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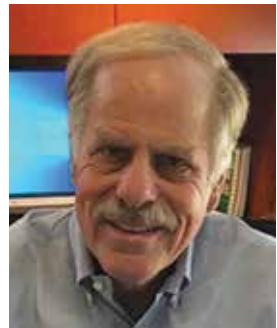
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## First Selectman's Corner

The Town of Old Lyme held a Special Town Meeting on Monday March 21st to consider four items: appropriating \$45,000 for the Halls Road sidewalk project, appropriating \$21,622 for the Ledge Light Health District, approving the use of the Standard Allowance for the American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") reporting and approving an amended Deed of Conservation Restriction for the Town's McCulloch property. All four items were approved. The Halls Road funding will allow the Committee to apply for significant grant funding to construct a sidewalk along Halls Road and to construct a replacement "Bow Bridge" over the Lieutenant River. In addition, the funds would provide for an easement for a walking trail from the Bow Bridge to the Florence Griswold Museum and for work on a Village District Overlay Zone. The Ledge Light funding would provide needed assistance to our health district, as it deals with COVID issues. The Standard Allowance simplifies the reporting requirements associated with the disbursement of the Town's \$2.1 million of ARPA funds and the McCulloch deed will allow for parking and other enhancements at certain Open Space trail heads.

On March 8th, the Board of Selectmen voted to make the wearing of face masks in Town Hall optional. While the Town's COVID caseload count, since the beginning of the pandemic through March 19th, increased by 167 to 1,055, people who contracted the virus seem to have less severe cases.

The Board Finance has completed its work on the fiscal year 30 June 2023 Town budget and this involved weekly meetings for about 10 weeks. The major components of the budget have the following proposed percentage increases: General Government: 3.88%, Capital Expenditures: 158% and School: 1.91%. The Total Town budget is budgeted to increase 4.34%. Revenues are estimated to increase 3.86% and the Board plans to use \$600,000 of the Town's \$10.5 million surplus to support the budget. All considered, the Mill Rate is budgeted to be 23.5 mills, which represents an increase of 0.2 mill or a 0.86% increase. Notable spending increases relate to insurance (\$81,000,) Rogers Lake (\$22,200,) Parks & Rec./ Fireworks (\$42,800) and Police (\$73,700.) Capital Expenditures are budgeted to increase \$726,775, a bulk of which relates to the architectural schematic drawings for the Senior Center Expansion project (\$281,000) and funding to replace the Grassy Hill Road bridge (\$355,000.) Non-tax revenues are estimated to increase \$404,300 and relate primarily to the Town of Lyme's payment of its 25% share of the Senior Center Expansion (\$70,250) and increased State revenues (\$333,100.)



Timothy Griswold  
First Selectman

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The Town Budget meeting will occur on May 16th and the agenda will also request approval to accept an open space parcel located at 18-2 Short Hills Road, to sell a 0.13-acre parcel at 54 Grandview Ave. for a price of \$3,500 and of an ordinance giving the Board of Selectmen authority to remove an appointed member or alternate from a Town Board, Commission or Authority for cause.

On March 25th, the Board of Selectmen voted to opt out of the Town's Solid Waste Disposal contract with the Materials Innovation and Recovery Authority ("MIRA.") MIRA has been experiencing significant financial problems and will likely close its trash to energy plant in Hartford on or about July 1st. The Town was given the opportunity to remain with MIRA for 5 more years but our current trash hauler (CWPM) offered an attractive 5 year contract to replace MIRA, effective July 1st.

Michael Fogliano, Chair of the Affordable Housing Commission, briefed the Selectmen about the draft of the Old Lyme Five-Year Affordable Housing Plan update that must be submitted to the State of CT by June 1st. It is an encompassing plan and is the culmination of several years of work. The Commission worked in collaboration with our CT River Council of Governments. Once submitted, a copy of the plan will be on the Town's website.

The Rogers Lake Authority had a meeting in Town Hall on April 19th that attracted about 75 people. The principal item of interest was the Authority's plan to create a No Wake Zone across a portion of the Lake that includes Picnic and Whale Islands. Unfortunately, the Authority decided to pursue a DEEP No Wake Permit (and did so,) but did not inform members of the public about the plan. Once the word got out, there was a visceral reaction against it. Those opposed to the plan said the current arrangement works well and pointed out that there have been no accidents reported. A short time after the meeting, the Authority voted to table the matter. Hopefully, the Authority will have a more thorough and public discussion about any change of plans being pursued.

Another controversial item concerns the use of a Town owned 3-acre parcel located at 36-1 Buttonball Road. The McGowan family sold the parcel to the State of CT in March of 1958 and the Open Space Committee (now a Commission) that was part of the Conservation Commission, negotiated the purchase of the parcel on 6 Feb 2002, subject to a deed restriction that the premises be used for "recreational access to the CT River only." Over the years since, the parcel has remained undeveloped. Recently, the Harbor Management Commission recommended that improvements be made to the property, including parking and possibly adding a dock, to enable members of the public to access the water. The Open Space Commission is concerned about what the public access and a dock would do to the marsh

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## Publisher's Note

### Remembering Joan Joyce

#### – Our Finest Athlete

It is with a heavy heart that I write this note about the passing of a true legend - Joan Joyce. I had the pleasure and honor to meet her (over the phone) as part of putting together our The Last Word feature article that appeared in Events Magazines for the 4th quarter of 2020. It is a conversation I will remember forever. Her ever so clear memory of the many great moments in her athletic career was astonishing - from Raybestos Brakettes softball games, to striking out Ted Williams and Hank Aaron, to golf moments, to how her coaching career came about. (She would tell you that she has been coaching all her life.) And of course, her father - whom she loved tremendously. Up until he passed, she would keep a room for him in her house in Florida and he would attend all the Florida Atlantic University softball games.

It is hard to believe that there was not more fanfare about this superb athlete who excelled in so many sports. That is until you spoke with her and found out how matter-of-fact she took everything. She could have been boastful or arrogant. But she was not. Instead, you could tell how much joy she found in all that she did. I had fun sharing stories about growing up in West Haven and the various individuals I had no idea we knew mutually.

And, of course, there was the ever-competitive spirit that came through not only in talking about her Florida Atlantic softball team but also about her own goals - even at the age of 80. As I recall, she recounted the story of helping a friend move. She stumbled while carrying a box. Her volleyball training helped break the fall. She did injure her hip. During the course of the conversation, it suddenly occurred to her. "Maybe I could golf left-handed," she said. If anyone can do it, I'd bet on you, I observed.

In honor of Joan Joyce, we are re-publishing The Last Word feature that ran in 2020. You will find it on page 54 of this magazine. For those of you who knew or knew of Joan, it is a fond reminder of her greatness and grace. For those of you who did not, it is a way to read about and acknowledge an amazing life.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William McMinn".

William McMinn

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and to local wildlife. The Board of Selectmen conducted a meeting of the Selectmen and members of the Harbor Management and Open Space Commissions to discuss the issue. It was agreed that further research would be done before any changes to the property were made.

Speaking of water access, the property abutters of the Town's Tantummaheag Landing have stated that they, and not the Town, own the Landing property and have actually planted bushes on the Landing, cut down or trimmed Landing trees and have erected a retaining wall partially on the property. The members of the Board of Selectmen do not agree with the abutters and we are working with the Town's legal counsel to address the problem

### TOWN PROJECT UPDATES:

**Sound View Sidewalks:** The sidewalk project (Hartford Ave. and Rte. 156) is substantially complete and the contractor is working on the Transit Hub bus shelter for the 9 Town Transit District busses. The entire project should be substantially complete by Memorial Day.

**Halls Rd. Improvement Committee:** The Committee's \$45,000 request was approved at the March 21st Special Town Meeting, so the Committee is now working on the sidewalk/Bow Bridge grant application, the easement to enable a walking trail to the Florence Griswold Museum property, and legal and engineering services to develop the Village District Overlay Zone.

**Sound View Sewers:** Because the second round of bids for the "shared infrastructure" of the sewer project, consisting of the collection pipe, the pumping station, the force main pipe to East Lyme plus the odor control facility, were too high, the three private beaches and the Town's WPCA are actively pursuing Federal grants to enable the project to move forward. Another concern is whether the CT DOT will continue to postpone the repaving of Rte. 156 from Halls Road to the East Lyme border. The DOT has already waited to pave for about two years and we hope it will continue to wait until we can install the force main pipe from Sound View to the East Lyme pump station.

**Senior Center Building Expansion:** As was mentioned above, the Towns of Lyme and Old Lyme are providing \$281,000 in their fiscal year 2023 budgets to fund the schematic design drawings for the Senior Center expansion. Once done, the estimated \$3.4 million project could go out to bid.

**Grassy Hill Rd. Bridge Replacement:** The Town's engineering firm, Jacobson Engineering of Chester, CT, has nearly finished the engineering work for the Grassy Hill Road bridge project. The next step is to secure approval from the Army Corps of Engineers and to meet with the utility companies to decide on the relocation of their wires. The actual construction of the replacement bridge would likely not occur until the spring/summer of 2023. We are still awaiting confirmation from the DOT that it will approve the project's time delay and that it confirms its commitment to fund 50% of the revised cost estimate of the project.

**Ferry Rd. Sidewalk Replacement:** The Tree Warden recommended that a total of five trees be removed along Ferry Road, in preparation for the sidewalk replacement. He posted the trees and there were no appeals received during the ten-day appeal period. The Ferry Rd. Sidewalk Committee held a Public Information meeting in

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the Town Hall on May 4th that was attended by about 12 townspeople. The power point presentation reviewed which trees are scheduled to be removed and what the next steps will be. Construction of the new sidewalk is planned for the latter part of September or early October. We hope we will receive competitive bids during this turbulent economic climate.

**Swan Brook Outlet:** The decision was made to repair the wood cribbing at the end of the two 36-inch pipes at Long Island Sound to make the crib safe and functional in time for the summer. The request for the Certificate of Permission (permit) has been submitted and our engineer said we may receive approval by mid-May. The Army Corps of Engineers must also approve the project and we are hopeful that work may begin shortly after Memorial Day.

**American Rescue Plan Committee:** The Committee set a May 1st deadline to receive applications from community members requesting ARPA funds. A consultant is assisting with underwriting requests received from individuals and small businesses and the Committee will evaluate municipal requests. In June, the Town will receive its second and final 50% of the \$2.1 million of ARPA funds, so the Committee will soon be making disbursements.

The Lyme-Old Lyme "Welcome" mural that now graces the gymnasium hallway in the LOL Middle School is one of four **Public Art for Racial Justice Education ("PARJE") Sister murals in southeastern CT:** Lyme-Old Lyme & New London and East Lyme & Norwich. Rev. David Good, Middle School Art Instructor Thelma Halloran, Artist Nancy Gladwell, Kimberly Monson and Jac Lahav have spearheaded the LOL mural project. Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts graduate Jasmine Oyola-Blumenthal was selected as the supervising artist and was joined by a number of Middle School students to plan and paint the mural. The mural was celebrated during a ceremony in the Middle School auditorium on April 27th.

Last, but not least, we are proud of High School Freshman Andrea DeBarnardo who was selected to represent Connecticut at the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games in Orlando, Fla in June. Andrea will be participating in gymnastics and we wish her all success.

The spring flowers and flowering trees are beautiful this year, thanks in part to some cooler temperatures but soon we will be complaining on how hot it is. Enjoy the summer weather and its outside activities!

Timothy C. Griswold, First Selectman



## The Lyme - Old Lyme Real Estate Market April 2021 - 2022 Recap

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Per CGS 12-41, All business operating in the Town of Old Lyme are required to file a list of Business Personal Property with the Assessor's Office on or before November 1, 2022. Declaration forms will be mailed by

the end of September. Failure to receive a form from our office does not relieve the obligation of the business owner to file prior to November. Additional information and forms are available on our website.

Any Service Members eligible for a Veterans Exemption under CGS 12-81 must have on file their DD214 or equivalent discharge papers with the Town Clerk before October 1, 2022.

Any property owner wishing to file for Farm, Forest and Open Space under PA490 must file an application with the Assessor

between September 1 and October 31, 2022. Applications are available online or in the Assessor's Office.

Property information, Maps and other pertinent information is available through our webpage & GIS. Please visit: OLD-LYME-CT.GOV follow the Link to GIS Mapping.

Any questions please contact: 860-434-1605 x 218 Melinda R. Kronfeld, Assessor or x 219 Mickie Fraser, Administrative Assessment Technician. Office hours are: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

## Tax Collector's Legal Notice for the Town of Old Lyme

Notice is hereby given to the Taxpayers of the Town of Old Lyme that I have a warrant to collect the taxes on the Grand List of October 1, 2021. Motor Vehicle taxes are due in full July 1, 2022, Real Estate and Personal Property bills may be paid in full on that date, however, Real Estate and Personal Property bills over \$100.00 are paid in two installments: July 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023. Partial payments are always accepted.

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Questions pertaining to the assessments and exemptions should be directed to the Assessor's Office at: 860 434-1605 ext 218 or 219. Tax questions at: 860 434-1605 ext. 216 or 217.

Payments may be made at the Tax Office, Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme St., weekdays from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, by mail: Old Lyme Tax Collector's Office, 52 LYME ST, Old Lyme, CT 06371, or online at: mytaxbill.net/oldlyme.

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### RENTERS' REBATE

The application period for the Elderly / Totally Disabled Renters' Rebate program runs through October 1st. State law provides a reimbursement program for Connecticut renters who are elderly or totally disabled, and whose incomes do not exceed certain limits. Please contact the office for more

information or to make an appointment to apply for this program.

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Mondays: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm,  
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Jennifer Datum, Social Services Coordinator,  
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## Town Hours & Holiday Schedule

TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED  
ON THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS IN 2022

Monday, June 20 - Juneteenth  
Monday, July 4 - Independence Day  
Monday, September 5 - Labor Day  
Monday, October 10 - Columbus Day  
Friday, November 11 - Veteran's Day  
Thursday, November 24 &  
Friday November 25 - Thanksgiving  
Monday, December 26 - Christmas Day  
Monday, January 02, 2023 - New Year's Day

TOWN HALL HOURS & MOST DEPARTMENTS:  
Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

### TRANSFER STATION / LANDFILL HOURS

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



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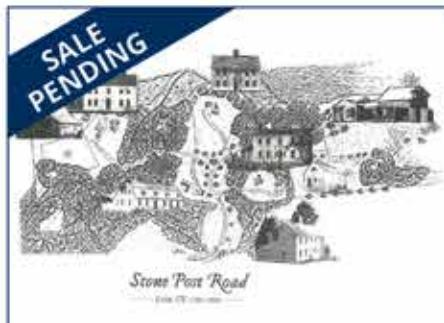
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# Halls Road Improvements Committee

The Halls Road Improvements Committee (HRIC) is moving forward on several fronts.

