

#### **NEWSLETTER OF THE**

## LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY

April • May • June 2022



### LIBRARY NEWS

#### Museum Passes Available at the Library

Now that COVID-19-related restrictions have been limited, local museums are opening their doors again and allowing patrons to use" library passes" for discounted admissions. Considering this increased welcoming environment at museums, the Lyme Library has renewed our previous museum passes. In order to facilitate visits to the wonderful museums and parks in our area, we have added some new museum and park passes to our collection. A complete list of Lyme library's museum passes can be found below. For those of you who might not be aware, library museum passes can be checked-out from the library's circulation desk, like other library materials but with different circulation parameters.

- CT Old State House–Admission free up to 2 adults and 2 children.
- CT River Museum–Admission free up to 2 adults and any children within that party under the age of 18.
- **Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center**–Admission free for entire family group.
- Florence Griswold Museum–Admission free for 2 adults and 2 children.
- Lyman Allyn Museum–Free for families, up to 2 adults and 2 children over 12 (children under 12 always free).
- Mystic Seaport-50% general admission for 2 adults and up to 3 children.
- New Britain Museum of Art–Admission free for up to 4 people.
- Niantic Children's Museum –50% off general admission per person.
- Wadsworth Atheneum–Free general admission for 2 adults and 2 children.

Before going to any of the museums listed above the, Lyme Library staff recommend that you visit the museum's website or call the organization in advance to be sure of the COVID-19-related restrictions that the institution might still have in place for visitors.

Questions? Call the library at 860-434-2272.

Yours, Melissa Fournier *Library Director* 

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

For more information call 860-434-2272 or visit lymepl.org. To register for any program, e-mail programreg@lymepl.org and include your name, contact information and the name of the program.

#### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

#### Preschool Storytime, Wednesdays at 10:30am

Children ages 2 to 5, along with their parents or caregivers are invited to a story time, sing-along and craft project. Each week Ms. Barbara will be focusing on a new theme for the stories along with songs and creative activities.

#### After School Art and Storytime, Tuesdays, April 26 and May 24, 3:15-4:30pm

For children K-5. Ms. Barbara will read from a selected book, and local artist and educator Kristen Thornton will work with participants to create art projects based on the story. All children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a caregiver while attending library programs.

**Open Studio with Kristen Thornton, Tuesdays, 5-6pm**Local artist and educator Kristin Thornton will be instructing students in grades 6-12 on how to create spectacular art projects.

# Lyme Library Summer Reading Program 2022, Read Beyond the Beaten Path

The Lyme Public Library will be holding a summer reading program this year to help children to develop their reading and comprehension skills during the summer. The theme is *Read Beyond the Beaten Path* and we will be encouraging kids and caregivers to enjoy the great outdoors as they read and learn. Participants will



have the opportunity to earn and win prizes as well as to attend a number of special programs. Check out the library website for more details on what special events will be taking place as part of this program.

#### Lyme Library STEAM-Saturdays

The Lyme Library is having special STEAM-based programs one Saturday a month for children of all ages. Crafts, stories and special presenters will be part of these programs. Check out the library's website for dates, times and themes of these special programs

## ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Racial Equity Book Club, Meetings take place the first

Wednesday of the month at 6:30-7:30pm, via Zoom
The Lyme Public Library's Racial Equity Book Club will be focusing each month on a book about race relations in the United States.

## Climate Change Communication with Eric Fine of Yale's Climate Change Program

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#### Thursday April 7, 6:00pm

Eric Fine Project Manager of Yale University's Program on Climate Change Communication will speak about the public perceptions concerning climate change.

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#### Hidden History of Mystic and Stonington

#### Saturday, April 9 at 3:00pm

The Lyme Public welcomes local author and historian Gail MacDonald to speak about her new book *Hidden History of Mystic and Stonington*.

#### **Library Cookbook Club**

# Saturdays April 9 at 12:00-pm, May 14 at 1-3pm and June 11, 1-3pm

Share your culinary creations at the Cookbook Club at the Lyme Public Library. Each month, a cookbook will be chosen and copies of the book will be available at the library's circulation desk.

#### **Old Growth Forests, (Lyme Public Hall)**

#### Sunday April 10 at 2:00pm

Professor Joan Maloof will be appearing to speak about the preservation of the country's few remaining stands of old-growth forests.

#### A Taste of Ayurveda

#### Thursday April 14, May 12 at 6:00pm via Zoom

Ayurvedic counselor Claire Ragozzino will host a 4-part series about the basics of Ayurvedic medicine and how to live more holistically.

#### **Junk Journal Workshops**

Saturdays, April 16 (part 1) and April 23 (part 2) at 12:00pm In this two-part series, attendees will make a "junk journal" out of an old book. Supplies will be provided. Attendees should attend both parts. Limited to 12 participants ages 17 and up.

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#### **CT Tree Identification**

#### Saturday April 30 at 3:00pm

Audubon Society's Conservation Biologist Jim Arrigoni will teach attendees how to identify common Connecticut tree species. He will take the program outdoors following the presentation.

#### **Birding Basics**

#### Saturday, May 7 at 10:00am

In this family-friendly program suitable for ages 6 and up, participants will learn how to practice bird identification skills. The program from Connecticut Audubon will be outdoors rain or shine.

## Bridging the Partisan Divide: What We Can Do Now to Improve Our Politics?

#### Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00pm

Join us for this timely discussion with MaryAnne Borelli. How do we understand the workings, both successes and failings, of our political system?

