques with black text cost \$120 and contain the name of the original owner or the structure's original purpose (e.g., Center School) and date of construction. If you need assistance in researching the history of your property, arrangements can be made through the HDC. Information concerning the plaque program and an application form are posted on the HDC's website, www.oldlyme-ct.gov.

Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG)

Jean Davies
Acting Director

RiverCOG, one of nine regional planning organizations in Connecticut, is governed by its member towns: Chester, Clinton, Cromwell, Deep River, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Middlefield, Middletown, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, Portland, and Westbrook. RiverCOG weaves together shared programs of member municipalities within collective guidance provided by the RiverCOG board, as recommended by the State Plan of Conservation and Development and Connecticut statutes.

RiverCOG provides support for effective planning practices and land-use strategies, assisting member municipalities as requested. It conducts research on regional issues, such as tourism and economic development; coordinates shared services; serves as a clearinghouse for regional information; and acts as a liaison with other regional entities and the state government. The Regional Planning Commission (RPC) supports RiverCOG with inter-municipals referrals and the long-range plan. The RPC includes a representative and alternate from each municipal planning commission in the region and meets on the fourth Monday of each month.

River Metropolitan Planning Organization (RiverMPO), a subset of RiverCOG, enacts and fosters the planning requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation -- a complex process of public outreach and long-range planning for transportation improvements in the region. This year, RiverMPO received its official re-designation from the governor, making it one of the first MPOs in the United States to formally re-designate and merge two MPO organizations.

Through meeting space or staff support, RiverCOG hosts regional initiatives such as the Gateway Commission, Shoreline Basic-Needs Task Force, Coast Guard Auxiliary, and Regional Agricultural Commission. The agency has begun to expand shared-service programs and investigates unique opportunities for shared cost savings between two or more member towns. The RiverCOG continued an annual “dues” schedule at last year’s rate as programs continue to expand for the new organization.

RiverCOG officers are Cathy Iino (Killingworth), Chairperson; Dick Smith (Deep River), Vice-Chairperson; Susan Bransfield (Portland), Secretary; and Ed Meehan (Chester), Treasurer. RiverCOG welcomes Paula Fernald as its new Financial Administrator.

With the unexpected passing of Executive Director Linda Krause, RiverCOG has named Deputy Director Jean Davies as Acting Director until the position is filled. Linda leaves an important legacy of regional cooperation.

Additional details and the full annual report are available at our website: www.rivercog.org.

We welcome visitors and inquiries about topics of regional concern. Please contact us at 860-581-8554 or e-mail us (info@rivercog.org) if you think we might be able to help you.

Lyme-Old Lyme High School

Forty-First Annual Commencement • June 20, 2014

Candidates for Diplomas

Benjamin Evan Abraham	William Clyde Fogle	David Larson Peck ^{ΛΨ}
Megan Elizabeth Astley ^{ΛΨ}	Isabelle Sophie Foster ^{ΛΨ}	Ella Ruth Pilgrim ^{ΛΨ}
Fiona Maire Barrett ^{ΛΨ}	Siera Ashley Frascarelli	Amy Yuxuan Qian ^Ψ
Maria Nicole Basileo	John Cotter Freer	Kaleigh Laura Reynolds ^{ΛΨ}
Samantha Ellison Beers ^Ψ	Trent William Garbati ^Ψ	Graham Wheeler Richartz ^{ΛΨ}
Eric Martel Behringer ^{ΛΨ}	Madalyn Helen Gibson-Williams ^{ΛΨ}	Kaylin Nicole Riggs
Hannah Katherine Behringer ^{ΛΨ}	Sarah Jane Golden ^Ψ	Isabel Trew Ritrovato ^{ΛΨ}
Mikayla Ann Bellaria	Corina Maria Goodson	Sean Michael Robertson ^Ψ
Madelin Kelly Berry ^Ψ	Madelyne Rose Grabowski ^{ΛΨ}	Seth Taylor Rohrberg
Marley Joann Bocian	Abigail Mary Guitar ^{ΛΨ}	Lauren Anna Romeo ^{ΛΨ}
Taylor McKernan Bourne ^{ΛΨ}	Olivia Adriana Hack ^{ΛΨ}	Stuart Caldwell Ross ^{ΛΨ}
Meredith Linda Britton ^{ΛΨ}	Philip Edward Peter Hallwood ^Λ	Michael Patrick Rouillard
Phoebe Louise Brown ^Ψ	Olivia Ann Henderson	Erick Martinez Saenz
Allison Leigh Buckley	Collyn Tyler Herel ^Ψ	Spencer Stansfield Saunders
Tucker Douglas Burr	Alexander Tappan Hine	Machlan James MacDonald Sawden ^{ΛΨ}
William Joseph Buscetto, Jr.	Peter Trumbull Hine ^Ψ	Alison Ann Scott ^Λ
Kristina Yang Cain ^Ψ	Samuel Holcombe	Elizabeth Ann Scott ^Λ
Shawn Francis Caramante	Joab Napoleon Hunt ^Ψ	William Jamieson Scott
Jack Robert Castonguay ^Ψ	Cooper Joseph Kendall ^Ψ	William Everett Sherer ^{ΛΨ}
Daniel Lawrence Chapman ^{ΛΨ}	Kaetlin Alexandria Kolar ^Ψ	Alexis Heap Sibley ^{ΛΨ}
Charles Taylor Clark	Sarah Konishesky ^{ΛΨ}	Chase Dalton Sielbeck
Philip Michael Cohen	Emily Morgan Kramm	Emma Winifred Stanton ^Ψ
Ryan Patrick Comerford	Joshua Levi Krasney ^{ΛΨ}	Keriann Claire Sullivan
Aidan James Cotter-Garfield	Erin Jane Kroes	Sierra Madison Sunshine ^Λ
Mercedes Rose Crespo	Hannah Lee Lacey	Joseph Dean Sweeney ^Ψ
Emily Ann Czarnecki ^{ΛΨ}	Brianna Fantasia Landry	Tatianna Nicole Thompson ^Ψ
Jeffrey Allen Davis	Jessica Ann Lee ^{ΛΨ}	David Harrison Tiffany
Cameron Amado De Los Santos	Jacob Carlson Martin	Meghan Elizabeth Trausch ^{ΛΨ}
Dillon Michael Dean-Frazier	Kelly Gabrielle Mastrianna	Cole David Turner ^{ΛΨ}
Hanna Michelle DeBruyn ^{ΛΨ}	Gavin Patrick McCarthy ^Ψ	Christian John Valli ^Ψ
Jennifer Casey Dill ^Ψ	Nicholas Ryan McKnight ^{ΛΨ}	Jacob Pierson Watts-St. Germain ^{ΛΨ}
Michael Sergi Dolishny	Robert Charles Melchreit ^Ψ	Lisa Ann Weigle ^Ψ
Jackson Michael Driscoll	Morgan Elizabeth Merrick ^Ψ	Kaylyn Mara Wiese ^{ΛΨ}
Jenna Catherine Duxbury	Nicholas Max Milazzo ^Ψ	Stephen Joseph Williams, Jr. ^Ψ
Chelsea Ann Evankow ^Λ	David Richard Muckle ^{ΛΨ}	Brian Alexander Wolfe
Russell Tyler Faircloth	Kyle Patrick O'Neil ^Ψ	Shennandoah Marie Wordell
John Thomas Fairfield-Sonn ^{ΛΨ}	Jeffrey Thomas Paine	Laura Munling Yee ^Ψ
Paige Nicole Flagge	Dimitri Thomas Papasian ^Ψ	

^Λ Member National Honor Society, Gold Honor Cord

^Ψ CAPT Scholar, Silver Honor Cord

Academic Letter Recipient

Lyme-Old Lyme High School *(continued)*

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Jessica Lee Vice President
Eric Behringer Secretary
Joshua Krasney Treasurer
Lauren Romeo Class Historian

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Mr. James Wygonik, *Principal* Ms. Michelle Dean, *Assistant Principal*

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Lance Piantaggini, Gregory Robinson, Adrienne Viscio, Louis Zubek

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MaryBeth Schreindorfer, Cynthia Straub, Leslie Traver, Lucy Trost, Adrienne Viscio, Lucy Walter,
John Wang, Joanna Williams, Jacob Wilson, Louis Zubek

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Rowan Hallahan, Julia Strycharz

Lyme-Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce

Catherine Frank
President

Chamber members invited visitors to travel “Beyond the Yellow Brick Road” in an extension of the Florence Griswold Museum’s Wee Faerie Village in the Land of Oz. Creative Chamber crafters made their own “Oz” faeries, and two dozen businesses participated. Our **Annual Tree Lighting**, with a performance by the Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School Band, took place at the town hall in December. Chamber businesses and local organizations worked together to **Light Up Old Lyme** throughout the holiday season. The High School Select Singers helped to spread holiday cheer at our Holiday Dinner Meeting at the **Bee & Thistle Inn**.

We welcomed a number of interesting speakers to monthly dinner meetings at the Hideaway, Jessie’s Restaurant, and the Shoreline Community Center (catered by Coffee’s Country Market). Our **14th Annual Taste of the Lymes** was a Business Expo at the Old Lyme Country Club. Chamber members actively participated

with sponsored tables.

This past year was also marked by a partnership with the Town of Old Lyme. The Lyme/Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce and town sponsored three **Business Breakfasts**, offering members of our local business community the opportunity to share ideas and raise concerns.

In the summer, we welcomed members and friends to casual gatherings at our world-famous inns, and a popular new tradition was established!

The chamber works hard to support our Old Lyme community, and we are grateful for our community’s support of local businesses. If you are not yet a member, please consider joining us – and remember to **BUY LOCAL!** For information on membership and events, please go to www.VisitOldLyme.com.