With the town meeting approval of additional funds to institute the **Halls Road Master Plan**, the committee has three initiatives to accomplish:

1. The BSC Group is putting together the needed details to apply for the **Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP) grant** by the fall of 2022. This is a state-run grant and is the first opportunity for the town to formally submit the planned roadway improvements to the CT DOT. This application will cover the planned improvements to sidewalks, bike lanes, landscaping, lighting, and crosswalks along Halls Road. The LOTCIP grant could cover a substantial part of the construction costs of these improvements. It is not expected to cover the costs of the new pedestrian- and cyclist-bridge across the Lieutenant, or the trails leading to and from it.
2. The town is working to secure an easement from the property owner on the east bank of the Lieutenant where the new bridge will land. This will make it possible to seek additional grants to defray construction costs of the bridge and trails portion the Master Plan. HRIC has also applied for funding for the formal survey and design work required for the bridge and trails through the **Community Initiatives Grant**, a part of the town-administered **American Rescue Plan**.

3. **New zoning** for a mixed-use overlay district will soon be submitted to the Zoning Commission. This will allow property owners the option to create mixed-use (commercial and residential) development and bring retail up to Halls Road. The overlay district provides an incentive for owners to create the walkable, browse-able new town center envisioned in the Master Plan, while leaving the legacy C30-S zoning unchanged.

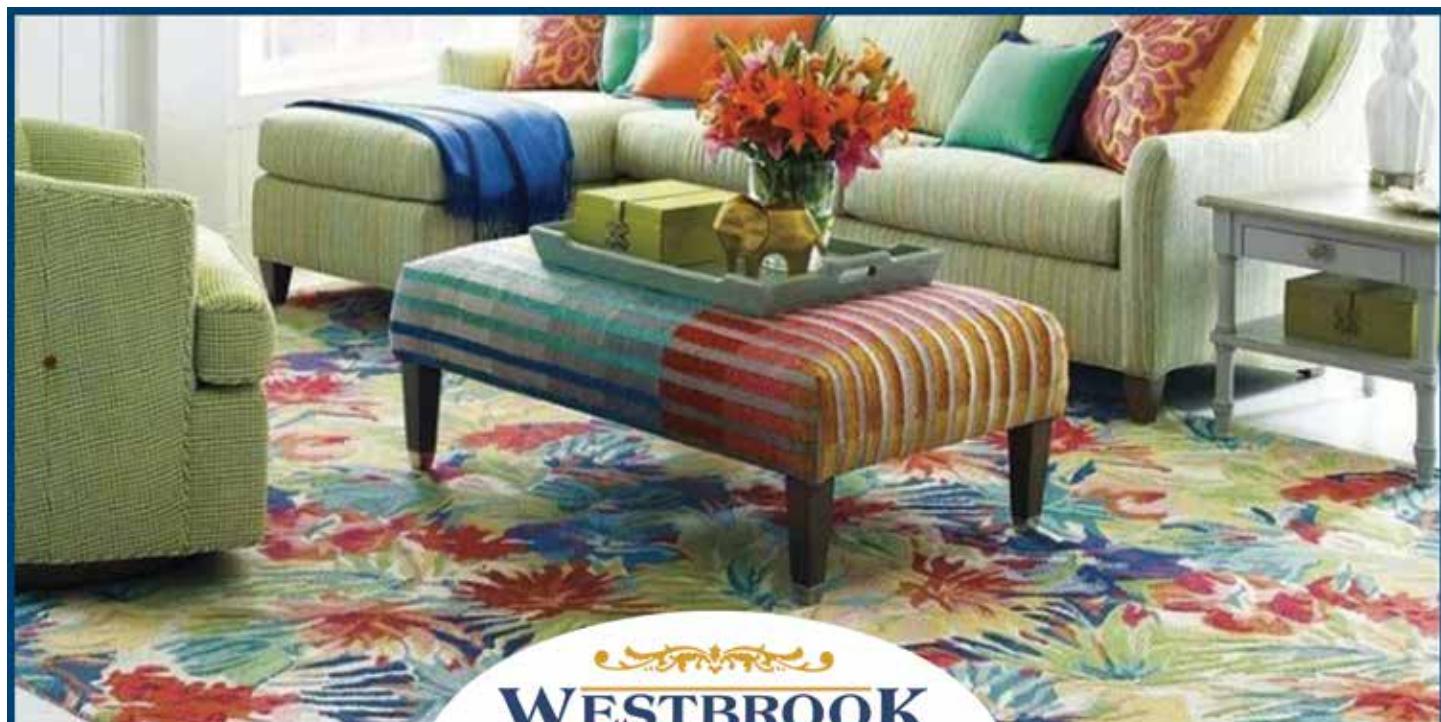
**HRIC WELCOMES YOUR INTEREST & COMMENTS AT:**  
[Hallsroadcommittee@oldlyme-ct.gov](mailto:Hallsroadcommittee@oldlyme-ct.gov). You can find more information about the project on the town site at: <https://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/halls-road-improvements-committee>.

## Streetlights

### REPORTING STREETLIGHT PROBLEMS

When reporting a street light outage/problem, please provide exact address, pole number and issue observed. Either phone Michele Hayes at: 860-434-1605, ext. 212 in the Selectman's Office, or report problem directly to the following link: <https://tankolighting.com/oldlymemaintenance/>.

The Town of Old Lyme can only repair streetlights that are on town-owned roads. Streetlights that are located on private or association roads should be reported to the association. Thank you!



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# Lyme-Old Lyme Food Share Garden - Planting has Begun!

*“In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt.” - Margaret Atwood*



The Lyme-Old Lyme Food Share Garden stepped into its inaugural growing season! Volunteers gathered for the first time in mid-April to organize shiny new tools in a shiny new shed and kick-off the process of getting dirty. Over the first two work Saturdays, volunteers spread fertilizer and lime, removed weeds, spread wood chips, installed row fencing and finally, planted the first cold-weather crops - peas and radishes!



The first annual “Sponsor a Row” campaign wrapped up on March 30, 2022 and all donors for the 2022 growing season are being

recognized with signs on the garden fence and on the LOLFSG website. Donations for new sponsors or renewal sponsors between April 1, 2022 - March 30, 2023 will be recognized in the 2023 growing season. Please stop by the garden or check with LOLFSG website to view the impressive list of sponsors!

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Work days will be Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 9:00 am -12:00 pm. We invite all ages to participate and encourage parents to bring young children as the garden is located in a recreation park and adjacent to a playground. No gardening experience is necessary and tools/equipment are available, including a toddler-sized wheelbarrow and pint-sized tools. Come when you can and leave when you must... every hour of work advances our mission to support access to healthy food and reduce

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food insecurity by growing produce free of synthetic herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers and donating the produce to local food pantries and kitchens.

Early in the season some work days will be focused on physically demanding tasks such as spreading wood chips but as the season progresses, emphasis will be on weeding beds, harvesting, washing and packaging produce. An email is sent prior to each work session both as a reminder and to delineate tasks for the work session to help volunteers match their skills to the garden's daily needs. If you are interested in joining the volunteer mailing list, please contact [amelia.malsbury@gmail.com](mailto:amelia.malsbury@gmail.com).

Please consider volunteering, visiting the garden, or continuing to support the LOLFSG financially. Updates and additional photos are available through Facebook, Instagram or at: <https://www.lolfoodsharegarden.org/>.

## Lyme-Old Lyme Schools

The sun is shining, the grass is green, and the trees have sprouted their leaves. The signs of late spring are a gentle reminder that we have just a few short weeks until the end of another school year.

The past few months have seen a return to near normalcy with masks no longer required at schools, the return of musicals, chorus and band concerts, sporting events, field trips and more. In the coming weeks many students will attend prom, end-of-the-year banquets and celebrations, participate in field days, and count down the days until summer break when they are officially done with schoolwork until the fall.

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District Choral Festival in which the middle school, high school, and 5th graders perform.  
Photo by Michele Tackett.



Crazy hair day at Center School.



A scene from the middle school's production of Mary Poppins Jr. Photo by Michele Tackett.

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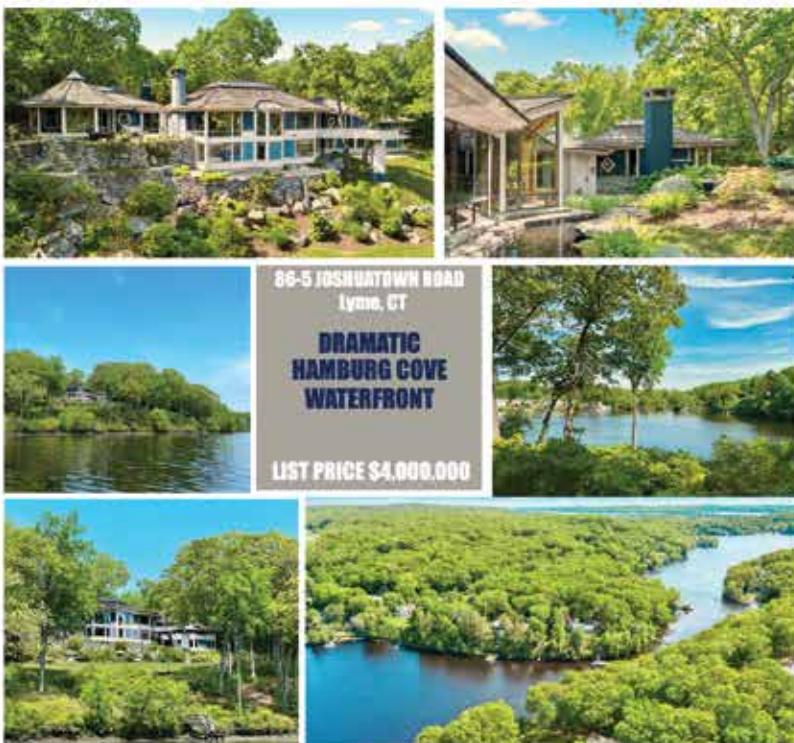
This historic property is the perfect blend of history, with the warm & inviting character of an antique home with all the modern systems & conveniences of today. This special property is artfully curated and original, fully renovated and in perfect condition. Built in 1790 by Samuel Comstock & located in the original town center. The now guest house/studio was the General Store & Meeting Hall above. The backyard is the ideal spot to spend long lazy days dining on the granite terrace with built-in fire pit, overlooking the raised bed gardens to the sprawling lawn. From the minute you enter you know this home is something special. The open kitchen, dining & sitting room with fireplace is the hallmark of this home. The main level features a handsome living room, an in-home office with a well-appointed full bath & separate entry. The upper-level has 3 nicely sized bedrooms and full bath. The 1,632 Sq ft guest house/studio offers many options with a large open main level studio space that is flooded with natural light and an apartment above with kitchen, full bath & private entrance. Plenty of parking in front, separate from the main house driveway.

Start or end each day meandering down Ferry Road while enjoying the glorious views over Whalebone Cove to the CT River.

### 86-5 Joshuatown Road

Breathtaking Hamburg Cove Waterfront perched high amidst the trees with 180 degree view over the cove. Privately sited on 8.66 acres with 900 feet of water frontage & dock. This Jonathan Isleib designed masterpiece beautifully blends nature and architecture. The dramatic great room with vaulted cedar ceiling is flooded with light from the floor to ceiling walls of windows with views in every single direction. A reading nook in the kitchen opens to a bridge that leads to a dramatic deck that floats in the trees high above the water. A light-filled sunroom opens to the stone patio perfect for dining alfresco & watching the boats go by. The warm & inviting library is a wonderful spot to retire to with a good book in front of the fire. This home is ideal for one floor living with a main level primary suite.

The walkout lower level complete with three en-suite bedrooms with beautiful views and private baths, a waterfront TV room, in-home office and comfortable sitting room. From the minute you arrive at this one-of-a-kind home you know it is something special. This home has to be seen to be believed, it is truly a piece of art.



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### LOOKING TOWARD THE 2022-2023

#### SCHOOL YEAR

On May 3 the \$34.8 million budget passed by overwhelming majorities in each town. This budget represents a 0.13% decrease from the current budget. Employee contractual obligations are the main driver of the budget based on growth in enrollment.

These costs are offset by reductions in health insurance costs, special education, debt service and transportation. This budget allows for continued adherence to class size guidelines, continuance of existing academic and extracurricular activities, adjustments for anticipated changes in the special education population, adequate funding for maintenance and repair of buildings and grounds, scheduled replacement of technology and equipment, and program improvements that are consistent with high academic and operational standards.

We thank the communities of Lyme and Old Lyme for their ongoing support of our schools. Our schools would not achieve the level of success that we do without the support of our communities.

## Lyme Academy of Fine Arts, Summer 2022: So Many Ways To Connect



Sounds on the Ground at Lyme Academy.

The Lyme Academy of Fine Arts celebrates a summer calendar of activities on Lyme Street. The Academy will offer a full array of activities and opportunities for the community to connect and engage this summer.

#### OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, PROGRAMMING INCLUDES:

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In addition to classes, art exhibitions are



planned in the Chauncey Stillman Gallery and Sill House this summer and the new De Gerenday's Fine Arts Supplies and Curiosities store is now open. Both community and cultural events are also

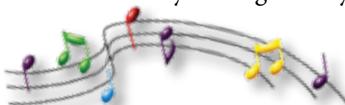
planned on the campus, including Mid-Summer Festival in late July and a return of Sounds on the Grounds, a series of outdoor concerts occurring every Wednesday evening during the month of August in partnership with Nightingale's Acoustic Café/Music Now Foundation Inc. Throughout the year, community members are invited to come enjoy a picnic at a table, on the manicured lawn or to relax and read a book in an Adirondack chair. Learn more by visiting us at: [lymeacademy.edu](http://lymeacademy.edu).



## The Old Lyme Town Band

Summer sounds by the Old Lyme Town Band will fill the air as we return to many of our favorite venues and add some new locations as well. All events are free and open to the public. Please check Old Lyme Town Band.com on our website or our Facebook page for additional information and performance updates.

If you play an instrument, we would love to have you join our group. The OLTB welcomes players of all ages, from all the area towns. No audition is necessary to join. Our rehearsals are held on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Christ the King Church



in Old Lyme. We would love to have you join us. For more information contact: Ann Lander at: 860-434-2671, [landeral15@yahoo.com](mailto:landeral15@yahoo.com). Let's make music together for all to enjoy!