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#### As the Page Turns Book Club (Lymes' Senior Center)

#### Friday, May 20 at 1:00pm

Book of the month: The Midnight Library by Matt Haig. Lead by Library Director, Melissa Fournier

#### **All About Owls**

#### Saturday, June 4 at 3:00pm

Joe Attwater, Conservation and Education Coordinator with Connecticut Audubon will talk about the owl species of Connecticut and how to identify them by sight and sound.

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## Friends Annual Meeting and Concert with Plywood Cowboy (Town Green)

Thursday, June 16 at 6:30pm (Rain date June 17)

## Springtime Adventures

#### AT THE LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Lyme Library staff are proposing that you play a "get to know us" game/raffle which will challenge both your people-reading and bookreading skills with prizes from local businesses.

Here are the "rules" to the game. There are six members of staff at the Lyme Library. Each one of us is going to list one "fact" about ourselves and the title of one of our favorite books and you must match up the correct answers to the correct staff member on a raffle form you can pick up at the circulation desk

This game is open to patrons of all ages. We are wishing you all new springtime adventures and we hope to be seeing you at the Lyme Public Library!

To register for any program, email programreg@lymepl.org or call 860-434-2272

## NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY'S COLLECTION

For more new reading choices, check out the Staff Pick shelf in the Library's new book area or use the scrolling carousels on our catalog homepage: lym.agverso.com.

#### Younger Wife

#### by Sally Hepworth (April release)

The latest from New York Times bestselling author Sally Hepworth, this novel follows the tangled intrigues of family life.

#### Memphis

#### by Tara M. Stringfellow (April release)

One of the most anticipated books of 2022 *Memphis* traces the lives of three generations in one Southern Black family. Culminating in the discovery of one of its members that she has the power to change her family's legacy



# by James Patterson & Maxine Paetro (May release)

The newest release in Patterson's "Woman's Murder Club" series. With the same warning carved on all the bodies of a recent serial murder spree, SFPD Sergeant Lindsey Boxer must solve the mystery of these murders before she is the next to die

#### Summer Place

#### by Jennifer Weiner (May release)

Billed as an "unputdownable" book of family secrets and all the ties that bind. Jennifer Weiner the undisputed queen of the "summer beach read" will not disappoint in her latest novel. Perfect for those of you looking to explore the endless ways that love can surprise you.

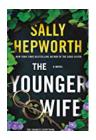
# How to Prevent the Next Pandemic by Bill Gates (May release)

New York Times best-selling author, Bill Gates, took on climate change in his 2021 book *How to Avoid a Climate Disaster*. He is now taking on the fallout associated with COVID-19 and how to prepare and prevent the next major pandemic.

#### **Hotel Nantucket**

#### by Elin Hiderbrand (June release)

A page-turning tale of emotional depth and multiple points of view *Hotel Nantucket* follows the loves and lives of the residents of a Gilded-Age hotel on Nantucket during one eventful summer.

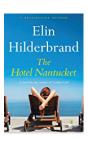




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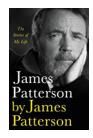




#### **Iames Patterson**

#### by James Patterson (June release)

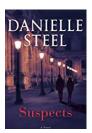
The world's best-selling author James Patterson, is finally turning his lens on himself rather than his fictional characters. This book is the most anticipated memoir of 2022 and will be a fascinating read for Patterson and non-Patterson fans alike.



#### Suspects

#### by Danielle Steel (June release)

A CIA agent and a member of the fashion industry "royalty" become allies when trying to solve a family kidnapping case.



## News from the Friends

# Friends Annual Meeting & Concert with the Plywood Cowboy (Town Green) Thursday, June 16 at 6:30 (Rain Date June 17)

The Friends of the Lyme Public Library are now enjoying our ninth year and what an interesting year it has been! We are so happy to welcome our new director, Melissa Fournier, and are looking forward to another exciting year at our library. Join us for a brief business meeting followed by the annual concert with Steve Dedman and Plywood Cowboy! We hope you will take advantage of this community event to meet Melissa and enjoy the music by the meadow.

—Deborah Giaconia, President

Lyme is a community of many dedicated volunteers who have assisted the library in a variety of ways from the very beginning. Since 2013, when the Friends of the Lyme Public Library became a 501(c)(3), we have been supporting the library's services by volunteering for special projects, fostering a close relationship between the library and town residents, and raising funds for special projects, programs, and events to support the library's goals. In addition to the Book Nook, donations from residents and annual membership dues, the annual book sale, formerly managed by the Library Board of Directors, is now the Friends primary fundraiser. We take great pleasure in continuing to sponsor our library director's innovative and thought-provoking programs this spring, summer, and fall! Thank you for your continued support!

The Friends Annual Book Sale, Friday, September 9, and Saturday, September 10. Information about the sale will be forthcoming at the library, via email and on the roadside sign. We will need volunteers to help organizing the books and carry them up from the basement. We sincerely appreciate your help and support to make this sale successful every year!

"Many hands make light work." —John Heywood

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#### LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed Tuesday: 10am to 8pm Wednesday: 10am to 5pm Thursday: 10am to 8pm Friday: 10am to 5pm Saturday: 10am to 4pm

Curbside service remains available to anyone who requests it. Just call the library at 860-434-2272 and speak to a staff member.

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Preschool Story Time: Wednesdays April 6 through June 29 at 10:30am

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Climate Change Communication: Thursday, April 7 at 6:00pm

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Lyme Library Summer Reading Program: June 21 to August 16

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25 5:00-7:00pm

Join us for a reception to welcome our new Library Director Melissa Fournier in the Library Community Room.

