



# The Lyme Light

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## Save the Swallows

By Gerry Smith for the Ontario Bays Initiative

Barn Swallow photo by Lee Ellsworth



The waters and wetlands of the Thousand Islands Region produce an abundance of insects. Flying insects provide copious amounts of food for many types of birds that are aerial insectivores. Among these are six species of swallows that nest in and migrate through the region. The most common widely distributed breeding species are the Tree Swallow and Barn Swallow. While the latter bird still remains a regular occupant of human structures, such as barns and boathouses, its numbers are greatly reduced from a half-century ago. Estimates from the organization Bird Studies Canada indicate that Barn Swallow populations in eastern Canada are only one-third of the numbers that were present in the 1960s.

Many swallow species have adapted to human structures as their primary nesting substrate. Barn and Cliff Swallows have become obligate structure breeders, with colonies now rarely found on natural sites such as cliffs. Barn Swallows build open cup nests on overhead platforms while Cliff Swallows, the same species as the famous swallows of Capistrano, create mud gourds under exterior building overhangs. While some humans find these birds a nuisance, they consume many insects. We humans have inadvertently become landlords for these interesting birds, and we need to take the obligation seriously.

While the Tree Swallow winters in North America the other species are long distance migrants to the tropics. Tree Swallows may arrive in March, but the other species are usually present by mid-May. These birds get right to the task of raising the next generation. Feasting on the flying insect largesse of spring and early summer, the rapidly growing young may be flying by early to mid-July. Once this occurs, swallows begin to abandon the breeding colonies and start preparations for the coming migration.

In our area the first sign of the changing seasons for swallow species is the development of concentrations on utility wires. While mixed species post-breeding flocks also develop on other sites, such as islands and channel markers, wires are favored. For the next six to eight weeks, birds will head south and be succeeded by others. Unfortunately many won't make it, as they are killed on local roads by speeding cars. Young inexperienced birds are particularly vulnerable as they pluck insects from pavement. PLEASE slow down near Swallow concentrations, thus reducing road kill carnage during this part of the life cycle. This will help assure that more swallows return to brighten next year's summer skies.

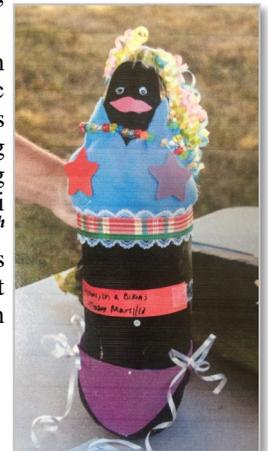
*Ontario Bays Initiative is a Jefferson County land trust based at the Copley House in Chaumont. More information about OBI is available at [OBILandTrust.org](http://OBILandTrust.org).*

## Zucchini Festival

Have you ever been given a large bunch of green zucchini by a very generous gardener? Usually you enjoy a big laugh about your new collection! Then it hits you, now what do I do with them?

The Chaumont Presbyterian Church along with the Chaumont Catholic Parish have decided zucchini is getting a bad "rep". So something needs to be done! We are fighting back with a special "Zucchini Festival" on **Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup>** starting at 10 and closing at 3. This special event will be held on the front lawn of the Chaumont Presbyterian Church.

Come and enjoy our "Zucchini Festival"! There will be fun games with prizes (tickets to play will be



Volunteers at work!

sold very cheap). There will be a contest of "Dress the Zucchini"! If anyone does not have a zucchini to dress, then bring supplies to participate in the contest on the day of the event for "judging". There will be zucchini recipes

given out, zucchini food and treats for sale, and face painting! There will also be hot dogs and drinks on sale. Long live zucchini!

## Editor's Corner

If summer doldrums have hit you and yours consider this...So much is still happening in our area. Summer is still full of action and enjoyment. We have many days left to jump in the fun. Don't miss our movies under the stars. See "Rocky" on August 18! It's free. Also the town-wide Yard Sales happen on August 19 & 20. Our local library has a bunch of events coming up too, including their annual auction and book sale. This is a good chance to catch up with friends and find a bargain too. And of course the Solar Eclipse will happen on August 21. The NYS Fair will open at the end of the month. Add to this local concerts, events and a couple of good books, and you will have a full calendar, voila!

