



NEWS FROM THE LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2011



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Preschool Story Hour – Ages 2-5 Wednesdays from 10:30 – 11:15 through November 16

Story hour for children ages 2-5 continues through November 16. Each session will feature stories on a particular theme followed by a related activity or craft. In addition to being fun, story hour helps develop language and social skills that children need to succeed and foster intellectual curiosity. **Please call to register or email programreg@lymepl.org.**

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Fall Collage Leaf Rubbings Wednesday, November 16 at 3:15

Children will join Kristen Thornton to hear the story *The Dog Who Belonged to No One* by Amy Hest. Then they will make fall collage leaf rubbings with pets. **Limited to 12 children. Please call the library to register or email programreg@lymepl.org.**

Holiday Quilt-like Art Wednesday, December 14 at 3:15

This holiday program will feature the story *Christmas Tapestry* by Patricia Polacco. Kristen Thornton will then lead the children in making quilt-like holiday art. **Limited to 12 children. Please call the library to register or email programreg@lymepl.org.**

ADULT/FAMILY PROGRAMS

Library Book Club Thursdays, November 10 and December 8 at 7:00 P.M.

Book Club will meet to discuss *The Dry Grass of August* by Anna Jean Mayhew on November 10 and *No Biking in the House without a Helmet* by Melissa Fay Greene on December 8. New members are always welcome. Those interested may attend all or selected discussions. Multiple copies of titles are available at the library 3-4 weeks before each discussion. The schedule for the year may be viewed on our website at www.lymepl.org/bookclub.htm

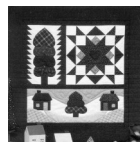
READING GROUP

The Friday afternoon Reading Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. As always, guests and new members are welcome. Invite yourself; it would be a pleasure to have your company to hear a book review and share a cup of tea.

Reading Group will not meet in November because of the Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day holidays.

December 9- Holly Forster will read & report on *Blink: the Power of Thinking without Thinking* by Malcolm Gladwell.

Dec. 23 – No meeting due to the Christmas holidays.



Holiday Digital Photography Saturdays, December 3 and December 10 from 10:30 – 12:30 Taught by Nancy Meinke

The holiday seasons are fast approaching; learn how to take a picture of Aunt Betty without cutting off the top of her head. Even more importantly, learn what to do once the pictures are stored on your memory card.

Don't know what to do next? This class will teach you how to rename the files and transfer the pictures from your camera to a computer folder. It will also touch on minor repairs; cropping, red eye, etc. Bring your fully charged camera, memory card, and transferring cord to class. If you own a laptop – bring that too! Don't have a camera yet? Please check with the instructor before signing up by emailing nmeinke@gmail.com. Please note the class will NOT cover printing.

This is a 2 day workshop. At the first class, participants will take pictures, and review each other's work. The second class will explore transferring and naming files, red eye, and cropping. **Please call to register or email programreg@lymepl.org Limited to 10 participants.** Nancy Meinke is an educator, a photographer and a technology coach, but above all, she is a communicator. Join her class and become a confident member of the digital world, a 21st century learner.



Overdrive E-books and Downloadable Audio Books Availability Scheduled for Late November

The Library's participation in Library Connection's Overdrive E-books and downloadable audio books program is scheduled to begin on November 30. Lyme Library patrons with valid library cards will be able to download materials to their computers, tablet computers, smart phones, iPods and mp3 players. Once the program is available, the library staff will be happy to answer your questions and assist you in downloading materials. Library Connection also provides direct tech support via phone and email. **The Overdrive program will be available to Lyme residents only, and your eligibility will be validated by your library barcode number. If you don't have a library card or yours is expired, you will not be able to download material via Overdrive. Don't wait until the last minute! Stop in soon and make sure your card is up to date.**

LIBRARY NEWS

Krazy for Kern

The songs of Broadway composer Jerome Kern followed by Mystery Cocktail Receptions is set for **Saturday, November 19 at 5pm**. If you did not receive an invitation in the mail, please contact the library. Classic show tunes such as *The Way You Look Tonight*, *Can't Help Lovin' That Man*, *Look for the Silver Lining*, *They Wouldn't Believe Me*, *All the Things You are* and *Old Man River* are performed by John Hargraves on piano and five voices. The concert takes place at The First Congregational Church in Old Lyme. Guests will afterwards enjoy Mystery Cocktail Receptions in the homes of Lyme hosts. The concert, the fifth in six years, benefits the Lyme Public Library.

Essex Financial Services and Essex Savings Bank are benefit sponsors and Krazy for Kern is produced by John Hargraves and Rich Miller.

