



# The Lyme Light



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## From the Lyme Light Chair

Spring is here! Don't shoot, the squirrels and birdies are driving my dog crazy! Seriously, I am looking forward to an early Spring and a warm summer. And so are you!

If you are sitting there enjoying your latest episode of cabin fever Chaumont style, here's an idea. The Census Bureau is advertising for census takers for the 2020 edition. These are paid positions, and if you would like more information, their contact phone number is 1-855-JOB-2020, or go to <https://2020census.gov/jobs>.



Snowy Owl  
Photo by Julie K. Covey

You may have noticed our appeal letter in the last issue; donations are what keep the Lyme Light afloat, so please consider us. Enjoy your Lyme Light, and please support our sponsors.

Happy reading,  
Ed DeMattia

## Classes at the Copley House

Did you know that the act of being creative or artistic can leave you feeling more enthusiastic and happier that day AND the next? It's almost spring and time to try something new or continue doing a craft that you already love. The program committee is working on scheduling several new programs as well as continuing a few that started this winter. If you'd like to participate in any of our classes, please contact either the instructor or Kris Mangone ([krobmanor@aol.com](mailto:krobmanor@aol.com)). Refreshments are served at all art and craft sessions.

We also post all the classes on the Lyme Community Foundation [Facebook](#) page.

**Dance Class** - ballet, jazz and hip-hop  
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You will learn the techniques needed to make the jewelry so you will learn a new artistic skill. We use a coordinated selection of high-quality semi-precious materials with a variety of textures in a complementary turquoise color theme. With the range of materials provided for this class, nobody will end up making the exact same jewelry.

Class is scheduled for Sunday, March 24 at 12 noon. Cost is \$45 per person. Register at: <https://sipandpaintaway.com/> Register by March 17. Payment required by noon March 18. All payments are by PayPal only. If you are unable to pay via PayPal, please contact Kris Mangone ([krobmanor@aol.com](mailto:krobmanor@aol.com)) for more information.

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### Fresh Flower Arrangement

Make a fresh flower arrangement for spring on Wednesday, April 10 at 6 PM. You will go home with a beautiful floral display. \$40 per person. Instructor: Rhonda Allen of Allen's Florist & Pottery. Register by email by April 6 to Kris Mangone at [krobmanor@aol.com](mailto:krobmanor@aol.com).

### Creative Sign Painting

Make a decorative "Come In and Stay Awhile" hanging sign with Shanae Wiseman on Wednesday, April 17, 6-8PM. Cost is \$45 and includes all materials; customize your design with colorful ribbon and flower choices for 16" wide welcome sign.

Please register by April 10; call or text (315) 778-1209 or send a message to Wise Designs on Facebook.



### Monday Night Bridge

Summer bridge will start on Monday, June 3 at 7 PM. Beginners welcome. For information, contact Catherine Carr at 315-649-5290.

The felting class was a huge success! We plan on having another felting class this spring. Date to be determined. Check out our Facebook page for pictures from the February 28 class!

We received several suggestions for classes after the February issue, but keep your ideas coming to either Kathie Carr, [kacarr140@gmail.com](mailto:kacarr140@gmail.com) or Kris Mangone, [krobmanor@aol.com](mailto:krobmanor@aol.com). Our Facebook page will be updated as new classes are added.

## ***A Message from the President***

In the last issue my article discussed everything I love, and I said that I loved a good winter storm so I can cuddle up next to the fire. Well I have had just about enough winter this year. With some type of storm happening just about weekly, it has been a crazy winter. There was one week when we had a blizzard, a mini ice storm and a 60 degree day all in one week. You gotta love living in Northern New York. If you are like me, it is time to look forward to the warmer days and dream of the days of boating and spending our days on the lake. It will be here before we know it.

I recently took a trip to Florida to visit my parents over February break and when I stepped off the plane in Orlando it was 86 degrees so I immediately threw on my flip flops and stepped outside into the warm sunshine. The first thing I said to myself was, "Now I

know why the snowbirds go south in the winter." It was a refreshing change and it was just so great to be able to get outside. It will be a few years before I will be able to join you all down there, but I decided that day that I will definitely spend a few months in the warmer weather when I retire.