Remember to take time out for an ice cream, yum!  
Ah summer.

*Karen Donahue, Editor*



The Lyme Community Foundation would like to thank Paul Norton and Wimpy's Station for the donation of ice cream for our June Open House. Paul has always supported us and we can not thank him enough for all he does for the foundation and our community. Paul has volunteered to prepare food for our annual Holiday House Tour every year and is counted on when we are planning an event. If you see Paul at the Yacht Club or at Wimpy's, give him a big pat on the back and tell him thank you for all he does for our community!!!

## From the President

It is hard to believe we are half way through the summer already. It started off slow but as soon as graduation happened it seems there is something going on in the north country every weekend. My family enjoyed another great French Festival in Cape Vincent in July. It is always fun visiting all the crafters, watching the parade and catching up with old friends. Like a big reunion, we look forward to it each year. I have to say that the Cape Vincent French Festival fireworks are the best around. Great job to all the volunteers who work so hard to make this such a great event each year for our local community.

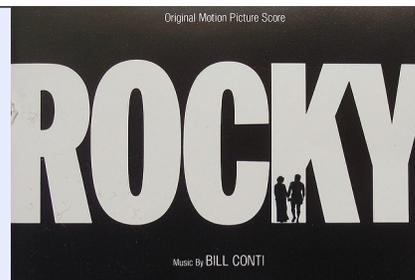
Another family tradition we have each summer is holding summer Olympics with our neighbors, the Sharlows. Each year we break into teams for some competitive events. This year we did an obstacle course, a game of SPUD, croquet and a sponge relay contest. The day ended with lunch and swimming. With 12 of us participating it made for a very exciting competition. I am proud to say that the team with the parents won the contest against the younger adults. Ok we are not in shape like Olympic Athletes but we are competitive and we have so much fun. We are just thankful none of us got hurt. Looking forward to the Winter Olympics this winter. It is all about making memories!!!

I hope you and your family are also busy making memories this summer. Whether you are attending your family reunion, spending time with family on your boat or at your cottage, or just sitting outside under the stars enjoying a bonfire together remember that our summers are short so try to make the best of the time you have together over the summer. Enjoy the remainder of your summer days. Check out the back page of the Lyme Light for a schedule of programs and activities throughout August in our community.

*Deanna Lothrop, President*

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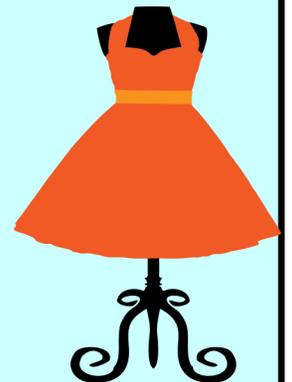
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## A Lyme Time Line, Part 4: 1901 2018

### Historical Notes from the Lyme Heritage Center

By Phyllis, Margaret, and Julie Putnam

This completes our four-part timeline celebrating Lyme's approaching bicentennial.

**1902:** The Central House hotel in Three Mile Bay burned.

**1904:** The Crescent Yacht Club moved from Sackets Harbor to Chaumont after the Department of the Navy refused them the use of Ship-house Point in Sackets.

**1905:** Ward Mount opened a dry goods store in Three Mile Bay in a building that had been constructed by Green Wilcox in 1887.

**1905:** Lyme population was 2098; of those, 1981 were American citizens and 117 were aliens.

**1907:** Electric light poles were installed along Main Street in Chaumont. Also, the Township Telephone Company was founded.

**1909:** Lewis Crouse of Chaumont went on a trip in an automobile. It was unusual enough to be noted in the newspaper, suggesting that he was one of the first in town to own a car.

**1911:** The Electric Light Company of Chaumont was incorporated to provide power to homes and businesses.

**1914:** The Chaumont Volunteer Fire Department was founded. Its original home was on Mill Street.

**1914:** A Watertown newspaper article noted that Chaumont must be a very healthy place to live, because so many of its citizens lived to be "exceptionally old." The article noted that Chaumont had 48 inhabitants over the age of 70 (which was apparently "exceptionally old").