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Lyme/Old Lyme VFW Post 1467

Tim Griswold
Post Commander

Lyme-Old Lyme Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1467 membership includes men and women who served the United States in combat zones that include World War II, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War, Iraq, and Afghanistan. At the beginning of 2014, we had 100 members representing the towns of Old Lyme, Lyme, Old Saybrook, Westbrook, and Niantic, as well as members from fifteen other Connecticut towns and seven other states. We meet the fourth Monday of every month from March through November at Lymes’ Senior Center.

Our post was chartered some twenty-three years ago as a VFW Post whose mantra is, “No bar, no building, just do good works!” Our main goal is to provide temporary assistance to veterans-in-need and to their immediate

families, contribute to our community, offer leadership example to our youth, and provide educational resources support to young leaders in our community.

We have been very fortunate for the many Lyme-Old Lyme VFW Post 1467 members who have worked very hard at our annual November VFW Buddy Poppy Program and annual fall BBQ. We also have been the beneficiary of local churches and individuals who contribute to the funding to aid military veterans and/or their families who find themselves in unfortunate circumstances. Our VFW may provide significant temporary monetary assistance to defray costs for a rental payment or mortgage interest payment, utility or home heating fuel, medical expenses, medications, eyeglasses, food and incidentals,

Lyme/Old Lyme VFW Post 1467 *(continued)*

children's clothing needs, and durable medical equipment. Our VFW also may help defray the costs of vehicle expenses, home repairs, maintenance, or disabled access renovations. And the personal privacy of veterans involved in seeking and receiving our temporary assistance is protected!

VFW disbursements for services only are reviewed and determined by the executive board.

We rely on our local residents, our town social services coordinator, and a periodic letter in the *Lyme Times* asking to identify any veterans and their families in need. This is very important because we find that many veterans-in-need do not readily seek help themselves.

In the past year, we have aided a number of veterans in need as well as contributed to others' relief funding. Some examples are as follows:

We found a World War II veteran who was eligible but had no daily Veterans Administration aide and assistance in food preparation or daily care. We assisted with grocery cards and fuel assistance; coordinated with the Old Saybrook Rotary, who sent a physician to provide the veteran an in-home physical; and finally transported him to the Rocky Hill Veterans Home.

We aided an elderly WWII couple who were not able to live in their home any longer by assistance in visiting, transporting, clothing, and feeding them in and out of Middletown Hospital and their separate rehabilitation centers and coordinating with the town social services director, who provided a month of transition rental accommodation.

We aided a Vietnam veteran who had no place to stay. We have provided a temporary rental car, airfare, clothing assistance, and food. And we have coordinated with a relative across the country who identified himself as willing to help sustain the veteran.

We contribute equipment and/or funds to West Haven VA Hospital, Rocky Hill State VA Hospital, Fisher House at the West Haven VA, Giant Steps Program, and the Veterans Administration National Home.

Locally, we contribute to the New London High School Junior ROTC program, High Hopes Veteran program, Lyme-Old Lyme Memorial Day cemetery flags replacement, Memorial Day Parade cost, Lymes' Senior Center upkeep, Boy Scouts, and the Old Lyme Little League.

PLEASE CALL US IF YOU KNOW OF A VETERAN-IN-NEED!

The Lyme-Old Lyme VFW Post supports the Lyme-Old Lyme High School, Middle School, and Center School Veterans Day programs. We support the Voice of Democracy essay contest in the middle and high schools. We have always been impressed with the students' attention and the support of school administrators during this annual tribute.

Please come and join us in serving those less fortunate military service members and also enjoying the comradeship of fellow veterans in our dedication to giving back. You may call or email the following:

Tim Griswold, Post Commander
timothygriswold@yahoo.com, H 860-434-9111
C 860-662-4001

John Donnelly, Adjutant *j.donnelly@snet.net*,
H 860-388-5349, C 860-964-0876

Lymes' Senior Center

Stephanie Lyon
Director

Lymes' Senior Center is open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday with some evening and weekend programs. Please check the monthly newsletter for specific times. We offer the residents of Lyme and Old Lyme who are 60 and over many programs, including lifelong learning classes, senior club activities, card games, health speakers, financial planning speakers, musical entertainment, bingo, card games, hiking, exercise classes, art shows, painting classes, computer classes, nature programs, and discussions and lectures. We have also recently added day trips, overnight trips, and cruises to Canada and the Caribbean to our schedule.

We provide Meals on Wheels to those in need of this service. Lunches are also served at the Senior Center every Monday through Friday at noon. Pre-signup the day before by 11:00 a.m. is required; reservations can be made by calling 860-434-4322.

We have a VNA nurse who can address general health questions and concerns, as well as check your blood pressure, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. on Friday.

The newsletter can be found online on the Town of Old Lyme website, or you can receive it by mail for \$5.00 a year when you sign up as a member. Please feel free to contact Stephanie Lyon, Director, at 860-434-4127 or stop by with any questions you may have regarding the Senior Center or the programs it offers.



Old Lyme Land Trust sponsored a sold-out "Swallow Cruise" to Goose Island last fall

Lymes' Youth Service Bureau

Mary V. Seidner
Director

The mission of the Lymes' Youth Service Bureau (LYSB) is to empower and enrich the lives of youth and families in our community through a wide range of innovative and effective programs.

LYSB proudly serves as the primary youth-serving organization for our community, promoting positive youth development through programs and services to children and families in Old Lyme and Lyme. Founded in 1978 by a group of concerned citizens, LYSB is one of 100 Youth Service Bureaus (YSBs) in Connecticut. Most YSBs are municipal agencies; however, LYSB is one of only a handful of private nonprofit agencies and therefore relies on the generous support of the community for nearly one half of our budget. We are grateful to the Town of Old Lyme for its municipal support and we enjoy collaborating with the town and schools on a variety of programs.

The LYSB playgroups are popular programs where children and their caregivers can make new friends and find support. Parents learn from each other, share ideas, and develop a network. Many lifelong friendships are forged at LYSB. We offer a full schedule of groups, based on the child's age.

LYSB continues to collaborate with our local or prevention coalition, "Community Action for Substance-Free Youth (CASFY)." This group comprises community leaders, parents, teachers, and students who advocate and support our youth through education, communication, and participation. CASFY's goal is to reduce substance abuse among the youth of Lyme and Old Lyme and to positively affect the culture of student life. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at LYSB at 7:00 p.m. and welcome attendance from any members of the community. Results from the youth survey and more information about CASFY are available on the LYSB website, www.lysb.org.

At LYSB students can relax in a safe and supervised environment after school. We offer games, snacks, homework help, and friendship. Please visit our website or stop by our offices at 59 Lyme Street to learn about the youth programs we offer in the following areas:

- Early childhood
- Parent education
- After-school programming
- Teen job bank
- Counseling
- Juvenile Justice
- Social service referrals
- Community service
- Prevention
- Summer programming
- Holiday Giving

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MacCurdy Salisbury Educational Foundation, Inc.

Rowland Ballek
President



Reception for June 2014 graduates receiving grants. Front Row (seated L to R): Elizabeth Scott, Siera Frascarelli, Isabelle Foster, Abby Guitar, Alison Scott, Hannah Lacey, Taylor Bourne, Brianna Landry, Shennandoah Wordell, Sierra Sunshine. Standing L-R: Rowland Ballek, Emily Rose Ogland, Michael Rouillard, Cole Turner, Chelsea Evankow, Julian Papiasian, David Muckle, Dimitri Papiasian, Robert Melchreit, William Sherer, William Scott, Peter Hine, Jonah Godfrey-Fogg, John Freer, Christian Valli, Joseph Sweeney, Jeffrey Paine, Jacob Martin, Nolan Smyth, Madalyn Gibson-Williams, Kyle O'Neil, Ned Perkins. Missing from photo: Daniel Chapman and Stephen Williams

In the past seven years the MacCurdy Salisbury Educational Foundation has given out over 1.5 million dollars to students from Lyme and Old Lyme. For the 2013-2014 academic year the MacCurdy Salisbury Educational Foundation was able to give out \$229,075 in educational grants to 78 students -- 63 from Old Lyme and 15 from Lyme. For the 2014-2015 academic year the foundation plans to give out \$251,000 to 85 students --64 from Old Lyme and 21 from Lyme.

The foundation held its annual reception for this year's high school graduates who were receiving grants on June 12, 2014 at the Lyme Art Association in Old Lyme, attended by students, parents, contributors, and foundation board members. Included in the numbers above are the 30 students graduating this year from Lyme and Old Lyme who were awarded grants at the reception totaling \$87,800 for the coming school year.

Foundation awards are limited to students residing in Lyme or Old Lyme and are based on the degree of financial assistance a student requires to meet his or her college expenses. Students who keep satisfactory grade-point levels will continue to receive their same awards for an additional three years of their undergraduate studies.

At the reception the foundation also presented two \$500.00 awards, the W.E.S.

Griswold Valedictorian Award to Isabelle Foster of Old Lyme, who will attend Stanford, and the Willis Umberger Salutatorian Award to Robert Melchreit of Lyme, who will attend Wesleyan. Bill Griswold was president of the foundation from 1965 to 1982, and Willis Umberger was secretary/treasurer from 1966 to 1986.

The Annual Meeting of the foundation was held on September 19, 2013, and Old Lyme resident James Fairfield-Sonn and Lyme resident Matthew Sharp were elected as members of the foundation. Two members were elected to the foundations board of directors for a three-year term: Nicki Berry and Thomas Sherer, both from Old Lyme. They replaced Joan O'Neill and David Preston, whose terms had expired. Foundation officers re-elected at the meeting were President Rowland Ballek, Vice President Mary Seidner, and Secretary/Treasurer Edward Perkins.