This time of year it is always a slow time for activities in the community but I hope you all took the chance to attend Lyme Central's production of Cinderella, watch Lyme students participate in Odyssey of the Mind, and watch the Lyme Varsity Boys play in the sectional games. We still have guitar lessons with Gary Walts and dance lessons with Cindy Babel going on at the Copley House. Look at our calendar of events in the Lyme Light to see all of the other exciting programs and events going on in the community in March and April. Think Spring!!!

*Deanna Lothrop*

Lyme Community Foundation President

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**Our Sweetheart Soirée was the perfect way to celebrate**

**Valentine's Day!** *Thank You!* 

Thanks so much to Cathy Gallagher, owner of The Cottage Bakery & Desserts by Design, her adorable grandchildren Thomas and Samantha, the Fralicks from Cape Vincent Winery, & all who attended for a lovely evening!

### **A Unique Mother's Day Gift Idea**

Join us at The Lyme Free Library in Chaumont on **May 19<sup>th</sup>**

from **1 to 3 PM** to enjoy Teas, Canapés, Tea Sandwiches and Desserts! The Library will be



transformed back in time to the Victorian Era, a period in history that conjures up visions of beauty, tranquility, relaxation and social gatherings. Special touches such as china, silver, lace & flowers evoke the period and will embellish our event. Bring your most treasured tea cup, or use one of ours. Tickets on sale **March 1<sup>st</sup> to May 10<sup>th</sup>**. We are selling a limited number of tickets, so please reserve yours soon by calling the Lyme Free Library at 315-649-5454. Tickets are **\$30** each or **2 for \$50**. All tickets must be prepaid to ensure proper quantities of food and door prizes. This is a fundraiser for the library. Hosted by Cathy Gallagher from The Cottage Bakery and Desserts By Design in Three Mile Bay.

### **Story Time**

Drop in with your little ones for fun stories, songs, and rhymes. Stay after for visiting and duplo block play time! Wednesdays at **11AM**.



### **Stolen Moments Ink Class - Flowers**

Participants will learn how to use alcohol ink and forced air to make beautiful flowers on yupo paper. You will make two 5x7 paintings and mat them to 8x10.



The class is **\$40** a person which includes all of the supplies. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. Follow the links from the Lyme Free Library Facebook page or <https://stolenmomentsart.com/> to register. Debit, credit, and PayPal payments are welcome. Presented by Melissa Green. Friday, **March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM**.

### **Essential Oil Classes**

*Skin Care Essentials* - Participants may choose to make a skin scrub to take home. Skin Scrub \$5 per person. All ages.



**March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**.

*Spring Cleaning* - Want your home to smell fresh and clean without chemicals? Join us on **April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM** to learn about cleaning with essential oils.

Registration required, please call (315) 649-5454. Presented by Sarah Bullock.

### **Evening Book Talk**

**March 19<sup>th</sup>** - Notorious RBG by Irin Carmon

**April 16<sup>th</sup>** - Orange Is the New Black: My Year in a Woman's Prison by Piper Kerman

### **Afternoon Book Club**

**March 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM** - *Elevation* by Stephen King & *Sugar Cookie Murder* by Joanne Fluke

### **New - Friday Evening Culinary Book Club**

**March 29<sup>th</sup>** - *Chamomile Mourning* by Laura Childs

**April 26<sup>th</sup>** - *Catering to Nobody* by Diane Mott Davidson. Starts at **6:30PM**. All are invited to join in!

Events are held at the **Lyme Free Library**, unless otherwise noted.

For additional information please visit <https://www.lymefreelibrary.org/>

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## **From Lyme Heritage Center**

by Phyllis Putnam

The Lyme Heritage Center will reopen for the season on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> with music and refreshments at our annual Open House. This is an opportunity to browse our collection of 4,000 family files and hundreds of topic binders. After this open house the Center will be open the usual hours of Monday and Tuesday 10 to 12 and Wednesday and Friday 1 to 3. If you are interested in local history, you would enjoy working with us to maintain the family files.