**1916:** Electric lights were installed in the Crescent Yacht Club and the old kerosene lanterns were removed.

**1917:** At least 79 Lyme men entered US forces to fight in World War I.

**1919:** The Three Mile Bay Athletic Association was formed.

**1925:** The population of Lyme was 1,690, of which 1,628 were American citizens and 62 were aliens. The population of Chaumont was 624 – 613 citizens and 11 aliens. (Figures were not collected for Three Mile Bay, since it was not an incorporated village.)

**1926:** Toad Hole School on Point Peninsula closed. Its students were sent to the "End of the Point" School.

**1930:** In August a fire started in the hay in A.L. Rogers' barn on Mill Street in Chaumont. The massive blaze swept down Mill Street, destroying houses, barns, boathouses, warehouses, and the Catholic Church on adjacent Madison Street. The only fatality was that of Lewis Crouse (the automobile owner mentioned previously), who died of a heart attack while pumping water. Mr. Crouse had been working frantically to fight the fire, and had even run into his burning garage to save his car.

**1931:** Austin Rogers donated his Chaumont house for the creation of the Lyme Free Library.

**1933:** This year marked the last large operation of the Adams and Duford quarrying company.



*Chaumont Fire Dept., Mill St, 1923*

**1935:** After a huge rainstorm, Horse Creek in Chaumont overflowed its banks. The flood was so powerful that it pushed the Chaumont Grange building off its foundation and washed Garry Putnam's car into Sawmill Bay. Horses and cattle at farms along the Morris Tract Road were swept away and drowned.

**1937:** The wooden Chaumont High School was torn down to make way for the construction of a modern brick building. For the school year 1937-1938 classes were held at the Masonic Temple.

**1937:** Point Peninsula received electricity.

**1938:** In September the new \$100,000 Chaumont High School building opened, with a 326-foot well for water. The same year the Bell School, the last one-room schoolhouse in Chaumont, closed.

**1940:** The Three Mile Bay school began to offer only grades 1-8; high school students were required to travel to Chaumont High School.

**1941:** The Point Peninsula Village school closed. In its last year there were only two students.

**1942:** The Chaumont High School was renamed "Lyme Central School." The Three Mile Bay school began to offer only grades 1-6; students in grades 7-12 were bussed to Chaumont.

**1945:** As World War II ended, Lyme mourned the loss of eight men killed in battle: Raymond Walrath, Donald Dailey, Francis Monick, Gaylord Fraser, Clarence Wetterhahn, Donnell Walker, Kenneth Barth, and John Thornhill.

**1946:** The Old Town Springs School and the Point Peninsula Four Corners School closed; they were the last operating one-room schools in Lyme.

**1947:** The Three Mile Bay Volunteer Fire Department was organized. It was first housed in a garage across the street from its current location.

**1951:** The New York Central railroad discontinued service between Limerick and Cape Vincent and so the Chaumont railroad station closed. (The Three Mile Bay station had already been closed for a number of years.)

**1951:** Lyme Central began to offer Kindergarten classes.

**1952:** The railroad bridge in Chaumont was torn out and sold for scrap iron.

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## Welcome White Caps Winery Point Salubrious, Chaumont, NY

By Karen Donahue

If you haven't taken a trip around Pt. Salubrious (Rte. 125) this summer you have missed a terrific new business in Chaumont. In 1838 this land was home to former War of 1812 soldiers who settled in Chaumont and began farming. The original owner was James Le Ray de Chaumont. The third owner was a ship builder. The Miller family has owned the land for generations. In 1994 Gail Miller returned to the area. For years she had a dream of farming this land again and 6 years ago planted 100 grape vines. After doing lots of research and study, Gail was inspired to create the White Caps Farm Winery. In 2016, she built a processing facility, wine tasting room and planted over 1200 cold hardy grape vines. The doors of this new facility opened this past June. The philosophy of White Caps Winery continues the original farm tradition "guests are cherished visitors" and encouraged to enjoy the farm and its products. This farm plus winery has a nautical theme. Visitors can enjoy a glass of wine, taste a variety of wines, purchase bottles of wine, and walk on winery trails in the summer and cross-country ski in the winter. They currently produce seven wines, each named after "local color" activities or events. For example, "Red Sails" reminds people of the little dinghies built by local yacht club members for junior division sailors; "On the Rocks" reminds us of the Iraq War veteran who was moored on the rocks for over a month last summer at Cherry Island and which local folks came to his rescue. The farm winery is host to special events such as "Wine Down Thursdays" which features live music through the summer. The winery is dog friendly too. So if you are in the neighborhood, stop by and enjoy one of Chaumont's newest treasures.