### Concerts, at this time, are scheduled for:

|          |         |                                |
|----------|---------|--------------------------------|
| June 21  | 5:30 pm | Make Music Day, Old Lyme       |
| July 11  | 7:00 pm | Ocean Beach, New London        |
| July 20  | 6:00 pm | McCook Park, Niantic           |
| July 26  | 7:00 pm | Mystic River Park, Mystic      |
| August 7 | 4:00 pm | Old Lyme South Green, Old Lyme |

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## Duck River Garden Club



Old Lyme's Duck River Garden Club encourages residents and visitors to take in the beauty of our town this season. Over the summer, club members care for several civic beautification sites

around town, from the largest bed, McCurdy Road Island, which is undergoing a Pollinator Pathway conversion, to beds at Town Entrance/Exit 70, Old Lyme Police Department near Sound View, the Lyme Street Fire House, Old Lyme Town Hall, Post Office on Halls Rd, and containers at the Town Green at Lyme Street & Sill Lane and Lymes' Senior Center.

Monthly educational programs for the public and club meetings will resume in September in Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall; please check the club's website at: [www.oldlymeduckrivergc.org](http://www.oldlymeduckrivergc.org) for updates or follow the club's Facebook page.



Our enthusiastic Duck River Garden Club members at our annual plant sale.

### DRGC ALWAYS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Please contact Karen Geisler, DRGC past president at email: [karengr007@gmail.com](mailto:karengr007@gmail.com) or phone: 860-434-5321. Membership form is available on the website.

**Thank you for supporting DRGC's annual plant sale!** Proceeds support our educational programs, scholarships, and civic beautification projects.

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Vicki Urbowicz, Town Clerk,  
Courtney C. Joy, Assistant Town Clerk

## Congratulations!

We congratulate the following on their recent marriages:

### September 2021

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### January

Andre Victor Grego & Pamela Jean Farnham  
Benjamin Seth Turner & Casey Ann Saunders

### February

Jerome Robert Cushman & Raven Dacia Peres  
Colin Mannion & Caroline E. Delehanty

### March

Paulina Magdalena Jedrzejczyk & Lukasz Filipkowski  
Christopher Edward Zajac & Susan Marie Webb

## With Sympathy

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

### December 2021

Karen Marie Galbo

Justin Henry Bogucki

Frederick Arthur Steigleder

### January

Eleanor Gamble Perkins

Robinson

Carol Ann Dorman

Fernando Cruanes

Larry Michael Davis

Eleanor Stone Machnik

John Charles Petersen

Russell A. Gomes, Sr.

Patricia Ann Rand

Carlene Marie Landry

### February

Richard W. Krom

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| Assessor                    | Melinda Kronfeld                     | 434-1605 x218                 |
| First Selectmen             | Timothy Griswold                     | 434-1605 x211                 |
| Board of Selectmen          | Mary Jo Nosal                        | 434-1605 x212                 |
| Board of Selectmen          | Chris Kerr                           | 434-1605 x212                 |
| Building Official           | Mark Wayland                         | 434-1605 x230                 |
| Emergency Management        |                                      |                               |
| & Fire Marshal              | David Roberge                        | 434-1605 x231                 |
| Finance Director            | Nicole Stajduhar                     | 434-1605 x232                 |
| Harbormaster                | Harry Plaut                          | 434-1605 x212                 |
| Ledge Light Health District |                                      | 434-1605 x214<br>860-448-4882 |
| Parks and Recreation        | Don Bugbee                           | 434-1605 x235                 |
| Police                      |                                      | 434-7080                      |
| Probate Court               | Hon. Jeffrey McNamara                | 739-6052                      |
| Public Works                | Ed Adanti                            | 434-1605 x243                 |
| Registrar of Voters         | Catherine Carter<br>& Marylin Clarke | 434-1605 x226                 |
| Senior Center               | Stephanie Lyon Gould                 | 434-1605 x240                 |
| Social Services             | Jennifer Datum                       | 434-1605 x228                 |
| Tax Collection              | Judith Tooker                        | 434-1605 x216                 |
| Town Clerk                  | Vicki Urbowicz                       | 434-1605 x220                 |
| Treasurer                   | Michael Reiter                       | 434-1605 x232                 |
| Zoning Enforcement          |                                      | 434-1605 x225                 |
| <i>OTHER AGENCIES</i>       |                                      |                               |
| Library/Passports           | Katie Huffman, Director              | 434-1684                      |
| School District #18         | Superintendent of Schools            | 434-7238                      |
| Youth Services Bureau       | Mary Seidner, Director               | 434-7208                      |

## Old Lyme - Community Listings

### USEFUL NUMBERS

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| OLD LYME HISTORICAL SOCIETY .....   | .....(860) 434-0684      |
| 9 TOWN TRANSIT .....                | .....(860) 510-0429      |
| LYME/OLD LYME JR WOMEN'S CLUB ..... | .....(860) 501-9773      |
| DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE .....     | .....(860) 434-2271      |
| REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE.....      | .....(860) 434-0740      |
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### COLLEGES

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## Trash and Recycling

### CURBSIDE TRASH REMOVAL IS PERFORMED BY CWPM, 860-447-1473.

#### There is no trash pick-up on the following Holidays:

Christmas (Dec. 25,) New Year's (Jan. 1,) Memorial Day (last Monday in May), July 4th, Labor Day (first Monday in Sept.,) and Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in Nov.). Trash normally collected on Thanksgiving will be picked up the next day (Friday,) and regular Friday pickup will be picked up on Saturday. Please be advised that CWPM DOES NOT take off the same holidays as the Town does.

**Please have trash container out at curbside by 6:00 am on your assigned day.** Containers should be three feet away from any other objects, such as mailboxes, cars, other containers, planters, etc. Please be mindful not to block breakdown/emergency lane with receptacle. Clearly mark your address on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans. Phone Michele Hayes at: 860-434-1605, ext. 212 with any additional trash removal questions that you may have.

**Single stream curbside recycling pick-up** is provided for clean bottles, cans, plastics and paper products co-mingled in the green recycling carts every week. Corrugated cardboard boxes need to be flattened for recycling. A complete list of acceptable single stream recyclables is available on the Town's website at: [www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov) - click the trash and recycling link. Information is also available in the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, and at the Landfill/Transfer Station on Four Mile River Road. Please phone Michele Hayes at: 860-434-1605, ext. 212 with any additional questions you may have.

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**Additional automated trash and recycling containers** should be ordered through Michele Hayes at: 860-434-1605, ext. 212 in the Selectman's Office at the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street. Containers cost \$80. Please mark clearly your address

on recycling and trash receptacles to avoid mix up, removal or displacement of cans. Homeowners are responsible to replace lost, stolen or broken cans at their expense.

## Transfer Station Information

### TRANSFER STATION/LANDFILL HOURS

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

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

**Recycling Area:** No fees for the following items (with windshield sticker.)

\*Waste Oil \*Motor vehicle batteries \*Small appliances (no freon) \*Mattress & box springs \*Covered and non-covered electronic devices \*Fluorescent light bulbs \* UPS (uninterrupted power supply) batteries, and related computer and electronic equipment.

**Fees apply for the following:** Tires: Auto w/no rim \$3 each, Auto w/rim \$4 each, Light Truck \$5 each, Heavy Truck/Race Car \$13 each, Construction Equipment \$100 per tire. *No Retail or Wholesale Tire Outlets.*

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**Bulky Waste and Demolition:** Vehicles will be charged by weight at 6 cents per pound or \$120 per ton. Loads less than 100 lbs. are charged a minimum fee of \$5. Recyclables should not be mixed in the same load with Bulky Waste or Demolition Debris.

**Brush is charged on a per load basis** with a \$5 minimum, 2 cents per pound or \$40 per ton. No wood or limbs thicker than four inches are accepted.

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

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# A Guide to Recycling

## No Plastic Bags Allowed

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All items should be empty, rinsed, clean and open. Do not shred, box, bag or bundle.

To learn more, go to: RecycleCT.com.

## Remember: NEW Additional Items - What's In & What's Out

### What's IN?

#### Paper

Cardboard & boxboard  
Food & beverage cartons  
Junk mail  
Magazines & newspaper inserts  
Newsprint  
Offi ce paper  
Pizza boxes

#### Glass

Beverage bottles & jars  
Food bottles & jars



#### Metal

Aerosol containers (food grade only)  
Aluminum foil  
Cans & bottles  
Foil containers  
Metal lids from cans & bottles

#### Plastic

Plastic bottles (with or without caps attached)  
Plastic containers, tubs & lids  
Plastic one-use cups (no lids, no straws)

### What's OUT?

#### Paper

Gift wrap & gift bags  
Ice cream containers  
Paper cups (hot & cold)  
Shredded paper  
Take-out food containers  
Tissue paper

#### Glass

Ceramic mugs & plates  
Drinking glasses

#### Metal

Aerosol containers (deodorizers, cleaners, pesticides, etc.)

Foil tops from yogurt containers

Paint cans  
Pots & pans  
Small pieces of scrap metal  
Spiral wound containers

#### Plastic

Loose bottle caps  
Plastic bags & wrap  
Plastic plates, bowls & utensils  
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## Household Hazardous Waste Collections & Paper Shredding Event

### NEW FOR THE 2022 SEASON

We have closed our facility in Essex and will be doing all HHW collections and shredding events at satellite locations throughout the region. All locations are open to all RiverCOG region residents.

**Free household hazardous waste collections for Old Lyme residents will take place from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm on the following Saturdays:**

|                    |   |
|--------------------|---|
| June 18, 2022      | Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School,<br>49 Lyme St., Old Lyme             |
| July 16, 2022      | Woodside Intermediate School,<br>30 Woodside Rd., Cromwell        |
| August 20, 2022    | Haddam Elementary School,<br>272 Saybrook Rd., Higganum           |
| September 17, 2022 | Middlesex Community College,<br>100 Training Hill Rd., Middletown |
| October 1, 2022    | Haddam Elementary School,<br>272 Saybrook Rd., Higganum           |

**Free paper shredding events for residents will take place from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on the following Saturdays:**

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| June 25, 2022      | Westbrook Town Hall,<br>866 Boston Post Rd., Westbrook     |
| September 24, 2022 | Middlefield Community Center,<br>405 Main St., Middlefield |
| October 15, 2022   | Chester Town Hall,<br>203 Middlesex Ave., Chester          |

To learn details and acceptable materials please visit:  
[www.rivercog.org/household-hazardous-waste](http://www.rivercog.org/household-hazardous-waste).



## 2022 Parking Pass Information

In response to many requests for a parking pass not restricted to a single vehicle, our Parking Permits are hanging tags that can be moved among your vehicles, just as last year. This means you'll be able to use the hanging permit for any car registered to you/your family in Old Lyme.

Because the hanging permits can be used on multiple vehicles, the cost is \$30 per permit. If you want to purchase a second pass, the fee is an additional \$45 for a second one (\$75 for two passes.) Limit 2 passes per household. Permits will be sold by filling out Parking Pass Application online at: [www.oldlyme-ct.gov](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov) and mailing in check or money order to the Selectman's Office, Att: Parking Pass, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, CT 06371. Please provide the EXACT address that you would like your pass(es) mail to. Please be prepared to follow the instructions on the Parking Permit application form and provide proof of residency as well as payment.

For 2022, we can only accept checks or money orders payable to Town of Old Lyme. If you must pay with cash, please be prepared with the exact amount.



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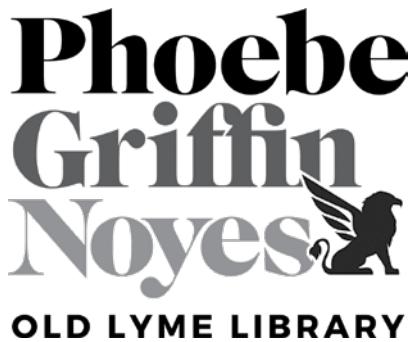
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The Library continues to fulfill its mission to inspire lifelong learning and discovery in a welcoming place with exceptional resources, programs, and services. From developing fun, interactive storytimes for babies and toddlers to hand-delivering novels to home-bound patrons, the Library continues to provide opportunities for residents of all ages to learn and grow.

## Children's Events

Julie Bartley/Children's Librarian  
[jbartley@oldlymeliibrary.org](mailto:jbartley@oldlymeliibrary.org)  
860.434.1684

*Registration is recommended. Limited spaces/supplies available in some programs. All events will be in person unless otherwise noted*

### CHILDREN'S STORY TIME

**Tuesdays, 11:00 am, 6/21-8/9 & 9/13-10/18**

Drop in for an all ages story time. Songs, stories and a craft or activity followed by free play. Bring a blanket to sit outside if weather allows.

### PHOEBE'S WEE READERS BABY PLAYGROUP

**Thursdays, 11:00 am, 6/23-8/11 & 9/15-10/20**

Share a board book and a song followed by free play in the Wiggle Room. Free coffee for caretakers! Option to sign up for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Program.

## Free Programs

*Every Wednesday, 11:00 am*

**READ BEYOND THE BEATEN PATH:**

**SUMMER FUN AT THE PHOEBE!**

Registration begins on Friday, June 17th. Pick up your scratch tickets to reveal challenges and win prizes all summer long!

### HIP HOP BREAKDANCE WORKSHOP WITH

**MAGICAL MEMORIES - 6/22**

Get down on the dance floor with sliding, wind mills, head spinning, popping, locking and dropping! After the presentation our dancer will show kids simple moves they can learn to create a basic routine.

### SPORTSTACKING GAMES WITH SPEEDSTACKS - 6/29

SportStacking has been termed "a track meet for your hands at warp speed." Stackers will race against the clock, compete in relays and fitness challenges that exercise body and mind using specially designed cups called Speed Stacks. Combine fine motor skill development, sequencing, concentration, teamwork and having fun! Recommended for kids age 5 and up.

### KIDS COOKING WORKSHOP WITH FOOD EXPLORERS

**Strawberry Shortcake Parfaits, Wednesday, 7/6,**

**1:00 am - 12:00 pm - Ages 3-6**

**Apple Pie Cups, Wednesday, 7/6,**

**1:00 - 2:00 pm - Ages 7 & up**

Let's get cooking with our friends at Food Explorers. All ingredients will be provided to registered participants.

### WEST AFRICAN DANCE WITH ABDOU SARR - 7/13

Abdou Sarr, Senegalese dancer, is well known for his incredible Sabar and Djembe dances.