Among the 23 self-published books that we have for sale is "Follow the North Shore" by Joyce Lance. Prior to writing this book, she wrote "The Founding of the Schools in Lyme and the Pioneers who Built them." Mrs. Lance was a native of Point Peninsula and "Follow the North Shore" is a compilation of stories of life on the Point. One of those stories that takes us back to the time of our grandparents and beyond is the following:

### **A FOUNDER OF TELEPHONE COMPANIES**

Frank Wiggins was born of pioneer stock on Point Peninsula on April 27, 1869. He was a teacher by profession, attending Old Ives Seminar and graduating from Albany Normal. Upon retiring in 1901, he returned to Point Peninsula where he resided on a farm before removing to Chaumont.

While on Point Peninsula he started the Union Telephone Company and was one of the stock holders. The line was by in 1890, but was hastily and poorly constructed. Often the wires hung from trees on a fence post. In winter when covered with snow the line shorted out, and did not give dependable service.

On Point Peninsula the first switch-board operator were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vincent, then it was moved to Emmet Collin's place and was operated by Mr. and Mrs. Clay Donahue. At another time Mrs. Henry Dulmage was the operator who was living on the old Peter Snell homestead (later the Donaldson farm). Hazel Cheal also served in this capacity.

After moving to Chaumont, Mr. Wiggins formed the Township Telephone Company with R. S. Clark. The company sold out in 1923 to Wesley A. Daniels. Frank Wiggins died April 29, 1931

From "A Country Store" by Joyce Lance.

Some of the Heritage Center books can be purchased in Chaumont at either the Citizens Bank or Lyme Free Library.

In the 19th century Chaumont Bay was famous for its abundance of ciscoes. After many decades of decline, our cisco population is once again growing! On Saturday, Feb, 23rd, the Lyme Heritage Center had the privilege of co-sponsoring, with the Lyme Community Foundation, a program on the cisco situation, presented by researchers from Cornell University, the Nature Conservancy, and New York Sea Grant. Ellen George, a doctoral candidate from Cornell University, was the main speaker. Her enthusiasm for the topic was obvious and contagious. Even though we had to reschedule the program, due to bad weather, there were about 40 people in attendance at the Copley House.

To read more about the program, check out Emily Sheridan's article on page 5.

*Does your group have a community event coming up in the Town of Lyme?*

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Deadlines are listed on the back page.



## **American Red Cross**

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## Comments on

### "The Ciscoes of Chaumont Bay"

From Emily Sheridan

Eastern Great Lakes Watershed Coordinator

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

greatlakes@dec.ny.gov

I wanted to thank the Lyme Community Foundation for hosting the event "The Ciscoes of Chaumont Bay" on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Ellen George for coming up to Chaumont to present. It was a great event that brought researchers to the community and engaged a lively and interested crowd of fishermen and history buffs, eager to learn about the bay's fishery resources.

I attended the cisco presentation (along with about 40 other interested folks and fishermen) by Cornell PhD candidate Ellen George and learned a lot! I'm so glad she was able to finally make the trek up as the weather cooperated and tell the story of her research. We learned at the lecture that the Cisco of Chaumont were so widely renowned that people from Chaumont were once referred to as "Cisco Chasers". The cisco are an important historical fish that was once abundant in the bay, and provided a native prey fish for sportfish, including walleye, lake trout, and Atlantic salmon. Cisco were also a great food staple for settlers.

The population declined in the early to mid 1900's as a result of overfishing, competition from invasive alewife, pollution from farm runoff and poor septic, and loss of ice cover. Populations have improved since the passage of the Clean Water Act and with efforts by the Town of Lyme and area farms to improve water quality by installing a sewer and implementing agricultural best management practices on farms in the Chaumont River watershed. Recent record setting ice cover on the lake has also helped the fish better survive.

There is ongoing work by Cornell and other partners in the bay (including NY Sea Grant, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and The Nature Conservancy) to study the cisco and other fish in the bay. Researchers collect eggs and rear them at US Geological Service's Tunison Labs to help the eggs mature. Juvenile cisco are stocked throughout Lake Ontario, to restore the lake populations. These stocked fish can then provide sportfish with a sufficient native prey fish, and an alternative diet to

the invasive alewife. For more information on the research, go to <https://www.wnypapers.com/news/article/current/2019/02/25/136090/report-notes-efforts-to-restore-lake-ontario-cisco-populations>

Water quality is important for cisco, other fish such as walleye, and for people. Trees can provide a beautiful and simple way to help reduce runoff (such as storm water from residential and urban areas, and phosphorus from farms) to waterways. A new DEC initiative to provide free trees and planting kits to public and private landowners can help interested Chaumont River residents further reduce runoff into the bay, helping the Cisco, the sportfish, and helping to keep the beaches clean and open all summer long.