Left to Right, Robert Melchreit, Salutatorian Award winner and Isabelle Foster, Valedictorian Award winner

Municipal Agent for the Elderly

Don Tapper
Municipal Agent

As municipal agent for the elderly, I am always available to give advice and direction to the elderly and their families on all topics concerning senior issues. Please leave me a message on my home phone, 860-434-5334, and I will respond as soon as possible.

I have no meetings.

We are fortunate to have an exceptional senior center/visiting nurse office located on Town Woods Road. I encourage all seniors

to join the center and participate in its many programs and events. Director Stephanie Lyon and visiting nurse Karen Veselka do an excellent job of helping with all facets of senior life.

Senior subsidized housing is available at Rye Field Manor, 860-434-0526, and Lymewood, 860-434-2120. Both are located off of Boston Post Road. Please call them for more information and to find out how to get on the waiting list.

Old Lyme Ambulance Association

Tom Rozanski
President

What happened to 2014? There were no hurricanes, blizzards, or other natural disasters so you would have thought 2014 would have been a fairly uneventful year for Old Lyme EMS. That is until the Ebola outbreak. I'm sure many of you watched various news channels to keep informed about the disease and its spread. We at Old Lyme EMS were busy getting regular updates from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and State Department of Health. This progressed to revisions and reinforcements of body-substance isolation procedures. It culminated with a mandatory exercise conducted by the state where technicians first prepared the ambulance for the transportation of a highly infectious patient. They then put on appropriate protective gear with respirators and encapsulated the patient for transport. Thanks to the dedication of our technicians, we successfully completed the exercise. This reinforced the need to be prepared for anything!

Old Lyme Ambulance Association is a combination paid/volunteer entity that covers emergency calls, wellness checks, and community events and assists the Old Lyme Fire Department at large incidents such as house and brush fires

along with motor vehicle accidents. In 2014, we responded to 742 requests for assistance. Our organization receives minimal funding from the town of Old Lyme. Our revenue mainly comes from insurance monies and donations from townspeople. This past year the ambulance association used donation money to purchase ten Automated Electronic Defibrillators (AEDs) for our first responders.

The members of Old Lyme Ambulance Association are National- and State-Certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) or Emergency Medical Responders (EMRs). As always, Old Lyme Ambulance Association is actively seeking out new members. The volunteer component is critical to our organization's continued success; without volunteers we would not be able to operate. If you are interested in volunteering, please stop by the Cross Lane station. We would like to thank the people of Old Lyme for their support.

Old Lyme Ambulance Association *(continued)*

Listed below is the 2014 response breakdown.

Group	Count	Group	Count
MVA - motor vehicle accident	116	Allergies	7
Fall Victim	90	Heart Problems	7
Unknown Problems	79	Back Pain	5
Sick Person	73	Diabetic Problem	5
Breathing Problems	54	Choking	4
Chest Pain	50	Altered Mental Status	2
Psychiatric Problems	37	Animal Bite	2
Unconscious/Fainting	32	Assault	2
Not Applicable	31	Heat/Cold Exposure	2
Abdominal Pain	27	Burns	1
Pain	20	Electrocution	1
Impaired by Drugs and/or Alcohol	18	Eye Problem	1
Hemorrhage/Laceration	17	Haz Mat	1
Cardiac Arrest	13	Ingestion/Poisoning	1
Traumatic Injury	13	Overdose	1
CO Poisoning / Haz mat	10	Respiratory Arrest	1
Stroke/CVA	10	Transfer/Interfacility/Palliative Care	1
Convulsions/Seizure	8		

Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council

Catherine Frank
Secretary/Treasurer

The Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council meets quarterly and represents the towns of Old Lyme, Lyme, East Haddam, Haddam Neck, and Salem.

Since 2010, the council has awarded twelve scholarships to graduating seniors from member towns planning to enter a communications program or a communications-related field after high school graduation. Scholarship awards have been presented to a number of graduating seniors from Lyme or Old Lyme, including Sophie Bakoledis, Sarah Briscoe, Megan Devlin, and Sarah Schmidt in 2010; Sophia G. Harvey and Elissa F. DeBruyn in 2011; Carli Smith and Daniel Koenigs in 2012; and Meghan Nosal, Lindsey Knepshield, and Blaise Berglund in

2013. We congratulate all of our scholarship winners! Scholarship applications are available through the Lyme-Old Lyme High School Guidance Office.

The Comcast Public Access Studio on Halls Road in Old Lyme is available for use by individuals and nonprofit organizations in any of the towns represented by the local council. Public Access Coordinator Lynn Perry provides free training on studio equipment.

Tim Devlin and I are Old Lyme’s Council representatives. We encourage people to contact one of us with questions or concerns – and urge you to take advantage of the Public Access Studio. Phone 860-434-0643 for more information.

Old Lyme Fire Department

C. Ellis Jewett
Secretary

The Old Lyme Fire Department was organized as a volunteer organization, and the fact that it continues to be all volunteer is a credit to the dedicated personnel who give freely of their time and energy to obtain the training necessary to perform the difficult tasks that today's firefighting requires. The professional dispatchers at the Valley Shore Communications Center receive your 911 calls and notify volunteer firefighters via alerting pagers. Available volunteers respond accordingly. Some respond to staff apparatus and others directly to the emergency scene. Volunteers responded to 252 emergency situations during the past year. The department currently operates three fire stations and nine pieces of fire apparatus. Approximately forty-five active volunteers logged over three thousand hours of emergency duty. State-certified department training officers conduct an ongoing in-house training program. Outside instructors are employed when necessary, and members are encouraged to attend federal, state, and regional training sessions.

The department makes a great effort to be prepared to meet a variety of challenges. Firefighters never know if the next call will be a structure fire, rescue emergency, brush or forest fire, storm-related emergency, or hazardous material incident. Over fifty percent of the fire department responses continue to be for automatic fire alarm activations and automobile accidents with injuries.

The Old Lyme Fire Department is actively involved with recruiting new members. Our junior department, consisting of members ranging in age from 15 to 18 years, is a vital part of maintaining a stream of volunteers. All members receive the same training and are encouraged to earn state-level certification. The department also recruits non-firefighting members to handle the various necessary administrative duties. The fire department offers many ways in which members can serve our community. Dedicated volunteers are always needed and new members are welcome. Please consider offering your services. There are firefighting and non-firefighting duties to fit all abilities. Visit any of the three fire stations and find out how you can assist. Department members meet on Wednesday evenings for

scheduled training sessions, work nights, and monthly business meetings.

Annual funding provided by the Town of Old Lyme is used for the training of personnel and to purchase and maintain fire department apparatus and equipment. As the tools of our trade become more complex, the upgrading and maintenance is continuous. Equipping firefighters to safely face the challenges of their duties, adhering to the mandates for equipment standards, and complying with required maintenance and testing schedules are costly expenditures. Continued town support for the apparatus replacement plan is essential to the performance of our services.

The Old Lyme Fire Department volunteers are taxpayers, too, and strive for the most efficient operation of our organization. In this effort town funding is supplemented with funds raised through donations and the Firefighter's Fund campaign.

The Old Lyme Fire Department is administered by the following elected officers.

LINE OFFICERS

<i>Chief</i>	Thomas Risom
<i>Deputy Chief</i>	Stephen Super
<i>First Assistant Chief</i>	Michael McCarthy, Jr.
<i>Second Assistant Chief</i>	Thomas Rozanski
<i>Captains</i>	James Oldfield
	Dayton Dell
	Larry Merrill III
	John Duddy
	James Caramante
	Thomas Negrelli

Lieutenants

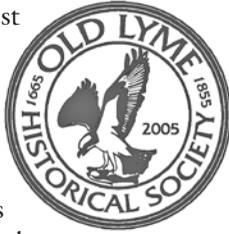
EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	Robert McCarthy
<i>Secretary</i>	C. Ellis Jewett
<i>Treasurer</i>	
<i>Purchasing Agent</i>	Anthony Vallombroso
<i>Chaplain</i>	Mervin Roberts
<i>Steward</i>	John McCarthy

Old Lyme Historical Society, Inc.

Tim Griswold, Mark Lander
Co-Chairs

A banner year best describes the past twelve months for the Old Lyme Historical Society. There were so many events and milestones -- book sales for the Midsummer Festival; participation in Old Saybrook's Bushnell Farm "Harvest Home"; the launch of two publications: the Noteworthy Houses poster/pamphlet and our second "Then and Now" community calendar; and participation by several of our members as docents for visitors along Lyme Street during the "Light Up Old Lyme" kick-off for the holiday season. In March we held our third annual "Vintage!" antiques appraisal, which raised over \$1800 for our scholarship fund, and in April we joined colleagues from Old Saybrook and Essex to commemorate the 1814 burning of the ships by the British in Essex Harbor. Also in April we held our annual dinner lecture, featuring Old Lyme Historian John "Ned" Pfeiffer, who spoke about farms and farming in Old Lyme over the years. On Memorial Day we opened up our new home to the public for the first time, and in June we held our annual membership meeting at our new home. At this time, five new trustees were elected and, for the first time, two scholarships were awarded, to LOLHS seniors David Muckle and David Peck.



to sell its hall at 55 Lyme Street. We made an offer that was accepted, and in February we became the owners of this iconic building in the center of the Historic District, a building with a history of its own, ideally suited for our needs. Well before that, we began a capital campaign to raise the funds necessary to both purchase the building and to renovate it for our purposes. A spirited effort brought in sufficient money by the end of June to pay for the building and to begin work on it. Our sincere thanks to our trustees, Old Lyme residents past and present, the Lyme/Old Lyme business community, and the Town of Old Lyme for their contributions, both monetary and in kind.

