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2010 ANNUAL REPORT

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On the Cover:

Pvt. Ansel R. Ely, Jr. 1st Regiment Cavalry,  
Company L., Connecticut Volunteers,  
Died age 22 in the Appomattox Campaign, April 1865  
Detail from his friendship card (carte de visite)



FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED  
JUNE 30, 2010

## DEDICATION

This year's edition of the Lyme Town Report is being dedicated to the Lyme Consolidated School Parent Teacher organization. It has been in existence literally for more years than anyone can remember with its primary mission to enhance educational opportunities for generations of Lyme Consolidated students.

The PTO's ongoing commitment is one of the key elements that has made our small town, neighborhood school the thriving success story it has been over the years. It has spearheaded myriad projects including fundraising for computers and field trips, painting murals to brighten school hallways, and most recently, donation of a walking track installed on school property for the benefit of the entire community.

The generational continuity of the group is what makes it unique and special. Kids whose parents ran the PTO during their Lyme Consolidated years are now stepping up for their turn at the helm of the organization, and this has held true from its inception.

The town extends a long overdue "thank you" to PTO members past and present for the dedication and vision that has helped make Lyme Consolidated the exceptional small school it has been and continues to be.

Lyme School Walking Track Dedication Ceremony - September 25, 2009



Photo by Jennifer Petty Mann. Courtesy of LymeLine.com.

Parent-Teacher Organization Chairperson Kathryn Wayland (right) cuts the ribbon with Lyme First Selectman Ralph Eno and his canine companion Lucy (center), and Region 18 Lyme Board of Education member Beth Jones (left) while Lyme Consolidated School Principal James Cavalieri, Region 18 Lyme Board of Education member James Witkins and Selectman Parker Lord supervised from different vantage points. The walking track was officially opened and christened by lots of little legs as the school's students walked the track to the tune of one mile after hosting the dedication ceremony.

## LYME AND THE CIVIL WAR

The 150th anniversary of the Civil War (1861-1865) begins in 2011. What did the residents of Lyme know about the issues and events in the decades that led up to the war, a war that would threaten the unity of their country, barely sixty years after the signing of the Constitution?

In the decades before 1861, the agrarian south and industrializing north had grown apart, culturally and economically. The extension of slavery to non-slave states and new western territories as well as the Fugitive Slave Law were fiercely debated issues on moral, political, and constitutional grounds. While Lyme was primarily an agricultural community, it was also part of the North's rapidly growing, free-labor industrial economy and culture.

In 1860, at the time of the presidential election, the new Republican Party and its presidential candidate, Abraham Lincoln, strongly opposed the extension of slavery but did not favor forcible abolition by the Federal government. Lincoln carried the newly organized Republican party's platform and positions to Meriden, New Haven, Middletown, Waterbury and Norwich. He called slavery immoral and in violation of the principle of the equality of man.

News and opinion of the escalating hostilities and political affairs certainly reached at least some Lyme families through readily available newspapers and popular periodicals. Between 1837 and 1859, New London County alone had seven anti-slavery newspapers. There was daily mail service from major cities in Connecticut. Travel for pleasure and business outside Lyme was not uncommon. Passenger steamships between New York and Hartford had regular stops at Ely's Ferry and Hadlyme. By 1854, three trains between New Haven and New London stopped daily at Lyme Station.

What awareness or understanding was there about slavery in Lyme? It was well within living memory that slavery had existed in Lyme. In 1774, New London County had over two thousand slaves, the highest number of any New England county. Col. Samuel Browne owned four hundred slaves to work his 8,055 acre plantation in Lyme (southwestern area of present day Salem). By 1810 the U.S. census counted one hundred eight freemen and nine slaves in Lyme. Fugitive slaves are known to have entered shoreline and lower Connecticut River towns in the Underground Railroad. It has been suggested that structures built against rock outcroppings in Lyme's Hartman Park area may have been built for or used as safe havens. Finally, it is certain that Harriet Beecher Stowe's vastly popular novel printed in 1834 about slavery, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, had reached Lyme.

Elections also reflect current attitudes. The overall results in the November 1860 presidential election in Connecticut were considered a mandate for Lincoln and the Republican Party's positions. Lincoln won a decisive sixty-five percent of the two hundred presidential votes cast in Lyme while thirty-five percent of the votes went to two Democratic candidates (one northern, one southern) that were states' rights advocates. How vocal and vigorous was the debate right here in Lyme?

Daily life among the self-reliant families of Lyme likely went on much the same even as southern states rebelled and seceded from the Union. When the war broke out, it was assumed at first that the Federal forces would easily quash the rebellion. Lyme patriotically met its enlistment quotas from the state and federal governments throughout all four years of war, the Town offering bounties to encourage enlistments.

How men entered service		How men left service	
		Killed or mortally wounded	6
Enlisted/Commissioned	85	Died as POW	0
		Died of Disease	12
Drafted	16	Disabled	13
		Deserted	7
		Discharged	8
Total	101	Mustered out at end of tour	47

Source: Historical Data Systems, Inc. Totals may be understated since most state Adjutant General Reports did not provide residence information.

It isn't possible to pinpoint exactly what the people of Lyme knew or felt leading up to the war. But it is certain that the impact was profound while the men in service were absent from their families, farms and businesses, some for the entire war, and others returning home sick, disabled or not at all.

Carolyn Bacdayan

*Note: Items like letters, diaries, and photographs can reveal the first-hand experience of Lyme families and soldiers during the Civil War. The Local History Archives at the Lyme Public Hall would like the opportunity to view such materials in order to develop a more complete picture of Lyme during this period. If you know of letters, diaries, photographs, or items related to this period, please contact the Archives through [lymepublichall@att.net](mailto:lymepublichall@att.net).*



Marker at Lyme grave site for a GAR member (Grand Army of the Republic), a Civil War veterans' fraternal organization, Post 9, Colchester

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

Office	Hours	Phone
Selectmen, Town Clerk	9:00 - 4:00*	434-7733
Building Inspector	By Appointment Tues. & Thur.	434-7733
Zoning Enforcement Officer	9:00 – 12:00 Mon. & Tues.	434-7733
Tax Collector	9:00 – 4:00, except Wed. (lunch 12:30 – 1:00)	434-8092
Assessor	9:00 – 4:00, except Thurs. (lunch 12:00 – 12:30)	434-8092
Lyme Consolidated School	8:00 – 4:00	434-1233
Public Health Nurse	By appointment	434-9003
Dog Warden	On Call	434-8239 or 434-8883
Public Library	Tues. & Thurs. 10:00 – 8:00 Wed. & Fri. 10:00 – 5:00 Sat. 10:00 – 4:00	434-2272
Refuse Disposal Area	9:00 – 12:00, 1:00 – 4:00 (Mon., Thurs., Sat.) Closed Holidays	
To request ETD Service (Dial a Ride for all)		388-1611
*Residents may apply for voting registration during these hours	Census 1960 - 1,183 Census 1990 – 1,944 Census 2000 – 2,016	

Street numbers should be displayed on all mailboxes or driveway entrances

### Emergency Number – 911

- To report a fire
- Police
- To call an ambulance

## FEE SCHEDULE

### Sewage Disposal System Permits

(includes application, administration, and inspection requirements)

#### Systems up to 1,999 gallon capacity:

New sewage system .....	\$150.00
Repair .....	\$50.00

#### Systems 2,000 gallon capacity or greater:

New sewage system.....	\$10.00 per 100 gallon capacity or part thereof
Repair .....	\$250.00

### Engineer Plan Review for Sewage Disposal Systems

Sewage system less than 2,000 gpd .....	\$100.00
Sewage system 2,000-4,999 gpd.....	\$250.00
Sewage system 5,000 gpd or greater.....	\$500.00

Well Permit .....	\$50.00
<b>Septic/Water Review Letter</b> (Septic/water review letters provide for verification of inspection of sewage disposal system condition and water supply for government or corporate subsidized property purchase programs)	
Letter .....	\$50.00

### Site Testing and Plan Review Subdivision

Per lot.....	\$150.00
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### Building Permits

1st \$1,000.....	\$15.00
Each additional \$1,000 (plus .26% state) .....	\$10.00
Permit renewal .....	\$10.00
Driveway bond for new driveways .....	\$1,000.00
Wood Stove Installation .....	\$10.00
Demolition Permits .....	\$10.00

<b>Certificate of Occupancy</b> .....	\$10.00
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### Planning Commission

Subdivisions – minimum (plus \$30.00 State fee) .....	\$150.00
Per lot – minimum .....	\$25.00

<b>ZBA Applications (Plus \$60.00 State fee)</b> .....	\$200.00
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<b>Zoning Application (Plus \$60.00 State fee)</b> .....	\$25.00
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<b>Coastal Area Management Site Plan (Plus \$60.00 State fee)</b> .....	\$50.00
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<b>Percolation Test</b> .....	\$10.00
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<b>Planning &amp; Zoning Regulations</b> .....	\$20.00
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<b>Inland Wetlands Regulations</b> .....	\$10.00
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<b>Inland Wetlands Permits (Plus \$60.00 State fee)</b> .....	fee varies
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### To Bulky Waste Haulers

Containers capable of holding up to 25 cubic yards .....	\$100.00
Containers holding or capable of holding up to 30 cubic yards .....	\$225.00
Containers holding or capable of holding over 30 cubic yards .....	\$350.00
Containers holding over 650 cubic yards will be charged \$5.00 per cubic yard. (Above minimum fee plus \$1.00 per tire, includes all trucks, 10 yards and over)	
Any unit containing freon.....	\$10.00
Tires (no rims) .....	\$2.00 - \$4.00
Truck Tires (no rims) .....	\$25.00
Mattress & box springs.....	\$15.00
Propane Tanks .....	\$2.00

Said fee shall become payable to the Town of Lyme upon disposal. Trip tickets must be filled out and signed by attendant. Trip tickets are available at the Lyme landfill. Commercial carriers are responsible for load and must take adequate precautions to preclude dumping of unacceptable materials. Metals must be deposited in designated areas.

Demolition materials (removal of building or fire damage) must have a special permit with fees to cover any additional cost to the Town of Lyme. Carriers must adhere to the hours posted. No paper goods, automobile salvage, oil or gas tanks, hazardous waste or other materials not classified as bulky waste may be deposited.

The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to make changes, as may be in the best interest of the Town of Lyme and the operating of a Bulky Waste area.

The Planning and Zoning Commission is responsible for production, administration and enforcement of the Town's plan of conservation and development, zoning regulations and subdivision regulations. There are a number of activities that require approval by the Commission before that activity can commence. An example is subdivision of land. In this example, Commission approval is a requirement of the Town's subdivision regulations and Connecticut law. See Bernie Gigliotti for fee schedule.

Over the past several years there has been a great increase in land use activities that has required varied permits and approvals. Concurrent with reviews of these activities the Commission has been involved in producing an up to date Lyme Plan of Development, and amending its Zoning and Subdivision Regulations. These have to be in compliance with the Tidal Wetlands Act, the Inland Wetlands Act, the Federal Flood Hazard Act, the Coastal Management Act, revision to the Public Health code and mandates from the Connecticut River Gateway Commission.

The increased complexity of the approval process has placed a greater burden on the applicant. The Commission Agent, the Zoning Enforcement Agent is available for guidance in these matters.

Appeals to the Zoning Board of Appeals may be made in accordance with instructions available from the Chairman of the Board, or from the Zoning Enforcement Officers. A public hearing will be scheduled in response to properly executed appeals, accompanied by a \$260 fee (\$200 town, \$60 state). Appeals should be received no later than the third Thursday of the previous month.

Passport applications may be processed through the Old Saybrook Post Office.

All motor boats must be registered with the State of Connecticut. Connecticut Motor Vehicle Department offices process these registrations.

Dogs must be registered during the month of June with licenses to be effective July 1st. Fees are \$8.00 for neutered dogs and \$19.00 for all unneutered dogs.

Dump stickers are available at the Town Hall and must be shown at the dump before entering.

Copies of Zoning and Subdivision Regulations and Inland Wetland Regulations are available at the Town Clerk's office (see fee schedule).

To obtain a burning permit, you must fill out an application at the Town Hall. Permits are usually processed with 24 hours.

The Estuary Region Household Hazardous Waste Facility is located in Essex on Dump Road, Exit 4 off Route 9. It is open seasonally on selected Saturdays May through October from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM rain or shine. This special chemical waste collection service is only for residents of the Connecticut River Estuary Region towns, which includes Lyme. There is no fee. Commercial waste is not accepted. For additional information contact CRERPA at (860)388-3497 or [www.crerpa@snet.net](mailto:www.crerpa@snet.net).

## MEETINGS

(At Town Hall unless notified otherwise)

- Board of Selectmen .....1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 3:30 PM
- Planning & Zoning Commission .....2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 PM
- Conservation & Inland  
Wetlands Commission .....3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM
- Zoning Board of Appeals.....3rd Thursday of each month at 7:30 PM
- Library Board (held at the library) .....4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM
- Cemetery Commission .....3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 PM
- Rogers Lake Authority .....2nd Tuesday in March, June, Sept. & Dec.  
(held at Lyme or Old Lyme Town Hall)
- Regional District 18 .....1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month  
(school location varies)
- Open Space Committee .....4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM
- Recreation Commission .....3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM
- Lymes' Senior Center Board of Directors .....3rd Monday of each month at 4:00 PM  
(held at the Lymes' Senior Center)

Received August 15th 1863  
Received from Henry S Lord  
three hundred & ten dollars for  
furnishing a substitute and  
agree to furnish his exempt  
papers or refund the money  
C. A. Cheney

An exemption from the Army for Henry Sill Lord of Brockway's Ferry was provided by his furnishing a substitute and \$300.



<b>Highways</b>			
	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Superintendent	56,504.00	57,198.84	(694.84)
Town Crew	125,849.00	120,232.14	5,616.86
Town Crew Benefits	20,061.00	19,863.71	197.29
Town Aid Roads			
Maintenance	492,163.00	357,876.87	134,286.13
General Maintenance	35,000.00	36,863.05	(1,863.05)
Snow and Ice Removal	30,000.00	40,009.51	(10,009.51)
Street Lighting	3,500.00	2,931.68	568.32
Street Signs	2,000.00	472.00	1,528.00
Garage Expense	1,000.00	455.00	545.00
Superintendent Expense	4,250.00	4,250.00	0.00
Tree Warden Expense	1,300.00	1,200.00	100.00
	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Sanitation</b>			
Landfill Costs	53,444.00	51,047.19	2,396.81
Tipping Fees	64,800.00	53,635.68	11,164.32
Sanitarian	22,599.00	22,598.64	0.36
Recycling	30,855.00	17,412.00	13,443.00
<b>Conservation of Health</b>			
Health Officer	750.00	1500.00	(750.00)
Visiting Nurses	4,000.00	4,796.60	(796.60)
Vital Statistics	75.00	0.00	75.00
<b>Welfare</b>			
TVCCA	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00
Women's Center	400.00	400.00	0.00
Family Service	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00
Regional Mental Health	116.00	116.00	0.00
Soup Kitchen	300.00	300.00	0.00
<b>Library</b>			
Library	122,211.00	120,216.77	1,994.23
<b>Recreation</b>			
Hartman Park	3,750.00	1,079.76	2,670.24
Park Maintenance	10,750.00	8,383.70	2,366.30
Recreation Commission	30,000.00	23,249.52	6,750.48
Rogers Lake Commission	6,610.00	3,164.05	3,445.95
Town Woods Property	22,739.00	24,122.08	(1,383.08)
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	356.00	644.00
Council of Small Towns	725.00	725.00	0.00
Soil Conservation	1,421.00	1,421.00	0.00
Moulson Fund	100.00	0.00	100.00
Data Processing	29,100.00	28,844.43	255.57
Contingent Account	2,000.00	650.75	1,349.25

8 Mile River Cemetery	4,600.00	3,971.72	628.28
Lyme Cemeteries	7,800.00	7,650.37	149.63
Dog Fund	5,000.00	4,305.66	694.34
CRERPA	5,100.00	4,963.53	136.47
CRERPA Seniors	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00
Lyme Youth Services	21,400.00	21,400.00	0.00
Elderly Housing	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00
Literacy Volunteers	600.00	600.00	0.00
CCM	1,326.00	1,326.00	0.00
Lymes' Senior Center	12,264.00	10,693.75	1,570.25
Open Space Reserve Fund	0.00	117,000.00	(117,000.00)
Sector	1,206.00	1,206.00	0.00
LCRPOB	100.00	0.00	100.00
2.5 Mill note	370,000.00	370,000.00	0.00
<b>Education</b>			
Education	5,544,823.00	5,524,057.00	20,766.00
Redemption of Debt – Interest			
2.5 Mill note - Interest	46,200.00	46,318.33	(118.33)
	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENSES</b>			
<b>General Office</b>			
Office Equipment	3,500.00	0.00	3,500.00
<b>Public Safety</b>			
Fire Truck Lease	72,599.00	72,598.14	0.86
Rescue Truck Lease	75,628.00	75,627.24	.76
Fire Company Equipment	26,550.00	24,527.70	2,022.30
<b>Sanitation</b>			
Site Improvement	20,000.00	389.00	19,611.00
<b>Highways</b>			
Highway Equipment	5,000.00	1,761.32	3,238.68
Firehouse-Garage	10,000.00	15,096.16	(5,096.16)
Town Truck	25,287.00	25,286.04	0.96
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Town Hall Improvements	7,500.00	0.00	7,500.00
Vital Records Restoral	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
Emergency Management	15,500.00	11,385.00	4,115.00
Town Woods Development	0.00	263.23	(263.23)
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>8,523,649.00</b>	<b>8,314,141.64</b>	

FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2009– JUNE 30, 2010

STATE AND TOWN OFFICERS

Office or Commission	Official or Member	Expiration
<b>Elected</b>		
First Selectman	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	Nov. 22, 2011
Second Selectman	Parker H. Lord	Nov. 22, 2011
Third Selectman	Steven E. Mattson	Nov. 22, 2011
Town Clerk	Ruth Perry	Jan. 2, 2012
Town Treasurer	William L. Hawthorne	Nov. 22, 2011
Tax Collector	Linda B. Ward	Nov. 22, 2011
Board of Finance	Gary H. Reynolds, Chairperson	Nov. 22, 2011
	Andrea S. Wing	Nov. 22, 2011
	Thomas S. Childs, Jr.	Nov. 19, 2013
	James McFarland	Nov. 19, 2013
	Thomas Boyd	Nov. 17, 2015
	Judith H. Duran	Nov. 17, 2015
Board of Finance Alternates	Eugenia L. West	Nov. 22, 2011
	David M. Brown, Sr.	Nov. 19, 2013
	Hugh Scott	Nov. 17, 2015
Board of Assessors	Debra A. Yeomans	Nov. 22, 2011
	Frederick Platt III, Chairperson	Nov. 19, 2013
	Madeleine H. Mattson	Nov. 17, 2015
	*Claire Sauer	
Board of Assessment Appeals	Joseph H. Rhodes III	Nov. 22, 2011
	Harry P. Broom, Jr., Chairperson	Nov. 19, 2013
	James W. McFarland	Nov. 17, 2015
Planning and Zoning Commission	Steven Mattson	Nov. 22, 2011
	E. Hunter Ward	Nov. 22, 2011
	Robert Winslow, Jr.	Nov. 22, 2011
	K. C. Mazer	Nov. 19, 2013
	Kelvin N. Tyler	Nov. 19, 2013
	Joan H. Rich	Nov. 17, 2015
	David Tiffany, Chairperson	Nov. 17, 2015
Zoning Board of Appeals	LeRay L. McFarland	Nov. 22, 2011
	Jack Sulger	Nov. 22, 2011
	Jeanne Rutigliano	Nov. 19, 2013
	Fred Harger	Nov. 17, 2015
	David Lahm, Chairperson	Nov. 17, 2015
Zoning Board of Appeals Alternates	Ross Byrne	Nov. 22, 2011
	Salvatore Caruso, Jr.	Nov. 19, 2013
	Ronald Wojcik	Nov. 17, 2015
Constables	Frederick Bliven	Nov. 22, 2011
	John M. King	Nov. 22, 2011
	Ronald Wojcik	Nov. 22, 2011