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation has launched a new "Trees for Tribs" program initiative, called, Buffer in a Bag (more information at: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/115903.html>) which aims to help increase riparian buffers throughout New York State. Qualifying public and private landowners may apply for a free bag of 25 or 50 tree and shrub seedlings. Applications are due by 3 p.m. on April 3, 2019.

I hope everyone enjoys a safe ice fishing season as they are out on the bay!

*This is Cisco Bay*

*We hail from old Chaumont*

*Habitat of the cisco;*

*Down where the lake winds blow*

*From Ontario*

*We're sailormen, fishermen, happy and gay.*

*Ciscoe Chasers are we,*

*We sing at our work, and make our work play.*

*For cisco Chasers are we.*

- "Song of the Cisco Fishermen," quoted in an article by Rowena Peterson Babcock in *Folklore Quarterly*, Summer 1948



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## **Chaumont's Most Famous Fish is Bouncing Back**

by Margaret Putnam Brennen (republished from 10/18)

It would be hard to over-state the importance of the cisco in the history of Lyme. Chaumont Bay was once famous for these fish (sometimes called lake herring) -- Chaumont was referred to in local newspapers often simply as "The Cisco Village" and its residents as "the cisco chasers." For a time the cisco industry was huge and lucrative.

It would have been unthinkable in the 19th century that Chaumont Bay would ever be without ciscoes, but by the mid-20th century the fish had disappeared. The species could not endure the over-fishing, the pollution from farm run-off and poor septic systems in waterfront cottages, the slow warming of the lake water, and the onslaught of invasive species. Though a declining population of ciscoes always remained in Lake Ontario, they had stopped spawning in Chaumont Bay and other bays on the American side. All cisco populations in New York's inland lakes -- including those in the Adirondacks and the Finger Lakes -- have disappeared. Lake Ontario pollution levels peaked in the 1960s and 1970s. Growing environmental concerns led to passage of The Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendment of 1972, The Clean Water Act of 1977, and the Water Quality Act of 1987. As a result of these measures, the Lake has made a slow recovery. About fifteen years ago a Chaumont fisherman told officers of the Department of Environmental Conservation that he'd caught ciscoes in Chaumont Bay. The news was a welcome surprise, as ciscoes were believed to be extinct from the bay. Research followed, and by 2013 the DEC, the U.S. Geological Society, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Cornell researchers were able to confirm spawning in Chaumont Bay. Ellen George, a PhD student in the department of Natural Resources at Cornell University, is leading the ongoing research on our bay (with financial support from the Nature Conservancy). Ms. George was kind enough to speak with me at length for this article.

Ciscoes can only live in cold, clean water. Adults come into Chaumont Bay in late November to late December to spawn, after which they normally return to the cold depths of the lake. The Fish and Wildlife Service researchers have caught ciscoes and implanted them with acoustic transponders so they

can follow their movements around the lake. They were surprised to see that some ciscoes chose to linger in Chaumont Bay throughout the winter. Their eggs hatch when the water begins to warm and the ice breaks up, around April.

The intense interest in researching the ciscoes is due to their importance in the natural food webs of Great Lakes fish. Ciscoes eat zooplankton in cold depths. Ciscoes are a nutritious prey fish to native species such as lake trout, northern pike, walleye, and Atlantic salmon. The introduction of invasive species such as alewife and rainbow smelt has thrown the food web into disarray: invasive species eat the zooplankton which would normally support the ciscoes, and the Atlantic salmon have turned to invasive fish as a food source. With a much lower level of thiamine than ciscoes, the salmon that eat them have nutritional deficiencies that lead to reproductive problems, and as a result, a decline in their population.



The researchers will be returning to Chaumont Bay after Thanksgiving to observe spawning. Look for them in bright orange outfits as they work near Johnson Shoal, Herrick Shoal, and Middle Shoal. We're working on setting up a public information session so they can share more about their important work.