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Chaumont Train Depot

- 1959:** A new bridge was constructed on route 12E crossing the Chaumont River.
  - 1961:** The new Chaumont Post Office was completed.
  - 1963:** A water system was introduced in Chaumont; individual wells were no longer necessary in the village.
  - 1968:** The Three Mile Bay school closed. All Lyme students began to attend classes in Chaumont.
  - 1969:** The new Three Mile Bay Fire Company building was built.
  - 1971:** The new Chaumont Volunteer Fire Department/Chaumont Municipal building was finished.
  - 1984:** The Crescent Hotel in Chaumont was torn down. It was 138 years old.
  - 1990:** The Nature Conservancy bought 87 acres of land along the Van Alstyne Road to preserve and protect the Chaumont Barrens, "one of the last and finest examples of alvar grasslands in the world" (according to their web site).
  - 1990:** The Chaumont train depot burned. It was 90 years old.
  - 1991:** Cellular phone capability reached Lyme.
  - 1998:** A massive ice storm in January left Lyme residents without power for over two weeks.
  - 1998:** The Lyme Community Foundation was founded in the historic Alexander Copley house.
  - 2001:** Lights were installed at the Morris Tract ball field, allowing night ball games.
  - 2004:** The Chaumont sewer line was constructed.
  - 2007:** The Citizens Bank of Cape Vincent and the Watertown Savings Bank each opened new buildings in Chaumont.
  - 2010:** The population of Lyme was 2,185.
  - 2018:** The town of Lyme will turn 200 years old on March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Due to space limitations, we could not include everything we would have liked. Do you see something that you wish we'd included? Please email us: [Phyllis@PutnamFamily.com](mailto:Phyllis@PutnamFamily.com) and we'll make sure it's noted in our records at the Lyme Heritage Center.
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## Lyme Heritage Center News

The Lyme Heritage Center is producing a 2018 calendar featuring pictures of local interest. Hopefully by the time this publication is available, the new calendar will also be available. This, along with our other publications, is a money making project for the Center, so we appreciate your purchases.

The public is always welcome at the center for researching family, or local history, or just to browse our many notebooks of local interest. Just a small sample of what is available are notebooks on local schools, shipping, Point Salubrious, Point Peninsula and many more.

A volunteer is on the premises Monday and Tuesday 10 to 12 and Wednesday and Friday 1 to 3 and at other times by calling Julie Gosier at 315 - 649 - 5452.

Our next program, on Sunday, August 20th 2 to 4, will be "The First Boat People of the 1000 Islands," by archeologist Kenneth Knapp. This will highlight the concentration of Native American cultural activity that took place over the last 10,000 years.

Mr. Knapp says: "The long Native American history in the area is largely unknown to the public, but we do know enough through archeology and Native traditions, to outline that epic story of the area's past."

## Lyme Community Foundation 2017 Scholarship Winners

*By Lynda Carney, Committee Chair & Deanna Lothrop, President*

Congratulations to Jordan Walker and Mariah Paige who were the 2017 recipients of the Lyme Community Foundation Citizenship and Service Scholarship at the Lyme Central graduation ceremony on Friday night, June 23, 2017. They are a testament to the outstanding qualities and noble aspirations of our young people!



Jordan aspires to be a medical scientist. He understands how valuable education is to his future plans. He also has a well-developed sense of community and service to mankind. Knowing that science research is the key to unlocking the mysteries of so many diseases that "plague mankind." He plans to devote his career to finding solutions and cures.



Mariah plans to become a Child Life Specialist. She has experienced first hand the powerful impact this type of person has on a sick child and his/her family. Mariah's compassion for the struggles families experience when a child is ill was insightful for a young adult.

These two young people are surely a great source of pride and joy to their family, friends, teachers, mentors and to everyone who has loved them, taught them, cheered for them, and helped to form their outstanding characters. It was heart warming to read the words that Jordan and Mariah had written.

We wish them every good thing in their bright futures.