Lyme Public Library Directors	Janis T. Witkins	Nov. 22, 2011
	Susan C. Jewett	Nov. 22, 2011
	Susan Cole	Nov. 22, 2011
	James Benn	Nov. 19, 2013
	Marta F. Cone	Nov. 19, 2013
	Judith F. Lightfoot, Chairperson	Nov. 19, 2013
	Linnie L. Pickering	Nov. 17, 2015
	Bradford Moore Purcell	Nov. 17, 2015
	George Willauer	Nov. 17, 2015
Lyme Members of Regional District #18, Board of Education	James Patrick Witkins	Dec. 1, 2011
	Beth A. Jones	Dec. 1, 2013
Registrar of Voters	Dianne F. Ahlberg	Jan. 5, 2011
	Kathleen Gigliotti	Jan. 5, 2011
Judge of Probate	William T. Koch, Jr.	Jan. 1, 2011
State Representative 36th District	Marilyn Guiliano	Nov. 2010
State Senator 33rd District	Eileen Daily	Nov. 2010
<b>Appointed</b>		
Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission	Ben Kegley	Nov. 9, 2010
	Beverly Crowther	Nov. 9, 2010
	Roger Dill	Nov. 8, 2011
	Thomas Reynolds	Nov. 8, 2011
	Paul Armond, Chairperson	Nov. 13, 2012
	Frederick Bliven	Nov. 13, 2012
	Priscilla Hammond	Nov. 13, 2012
	*Aaron Reneson	
Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission Alternates	Susan Hessel	Nov. 9, 2010
	Steven Kurlansky	Nov. 8, 2011
Cemetery Commission	Gordon M. Krusen, Chairperson	April 15, 2011
	Nancy Roche	April 15, 2011
	Bruce Stark	April 15, 2011
	Ann Evans	April 15, 2012
	Kim Kanabis	April 15, 2012
	Marilyn Warren	April 15, 2012
	Diana Boehning	April 15, 2013
	Thomas Davies	April 15, 2013
	Christine Plikus	April 15, 2013
	*Barbara Gustafson	
	*Anne Littlefield	
Town Counsel	Kenneth M. McKeever	
Sanitarian	George P. Calkins	

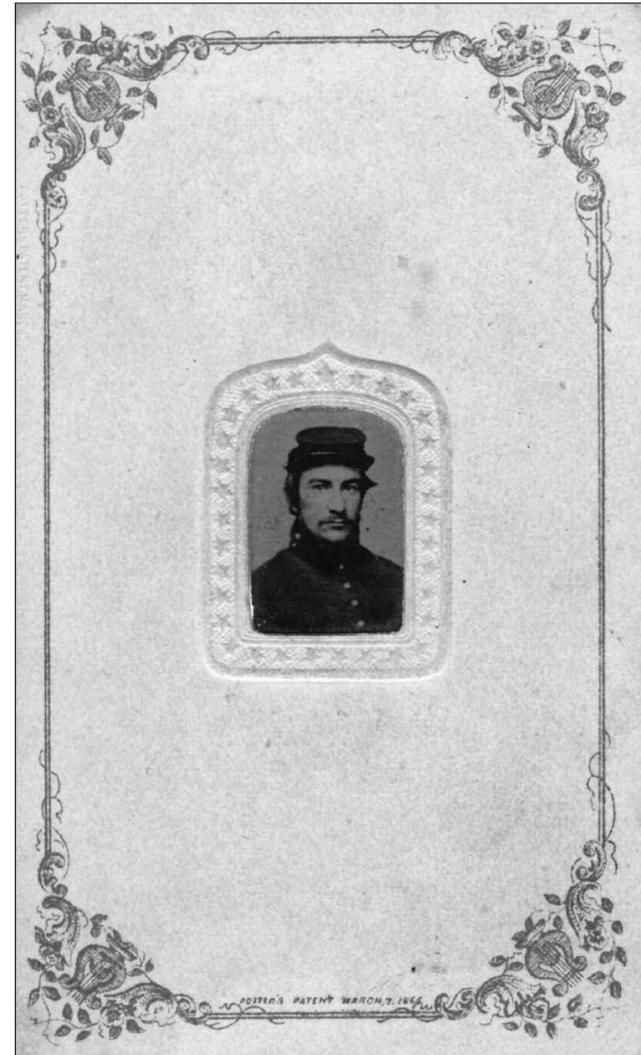
Zoning Enforcement Officer & Inland Wetlands Agent	Bernard Gigliotti	
Building Official	Ronald Rose	
Building Code Board of Appeals	Francis Roche	Nov. 30, 2010
	Roger Mayotte	Nov. 30, 2011
	Lee Duran	Nov. 30, 2012
	Roland Wright	Nov. 30, 2013
	vacancy	Nov. 30, 2014
Hadlyme Historic District	E. Russell Learned	Jan. 23, 2011
	Lisa Holmes	Jan. 23, 2012
	Gail Carmody	Jan. 23, 2013
	Susan Tyler	Jan. 23, 2014
	Richard Prowell, Chairperson	Jan. 23, 2015
Hadlyme Historic District Alternates	Steven Holmes, Alt.	Jan. 23, 2012
	William Horwath, Alt.	Jan. 23, 2012
	William Nadeau, Alt.	Jan. 23, 2012
	Thomas Richardson, Alt.	Jan. 23, 2012
	vacancy	Jan. 23, 2012
Rogers Lake Authority	Fredrik Holth	June 1, 2011
	Walter Buch	June 1, 2012
	Robert F. Roach	June 3, 2013
Recreation Commission	John Feeney	Jan. 15, 2011
	Peg Feeney	Jan. 15, 2011
	Heidi Meyer-Schumacher	Jan. 15, 2011
	Eric Schumacher	Jan. 15, 2011
	Jason Thornton, Chairperson	Jan. 15, 2011
	Kristen Thornton	Jan. 15, 2011
	Kathy Tisdale	Jan. 15, 2011
Estuary Transit District	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	Feb. 1, 2012
Affordable Housing Committee	Mac Godley	
	K. C. Mazer	
	Isabel Roberge	
	Tina West, Chairperson	
Tree Warden	Lars D. Anderson	June 30, 2011
Burning Officer	Gary Weed	
Emergency Management Director	Jeremy Burlingham	
	*Lee Watkins	
Civil Preparedness Assistant	David Roberge	
VSECI	John Evans	
Cable Advisory Council	Ellen Purcell	
CT Gateway Commission	Lisa Niccolai	June 30, 2012
	J. Melvin Woody, Alt.	June 30, 2012

Senior Center Board of Directors	Barbara Blackwell	June 30, 2011
	William Paradis	June 30, 2011
	Ruth Young	June 30, 2011
CT River Estuary Regional Planning Agency	Frank Skwarek	Feb. 1, 2012
Municipal Historian	vacancy	
Public Health Nurse	Interim Healthcare	
Water Pollution Control Authority	J. Melvin Woody	June 30, 2011
	David Cook	June 30, 2012
	J. Carter Courtney	June 30, 2013
Lyme Volunteer Fire Company Chief	Pete Adams	
Town Marine Officer	Robert F. Roach	
Trustee, Fire Co. Incentive Program	John Yeomans	
	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	
Municipal Agent for the Elderly	Linda A. Winzer	
Director of Health	Dana Cavicce., M.D.	Oct. 27, 2010
Dog Warden	Donald Griffith	
Southeastern CT Tourism District	vacancy	
Mental Health Catchment Area Council	Linda Camarra	Apr. 30, 2011
Open Space Committee	Paul Armond	June 1, 2011
	Anthony Irving	June 1, 2011
	Parker Lord	June 1, 2011
	Lucius Stark	June 1, 2011
	Templeton Brown	June 1, 2012
	Barbara David	June 1, 2012
	John Feeney	June 1, 2012
	Robert Winslow	June 1, 2012
Eight Mile River Coordinating Committee	Roger Dill	
	Parker Lord	
Pension Advisory Committee	Tom Childs	May 4, 2011
	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	May 4, 2011
	John Friday	May 4, 2011
	Steven E. Mattson	May 4, 2011
	John Yeomans	May 4, 2011
Justices of the Peace	Charlotte Beers	Jan. 7, 2013
	John S. Drahan	Jan. 7, 2013
	Fred William Harger	Jan. 7, 2013
	Patricia A. Harris	Jan. 7, 2013
	Steven E. Mattson	Jan. 7, 2013
	Gary Reynolds	Jan. 7, 2013

	Norman R. Rich	Jan. 7, 2013
	Jack F. Sulger, Jr.	Jan. 7, 2013
	Anthony J. Sullivan	Jan. 7, 2013
	Eleanor B. Sutton	Jan. 7, 2013
	Ronald J. Wojcik	Jan. 7, 2013
Fire Marshal	David Roberge	
Welfare Director	Linda A. Winzer	
Open Space Coordinator	Linda Bireley	
Harbor Master	Gary Reynolds	
Town Campus Center Advisory Committee	Jim Benn	March 2, 2011
	Theresa Conley	March 2, 2011
	Bernie Gigliotti	March 2, 2011
	Dan Hagen	March 2, 2011
	Richard Lightfoot	March 2, 2011
	Ruth Perry	March 2, 2011
	Jeanne Rutigliano	
Democratic Town Committee	Dianne Ahlberg	
	Paul Armond	
	Carolyn Bacdayan	
	Bill Boehning	
	Mary Ellen Caruso	
	Susan Cole	
	Toni Condron	
	Marta Cone	
	Pat Dumond	
	Fred Harger	
	Sue Hessel	
	Maddy Mattson, Secretary	
	Steven E. Mattson, Vice Chairman	
	LeRay McFarland, Chairman	
	Joan (Ning) Rich	
	Norman Rich	
	Claire Sauer, Treasurer	
	Ronald Wojcik	
	*Michael Bessie	
Republican Town Committee	Rowland Ballek. Chair	
	Thomas Boyd	
	David L. Cavicke	
	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	
	Donald C. Gerber	
	Priscilla Hammond	
	Jonathan Jewett, Treasurer	
	William T. Koch	
	David Lahm	
	Kevin C. Mazer	

Ruth Perry, Secretary  
 Gary Reynolds  
 David J. Tiffany, Vice Chair  
 John J. Tiffany, II  
 James Witkins  
 Debra Yeomans

\*Indicates member sometime during fiscal year, but not at close of fiscal year



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## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

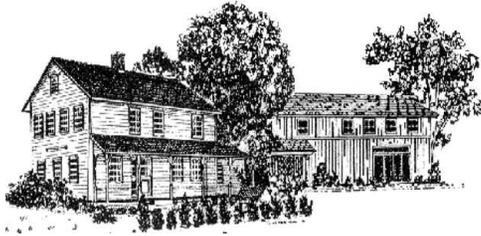
Habitat completed the build in Hadlyme on the Lyme Compact's lot with flying colors - green and LEED Gold to be exact. This was Habitat of SECT's first build to try for LEED certification for sustainable building practices - they were trying for Silver and only just missed Platinum - congratulations! Thanks again to Lyme's generous donors and to the Men of Lyme for enabling the Lyme Compact to buy the lot, and a warm welcome to the Walshes.

With the minimum cost of an affordable house at about \$150,000, many families would be better off buying a house outright in the open real estate market, unless they much prefer to live in Lyme. The Lyme Compact will continue to look for appropriate lots - and to give landowners a possible tax opportunity - in order to encourage young local families.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina West, *Chairman*

## LYMES' YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU

59 Lyme Street ~ P.O. Box 589, Old Lyme, CT 06371, 434-7208 [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org)



The Lymes' Youth Service Bureau (LYSB) proudly serves as the primary youth serving organization for our town. LYSB promotes positive youth development through programs and services to children and families in Old Lyme and Lyme. Founded in 1978 by a group of concerned citizens, LYSB is one of 100 Youth Service Bureaus in Connecticut. Most YSBs are municipal agencies, however LYSB is one of only a handful of private bureaus and therefore relies on the generous support of the community for nearly one half of our budget. We are grateful to the Town of Old Lyme for their municipal support and we enjoy collaborating with the town and schools on a variety of programs.

The LYSB playgroups are popular programs where children and their caregivers can make new friends and find support. Parents learn from each other, share ideas, and develop a network. Many lifelong friendships are forged at LYSB. We offer a full schedule of groups, based on the child's age.

LYSB continues to collaborate with our local prevention coalition *Community Action for Substance Free Youth* (CASFY). This group is comprised of community leaders, parents, teachers, and students that advocate and support our youth through education, communication, and participation. CASFY's goal is to reduce substance abuse among the youth of Lyme and Old Lyme and to positively affect the culture of student life. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at LYSB at 7:00 p.m. and welcome attendance from any members of the community.

In December of 2009, we gave a survey to students in grades 7 through 12 to assess their attitudes and behaviors regarding alcohol and drugs. Results from this survey and more information about CASFY are available on the LYSB website [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org).

At LYSB students can relax in a safe and supervised environment after school. We offer games, snacks, homework help and friendship. Please visit our website [www.lysb.org](http://www.lysb.org) or stop by our offices at 59 Lyme Street to learn about the youth programs we offer including:

- Playgroups for babies and toddlers, including music and Spanish
- Parent education
- After school programs
- Counseling
- Social services referrals
- Community service groups
- Prevention programs
- Summer programs
- Special events

### LYSB Board of Directors

Susan Fader  
Jeff Graybill  
Sue Jette, Vice Chairman  
Christopher Macadam  
Jackie Manthous  
Maddy Mattson, Vice Chairman  
Tammy McAraw, Secretary  
Keith McCarthy  
Laura Mooney, Chairman  
Julie O'Brien  
Dyanne Rafal

Bonnie Reemsnyder  
Tom Richardson, Treasurer  
Kelsey Riggs, Youth Member  
Emily Roberts  
Amanda Rutledge  
Donna Scott  
Dylan Soares, Youth Member  
Doreen Thomas  
Suzanne Thompson  
Wendy Visgilio  
Richard Ward

### LYSB Staff

Mary V. Seidner, *Director*  
Arleen C. Sharp, *Parent Resource Administrative Supervisor, CPAT - Parent Educator*  
Missy Colburn, *Youth Programs Coordinator*  
Natasha Kennedy, *LCSW, Youth and Family Counselor*  
Karen Fischer, *Prevention Coordinator*  
Marcia Leverone, *Office Manager*

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary V. Seidner, *Director*

## BOARD OF FINANCE

Lyme continues to be in good fiscal condition. Tax collections continue at a rate of nearly 100% thanks in no small part to the hard work of Linda Ward, our tax collector. Current economic conditions continue to be challenging, but we remain optimistic that collections will continue as in the past. August 2010 will be the sixth payment on the open spaces at Mt. Archer Farms; August 2011 will be the final payment.

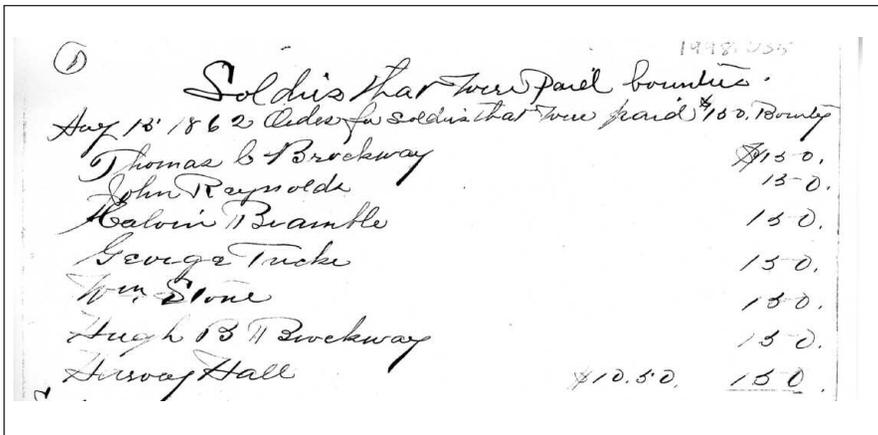
The Regional School District and its building projects continue to challenge the budget. This year we had an unexpected increase in our student count which increased our share of the budget. We continue to work closely with our representative and have a sub-committee led by Jim McFarland that works with the budget and the building committee.

Once again we have omitted the complete auditor's report with its clean opinion. This reduces the cost of printing and makes the annual report more readable. If you would like the complete report, copies are available at the Town Hall.

Our annual budget work begins in February. We will meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month until the process is complete in late May. Meetings are at the Hamburg Fire Station starting at 7:30 PM. Please check the posting at the Town Hall or on the Town web site as dates may change.

A special word of thanks goes to the selectmen and members of various boards and commissions for creating reasonable budget requests and being easy to work with.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary H. Reynolds, *Chairman*



Partial list showing the first of 32 men to receive a bounty for enlistment from the Town, ranging, from \$150 to \$1300 by 1865.

## SUMMARY OF THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

DESCRIPTION	Actual 2008-2009	Amended 2009-2010	Proposed 2010-2011
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$1,235,036	\$959,207	\$655,593
REVENUES			
General Property tax	7,466,265	7,522,746	8,024,451
All Other Revenues	<u>810,324</u>	<u>558,446</u>	<u>737,360</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>8,276,589</u>	<u>8,081,192</u>	<u>8,761,811</u>
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	<u>9,511,625</u>	<u>9,040,399</u>	<u>9,417,404</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Operating Expense	8,060,398	8,118,242	8,409,417
Capital Expense	<u>492,020</u>	<u>266,564</u>	<u>696,906</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>8,552,418</u>	<u>8,384,806</u>	<u>9,106,323</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCE	<u>\$959,207</u>	<u>\$655,593</u>	<u>\$311,081</u>

### BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

INCOME DETAIL	Actual 2008-2009	Amended 2009-2010	Proposed 2010-2011
TAXES, INTEREST, & LIEN FEES			
General Property Taxes	\$7,466,265	\$7,522,746	\$8,024,451
Tax Refund and Rebate	\$0	\$0	(\$3,000)
Interest & Lien Fees	<u>39,324</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$7,505,589</u>	<u>\$7,542,746</u>	<u>\$8,041,451</u>
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Mooring Permits	\$2,120	\$2,000	\$2,000
Building Permits	40,286	30,000	30,000
Conveyance Tax	69,779	35,000	35,000
Other Licenses & Permits	<u>5,735</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>3,500</u>
TOTAL LICENSES & PERMITS	<u>\$117,920</u>	<u>\$70,000</u>	<u>\$70,500</u>
FINES, FEES & CHARGES			
ZBA Fees	\$1,600	\$1,000	\$1,000
P&Z Fees	1,920	750	1,000
Hadlyme Hist. Dist.	0	23,600	0
Waste Disposal Fees	880	1,000	750
News/Recycl Profit Share	16,214	10,000	0
Town Clerk Fees	19,814	12,000	15,000
Refunds & Rebates	2,125	1,500	1,500
Visiting Nurse Receipts	577	500	500
Miscellaneous	6,671	25,000	5,000
Affordable Housing	3,750	3,000	3,000
Park & Rec Fees	<u>3,210</u>	<u>15,475</u>	<u>7,500</u>
TOTAL FINES, FEES & CHARGES	<u>\$56,761</u>	<u>\$93,825</u>	<u>\$35,250</u>