Although the commercial market for Lake Ontario ciscoes long ago collapsed, Lake Superior, the coldest and least polluted of the Great Lakes, has a healthy cisco industry. Their ciscoes are sold smoked as "lake herring" and their eggs are collected as "Bluefin caviar" and marketed in Scandinavia.

If you happen to catch a cisco, the researchers would love to hear from you. Please contact Ellen George at emg239@cornell.edu. More information about cisco research is also available on her Twitter account, @greatlakescisco.

### **Sources:**

Interview with Ellen George, PhD candidate at Cornell University  
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Confirmation of cisco spawning in Chaumont Bay, Lake Ontario using an egg pumping device, *Journal of Great Lakes Research*, Volume 43, Issue 3, June 2017, pages 204-208  
The "Ciscoe Chasers" of Chaumont Bay by Richard F. Palmer and The Lyme Heritage Center  
US Fish and Wildlife Service  
Smithsonian Institution  
New York State DEC  
U. S. Geological Survey  
The Nature Conservancy <https://www.nature.org/magazine/archives/greater-lakes.xml>

## **Lyme Garden Club**

May is just around the corner! Lyme Garden Club's first meeting of 2019 is Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM at the Copley House. Jolene Rhodes will present "Taking care of our garden pots." Please bring an appetizer to share. On Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM, we will be shopping for plants at Rhodes Green House. The Lyme and Henderson Garden Clubs will tour and have tea at the Hoenhagen Lavender Farm on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:00, in Copenhagen. Please join us.

All through 2019 we will share a Horticulture Calendar with you to provide monthly gardening activities, suggestions, tips and reminders.

### *Pruning*

- Woody plants (such as trees & shrubs) are pruned to improve the quality of fruits or flowers, to promote a desired shape and to restrict growth.
- Early spring, prune deciduous trees, fruit trees, grapes, raspberries and roses, before they break bud.
- Some ornamental shrubs can be pruned in the early spring while they are still dormant. Before pruning flowering shrubs, look up whether they bloom on growth produced the previous year (called old growth/wood) or on growth produced in the upcoming season (new wood). Shrubs that bloom in spring formed their flower buds the previous season. If you prune them now, you'll be removing flower buds. Shrubs that bloom before the end of June should be pruned right after they bloom. Shrubs that bloom later in summer or autumn, generally grown on "new wood", can be pruned now.

### *Planting*

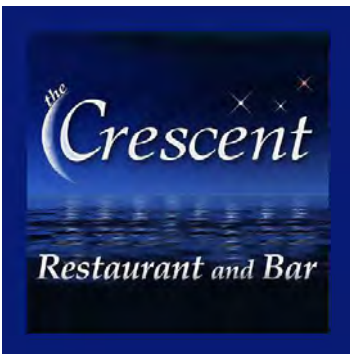
- Trees, especially fruit trees, are best planted in early spring as soon as the soil can be worked.
- Seeds for cool weather vegetables (peas, carrots, radishes, beets, chard, kale, lettuce, arugula, spinach) can be planted directly into the soil as soon as it can be worked in April. Onions and leeks can be grown from transplants or "sets" (firm bulbs).
- Cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli plants can take temperatures down to about 20 F. Harden the plants off first by placing them outside during the day for 7 to 10 days.
- Asparagus roots, seeds of carrots, broccoli, rab, parsley, endive can be planted (April).
- Tuberous begonias can be started in pots (March).
- Late March - start seeds indoors for warm weather vegetables (tomatoes, eggplants, peppers).
- April - divide summer and fall flowering perennials. Spring flowering perennials are best divided after they have bloomed or wait until fall.
- April is a good time to fertilize, plant and transplant trees, shrubs & perennials. Do not fertilize after July 1st.

If you'd like more information on gardening tips, go to [www.gardening.cornell.edu](http://www.gardening.cornell.edu). If you have any questions about the Lyme Garden Club, contact us at [lymegardenclub@earthlink.net](mailto:lymegardenclub@earthlink.net).

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## Acte II

Looking for something to do while you're waiting (and waiting) for spring to arrive? Tired of watching sports and looking at the screen?

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The items sold in our beautiful shop help support the Lyme Community Foundation and allow us to keep the doors open for classes and programs.

Please help us by donating the clothes you once loved, but no longer wear.

Your donation is tax deductible.