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## Letter from Lyme CSD School Superintendent Cammy Morrison



It doesn't seem possible that we are preparing for the opening of the 2017-18 school year! The summer has flown by and we are anxiously await the first day school on Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Welcome back students, their families and staff! It has been another very busy summer preparing for the start of the new school year. One of the most important tasks this summer was hiring new staff. Please WELCOME our new staff:

Kristine Cole—Mathematics Teacher

Lydia Doolittle—ELA Teacher

Jennifer Haynes—Vocal Music Teacher

Kelly Voorhees—Library Media Specialist (Appointed as long-term sub, pending certification)

Phyllis Pangallo-Scott—Teacher Assistant (1-year appointment)

During the summer, staff and administration prepare for the year ahead by attending workshops and conferences, ordering equipment and materials, developing bus routes and student schedules. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our clerical/secretarial staff, the guidance department, health office, food service, building and grounds, transportation staff, business office personnel, the technology department and administrators for the efficient and professional manner in which they perform their duties. As typical, there are always many deadlines to consider, and no time to waste when ensuring that items are ordered and delivered, buildings are clean, maintained and safe, data is updated and submitted, schedules are developed, student placements are made, and goals are being formulated for the upcoming year.

Improving our Athletic Fields was one of these projects. When members of our coaching staff let us know that some of the fields required a rather significant amount of work in order to be safe for our students, the Building and Grounds Committee and the Athletic Committee, devised a plan of action. Unfortunately, Mother Nature created challenges with significant amounts of rainfall, making it impossible for the vendor to do the work that was needed for our fields. In addition, due to the extremely wet conditions, it was often difficult to get equipment onto the fields, even for mowing. I'm pleased to share that the weather broke long enough for the clay mixture to be made and delivered. The field work is progressing and looking great. In addition to the regular district summer maintenance, the gym floors and the stage are being refinished and the gym floor is being repainted.

With each new school year comes the opportunity to embrace necessary change and begin with a fresh start! As we continue to examine and focus our efforts on a path which includes high expectations for all students, we too will move forward with our united aspirations of offering the students at Lyme Central the most engaging, comprehensive and rigorous educational experiences possible within an environment which is inviting, safe/healthy and student-centered! I want to thank each of you for your dedication to our students! I'm hopeful you are all making the most of the final days of summer with your family and friends! It remains my pleasure and privilege to serve you, our community, stakeholders, staff and students, as the Superintendent of Schools at LCS. I hope, like me, you are looking forward to the year ahead! May the rest of your summer be safe and enjoyable—I look forward to seeing you soon!

Warmest Regards—

Cammy

(Additional information found on Pg.8)



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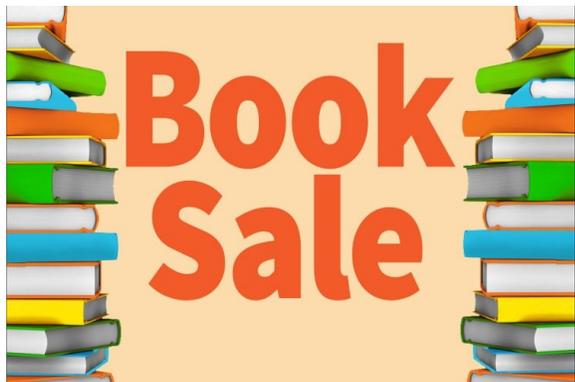
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# Lyme Free Library



## Book Sale, Bake Sale, Artists & Authors, Silent Auction, & Raffles. August 12<sup>th</sup> 9 to 3

**PLEASE NOTE** – The library will only be able to accept book donations from August 1<sup>st</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup> due to storage restrictions. We will not be accepting text books, magazines, VHS tapes, encyclopedias or books in poor condition (mold...).

### Free Spaces for Authors & Artists

Lyme Free Library is currently taking applications for our annual book sale. **Spaces are Free** for authors and artists - 2 spaces max. You must supply your own tables and weather protection. Advanced registration is required. August 12th - 9 am to 3pm - Rain or shine! Please call 315-649-5454 by August 1st. The earlier you sign up, the more exposure you will get through our advertising!