<b>INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE</b>			
Supplemental Municipal Aid	\$18,671	\$6,892	\$7,060
Town Aid Roads	88,916	65,205	88,927
Education Equal. Grant	147,156	145,556	145,556
Pilot State prop/C&H	23,064	19,820	16,356
Emergency Management	36,663	20,000	20,000
Tax Relief-Homeowners	14,437	10,000	10,000
Tax Relief-Veterans	435	500	500
Miscellaneous Grants	9,825	5,000	13,000
Boating Safety	6,780	6,780	3,474
Local Cap. Improv. Prog.	51,130	10,000	35,887
STEAP Grant	<u>23,834</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL</b>	<b><u>\$420,911</u></b>	<b><u>\$289,753</u></b>	<b><u>\$340,760</u></b>
<b>REVENUE FROM USE TOWN MONEY</b>			
Cemetery Trust Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0
Eight Mile Cemetery	0	12,400	12,400
Interest on Investments	<u>57,923</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE FROM USE</b>	<b><u>\$57,923</u></b>	<b><u>\$62,400</u></b>	<b><u>\$22,400</u></b>
<b>OTHER REVENUES</b>			
Tel. Access Grant	\$18,709	\$18,718	\$18,700
Cap Non-Recurr. Fund	62,000	0	229,000
Hartman Park	0	3,750	3,750
Miscellaneous	36,776	0	0
<b>TOTAL OTHER REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$117,485</u></b>	<b><u>\$22,468</u></b>	<b><u>\$251,450</u></b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b><u>\$8,276,598</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,081,192</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,761,811</u></b>

	<b>Actual 2008-2009</b>	<b>Amended 2009-2010</b>	<b>Proposed 2010-2011</b>
<b>EXPENSE DETAIL</b>			
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>			
Selectmen's Office	\$59,723	\$64,822	\$66,280
Town Clerk's Office	48,199	48,542	48,889
Board of Finance	550	2,000	2,000
Tax Collector's Office	36,085	40,627	41,079
Assessor's Office	44,736	51,875	51,399
Revaluation	93,308	15,000	15,000
Town Treasurer	8,186	8,405	8,557
Election Expenses	10,152	13,008	14,158
Board of Assessment Appeals	0	250	250
Planning & Zoning Comm.	14,918	15,000	13,500
Zoning Board of Appeals	4,861	7,000	6,000
Zoning Office	29,584	30,412	30,980
Harbor Maintenance	2,500	2,600	2,500
Conservation Commission	2,445	7,400	7,000
Pollution Control	1,331	1,340	1,340
Probate Court	231	750	750

Auditor's Expense	19,600	20,800	24,000
Town Counsel	9,430	15,000	12,500
Town Report	6,027	7,500	7,500
General Insurance	72,864	76,000	74,491
Workmen's Comp.	22,303	23,000	23,700
Health Insurance	158,960	145,771	169,912
FICA	43,956	43,944	44,986
Retirement	38,626	41,666	42,378
Town Hall Expense	28,143	35,000	31,000
Heat & Fuel	64,548	51,004	59,420
Affordable Housing	0	750	750
Elderly	6,623	6,822	6,959
Transportation Dist.	2,740	1,907	1,716
Hadlyme Hist. Dist.	<u>1,080</u>	<u>24,000</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T</b>	<b><u>\$831,709</u></b>	<b><u>\$802,195</u></b>	<b><u>\$809,004</u></b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>			
Fire Marshall	\$4,590	\$5,500	\$5,500
Fire Company	54,921	48,550	51,650
VSECI	31,593	32,883	31,831
Complex Maintenance	19,034	16,350	14,500
Public Safety Utilities	22,163	19,500	20,000
Police	5,299	10,000	10,000
Emergency Management	11,575	5,500	5,000
Building Inspector	20,170	21,000	21,060
Hazardous Waste	5,942	8,495	8,038
Public Safety Pension	<u>57,716</u>	<u>71,571</u>	<u>68,490</u>
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY</b>	<b><u>\$233,003</u></b>	<b><u>\$239,349</u></b>	<b><u>\$236,069</u></b>
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>			
Superintendent	\$58,826	\$56,504	\$57,632
Town Crew	122,388	125,849	128,360
Town Crew Benefits	19,428	20,061	19,860
Town Aid Roads Maint.	398,630	356,570	257,135
General Maintenance	39,394	35,000	40,000
Snow & Ice Removal	50,792	30,000	40,000
Street Lighting	3,048	3,500	3,500
Street Signs	668	2,000	1,500
Garage Expense	1,494	1,000	1,000
Superintendent Expense	4,250	4,250	4,250
Tree Warden Expense	<u>1,200</u>	<u>1,300</u>	<u>1,300</u>
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAYS</b>	<b><u>\$700,118</u></b>	<b><u>\$636,034</u></b>	<b><u>\$554,537</u></b>
<b>SANITATION</b>			
Landfill Costs	\$53,293	\$53,444	\$53,723
Tipping Fees	59,212	64,800	65,550
Sanitarian	21,940	22,599	23,051
Recycling	<u>28,902</u>	<u>30,855</u>	<u>18,284</u>
<b>TOTAL SANITATION</b>	<b><u>\$163,347</u></b>	<b><u>\$171,698</u></b>	<b><u>\$160,608</u></b>

CONSERVATION OF HEALTH			
Health Officer	\$750	\$750	\$750
Visiting Nurses	2,805	4,000	4,500
Vital Statistics	0	75	75
TOTAL HEALTH	<u>\$3,555</u>	<u>\$4,825</u>	<u>\$5,325</u>
WELFARE			
Women's Center	\$500	\$400	\$500
T.V.C.C.A.	289	1,000	1,000
Soup Kitchen	0	300	500
Family Service	3,500	3,500	3,500
Reg. Mental Health	116	116	116
TOTAL WELFARE	<u>\$4,405</u>	<u>\$5,316</u>	<u>\$5,616</u>
LIBRARY			
TOTAL LIBRARY EXPENSE	<u>\$121,536</u>	<u>\$122,211</u>	<u>\$133,372</u>
RECREATION			
Hartman Park	\$389	\$3,750	\$3,750
Park Maintenance	8,150	10,750	10,750
Recreation Commission	11,715	30,000	28,450
Rogers Lake Commission	15,383	6,610	11,985
Town Woods Property	19,552	22,739	21,500
TOTAL RECREATION	<u>\$55,189</u>	<u>\$73,849</u>	<u>\$76,435</u>
MISCELLANEOUS			
Miscellaneous	\$1,192	\$1,000	\$0
Council of Sm. Towns	725	725	725
CT River Cons. Dist.	1,421	1,421	1,421
Moulson Fund	0	100	100
Contingent Account	0	2,000	2,000
Data Processing	21,681	26,600	21,100
8 Mile River Cemetery	4,427	4,600	5,400
Lyme Cemeteries	6,608	7,800	7,000
Dog Fund	4,855	5,000	5,000
CRERPA	5,012	5,100	5,900
CRERPA Seniors	9,000	9,000	9,000
Lyme Youth Services	20,800	21,400	22,000
Elderly Housing	1,500	1,500	1,500
Literacy Volunteers	600	600	600
CCM	1,326	1,326	1,326
L/OL Senior Center	6,401	12,264	11,314
Secter	1,250	1,206	1,206
LRCPOB	0	100	100
Brevillier Challenge	5,000	0	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	<u>\$91,798</u>	<u>\$101,742</u>	<u>\$95,692</u>

EDUCATION			
District #18 Expense	<u>\$5,440,338</u>	<u>\$5,544,823</u>	<u>\$5,916,359</u>
REDEMPTION OF DEBT - INTEREST			
General Obligation Bonds Interest	<u>\$60,400</u>	<u>\$46,200</u>	<u>\$31,400</u>
REDEMPTION OF DEBT - PRINCIPAL			
General Obligation Bonds Principal	<u>\$355,000</u>	<u>\$370,000</u>	<u>\$385,000</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	<u>\$8,060,398</u>	<u>\$8,118,242</u>	<u>\$8,409,417</u>
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Amended</b>	<b>Proposed</b>
	<b>2008-2009</b>	<b>2009-2010</b>	<b>2010-2011</b>
CAPITAL EXPENSE			
General Government			
Office Equipment	<u>\$3,010</u>	<u>\$3,500</u>	<u>\$0</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	<u>\$3,010</u>	<u>\$3,500</u>	<u>\$0</u>
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Fire Truck Lease	\$72,598	\$72,599	\$72,599
Rescue Truck Lease	75,539	75,628	75,628
Fire Company Equipment	27,774	26,550	26,600
Hadlyme Firehouse	0	0	2,340
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	<u>\$175,911</u>	<u>\$174,777</u>	<u>\$177,167</u>
SANITATION			
Site Improvement	\$40,531	\$20,000	\$0
TOTAL SANITATION	<u>\$40,531</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>
HIGHWAYS			
Bridges	\$0	\$0	\$140,000
Highway Equipment	0	5,000	105,000
Firehouse-Garage	43,239	10,000	0
Town Trucks	25,286	25,287	149,739
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	<u>\$68,525</u>	<u>\$40,287</u>	<u>\$394,739</u>
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Hall Improvements	\$86,951	\$7,500	\$25,000
Local Capital Improvement	0	0	50,000
Vital Rec. Restoral	0	5,000	3,000
Emergency Management	16,619	15,500	15,000
L/OL Senior Center	473	0	2,000
Open Space/Reserve Fund	50,000	0	30,000
Capital Nonrecurring Fund	50,000	0	0
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	<u>\$204,043</u>	<u>\$28,000</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSE	<u>\$492,020</u>	<u>\$266,564</u>	<u>\$696,906</u>

	Actual 2008-2009	Amended 2009-2010	Proposed 2010-2011
<b>GENERAL BUDGET SUMMARY</b>			
TOTAL INCOME	\$8,276,589	\$8,081,192	\$8,761,811
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	8,060,398	8,118,242	8,409,417
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENSE	492,020	266,564	696,906
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$8,552,418	\$8,384,806	\$9,106,323
PLAN SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	<u>(\$275,829)</u>	<u>(\$303,614)</u>	<u>(\$344,512)</u>

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Finance, Town of Lyme  
 Gary Reynolds, *Chairman*  
 Thomas Boyd, *Clerk*

The audited financial report for the year ended June 30, 2009  
 is available at the Town Hall.

### LYME CEMETERY COMMISSION

In many respects Lyme cemetery activities in Fiscal '10 were extensions of those reported in detail in previous Annual Reports. Major tree work by Tom Lomas & crew and extensive work by several volunteer work parties largely completed the three-year rehab of Selden/Cedar Grove, with immensely reduced threat of damage by storms, removal of heaps of brush and years of debris, the "opening up" of the area with better visibility of the headstones, hopeful beginnings of a future semi-lawn, and the prospect of less rigorous ongoing maintenance. Joshuatown and Marvin were also the beneficiaries of work parties, and the attentions of the cemetery "Stewards" program detailed last year. Special thanks to the Lyme Garden Club for planting the line of spring bulbs along the front edge of Marvin that resulted in a spectacular display. Parker Lord led a heroic crew that managed to remove the Japanese barberry scourge that had completely overgrown Brockway. Kudos to A. John Plikus Jr. and helpers who braved the brambles and poison ivy to clear away years of accumulation of rampant brush, debris, and overhanging limbs to reclaim the south boundary of the lawn at Eight Mile River, and who performed much-needed pruning of the Bradford Pear trees and the overgrown shrubs at the entrance.

Praises due once again for Jim Beers, Tom Davies, and Bruce Stark for all the effort researching and placing flags for Memorial Day at the hundreds of Veteran gravesites throughout the cemeteries, this year augmented by the acquisition of 48 new Veteran flag holders. They are working on a data base for the gravesites, and are planning a series of mini-histories, one for each cemetery.

Special thanks are due Ed Vroman of Shelley Brothers Monuments in Branford for the well-attended seminar on headstone resetting and repair that he presented at Selden on May 1st. In several hours of hands-on demonstration, he showed how to properly straighten and reset fallen headstones and memorials, as well as the techniques of hopefully re-attaching broken segments.

On the administrative side, the new revised Rules and Regulations for the Eight Mile River Cemetery---several years in production-- were finally approved by the Selectmen and the Town Counsel, published as effective January 1, 2010, and given public notice in local

media. A handsome new notice board constructed by Howard Beers was erected at the head of the entrance driveway, with weather-proof boxes to contain copies for the taking. Additional copies are available at the Town Clerk's Office and the Library. Preeminent in importance among the many changes from the former Rules are those concerning decoration of gravesites (featured in the notice board), and new plot arrangements for cremation remains receptacles. We hope the new Rules will greatly help implement our mission: "To serve the residents of Lyme by providing a cemetery dedicated to their needs for interment, solace, and veneration." Contact the Chairman at 860 434-1564 for further information.

In Fiscal '10 there were 5 standard plots and 1 cremation plot sold, and 3 interments. For the record (omitted from last year's report) in Fiscal '09 there were 10 standard and 6 cremation plots sold, and 6 interments.

The current Cemetery Commission members are Diana Boehning, Tom Davies, Ann Evans, Kim Kanabis, Gordon Krusen (Chairman), Christine Plikus, Nancy Roche, Bruce Stark, and Marilyn Warren (Secretary).

Respectfully submitted,  
 Gordon Krusen, *Chairman*

### THE CONNECTICUT RIVER ESTUARY REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY

The Connecticut River Estuary Regional Planning Agency (CRERPA) is in its 43rd year of planning for the nine-town Estuary region. CRERPA consists of two representatives from each member town, one representing the Board of Selectmen and the other representing the Planning Commission. The CRERPA Board meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Agency office in the Saybrook Junction Marketplace. Our current Chairman is Bruce Edgerton of Deep River.

CRERPA has a staff of 8 full and part-time employees. Independent consultants are occasionally contracted on an as need basis. CRERPA is supported financially from a variety of federal, state and local sources. A significant portion of the CRERPA budget continues to be the annual contribution of its member towns, with other major support coming from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, the State Office of Policy and Management, the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, and the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

#### REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CRERPA helps its member towns work together voluntarily to solve common problems affecting the Estuary Region. During the year, CRERPA provided staff support and meeting space for several area organizations including the following:

**The Connecticut River Estuary Metropolitan Planning Organization:** The CREMPO Board includes: the nine chief elected officials and their alternates, a CRERPA board representative and alternate, and a representative from the Estuary Transit District. CREMPO provides executive oversight for transportation state and federal transportation funding within the region, planning and regional projects. During 2009, CRERPA and CREMPO made significant progress on transportation preparedness for emergency response during disasters; including a special project for a geo-spatial transportation database for the 30 towns in DEMHS Region 2; planning for integrated transportation for pedestrians, bicyclists, public bus passengers, rail, and automobile; work on trail systems, and freight planning.

Although designated as an urban area, the region is characterized by small town centers separated by rural scenic areas and roadways. The need for alternative transportation, more efficient use of the automobile and inter-modal planning remains an important goal of the region even with limited funding opportunities. The most promising work is with the small public transit system, including expansion of the Estuary Transit District with connections to Middletown's public bus service and streamlined service to New London's rail station. The planning for rail parking, and expansion, transit oriented development regulations, and expansion of Shoreline East service is another high priority.

**The Lower Connecticut Valley Selectman's Association (LCVSA)**, brings the chief elected officials of the region together monthly to discuss common interests, including transportation, elderly services, solid waste disposal and recycling. The LCVSA oversees the operation of a regional household hazardous waste collection facility in Essex and is involved in emergency planning efforts. First Selectman Michael Pace of Old Saybrook is the LCVSA Chairman.

Janice Ehle/Meyer serves as the CRERPA Recycling, Environmental Education, and HHW Coordinator. Janice organizes and manages the Household Hazardous Waste and electronics collections at the regional facility in Essex operated by CRERPA on behalf of the nine towns.

**The Connecticut River Gateway Commission**, which meets monthly at the CRERPA office, was established in 1973 by State Statute to protect the scenic and environmental qualities of the Lower Connecticut River through a compact among the eight towns that border the River estuary. The Commission participates in the acquisition of land and easements for conservation purposes. Gateway member towns have agreed to adopt common zoning standards for development in the State designated Gateway Area.

#### REGIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES

**Local Technical Assistance:** A major component of CRERPA's work program is technical assistance to individual member towns including review and comment on inter-municipal referrals for zoning applications, zone changes, subdivisions or as required by statute. CRERPA staff is available to answer questions or conduct research on land use and planning for local officials as requested.

**GIS and Environmental Planning:** CRERPA, with support from Eastern Connecticut Resource Conservation and Development Area, establishes and serves as the coordinator for the Lower Connecticut River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange (LTE), an informal organization whose members include: Chester Land Trust, Clinton Land Conservation Trust, Deep River Land Trust, Essex Land Trust, Lyme Land Conservation Trust, Old Lyme Land Conservation Trust, Old Saybrook Land Trust, Westbrook Land Conservation Trust, Haddam Land Trust, East Haddam Land Trust, Middlesex County Land Trust, Connecticut River Land Trust, and Salem Land Trust. CRERPA and the LTE have embraced and participates in the Wildlands and Woodlands initiative to further the burgeoning New England wide landscape scale preservation, conservation, and development vision.

CRERPA has begun a study to create a Viewshed Education Model for the land use commissions of CRERPA and Connecticut River Gateway member towns. The study began in the Spring with a survey of the Commissions to assess the attitudes and perceptions of the Commissioners towards viewshed protection on a local and regional scale, but also designed to encourage them to think about what viewsheds within their towns and the region they feel are important and why. The study will conclude with a report back to the Commissions which will include the results of the survey, examples of existing Connecticut viewsheds regulations, and a representative regional geographic information system (GIS) viewshed model.

**The Estuary Transit District:** (ETD) was established in 1981, with the help of CRERPA, to provide public transportation in the Region. In July, 2003, CRERPA successfully transferred administration of the program to an independent office for the Estuary Transit District. CRERPA provides transportation planning services for the district.

**Harbor Management:** Studies funded by the CTDEP and NOAA enable CRERPA to be involved with several of the Harbor Management Commissions that exist on the lower river valley. CRERPA has also been involved in the guidance of a multi town effort to develop standards for private residential docks in the lower river.

**Kayak and Canoe Trails:** CRERPA provides education materials for canoers and kayakers through their Connecticut River Estuary Canoe and Kayak Trail program. This very popular service includes the trail map series of maps for waters of Old Lyme, Essex, Deep River and Old Saybrook. Free laminated trail guides can be found in local libraries, town halls, the DEP Marine Headquarters, at the CRERPA office in Old Saybrook, and online at the CRERPA website ([www.crerpa.org](http://www.crerpa.org)).

**Emergency Management Planning:** The agency continues to work with the Valley Shore Emergency Management Association (VSEMA) to facilitate their emergency planning goals with GIS, financial services, and grant writing support. Jean Davies represents the interests of the CRERPA region on the DEMHS Region 2 Emergency Planning Team for emergency planning, sheltering, and evacuation.

**Community Garden:** The agency now offers to the Estuary region a chance to purchase a seasonal plot and garden. The community garden is behind the Pratt House in Essex. The 10 x 10 plots are in full sun and fully fenced. The soil is prepared with manure and turned, ready to plant. Classes are offered throughout the year on garden issues.

CRERPA staff continues to assist member towns with local open space plans, which serve as building blocks for a regional greenway plan. The greenway plan will be part of the background work for the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development Board Members as of June 30, 2009:

CHESTER	Sally Murray
CLINTON	Alan Kravitz.
DEEP RIVER	Bruce Edgerton, Chairman; Rob Wylie, Treasurer
ESSEX	Robert Laundry
KILLINGWORTH	Stephanie Warren, Jere Adametz
LYME	Ning Rich
OLD LYME	Jane Marsh, Vice Chairman
OLD SAYBROOK	Karen Jo Marcolini, Richard Tietjen
WESTBROOK	William Neale, Secretary; Lee Bridgewater

CRERPA STAFF: Linda Krause, *Executive Director*; J. H. Torrance Downes, *Senior Planner*; L. Jean Davies, AICP, *Principal Planner*; Margot Burns, *Environmental Planner*; Janice Ehle-Meyer, *Recycling Coordinator*; Dorothy Papp, *Financial Administrator*; Pat Anthony, *Office Manager*.

# CONNECTICUT RIVER GATEWAY COMMISSION

## HISTORY

In 1973, the Connecticut Legislature recognized the Lower Connecticut River Valley as one of the State's most important natural, recreational and scenic areas, and authorized establishment of the Connecticut River Gateway Commission. In July 1974, the Commission became operational with eight eligible towns, two regional planning agencies and the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection participating.