Looking to the future, we plan to continue our fund-raising campaign, to make additional renovations to the building, and to continue our work to commemorate, along with sister organizations from Lyme, Old Saybrook, East Lyme, and Salem, the 350th anniversary of the "Loving Parting," the event that created the original town of Lyme (today the above four towns) via an amicable separation from the Saybrook Plantation. Along with our other activities, 2014-2015 promises to be a busy time. Stay tuned!

Our board meets the second Monday of each month except June at 4:00 p.m. at 55 Lyme Street. In June the annual membership meeting replaces the board meeting, same time, same place.

Visit us at www.oldlymehistoricalsociety.org.
Email us at olhsimail@gmail.com



Our new home! During the summer of 2013 we learned that Old Lyme Grange #162 was reluctantly surrendering its charter and wanted

Old Lyme Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission (IWWC)

Skip DiCamillo
Chairman

Stanley Kolber
Commission Member

Inland wetlands and watercourses are an integral part of a web of nature -- fragile, irreplaceable, and essential to our water supplies, hydrological stability and flood and erosion control, recharging and purifying ground water, and an ecology on which our diverse forms of animal, bird, aquatic, and plant life are dependent. Our town has adopted a body of regulations -- the "Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations" -- to preserve and protect these wetland and watercourse resources. In general, the regulations require that any proposed activity within an inland wetland or watercourse, within 100 feet of an inland wetland or watercourse, or within 400 feet of a vernal pool be brought before the IWWC, which was established to implement the purposes and provisions of the regulations.

The IWWC's mission, namely the protection of these resources, is intended to preserve the benefits (e.g., recreation, clean water, flood control, and habitat for fish and wildlife) they provide for current and future generations of town residents. The performance of this mission will, among other things, contribute to the continued visits of the wood ducks and osprey, pictured here, along with all other wildlife and sea life that visit our shoreline community. Photos submitted by Stanley Kolber, commission member.

This past fiscal year the IWWC acted on twenty applications, issuing nineteen permits (one administratively). Consideration of applications will typically consist of a walk of the site, in some cases a visit by the Commission's Enforcement Officer, and a presentation by or on behalf of the applicant at a meeting of the commission.

Town residents contemplating any activity within any area subject to regulation are encouraged to visit with the commission's staff at the Land Use Office at the town hall. The staff will provide an application, explain the application process, and answer any questions. In this way, misunderstandings and inadvertent violation of the regulations will be avoided. In addition, the regulations themselves are posted online.

Town residents have the responsibility to ensure that the professionals and contractors retained by them are aware of the regulations and their requirements.

The IWWC meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the town hall. On occasion the date of the November meeting is shifted to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday. The agenda and minutes of each meeting are posted online on the town website. There is no meeting scheduled the months of August or December.



Wood duck photographed on the Mill River by Stanley Kolber



Osprey photographed on the waters northeast of Calves Island by Stanley Kolber

Old Lyme Land Trust, Inc.

Christina Clayton
President

Almost fifty years ago, local residents came together to preserve the precious conservation land and beautiful landscapes of Old Lyme. The vehicle that they created to accomplish this was the Old Lyme Land Trust (OLTT). The vision of these individuals and their strong conservation ethic have contributed significantly to the quality of life that we enjoy in Old Lyme today.

Old Lyme Land Trust, a private, not-for-profit corporation, owns over 900 acres of land in Old Lyme: forested uplands, ridges, open fields, inland wetlands, and tidal marshland. We operate twelve preserves that are open to the public for hiking and the enjoyment of nature located in various parts of town. Details about these nature preserves are found at www.oldlymelandtrust.org.

We continue to acquire conservation land and are responsible for the ongoing stewardship of all of our holdings. This is our primary mission. Financial support for this mission comes from membership dues, private donations, and state and federal grants. We have a volunteer board and no paid staff and depend on our loyal volunteer stewards and volunteer work parties for the maintenance of public trails in our preserves. In recent years, the Boy Scouts have provided excellent help as has the Lyme/Old Lyme High School Environmental Club, which received the Volunteer of the Year award at our last annual meeting.

The past year was a busy one. We opened up two new preserves: Hatchetts Hill Preserve at 29-1 Hatchetts Hill Road and Belton Copp Preserve on Smith Neck Road. Hatchetts Hill consists of 44 wooded acres that shelter much of the source of Armstrong Brook and affords easy hiking. Belton Copp, only 4 acres, sits astride a state-owned 32-acre piece of tidal marsh and offers views of sunrises and sunsets and marsh wildlife such as osprey. Take the Whimsey Walk at Belton Copp and enter a magical grove of fairy houses made of seashells, rocks, and bamboo and wind chimes hung from trees and miniature fairy gardens adorned with fanciful objects and creatures--all made by local children and their adult assistants.



A view of the Old Lyme Land Trust's newly opened Belton Copp Preserve, November 2014



The Old Lyme Land Trust Volunteer of the Year Award in March 2014 went to the Lyme/Old Lyme High School Environmental Club: (left to right) Isabel Ritrovato, Hugh Cipparone, Madalyn Gibson-Williams, Philip Hallwood, and club advisor Heather Fried. The award is given annually by the Old Lyme Land Trust to a volunteer who has dedicated significant time and effort to the trust. Last March we gave the award to the entire club because it "adopted" the OLLT Goberis-Chadwick Preserve by clearing its trails and blazing a trail in the Bob & Esther Heller Preserve.



Treasures left behind to be found by others along the "Whimsey Trail" of the Belton Copp Preserve

Old Lyme Land Trust, Inc. *(continued)*

We purchased 40 acres of forested, undeveloped land traversed by two tributaries of the Three Mile River at 106 Four Mile River Road. The purchase was enhanced by a generous donation of 8.5 acres by Sylvia Marsh. The newly acquired parcel connects with more than 150 acres of existing conservation land and will be the primary access point to the soon-to-be-opened Upper Three Mile River Preserve (our thirteenth).



A view of the autumn landscape at Watch Rock



The Old Lyme Land Trust's Mile Creek Trail includes a self-guided nature trail for children.

Inside the Mile Creek Preserve (donated by Connie Pike in 1973), with assistance from the Mile Creek Elementary School staff, we created a self-guided nature trail for children. It was opened officially on Earth Day in April. The trail has twelve stations marked by posts hand-painted by the children and described in a brochure chock full of Fun Facts.

Finally, we took a giant first step in the implementation of our Watch Rock habitat restoration plan, bringing in a professional crew to expand the old field, thin stands of trees, and mow the invasive plant understory that was driving out native flora and fauna. This is a multi-year effort that will involve planting native shrubs and managing re-growth of exotic invasive ones.

OLLT houses two fishways, and we participated last May in World Fish Migration Day. We sponsored a sold-out Swallow Cruise to Goose Island last fall.



The beginning of a multi-year habitat restoration project at Watch Rock



Steve Gebhard on World Fish Migration Day (May 2014) at the Steube Fishway, one of two fish ladders the OLLT houses

Old Lyme Parks and Recreation

Don Bugbee

Director

The Parks and Recreation Department provides a variety of programs and services for the residents and the summer visitors in Old Lyme. The office is located at 52 Lyme Street, in the lower level of the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, and can be reached by calling 860-434-1605 ext. 235. The email address is parkrec@oldlyme-ct.gov, and there is a Parks and Recreation web page that can be linked from the Town of Old Lyme's website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov). All parks and recreation information is on the website, and programs are listed by season.

The Parks and Recreation Commission, made up of seven residents, meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall. Anyone interested in participating as a commission member should contact the chairperson and the selectmen's office. All are welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

During the summer months we provide a daily staff of lifeguards and parking lot attendants for our facilities at White Sand Beach and Hain's Park at Rogers Lake. We also staff the town-owned parking lot at Sound View Beach, which becomes one of the busiest spots in town. We maintain the Little League baseball and softball fields, tennis courts, and basketball courts at Cross Lane Park. Town Woods Park once again was very busy with soccer, lacrosse, Little League baseball, and softball practices and games. Cooperation between all of the groups involved is essential for things to run

smoothly. These fields require a first-class field maintenance program to keep up with the amount of use they receive and to prevent them from being worn out.

The typical programs we offer currently for our youth in the summer include a six-week day camp and baseball, basketball, tennis, and soccer camps. In the fall we have soccer and in the winter we have basketball. Adult programs currently include yoga sessions, which run during the fall, winter, and spring and our adult basketball program, which basically runs during the entire school year.

As always, I would like to thank all of the parks and recreation employees, commission members, the Public Works Department, the selectwomen and selectman, the Board of Finance, and Region #18 for the use of facilities and the town employees for the efforts they contribute to our programs. Also and in particular, thanks goes to the dedicated volunteers who continue to give up their time for the benefit of others in our community. Your efforts are essential to many of our Parks and Recreation programs; they are appreciated, and the programs would not exist as they are without your help.

If anyone has any suggestions or program requests, please contact Don at the Parks and Recreation Office by phone, email, or better yet... stop in.

Old Lyme - Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library

Mary Fiorelli

Director

mfiorell@oldlyme.lioninc.org

860-434-1684

www.oldlyme.lioninc.org

The Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library is a cultural and education hub of the community. It facilitates learning by providing training in a safe and comfortable setting for each of our users in support of his or her motivation to seek knowledge on an individual basis. Our central mission of meeting patron needs for learning is encouraged by the personal attention staff provide daily. With their guidance, access to the world of knowledge is a journey of investigation going beyond the scope of our collections by teaching our patrons how to use tools for their own growth and success.