2017 Participants to Date: The Lavender Lady, Bottles by Joy, Hepler Soaps, Story Teller Regi Carpenter, Lyme Heritage Center, Julia Gosier, Author Margaret Nagel, Artist Tracey Jean, Author Scott Keen, & Artist Dawn Vincent, Becky McCarthy Quilting.

### Raffles at the Library!

Nine baskets to choose from - Star Wars, Dory, Lotto Tickets, Summer Fun, Harmony Soaps, dinosaurs, Wine, Cooking & more! Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Drawing September 1st.

# SILENT Auction

## Silent Art & Antique Auction

Stop in and place your bid and support the Library!  
All items donated by area artists and community members.

### Items Currently on Display & Ready for Bids!

This year the library is offering an amazing variety of items donated by area artists and community members.

**Items Currently on Display & Ready for Bids!** Wilson Bickford Painting, Hand Painted Snowman Sled, Cake Plate from Turkey, James O'Reilly Windjammer Print, Small Hand Painted Paddle with Blue Heron Painting, Waterbury Brass Clock, Baseball Print by Dugald Stermer, Set of Chaumont Commemorative Plates, Hand Sewn Mrs. Wishy Washy Doll and Book, Handcrafted Children's Picnic Table, Hand Blown

Glass Vase, Fisherman's Frame, Six James O'Reilly Original Paintings: The Sackets Harbor Waterfront, Historic Nolt's Mill, Boldt Castle in the Fall, Boldt Castle in the Summer, Egg Neck Lighthouse, Camden Maine Street Scene.

**Last bids taken at 2pm on August 12<sup>th</sup>. There are pictures of all items and the latest bids on our Facebook page.**



## Kid's Canvas @ The Library

Children's Painting Class to benefit The NYS Zoo at Thompson Park. During the class children will use nature as an inspiration to create amazing masterpieces. Each child is given the tools and instruction needed to complete a beautiful piece of art that will be ready to take home at the end of the class. The Children's Painting Classes are most appropriate for kids ages 6-12. Cost: \$23.00 per child. Must be paid in advance at the library. Cash or Check only. Held at the Lyme Free Library in Chaumont. August 18<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Please call 649-5454 to register.

## Artist Showcase - Wine and Cheese Reception for Local Artist

### James O'Reilly at the Library!

Jim is a self-taught artist and photographer who finds the inspiration for his paintings from the beauty of Chaumont, the Coast of Maine and country scenes.

Sunday, September 24th 4 to 5 pm.



## O'Reilly Prints – Learning to Sail!

Lyme Free Library is offering prints by Local Artist James O'Reilly for just \$20. Prints feature Sawmill Bay, The Cape Vincent Lighthouse, The Copley House, The Chaumont Hardware Store, Cove Cottage, the Cape Vincent Lighthouse, and more! See all of the prints on Facebook!

## Pulled Pork and Barbecued Chicken Dinner to Benefit the Library!

Pulled Pork, Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Salt Potatoes, Salads & Dessert! Sunday, September 24th. - 4 to 6pm.  
Advance tickets available at the library. - \$25 per person. Held at The Crescent Restaurant, Chaumont.



Book Talk, our book discussion group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Open to all - Please join us!

August 15<sup>th</sup> – *H is for Hawk* by Helen MacDonald

September 19<sup>th</sup> – *Inside O'Briens* by Lisa Genova

(Lyme CSD, Continued from Pg. 6)

**Important Information and Reminders for the 2017-18 School Year:**

**Open House - UPK students (only)** and their families is **August 29, 2017 from 6-7 p.m.** We look forward seeing you then!

**WELCOME all K-12 students and their families**

**Open House on Friday, September 1, 2017** from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. While we regret that this date falls at the beginning of the long Labor Day weekend, it was *unfortunately* the only option we have to provide our students the chance to visit their classrooms and meet their teachers, *prior to the first day of school* on **September 5.** We appreciate your understanding with and hope you will be able to join us on **September 1!**

The **first day of school for Students for the 2017-18 School Year** is **Tuesday, September 5, 2017.**

**We need your help!** Reminder...All visitors and guests are expected to report to the main office each time they enter the school building during regular business hours. Under no circumstances should visitors/guests go directly to a classroom without first signing in and obtaining a visitor's pass from the main office. We thank you in advance for helping us ensure the safety of our students and staff!