### MYSTIC AQUARIUM TOUCH TANKS - 7/20

Celebrate Shark Week and all things oceanic at the Phoebe with a visit from Mystic Aquarium. Get up close and hands on with some sea life friends.

### SAND ART WITH THE KELLOGG ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER & ANIMAL TRACKS WITH THE OLD LYME LAND TRUST - 7/27

This program includes the use of microscopes and hand lenses to view a collection of sand from Connecticut beaches, streams, and lakes along with some samples from other states. Create an art project using paint made from CT soils! Pick up local trail maps from the Old Lyme Land Trust and learn to identify animal tracks you might see in the woods.

### ENERGY IN ACTION WITH MAD SCIENCE - 8/3

Children will learn how to make decisions that save energy and help save the future of our planet. Step inside this mobile exhibit to witness and participate in mind-blowing, energy-saving experiments.

### JUDY PANCOAST CHILDREN'S MUSIC - 8/10

Singer, songwriter, performer and Grammy nominated recording artist Judy Pancoast puts on a musical performance of clever songs and catchy melodies to delight the young and young at heart.

## Special Events

### OLD LYME CHILDREN'S LIBRARY WNBA NIGHT OUT

**Thursdays, 7/28, 7:00 pm**

Discount tickets available with your library card to see Sue Bird and the Mohegan Sun play the Seattle Storm. See website for details.

## WIRE WALKING WITH CIRCUS MOVES

**Saturday, 7/30, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm**

Join us for MidSummer Festival fun on the Library lawn celebrating the Caldecott winning story The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Mordicai Gerstein.

## LIBRARY CARD SIGN UPS AT THE OLD LYME CAROUSEL

**Thursday, 9/1, 5:00 - 6:00 pm**

Celebrate Library Card Sign Up Month at the Old Lyme Carousel. Free rides with your Library Card or sign up if you need one!

## BANNED BOOKS WEEK AT THE PHOEBE

**September 18-24**

Books unite us, censorship divides us! Banned Books Week is the annual observance of the freedom to read. Check out a banned book, past or present as we celebrate free and open access to books and information.

## Tweens & Teens

Nike Desis / Young Adult Librarian

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## VOLUNTEERS

The Teen Department is currently accepting new volunteers in grades 8 and up! Visit: <http://oldlyme.lioninc.org/tlcapp> to apply.

## MOVIE NIGHT RAFFLE BEGINS! - Friday, June 17

Win a private movie night at the Phoebe for you and 4 of your closest friends! Stop by the library to learn all the ways to earn chances to win. PLUS, pick up a new scratch ticket every month & complete the activities for prizes like a bike from Morrissey Cycles!

## ORIENTATION FOR SUMMER VOLUNTEERS

**Wednesday, 6/22, 3:00 - 4:00 pm**

Interested teens entering grade 8 and above are invited to sign up for their summer volunteer schedule, meet their colleagues, and learn about upcoming volunteer projects. For incoming, returning, and current volunteers. Visit: <http://oldlyme.lioninc.org/tlcapp> to apply.

## BOOK BINDING - Thursday, 6/30, 2:00 pm

Using traditional materials, create your own customized blank journal. Registration requested.

## PAINT POURING - Thursday, 7/7, 2:00 pm

Local artist Adam Campos guides us through this trending technique for abstract art. All materials provided, but please dress for mess! Limited spots available, registration required. This program is funded as part of the Lymes Creative Arts initiative.

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### XEROX ART WORKSHOP - Thursday, 7/21, 2:00 pm

Experiment with Art and Technology in this playful print making session. Old Lyme and NYC-based Artists Candy and Greg will lead us through various techniques, and everyone will have the opportunity to display their experiments in the library afterwards. Registration requested.

### COMICS & MENTAL HEALTH-DRAWING WORKSHOP -

#### Thursday, 8/4, 2:00 pm

Comic book artist Cara Bean returns with another drawing workshop. Participants will engage in a fun and meditative mark making process and leave understanding of comics/drawing as a way to lessen anxiety and boost confidence. All skill levels welcome.

Registration Required.

Cara Bean is the cartoonist of *Let's Talk About It: A Graphic Guide to Mental Health* (2020). This program is funded as part of the Lymes Creative Arts initiative.

### FINAL PRIZE DRAWING FOR TEEN & TWEEN SUMMER

#### LEARNING PROGRAM - Friday, 8/12, 5:00 pm

Turn in any remaining raffle and activity scratch tickets by 5:00 pm on Friday, August 12. On Saturday we will pick the 4th and final Movie Night winner, as well as the recipient of the new bike from Morrissey Cycles!

### GELLI PRINTING - Tuesday, 8/23, 2:00 pm

Participants will use flexible "gelatin" plates to create designs with colors and textures and print them onto fabric or paper. Gelli printing is a mono printing technique, where each print is new and unique. No prior experience necessary.

## Adult Events

Linda Alexander/ Public Services Manager

[lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org](mailto:lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org)

860.434.1684

### FOUNDER'S DAY CELEBRATION - Thursday, 6/23, 6:00 pm

Join us for live music and refreshments on the Library lawn as we celebrate 124 years of library service. Participants will have the chance to view the latest episode of "Tales of the Phoebe."

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING -

#### Friday, 6/24, 11:00 am

Join The Friends of the Library for their annual meeting on the Library patio. Enjoy the guest speaker, hear about their upcoming plans, and renew your interest in joining the Friends for the 2022/2023 year.

### THE HISTORY OF MAHJONGG WITH JOANIE FITTON -

#### Wednesday, 7/6, 6:30 pm

Mahjongg is a tile-based game that was developed in the 19th

century in China, and it has spread throughout the world since the early 20th century. It is commonly played with four players and there are multiple ways to play. Come learn the significance of each tile and the history behind them.

### A TASTE OF AYURVEDA-PITTA DOSHA WORKSHOP

with Claire Ragozzino, Thursday, 7/14, 6:00 pm via Zoom

### A TASTE OF AYURVEDA - VATA DOSHA WORKSHOP

with Claire Ragozzino, Thursday, 9/15, 6:00 pm via Zoom

Part 3 and 4 of a 4-part series will highlight one of the world's oldest holistic healing practices. Cook along with Claire as she explains the benefits behind each ingredient. This program is cosponsored with the Lyme, Bigelow, and Mystic-Noank Libraries. Register at: [OldLymeLibrary.org](http://OldLymeLibrary.org)

### CONTEMPORARY CLASSICS BOOK DISCUSSION

with Marsha Bansavage, Tuesday, 9/6, 7:00 pm via Zoom

The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles. Please call the library at: 860-434-1684 or email Linda Alexander at: [lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org](mailto:lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org) to register for this program.

### LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHER & AUTHOR, SKIP HINE - Wednesday, 9/14, 6:30 pm

Skip Hine, visual storyteller, will share highlights from his 50 years behind the camera. His work has taken him to breathtaking places, captured history and allowed him to meet fascinating people. Books will be available for purchase & signing the night of the event. Register at [OldLymeLibrary.org](http://OldLymeLibrary.org).

### PHOEBE'S MORNING BOOK CHAT

Phoebe's Morning Book Chat takes place on the second Thursday of every month at 11:00 am. Multiple copies of the selected book are available. Please call the library at: 860-434-1684 or email Linda Alexander at: [lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org](mailto:lalexander@oldlymelibrary.org) to register for this program.

### MAHJONGG CLUB

Learn to play or join an advanced game. Weekly on Wednesdays 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Drop-ins are welcome.

## Phoebe's Bookcellar

### SUMMER STOCK UP SALE - Wednesday, 6/22, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm & Saturday, 6/25, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Join us for our annual summer sale! All items in the BookCellar will be half price.

The BookCellar is a highly successful used book store - Old Lyme's only bookstore - managed by the volunteer Friends of the Library and housed on the Old Lyme Library's lower level. Regular BookCellar hours are: Wednesdays, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and Saturdays, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Stop in to shop, drop off book donations, or become a volunteer. All proceeds benefit the Library.

# Upcoming Events at the Lyme Library

June 14 - September 12

## Friends of the Lyme Public Library Annual Meeting

### & Concert-with Plywood Cowboy.

June 16 th, 2022, Thursday, 6:30 pm-Friends Meeting, 7:00 pm Plywood Cowboy Concert.

Rain date: June 17th at 6:30 pm. Lyme Library Town Green.

Contact: 860-434-2272 for more information to register email:

programreg@lymepl.org or register online at the library's website: lymepl.org using the "Register for Programs and Emails" button.

## STEAM Saturday

June 18th, 2022, Saturday, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.

Fun for kids Kindergarten-5th grade. The Lyme Library's STEAM Saturday programs will include stories, crafts and STEAM-based activities which will be fun for the whole family. Children under the ages of 12 must have caregivers present for the length of the program.



## Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path."

June 21st-August 16th. Lyme Public Library's Children's Room.

Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.

In order to help children from infants to young adults continue their reading and comprehension skills during the summer months the Lyme Public Library will be holding a summer reading program.

The theme this year is "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" and we will be encouraging kids and caregivers to enjoy the great outdoors as they read and learn new skills. Check out the library website for more details.

## Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Library Bookmark Contest.

June 21st-August 16th. Lyme Public Library's Community Room.

Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.

The Lyme Library and Lyme Consolidated School will be combining forces this summer when we have kids design the library's bookmarks.

We will be hosting an art exhibit and contest which will be on display in the Library's Community room of all the participating local children's artwork on bookmark-sized "canvases." The Lyme Library Board members will judge the contest at the end of the summer program and will choose winners by grade. The lucky winners will have their artwork printed up on actual library bookmarks!

## Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Kick Off Party.

June 21st, 2022, Tuesday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Lyme Public Library.

Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.

This special kick-off party will include an ice cream social (with donations from local ice cream shops) and explore the outdoors with local resident, Ben Kegley, Eagle Scout.

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### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Mindful Nature Walk with Reagan Stacey, Lyme Land Trust.

June 29th, 2022, Wednesday, 10:00 - 11:00 am. Lyme Public Library / Pleasant Valley Preserve.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

As part of the Lyme Library's summer reading program "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" Reagan Stacey (Lyme Land Trust representative) will be taking children ages 5 and up from the library through the Pleasant Valley Preserve on a "Mindful Nature Walk." Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Program is limited to 10 children.

### Open Studio

July 5th, 2022, Tuesday, 5:00 - 5:55 pm. Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Art instruction with local artist and educator Kristen Thornton.

For students in grades 6 to 12.



### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Afternoon Astronomy with Alan Sheiness.

July 5th, 2022, Tuesday, 6:00 - 7:30 pm. Lyme Public Library's Patio.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Alan Sheiness will host an afternoon astronomy session at the Lyme Public Library. This daytime session will be followed up with a night observing session on July 29 at a dark sky site.

### Lyme Public Library Racial Equity Book Club

July 6th, 2022, Wednesday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Zoom.

**Contact: 860-434-2272** to find out more information on this month's meeting date and book. To receive the Zoom meeting invitation register at [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org). The Lyme Public Library's Racial Equity Book Club will be focusing each month on a book about race relations in the United States. The book group will be meeting via Zoom where we will meet to discuss the book and participate in a fair and open discussion of the subject of race relations.

### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Special Event for Teens

July 12th, 2022, Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Local artist Kristen Thornton will be having attendees (from grades 6 to 12) paint bird houses and posts to be placed around Lyme and Old Lyme by the Lyme Garden Club, Lyme Parks and Recreation Department and the Lyme Land Trust. This is a 2-part event with the second meeting taking place on July 19th. Free to Public. Internal cost: \$Total cost for the 2 events is \$350.00 and will be paid by the Lyme Public Library and LYSB.

### A Taste of Ayurveda - The Pitta Dosha with Claire Ragozzino

July 14th, 2022, Thursday, 6:00 pm. Zoom.

**Contact: 860-434-2272** for more information to register and receive the Zoom meeting invitation email: [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org). Author, Ayurvedic counselor and certified yoga instructor Claire Ragozzino will host a series of Ayurvedic workshops at the library. This is a 4-part series in which you will learn about the basics of Ayurvedic medicine and learn how to cook and move to learn more holistically. This presentation will be concentrating on balancing the Pitta dosha.

### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" & STEAM Saturday - Geology of Lyme Lecture and Walking Tour with Ralph Lewis.

July 16th, 2022, Saturday, 8:30 am. Lyme Public Library'Community Room / Banningwood Preserve.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Local geologist Ralph Lewis. Mr. Lewis will start his presentation at the library where he will conduct a short lecture followed by a walk through Lyme's Banningwood Preserve where he will be pointing out the remarkable and unique geological elements found only in Lyme. This event is for children ages 12 and up and limited to 12 participants.

### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Special Event for Teens.

July 19th, 2022, Tuesday, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Local artist Kisten Thornton will be having attendees (from grades 6 to 12) paint bird houses and posts to be placed around Lyme and Old Lyme by the Lyme Garden Club, Lyme Parks and Recreation Department and the Lyme Land Trust. This is a 2-part event with the second meeting taking place on July 12th. Pizza and beverages will be provided to the attendees.



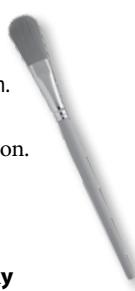
### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" Special event - Visit from the Mystic Aquarium!

July 23th, 2022,Saturday, 10:30 am. Lyme Public Library's Program Room / Outside patio.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

The Mystic Aquarium will be visiting the Lyme Public Library as part of our summer reading program! They will be bringing along instructors and their special traveling touch tank filled with an assortment of live invertebrates such as lobsters, horseshoe crabs, shellfish and sea stars.



### Open Studio (Last Open Studio for season)

July 26th, 2022, Tuesday, 5:00 - 5:55 pm. Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Art instruction with local artist and educator Kristen Thornton. For students in grades 6 to 12.

### Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program

#### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Viewing the Dark Sky with Alan Sheiness.

July 29th, 2022, Friday, 8:15 - 10:00 pm - Rain date: July 30th, Saturday.

Lyme Land Trust Dark Sky Observation Site.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Local astronomer Alan Sheiness will be meeting participants at the Lyme Land Trust Dark Sky Observation Site with his telescopes at the ready so that kids and caregivers can get an up-close look at fantastic stars, constellations, the Milky Way and various deep-sky objects in the dark night sky.

### Geological Lecture through Pleasant Valley Preserve with Ralph Lewis.

July 30th, 2022, Saturday, 8:30 am. Pleasant Valley Preserve.