To that end we are proud of our services for young children, which expanded in response to needs of local families and changing curriculum goals implemented in Region #18 Lyme-Old Lyme Public Schools. We produced highly successful on-trend programming and educational activities by providing more story-time sessions for preschoolers and the much-anticipated Summer Reading series for children of all ages. We hired a new Young Adult Librarian to support the educational needs of middle-school students that incorporated socializing and organized fun! Teen programs engaged students in grades 5 through 8 using diverse activities for relaxation: games and themed crafts based on the popular Minecraft virtual world online gaming program were well received. A Teen Advisory Group was formed that attracted sixteen participants to help steer programming ideas into reality. Collaborating with the Music Now Foundation, Literacy, Lyrics and Lymestock invited young people to explore their musical talents, culminating in the first Lymestock concert for Lyme-Old Lyme. In addition to these activities, the library hosted an average of 500 students per month engaged in after-school study, games, and homework help. This presented a new challenge for staff to communicate our expectations and successfully manage greater-than-average attendance.

New technologies are quickly embraced in Old Lyme, shown by the growing demand for a larger collection of EBooks and the successful launch of Zinio EMagazines. Three thousand participants attended more than 200 adult programs featuring genealogical research, Connecticut history, opera lectures, lawn concerts, art exhibitions, book discussions, a dog expert for canine lovers, and our special community events.

The library's support of and involvement in local events such as Midsummer Festival, Wee Faerie Village, Halloween on Lyme Street, Light Up Old Lyme, and the Memorial Day Parade demonstrate our sense of community pride and spirit. Our partnerships with Lyme/Old Lyme Chamber of Commerce, Lyme/Old Lyme Learning Center, and local businesses such as the Carousel, Old Lyme Inn, Old Lyme Ice Cream Shoppe, and the Chocolate Shell allow us to build relationships with local merchants in win-win collaborations. We look forward to future ventures with our partners and the exploration of new partnerships with local businesses and nonprofits in response to the community's aspirations for the future.



The main entrance to the Old Lyme - Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library that everyone uses

Old Lyme Police

Officer Thomas Heinsen

The Old Lyme Police consists of one resident state trooper plus six full-time and two-part time town police officers. During periods of leave, the town of Old Lyme receives general patrol coverage from the Connecticut State Police Troop F in Westbrook. The Old Lyme Resident Trooper and town police are dispatched by Troop F.

The following is a breakdown of the total police incidents that occurred in the town of Old Lyme, including Interstate 95, during fiscal 2013-2014;

Total Calls for Service:	14,094
Investigations:	165
Motor Vehicle Accidents:	162
Driving Under the Influence Arrests:	29
Motor Vehicle Citations:	1078
Motor Vehicle Warnings:	945
Miscellaneous Service Calls:	11,819

(Alarms, Assist to the Fire Department, Medicals, Property Checks, Finger Prints, general assists to the public, disabled motorist, etc.)

The Old Lyme Police Department is not manned 24 hours and is located at 294 Shore Road. **To report any type of Emergency or Crime in progress, please dial 911.** For routine calls, the resident state Trooper and Town Police Officers can be reached by calling **860-434-1986**. That number rings at the local police department and will roll over to the Troop F Dispatch if not answered.



Old Lyme Social Services

Valerie Goncalves

Social Service Coordinator

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 or a phone with unlimited minutes.

Many of these forms needed to apply for programs are available in the Social Service office at the Old Lyme Memorial 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 his or her 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 and Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

During drought periods trees should be given top priority over the lawn. Lawns can be replaced in a matter of months whereas a 20 year old tree will take 20 years to replace.

Text courtesy of Colorado State University

How Drought Affects Trees and Shrubs



Leaf scorch can result from a single dry spell. If drought continues, the entire leaf will die.

Photo and text courtesy of Fine Gardening Magazine

Many valuable trees and shrubs have suffered irreversible damage from the drought conditions we experienced in recent years.

The effects of drought damage can be described as short term and long term. The immediate evidence includes wilting, leaf scorch, curling edges, yellowing, and stunted growth. Evergreen needles turn yellow or turn brown at the tips.

Long-term injury involves premature leaf drop, dieback of branches, and eventual death as the ability to absorb water is impaired. A drought-stressed plant is weak and particularly vulnerable to disease infections and attacks by insects. And many times signs of injury may take a few years or even longer to appear.

Simple and immediate steps can be taken to prevent drought damage.

- **Water your trees and shrubs.** Established woody plants require 1-2 inches of water per week during the growing season, April to September. New plantings should have two times that amount into November. To determine if your plants need additional water, measure the amount of rainfall in any given week by placing a small, empty tuna fish can on the ground to collect and measure rain water. Supplement with irrigation when necessary.
- **Water trees deeply and slowly.** Using a drip method is best to penetrate the surface of the soil and to get the water down to the roots. Saturate the soil evenly, under and around the entire tree, extending to the dripline. Soaker hoses provide good coverage.
- **Mulch your trees and shrubs.** Mulch helps to maintain moisture in the soil, prevents competition from weeds for water and nutrients, adds organic matter to the soil, and promotes root development.
- **Apply mulch at a depth of 2-3 inches and out to the dripline of the trees if possible.** Move it 3 inches away from the trunks and root collars; do not apply mulch in “volcano” style.
- **Maintain soil fertility.** Apply a slow-release fertilizer usually once a year in early spring to maintain a healthy soil. Healthy plants will sustain less damage from prolonged drought conditions. Get your soil tested.
- **Manage pests and prune trees.** Call a UCONN extension office for help with diagnosing disease and pests. Prune any dead or dying shrub branches. Contact an arborist for assistance with tree pruning.

The Tree Commission meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month in the second-floor conference room at the town hall. **PERMIT REQUIREMENT:** Anyone considering removing, trimming, or planting trees on the town right-of-way adjacent to their property must apply to the tree warden for permission. Permit applications are available at town hall or online at www.oldlyme-ct.gov.

Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

Stephen R. Moore, CPCU

Executive Director

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) has been serving the needs of the community since 1922. With the rapid changes in healthcare and health insurance, the VNA is moving forward to adjust to and meet the challenges facing residents.

The Old Lyme VNA Board of Directors meets on the second Monday of each month in the town hall at 1 p.m. The meeting year is September to June; there are no meetings in the months of July and August. The Executive Director can be reached at the office number (860-468-5741) or by email at oldlymevna@gmail.com.

The town nurse holds office hours at the Lymes' Senior Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Thursday and noon to 1 p.m. on Friday. Free nursing services are provided there; if a resident is unable to travel, the nurse can make a home visit. During the 2013-2014 fiscal year, the town nurse made 175 such calls to homebound residents in addition to seeing 565 patients at the office. At times of hospital discharge or whenever in need of homecare services, call 860-434-7808 or 860-434-9003.

In 2014, two of the dedicated staff of the VNA retired. Muriel Drugan was executive director of the association for nineteen years. Linda Camarra, RN, served as town nurse for twenty-four years.

This year the board approved the launch of a discretionary fund to provide assistance to the town social service agencies and the Lymes' Senior Center's emergency nourishment programs. The FINE program, which stands for the Fred & Irene Nutrition Extension, was established in honor and memory of two of the association's very notable board members. The seed money for the program was donated through a bequest from the estate of Fred Cliffe, who had been a past director and treasurer for fifteen years, and from the numerous memorial donations received in

honor of Irene Carnell, who faithfully served for almost four decades as a director and oftentimes association president. The program goal is to help people with immediate food needs achieve better health through adequate nutrition.

The 2013 Flu Clinic and immunization programs provided 322 vaccinations for residents, town employees, and emergency and law enforcement personnel. Vaccines are purchased by the VNA and provided on a free or voluntary-donation basis.

The 2013 Health & Wellness Fair was held in November and featured laboratory tests, clinical screenings, and flu vaccinations. Numerous local organizations provided valuable information on wellness and personal safety.

Spring brought the VNA's annual Pre-K Audio and Visual Clinic, which provides screening for children in preparation to enter kindergarten in the Lyme-Old Lyme school system. Our co-sponsor, the Lyme-Old Lyme Junior Women's Club, has participated with us in this program for several years, and their generous support is greatly appreciated. This year, of the 58 children registered, 13 were seen by the volunteer medical staff.

In conjunction with Lyme-Old Lyme High School, the VNA provided a blood-pressure screening at the school for high school students, providing readings and valuable information.

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association was pleased to provide scholarships to nine graduating students who have expressed a desire to pursue studies in the field of healthcare. The association presented \$500 scholarships to Kristina Cain, Emily Czarnecki, Jenna Duxbury, Chelsea Evankow, Erin Kroes, Brianna Landry, Ainsley McGill, and Cole Turner. On behalf of the Mary Noyes Scholarship Fund, \$500 scholarships were awarded to Emily Czarnecki, Michelle Davis, and Chelsea Evankow.

Open Space Commission

Diana Atwood Johnson
Chair

The Town of Old Lyme now owns approximately 700 acres of Open Space. This land has been purchased through a combination of funds set aside each year in a Land Acquisition Fund, along with help from the state, Nature Conservancy, Old Lyme Land Trust, Gateway Commission, and Town of Lyme.