The Gateway Conservation Zone is about 30 miles long and includes those portions of its eight member towns (Chester, Deep River, East Haddam, Essex, Haddam, Lyme, Old Lyme and Old Saybrook, including the Borough of Fenwick) within view of the river. Since 1973, this area has been recognized as a unique area. The Nature Conservancy has designated the lower Connecticut River as one of its "Last Great Places"; the river's tidelands were recognized as an "internationally significant" habitat for waterfowl under the terms of the international Ramsar Convention; the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior has recognized the Lower Connecticut River Valley as "one of the most important ecological landscapes" in the United States; and in 1999, the River was designated as one of 14 American Heritage Rivers by the President of the United States. The State Greenways Council designated the Gateway Conservation Zone as an official State Greenway in 2007.

## SCENIC PRESERVATION RESPONSIBILITIES

While other organizations have concerned themselves with natural ecological systems in the river valley, this Commission has concentrated its attention on the protection of key lands along the river that contribute to the valley's scenic qualities. Since its inception, the Commission has worked with others to protect well over 1,000 acres of land through over \$1 million in gifts or purchase of scenic easements, development rights and fee simple titles. These are located in all eight towns, ranging from the estuarine marshes of Old Lyme to the heights of Mount Tom in East Haddam. In recent years, the Commission assisted the Old Saybrook Land Trust with a portion of the funding for purchase of property along the Old Saybrook waterfront, acquisition of the Roger Tory Peterson property in Old Lyme and has committed to funding toward the purchase of a riverfront parcel in the Town of Chester. In East Haddam, the Gateway Commission is in the process of donating a large parcel of Gateway-owned conservation land to the East Haddam Land Trust.

## LAND USE OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES

Another significant role assigned to the Gateway Commission by the 1973 legislation is establishment of common zoning standards for height, setback, lot coverage and the like, which member towns have agreed to adopt and enforce within the Gateway Conservation Zone. At its monthly meetings, the Commission reviews and acts on zone changes, regulations changes and variance applications affecting land within the Conservation Zone referred to it by local boards and commissions. No zone change or change in regulations affecting land within the Conservation Zone can become effective without the Commission's approval.

The Gateway Commission officially amended its zoning standards on February 26, 2004. Revisions include a new requirement for a vegetative buffer area along the riverfront, clarification of limitations on the height of structures, and greater emphasis on blending new structures with existing topography and landscaping. In order to accomplish these goals, local Planning & Zoning Commissions are now responsible for conducting Special Permit reviews for structures in excess of 4,000 square feet in total area in order to understand and mitigate

adverse impacts of such large development on the "natural and traditional riverway scene". As a courtesy, the Gateway Commission, through staff, offers to review these applications on behalf of the local Commissions at their own cost. These standards respond to continuing concerns over highly visible, large, new homes along the river bank and in the upland hills facing the river, as well as extensive tree-cutting for new development or new views for existing development.

As of June 30, 2010, Gateway member towns of Chester, Deep River, East Haddam, Haddam, Lyme, Old Lyme and Old Saybrook have incorporated the new standards into their zoning regulations as required by State Statute. Essex is the only outstanding Gateway member town required to adopt the new standards.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

In an extension of the original 2004 Dock Study and Resource Sensitivity Index (<http://www.crerpa.org/riversound.php>), J. H. Torrance Downes assisted the Old Lyme Harbor Management Commission in developing and adopting standards for private residential docks to be included within their local Harbor Management Plan. These landmark local standards are the first of their kind to be approved by the DEP in the State of Connecticut.

With support from an EPA grant and the Gateway Commission and after much research, Judy Preston of Tidewater Institute has succeeded in developing standards for the enhanced protection of the riparian buffer areas that border the Connecticut River, its tributaries and associated wetlands. The Gateway Commission is presently reviewing their work program to determine when to recommend the adoption of the riparian buffer standards by the Gateway member towns. When adopted, the new standards will provide increased management of these important buffer areas.

3D modeling through the use of Sketch Up and Google Earth continues to be utilized by the Commission, and staff continues working with the Pictometry data and software provided by the State. These tools allow the Gateway Commission to expand the integration of GIS technology into their conservation efforts in order to protect the "natural and traditional riverway scene" of the Connecticut River, one of the Commission's primary missions.

CRERPA environmental planner, Margot Burns has begun a collaboration of land trusts within the lower Connecticut River – the Lower Connecticut River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange (LTE) - with an eye toward a greater alliance and coordination amongst the trusts. The goal is to increase conservation effectiveness through regional collaboration without losing individual autonomy. The Gateway Commission's sister land trust – the Connecticut River Land Trust – participates in the alliance work. Find out about the Exchange at [www.crerpa.org/LandTrustCollaboration](http://www.crerpa.org/LandTrustCollaboration).

Finally, as a part of the overall effort to better serve the public, Gateway Commission staff J.H. Torrance Downes redesigned and launched the Commission's new website, which is still located at [www.ctrivergateway.org](http://www.ctrivergateway.org). The site includes the posting of photos from the lower river valley, the Gateway's development standards, state statutes governing their authority, minutes, agendas, Annual Reports and other pertinent information. A new section entitled "News" endeavors to present topics of interest that impact the lower river valley and its community.

## TIDEWATER INSTITUTE

Besides aforementioned specific projects, the Commission will endeavor to utilize the educational resources of the Tidewater Institute to address key threats to the internationally significant natural resources of the Connecticut River Estuary. In partnership with the Tidewater Institute, the Gateway Commission is in the process of updating its successful Mission Booklet, a key piece of educational material on which the Commission relies in its mission of public education. The Institute's activities have been partially funded by the Gateway Commission over the last three years. Tidewater Institute is an independent non-profit 501(c)3 organization.

### FINANCES

Until 1991, the State supported the work of the Commission with a modest annual appropriation for administrative purposes. These funds were removed from the state budget in 1992. The Commission has had no state financial support since that time and has had to rely on income from its land acquisition fund to meet its administrative costs of about \$55,000 per year. In addition, the Gateway Commission has invested funds this past fiscal year in support of Tidewater Institute and the pursuit of research and education in the Gateway area. Although this past year's economic challenges impacted the Commission's funds upon which they rely, their investments have almost returned to pre-slowdown levels.

### DELEGATES

Current members include: Margaret (Peggy) Wilson and Martha Wallace of Chester; Nancy Fischbach and Amy Petrone of Deep River; Harvey Thomas of East Haddam; Ellen Whaley and Anthony Chirico of Essex; Susan R. Bement and Derek Turner of Haddam, J. Melvin Woody and Lisa Niccolai of Lyme; Peter Cable of Old Lyme; Madeline Fish of Old Saybrook; Steve Williams of the Connecticut River Estuary Regional Planning Agency; Raul de Brigard and Stasia DeMichele of the Midstate Regional Planning Agency; and David Blatt of the Connecticut DEP. Fenwick Borough has been designated an ad hoc member and is represented by Borough Warden Ethel Davis. During the past fiscal year and after many years of dedicated service, Essex Representative Fred Vollono, Old Lyme Representative Ted Crosby, East Haddam Representative Robert Boulware and Lyme Representative Kevin (Casey) Maser have stepped down from the Commission. The Commission thanks Vollono, Crosby, Boulware and Maser for their years of service.

### FUTURE DIRECTION

The Gateway Commission recognizes that they continue to be at a turning point in their 37-plus year history. They continue to explore a number of initiatives and collaborations that they feel further their mission to protect the "*natural and traditional riverway scene*" of the lower Connecticut River. Those initiatives include participation in the Lower Connecticut River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange (LTE), the adoption of riparian buffer standards, expanding their educational and outreach efforts and enhancing their stewardship efforts in the lower river valley. The Commission is also a partner in an ongoing effort to preserve the Haddam Neck site of the decommissioned Connecticut Yankee atomic power plant. As always, the Gateway Commission continues to financially support land preservation efforts where the conservation of such properties furthers their mission.

### CONTACT

For more information, contact CRERPA Senior Planner and Gateway staff J. H. Torrance Downes at (860) 388-3497. Information can also be found on the web at [www.ctrivergateway.org](http://www.ctrivergateway.org) and through a link at CRERPA's website at [www.crerpa.org](http://www.crerpa.org).

## EIGHTMILE RIVER WATERSHED

In October of 2009, the Eightmile River Wild and Scenic Coordinating Committee welcomed me, Patricia Young, as its new Program Manager. I am no stranger to Southeastern Connecticut, having worked with several local communities as an environmental planner and watershed coordinator. I look forward to continuing work with all the watershed towns and identifying projects that fulfill mutual goals.

With the hard-won Wild and Scenic designation approval in 2008 comes annual federal funding. These funds are used towards continued efforts to implement recommendations of the approved Watershed Management Plan and provide administrative support. The Watershed Management Plan as well as numerous other studies and resources are available through the Eightmile River Watershed website at [www.eightmileriver.org](http://www.eightmileriver.org).

It has been a busy year for The Eightmile River Wild and Scenic Coordinating Committee (ERWSCC). Below are some highlights:

- ERWSCC sponsored a training workshop this past spring for municipal officials and town engineers on the design, review and permitting of stream crossings. Brian Murphy of CT-DEP Fisheries was the main presenter.
- Be on the look out for new DOT signage identifying the Eightmile River as part of the *National Wild & Scenic Rivers System*. The Committee appreciates the assistance from Town Hall with this project.
- Updated mapping of dedicated open space in the watershed is underway and will be available shortly. This is a critical tool for future planning efforts.
- Results from volunteer benthic macroinvertebrate monitoring indicate very good to exceptional water quality for the Eightmile River Watershed. Reported results cover the 2001 to 2008 efforts of the Connecticut River Watch Program, a combined effort of Three Rivers Community College, Connecticut River Coastal Conservation District, Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Coordinating Committee and many volunteers. Please check out the digital library on the website.
- Outreach to homeowners continues under the RiverSmart program, focusing on simple yet effective techniques designed to preserve water quality. Look for information about the RiverSmart program at the Town Hall and Library and take the pledge!
- In partnership with the watershed towns, ERWSCC has submitted a grant request to conduct stormwater mapping. If received, the grant will cover the cost of field mapping as well as providing information about the condition, possible retrofit design options and cost of stormwater outlet infrastructure. This will be an important tool when seeking additional funding opportunities.

ERWSCC had the honor of being asked to participate in the Lyme Consolidated School Eightmile River Mural Project this past year. Committee members offered their expertise on topics such watershed systems, geology and native wildlife. The Mural, depicting the beauty of the Eightmile River through the seasons, is truly a work of art.

The Eightmile River Coordinating Committee welcomes your input and suggestions. The Committee meets every other month according to the schedule posted on the website. Town representatives to the Committee are Parker Lord, Roger Dill and Anthony Irving. Lyme Land Conservation Trust is represented by Linda Bireley and Ralph Lewis.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia Young, *Program Manager*

## INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Most matters before the Agency were fairly routine, involving activities in regulated (100/150 feet from wetlands) areas, such as repair of failed septic systems and dock permits. There was one application of particular note. The property was a long, narrow lot completely bisected by a wetland. The applicant proposed to construct a driveway from a town road across this forest wetland to access land suitable for an onsite sewage disposal system, disturbing approximately one quarter acre of wetland in the Eightmile River Watershed. Three alternatives to the proposed activity were suggested by the Agency and a proposal for off-site mitigation of the disturbance was also discussed. The applicant explored the alternatives, determining that two of the three alternatives were not feasible. The off-site mitigation also turned out not to be feasible and the offer was withdrawn by the applicant. The application was unanimously denied by the Agency, citing that all prudent and feasible alternatives had not been explored. The decision is being appealed by the applicant.

This lot was created prior to subdivision regulations that prohibit the creation of a lot with the characteristics found in this application. It would not be unexpected to see future development proposals attempting to build on land of marginal quality.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul A. Armond, *Chairman*

## ESTUARY COUNCIL OF SENIORS, INC.

The Estuary Council of Seniors, Inc. (ECSI) is a non-profit regional senior center located at 220 Main Street in Old Saybrook with café sites in Clinton, Westbrook, Chester, and Old Lyme. Since 1974, the ECSI's mission has been to promote senior's quality of life, community involvement, and independent living. Last year the ECSI provided nearly 97,000 nutritious meals including 65,068 Meals On Wheels, 1,765 rides to medical outpatient appointments outside the nine-town Estuary Region, 958 free preventative health screenings, and social and exercise programs too numerous to count.

During the 2009/2010 fiscal year, ECSI provided 41 Lyme seniors with 905 congregate meals and 1,365 Meals On Wheels (homebound meals). 6 Lyme seniors were provided rides to 38 medical appointments outside the nine-town Estuary Region through the Stan Greimann EMOTS program. In total, 100 Lyme seniors received 2,639 services through ECSI.

ECSI is funded in part by contributions from the nine towns in the Estuary Region, Senior Resources Agency on Aging with Title III funds made available under the Older Americans Act, other grants, individual donations, and fund raising efforts.

For information on our breakfast and lunch nutrition program, Meals On Wheels, EMOTS, exercise programs, and social programs, please call 860-388-1611 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Paula C. Ferrara  
*Executive Director*

## ESTUARY TRANSIT DISTRICT

The Estuary Transit District (ETD) was formed in 1981 by the nine towns of the Connecticut River Estuary region. The nine towns include Clinton, Chester, Deep River, Essex, Killingworth, Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook, and Westbrook. ETD's mission is to provide local, coordinated public transportation for all residents of the area. To meet this goal, ETD operates public transit via the 9 Town Transit (9TT) service.

9TT's four deviated fixed routes serve the main corridors of the region and provide connections to public transit providers serving the surrounding regions. The routes include the Old Saybrook to Madison Shoreline Shuttle, the Old Saybrook to Chester Riverside Shuttle, the Old Saybrook to Middletown Mid-Shore Express, and the new Old Saybrook to New London Southeast Shuttle. These routes offer free connections to the New Haven, New London/Norwich, Middletown, and Hartford area bus services.

In addition to the deviated fixed routes, 9TT provides door-to-door service throughout all nine towns of the Estuary region through its Dial-A-Ride service. As with all of 9TT's services, the Dial-A-Ride service is open to all persons with no age or disability restrictions.

In August of 2009, ETD began selling tickets and passes at area Stop & Shop stores. This resulted in an immediate increase in pass sales due to the convenience of these new outlets. ETD has also continued its increased marketing efforts, which has been extremely successful in increasing awareness of its services and correcting the misconception that its services are only for seniors. ETD also expanded the service hours of its Dial-A-Ride service to improve availability for work related trips. This combined with the marketing efforts have led to an increase in ridership of 18% over the previous fiscal year to 61,524 trips and a shift of users to 30% seniors and 70% non-seniors.

The addition of new services over the past few years had resulted in ETD out-growing its Old Saybrook offices. In September 2009, ETD moved to a new office at 17 Industrial Park Road Suite 6 in Centerbrook.

ETD also received over \$900,000 in capital grants to improve bus stops, improve Dial-A-Ride scheduling, purchase new buses, purchase furniture, improve on-board communications, replace computer equipment, and develop a new and improved website. Of the new buses, two will be hybrid-gasoline buses, the first of their kind in the state. Many of these purchases were made in the 2009-2010 fiscal year and will continue into the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

The Estuary Transit District is governed by the ETD Board of Directors made up of one representative from each town, each having a weighted vote based on the population of the town they represent. The Directors serve in a voluntary capacity to adopt policy, set budgets, and conduct long term planning for the district. In 2008, the board hired First Transit, Inc., a professional transit management company, to provide an Executive Director to manage the day to day business of ETD. Regular board meetings are held on the third Friday every other month at 9:00 AM at the Estuary Transit District. All meetings are open to the public.

After suffering a budget deficit in the 2007-2008 fiscal year, ETD was forced to make changes to its service, fares, and policies. The result has been a healthy budget surplus for both the 2009-2010 and current fiscal years and the growth of the ETD's unrestricted fund balance, which both enhances ETD's cash flow position and acts as a "rainy day" fund.

## Board of Directors

Name	Town
Joel Bishop	Westbrook
Richard Cabral, <i>Chairman</i>	Killingworth
Ralph Eno	Lyme
John Forbis, <i>Treasurer</i>	Old Lyme
Mike Pace	Old Saybrook
Jack Spangler	Essex
Richard Smith	Deep River
Leslie Strauss, <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	Chester
Virginia Zawoy, <i>Secretary</i>	Clinton

### Administrative Staff

Name	Position
Joseph Comerford	Executive Director
Paul Tyrrell	Operations Manager
Halyna Famiglietti	Finance Manager
Sue Traskos	Lead Dispatcher

Respectfully submitted,  
Joseph Comerford, *Executive Director*

## LYMES' SENIOR CENTER

Those who have yet to visit the Lymes' Senior Center are in for a special treat. We are located in a beautiful rural setting surrounded by large grassy fields and trees.

The senior center is open Monday through Friday from 10:00a.m. - 4:00p.m. for all seniors age sixty or older. The membership fee is only five dollars for residents and ten for nonresidents. All members receive our newsletter four times a year.

We have a lot of activities that suit the needs of all seniors: these include bridge on Mondays, Exercise Classes everyday except Fridays, Tai Chi on Wednesdays, Computer Classes on Thursdays, and Watercolor Painting Classes on Fridays. There are always ongoing puzzles, cards, Wii Game, board games, and monthly bingo.

Our special programs include our Summer Nights Concert Series, VNA Health Days, AARP 55 Alive Driving Courses, Lifeline Screenings, guest speakers, Yale Mammography Van Screenings, musicians and more. Dates and times are announced in our newsletter and advertised in local papers.

We have walkers, wheelchairs, and other medical equipment available for loan to any senior at no charge.

Our Cozy Corner Library is filled with wonderful hardcovers, paperbacks, and large print books as well as movies and audio books for borrowing.

A complete nutritious lunch is served Monday through Friday at noon for a small donation of \$2.50. Meals on Wheels are also available for homebound residents.

Please feel free to stop by anytime to enjoy a program or activity or have a cup of coffee!

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry A. Meyer, *Director*

## LYME AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Board of Directors of Lyme Ambulance Association voted this year to continue operating as a no-fee, all volunteer service—the only one remaining in eastern Connecticut. Each year, more and more ambulance organizations in the state begin to charge for their service, either because they can no longer find enough volunteers or because budget considerations have overwhelmed them.

It is thanks to your financial support and your response to our call for volunteers that we are able to maintain LAA as a no-fee service. This year there was a 20% increase in household memberships—we hope you joined in! If you have any questions about membership or about volunteering, please call any member of our Board or Operations Crew, listed below. You can also find information on our website at [www.lymeambulance.org](http://www.lymeambulance.org).

LAA statistics for the period July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010:

**Total calls:** 146 (96 daytime, 50 night)

### Transported to:

Shoreline Clinic:	55
L&M:	19
Middlesex Hospital:	17
Other:	8
Transfer to another service:	4
No transport: (cancellations, refusals, standbys, lift assists, etc.)	43

### Mutual Aid to:

East Haddam:	11
Old Lyme:	2

### Notable types of calls:

Motor vehicle accidents:	14
Falls:	17
Fire Company stand-by:	18
Paramedic on board:	19

Twelve of our crew members successfully renewed their EMT certifications this year, and Rich German joined us as a newly certified EMT. At the same time, in June 2010 we will say goodbye to three long-serving individuals: Megan Eno, retiring from the Board of Directors after 30 years of service (as an EMT and then a Board member); Betsy Morgan, an EMT who has served Lyme Ambulance for 24 years (and is continuing as President of the Association) and Betsey Copp, an EMT who has served for 6 years. More turnover lies ahead: in July 2010 Carl Clement is taking over as Chief of Service from Tom Darna, our Operations Chief for the last four years.