**Contact: Lyme Public Library 860-434-2272.**

Local geologist Ralph Lewis will lead a walk through Pleasant Valley Preserve to lecture on and point out some of these noteworthy landmarks. Hiking boots are recommended as the terrain will be varied.

### **Lyme Public Library Racial Equity Book Club.**

August 3rd, Wednesday, 6:30 pm. Zoom.

**Contact: 860-434-2272** to find out more information on this month's meeting date and book. To receive the Zoom meeting invitation register at [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org). The Lyme Public Library's Racial Equity Book Club will be focusing each month on a book about race relations in the United States. The book group will be meeting via Zoom where we will meet to discuss the book and participate in a fair and open discussion of the subject of race relations.

### **Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program**

#### **"Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Event - Meet the Author**

##### **Elaine Alexander.**

August 6th, 2022, Saturday, 10:30 am. Lyme Library's Community Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Meet the author Elaine Alexander when she comes to the Lyme Public Library to read from her new book *"Anglerfish: The Seadevil of the Deep"*. The presentation will include a storyboard/felt board interactive activity and an anglerfish craft. All ages welcome.

### **Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program**

#### **"Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Special Event with the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center.**

August 11th, 2022, Thursday, 6:30 pm. Lyme Library's Community Room.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Educational instructors from the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center will be coming to teach all about ponds and pond adaptation.

### **Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading Program**

#### **"Read Beyond the Beaten Path" - Wrap-up Celebration Party with Braiden Sunshine.**

August 16th, 2022, Tuesday, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Lyme Public Library patio.

**Contact: Barbara Carlson 860-434-2272.**

Join us with Braiden Sunshine for the conclusion of the Lyme Public Library's Summer Reading program. Braiden will be singing summertime songs to celebrate the library's 2022 reading program.

### **On Account of Sex: A History of Women's Suffrage in America presented by Amanda Goodheart Parks.**

August 18th, Thursday, 7:00 pm. Lyme Library Community Room.

**Contact: 860-434-2272** for more information to register email: [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) or register online at the library's website: [lymepl.org](http://lymepl.org) using the "Register for Programs and Emails" button. On August 18, 1920 the Nineteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was officially adopted, guaranteeing that American woman would no longer be denied the right to vote "on account of sex" This lecture will chronicle the long and complex history of the fight for women's suffrage in the United States.

### **Lyme Public Library Racial Equity Book Club.**

September 7th, 2022, Wednesday, 6:30 pm. Zoom.

**Contact: 860-434-2272** to find out more information on this month's meeting date and book. To receive the Zoom meeting invitation register at [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org). The Lyme Public Library's Racial Equity Book Club will be focusing each month on a book about race relations in the

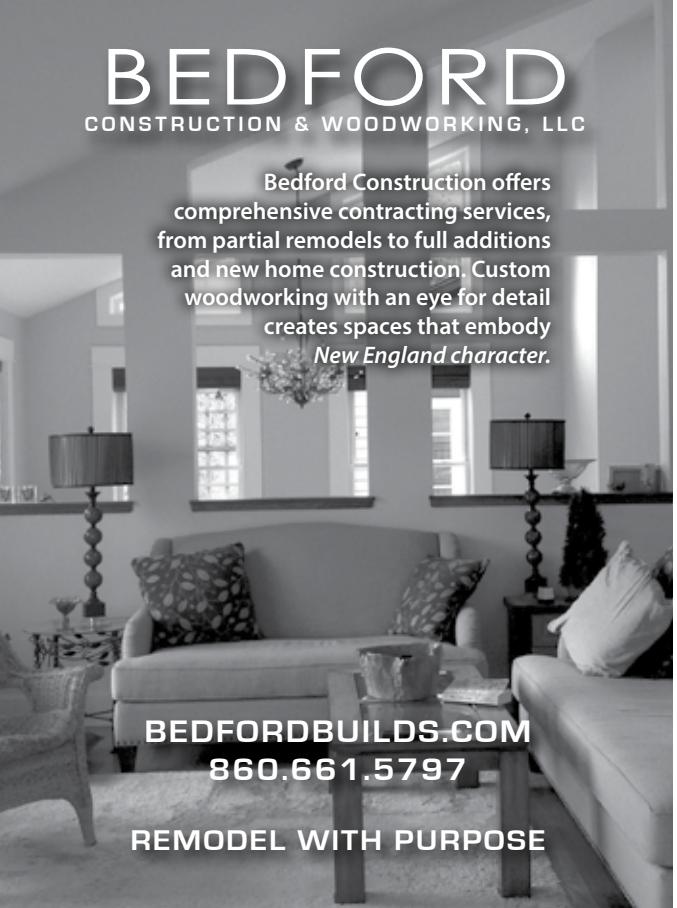
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United States. The book group will be meeting via Zoom where we will meet to discuss the book and participate in a fair and open discussion of the subject of race relations.

### Lyme Public Library Cookbook Club.

September 10th, Saturday, 1:00 pm. Lyme Public Library's Program Room.

**Contact:** Kathy Varady 860-434-2272 or register at: [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org). Every month the Lyme Public Library will be hosting a cookbook club where the participants will be using recipes from a particular cookbook (chosen by the participants at the previous month's meeting) and making items to share with the group. This month's theme is tailgating barbecue.

## A Salute to Our Volunteers!

### LEDGE LIGHT HEALTH DISTRICT

Old Lyme residents volunteer in so many ways to help keep the community safe, strong, healthy, and educated. One group of volunteers that have been very busy are the 17 active members of the Medical Reserve Corps from Old Lyme who stepped up to the plate when the pandemic started. Many of our most active volunteers are from Old Lyme! We are fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers who think nothing of driving from Old Lyme to North Stonington to work at a vaccination clinic. Some are physicians, nurses, EMTs and others are non-medical. They all have and continue to play a vital role in helping to keep people healthy during this pandemic.

Ledge Light Health District has an active Medical Reserve Corps unit of over 300 volunteers that has been in existence since 2007. Since the pandemic started our volunteers, medical and non-medical, have supported contact tracing, COVID testing, community meal and food pantries in New London and COVID vaccination clinics. They have also continued to help with non-COVID related events, like our drive-thru flu clinics. The Medical Reserve Corps was formed after 9/11 when President George W. Bush called for an organization that credentialed and trained volunteers to respond to public health emergencies. Today, there are over 800 units nationwide. The Medical Reserve Corps Program Office is the national office of the MRC and is housed within the Readiness Division, Office of Emergency Management and Medical Operations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR,) U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS.) Anyone interested in volunteering can sign up via: [ctresponds.ct.gov/](https://ctresponds.ct.gov/)



Barbara Hack MD.



Leslie Massa..



From left to right: Sarah Gleason, Doina Lavoie-Gonci P.A., Christine Spencer RN, Mary Kate Parker RN and Cindi Taylor.

Ledge Light Health District would not be able to offer the COVID vaccinations without our volunteers. If you have been to our clinics, you have seen our volunteers wearing the blue vests working in many different roles from greeting, vaccinating, observing for side effects to inputting the data into CT Wiz. If you want a copy of your COVID vaccination record, it can be accessed through [https://ctwiz.dph.ct.gov/ctwiz\\_public/Application/PublicPortal](https://ctwiz.dph.ct.gov/ctwiz_public/Application/PublicPortal) or call us at: 860-448-4882 for assistance.

A shout out to Doina LaVoie-Gonci P.A., Karen Smith APRN and Katy Klarnet who

have each volunteered for more than 90 hours this past year. We salute the following MRC volunteers who have been active volunteers during the pandemic.

Fred Behringer

Leslie Massa

Ann Branchini RN

Elizabeth Mauro RN

Elizabeth Danes APRN

Diane Morgenthaler MD

Barbara Fallon MD

Mary Kate Parker RN

Sarah Gleason

Christine Spencer RN

Barbara Hack MD

Cindi Taylor

Alaine Harris RN



## Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association Turns 100

The Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association is pleased to announce that it is turning 100 years old this year! Many things have changed for us over the years, but we're still providing health care for all ages.

As of this writing (May) the town nurse's office at the Lymes' Senior Center is open to Lyme and Old Lyme residents on weekdays from noon to 1:00 pm. No appointments and no fees. Town Nurse Denise Piersa can make home visits for nursing (monthly) or to assess the need for skilled care. Telephone consultations are also available. Residents can leave secure voicemail messages at: 860-434-7808.



Left: Two Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association Volunteers on May 4, COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic at the Lymes' Senior Center with Ledge Light and the Medical Reserve Corp.

89 boosters were administered. Thanks to everyone who came out to ensure better health for themselves and our community.

Our board of directors meets once each month from September to June, but we also have many associates who pitch in with projects as needed. We welcome volunteers and inquiries. For updates and more information on the services of the Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association, please check out our website at: [www.oldlymevna.org](http://www.oldlymevna.org).

## Striving For a Sense of Normalcy

Every person, in every situation, had unique challenges and changes over the past two years from COVID-19. Levels of stress and loneliness were undoubtedly amplified, financial burdens weighed heavier, and periods of isolation grew longer.

One group in particular, cancer patients, were faced with some pretty serious dilemmas. As we were all told to hunker down and stay home, for cancer patients that created tough choices. Staying at home had potential to increase tumor/illness progression, while visiting the hospital for treatment had potential to increase infection risk. Community & family support also suffered, as we were keeping our distance for physical safety. Navigating through an illness can often make someone feel like they are alone in what they are experiencing. And quite literally, for many, that was their reality. While our connections to loved ones remained intact, they looked and felt a bit different. Relationships with doctors and care teams were partially virtual and felt long distanced.

As we now attempt to resume a sense of normalcy in our world and community, we can take advantage of different support systems, too. As either the patient or the caregiver, therapy is available to you as another layer of your healing.

Kristin Kiczuk, LCSW, East Lyme Psychological Associates



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## MIDSUMMER 5K

**Saturday, July 30, 2022**

Featuring 5K Run, 5K Walk, Kids K in Old Lyme Village to benefit LYSB Youth Programs. Info and registration at: [www.lysb.org/5K](http://www.lysb.org/5K).

## BIG TRUCK & VEHICLE FAIR

**Wednesday, August 3, 2022, 5:00 - 7:00 pm.**

It's Back!!! Behind LYSB on the middle school driveway. Spend the evening exploring vehicles of all kinds from dump trucks to fire trucks, construction vehicles and big rigs. Music, Del's Lemonade, and Fun!! Free and open to the public. No registration necessary.

## WILDCAT EXPLORERS

**June 20 to June 30, 9:00 to 10:30 am.**

**Ages 2 and up, \$8/family per day.**

We will meet at a different nearby trail for a time to explore the nature around us. We will practice hiking in a group, following trail markers, practicing responsibility and respect with our natural surroundings. We will sing songs, observe and explore together.

Details and registration at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

## BEACH DANCES

**Tuesdays, June 28 to August 9, 7:00 - 9:00 pm.**

**For Middle Schoolers at White Sands Beach**



At White Sands Beach for middle schoolers in Lyme and Old Lyme. \$5/admission - music, food, fun, friends!! Weather permitting, please check our website or Facebook page for possible cancellations due to weather by 5:00 pm on dance nights. LYSB requires a one-time registration for a summer of beach dances. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

## ACTING UP

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 28 to July 28, 12:00 - 2:00 pm.**

Middle School students are invited to learn about improv! We'll begin with theatre basics and understanding how improv differs from other kinds of performing arts. Classes will then focus on building confidence both on and off the stage, learning different kinds of improv games, and culminate in a show for friends & family. Fee \$25 includes t-shirt. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

## RUN LIKE A GIRL

**Wednesdays, June 29 to August 17, 8:30 - 10:30 am.**

**For girls entering grades 3-6.**

Join us for a summer of running while building self-esteem, inspiration, goal setting, leadership, courage, and more! Coached by Alli Behnke, MSW (and fellow runner!), with LOLHS mentors. This program is free. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

## OUTDOOR STUDIO DRAWING & PAINTING FOR TEENS

**Tuesdays: July 5, 12, 19, 26, 1:00 - 3:00 pm.**

**Thursdays: July 7, 14, 21, 28, 4:00 - 6:00 pm.**

**Ages: Grades 6-12**

**(Beginners to those preparing college portfolios)**

*This program is part of the Lymes Creative Arts Initiative.*

**Location: Various around Old Lyme and Lyme**

**Instructor: Artist and teacher Kristen Thornton**

Join Kristen for a relaxed en plein air style class. We will meet at a new location each week to draw and paint with the medium of your choice. You may pick one day a week or get additional time on your piece and come to both days at the same location. We will be meeting at locations such as the DEEP Ferry Landing State Park, Studio 80+ Sculpture Grounds, and other scenic areas around Lyme and Old Lyme. A backup location for rainy days will be announced. Upon registration, a suggested list of materials will be provided to you. Advanced registration required, drop-ins are welcome, but must bring own supplies. Register at: [www.lysb.org/teenarts](http://www.lysb.org/teenarts).

## SUMMER POTTERY WORKSHOP

**Thursdays July 7 to August 4, 6:00 - 8:00 pm.**

**For grades 6 to 12.**

*This program is part of the Lymes' Creative Arts Initiative.*

Five weeks workshop. Making your own pottery from start to finish working both on and off the wheel. Classes include demonstrations by Potter Wayne Kirk and lots of hands-on time to play with the clay. Fee includes the clay, glazes and firing fees with the use of potters' wheels, benches and all tools you need. Classes are held in Walt's Studio located in the basement of the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme. Space is limited. (Completed glazed work available to pick up the following week.) Fee: \$25. Register at: [www.lysb.org/teenarts](http://www.lysb.org/teenarts).

## SITTER SAFETY CLASS

**Mondays, July 11, 18 & 25, 12:00 - 2:00 pm.**

An intense sitter safety and training course appropriate for babysitters, big brothers and sisters, and children staying home alone for the first time. This course touches on a variety of safety skills such as basic first aid, fire safety, and 911 skills. Fee is \$50 and includes supplies, snacks, and guest speakers. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

## TENNIS PALS

**Monday, July 11 to Friday, July 15, 5:30 - 6:30 pm.**

For youth and young adults with physical, cognitive, and/or developmental challenges, ages 8 and up. Fee: \$25. Scholarships available. The mission of Tennis PALS Foundation is to introduce

the physical, mental, and social benefits of tennis to youth and young adults with special needs including physical, cognitive, and/or developmental challenges. Tennis PALS provides a fun, supportive, and adaptive environment. We meet at the Lyme-Old Lyme High School tennis courts with local tennis pros and student volunteers. All equipment will be provided by Tennis PALS. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

#### FAMILY BINGO ON THE BEACH

**Wednesday July 13, 6:00 - 8:00 pm.**

**Wednesday August 10, 6:00 - 8:00 pm.**

At White Sands Beach for L/OL families. This is a free event. Bring your own picnic, beach chairs and blankets and get ready for some good ol' fashioned family fun. Registration not required.