Call Lynda Carney to schedule a drop off time at (315) 649-5224.

## Lyme teen is promoting awareness of the arts

Ashlyn Hilts, a sophomore at Lyme Central School, also Miss Northern New York's Outstanding Teen 2019, has a goal. She is raising awareness of her personal platform, promoting the arts, as well as raising money for the Children's Miracle Network through an upcoming Talent Showcase.



**What:** Ashlyn Hilts, Miss Northern New York Outstanding teen 2019 presents the Children's Miracle Network Talent Showcase

**When:** March 23, 2019 at 4PM

**Where:** First Presbyterian Church, 403

Washington Street, Watertown NY

**Admission:** \$5 at the door  
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## **First Presbyterian Church Happenings**

**Friday, March 15** Everyone is invited to our annual St. Patrick's Day celebration. A covered dish supper will begin at 6 PM, followed by fun and frolic. There will be (clean) Irish jokes, Irish quizzes and games with prizes and a paper money auction. Come and see how much family fun you can have!

**Saturday March 30** First-of-the-year rummage sale, 9 AM – 4 PM. Featuring gently used clothing, household items, books and much more. This is a donation sale, so plan to take home lots of bargains!

**Sunday March 31** Second-chance sale, 11 AM – 3 PM

**Saturday April 13** Breakfast with the Easter bunny! 9 AM-11:30 AM. Indoor Easter egg hunt, with prizes and fun. Bring your camera, this is a great photo op!



## **OBI Land Trust Welcomes Volunteers**

*by Tracy Valentine, OBI Land Trust Secretary*

OBI Land Trust was started 25 years ago by volunteers who had a dream to preserve open space and ecologically significant land in Lyme and other shoreline towns of Jefferson County.



Much has changed since then, but your hometown land trust still relies on the hard work and dedication of our amazing volunteers. OBI welcomes YOU to join us in 2019.

Please check our website ([obilandtrust.org](http://obilandtrust.org)) or our Facebook page for an upcoming event that will offer the chance to meet our board of directors (also made up of all volunteers!) and learn more about how you might fit in.

Whether you are most comfortable in the great outdoors or at the conference table, we have a

volunteer opportunity for you.

- **Field Work:** Seasonal trail maintenance work involves removing downed limbs, cutting back, overgrowth and perhaps assisting with minor maintenance.
- **Education and Outreach:** Tell others about what our land trust does and perhaps assist with presentations, help guide hikes or contribute to our newsletter. We welcome ideas for newsletter articles and events!
- **Events:** Assist with greeting guests, event set-up, serving drinks/food, and ensure the overall success of the day.

Volunteers are welcome for a day or long term. If you have a talent to offer that you don't see listed here, please reach out to us. OBI has preserved more than 700 acres of land in our service area. As a non-profit land trust, we are qualified to accept conservation easements. This is a legal agreement that permanently limits uses of the land in order to protect conservation values. Preserving habitats and conservation starts with people and we are always looking for friendly faces to help us fulfill our mission.

Contact OBI Land Trust at 315-649-6045 or at PO Box 117, Chaumont.


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MARCH 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Shorthand for where events are being held:</i> LFL - Lyme Free Library CH - Copley House 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. - First Presbyterian Church, Chaumont					4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 1	2
3	4	5	11AM - LFL Story Time 6	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 7	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 8	9
<b>Daylight Savings Time BEGINS Spring AHEAD!</b> 10	11	12	11AM - LFL Story Time 13	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 14	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 6PM - 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. St. Patrick's Dinner 15	16
 17	18	LFL - Afternoon Book Club & Evening Book Talk Call LFL for details & times (315) - 649-5454 19	11AM - LFL Story Time 20	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 21	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 6:30PM - LFL - Stolen Moments Ink Class - Flowers 22	4PM - Children's Miracle Network Talent Showcase - First Presbyterian, 403 Washington St. Watertown 23
Noon - CH Jewelry Making Class 24	25	26	11AM - LFL Story Time 27	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 28	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 6:30PM - LFL - Friday Evening Culinary Book Club 6:30PM - LFL - Essential Oils - Skin Care Essentials 29	9AM - 4PM - 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. First of the Year Rummage Sale 30
11AM - 3PM - 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. Second Chance Rummage Sale 31						