Lyme Ambulance is present at public events so that all residents remain aware and informed about our emergency care service. Every year we are part of the Fourth of July parade, and we are responsible for the first aid booth at the Hamburg Fair, offering free blood pressure

screenings and glucose testing, courtesy of Pfizer. In the fall of 2009, we held a CPR class for Lyme residents and participated at the VNA's Health Fair for seniors. We contributed to the "Rescue Heroes" after-school enrichment program at Lyme Consolidated School, and opened the ambulance for visits by children and parents during the school's Field Day in June. If your organization or group would like to know more about how we can help you, please contact President Betsy Morgan.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Clement, *President, 2008-2010*

#### Board of Directors

##### Officers

Betsy Morgan, <i>President</i>	Sarah Rose, <i>Secretary</i>
Andrew Smith, <i>Vice President</i>	Marilyn Warren, <i>Treasurer</i>
Carl Clement, <i>Chief of Service</i>	

##### Members from the Community

Douglas Evans	David Roberge
Sirgen Orzech**	John Yeomans**
Ken Plimpton	

##### Ex officio

Pete Adams, *Fire Chief*  
Ralph Eno, *First Selectman*

#### Operations Crew

Josh Adams, <i>EMT</i>	John Falstrom, <i>staff</i>
Russell Albrycht, <i>EMT</i>	Robert Farrell, <i>EMT &amp; driver</i>
Annie Bill, <i>in training</i>	Bill Firgelewski, <i>EMR &amp; driver</i>
Heidi Bill, <i>EMT</i>	Will Firgelewski, <i>EMT &amp; driver</i>
Linda Bireley, <i>EMT</i>	Rich German, <i>EMT</i>
Sherry Block, <i>EMT</i>	Fred Harger, <i>EMT</i>
David Brown, <i>EMT</i>	Ernest Lammer, <i>driver</i>
Tom Brown, <i>EMT</i>	James Leatherbee, <i>EMR &amp; driver</i>
Carl Clement*, <i>EMT</i>	Lorna McLaughlin, <i>webmaster</i>
Anne Clement*, <i>staff</i>	Rich Monahan, <i>EMR &amp; driver</i>
Betsy Copp, <i>EMT</i>	Betsy Morgan*, <i>EMT</i>
Carter Courtney*, <i>EMT &amp; driver</i>	Allen Petri, <i>EMT</i>
Beverly Crowther*, <i>Secretary</i>	Ron Rose*, <i>EMT &amp; driver</i>
Karen Dahle*, <i>EMT &amp; EMS-I</i>	Kelly Smith, <i>EMR &amp; driver</i>
Tom Darna*, <i>EMT &amp; driver</i>	Marilyn Warren*, <i>Treasurer</i>

\*Member of the Board of Directors  
\*\* Past President

## AUXILIARY OF THE LYME FIRE COMPANY

The Auxiliary of the Lyme Fire Company was established to support the Lyme Fire Company in its many departmental functions and to be available to assist during fire calls and other emergencies whenever necessary by supplying water, coffee, or a meal.

Meetings are held on a quarterly basis on the second Wednesday of the month (March, June, September, and December) at the Hamburg Fire Station at 7:30 PM. Anyone who wishes to join the Auxiliary is invited to attend one of our meetings. It is not necessary to have a family member in the fire company in order to join.

We also help the fire company with the Annual Steak Dinner held every October and the Breakfast with Santa fundraiser in December.

When supplies or equipment are needed for either the Hamburg or Hadlyme stations, we will make a donation towards the cost of the item or, if it's not too expensive, purchase it outright for the fire company.

Officers for 2010 are as follows:

President:	Ann Evans
Vice President	Linda Courtney
Treasurer:	Doreen Lammer
Secretary:	Jackie Mildrum

Other members include Helen Aroh, Daphne Babcock, Megan Eno, Ann Griffith, Bonnie King, Marie McCusker, Ellie Sutton, Marilyn Swaney, Cindy Taylor, and Debra Yeomans. Veteran members include Charlotte Beers, Barbara Gustafson, and Margo Shay.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jackie Mildrum, *Secretary*

## HADLYME FERRY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

The mission of the Hadlyme Ferry Historic District Commission is to preserve and protect the historic architectural character and the rural cultural landscape within the Historic District. The goals of the Commission are to foster preservation, restoration, and renovation; to relate new buildings to existing ones in an appropriate manner; to prevent compromise of the historic character of the area; to maintain the rural character of the area; to maintain and enhance what is old and significant; to encourage excellence in design; and to maintain the desirability of historic homes as homes for today. The current handbook includes the history of Hadlyme, the mission, goals and duties of the Commission, design guidelines, rules and procedures, and an application for a certificate of appropriateness. This past year there were no applications.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Holmes  
*Clerk and Certified Local Government contact*

## LYME FIRE COMPANY

This last year has been a year of contrasts and extremes. We have had moments of serenity, with our volunteer first responders conducting their normal day-to-day lives without interruption and fire apparatus sitting quietly in our two fire stations, interrupted by moments of great urgency and the need to serve our community and neighboring towns.

We have responded to severe car accidents, brush fires, chimney fires, marine searches, flooded basements, downed power lines and, unfortunately, residential structure fires and a barn fire at Tiffany Farms. We also have had many false alarms that still require us to come to your home and make sure you, or in your absence, your house is okay.

Regardless of time of day, sweltering heat or flesh sticking arctic cold, many of our volunteers are there for you at your time of need, and we are proud to serve you. Our membership spans generations, and our men and women have invested many hours this year training as firefighters, apparatus operators, fire police and emergency medical technicians. We are very grateful also to our sister organization; Lyme Ambulance Association, where we support each other from providing assistance lifting patients and locating houses in the middle of the night to providing medical attention to our firefighters during the high exertion and stress related to firefighting and rescue operations.

We also want to thank our community for providing us with such modern equipment to rush to your aid. Along with our three engine tankers, rescue truck, water tanker, two brush trucks, forestry Gator and Zodiac boat, we have added this year two new thermal imaging cameras (TICs) that enable us to perform swifter searches in smoke filled homes, locate hot spots, and conduct other types of critical searches in an emergency. A portion of the funds for these life-saving cameras were made possible through generous private donations. Thank you.

We also continue to both raise money and also give back to our community through our popular yearly events such as our Steak Dinner and Breakfast with Santa. We could not do this without our Lyme Fire Company Auxiliary or you, the members of our community, that come to our events. Last year both events were heavily attended.

There is also an important recognition and special thanks that needs to be made every year. It is not without the tremendous support and understanding of our families, spouses and significant others, who put up with interrupted meals, sleep disturbed by beeping pagers and other inconvenient moments so that we may dash out our door to yours. Needless to say, they must also endure concern for our wellbeing as we respond to a call or put our lives in danger for others. Thanks to our honorary members who sacrifice so much that others might get help or be brought to safety.

On behalf of the Fire Chief, officers and members of the Lyme Fire Company and Auxiliary, thank you for your continued support and generosity. We wish you a prosperous and safe 2011.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Evans  
Foreman  
Lyme Fire Company  
foreman@lymefireco.org

## LYME FIRE COMPANY, INC. 2009-2010

### OFFICERS OF THE LYME FIRE COMPANY, INC.

Chief – Pete Adams

#### Hamburg Station

1st Asst. Chief – Thomas Brown

2nd Asst. Chief – Kurt Fischer

Company Engineer – Michael Swaney

Captain Fire Police – William Firgelewski Sr.

#### Membership List

Adams, Joshua (*active Fire*)

Adams, Pete (*active Fire*)

Adams, Sam (*active Fire*)

Angier, Harry (*contributing member*)

Aroh, Alan (*active Fire Police*)

Beers, James (*contributing member*)

Bill, Annie (*active Fire*)

Brown, David (*active Fire*)

Brown, Thomas (*active Fire*)

Burlingham, Jeremy (*active Fire*)

Crowley, Chris (*contributing member*)

Crowley, Kevin (*contributing member*)

Cusack, William (*contributing member*)

Davies, Thomas (*contributing member*)

Evans, Chris (*contributing member*)

Evans, John (*active Fire*)

Fickett, Myron L. III (*active Fire*)

Firgelewski, Josh (*active Fire*)

Firgelewski, Sr William (Bill) (*active Fire Police*)

Firgelewski, William (Will) (*active Fire*)

Fischer, Kurt (*active Fire*)

Fischer, Mara (*active Junior Fire*)

Frankel, David (*active Fire*)

Gerber, Donald (*contributing member*)

Gourlay, James (*active Fire Police*)

Hawthorne, William (*contributing member*)

Hessel, Sue (*active Fire Police*)

Jewett, James (*contributing member*)

Karabeinikoff, Brendon (*active Fire*)

King, George (*contributing member*)

King, Matthew (*contributing member*)

Lammer, Ernest III (*active Fire*)

Machnik, Todd (*contributing member*)

McCarthy, John (Mick) (*contributing member*)

McCarthy, Nick (*contributing member*)

#### Hadlyme Station

1st Asst. Chief – James Leatherbee III

2nd Asst. Chief – David Roberge

#### Fire Company Administration

Foreman – John Evans

Secretary – Thomas Davies

Treasurer – James Beers

Morris, Jan (*active Fire Police*)

Nickerson, Peter (*contributing member*)

Peck, Sarah (*contributing member*)

Reynolds, G. Hayden (*contributing member*)

Reynolds, L. Thomas (*contributing member*)

Roach, Robert (*contributing member*)

Roberge, Alex (*active Junior Fire*)

Roberge, David (*active Fire*)

Roberge, Kyle (*contributing member*)

Roschko, Daniel (*contributing member*)

Schneid, Jared (*active Fire Police*)

Sisk, Brand (*contributing member*)

Swaney, Michael (*past Chief*)

Waido, Edward (*contributing member*)

Watkins, Adam (*contributing member*)

Wayland, Mark (*contributing member*)

White, Peter (*active Fire*)

Yeomans, Andre (*active Fire*)

Yeomans, Scott (*active Fire*)

Yuknat, Bridget (*contributing member*)

Yuknat, Gary (*contributing member*)

Zelek, Jason (*contributing member*)

Zelek, Raymond (Ray) (*contributing member*)

#### LYME FIRE COMPANY

##### Veterans Membership List

Courtney, Carter (*active EMS & Fire*)

Evans, Douglas (*active Fire Police*)

Firgelewski, William Sr. (*active Fire Police*)

Gregory, Steven (*active Fire*)

Griffin, James

Howe, Arthur III

Kinch, Geoffrey

King, John

Leatherbee, James II

Leatherbee, Jamie III (*active EMS & Fire*)

Maly, Thomas  
 McCusker, Edward (*active Fire*)  
 Mildrum, Louis  
 O'Connell, Donald  
 Plimpton, Allan (*Charter Member & past Chief*)  
 Plimpton, Kenneth (*Charter Member & active Fire Police*)  
 Putnam, Glenn  
 Reynolds, Gary H. Sr. (*past Chief*)

Rose, Ronald S. (*past Chief*)  
 Sands, Phillip  
 Swaney, Donald (*past Chief*)  
 Tanguay, Edward  
 Watkins, Richard Lee (*past Chief*)  
 Weed, Gary H. (*past Chief & active Fire*)  
 Yeomans, Alan (*active Fire*)  
 Yeomans, John (*past Chief*)  
 Yeomans, Richard (*active Fire*)

## LYME LAND CONSERVATION TRUST, INC.

The Lyme Land Conservation Trust Inc. had another successful year. It was the result of hard work by our volunteer board of directors, our part-time staff and the countless volunteers who assist with stewardship duties and the creation of communication and education materials. We would certainly be remiss if we did not acknowledge the generosity of our members. Without their monetary support, we simply could not do our job.

Because of term limits and other factors, we saw a significant change on our Board. Our Nominating Committee spent a great deal of time interviewing candidates for directorships. The successful result of their efforts was seen at the Annual Meeting in late May when the new directors were voted in by the membership.

Success does not come without cost. As we protect more and more land, we incur increased stewardship costs and regrettably, in a very few instances, the costs of having to do our fiduciary duty and defend some conservation restrictions. However, thanks to the generous support of our members, the financial condition of the Land Trust remains strong. For the prior twelve-months, fundraising programs dedicated to membership and stewardship drove double-digit percentage growth in revenue.

These additional funds allowed us to continue to upgrade our business processes, to add a much-needed staff consultant, and to do what we really like to do, preserve land; in this case by contributing \$60,000 toward the acquisition of the Czikowsky property – all as we met our usual operating expenses.

Our financial performance vs. budget, coupled with the need to conservatively manage and grow our resources, have become key areas of focus; both receive careful consideration in all strategic decision-making.

Our Communications, Education and Membership Committee (CEM) is our primary means of communicating with our members and the community at large. Many events were held during the year including our popular guided hikes through selected preserves. Our Annual report and 2010 Spring newsletter was a special achievement. For a copy please email us at [info@lymelandtrust.org](mailto:info@lymelandtrust.org)

Once again the Photo Contest, a joint program with the Old Lyme, Salem and East Haddam land trusts was a resounding success. It celebrates the scenic countryside of our towns and the diversified wildlife to be found. To view the winning photographs, go to [www.lymelandtrust.org](http://www.lymelandtrust.org)

The last twelve months saw the preservation of an additional 150 acres of protected open space. The “gem” was the 98 acre Czikowsky property on the southeast slope of Mount Archer. A collaborative effort between the Town, The Nature Conservancy and the Land Trust; it was made possible by a sizable donation from an anonymous out-of-town foundation.

Robert Thomas of East Haddam generously donated a strip of land along Joshuatown Rd with Eightmile River frontage. Catharine Spencer and Mary Schroder generously donated a six acre easement on land they purchased just below the dam at Ed Bill's pond while Barbara David gifted an easement on 28 of 31 acres she owned on Brush Hill Rd. Patrick Crowley of Keeney Rd LLC, planning a four lot subdivision along Grassy Hill, gave the LLCT a conservation restriction along the road in front of the four lots to protect wetland.

Our Stewardship Committee continued its program of upgrading our property management practices. All fee-owned and easement-protected properties were inspected and reports uploaded to our online property database Conservation Track. Our Stewardship efforts provide many member volunteers an opportunity to work with the Land Trust inspecting properties and in creating and maintaining the system of trails that provide public access to these resources. It is a great way to get outdoors and make new friends. To volunteer email: [info@lymelandtrust.org](mailto:info@lymelandtrust.org).

A great deal of time and energy was devoted to ongoing efforts to control invasive species. Working with the Nature Conservancy there was a major program to deal with Barberry in the Eno and Jewett Preserves and with the CT DEP removal of Phragmites in Rams Horn Creek.

### Lyme Land Conservation Trust Directors (2010-11)

Andy Baxter – <i>Treasurer</i>	Diana Boehning
Temp Brown – <i>Vice President</i>	Matt Elgart
Carrie Ermler	Ben Gahagan
Don Gerber – <i>Stewardship Chair</i>	Fred Harger
George Lombardino – <i>Secretary</i>	George Moore – <i>President</i>
John Pritchard	Tom Shoemaker
Humphrey Tyler – <i>CEM Chair</i>	Melvin Woody – <i>Nominating Chair</i>
Rick Worcester	
Executive Assistant: Linda Bireley	Project Manager: Lisa Niccolai

It is a privilege to work with so many talented individuals who share a love for this wonderful place we call home and who are willing to do their part to make it even better.

Respectfully Submitted  
 George Moore, *President*

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

There were seven appeals filed for the 2010 calendar year. Five variances were granted and two appeals were withdrawn. For the second year in a row the light activity is most likely attributable to the continuing recession. Due to the light activity the board only met six out of the 12 months. There is very little going on in Lyme in the way of building projects which require the involvement of our land use boards and commissions. As noted in the past, the ZBA is often considered the court of last resort for Lyme residents desiring to undertake home improvements but because of compliance issues with town zoning regulations are unable to do so. It is the right of any property owner to seek relief from the appeals board in the form of a variance if he or she believes their rights are being unduly restricted.

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets on the third Thursday of each month in the town hall conference room. Meetings begin at 7:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Lahm, *Chairman*

## LITERACY VOLUNTEERS VALLEY SHORE, CT, INC.

Literacy Volunteers Valley Shore, CT, Inc. tutors students in need of Basic Reading skills and English as a Second Language. This service is provided to adult residents in the 11 towns along the Valley Shore area by tutors who are trained by LVVS-Valley Shore. The student training is exclusively one-on-one, is strictly confidential and is completely without any cost to the student.

For the 2009/2010 fiscal year we had 34 volunteers who resided in Lyme-including Christine Egri ( who also acted as an Office Volunteer & Tutor Contact), Cornelia Bessie (Board Emeritus) and Diana Lord who this year retired as our Administrative Assistant after serving in that position for the past eight years. Our total number of volunteers for this year was 187.

For the fiscal year 2009/2010 we had 9 students who resided in Lyme. Our total number of students for this year was 138.

In addition to tutoring adult students LVVS also tutors students in all of the Regional District 18 schools.

LVVS has a diverse list of students who originate from as many as 65 different countries.

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**SCHEDULE 1—Free Inhabitants in** *Town of Lyme* **in the County of** *Litchfield* **State** 497  
**of** *Connecticut* **enumerated by me, on the** *12th* **day of** *June* **1860** *James A. Bill* Marshal.  
**Post Office** *Lyme*

1	2	3	4			7	8		10	11	12	13	14
			Dist.	Sex	Age		Value of Real Estate	Value of Personal Estate					
1	1	<i>James A. Bill</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>42</i>	<i>Shower</i>	<i>1000</i>	<i>1000</i>					

In 1860 James A. Bill was the U.S. census taker for Lyme's Free Inhabitants. There was a separate slave census taken nationally.

## LYME PUBLIC HALL ASSOCIATION

The Lyme Public Hall Association is committed to preserving and promoting Lyme's history, culture, and community. Located in the heart of Hamburg on Route 156, the historic Hall has become a center of community activity through its offering of a variety of programs. Housed in the building is the Lyme Public Hall Local History Archives, a safe climate-controlled environment for the town's treasured historic paper materials.

The Local History Archives continues to thrive under the capable stewardship of volunteer archivist Carolyn Bacdayan. This year the Archives was honored to be selected as one of sixty small archives and museums in Connecticut to receive a free General Preservation Survey made possible through a grant to the Connecticut State Library from the National Publications and Records Commission. The assessment was very favorable and the Archives was lauded as a model for others to follow. As a result, the Hall was asked to host a program in October 2010 on the care and storage of books and paper that is being presented by Conservation ConneCTion and the Connecticut League of History Organizations. The program organizers believe the Archives at the Lyme Public Hall will be inspirational to other smaller sized institutions. The Archives are open by set hours for drop-in visitors or by appointment. For more information, to donate, or to volunteer, call Carolyn Bacdayan at 860 434-9292.

The annual meeting of the Lyme Public Hall is held the second Thursday in June. Everyone is invited to attend the community potluck supper and the presentation that follows. In 2010, the annual meeting featured Todd Levine, Architectural Historian and Director of the Connecticut Barns statewide survey of the *CT Trust for Historic Preservation*. To a capacity audience, he gave an overview of historic barns in our area and addressed issues concerning preservation.

Since July 2009 two programs about Lyme disease, "*Under Our Skin, There's No Medicine for Someone Like You*", a documentary about patients and physicians dealing with Lyme disease and their battles with the medical establishment and the "BLAST Lyme Disease Prevention and Early Detection Program" were presented. Other programs included: "*The Quarries of Selden Island*" a documentary by David Wordell, a guided walk on Selden Island, "A Return to the River" presented by Parker Lord about his canoe trip down the Connecticut River, and a sunset cruise on the "*Riverquest*" on Selden Creek with historic narration by Wendolyn Hill. "Building Green", a panel on environmentally friendly construction was presented in collaboration with the Lyme Compact. The 4th of July weekend exhibit was a wonderful collection of historic quilts and other textiles created by Lyme residents, "Threads of Lyme: Household Treasures from the 1800s", curated by Mary Juliet-Paonessa. Annual events included the town wide Spring Clean-Sweep on Earth Day weekend, the Annual Tag and Bake Sale fundraiser in August, and the popular Chowder Dinner in November.