#### SUMMER SENSORY PLAYGROUP

**Wednesdays, July 13, 20, & Aug 3, 10:00 - 11:00 am.**

**Ages 2 and up, \$8/day.**

A variety of sensory experiences for your child to explore.

Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).



#### TURTLES AT LYSB

**Tuesday, July 19, 5:30 pm.**

Did you know that Connecticut is home to 12 species of turtles? Our friends from Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center will be at LYSB for this fun interactive program. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. \$10 per family. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

#### CPR FOR BABYSITTERS

**Friday, July 22, 12:00 - 2:00 pm.**

Add this valuable class to your LYSB babysitter's course and learn how to save a life! Learn CPR and how to clear a blocked airway in children and infants. Parents want to hire babysitters who know CPR and can help kids who are choking. Instructors will teach you everything you need to know to provide lifesaving care during a cardiac or choking emergency in this class. Class cost is \$55 and awards a Certificate of Completion. Scholarships available. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

#### LYSB NIGHT AT THE YARD GOATS

**Thursday, July 28, 7:00 pm.**

**Game starts at 7:00 pm.**



Join us for LYSB Family Night for the Yard Goats baseball game at Dunkin' Donuts Park in Hartford. The Hartford Yard Goats are taking on the Red Sox affiliate, the Portland Sea Dogs.

Our group tickets are located in the Picnic Pavilion on the concourse level and include a 2.5 hour all you can eat buffet including hamburgers, hot dogs, bbq chicken, mac and cheese, pasta salad and more! Tickets are \$40 per person. Limited tickets available, so book now. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

#### BOLD (Boys Outdoor Leadership Development)

- Session I:** Mon, Aug 1 to Fri, Aug 5, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Session II:** Mon, Aug 1 to Fri, Aug 5, 1:00 - 4:00 pm  
(Session II is for incoming high school freshmen only)
- Session III:** Mon, Aug 15 to Fri, Aug 19, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Session IV:** Mon, Aug 15 to Fri, Aug 19, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

For adventurous Lyme Old Lyme middle school boys to learn leadership, respect, listening and teamwork. We will participate in activities such as ROPES, paddle boarding, open space hike, and more adventures on land and sea. We will meet at a different location each day.

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This program is outside therefore events could be cancelled due to inclement weather. Space is limited. Register at [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

### GOLD (Girls Outdoor Leadership Development)

**Mon, August 1 - Fri, August 5, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.**

For adventurous Lyme-Old Lyme Middle school girls to spark their personal strength and confidence through a variety of outdoor activities and adventures. This program is held outside, therefore events could be cancelled due to inclement weather. Space is limited. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

### ENGINEERING CAMP

- **AGES 5 to 8: Mon Aug 1 to Fri Aug 5, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**
- **AGES 9 and up: Mon Aug 8 to Fri Aug 12, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Discover the marvelous and spectacular world of engineering through the hands-on, minds on summer camps offered by Engineering Imagination, LLC! Participants will use a variety of mediums such as LEGO, recycled materials, salvaged motors and gears, balsa wood, and more to explore the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) curriculum. Using the different mediums, participants will learn about and build projects such as hydroelectric waterwheels, model rockets, and scale bridges! Fee: \$300. Scholarships available. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

### ARTS & CRAFTS IN THE AFTERNOON

**Monday, August 15 to Friday, August 19, 1:00 - 4:00 pm.**

Join your friends for a fun week of arts, crafts, games and outside

time. Clay explorations, weaving, nature drawing, colorful painting and more! With arts educator Claudia Mathison. Entering grades 3 and up. Fee \$175 includes all supplies. Register at: [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

### HAMBURG FAIR SONGWRITING WORKSHOP

**August 16, 17, 18 10:30 am - 12:00 pm at LYSB**

**August 20 10:00 am on the Hamburg Fair Stage**

Join us to write the new Hamburg Fair Theme Song! Steve Roslonek of SteveSongs, on air host of PBSKids Television, will be facilitating a unique program of songwriting and performing. Students will explore several fundamental elements of songwriting and then help Steve write an original song. They will also have the opportunity to perform that song along with other select numbers with Steve on the stage at the Hamburg Fair. No previous experience is necessary. All participants will get a t-shirt. Fee: \$20 includes shirt. Register at [www.lysb.org/summer](http://www.lysb.org/summer).

- 2 Day Songwriting Workshop, Gr 3 and up (Tues & Wed)
- 1 Day Performance Prep for Hamburg Fair, Gr K and up, (Thurs)
- Performance at Hamburg Fair (Saturday)

### BIRDS OF PREY AT LYSB

**Wednesday, August 17, 5:30 pm.**

WHOOOOO doesn't love owls, hawks, and other birds of prey? Join the experts from Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center to learn all about these awe-inspiring creatures. Learn some fun facts, hear a story and if you are lucky, you might even get to meet a real birds of prey! Fee: \$10 per family.

## Sustainable Old Lyme Highlights Town's Sustainability & Resiliency

The Sustainable Old Lyme Team continues to track the good works and progress the Town of Old Lyme is making toward its next certification cycle with Sustainable CT. Using Sustainable CT's categories, the following are some of the many efforts underway this quarter, and count toward our next certification review:

### Well-Stewarded & Natural Resources:

The Conservation Commission is conducting water sampling as part of a watershed protection effort and creating watershed education.

**Thriving Local Economies:** The Economic Development Commission is promoting local products and services, while providing resources and support to local business.

### Vibrant & Creative Cultural Ecosystems:

Lymes Creative Arts is entering its second summer season of providing affordable arts activities for Old Lyme (and Lyme) teenagers. The Old Lyme Arts District has partnered with the Economic Development Commission to promote cultural tourism through [ExploreOldLyme.com](http://ExploreOldLyme.com).

**Inclusive Engagement, Communication, & Education:** Various Town commissions met in March at an Economic Forum to discuss collaborative efforts under the POCD. Sustainable learning continues to take place including at the OL-PGN Library with lectures such as "Fish Stories - Migratory Fish in the Connecticut River."

**Strategic Materials Management:** The Solid Waste & Recycling Committee is now reactivated to address the need to improve and increase recycling & composting in Old

Lyme as an effort to reduce our trash.

**Optimal Health & Wellness Opportunities:** The Lyme-Old Lyme Food Share Garden is now underway at Town Woods Park growing produce for local food banks.

### Healthy, Efficient, & Diverse Housing:

The Affordable Housing Commission is completing its Affordable Housing Plan.

**Sustainable Actions Created with Equity**  
**In Mind:** The Town's American Rescue Plan Committee reached out to all residents and business owners to gather their input on distributing ARP funds to the Town. The Committee is made up of a cross-section of participants including those who represent social services, emergency services, small businesses and the tourism sector, public health, and the faith communities.

**For more information go to:** [oldlyme-ct.gov/sustainable-old-lyme-team](http://oldlyme-ct.gov/sustainable-old-lyme-team) or [SustainableCT.org](http://SustainableCT.org) to learn more about the certification process.

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860-434-4127 to sign up for any of these groups or have any questions.

### On-Going Weekly & Monthly Groups

#### "ROGUE ROLLERS" Bocce Ball Group

Meets Tuesdays at 1:30pm. Call if you are interested. Newcomers are welcome. Time may change to morning as summer days get hotter.

#### "KNIT-WITS" Knitting Circle

Meets once a month (the second Wednesday of the Month) at 10:00 am. This will be a mixed ability level group.

#### "QUILTY" Pleasures Quilting Group

Meets once a month (the third Wednesday of the Month) at 10:00 am. This group gives people a chance to share their quilting passion and borrow ideas from each other.

#### "GIRLS GONE SCRAPPY" Scrapbooking & Papercraft Group

Meets once a month (the fourth Wednesday of the Month) at 10:00 am. Bring your own consumable supplies (ink, paper, glue sticks or whatever you like to use) and reusable supplies (like stamps) to share during our get-together.

#### "TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT" Camera Club

Meets once a month (the first Wednesday of the month) at 10:00 am. Please email me at: [sgould@oldlyme-ct.gov](mailto:sgould@oldlyme-ct.gov) OR call 860-434-4127 to register.

#### Free Upcoming Workshops for our Camera Club

August 3rd      Photographing light, shadow, reflections & Patterns.

September 7th    iPhone: Taking Pictures and Editing

October 5th      Photo Matting and Framing

#### "TAKE A HIKE THURSDAY" Hiking Group

Will meet once a month, second Thursday of the month at 9:30 am,



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weather permitting led by Wendolyn Hill, Lyme Open Space Coordinator. Hikes will take place in Lyme and Old Lyme and surrounding areas. Places to be announced. Hikes will be moderate.

#### **“AS THE PAGE TURNS BOOK CLUB”**

Meets once a month (the third Friday of the Month) at 1:00 pm. This is a collaborative effort between the Lyme Library and the Lymes’ Senior Center and will be facilitated by Librarian Melissa Fournier. The books will be chosen at the meetings. Club will meet the third Friday of the month alternating between the senior center and the library.

#### **“FEELIN’ KORNY” Cornhole Club**

Meets Wednesdays at 10:00 pm. Call if you are interested. Newcomers are welcome. Our first get together was on June 15th. We will be teaching the game and practicing on that day.

#### **“TOTALLY PITCHIN’ HORSE-SHU- CLUB”**

Meets Fridays at 1:00 pm. Call if you are interested. Newcomers are welcome. Time may change to morning as summer days get hotter. “Free-For-All Fridays” - This is a great time to enjoy ALL of the outdoor games with other members. Bocce Ball, Croquet, Horseshoes, Corn Hole, etc. Meets Fridays at 1:00 pm. Call if you are interested. Newcomers are welcome. Time may change to morning as summer days get hotter.

#### **“LET’S GET CRAFTIN’ ” Craft Group**

Our MEMBERSHIP is full of talented crafters. \*If you have a craft you wish to share, please contact us at: [seniorcenter@oldlyme-ct.gov](mailto:seniorcenter@oldlyme-ct.gov) OR 860-434-4127 ext. 1 and let us know. This group will meet

monthly TBD so we can enjoy the talents of our members and learn new crafts.

#### **Craft Workshops already scheduled - call for dates**

**Wet Felting Project with Kristee-** learn how to make wool into felt and take home a small bag! Cost for materials will be determined.

**Fall Floral Arrangements with Mary** (made with paper flowers), bring your own vase. Learn how to make beautiful, simple flowers that go for \$40.00 at craft fairs! Cost is \$5.00 for members to cover the price of the materials, \$10.00 for non-members.

**Needle Felting with Kristee-** Learn how to needle felt. Cost for materials and take-home project to be determined.

### **Weekly Exersize Classes**

#### **IN-PERSON CLASSES**

If you are new to a class, the first class is FREE, just let us know when you sign up!

**Monday - 9:30 am and 10:15 am Tap Classes** with Bethany Haslam from The Dance Center of Old Lyme. Pre-registration is required. Call (860)434-4127 to register. \$5.00 a class.

**Tuesday - 9:00 am NEW Zumba®.** This dance fitness class burns over 500 calories an hour, but more importantly is FUN! This class will be held once a month in summer to test interest and begin weekly starting in September. Class \$5.00 a class. Summer classes June 28th, July 26th, August 23rd. Call 860-434-4127 to register.

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**Tuesday - 10:15 am Sit and Be Fit.** Led by Laura Kokoska  
Pre-registration is required. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Class is free.

**Wednesday - 8:30 am Low Impact Class** with Kate Perez.  
Pre-registration is required. Call 860-434-4127 to register.  
\$5.00 a class.

**Wednesday - 9:00 am NEW Yoga movement class** (*Once a month in summer to test interest and weekly starting in September.*) Class \$5.00 Summer classes June 15th, July 13th, August 10th. Call 860-434-4127 to register.

**Thursday - 9:00 am NEW Why Weight(s)? Class** - Led by Jessie \$5.00 a class. This class will be focused on building more muscle. Weights and body weight training help to develop stronger bones, boost metabolism, improve range of motion and endurance. This class is designed to work with these elements in increasing strength, flexibility and balance with focus on form and execution. Please wear comfortable clothing, bring heavier weights (3-5lbs available at center) and a matt. (*Once a month in summer to test interest then weekly starting in September.*) Class \$5.00 a class. Summer classes June 23rd, July 21st, August 18th. Call 860-434-4127 to register.

**Thursday - 10:15 am M-O-V-E with Jessie.** Cardio, Strength and Balance Class \$5.00 a class. Call 860-434-4127 to register.

**Friday - 8:30 am Low Impact Class with Kate Perez.**  
Pre-registration is required. Call 860-434-4127 to register.  
\$5.00 a class.

**Friday - 9:00 am NEW S-T-R-E-T-C-H Class with Melissa,** this is a seated class where you will stretch and increase the flexibility in all your major muscle groups. This class will be held once a month in summer to test interest and begin weekly starting in September. Summer classes June 17th, July 15th, August 19th. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Class is free.

**Friday - 2:30 pm Country Line Dance Class.** All levels from beginner to advanced. Pre-registration is required. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Class is free.

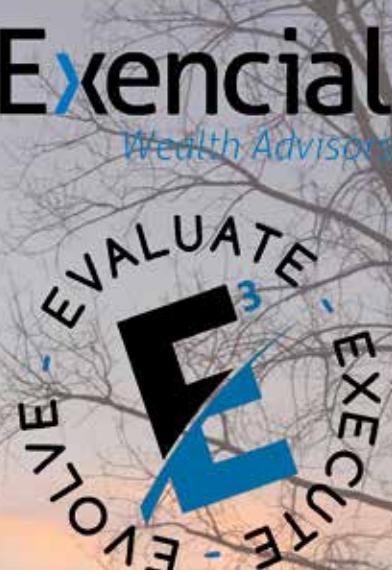
### VIRTUAL CLASSES

**Monday - 9:00 am Slow & Steady Yoga** with Lynn, please see the registration site for the cost of the full session or the cost per class, to register: [www.lynnmccarthyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration](http://www.lynnmccarthyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration).

**Tuesday - 9:00 am High Energy, Low Impact Dance Class** (like Jazzercise) with Mellisa. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Once registered and paid a link will be sent. Tuesday / Thursday class cost \$20.00 a month for unlimited classes.