Help support our Home/School Partnership- sign up for access to our **Parent Portal.** It provides parents and legal guardians with the privilege of accessing the School Tool student management system to view information (grades, attendance, discipline, etc.) regarding their child/children through a secure site. Call or email Mrs. Stevens, Guidance Office at [pstevens@lymecsd.org](mailto:pstevens@lymecsd.org) . She will be happy to assist you with the Parent Portal Registration!

We are **seeking qualified and interested individuals to serve as Substitutes** throughout the district. If you are interested in subbing in any of the following areas, contact us for an application.:

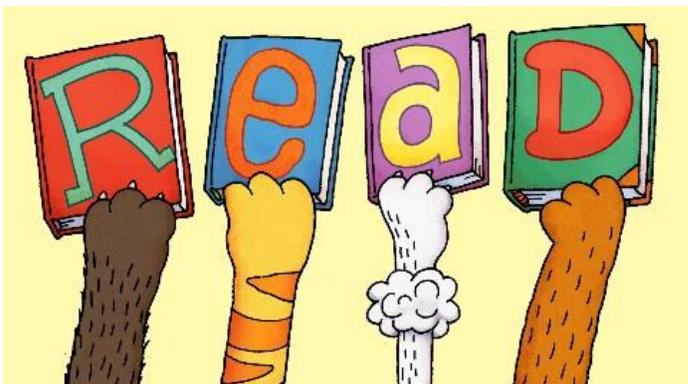
- Bus Drivers, Cafeteria Workers, Cleaners, Teachers, Classroom Aides/Assistants**

October 17<sup>th</sup> – *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance  
(Library- Continued from Pg. 8)



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**Sail into Reading Story Time**

Lyme Free Library Story Time is a fun learning experience that parents and children can share together. Sessions include stories, songs, finger plays, and crafts for children. Please join us on Wednesdays at 11 am.



**Card Making!**

Drop by the library on August 18th between 6pm and 7:30 or August 23rd between 10am and 11:30 to make 2 professional hand crafted cards using *Stamping Up* products. Different cards at each lesson. \$5 - all supplies included. Instructor: Char Dwyer

**Chaumont-Three Mile Bay  
Town-wide Yard Sales**

**Registration taken until August 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> and Sun August 20<sup>th</sup> -- 9am -5 pm** -- throughout the communities. Over 50 sales expected!! Interested residents must register to be included on the map. Registration fee \$2.00. Register your sale at **CITIZENS BANK OF CAPE VINCENT, Chaumont Branch.** Also, the Chamber would like to know if you would prefer to have the sales advertised for Friday & Saturday instead of Saturday & Sunday. For more information or suggestions, please call Karen at 649-2900.

Please register your sale

**Jefferson County SPCA**

**“Doggy Paddle”  
Event—August 19**



Come to the Jefferson County SPCA fund-raising event on August 19, 2017 at the Adams Chaumont Bay Marina, 11599 Circle Drive, Chaumont, NY. The Doggy Paddle registration begins at 8:00 am at the marina and paddling begins at 9:00 am. There will be manned stations along the way to identify distances. This is not a race so you may paddle any of the distances you wish. Prizes will be awarded at the marina at approximately 1:30 P.M. Individuals may pre-register at the SPCA at 25056 Water St., Watertown, or on line at [www.jeffersoncountyspca.org](http://www.jeffersoncountyspca.org) Participants will receive a pledge sheet to raise funds for their paddling adventure. A minimum pledge of \$35.00 is required per person. Come join us and have fun. All participants must wear an approved PFD.

**"Lyme Through The Lens"  
Photo Contest**

Sponsored by the Chaumont-Three Mile Bay Chamber of Commerce

Please submit your spring, summer, fall and winter activity pictures that have been taken in the Town of Lyme.

You may pick up your entry form and start submitting photos August 1<sup>st</sup> at the Citizens Bank of Cape Vincent (Chaumont branch)



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## Lyme Garden Club News

In July, members of the Lyme Garden Club, along with Henderson Garden Club members visited The Thousand Island Park community. After a golf cart tour by lovely homes and gardens, led by community member Julie Dziewisz (see attached pictures), we adjourned to the Wellesley Island Hotel for a superb dinner. It was a beautiful day. This is an example



of the type of activity the Club enjoys organizing for its members. So we are not "All work, No play". Consider joining us in the future. If you are not a member receiving emails, you can see information about our activities on our Facebook page. A trip to Sonnenberg Gardens in Canandaigua, NY is tentatively planned in August. Please email [lymegardenclub@earthlink.net](mailto:lymegardenclub@earthlink.net) if you wish to be informed when plans are definite.