APRIL 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>April Fools Day</i> 1	2	11AM - LFL Story Time 3	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 4	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 5	6
7	8	9	11AM - LFL Story Time 6PM - CH Fresh Flower Arrangement 10	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 11	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class <b>SUBMISSIONS</b> for the May <i>Lyme Light</i> are due! 12	9AM - 11:30AM - 1 <sup>st</sup> Pres. - Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 13
<b>Palm Sunday</b> 14	15	Evening Book Talk - Lyme Free Library Call LFL for details (315) - 649-5454 16	11AM - LFL Story Time 6-8PM - CH - Creative Sign Painting 17	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 18	<b>Good Friday</b> 4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 6:30PM - LFL - Essential Oils - Spring Cleaning 19	20
<b>Easter</b> 21	<i>Earth Day</i>  22	23	11AM - LFL Story Time 24	5-6PM - CH - Guitar lessons with Gary 25	4:15-5PM - CH - Dance Class 6:30PM - LFL - Friday Evening Culinary Book Club 26	27
28	29	30				

Dear reader,

You are seeing a donation reminder in this issue, in the hope that having a **Lyme Light** in your mailbox again will encourage you to support us, and by doing that, supporting your community. We are striving to be the voice of the community with as many announcements of events as we can fit in. Please consider showing your support; no matter how small your donation is, it helps! Thank you.



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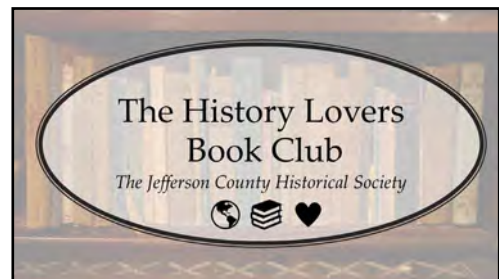
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## ***Congratulations to the Lyme Boys Varsity Basketball team!***

Congratulations to the Lyme Boys Varsity Basketball team on their Section III Class D win over DeRuyter on Sunday, March 3 in the Carrier Dome.

This is the teams' first sectional win since 1978! Great job Coach Leo Wilson and the entire team!



*The History Lovers Book Club*  
at the **Jefferson County Historical Society**  
will be reading

## ***The Shoemaker and the Tea Party*** by Alfred Young

Join a discussion lead by

**Dr. Joshua Canale**  
Jefferson Community College

To be held on March 20, 2019, 5-6PM at the  
**Paddock Mansion**  
228 Washington Street, Watertown NY 13601

For questions, please call (315) 782-3491

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### ***A Note of Sincere THANKS...***

On behalf of the Lyme Community Foundation we would like to thank Terry Brennen for his years of service to the Lyme Community Foundation. Terry has resigned from the Foundation but will remain on the Lyme Light committee to assist with the transition as Ed DeMattia takes over as our new Lyme Light committee chair.

During Terry's time on the board he has been the secretary, the Lyme Light committee chair, manager of our website, in charge of the Adopt a Highway program, was the program committee chair, organized our outdoor movie series and so much more. Until recently Terry was pretty much a one man show and handled the Lyme Light by himself to get it edited, printed and sent out to our email subscribers and postal customers. Thank you Terry for your dedication to the foundation.

*You will be missed!!*

### ***Lyme Light due dates...***

Please send any articles, news items, events, etc. to [lymelightnews@gmail.com](mailto:lymelightnews@gmail.com).

May 2019 Issue - by **Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

June 2019 Issue - by **Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

July 2019 Issue - by **Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**

August 2019 Issue - by **Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**

September/October 2019 Issue - by **Friday August 9<sup>th</sup>**

November/December 2019 Issue - by **Friday October 11<sup>th</sup>**

For most editions, the due dates will be the second Friday of the month, prior to publication.

Early submissions are always welcome!

### ***Town of Lyme Transfer Site***

HOURS:	Wednesday: 9 AM - 4 PM
Sunday: 9 AM - 4 PM	Thursday: Closed
Monday: Closed	Friday: 9 AM - 1 PM
Tuesday: 9 AM - 1 PM	Saturday: 9 AM - 4 PM

For more information on the Town of Lyme Transfer site, please visit <https://www.townoflyme.com/transfer-site.html>.