**Tuesday - 10:00 am Sit and Be Fit.** Led by Laura Kokoska  
Pre-registration is required. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Class is free. This class is held in-person and virtually. Once registered, a link will be sent.

**Wednesday - 9:00 am Chair Yoga for Pain** with Lynn, please see the registration site for the cost of the full session or the cost per class, to register: [www.lynnmccarthyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration](http://www.lynnmccarthyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration)



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 Once registered and paid a link will be sent. Tuesday / Thursday  
 class cost \$20.00 a month for unlimited classes.

**Friday - 9:00 am S-T-R-E-T-C-H Class** with Melissa. This is  
 a seated class. Call 860-434-4127 to register. Class is free. This  
 class is held in-person and virtually. Once registered, a link  
 will be sent.

**Friday - 9:00 am Slow & Steady Yoga** with Lynn. Please  
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 the cost per class, to register: [www.lynnmccarthyyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration](http://www.lynnmccarthyyoga.com/copy-of-rates-registration).

## Upcoming Community Events

Ledge Light Health District in collaboration with the  
 Old Lyme Visiting Nurse Association have scheduled  
 a COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC offering the  
 Moderna Vaccine on:

**July 11th - Walk in Covid Vaccine Clinic** 11:00 am - 2:00 pm  
 at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme.  
 Only the Moderna vaccine will be available at these clinics,  
 for individuals 18 years or older who need a 1st or 2nd dose  
 (primary series) or are eligible for a 1st or 2nd booster dose.

**The following groups are eligible for a 1st booster shot  
 at this clinic:**

- individuals 18 years of age and older who have completed a primary series of a mRNA COVID-19 vaccine (Moderna or Pfizer) and it has been at least 5 months since completion of primary series
- individuals 18 years of age and older who have had a primary dose of Janssen COVID-19 vaccine and it has been at least 2 months and would like a mRNA booster

**The following groups are eligible for a 2nd booster shot  
 at this clinic:**

- individuals 50 years of age and older who have received a first booster dose of any authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine, and it has been at least 4 months since first booster dose

*The clinic is free and open to the public. No appointment, insurance, or ID is necessary. Please bring your CDC vaccination card.*

**COME AND ENJOY A SUMMER EVENING AT THE LYMES' SENIOR CENTER GROUNDS. - 26 Town Woods Road for "Summer Sounds" - a FIVE-week musical series. (THURSDAY NIGHTS IN JULY & BEGINNING OF AUGUST!!) ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!!!**

\*We will be serving ice cream outside to all concert goers before the concert at 6:30 pm on July 7th, 14th, & 28th

\*Bring your chairs, blankets, dinner, dancing shoes, etc. the performances will be held out on the lawn. Cancellations will be put on our Facebook page if the weather is inclement.

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**July 7th at 7:00 pm - The String of Pearls Big Band** - The Best of Big Band Swing and The Great American Songbook!

**July 14th at 7:00 pm - The Corvettes Doo Wop Revue** - We welcome back Boston's finest Premier National Touring Doo Wop Band.

**July 21st at 7:00 pm - The Cartells Band** - We welcome back one of the leading local bands! This 5-person band will be packing the dance floor! Playing Jazz, Swing, Motown, R&B and Rock n Roll!

**July 28th at 7:00 pm - Rock Solid Alibi** (50s, 60s, 70s & 80s) - Rock Solid Alibi plays primo cuts from The Allman Brothers, The Cars, Eric Clapton, ZZ Top, Joe Jackson, John Cougar Mellencamp to name just a few.

**August 4th at 7:00 pm - Take Two and Call Me In The Morning** (Local group comprised of physicians and health care providers. This person band specializes in vocally driven classic rock songs from the 60s to the 2000s).

### DON'T FEEL LIKE COOKING BEFORE THE CONCERT?

On July 21st and August 4th, the Lions Club will have a cookout at

6:00 pm. Hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, drinks, and chips will be available for purchase on the Lymes' Senior Center grounds. Proceeds go to the Lions Club Scholarship Fund.

### COMMUNITY CHILI COOK-OFF

**Lymes' Senior Center grounds. 26 Town Woods Road**

**October 15th- (RAINDATE October 16)**

This event will showcase those wishing to enter their chili into the Chili Cook-Off. Please call 860-434-4127 ext. 1 if you wish to enter yourself, your organization, or your business into this competition. There will be awards given for the "Most Surprising" and "Best" Chili. This event will be for community members 13 and over. We will be having live entertainment and a raffle and of course a lot of different types of chili for you to taste test and judge. Water and cornbread will be sold at this event! The event time will be listed in the next Events Magazine, or you can call the Lymes' Senior Center for more information. Free tickets will be given out for this event. Call the number listed above after August 15th to reserve your tickets.

## Old Lyme EMS



Along with responding to emergency medical situations, one of Old Lyme EMS's most important jobs is looking out for the welfare of our most vulnerable

populations: children and elderly residents. Our members recently completed two very important training sessions to improve our ability to help our neighbors as mandated reporters.

Mandated reporters are required to report to the appropriate agencies when they have reasonable cause to suspect or believe that an individual has been abused, neglected or is placed in imminent risk of serious harm. This applies to children under 18 (CGS §17a-101a) or elderly individuals aged 60 and older (CGS §§ 17a-412 and 17b-451).

To learn more about OLEMS, to inquire about various volunteer opportunities, including many that do not involve certifications, medical response, or patient contact - or to provide a donation or financial support, visit OLEMS.org - or the OLEMS's Facebook Page.

If you think someone needs assistance, CALL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY.

If you are unsure, below is contact information for you to have available to report any suspicions.

| AGENCY  | PHONE                        | WEBSITE   |
|---|------------------------------|---|
| Dept. Homeland Security<br>See Something, Say Something     | 866-HLS-TIPS<br>866-457-8477 | <a href="https://www.dhs.gov/see-something-say-something/reporting/connecticut">https://www.dhs.gov/see-something-say-something/reporting/connecticut</a> |
| Department of Social Services<br>Elder Abuse Hotline for CT | 211 or<br>860-385-4225       | <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/Services/Health-and-Human-Services">https://portal.ct.gov/Services/Health-and-Human-Services</a>                           |
| National Human Trafficking Hotline                          | 888-373-7888                 | <a href="https://humantraffickinghotline.org">https://humantraffickinghotline.org</a>   |
| Department of Children & Families                           | 800-842-2288                 | <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DCF/1-DCF/Contact-Us">https://portal.ct.gov/DCF/1-DCF/Contact-Us</a>   |

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Old Lyme is a community of some 8000 permanent residents and an additional several thousand seasonal visitors who occupy a shoreline complex of summer residences. Located on the east bank of the mouth of the Connecticut River where it meets Long Island Sound, the town is marked by independence, volunteering, and a long-standing commitment to the arts.

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55 Lyme Street  
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Located in the former Grange Hall at 55 Lyme Street, OLHSI is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to researching, preserving, and sharing the history of Old Lyme.



To celebrate Flag Day our own Jim Meehan, an avid vexillologist, gave a talk on the

history of the American flag at the Historical Society at 55 Lyme Street Tuesday, June 14 at 6:30 pm.

On Tuesday, June 21 4:00 - 6:00 pm (the Summer Solstice) Old Lyme celebrates International Make Music Day with multiple musical offerings up and down Lyme Street. Join us at the Historical Society at 55 Lyme Street where kids can make simple musical instruments of their own, for free.

The Old Lyme Town Band will perform on Sunday, August 7th at 4:00 pm as part of an old-fashioned Ice Cream Social held on the Town Green (near the Congregational Church at the

junction of Lyme Street and McCurdy Road.) The Historical Society joins with other local groups to support this popular annual event, free to the public.

For details on these and other happenings of the Old Lyme Historical Society throughout the summer and into the fall, please see our website.

A happy and healthy summer to you all!

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## Lyme Art Association

From June 10 through August 4, the Lyme Art Association presents **Ship to Shore**. Depicting coastal scenes and quiet harbors to competitive sailing to marine wildlife, this exhibition featuring members' work is sure to delight visitors.



Barbara Lussier, Tideland, oil.

Additionally, the Connecticut Pastel Society will present **Renaissance in Pastel**. The exhibition includes the finest pastel work from the Connecticut Pastel Society member artists. The opening reception for Ship to Shore and Renaissance in Pastel was Friday, June 17th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm.

A final concurrent exhibition, **Water All Around Us**, will feature young artists' work that is inspired by the bodies of water that surround us, from Long Island Sound to the



Judy Perry, Jubilant.

Lieutenant River to ponds or streams or puddles in your own backyard or local park. We will have a special family-friendly celebration of this show on Sunday, June 12th from 12:00 - 2:00 pm.

Ship to Shore is made possible by the generous support of our premier sponsor, Essex Savings Bank, service & trust since 1851.

From August 12 through September 22, the Lyme Art Association presents the **101 Annual Elected Artist Show**. Featuring artwork from elected artists, this show will present an engaging cross section of artists working in painting, drawing, and sculpture. This will coincide with **True Blue**, an exhibition centered around the color blue. The opening reception for the 101 Annual Elected Artist Show and True Blue is Friday, August 19th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm.

The Lyme Art Association is open Wednesday through

Sunday, from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, and by appointment. The Lyme Art Association is located at 90 Lyme Street in Old Lyme, at the corner of Halls Road. To learn details about upcoming art demonstrations, critiques, painting groups, classes and workshops, please call 860-434-7802 for more information or visit our website at: [lymeartassociation.org](http://lymeartassociation.org).

## Make Music Old Lyme Stroll is Back June 21

An international event on the Summer Solstice, Make Music celebrates free music for all. Old Lyme takes part with its annual stroll on Lyme Street, 5:00 - 7:00 pm on Tuesday, June 21.

Young families will enjoy starting their fun at LYSB for the Sunny Train concert at 4:00 pm (check LYSB.org for updates.) Everyone's favorite Connecticut rockin' railroad band, Sunny Train, will have little ones up and dancing with its interactive family music.



Nightingale Fiddlers and Friends - AP.



The Midnight Anthem - cp.

The Music Stroll then begins, with musicians along the sidewalks of Lyme Street from the First Congregational Church to the Lyme Academy. You may decide to bring a lawn chair to enjoy your favorite musicians or walk the full length of stroll, enjoying the talent of our local jazz, soft rock, folk, and Americana musicians. Produced by the Old Lyme Arts District with musical bookings by Nightingale's Acoustic Café. Attendees can check a full schedule of musicians and their locations available on: [ExploreOldLyme.com/ArtsDistrict](http://ExploreOldLyme.com/ArtsDistrict).

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# Midsummer Festival Returns July 30! - Kickoff Concert

## Friday Evening July 29

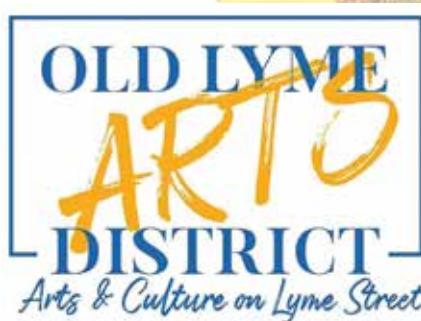
The Old Lyme Midsummer Arts Festival returns this year on Saturday, July 30th. The kickoff lawn concert at the Florence Griswold Museum is back the evening before, Friday, July 29.

A new addition to the fun this year is an **Author Talk** with NYT bestselling author Luanne Rice on Saturday, July 30th, 3:00 pm. Luanne will talk about books, writing, life and inspiration in Old Lyme—everything that makes it so special here.

Copies of her latest book, *The Shadow Box*, and other select titles will be available for purchase and signing. Make this an extra special afternoon by pre-purchasing a table seat which includes a charcuterie box and wine. Drop-in attendees are welcome to lounge on the lawn—bring your own blanket—and may purchase refreshments at a limited cash wine bar.

**FRIDAY, JULY 29TH**

FloGris Lawn Concert: 7:00 - 9:00 pm.



The Mighty Soul Drivers will get the weekend off to a spirited start at this free lawn concert, a highlight of the summer. Be sure to arrive early to enjoy the Midsummer Super Sale in the Museum Shop and the Museum's 5:00 - 7:00 pm Open House.

**SATURDAY, JULY 30TH**  
**LYSB 5K Run / Walk & Kids K: 8:00 am.**

This run begins behind 59 Lyme Street and winds through the village streets. Friends and neighbors cheer on the runners. Registration at: LYSB.org.

**Lion's Club Classic Car Show: 9:00 am.**

The Car Show is back at 100 Lyme Street (now the RTP Estuary Center.) Enjoy seeing the antique, exotic, and hot rod vehicles and then enjoy something from the Lion's Club Grille. (There is an entrance fee to the Car Show.)

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*(times subject to updates.)*

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**CHECK OUT THE OFFERINGS AT EACH LOCATION:**

**Old Lyme Inn: Fence Artists Art Sale**

**Lyme Art Association:** Nonprofit Organizations and Art Sale Tents

**Florence Griswold Museum:** Hands-on / Minds-on Trail, Parading Paws Dog Show, Food Trucks, Museum Open House, Super Sale

**Lyme Art Academy:** Live Music and Art Sale

**Studio 80+ Sculpture Garden:** Community Sculpture and Sculpture Showcase

**Old Lyme-PGN Library:**

Wire Walking with Circus Moves (11:00 am - 12:00 pm), Luanne Rice Author Talk (3:00 pm),

Phoebe's BookCellar will be open during its regular Saturday hours.

**Patricia Spratt for the Home:** Midsummer Warehouse Sale (check for hours Thursday, Friday and Saturday.)

A full schedule of events will arrive in Lyme and Old Lyme mailboxes in the weeks leading up to the Festival. Be sure to check out our new webpage at: [ExploreOldLyme.com/Arts-District](http://ExploreOldLyme.com/Arts-District) with links to more detailed information for both the **Midsummer Festival** and **Make Music Old Lyme**. You can also follow the Old Lyme Arts District on Facebook for up to the minute updates.

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# Vernal Ponds / Pools Care and Maintenance

Vernal ponds are temporary wetlands that fill after the snowfall each spring. They become the seasonal breeding and feeding grounds for many intriguing amphibians and insects, as well as the reptiles, birds, and mammals that depend on them for food.

It's easy to recognize vernal ponds in the late winter and early spring. Generally drying up in late summer, these ponds are only temporary woodland reservoirs. The seasonal nature of vernal ponds means that they are uninhabited by fish. This makes them the perfect habitat for a variety of amphibians and invertebrates to breed and develop with less chance of preying animals.