The Lyme Public Hall is available to rent for meetings and events by organizations or private individuals.

The Association is run entirely by volunteers and depends solely upon member's dues, donations, and the Hall's fundraisers to maintain the building and to carry on its activities. New members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining or volunteering in any way, please call 434-6115 or visit our blog at <http://lymepublichall.blogspot.com/>.

Board of Directors 2009-2010: Bill Boehning, Ann Brubaker (Vice President), Bill Carpiello, Connie Donkin, Jerry Ehlen (President), Mike Furgueson, Barbara Gustafson, Wendolyn Hill (Secretary), George House, Mary Juliet-Paonessa, Leslie Lewis, Janis Livingston, Tina West, Andrea Wing (Treasurer), and Marilyn Wilkins.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendolyn Hill, *Secretary*

## LYME-OLD LYME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

With spirit and determination, the Lyme-Old Lyme Public Schools set forth to manifest new levels of success as a fine Connecticut school system. The results of its efforts are rewarding, inspiring, and worthy of the mission, *“Impassioned with pride and purpose...”*

### Student Achievement

Although the District rejects the notion that student success can be defined simply by test scores, it does recognize that standardized testing provides a respected measure of performance and accountability that can be compared over time and place. As such, the District does regard state test results as important metrics in the quest for ongoing improvement.

The State of Connecticut has set the **proficiency** standard on the Connecticut Mastery Tests (CMT, grades 3-8) and on the Connecticut Academic Performance Tests (CAPT, grade 10) as the achievement target for all Connecticut students. The Lyme-Old Lyme School District continues to inch closer to attainment of this target for nearly all grades and all subjects. The following chart illustrates the percentages of students in each grade and subject that were at or above the **proficiency** standard.

Percent of Lyme-Old Lyme Students at or Above **Proficiency** on the 2010 CMT and CAPT Tests

Grade	Math	Reading	Writing	Science
3	98%	88%	88%	Not Tested
4	95%	86%	86%	Not Tested
5	96%	90%	94%	97%
6	99%	98%	95%	Not Tested
7	96%	97%	91%	Not Tested
8	94%	98%	91%	92%
10	96%	97%	96%	94%

Math and science **proficiency** are quite solid across the grades. Reading and writing performances are strong from grade 5 up. Grade 3 and 4 scores in reading and writing suggest that a concentration of energies in early grades is appropriate at this time.

The District has raised the bar on its expectations and has created a second tier of accountability. The District is committed to having at least 80% of its students reach the next standard of performance on the CMT and CAPT tests which is labeled **“Goal”**. The following chart illustrates the District’s current performance in relation to that standard.

Percent of Lyme-Old Lyme Students at or Above High Level Goal on the 2010 CMT and CAPT Tests

Grade	Math	Reading	Writing	Science
3	83%	69%	73%	Not Tested
4	80%	77%	78%	Not Tested
5	83%	79%	82%	83%
6	91%	91%	80%	Not Tested
7	87%	94%	81%	Not Tested
8	85%	94%	81%	91%
10	76%	63%	70%	74%

In comparing these results with last year, it is encouraging to find that 15 out of 24 areas have reached the 80% or higher level in 2010 vs. only 10 out of 24 areas at or above the 80% level in 2009. The analytical remarks made above regarding the **proficiency** standards can be largely applied to the **goal** standard for grades 3-8. What is quite different, however, is the much lower % of grade 10 students meeting **goal** standard. It has been and continues to be a difficult accomplishment for many students to reach the CAPT **goal** standard. We recognize that CAPT is a different and difficult test and view this as an inviting and necessary challenge if we are to continue to improve our educational performance levels.

### Distinctions in Student Performance

With great pride, the Lyme-Old Lyme School District received the news that Lyme-Old Lyme High School was named a silver medalist by US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT as one of America’s best high schools. This recognition was earned largely through the high degree of success of the High School’s Advanced Placement Program.

Two Lyme-Old Lyme High School students were named National Merit Scholars. Austin Hack and Justin Kegley were so named.

Two new state championships were added to the athletic history of Lyme-Old Lyme High School. The girls’ soccer team and the girls’ cross country team both earned state titles.

### Personnel

Although the District reduced the total number of positions in 2009-10, it did hire replacements for necessary staff who had either retired or moved their careers. Mr. James Wygonik was hired as the new principal of Lyme-Old Lyme High School. Mr. Wygonik assumed his duties in November 2009. Also in the administrative ranks, Mrs. Lori Susi was hired as part time assistant principal for Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School. Other replacements included: Donna Patterson, school psychologist; Jill Fayan, librarian; Cheryle Mullaney, special education teacher; Michael Dombrowski, social studies teacher; and Heather Fried, science teacher.

The District honored Mr. William Derry as its 2010 Teacher of the Year. Mr. Derry teaches technology at Lyme-Old Lyme High School. He is well known statewide, regionally and even nationally for his leadership in robotics teams.

Mr. Jeff Ostroff, Principal of Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School, participated in a Fulbright Exchange with a principal from Argentina. Mr. Ostroff hosted the visiting guest from Argentina in the fall, and he visited Argentina and its schools in June.

### **Facilities**

Progress on the renovation of Lyme-Old Lyme High School was a continuing priority of the District. Although actual construction did not commence during the 2009-10 year, the critical steps of planning and approvals were taken.

BWG Architects are guiding the design process while O&G is serving the construction management needs. Both BWG and O&G are working closely with the Building Committee and School Administration in moving the planning phases forward into action. Actual work on the project began in late summer 2010.

The Connecticut General Assembly approved funding for the project as part of its 2010 school construction package. With the help of legislators, Marilyn Giuliano, Eileen Daly, and Andrea Stillman, the District was also able to obtain legislatively the designation as "renovation" for the project. This designation allows more of the project to be reimbursed. The approved reimbursement is 35.71% of the eligible project costs.

Although the project cannot exceed \$47,790,000 as approved at referendum, there is continuing optimism that the project may enjoy the favor of the current economic environment. The project will be going out to full bid, and a guaranteed maximum price should be determined around October 2010. There is also optimism that the District may be able to bond the project at low interest rates.

A special ad hoc committee, appointed by the Board of Education, is continuing its efforts to find an acceptable recommendation regarding the observatory which is currently positioned atop Lyme-Old Lyme High School. The Board turned back the initial recommendations because of anticipated obligations associated with the proposed plan. The Observatory is scheduled to be removed from the School in the spring of 2011. A plan of action is needed prior to this date.

The new campus track was dedicated in October 2009. It was made possible largely through a \$1.1 million donation from John and Heidi Niblack. The track now restores the District's ability to offer a full track program and to host home meets.

Finally, a year-long study on space and elementary enrollments was conducted by an ad hoc committee appointed by the Board of Education. The committee presented a comprehensive report in June 2010 on options and analyses of them. All options include some redistricting of elementary students. Two of the three involve some grade reconfigurations as well. The Board will be seeking public opinion during the fall of 2010 before it makes a decision on future plans for the elementary population.

### **Program and Technology Changes**

A significant restructuring of the middle school academic teams took place this year in response to declining enrollments and staff reductions. Each grade level now has one team of teachers dedicated to academic subjects. The team structure change also had impact on the schedule and the apportionment of time for various subjects. The positive results of the Connecticut Mastery Tests suggest that the changes were effective.

A variety of curriculum changes were implemented. All levels are working to implement a model of instruction commonly known as RtI (Response to Intervention). This model

frequently assesses student skills and redirects additional instruction where deficits are noted. The model is intended to strengthen student achievement and to pre-empt unnecessary referrals to special education. New homework guidelines were implemented and a new plan for curriculum renewal was designed. The District continued its utilization of support from the Haskins Lab of Yale University for reading instruction.

Technology continues to evolve with many new applications influencing instructional programs and operations. The District migrated to Power School, a new student information system. The Special Education Department migrated to IEP Direct, a program designed to help special educators manage the overwhelming volume of data associated with special education program management. A new web page link for seasonal residents was added to the District's homepage.

### **Budget**

The District is very attuned to the continuing challenges in the local, state, national and world economies. Careful and strategic planning helped to ensure that the District would not find itself dependent on revenues that might suddenly disappear. Funds from the American Resource and Recovery Act were dedicated to building capacity and investing in items that would head off future expenses, as opposed to creating dependencies for renewable expenses. The District also worked to service as many special education needs with its own resources rather than outsource them at higher costs.

The cumulative impact of deliberate efforts, along with the good fortune of not having unforeseen problems, resulted in a sizable fund balance for the 2009-10 year. Once audited, allowable capital reserves will be set aside and towns will be notified of the credits they can expect. These will be particularly welcomed as towns plan forward in a difficult economy, and the impact of the building project moves closer.

## **MACCURDY SALISBURY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, INC.**

The MacCurdy Salisbury Educational Foundation awarded \$215,300 for the 2009-2010 school year to 100 students going on to college, 20 from Lyme and 80 from Old Lyme. For the 2010-2011 school year the Foundation plans to award \$227,300 to 84 students, 21 from Lyme and 63 from Old Lyme.

The MacCurdy Salisbury Educational Foundation has a long standing tradition of providing financial support to local students going on to further their education at colleges and universities after their high school years. Founded in 1893 the Foundation began helping the school system in Old Lyme however, in 1918 it began giving direct grants to students to continue their education beyond High School a practice that continues today. In 1973 Berenice Brevillier started the Lyme portion of the fund so students from both towns, the majority of which attend the Regional District 18 system, could participate.

All high school graduates who have maintained permanent residence in Old Lyme or Lyme for at least two years are eligible to apply for a MacCurdy Salisbury grant. This applies not only to students attending Regional District 18 but to those attending high school out of town. Grants are given for four years and are paid out semi-annually to the students provided that a student's grades do not fall below 2.0 GPA and the student (family) remains a town resident. Applications and instructions are available at the Lyme-Old Lyme High School Guidance Office or on our website: [MacCurdySalisbury.org](http://MacCurdySalisbury.org).

The Foundation held its annual reception on June 9, 2010 at the Lyme Art Association for this year's high school graduates who were receiving grants. At the reception, in addition to its regular grants, the Foundation presented two \$500.00 awards; the W.E.S. Griswold Vaedictorian Award to Lucy Walker from Lyme and the Willis Umberger Salutatorian Award to Andrew Winter from Lyme. Bill Griswold was President of the foundation from 1965 to 1992 and Willis Umberger was Secretary/Treasurer of the Foundation from 1966 to 1986.

The Annual Meeting of the Foundation was held on September 17, 2009 and four new members were elected to the foundation. They were Betsy Cooley, Jeffrey Hartmann, John Pfeiffer and David Preston all from Old Lyme. Jennifer Burke also joined the membership as a representative of Regional School District 18. Two members were elected to the Foundation's Board of Directors for a three year term; Christopher Arnold and Terry Holcombe. They replaced Charley Dye and Doug Stoehr whose terms had expired. Foundation officers elected at the meeting were: President Rowland Ballek, Vice President Mary Seidner and Secretary/Treasurer Edward Perkins.

The Foundation is currently striving to increase the size of its endowment, especially the Lyme (Brevillier) portion of the fund which is smaller than the older, much larger Old Lyme portion of the endowment. This is necessary so the awards can keep pace with the ever increasing cost of college tuitions as well as to allow Lyme students the same size of awards as the students from Old Lyme receive.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rowland Ballek, *President*



*Lyme students take top honors at LOLHS*

*Left to Right; MacCurdy Salisbury President Rowland Ballek, LOLHS Class of 2010 Salutatorian Andrew Winter (Lyme), will attend Yale University, Vaedictorian Lucy Walker (Lyme), will attend Bowdoin College and MacCurdy Salisbury Secretary/Treasurer Ned Perkins.*

## MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY

The role of the Municipal Agent for the Elderly is to disseminate information to elderly persons and assist them in learning about the community resources available to them. Listed below are the agencies and phone numbers most often requested by senior citizens in Lyme:

**INFOLINE (dial 211)** This is a telephone information, referral, advocacy, and crisis helpline. INFOLINE is free, confidential, and available 24 hours a day every day.

**CTHelpNet.org** ([www.CTHelpNet.org](http://www.CTHelpNet.org)) There are numerous state agencies, federal agencies and private organizations that provide information on elder care for Connecticut's senior citizens. Trying to find the appropriate agency or organization for a particular need may at times be difficult. CTHelpNet.org was created to help you navigate through the maze of information on elder care. In the table of contents you will find elder care services that may be of interest to you. If you click on a particular item, you will be guided to a resource that may help you. CTHelpNet.org continually monitors the elder care field and updates the website as needed.

**Interim Healthcare (860-434-9003)** Visiting nursing service is provided to the Town of Lyme by Interim Healthcare. A nurse from Interim Healthcare is at the Lymes' Senior Center every Friday from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM for Lyme residents.

**Estuary Council of Senior Clubs (860-388-1611)** [www.ecsenior.org](http://www.ecsenior.org) Call for the following services: meal site reservations, homebound meal delivery, claims filing assistance, identification cards, information and referral, regular transportation to medical appointments and dial-a-ride to other community destinations.

**Senior Resources (formerly Eastern CT Area Agency on Aging) (860-887-3561)** [www.seniorresourcesec.org](http://www.seniorresourcesec.org) Offers the CHOICES Program which provides older adults with health insurance counseling, information and referral to senior services, and eligibility screening for general state and federal benefits programs.

**Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA) – Energy Assistance (860-889-1365)** [www.tvcca.org](http://www.tvcca.org) Administers the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP), the State Appropriated Fuel Assistance (SAFA) Program, and Contingency Heating Assistance Program (CHAP) to help low income households pay their heating bills.

**Lymes' Senior Center (860-434-4127)** Lunchtime meal site, programs such as exercise, Tai Chi, computer instruction, card playing, pool table, creative writing, bingo, art lessons, jigsaw puzzle corner, outdoor lawn games.

**Lymewood (860-434-2120)** Elderly housing.

**Department of Social Services Elderly Services Division: Referral Line (1-800-218-6631)** [www.ct.gov](http://www.ct.gov) or call DSS Middletown office (860-704-3100) Services include Alzheimer's Programs, Medicare Assignment Program (ConnMAP), Conservator of Estate Program, Conservator of Person Program, Eldercare Locator Service, Information and Referral, Nursing Home Ombudsman Office, Prescription Drug Assistance (ConnPACE), Medicare Savings Programs (QMB, SLMB, ALMB).

**Connecticut Legal Services, Inc. (860-456-1761)** Provides free legal services to seniors with great social and/or economic need.

**Grandparents as Parents Support Program (GAPS) (860-887-3561)** The DSS Elderly Services Division has developed a network of over 120 agencies, individuals and organizations

that are providing service or assistance to grandparents and relatives who have taken on the responsibility of parenting.

**Protective Services (1-888-385-4225 or 860-704-3046)** If you suspect or believe that an elderly person age 60 or older is a victim of abuse, neglect (including self-neglect) or exploitation, contact Protective Services.

**Connecticut Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract to the Elderly Programs (ConnPACE) (1-800-423-5026)** The Department of Social Services operates the ConnPACE program, which pays the cost of prescription drugs, after a \$12 co-pay per prescription for people 65 and older. Effective January 1, 2008, incomes must be under \$23,700 for single persons, or under \$31,900 for married couples. Applications are available at the Lyme Town Hall or online at [www.connpace.com](http://www.connpace.com).

**SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) 1-866-974-SNAP** [www.ctfoodstamps.org](http://www.ctfoodstamps.org) This is the former Food Stamp Program. Beginning July 1, 2009, eligibility requirements change making it easier to obtain Food Stamp assistance. The website includes a SNAP Benefit Online Calculator to help you determine if you are eligible, or call the number listed for assistance.

**State Elderly Tax Relief Program** The basic qualifications for this program are that you own the property for which the credit is sought and be at least 65 years of age by the end of the calendar year. Qualifying income for the 2007 Grand List was \$29,800 single and \$36,500 married. All income statements must be provided. Application may be made between February 1st and May 15th. Contact the Assessor's office with any questions (860-434-8092).

**Lyme Elderly Tax Relief Program** The basic qualifications for this program are that it be your principal residence and you have five years of residency as of the first day of October prior to the filing period. Applicants must be 65 years of age by October 1st. Qualifying income may not exceed \$40,000 if single or \$47,500 if married/civil union. No taxes due to the Town of Lyme may be in arrears. Application may be made between February 1st and May 15th. Contact the Assessor's office with any questions (860-434-8092).

**Heat Advisory Information** The State of Connecticut has recommended that local municipalities establish Cooling Centers for vulnerable residents when heat advisories are issued. The location of the Cooling Center for affected Lyme residents is the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Townwoods Road, Old Lyme. Should a heat advisory be issued, elderly residents are urged to check the following for announcements regarding opening of the local Cooling Center: WFSB-3, WTNH-8, WVIT-30 television; [lymeline.com](http://lymeline.com); Comcast Public Access Channel 14; Municipal Website. When in operation during heat advisories, the Cooling Center will be open until 8:00 PM. Contact the Lymes' Senior Center (860-434-4127) or the town hall (434-7733) with questions.

As your Municipal Agent for the Elderly, I am available to hear your questions, comments, concerns, or ideas. Feel free to call me during regular business hours at 860-434-5185 and I will be happy to assist you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda A. Winzer, *Municipal Agent for the Elderly, Lyme*

## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

November 3, 2009

Warning

Municipal Election

Pursuant to Sections 9-226 and 9-2 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Electors of the Town of Lyme are hereby warned to meet at the Lyme Fire Station on Tuesday, the 3rd day of November 2009 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. (EST) then and there to give their votes for the persons to fill the following offices:

A First Selectman, two (2) Selectmen, a Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, each for a term of (2) years; two members of the Board of Finance each for a term of six (6) years; one member of the Board of Finance Alternate for a term of (6) years; one member of the Board of Assessors for a term of (6) years; one member of the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term of six (6) years; two members of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term of six (6) years; two members of the Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate for a term of six (6) years; three Constables for a term of two (2) years; three Library Trustees for a term of six (6) years; one member of the Regional Board of Education for a term of four (4) years.

Dated at Lyme, Connecticut this 21st day of October 2009.

Ralph F. Eno, Jr.

Parker H. Lord

Steven E. Mattson

### LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE

Pursuant to Section 240 of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the location of the polling place for the Municipal Election in the Town of Lyme will be held on the 3rd day of November 2009 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (EST) at: Lyme Fire Station, 215 Hamburg Road, Lyme, CT.

Dated at Lyme, Connecticut this 21st day of October 2009.

Ruth N. Perry

Town Clerk

Town of Lyme

Recorded by: Town Clerk

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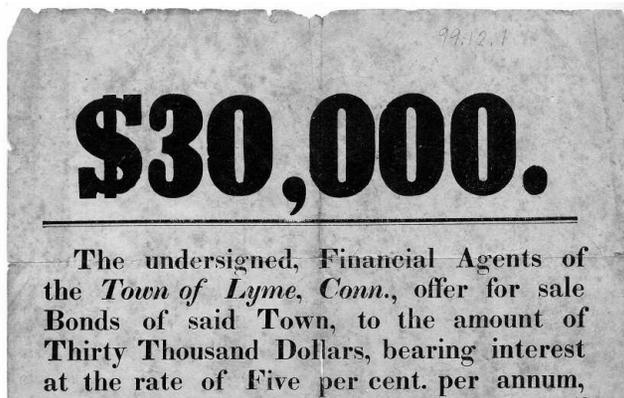
### November 3, 2009 Municipal Election Results

Electors met at the Hamburg Fire Station at 215 Hamburg Road, Lyme, CT between the hours of 6:00 AM and 8:00 PM to cast their votes. Election officials included the following: Moderator: Anne Clement; Absentee Ballot Counters: Carolyn Bacdayan and Elizabeth Lawlor; Checkers: Ann Evans and Charlotte Beers; Booth or Machine Tender: Marion Ewankow; Ballots: Hilde Reichenbach and Arthur Reichenbach; Registrar: Dianne Ahlberg; Assistant Registrar: Penny Eno.