Town Campus Center Planning Committee

The town hall and library project passed two landmarks last month. On Thursday, October 6, the Town Campus Center Planning Committee, after reviewing the comments and questions from the town meeting, unanimously approved the conceptual design. The designs were then sent to the Lyme Board of Selectmen who also voted to accept them at their October 17 meeting. The plan is to bring the project to the town for a vote prior to the annual town meeting in the end of May. Between now and May there will be a lot going on. The architect and the committee will continue to refine the design and squeeze the budget. The fundraising subcommittee will begin working toward the \$1 million minimum goal for the project. The committee will step up its informational activities and continue to collect comments and suggestions from the public. To view copies of the plans and the preliminary budget, visit <http://www.lymetowncampus.blogspot.com> or stop in at the library or town hall.

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LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday & Monday CLOSED

Tuesday 10 a.m.—8 p.m.

Wednesday 10 a.m.—5 p.m.

Thursday 10 a.m.—8 p.m.

Friday 10 a.m.—5 p.m.

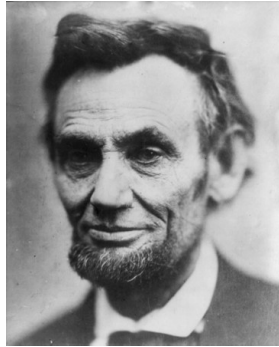
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Patron's Choice

Patron's have recommended these titles that they have checked out of the Lyme Public Library

The End of Everything by Megan Abbott – This novel is told from the point of view of a 13 year-old girl whose best friend suddenly vanishes. *Publishers Weekly* says, "Fans of Tana French and Kate Atkinson will welcome Abbott's haunting psychological thriller ... Abbott expertly captures the nuances of lost innocence and childhood friendships, without ever losing an undercurrent of menace."



The Blood Red Indian Summer: a Berger & Mitry Mystery by David Handler – The newest installment in Old Lyme resident David Handler's latest Berger & Mitry mystery has CT State Trooper Des Mitry dealing with the murder of a woman who is related to a disgraced NFL superstar who has been taking refuge in Dorset. *Publishers Weekly* says, "Handler's blend of suspenseful plot, skillful telling, and occasional splashes of comic relief add up to a heady cocktail of prime crime."

The Most Human Human: What Talking with Computers Teaches Us About What It Means to Be Alive by Brian Christian – The author documents his experience in the 2009 Turing Test, a competition in which judges anonymously communicate with humans and computers and try to decide which is the "most human." *Publishers Weekly* says, "This fabulous book demonstrates that we are capable of experiencing and sharing far deeper thoughts than even the best computers—and that too often we fail to achieve the highest level of humanness."

Killing Lincoln: The Shocking Assassination That Changed America Forever by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard – Although this book is a historical narrative, Peter J. Boyer in *Newsweek* says, "'If Grisham wrote a novel about April 1865... it might well read like *Killing Lincoln*.'"

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Top Ten Favorite Facts About Jerome Kern*

10. Born January 27, 1885 in New York City.
9. Died November 11, 1945 in New York City.
8. In 1946, MGM released a musical film biography of Kern called *Till the Clouds Roll By* that included appearances by Judy Garland, Frank Sinatra, Lena Horne and others.
7. While working at his father's merchandising business, he once ordered 200 pianos instead of 2 almost bankrupting his father. He soon gave up business to pursue a musical career.
6. Upon the centennial of his birth in 1985, a postage stamp was issued in his honor.
5. In 1910, he married Eva Leale, an English woman.
4. He collaborated with lyricists Guy Bolton, P.G. Wodehouse, and Oscar Hammerstein II.
3. In 1982, hundreds of Kern's manuscripts that were presumed lost were found in a warehouse in Secaucus, NJ.
2. He won an Oscar for the song *The Way You Look Tonight*.
1. You can hear many of Jerome Kern's timeless songs at Crazy for Kern on Saturday, November 19 at 5 P.M. at the First Congregational Church in Old Lyme.

Dates to Remember

- Nov. 2 – Story Hour 10:30
- Nov. 9 - Story Hour 10:30
- Nov. 10 – Library Book Club 7:00
- Nov. 11 – Library Closed – Veterans Day**
- Nov. 16 - Story Hour 10:30
- Nov. 16 – Fall Collage Leaf Rubbings 3:15
- Nov. 19 – Crazy for Kern (OL Cong. Church) 5:00
- Nov. 24 – Library closed for Thanksgiving**
- Dec. 3 – Holiday Digital Photography 10:30
- Dec. 7 – Library Board 4:00
- Dec. 8 - Library Book Club 7:00
- Dec. 9—Reading Group 2:00
- Dec. 10 - Holiday Digital Photography 10:30
- Dec. 14– Holiday Quilt-like Art 3:15
- Dec. 24 – Library Closed**
- Dec. 31 – Library Closed**

*Sources – www.songwritershalloffame.org, and CONTEMPORARY MUSICIANS, VOLUME

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