The first creatures to arrive each season are Jefferson salamanders. During the same period, wood frogs make their trek to the ponds. As activity inside the pond increases each spring, it attracts other animals to the vernal community. By late spring or early summer, tens of thousands of young salamanders and frogs that have undergone metamorphosis leave the pond for the forest to continue their



life cycles. The ability of vernal ponds to continue supporting this biodiversity

remains dependent on the activities occurring around them.

## Protecting Your Vernal Pond

- Avoid using chemicals and fertilizers
- Maintain forest canopy
- Do not add or remove plant debris
- Do not drain ponds
- Protect water quality

- Do not add fish or other animals
- Do not remove any plants or animals from pond
- Keep timber harvesting operations to a minimum

## Rogers Lake Authority News - Summer

All types of boating activity are well underway on Rogers Lake. Safety of all people utilizing the lake is the primary focus of the Rogers Lake Authority. The patrol boat is available to lend assistance as needed and can be reached at: 860-227-4285. As a reminder, there is a 6 MPH speed limit from sunset until 10:00 am. Remember you are responsible for your wake and must stay at least 100 feet from shore, rafts, or other stationary objects. Jet skis are only allowed 10:00 am - 6:00 pm weekdays and until 7:00 pm on weekends. Jet skis must stay 200 feet from shore, rafts, or other stationary objects. There are six places on the lake where jet skis cannot maintain this 200-foot distance and must proceed at a 6 MPH speed limit. This will be heavily enforced this year for the safety of all on the water. The RLA asks for your assistance in reporting unsafe activity occurring on Rogers Lake. To report such activity visit RLA's website at: [www.oldlyme-ct.gov/rogers-lake-authority](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/rogers-lake-authority). If unsafe activity needs immediate action, call 911.

During a study of the endangered **Eastern Pond Mussel**, the invasive **Asian Clam** was found at Hains Park. In late June and early July, remediation will take place to find and remove the Asian Clams. Connecticut DEEP has asked that no mussel or clam shells be removed from the Hains Beach area.

The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station did a two-week study of the aquatic weeds in Rogers Lake last summer. Their report identified five invasive aquatic weeds scattered around the lake. These invasive aquatic weeds have different growing seasons and will require treatment during the spring, summer, and fall. Notifications will be posted around the lake and on the Lyme and Old Lyme websites prior to any treatments.

### “DO NOT FEED THE WATERFOWL”

The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection indicates waterfowl are wild birds that can locate natural food sources throughout the year. Supplemental feeding by people is unnecessary and can lead to malnutrition and disease transmission.

**Connecticut State law 12-155** prohibits the use of a fertilizer containing phosphorous less than 20 feet from any body of water. A \$500 fine is imposed on violators. If you have questions on the phosphorus legislation or soil testing, call the UConn Home & Garden Education Center at: 877-486-6271.

To learn more about the RLA activities planned, please visit our website at: [www.oldlyme-ct.gov/rogers-lake-authority](http://www.oldlyme-ct.gov/rogers-lake-authority).



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## Field Programs

### ECOLOGICAL EXPEDITIONS

#### Program Runs Monthly March-August

Do you enjoy exploring wild places? Open your eyes to new locations and get to know your non-human neighbors that share our corner of the world. This unique program combines in-depth environmental science with insightful explorations and hands-on experiences in some of the most special protected areas in southeastern Connecticut. Each month will emphasize different themes depending on seasonal rhythms (although we can always count on nature adding surprises!).

### BEYOND BIRDING IN THE FIELD 2022 PROGRAM SERIES

#### Program Runs Monthly March- December

Join Conservation and Education Coordinator Joe Attwater and explore new locations and discover the extensive bird life that Connecticut has to offer. Each month we will focus on a specific topic and its connection to birds, including equipment, migration and nesting, identification and more! Joe will also share valuable resources and discuss current happenings in the world of birding. Each program session includes a 2 hour field portion and access to a pre-recorded webinar.

### BIRD WALKS AT THE RTP ESTUARY CENTER

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Follow the progress of bird migration at our new sanctuary in Old Lyme this spring, and help us collect valuable bird data in the process. Because the RTP Estuary Center is a new sanctuary, you'll be

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### SHOREBIRD WALKS

#### June-August

Summer birding in Connecticut means heading to our coastal beaches and marshes to search for shorebirds! We'll provide a spotting scope and we encourage participants to bring their own binoculars. All walks are two hours in length.

All programs require pre-registration. We also host a variety of webinars, nature hikes, bird walks, citizen science opportunities and more throughout southeastern Connecticut. For more information be sure to visit our website at: [www.ctaudubon.org/rtpc](http://www.ctaudubon.org/rtpc) or email [rtpc@ctaudubon.org](mailto:rtpc@ctaudubon.org).

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## 84th Annual White Elephant Sale

Intake Begins June 23rd - Sale Opens Friday, July 8th

After a two-year hiatus due to COVID, the perennially popular White Elephant Sale (WES) is back! The sale, hosted by the Ladies Benevolent Society of the First Congregational Church of Old Lyme, will be held Friday, July 8, and Saturday, July 9.

For those new to the town or folk who have never participated, this sale is one of the main events on both the town and church calendars. It all starts with the intake period when you can drop off unwanted items at the church from your house - perhaps your basement, attic or closets - or yard.

The sale items are organized into some 20 departments that fill the church buildings as well as every available space on the lawn. The WES has grown so large that it has become a true "community event" since many of the donations are from non-church members and quite a number of volunteers are also from outside the church.



Intake is always a busy time.

The sale raises a significant amount of money for missions and good works both locally and throughout the world. Some of the beneficiaries include food pantries, health organizations, family support centers, children's programs, literacy volunteers, affordable housing, and disaster relief worldwide.

Intake begins on Thursday, June 23, and runs daily from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm through Saturday, June 25. Then there is a two-day break after which intake restarts Tuesday, June 28, through Thursday, June 30, again

from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm daily. Items that will be accepted are on the church website. Note: lamps or audiovisual electronics will not be accepted due to space limitations.

The sale is on Friday, July 8, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and Saturday, July 9, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Most departments offer items at half-price on the second day. There may be some mask restrictions on inside shopping.

For more information about the sale or if you would like to volunteer to help in any capacity, whether with intake, the sale itself, or clean-up, call the church office at: 860.434.8686 and / or visit our website at: [www.fccol.org/wes](http://www.fccol.org/wes). See you at The Sale!

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# Capitol Update



Devin Carney  
State Representative.

The 2022 Regular Legislative Session came to an end at midnight on May 4th. The General Assembly took action on a wide range of issues facing residents. I want to highlight two health and wellness related bills that I hope will make a positive impact for the people of Connecticut.

Especially during the last two years we have seen a dramatic increase in the rates of youth depression, suicide, substance abuse, and other behavioral health challenges. This has exposed the shortfalls with our state's mental health infrastructure. Emergency rooms have been inundated with patients awaiting placement into inpatient psychiatric beds and schools have faced a shortage of mental health professionals.

I strongly advocated for HB 5001 "An Act Concerning Children's Mental Health." This wide-ranging legislation aims to tackle the youth mental health crisis by growing the behavioral health workforce, expanding treatment facilities, and increasing insurance coverage for mental health services. Additionally, the legislation would establish a 9-8-8 suicide prevention and mental health crisis lifeline.

We all have family, friends, and neighbors who know all too well the impact breast cancer or ovarian cancer can have - and obstacles facing those seeking screening and treatment. I supported and co-sponsored SB 358 "An Act Concerning Required Health Insurance Coverage for Breast and Ovarian Cancer Susceptibility Screening." This legislation will expand coverage requirements for diagnostic treatments used to screen for breast and ovarian cancer. Early detection and treatment lead to better outcomes.

More information about these bills and other legislation passed this session can be accessed on the General Assembly website at: [www.cga.ct.gov](http://www.cga.ct.gov).

Each year the non-partisan Office of Legislative Research compile a Major Public Acts Report, this can be found at: [www.cga.ct.gov/2022/rpt/pdf/2022-R-0086.pdf](http://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/rpt/pdf/2022-R-0086.pdf).

If you have questions regarding state government, or need help working with state agencies contact me at: [devin.carney@housegop.ct.gov](mailto:devin.carney@housegop.ct.gov) or 860-842-1423.

Thank you,  
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# Plane, Train, or Automobile? Planning An Eco-Friendly Vacation with an EV

Travel is a way to see new landscapes, try new foods, experience different cultures, find adventure in a place you haven't fully discovered yet. While we all love a little vacation, we know that taking a trip can have an impact on the environment.

**FLYING** is often the fastest way to get to your destination, and can take you far. But air travel has the highest emissions count of any mode of transportation per person. Fuel efficiency is improving, and some airlines are investing in fleets that run on more environmentally-friendly fuel alternatives, but we have a long way to go.

**CRUISE SHIPS** offer a floating vacation with quick planning and a relaxed experience, but they aren't a much more sustainable option.

**TRAINS** get us closer to our low-emission travel goals. They offer more fuel efficiency, lower emissions, and sometimes even a faster trip than planes do.

**DRIVING** with a traditional car has implications we're all familiar with, but what about an electric vehicle?

As electric vehicles become a more popular and available option, the possibilities for eco-friendly tourism expand. Whether you're ready to charge up your family car and hit the road, or you're grabbing a rental and picking your route, here are some tips to make sure you get the most out of your low-carbon adventure!

## 1. KNOW YOUR VEHICLE

Electric vehicles have their own unique features and functions. Each model varies in the range it can travel before recharging and some even require a specific type of charger. While most electric vehicles can travel 150-300 miles on one charge, you definitely want to know your vehicle's range before you head out! Start your trip armed with knowledge and a manual.

## 2. PLAN YOUR CHARGING STOPS

There are some great tools for viewing electric vehicle charging locations. Making sure you know where on your route you can charge up is key, as electric chargers aren't as visible from the

road as gas stations. Consider setting your route in advance and you can plan activities around your charging breaks!



### SOME CHARGER SCOUT-ING TOOLS INCLUDE:

**Plug Share** – helps you plan your EV route

**EV Hotels** – helps you find charger locations as well as find accommodations to help you charge overnight

**Charge Hub** – shows where you can charge and offers other EV resources

## 3. BUILD IN CONTINGENCIES

You've crossed everything off your list before leaving the house, including programming your thermostat for vacation mode, and are out the door on time. To make sure the rest of your trip goes smoothly, consider planning extra time for charging stops and know where you can get power in case something unexpected occurs.

## 4. EMBRACE THE SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

Hooray for trying something new and environmentally-friendly! Take the chance to chat with other EV drivers. Participate in a community of like-minded wanderers and share your tips with them.

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## Joan Joyce - Our Finest Athlete

by Sigrid Kun

Many fondly remember going to Raybestos Memorial field in Stratford, CT. Amid chants of "Joanie, Joanie," the softball phenom mowed down the competition. Joan Joyce dominated women's fast pitch softball for decades - beginning her amateur career at age 13 with the Raybestos Brakettes. The Waterbury, CT native excelled at every sport she tried - a true competitor, a lifelong coach/mentor. Joyce combines an unbridled, remarkable talent with a matter of fact, humble personality. While she readily speaks about her success, there is no bragging.

Many consider her as "The Greatest Woman Athlete of All Time." Her jaw-dropping achievements/honors take pages to list, including 20 Hall of Fame inductions, Connecticut Athlete of the Year (selected by the Connecticut Sports Writers Alliance), and a softball field renamed Joan Joyce Field (a part of Municipal Stadium in Waterbury).



Women's softball coach at Florida Atlantic University.

and part-owner of the Connecticut Falcons. The Falcons won every championship of the IWPSA's existence (1976-1979).

She is a four-time Women's Basketball Association All-American and three time AAU Basketball All-American. She played on the USA Women's National Team in 1964 and 1965, setting a national tournament basketball single-game scoring record (67 points) in 1964.

She formed the Connecticut Clippers volleyball team in 1968, and competed as a player/coach. She was named to the All-East United States Volleyball Association Regional Team. Taking up golf at age 35, she spent 19 years on the LPGA tour (1977-1995). She still holds the LPGA and PGA record of just 17 putts in one round of golf.

Now 80, Joyce is the women's softball coach at Florida Atlantic University. Starting the program from scratch in 1994, she has amassed 12 Conference Championships, participated in 11 NCCA Tournaments, and won 8 Coach-of-the Year Awards.

### THE SECRET TO SUCCESS?

"I don't know," she says. "The only thing I can say about me is that I am very competitive. . . . I will beat you at just about everything. If you beat me, I'd shake hands. But I'd say to myself, you are not going to beat me a second time."



Joan with her biggest fan - Dad (Joe Joyce).

Photo courtesy of Joan Joyce.

Her mother worked days. She, her father (above) and brother played sports all the time. "We would end up going to my father's softball games," she recalls. "We had no gloves. We'd run around everywhere while my father was playing. When they came in from the field, they'd put the gloves under the bench. We'd take them and start catching. When they went back in the field, they'd have to come and get the gloves back from us." When her father played basketball, she and her brother would wait for the halftime buzzer and then fly onto the court to play.

### SPECIAL MOMENTS - JOYCE SHARED A FEW



**Striking Out Ted Williams/Hank Aaron.** She calls striking out Ted Williams (left) and Hank Aaron her favorite moments. "It's the easiest thing I've ever done in my life," she relates. "They had no chance against a softball pitcher just because of the distance." She faced Williams as part

of fundraisers in 1961 and 1966; Aaron in 1978 in a West Hartford exhibition. There were no radar guns then. A doctorate study from USC determined her pitching speed to be the equivalent of 119 mph in baseball.

### Invited to China by the All-China Sports Federation (1979).

"It was the first team ever invited to China," she recalls of the Connecticut Falcons. "When we played our last game sixty thousand people came to the game. I was looking out and it was like a flood of people just coming and coming and coming. And I'm thinking, 'Oh, my God!'" The American team won all six games. In the final game, Joyce pitched a no-hitter to beat the Chinese all-star team.



**Softball World Championships (1974).** Joyce pitched a no-hitter against Australia. "Only one walk. And we picked her off," notes Joyce. "It would have been a perfect game." She also stymied Japan, giving up only two hits. No team wore helmets then. Japan showed up wearing them. Was it to distract her or out of fear of her? "It didn't work," she laughs. "You did not want to get me focused or to get my attention. Stare at me? Give me looks? I would say to myself, keep doing that 'cause you're never going to beat me. I just didn't like to lose."

Photo of Joan pitching (left) and photo of Joan with Ted Williams (above left) courtesy of Joan Chandler.

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