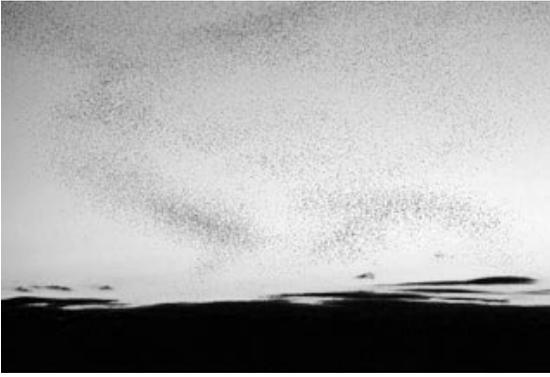
All properties are open to the public and most have extensive trails systems maintained by volunteers. Information on these properties can be found at http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/Pages/OldLymeCT_Bcomm/open_space.

The commission has spent several years inventorying all of the protected Open Space in Old Lyme owned by the town, the state, and other land conservation organizations. This inventory has been turned into a “layer” on the states GIS website, available to all at <http://www.mapgeo.com/OldLymeCT/>. Click on “Maps,” and then “Thematic Overlay.” You’ll see “Open Space” as one of the choices. This GIS mapping is a great resource to the town and all property owners.

The commission proposed to the board of selectman and the board of finance a new budget item for a land steward. We are happy to report that this new line item was approved and, for the first time, the Open Space Commission will have part-time staff to assist with the ever-more-pressing need for management of the 700 acres we have protected to date. When this position is filled, we will next do GIS mapping of the trails and make them available on our website and then on the town’s GIS map itself. The land steward will be advising us on how to best manage the mostly forested land that we own to the best advantage for public use and wildlife habitat. If there is time left, the position will also monitor the many conservation easements for which the town is responsible.

The town’s Open Space Commission meets on the second Friday of the month at 8:30 a.m., except in August, and welcomes all those interested in helping the town in the stewardship and acquisition of open space. If you are interested in serving on the commission, please fill out the town volunteer form in the selectmen’s office.

Name	Address	Year	Acreage
Ames, Deborah and Edward	129-1 Whippoorwill Road	2003	76.29
Ames, Steven	8-1 Evergreen Trail	2011	81
Ames, Steven	41 Whippoorwill Road	2011	38.22
Bartholomew	71 Buttonball Road	1998	107
Champlain North	91 Lyme Street	2004	64.5
Champlain South	245 Whippoorwill Road	2004	204
Cross Lane - w/o Somerset	14 Cross Lane Deed restriction w/ State	1984	24
Cross Lane-Somerset		1994	13.3
Eklund	316 Ferry Road	2010	7.6
Evergreen Trail	10-1 Evergreen Trail	1992	1.14
Four Mile River Road	174-3 Four Mile River Road	1974	29.3
Lord’s Woods - Parcel “A”	24 Lords Meadow Lane	2006	4.89
Lord’s Wood - Parcel “B”	33 Lord’s Meadow Lane	2006	0.31
Noyes	28 Boggy Hole Road	2002	24.32



Swallows gather into funnel formation for rapid descent into phragmites along the Connecticut River at sunset during fall migration. It seems as if, in an instant, it's over!



Planning Commission

Harold Thompson
Chairman

The Planning Commission meets in the town hall on the second Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. except during the month of August.

Special meetings are held when required, and all the meeting notices are posted in the town hall and on the town website (www.oldlyme-ct.gov). Information on the actions of the commission and meeting schedule can also be obtained from the office, which is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Kim Groves, our land use administrator, is always willing to accept your application and assist you in any way.

The commission consists of five elected members and three alternates appointed by the board of selectmen. The commission is responsible, every ten years by state statute, for the Town Plan of Conservation and Development, subdivision regulations, and special documents

such as ordinances that are approved by a town meeting. The commission is also required to act on any zoning referrals; municipal developments, such as the acquisition of open space; relocation or abandonment of any public property, land, parks, roads, schools, or public utilities; or anything owned or acquired by the town.

The planning commission continues to be involved with open space and with issues relating to open space, the impact of development on wetlands, and the installation of private roads for new developments. It also continues to communicate actively with other land-use commissions and committees to address land-use concerns with proposed developments and subdivisions. This continued communication often has provided an opportunity for members of the various commissions to exchange views on the course of development in Old Lyme.

Region #18 Lyme-Old Lyme Public Schools

Ian Neviaser

Superintendent of Schools

The 2013-2014 school year in the Region #18 Lyme-Old Lyme Public Schools was an exceptionally busy one in which our school district excelled in a variety of different areas. It is with great pride that we share this annual report with the citizens of Lyme and Old Lyme.

The district spent significant time revising and updating its Strategic Plan. The yearlong comprehensive process included input from community members, Board of Education members, parents, students, and staff members. The new plan focuses on four goal areas: curriculum, human resources, community, and facilities. The approved plan is available on the district website at www.region18.org.

Again this year, the Region #18 Lyme-Old Lyme Schools were recognized on both the state and national level for numerous awards. A few of the notable accomplishments included *U.S. News and World Report's* naming of the high school as one of the twenty best high schools in the state. Lyme Consolidated School was recognized for the second year in a row as a "School of Distinction" by the State Department of Education, placing them in an elite group of schools that have earned this honor twice. The Science Olympiad Team won its third consecutive statewide competition. The high school math team won its statewide competition, as did the boys' track 4x800 relay team and the boys' cross country team. The high school's boys' and girls' crew teams placed second at the national crew competition after winning both the boys' and girls' Connecticut Public Schools Rowing Association Championships. These are just some of the recognitions that are especially amazing given the small size of our school system.

On September 19, 2013 the district celebrated the opening of the "renovated as new" Lyme-Old Lyme High School. This celebration included recognition of those individuals and groups who were instrumental in the completion of this project. A ceremonial ribbon was cut to commemorate this grand occasion. In addition to the project itself, the district installed irrigation on the north athletic field between the middle- and high-school buildings. Bleachers were also installed at the south/track field. Playground safety bollards were installed at Mile Creek School and the gymnasium backboards and supports at both Lyme Consolidated and Center School were replaced. The fence in front of Center School was also replaced as the posts had rotted over time. Across all schools the electronic door lock system was upgraded as were many lights to allow for more efficient use of power.

In the area of finance, the towns approved a \$31,963,401 school budget, which represents a 0.7 percent increase for the 2014-15 year. The budget supports existing programs, class size guidelines, and ongoing technology, facility, and program improvements. Areas showing an increase included employee contractual obligations, growth in instructional technology, and support for the transition of the pre-K program to Center School. These factors were offset by decreases in the operations budget as a result of declining enrollment, reductions in program expenses, reductions in employee benefit costs, and a reduction in debt service related to the Lyme-Old Lyme High School renovation project.

The upcoming year again will be filled with many changes as we refine our new staff evaluation process, pilot the new state-mandated assessment of our students, and continue to improve upon our programs and facilities.

Registrars of Voters

Sylvia Peterson (D), Donald Tapper (R)

Registrars

The Registrars of Voters' office is located on the mezzanine level of Memorial Town Hall. Our regular posted hours are on Mondays, 1 to 4 p.m. Special sessions are advertised in the Day newspaper, as well as posted on the town's website, as set forth by the Secretary of the State in the election calendar.

Elections, Primaries, Referenda held in the 2013 – 2014 fiscal year:

- November 5, 2013 Municipal Election
- May 6, 2014, Referendum, School Budget

A voter registration session was held at the high school on June 9, 2014 for students who had attained the age of 18 or would attain age 18 prior to the election date.

The canvass of electors conducted in January 2014 included those electors who had moved within town, moved out of town, or changed mailing addresses to P.O. boxes as well as those who had not voted in the past four elections. As a result of this comprehensive canvass, the number of registered voters decreased from 6,008 as reported on June 30, 2013 to 4,943 on June 30, 2014.

Registered Voters as of June 30, 2014: 4,943

<i>Democrat:</i>	<i>1,472</i>
<i>Republican:</i>	<i>1,547</i>
<i>Unaffiliated:</i>	<i>1,878</i>
<i>Other:</i>	<i>46</i>

Rogers Lake Authority

Richard J. Smith, Sr.
Chairman

Several years of failed methods trying to eliminate invasive weeds on Rogers Lake has led only to weed proliferation. Some of the methods used included lake drawdown, weed harvesting, and diver-assisted suction harvesting. Benthic weed mats have shown some good results as reported by homeowners around the lake over the past year or so. The Rogers Lake Authority (RLA) has tried to assist homeowners with knowledge and obtaining the mats as well as their installation.

At the September 2013 meeting of the RLA, a vote was taken on the proposed use of herbicides as a possible method of weed elimination. The vote passed five to one in favor of proceeding with herbicides.

This action caused both the towns of Old Lyme and Lyme as well as the Rogers Lake Authority to hold a special meeting in November 2013 to form a committee called the Rogers Lake Weed Study. Five members were selected: Bonnie Reemsnyder, Clayton Penniman, and Richard Smith of Old Lyme and Ralph Eno and Paul Armond of Lyme. This committee decided to proceed with procuring an engineering firm with experience in lake studies relating to weed management to have that firm make recommendations.

A request for quote was published, with three firms responding. These firms were interviewed about their qualifications, work done at lakes, and solutions used. After interviewing all three firms, one met all the criteria needed; New England Engineering (NEE) was chosen, a company

that is currently working with Middlefield, CT on Lack Besock with its weed-related problems and dam repair. NEE and the Rogers Lake Weed Study group met and discussed a scope of work, with related costs to be determined. After these decisions were made, a special town meeting was held to approve the needed funds. We have also applied for a STEEP grant to help defray the cost. NEE will be scheduling public meetings with the town residents in the future to answer any questions on this matter. NEE has begun water testing around the lake and mapping out areas of invasive weeds -- fanwort and variable-leaf milfoil. The water has been determined to be of good quality.