First Selectman	Ralph F. Eno, Jr.	295
Selectman	Parker H. Lord	191
Selectman	Steven E. Mattson	117
Town Clerk	Ruth N. Perry	210

Town Treasurer	William L. Hawthorne	288
Tax Collector	Linda B. Ward	289
Board of Finance	Thomas Morgan Boyd	251
Board of Finance	Judith H. Duran	230
Board of Finance Alt.	Hugh C. Scott	268
Board of Assessors	Madeleine H. Mattson	234
Board of Assessment Appeals	James W. McFarland	239
Planning and Zoning Commission	David J. Tiffany	270
Planning and Zoning Commission	Joan H. Rich	216
Zoning Board of Appeals	David H. Lahm	257
Zoning Board of Appeals	Fred William Harger	225
Zoning Board of Appeals Alt.	Ronald John Wojcik	219
Constable	Frederick Bliven	214
Constable	John M. King	216
Constable	Ronald John Wojcik	134
Library Trustee	Bradford Moore Purcell	192
Library Trustee	Linnie L. Pickering	186
Library Trustee	George J. Willauer	186
Regional Board of Education	Beth A. Jones	200
Regional Board of Education	Beth A. Jones	109
Total Number of Registered Voters:		1814
Total Number of Voters Having Voted by Absentee Ballot:		9
Total Number of Voters Having Voted in Person:		312
Total Number of Voters Having Voted in person and by Absentee Ballot:		321

Recorded by: Ruth Perry, *Town Clerk*



Portion of flyer for bonds to cover the cost of bounties paid by Lyme to Civil War enlistees, a total expense to tax payers of \$60,000 when finally paid off in 1938, 73 years after the end of the war..

## CABLE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Lyme/Old Lyme Area Cable Advisory Council, representing the Towns of East Haddam, Haddam Neck, Hadlyme, Lyme, Old Lyme, and Salem had instituted a grant program for its member towns in June 2009, to aid in subsidizing costs related to public, educational and governmental programming. In 2010, the Council also initiated a scholarship program for graduating seniors from member towns who planned to study communications or a communications related field after high school. Four area applicants from the Class of 2010 were awarded \$500.00 scholarships in May of 2010.

The Council also approved grant applications from the Towns of Old Lyme and Salem for funds specified to purchase equipment in support of taped town meetings via Comcast Public Access broadcast and to download to the Town websites for access by noncable subscribers.

The Comcast Public Access Channel 14 of Old Lyme location is now a studio only and no longer a customer service center. There is a new access coordinator who offers television production training classes at no cost. The classes include learning program planning, studio techniques, field production, and editing. Studio hours are 9 AM to 1 PM on Mondays and Wednesdays; and 1:30 to 10 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Additional times can be scheduled by special appointment any day from 9am to 10pm. After approximately 6 hours of training, residents are able to use equipment in the studio. There is also additional training on Adobe Premier and Final Cut software programs by appointment. Comcast Public Access stations operate 24/7. When there is no scheduled programming, Bulletin Board announcements are aired.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Sielman, *Chairman*

## OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE PRESERVATION, MANAGEMENT, AND MAINTENANCE

The Open Space Committee and the Open Space Coordinator work in concert to acquire and manage open spaces in Lyme. The Open Space Committee is an appointed Town advisory body that endeavors to proactively identify and evaluate open space acquisition opportunities throughout the Town and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen. The Town's existing open spaces are managed and maintained by the Open Space Coordinator, a part time Town position that was established in 2005. The Open Space coordinator regularly attends Open Space Committee meetings and both entities coordinate their activities through the Board of Selectmen. The Open Space Committee meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7PM in the Town Hall.

The Lyme Plan of Conservation and Development (revised every ten years) is used to guide the Committee. This plan establishes the ecological, aesthetic, cultural and recreational values that the residents of Lyme have identified as being important to the protection of the town's conservation identity. Certain characteristics such as size, location, ecological or cultural significance, natural features, (geology etc.) suitability for multiple use (such as the ability to accommodate an affordable housing lot) and recreational potential are taken into account when the Open Space Committee evaluates the desirability of a particular parcel.

The feasibility of an initiative is as important as its desirability, so the Open Space Committee also works to ensure that the appropriate parties are 'at the table' when a project is reviewed. In some instances the Town's interests are best served through partnerships with the State, other towns and/or non-profit groups like the Lyme Land Conservation Trust and The Nature Conservancy. In other instances, it may be most advantageous for the Town to act alone. When the Committee determines that an initiative to purchase or otherwise protect a desirable property is properly structured, feasible and in the best interests of the Town, it works as an advocate to bring the initiative before the Town's leadership and ultimately to you to vote on at a Town Meeting.

During this past year, from July 2009 through June 2010, the Open Space Committee discussed updating the Town maps used by Connecticut River Estuary Regional Planning Agency (CRERPA) in Old Saybrook and the Center for Land Use Education and Research (CLEAR), located at the University of Connecticut. Using the most recent maps of the Town, of Lyme's protected lands, with an overlay of the inland wetlands and other critical/significant natural areas in town we will share them with these two groups.

In March 2010, the Town, The Nature Conservancy (TNC) and the Lyme Land Conservation Trust (LLCT) closed a deal that was 15 years in the making to protect the 96-acre Czikowsky property that is seen looking north from the Joshuatown Bridge. The Town and TNC each hold ½ undivided interest in the property and the LLCT holds a conservation restriction.

The Town has \$50,000 in the budget for open space acquisition for study purposes. We discussed the importance of building this fund back up.

As the 2009-2010 fiscal year drew to a close, a landowner offered property on Gungy and Beaverbrook roads to the Town. The landowner expressed a desire to preserve most of the 100-acre property as open space. Three existing family house parcels will be excluded from the gift. The town will try to set aside one affordable housing lot for a qualified Lyme resident or family for utilization in the future. The Open Space Committee recommended to the Board of Selectmen that the Town accept this most generous gift of property.

The following persons served on the Open Space Committee for the 2009-2010 year: Paul Armond, Temp Brown, Barbara David, John Feeny, Tony Irving, Parker Lord, Lucius Stark and Bob Winslow (secretary). Linda Bireley attended several meetings in her role as Open Space Coordinator

From July 2009 through June 2010 the Town's Open Space Coordinator continued to focus on: managing and maintaining Hartman Park, the Jewett Preserve (with TNC), and Mt. Archer Woods/Eno Preserve (with the LLCT). So far minimal focus has been directed towards the newly acquired Czikowsky Property. In addition the Coordinator continued to administer the hunting program.

### **Hunting Program**

The systematic and consistent process that was developed for granting permission for hunting deer on selected Town and LLCT properties continued in 2009 - 2010. This process requires that hunters using firearms request permission two weeks before the start of deer hunting season and attend a mandatory meeting prior to receiving permission to hunt deer. The process limits the number of individuals hunting deer at any one time on particular properties and requires signs to be posted on properties where permission to hunt has been granted. There would be no hunting on weekends. Permits for hunting deer (with bow), goose and turkey are granted as requested until the maximum number per property is achieved.

A total of 229 hunting permits were issued in 2009 to 91 different individuals to hunt on seven different properties in Town. Of these, 102 permits were issued to 34 individuals that requested hunting deer with rifle or shotgun in the three properties managed as a unit on Mount Archer: Mt. Archer Woods, Eno Preserve and Jewett Preserve. To provide hunting opportunities to as many individuals as possible on these properties, individuals were combined in groups of 3 – 5 individuals and each group was assigned specific dates to hunt.

For comparison, in 2008, 179 permits were issued to 82 individuals with 117 permits being issued to 39 individuals to hunt deer with rifle or shotgun in the Mount Archer area. Permits were also issued for hunting deer with a muzzleloader, for hunting goose in the fall of 2008 and for hunting turkey in the spring of 2009.

Every hunter requesting a deer permit was given a postcard to voluntarily report the number of deer taken. Of the cards that were issued, 14 cards were returned, reporting 6 deer taken for 68 hunter-days of effort. For comparison, in 2008, 23 cards were returned, reporting 111 hunter-days and 7 deer taken.

## **Open Space Management / Maintenance**

### **Hartman Park**

#### *Usage*

This Park was more heavily used than any other of the Town's open spaces. A total of 298 people reported using Hartman Park from July 2009 – June 2010. This was considerably fewer than the 453 people who reported using the Park during the same period last year. Because not everyone signs the log book, it is likely that 2 – 3 times that number actually used the Park's facilities. The most popular activity was hiking, followed by dog walking, biking, bird/wildlife watching, running, visiting the fairy village and letterboxing/geocaching. Although many visitors were local (East Lyme/Niantic, 17%; Old Lyme, 15%; Lyme/Hadlyme 12%, Waterford 7%, Oakdale 4%, Salem 4%), 35% were from other towns in Connecticut and 6% were from out of state.

#### *Maintenance*

The following maintenance was completed in Hartman Park. The Willis family secured Charity's bench to a new tree after the tree it was secured to came down in a storm; Ed Bireley helped repair the curbing around the Hartman Park sign; Tom Bischoff mowed the Hartman field; Lisa Niccolai, Marta Cone and Diana Boehning maintained the Red Trail; several bridges were replaced with the help of Thomas Lamourine and other members of the mountain biking community.

### **Jewett Preserve**

#### *Usage*

From July 2009 to June 2010 a total of 172 people reported using the Preserve as compared to 252 in the same period last year. Because not everyone signs the log book, it is likely that 2 – 3 times that number actually used the Preserve. The most popular activity was hiking, followed by bird/wildlife watching, letterboxing/geocaching, running and dog walking. Most visitors were from Lyme/Hadlyme (33%); East Lyme/Niantic(9%); Old Lyme (8%); East Haddam (8%); Waterford (8%); Old Saybrook (5%); 25% were from other towns in Connecticut and 6% were from out of state.

### Maintenance

This Preserve is managed jointly by the Town and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) under a recently developed management plan, which still needs final signatures. This past winter Tom Bischoff, under contract with the Town and TNC, mowed the field in the Preserve, continuing to reduce the number of autumn olive and other invasive shrubs. Parker Lord mowed the Yellow Trail through the field twice and portions of the White Trail. Brantley Buerger cleared several downed trees from the White Trail.

TNC, Town of Lyme and LLCT cooperated to remove barberry and other invasive plants from 2-acre plots in the Jewett and Eno Preserves. In the fall 2009, both 2-acre areas were mowed with a flail mower to reduce the sheer volume of plant material; a hand operated brush cutter was used around rocks and non-invasive plants. When the plants began to re-sprout in the spring of 2010, the new growth was treated with either an herbicide or the application of heat using a propane torch. The Lyme Fire Company provided fire watch during the use of the propane torch. Pretreatment data were collected on both plots in the fall of 2009; the data collection will be repeated in the fall of 2010.

### Mt. Archer Woods/Eno Preserve

#### Usage

These two abutting properties are at the top of Mount Archer and across the road from the Jewett Preserve. From July 2009 – June 2010, 142 people signed the Mt. Archer Woods log book vs. 146 during the same period last year. Because not everyone signs the log book, it is likely that 2 – 3 times that number actually used the Woods' facilities. The most popular activity was hiking, followed by running, bird/wildlife watching, dog walking and biking. Most visitors were from Lyme/Hadlyme, (44%), Old Lyme (17%), East Haddam (6%) Colchester (4%), Waterford (4%); 21% were from other towns in Connecticut and 4% were from out of state.

### Maintenance

These properties are managed jointly by the Town and LLCT. In addition to the invasive management conducted and described above the following maintenance activities were completed: Humphrey Tyler and Brantley Buerger removed several downed trees from the White Trail; Brantley also removed several white PVC standpipes that were left over from activities conducted on the property when it was being considered for subdivision.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara David, *Open Space Committee*  
Linda E. Bireley, *Open Space Coordinator*

## PARKS AND RECREATION

The Lyme Parks and Recreation has had another successful year of programs and activities. We would like to begin this year's annual report by thanking our commission members. The Parks and Recreation Commission is running smoother all the time due to our dedicated commission members. Without them, many programs would not be possible. Kathy Tisdale, and Heidi and Eric Schumacher serve on our committee with continued dedication. We would also like to acknowledge that Jamie Gourlay received the Volunteer of the Year Award for many years of dedication to our program and help with many events. There are others we would like to acknowledge for their services: Nancy Hallahan, Don Bugbee, Linda Winzer, Regional School District 18, Ruth Perry, Megan Eno, Ralph Eno, and all the parents who volunteer to coach and assist. Without all of you, these programs would not be possible.

This year we held many successful programs like soccer, basketball, swimming, and art. Many great partnerships have also made for great summer activities. We would like to thank Between the Lines, Hamburg Cove Yacht Club, and Mad Science for helping us with continued summer camps. We are also looking into some exciting new daytrips this coming year and some community activities for families to enjoy together. We had an excellent turnout this year at our annual July 4th concert and picnic. We also held an Olympic party at Lyme Consolidated School, where students participated in sports events, crafts, and games. Due to continued success and requests, we have also opened up our free swim nights for more hours and dates. They will be held November through April from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM at the East Lyme Aquatics Center on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.

We welcome feedback and would like the opportunity to send you information about upcoming events. Please send us your contact information via email at [prlyme@aol.com](mailto:prlyme@aol.com). We hope that this will open the doors of communication between our commission and the community. Our email address will provide a means of forwarding sign-up sheets, answering questions, and planning our programs in a more timely and efficient manner. We are looking forward to the opportunities this service will provide. In the future, we would like to expand our communication capabilities with a website. Thanks to all for being a part of another successful year with Lyme Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jason Thornton

## LYME PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

This year was quieter on the Planning and Zoning front than in years past reflecting the general slowdown of the economy. There was very little activity in the way of subdivisions and several months saw no agenda items for review by the commission. There were nine regular Planning and Zoning meetings that dealt with 21 agenda items as well as five public hearings that dealt with 9 agenda items. Topics included new boat dock applications, dredging permits, subdivision extension applications, regular subdivision applications, pool permits, cell tower applications, various special permit applications, and even a special dental clinic application.

This year's activity level showed considerable easing of development pressure. While impossible to predict the future, Lyme is well positioned to address an eventual economic upturn and resulting increase in subdivision activity. The commission will continue to work hard at maintaining the balance between the town's inevitable growth and its unique rural character.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Tiffany, *Chairman*

## LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY

In 2009, The Lyme Town Planning committee, staffed by Library and Town Hall representatives, began and completed a Critical Needs Assessment for a new town campus. Included in the study were space and function requirements for each entity not only for today but into the foreseeable future. In 2010, a second committee, now including persons experienced in the building trades, issued requests for Proposals to professional firms to implement the Critical Needs Assessment. To date, more than 40 architectural firms have expressed interest in the project. The Library looks forward to the designs and ideas that result from the process and anticipates by 2011 that a single proposal will have been chosen which meets the needs of the Library, the Town Hall and Lyme residents.

The continuing state budget crisis resulted in cuts to the State Library budget and the Connecticut Library Consortium (CLC). Although a passionate campaign by librarians and library users across the state helped prevent funding for reQuest, ICONN and CLC from being completely eliminated, some funds were still held back. This resulted in the elimination of some databases from ICONN and the end of state funding for InfoAnytime, the 24/7 virtual reference service. CLC was able to negotiate a new contract with the InfoAnytime vendor that required subscriber libraries to pay higher fees, but the new contract enabled the Lyme Library to continue offering the service. In addition, the library began offering JobNow. JobNow provides live interactive online help to those seeking employment, offers help with resume and interview preparation, and offers free online resources to job seekers. Indications are that the coming year will be another difficult year for the state budget so more library funding cuts at the state level are possible. However, the Connecticut Library Association, library professionals, and library supporters across the state will continue to communicate with local and state officials to impress upon them the cost effectiveness of statewide resource sharing services such as request, ICONN, InfoAnytime, and JobNow and how much citizens depend on their libraries for these services and others during good times and bad.

As an illustration of this, more than 3,900 ICONN searches were done during the year (more than double the previous year.) In addition, 656 items were borrowed via interlibrary loan using the reQuest database and 967 items were lent to other libraries. Audiovisual materials continued to be popular as over 6,100 DVDs, audio books (cds and downloadable) and music cds circulated. Also, in spite of all the hype about eBooks and projections that paper books will become obsolete, book circulation increased slightly during the year to 10,522. As services to our patrons, the library also purchased an iMac computer for patrons who prefer Apple computers and a Keurig coffee machine. Patrons who are doing research, studying, or just feel like taking a break can now purchase coffee, tea, or hot chocolate at the library.

Programming remained an important part of library services as both adult and children's programs were offered. Summer reading is an essential part of children's success, and Children's Librarian Barbara Carlson worked with Lyme Consolidated School Media Specialist Shannon Pimentel and administrators from Region 18 to collaborate on summer reading. Also, Kristen Thornton led four summer programs in conjunction with the summer reading theme of *Be Creative @ Your Library* in which children created art work in the styles of Norman Rockwell, Georgia O'Keefe, and Andy Warhol. Kristen also led monthly after school programs featuring science and art projects and special holiday programs, and Zach Agostine conducted a series of robotics programs for 4th and 5th graders in which they designed and built their own working robots. Barbara Carlson continued regular preschool story hours as well as instituting drop-in story hours for those children and parents whose schedule could not accommodate

regular programs. Also, the library participated in the first One Book Every Young Child (OBEYC) program and Barbara served on the committee that chose the title and planned the events. The program was a collaboration between the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut, the Connecticut Library Consortium and eleven public libraries in the Foundation's service area. The purpose of the program was to highlight the importance of early literacy development in preschoolers, teach practices to parents and caregivers that promote literacy development, and increase the ability of libraries and community agencies to respond to early literacy needs through collaboration. The title chosen for the program was *The Big Storm* by Nancy Tafuri, and the author attended both events in November and February to read her story and meet the children and parents. Another OBEYC campaign is planned for 2010-2011.

The Library Book Club started the year by reading and discussing the One Book One Region selection *City of Thieves* by David Benioff, and throughout the year read a wide selection of titles including *The Hour I First Believed* by Wally Lamb and *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell. Other adult programs included a reading and book signing by Lyme resident Jim Benn of his book *Evil for Evil*, the 4th book in the acclaimed *Billy Boyle WWII Mystery series*, and a travel program about the different regions, cultures and climates of Italy.

At November's benefit Concert/Mystery dinner event, Lyme resident John Hargraves reintroduced the audience to the wonderful music of the English musical theater composer, Ivor Novello. The concert, produced and directed by Hargraves, featured him on the piano, Alexandra Isles as narrator, and voices Audrey Babcock, Beatrice Broadwater, Brian Cheney, Teresa Eickel and Richard Miller. Novello was the most celebrated London musical composer of the nineteen thirties and forties, whose attendance figures even Noel Coward could not surpass. Interest in the once hugely popular matinee idol, composer, and theatrical writer was rekindled in America by Robert Altman's successful film, *Gosford Park*. The program included familiar songs from Novello's musicals. The post-concert gala had a new twist as instead of dinners, the event featured cocktail parties at the homes of five Lyme hosts. The Mystery Dinner Committee outdid itself again with an event that was great fun for the community and also benefitted the library. Also, our annual book sale was a success again thanks to the many volunteers who came out to help with sorting and set-up, and the many townspeople who came to the sale and bought books. Many people who attended the sale mentioned how much they enjoy the event and look forward to it every year.

Library Director Theresa Conley stepped down from the Connecticut Library Association Executive Board after serving for ten years as Chair of the Public Library Section of CLA and the regional representative for southeastern CT. Although she will no longer be on the Executive Board, she will remain active in CLA as a member of the Public Library Section which deals with issues relevant to public libraries and plans programs for the annual CLA Conference. Also, Emma the library cat, was featured in the February 2010 issue of *Cat Fancy* magazine in an article titled *Literary Felines: Meet 45 Library Cats*. Emma continues to attract visitors to the library, not only from Lyme and surrounding towns, but from all over the country.