Lyme Garden Club member and Master Gardener Judy Killmer will make a presentation on August 31 at 7 PM at the



Copley House entitled "Dividing Perennials". Is there a traffic jam in your garden? Are your perennials getting floppy or losing vigor? Do you want to multiply your favorites for other spaces in your garden or for friends? This presentation will give you the Why, When and How of dividing perennials. Learn about the different root systems of plants, the suggested tools you may want to use, how to plant your newly divided plants and finally how to care for your newly planted divisions. All are welcome.



Chaumont River view at dusk

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## Thank You for Your Service

By Deanna Lothrop



David West



Trooper Joel Davis

During the past month our community has been hit with tragedies that make us all stop and remember how thankful we are for the service that our local Police, Corrections Officers and local EMT provide to us. In June we lost a very special community member when David West, son of Jim and Ann West, Chaumont died of a heart attack at the age of 46. David grew up in Chaumont, was a corrections officer at Cape Vincent Correctional Facility and spent summers on the lake. Our thoughts and prayers go out to David's family. He will be greatly missed.

We have all seen the outpouring of support for Trooper Joel Davis and his family during the recent shooting tragedy that

## TOWN ASSESSOR'S OFFICE NEWS

By Marsha Barton, Town Assessor

Assessors have been working on Three Mile Point for the past several weeks. They are taking new photos and updating information. Town Assessors wear ID badges signed by Supervisor Scott Aubertine and display a sign in their vehicle window for identification. When visiting your property, the assessor will knock on your door to inform you what they are doing on your property. If no one is home, they will leave notification of their visit and a number to call if you have any questions.

Yearly maintenance work, throughout the entire town, begins now. If you have any questions, please call us at 315-649-2387. For those of you who are new residents, make sure you register for the **Star Program**. To register, contact the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance at [www.tax.ny.gov/star](http://www.tax.ny.gov/star) or call: 518-457-2036. Contact the Town of Lyme Assessors office to apply for all other exemptions.

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took his life. Trooper Davis he was a wonderful father, husband, son, brother and most of all a devoted State Trooper who was always there to protect us. Let us express the deepest appreciation for the service of those who protect our community. We must not ever take their service for granted.



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**- Community Events, August 2017 -**

Fri	Aug 4	Hospice Cup Charity Regatta, @ Crescent Yacht Club, 10am (Junior Race, Aug. 5, 4pm)
Mon -Sat	Aug 7-12	Summer Theater Camp, @ Lyme Central School, 9am
Wed	Aug 9 6:30pm	Town of Lyme Board Meeting, @ Town Offices,
Fri - Sun	Aug 11-13	<b>TrevorStrong</b> Benefit Soccer Tournament
Sat	Aug 12	Silent Art/Antique Auction, Lyme Free Library, 9am (includes Book and Bake Sale, see page 8)
Tue	Aug 15	<b>Village of Chaumont Board Meeting, @ Town Offices, 6:30pm</b>
Wed	Aug 16	<b>Deadline for September Lyme Light Submissions</b>
Fri	Aug 18	Kid's Canvas Painting Class @ Lyme Free Library (ages 6-12), 1pm
Fri	Aug 18	<b>"Rocky" Summer Movies @ Copley House, dusk</b>
Sat	Aug 19	"Doggy Paddle" SPCA Fundraiser @ Adams Chaumont Bay Marina, 8am (register);9am (paddle)
Sat/Sun	Aug 19 & 20	Town-wide Yard Sales
Sun	Aug 20	Local History Program "The First Boat People of the Thousand Islands" by Kenneth Knapp, Lyme Heritage Center, 2pm
Sat	Aug 26	Zucchini Festival, Chaumont Presbyterian Church, 10am
Tue	Aug 29	Pre-K Open House, @ Lyme Central School, 6pm - 7pm

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