Over the past few years, the Rogers Lake Authority has been trying to purchase a newer boat for use by the lake authority, and a deal has been reached with some restructuring of the budget. A 2009 Triumph seventeen-foot center console with a fifty horsepower Mercury outboard and trailer was purchased to be used by the RLA only; no sharing with the rowers.

The buoys at the mouth of the boat launch creek are danger buoys marking the sand bar once the lake level is low enough.

I would like to thank the RLA board members, Inland Wetland Committee, and the towns of Old Lyme and Lyme for their help in trying to conserve our lake. Remember, this is your lake; please help preserve the water quality -- no fertilizers, no foreign substances such as leaves, and use barrier plantings.

Tax Collector

Judith A. Tooker
Tax Collector

We are here to collect taxes. We try to do this in a friendly manner. We are here 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. weekdays.

Town Meetings

TOWN OF OLD LYME ANNUAL TOWN BUSINESS MEETING

Approximately 40 electors and citizens attended the Annual Town Business Meeting on Monday, January 27, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Hall of the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

First Selectwoman Bonnie A. Reemsnyder called the meeting to order.

Atty. Marylin C. Clarke was elected to serve as moderator.

Town Clerk Eileen K. Coffee read the call of the meeting.

1. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, as submitted by the Board of Finance.

Motion carried

2. A motion was made and seconded to accept a parcel of land at 72 Pond Road as a gift from the Directors of the Old Lyme Community Development Corporation.

Motion carried

3. Peter G. Cable was selected as the Board of Selectmen's Citizen of the Year for 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Eileen K. Coffee
Old Lyme Town Clerk
Recorded by Eileen K. Coffee
January 28, 2014*

TOWN OF OLD LYME SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Approximately 150 electors and citizens eligible to vote in town meeting attended the Special Town Meeting on Monday, March 24, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School auditorium of Region #18, Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by First Selectwoman Bonnie A. Reemsnyder.

Marylin C. Clarke was elected to serve as Moderator.

Town Clerk Eileen K. Coffee read the call of the meeting.

1. A motion was made and seconded to rescind the existing Chapter 187 of the Old Lyme code Design and Construction Standards adopted on 11/15/02 and to adopt new Design and Construction Standards for Public Improvements as recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Commission and to adopt pursuant thereto an amended Chapter 144 of the Old Lyme Code Construction and Acceptance of Roads

Motion carried

2. A motion was made and seconded to authorize the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$148,500 for Phase 1 of the Route 156 Bike Path/Sound View Improvement Project, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen. A Connecticut Department of Transportation grant will cover a portion of this expenditure.

Motion carried

3. A motion was made and seconded to authorize the expenditure of the sum of \$13,000 for a kiosk at the Town Parking Lot in Sound View, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

Motion carried

4. A motion was made and seconded to authorize the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$478,000 for the Hains Park Boathouse renovation and expansion project, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen, which project will be funded by a STEAP grant (Small Towns Economic Assistance Program) in said amount.

Motion carried

5. The board of Selectmen and the Old Lyme Water Pollution Control Authority gave an updated presentation on the Wastewater Management Study.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Eileen K. Coffee, Town Clerk
Recorded by Eileen K. Coffee
March 24, 2014*

Town Meetings *(continued)*

TOWN OF OLD LYME ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING

Approximately 30 electors and citizens attended the Annual Town Budget Meeting on Monday, May 19, 2014, at 7:30 p.m., in the auditorium of Region #18 Middle School, Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

Marylin C. Clarke was elected to serve as moderator.

1. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, as recommended by the Board of Finance.

Motion carried

2. A motion was made and seconded to adopt a proposal that taxes in the Town of Old Lyme on real estate and personal property shall be paid in two (2) semi-annual installments, the first payment being due on July 3, 2014 and the second payment on January 1, 2015. Any tax in these categories under \$100.00 will be due in full in one payment in July, 2014, as are vehicles on the Supplemental List due in January 2015 in one payment.

Motion carried

3. A motion was made and seconded to authorize a grant of easement by the Town of Old Lyme under a certain portion of Flat Rock Hill Road for the construction and maintenance of a pipe connecting a new subsurface sanitary system on property at 53 Flat Rock Hill Road with the residential property at 56 Flat Rock Hill Road, as recommended by the Board of Selectmen, and as shown on an "Easement Map Showing Proposed Easement Prepared for the Ann Fieldman Trust 53-56 Flat Rock Hill Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut Scale 1" = 20' Date: March 31, 2014."

Motion carried

4. A motion was made and seconded to approve the acceptance from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) of a vacant parcel of land containing 0.62 acre situated on the northerly side of Halls Road and abutting the Lieutenant River at no cost contingent on the Town's use of the parcel solely for recreational and related parking purposes (including public fishing and crabbing and the launching of noncommercial boats to

the Lieutenant River by the general public), as recommended by the Old Lyme Harbor Management Commission.

Motion Tabled to a Future Town Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Eileen K. Coffee, TC
Recorded by Eileen K. Coffee
Mar. 20, 2014*

Treasurer

John A. Bysko
Treasurer

I am again pleased to report that the Town of Old Lyme's financial condition continues to be in excellent shape.

At the end of our fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, our unassigned fund balance for the general fund stood at an exceptional 16.2% of total general fund expenditures. Our unrestricted net position of \$7,070,073 is also an exceptional position to be in. This amount represents funds that may be used to meet the town's ongoing obligations to its citizens and creditors over and above amounts that were budgeted. This can be viewed as the town's savings account to meet future and unforeseen obligations.

As I have stated in previous years, the finances of Old Lyme continue to be managed very conservatively and very well. This is a collective effort of the board of finance, selectmen, finance director, tax collector, and all other individuals and departments involved in carefully managing their budgets. Such collective teamwork makes this financial management possible.

In addition I must thank all of the volunteers in both the fire department and the volunteer ambulance department of Old Lyme. Because of the contribution of both departments, the town saves enormous funds compared to other towns and cities that have full-time paid staff. This savings cannot be understated, and most of this is because of the time and effort devoted by these selfless volunteers.

The annual audit by our outside CPA firm confirms the strength and accuracy of our financial statements. It is anticipated that the audit for next year ending June 30, 2014 will continue to show the financial strength of our finances.

All residents of Old Lyme can be assured that the town's financial balance sheet continues to be in excellent condition.

Water Pollution Control Authority

Kurt J. Zemba

Chairman

www.oldlyme-ct.gov

The Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) continues to administer its policy of sewer avoidance for the majority of the Town of Old Lyme. Both the WPCA and the State Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) recognize that our sewer avoidance policies are effective for the vast majority of the town.

Per our local ordinance, property owners are required to pump their septic systems every seven years with few exceptions. All questions regarding proper pumping and maintenance of septic systems should be directed to the town's health department.

The results of the Clean Water Funds Study undertaken last year by the Town of Old Lyme in concert with the DEEP indicated that areas along our shoreline south of Route 156 are collectively contributing to pollution and must connect to a centralized wastewater management system because the current systems are inadequate to address the pollution. These areas include Sound View, Hawks Nest, Miami Beach, Old Colony

Beach, and Old Lyme Shores. The town explored a local alternative but determined that the costs would far exceed a regional option.

Two private beach associations, Old Lyme Shores and Old Colony, have already started the process to connect to the regional system in New London. The WPCA anticipates an order from the DEEP and expects to develop a centralized system, with the goal of significantly reducing costs for individual property owners in the affected areas. A town-managed pumping station and centralized system will connect the affected areas and direct the wastewater to New London through East Lyme. This project will give flexibility to the owners of property along the shoreline to improve their homes, it will clean up our beaches, and it will result in a very clean and usable Long Island Sound.

I would like to thank the members of the WPCA and the board of selectmen for their tireless efforts over the past two years to address these issues.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Judy McQuade

Chairman

The standards that guide and limit the Zoning Board of Appeals are the Connecticut General Statutes. Acting in a quasi-judicial capacity, the board hears appeals for variances from the zoning regulations and appeals from decisions of the Zoning Enforcement Official. Unusual hardship or exceptional difficulty due to the unique characteristics of the property must be shown for a variance to be granted and only if it is in harmony with the general intent and comprehensive plan of zoning put forth by the town.

This year, we held nine regular meetings and one special meeting. Twenty-five cases were heard with eighteen variances granted, some with

conditions or modifications; four were denied; and three appeals of the Zoning Enforcement Official were upheld. Our regular meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. at the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, on the third Tuesday of each month with the exception of August and December.

I'd like to thank the full members of the board -- Kip Kotzan, Arthur Sibley, Mary Stone, and Karen Conniff, the alternate members -- Harry Plaut, Nancy Hutchinson, and Jack Mut, and our clerk, Kim Barrows, for their time, commitment, and dedication to the Zoning Board of Appeals and the town.

Zoning Commission

Jane Cable
Chairman

The Zoning Commission, as directed by the Connecticut General Statutes, regulates land use and structures in Old Lyme to promote health and appropriate uses of land and to lessen congestion. The Plan of Conservation and Development, revised every ten years by the Planning Commission, guides the decisions of the Zoning Commission, which also writes the town's zoning regulations. The regulations are available on the town's website.

Regular meetings of the Zoning Commission occur on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the main meeting room of Memorial Town Hall. In 2015, the commission may not meet in the month of August, schedule permitting. Special meetings are posted on the town website. Members of the commission in the 2013-2014 fiscal year were Joan Bozek, Jane Cable, John Johnson, Jane Marsh, and

Tom Risom; alternates were Ted Kiritsis and Gil Soucie.

Much of the commission's focus has been on water: amount, quality, and location. Rising water levels and new FEMA regulations have resulted in the elevation of some buildings subject to flooding or wave action (see photo). Meanwhile, the commission has taken steps to identify Old Lyme's water resources and to examine the drainage regulations and ordinances in an attempt to approach water issues in ways that preserve the amounts and quality of Old Lyme's valuable water resources.

The past fiscal year also saw the retirement of Zoning Enforcement Officer Ann Brown and the arrival of her replacement, Keith Rosenfeld. We will miss Ann and look forward to working with Keith.



A house being raised on Catherine Road due to Storm Sandy in order to meet flood elevation. This is one way to respond to rising sea levels!

OLD LYME ALERTS, AN EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The Town of Old Lyme has launched **Old Lyme Alerts**, an Emergency Notification System.

Residents and business owners can register with their preferred contact information in order to receive messages automatically from the town about emergency or urgent situations. We can let you know if a health crisis poses a threat; if a fire or accident will restrict access to neighborhoods; and, of course, if our community needs to prepare for another impending hurricane or winter storm.

The contact information you provide is protected. It will not be used for any other purpose.

Even if you have already registered for notifications through the state system (ctalert.gov), you will want to register for local Old Lyme Alerts.

Register online (visit www.oldlyme-ct.gov and follow the link) or complete the form below. Mail it or drop it off at the town hall, the Lymes' Senior Center, or the OLPGN Library.

Please print clearly

Name _____

Old Lyme Street Address _____

Mailing Address _____

How would you prefer to be contacted by the town? Please indicate your preference below, entering 1 for the best way to contact you, 2 for the second best way, etc.

Enter 1, 2, etc.

Please print clearly below

_____ cell phone texts	_____
_____ cell phone calls	_____
_____ home phone	_____
_____ work phone	_____
_____ other phone	_____
_____ personal e-mail	_____
_____ work e-mail	_____
_____ other e-mail	_____
_____ TTY device	_____

Are you interested in receiving e-mail messages about community and town-sponsored events? Please circle: Yes No (We will send you information about subscribing to the town website.)

We Can't Contact You if We Can't Reach You

**OLD LYME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
SPECIAL NEEDS REGISTRATION FORM**

In order to provide the highest level of assistance to the residents of Old Lyme, the Office of Emergency Management is asking its residents to preidentify themselves in the event of needing special assistance during an emergency.

If you, or if you know of someone who, may be in need of transportation or any other assistance during an emergency, please fill out this special needs form and return the form to: OLD LYME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, 52 LYME STREET, OLD LYME CT 06371. In the event of an emergency, local emergency workers contact you and provide assistance.

This information is voluntary and will remain confidential.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ APT # _____

TOWN: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION OF A RELATIVE OR FRIEND

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

SPECIAL DIRECTIONS TO YOUR HOME:

PLEASE CHECK ANY OF ITEMS WHICH MAY 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.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Senior Services Information

A Directory of Local and State Services Available to Senior Residents.

Connecticut now requires residents to dial the 860 prefix for local calls.

EMERGENCY (Ambulance, Fire, Police)911
Poison Control Center 1-800-222-1222
Elderly Abuse Hotline 1-888-385-4225

Old Lyme Municipal Agent860-434-5334
Ombudsman for the Elderly of Old Lyme
ConnPACE-ConnMAP-Information and referral for all services for the elderly.

Estuary Council of Seniors860-388-1611
Nutrition, Meals on Wheels, Transportation, Food Shopping, Reservations for Old Lyme Meal Site at 26 Town Woods Road.

Lymes' Senior Center ..860-434-1605 x240, 241
Senior Clubs, Support Groups, Medicare and Income Tax Assistance, Safe Driver Education.

Transportation
EMOTS (Estuary Medical OutPatient Transportation) Handicapped equipped, give 24-hour notice, please860-388-1611
American Cancer Society 1-800-227-2345

Old Lyme Social Services ...860-434-1605, x228
Clothing closet, fuel assistance, food stamps, emergency financial assistance, welfare info., renters' rebate

Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Assoc. ...860-434-7808
Blood pressure, flu and pneumonia clinics, home visits, hearing tests, blood screening.
Office Hours: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday – Thursday,
Noon – 1 p.m. Friday
24 hours860-434-9003

Valley Shore Community Health Center
Dental Services, Health Services, Medical Exams, Healthy Start, Counseling,
Fees on Sliding Scale860-388-4433

Hospitals and Clinics
Charter Oak Walk-Ins (Flanders)860-739-6953
Lawrence & Memorial860-442-0711
Middlesex Memorial Hospital860-358-6000
Middlesex Shoreline Clinic860-358-3700
New address: 250 Flat Rock Place, Westbrook
Hospice S.E. Conn.860-848-5699

Interim Healthcare860-434-9003

Churches
Saint Ann's Episcopal860-434-1621
First Congregational860-434-8686
Christ the King, Catholic860-434-1669

Elderly Housing
Lymewood
(Elderly Housing, Handicapped units) ..860-434-2120
Ryefield Manor (J&F Co.)860-739-9251
Home Share860-887-3561
CT partnership for Long-Term Care 1-800-547-3443

INFOLINE 211
Information and Referral, Crisis Counseling, Advocacy

Medicare, Center for Medicare
Advocacy 1-800-262-4414

Social Security
All aspects 1-800-772-1213

Tax Relief860-434-1605, x219
Social Services Info. & Referral ... 1-800-443-9946

State of Connecticut
Governor's Information 1-800-406-1527
State Assistance for the Blind 1-800-842-4510
Department of Rehabilitation Services
(TTY/Voice) 1-800-708-6796
(TTY/Voice) 1-860-231-8756
Handicapped Rights 1-800-842-7303
Veterans' Services 1-800-827-1000

Volunteer Opportunities
American Cancer Society860-227-2345
American Red Cross860-447-3248
Eastern CT Area Agency on Aging ..860-887-3561
Estuary Council of Seniors
(includes AARP Tax Aide)860-388-1611
Lawrence & Memorial Hospital860-442-0711
Literacy Volunteers860-399-0280
Lymes' Youth Service Bureau860-434-7208
Middlesex Memorial Hospital860-358-6735
OL/PGN Library860-434-1684
Salvation Army860-443-6409
School Volunteers
Center School.....860-434-7838
Mile Creek School860-434-2209
Middle School860-434-2568
High School 860-434-1651 or 1652
SCORE (Senior Corps
of Retired Executives)860-388-9508
Women's Exchange860-434-7290

Resident Beach Passes

From Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, use of town parking facilities at Hains Park/ Rogers Lake, White Sand Beach, and Sound View requires a parking sticker. A nominal fee is charged for the seasonal sticker, available through the Selectman's Office during regular town hall hours. **NEW – Save time and renew by mail or online.**

Single Stream Recycling

Old Lyme has single stream recycling. Residents can combine all recyclable materials (bottles, cans, **plastic containers #1-#7**, newsprint, magazines, household paper, cardboard—more items than in the past) together in one container. Please refer to the list sent to each household or the town website for more specifics.

You must use the **green single stream container!** Recycling is picked up every other week by Shoreline Sanitation. Please consult the schedule on the town website: www.oldlyme-ct.gov

Town Transfer Station

Use of the transfer station on Four Mile River Road requires a sticker, which may be obtained free of charge from the Selectmen's office during regular office hours. Special fees are charged for truckloads of stumps, boulders, and brush. Fees are also charged for appliances containing freon, carpets, upholstered furniture, box springs and mattresses, and tires. Hours are: Tuesday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–3:45 p.m.; Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Library / Passports

The Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane, is open Monday and Wednesday 10-7, Tuesday and Thursday 10-6, Friday 10-5, and Saturday 10-4 (October to May). From June to September the library is open Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. only. The library is closed on Sundays until further notice and on legal holidays. The phone number is 860-434-1684.

Visiting Nurse

Lymes' Senior Center, Town Woods Road
Telephone 860-434-7808

Around-the-clock assistance is available seven days a week from the Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association. Karen Veselka, R.N., is available there from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and noon – 1 p.m. Fridays.

Emergency Call Center
(When Activated)
860-598-0120

Town Information

Emergency Telephone Numbers

Emergency Medical Fire Police 911

Emergency Call Center (when activated) 860-598-0120

Ambulance 860-434-0089

Fire (nonemergency) 860-399-7921

State Police Troop F Westbrook 860-399-2100

Town Government

The Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please call ahead to verify lunch hour coverage. Town offices are closed during state and Federal holidays. The same schedule applies to the office of the Town Clerk. Scheduled meetings of town agencies are posted in advance at the Town Hall and posted on the website. Public hearings are advertised in advance. Agendas and meeting minutes are filed with the Town Clerk and posted on the website.

TOWN OF OLD LYME PHONE DIRECTORY

All Town Hall Offices 860-434-1605, Fax 860-434-1400, Email selectmansoffice@oldlyme-ct.gov. Please dial the 3-digit extension number of the department or person you'd like to reach.

Assessor Walter Kent 218 Mickie Fraser 219	Health Patricia Myers, <i>Sanitarian</i> 214	Social Services Valerie Goncalves 228
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Police Department	860-434-7080
Fire Department	Boughton 860-434-6086 Lyme Street 860-434-2424 Cross Road 860-434-4130
Parks & Recreation	Hains Park 860-434-0629 White Sand 860-434-1570 Cross Lane 860-434-7137
Municipal Agent for Elderly	860-434-5334
O.L. Ambulance Association	860-434-0089
O.L. Visiting Nurse Association	860-434-7808
Estuary Council Meal Site	860-434-4322

Superintendent of Schools 860-434-7238 Center School 860-434-7838
Middle School 860-434-2568 Mile Creek School 860-434-2209
Lyme-Old Lyme High School 860-434-1651