We are grateful for the continued support from individuals, members of the Library Board, Town Hall and the Board of Finance, and community organizations and businesses such as the Lyme Garden Club, Lyme/Old Lyme Lions Club, the Lyme Land Conservation Trust, the Lyme Consolidated School, Lyme Public Library, Inc., Essex Savings Bank, and the John and Kelly Hartman Foundation.

In its March 2010 issue, *Connecticut Magazine* ranked Lyme number 1 among small towns with populations below 3,500, and 4th in the "Leisure" category out of 27 towns. The

article stated, "It should be pointed out that a good score in the "Leisure" category among these smallest of towns generally indicates an active and well-supported library. Only a handful of towns, such as Cornwall and Kent, offer shopping, galleries, and restaurants." It is due to the dedication of the library staff and the support of the individuals and organizations mentioned above that Lyme has such an active and well-supported library that contributes so much to quality of life in the community.

**LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT  
JULY 1, 2009 - JUNE 30, 2010**

Carryover Balance of Checking Account as of 6/30/09	9,560.63	
Balance of Savings Account	951.92	
Town of Lyme Expenditures	120,216.77	
<b>GRANTS</b>		
State of Connecticut	1,657.00	
Grants	1,000.00	
<b>GIFTS</b>		
Lyme Public Library, Inc.	40,500.00	
Gifts/Donations	2,490.00	
Fines	1,487.91	
Fax, Copier, etc.	261.00	
Donations-Cat Fund	67.00	
Lost Books	25.57	
Miscellaneous	329.92	
<b>FUNDS RAISED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS</b>		
Book Sale	3,459.25	
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>182,006.97</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Audio Visual	5,728.25	
Benefits	18,676.59	
Books	16,077.25	
Book Sales Expenses	2,198.68	
Building Maintenance	2,738.60	
Cat Expense	221.30	
Computer Expense	4,715.99	
Dues/Conferences	829.00	
Licenses	3,734.85	
Magazines/Periodicals	2,243.19	
Miscellaneous	632.56	
Postage	1,125.74	
Printing	1,050.00	
Programs	1,698.63	
Refuse	240.00	
Salaries	100,513.41	
Supplies	2,905.87	

Telephone	2,581.15	
Travel	902.10	
Utilities	2,934.31	
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Total Expenditures		171,747.47
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Difference		10,259.50
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**ROGERS LAKE AUTHORITY**

In a year marked by cost reduction by citizens and public entities a predictable result was more moderate motor boating use of Rogers Lake although rowing, sailing, swimming, fishing and other activities continued at customary levels. Monitoring of vessel traffic by designated RLA agent Walter Buch, was effective in reducing departures from the customary counterclockwise pattern observed by motorized traffic, and the monitoring of vessels entering the lake by a designated representative of the RLA at the State of Connecticut boat launching ramp was effective in reducing transient operation of vessels exceeding the 135 horsepower limit.

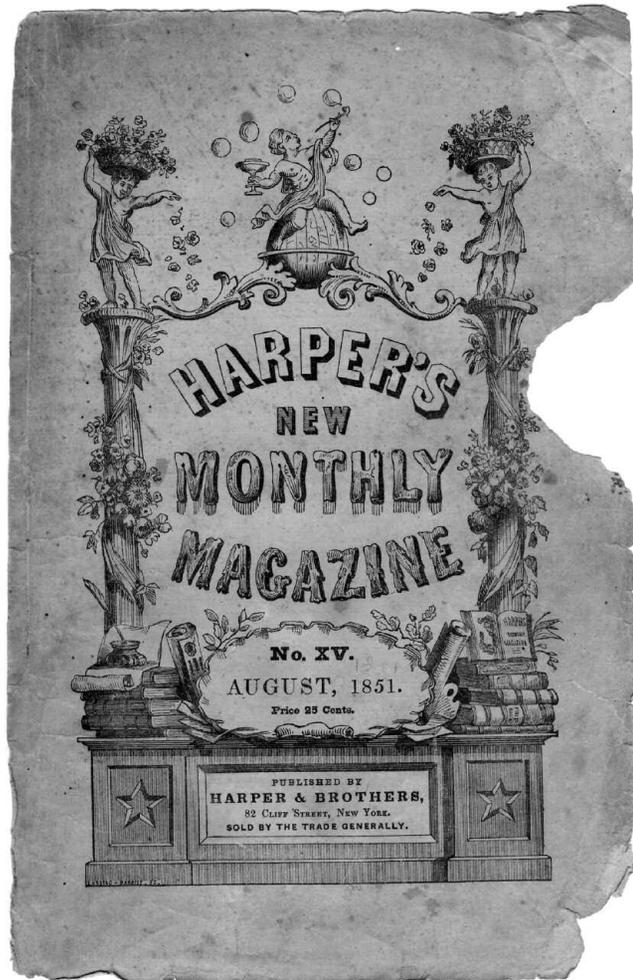
Introduction of invasive non-native species into the lake by trailered vessels remains a matter of considerable concern. Notably, zebra mussels have recently found their way into two Connecticut lakes, Lake Lillinoah and Lake Zoar. This species was also found last year in Laurel Lake in Lee, Mass., and in its outflow into the Housatonic River upstream from Connecticut. The displacement anticipated to take place from zebra mussels is due to the fact that this species can filter out the freshwater plankton that native species rely on and then totally alter the food chain, affecting both the fish and the wildlife that rely on the lake for food. The devastation that has occurred in the Great Lakes and New York State points to the need for vigilance in attempts to protect Rogers Lake.

General warming is causing a collateral increase in the growing season for milfoil and other aquatic plants as snow cover on ice reduces. The RLA has commissioned a revisit by Doctor George Knoecklein of the plant population in Rogers Lake, where approximately 34 species are thought to presently exist. In the fall of 2010 a small population of fanwort, yet another invasive species, was found in areas surrounding the boat launching area, which was hopefully eradicated by hand pulling. A drawdown conducted over the 2009-2010 winter seemed to provide some relief during the past summer, although approximately 50 acres of the lake remain subject to infestation to the point where boat traffic is impeded.

Striking a balanced approach between individual impacts and general navigation, the RLA has encouraged the selective use by residents of lake bottom blankets, or benthic mats, applied abutting properties in the interest of ameliorating congestion by weeds. Removed and relocated after approximately thirty days of placement, these can provide a corridor clear of weeds for swimming and boating, although they have no impact on soft silt, which is a typical collateral problem in the areas where milfoil propagates. Unfortunately, the solution most likely to eradicate the problem lies in dredging to remove silt and deepen areas to the point where photosynthesis cannot occur, a resolution requiring significant bonding cost in troubled times for the two communities.

We have repetitively iterated for 35 years the need for boundary protection for the lake, in planting buffer zones of vegetation to prevent unnecessary deposit of deciduous matter, limitation of deciduous trees, eliminating lawn fertilization and responsibly managing shore-fronts. The lake as a primary recreational venue is a product of a largely undeveloped 4,000 acre watershed. To the end of its continuing service to the community one would hope that its 260 acre surface would gradually be freed of inboard vessels, excessive wakes, operation in violation of state statutes by jet skis and motorboats too close to shore. Summarily, thoughtful enjoyment by all.

Respectfully submitted,  
Fredrik D. Holth, *Chairperson*



Detail of cover of 1851 issue of Harpers Monthly Magazine with a *Monthly Record of Current Events* section that addressed the moral, political and constitutional debates in State legislatures about slavery.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### MARRIAGES JULY 2009-JUNE 2010

Heather Elin Davidson to Rebecca Elizabeth Hawes	July 6, 2009
Miguel Angel Lopez to Amber Caez	July 11, 2009
Christopher McLean to Jill Frances Britton	July 11, 2009
Richard David Roussy to Jessica Ann Miller	July 11, 2009
Gary Hayden Reynolds Jr. to Emily Wheeler Greene	July 11, 2009
Galberto Lozano to Lisa Jeanne Hirsch	July 18, 2009
Derek Steven Rockholz to Phoebe West Koch	July 25, 2009
Michael John Hourigan Jr. to Kristen Lee Smith	August 15, 2009
Susan J. Hessel to Karen Dahle	September 1, 2009
Alyssa S. Taddy to Bridget K. Thoreson	September 12, 2009
Arlene V. Berger to Lea P. Cochran	September 12, 2009
Steven Lazrove to Debra Lynn Alt	October 10, 2009
John William Felix to Robert McDonald	October 10, 2009
Charles G. Lamothe Jr. to Patricia J. Ruotolo	November 26, 2009
James Owen Langan to Laura Catherine McCoy	January 23, 2010
William Joseph Outtrim to Bethany Ann Cyrus	June 5, 2010
Terrence D. Archer to Kimberly L. Williams	June 12, 2010
John McPherson Leask III to Antares Russell Alleman	June 26, 2010
Demetrius Anatole D'Slessandro to Olga Valentino	June 26, 2010

### DEATHS JULY 2009 – JUNE 2010

Robert B. Ebbets	Born August 26, 1918 Died September 16, 2009
Violet H. Zelek	Born November 6, 1912 Died September 17, 2009
Robert Allyn Hubbard	Born October 26, 1958 Died November 4, 2009
Philip E. Young	Born February 26, 1955 Died November 27, 2009
Joseph Firgelewski	Born June 11, 1921 Died November 6, 2010
John Ward Parker	Born April 18, 1924 Died February 9, 2010
Richard J. Seckla	Born October 18, 1934 Died March 14, 2010
Barbara Meyers	Born September 2, 1925 Died April 12, 2010

Richard A. Fewtrell	Born August 14, 1943 Died April 21, 2010
Micheline Gigliotti	Born May 7, 1912 Died April 22, 2010
Rosemary T. Strekel	Born January 26, 1947 Died April 24, 2010
Mary S. Muhlhausen	Born October 3, 1907 Died May 1, 2010
Jane Eddy Parker	Born December 11, 1909 Died May 27, 2010
William C. Oberkirk	Born November 8, 1913 Died June 6, 2010
Ruth P. Heinze	Born January 5, 1914 Died June 29, 2010

### TAX COLLECTOR

Below is a comparison of Tax Collection figures based on the 2008 Grand List total net assessment of \$603,308,961 before changes, and the Motor Vehicle Supplement List of \$1,751,005.

Item	Budget Estimate	Actual Collections	Collections Above Estimate
Taxes	\$7,522,746	\$7,662,689	\$139,943
Interest	20,000	57,613	37,613
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,542,746</b>	<b>\$7,720,302</b>	<b>\$177,556</b>

The current year collection was \$7,576,289 which represents 99.2% of the total \$7,634,376 due on the 2008 Grand List.

The Tax Collector's Office is open 9:00 – 12:30 and 1:00 – 4:00 every day except Wednesday. During the collection period in July, it remains open Monday – Friday until 4:00 p.m.

We want to remind any resident who feels he may need more time meeting his tax obligations to please call or stop by the tax office to inquire about a payment plan. Communication with our taxpayers is essential and we will strive to work with them to obtain our goal of collecting the maximum amount of receivables while converting previously delinquent taxpayers into current taxpayers.

NOTE: When you renew your Motor Vehicle registrations, please review the mailing address. A number of residents have registered their vehicles at their street address, but they only receive mail at a post office box. The Dept. of Motor Vehicles requires both addresses, and they supply us with the mailing address.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Ward, Tax Collector

## THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT OF LYME-OLD LYME HIGH SCHOOL TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 15, 2010 SIX O'CLOCK HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELD OLD LYME, CONNECTICUT

### CANDIDATES FOR DIPLOMAS

Chelsea Meredith Abrahamsson	Adam Ghalmi
Cassandra Ann Algar	Jordan Chance Giaconia
Gilson Leandro Andrade	Eliza Jane Girty
Jordan Arruda	Steven Sawyer Gregory
Sophie Nicole Bakoledis	Megan Ashley Griffin
Bryan James Barber	Jason Michael Gripps
Stephen Morton Becher	Austin Cornelis Hack
Daniel Joseph Bernblum	Sean Francis Hallahan
Gregory Philip Berryman	Jill Marie Hautaniemi
Rebecca Ann Beyer	Christine May Hubbard
Alexandra Anne Borsari	Justin Talbot Kegley
Alexander Christopher Bozenhard	Colbey Anne Kennedy
Casey John Brett	Megan Elizabeth Klein
Kirsten Nicol Brink	Mitchell William Krasney
Amber Marie Brown	Alexander Clarke Kratzert
Mackenzie Clarke Burdick	Clement Lefrancq
Skylar Jane Carfi	Joseph Oliver Legassie
Matthew Channing Carpenter	Sean Matthew Lewis
Molly Larkin Case	Calvin John Linderman
Elizabeth Margaret Grace Comstock	Catherine Victoria Logan
Lyndsey Nicole Congdon	Spencer Randall Mangs
Dominique Noel Constantinou	Brandon Lee Margiotta
Brittany St. Pierre Cowee	Emma Tristram Marrs
Jessica Lynn Cromarty	Alex James Mayne
Adilyn Elizabeth Crook	Hayley Virginia McGill
Melissa Marie Czarnowski	Michael Ross McLean
Megan Rachael Devlin	Sean Patrick McManus
Brianna Marie Duffy	Ryan Joseph Milke
Ian Clifford Dunn	Jacob Anthony Montano
Conor Francis Fallon	Emily Alisa Moran
Mara Shaw Fischer	Samantha Julia Nickerson
Peer Frederik Fish	Alexander Armond Nodden
Sarah Jean Fitzgerald Briscoe	Nicole Angelica Nowosadko
Sean Patrick Flaherty	Sarah Ann Cuccio Peck
Jeffrey Francis O'Brien Freaney	Steven Louis Pelissier
Gabriel Brendan Geist	Zachary Andrew Pepin
Meghan Alanna Geist	Jonathan Ian Pope

Daniel-Warren Milton Rasmussen  
 Kevin Carl Reidemeister  
 William Wagner Ricker  
 Kaylee Ann Rowland  
 Leah Alexandra Russell  
 Michael Christopher Russell  
 Sarah Elizabeth Sage  
 James Gilson Scheide  
 Sarah Elizabeth Schmidt  
 Hannah Marjorie Seddon  
 Patrick Stephen Shaw  
 Joshua Adam Stankiewicz

Dylan Patrick Stanton  
 Katelyn Elise Huntington Sturgell  
 James Rodney Sullivan  
 Seth Allen Talcott  
 Robert Finn Tyler  
 Courtney Taylor Vinchesi  
 Justin Michael Wadge  
 Lucy Elizabeth Walker  
 Hilary Harris Weaver  
 Timothy Karl Wilczynski  
 Alison Fay Wilkman  
 Andrew Mark Winter

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Lyme is what it is due in large part to the countless volunteers who give countless hours doing what needs to be done. With the size of our town being what it is, there are not many paid programs or services. Much of what we have and benefit from is a direct result of the kindness and generosity of others. Listed below, in no particular order, are some of the volunteer opportunities available to all. If you participate in a volunteer organization that is not listed here, my apologies in advance for the omission. Please let me know and the group will be included in next year's list. Whether you are a long time volunteer, a first timer, or new resident looking for a way to get to know your neighbors, take a moment to look over this list. Perhaps there is something that interests you, a group or organization that might benefit from a skill or gift that you possess. If you have difficulty in locating a contact person or phone number for any group, let me know and I will do my best to put you in touch with them. And while you're reading, please take another moment to pause and reflect on the various organizations and the many, many people who make them work. They deserve our gratitude and heartfelt thanks for helping to make Lyme the kind of community we are proud to call home.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Linda Winzer

### WITHIN THE TOWN OF LYME

All the commissions, boards, and groups whose reports can be found within the pages of this town report.

Lyme Public Library	Lyme Grange #147
Lyme School PTO	Hamburg Fair Committee
Lyme Fire Company	Lyme Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts
Lyme Fire Company Auxiliary	Lyme Daisies/Brownies/Girl Scouts
Lyme Ambulance Association	Lyme Garden Club
Lyme Public Hall Association	Lyme Affordable Housing
Hadlyme Public Hall Association	Lyme Public Library
First Congregational Church of Lyme	
Grassy Hill Congregational Church	

### WITHIN THE LYME/OLD LYME COMMUNITY

Lymes' Senior Center	Saint Ann's Episcopal Church
Lyme-Old Lyme Public Schools Volunteer Program	Florence Griswold Museum
Shoreline Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry	Lyme Academy of Fine Arts
High Hopes Therapeutic Riding	Literacy Volunteers – Valley Shore
Lymes Youth Service Bureau	Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library
First Congregational Church of Old Lyme	VFW Post 1467
Christ the King Church	American Legion Post 41

### TREASURER'S REPORT 2009-2010

Balance, Checking Account June 30th, 2009		149,681
<b>Tax Collector:</b>		
Taxes	7,664,647	
Interest & Fees	58,417	
		7,723,064
<b>State of Connecticut:</b>		
Capital Improvement	40,707	
Telephone Access Line Tax	11,658	
Elderly Tax Relief	22,008	
Supplemental Municipal Aid	7,060	
Education Grant	126,460	
Civil Preparedness	13,333	
State Property	19,638	
Boating Grant	3,474	
Veteran's Exemptions	459	
Other Grants	6,624	
		251,421
<b>Special Revenue:</b>		
Town Aid Road Funds	88,927	
Affordable Housing Program	3,870	
		92,797
<b>Interest:</b>		
Investments	14,920	
		14,920
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>		
Building Permits	41,289	
Conveyance Taxes	43,757	
Mooring Permits	2,420	
Other Permits	6,140	
Planning & Zoning	1,920	
Zoning Board of Appeals	1,400	
Town Clerk Fees	19,692	
Refunds and Rebates	2,025	
Waste Disposal Fees	1,325	

Newspaper Profit Sharing	2,100	
Other Receipts	168,565	
		290,633
<b>Total Receipts</b>		8,522,516
Plus: Change in accruals		- 63,568
Less: Selectmen's Disbursements		8,314,142
Balance, Checking Account, June 30, 2010		144,806
<b>Balance in Banks</b>		
<b>General Fund:</b>	Account:	
CT Short Term Investment Fund		1,000,000.00
<b>Reserve Fund:</b>		
Citizens Bank		6,059.42
Essex Savings Bank		8,414.02
Liberty Bank for Savings		3,256.91
Liberty Bank		8,214.93
Morgan Stanley – Capital Transfer		247,556.39
Morgan Stanley – Open Space Reserve Fund		18,012.56
<b>Special Funds:</b>		
Harbor Improvement Fund		671.10
Kovalenko Fund		1,270.74
Moulson – Ely Fund		4,569.68
Town Deposit Fund		7,811.23
World War I Memorial		863.11
<b>Town Aid Road Fund</b>		
Balance, July 1, 2009		8,614.36
Add: Current Allocation	88,927.17	
Interest	18.66	
		88,945.83
Less: Expended to General Fund		88,927.17
Balance, Essex Savings Bank, June 30, 2010		8,633.02
<b>Cemetery Trust Fund</b>		
Balance, July 1, 2009		171,890.17
Add: Interest	3,485.44	
Plot Sales	3,600.00	
Less: Exp to General Fund	-12,400.00	
		- 5,314.56
Balance, June 30, 2010		166,575.61
Balance, June 30, 2010		
Essex Savings Bank	6,214.16	
Citizens Bank	45,409.26	
Certificates of Deposit (3)	114,952.19	
<b>Dog Fund</b>		
Balance, July 1, 2009		7,215.54
Add: Town Clerk – Surcharge, Unaltered Dogs	54.00	
Town Clerk-Surcharge, Altered Dogs	542.00	
Town Clerk – License Fees	1,513.00	

Warden – Impoundment, Fees	105.00	
Town of Lyme Appropriation	4,000.00	
Miscellaneous	187.00	
		6,401.00
Less: Warden – Salary and Fees	2,505.00	
Warden – Expenses	2,200.00	
State of Connecticut – Surcharge	488.00	
State of Connecticut – 50% of Fees	701.50	
Advertising	0.00	
Dog Tags, Supplies	26.50	
		5,921.00
Balance: June 30, 2010		7,695.54
<b>Hartman Park</b>		
Balance, July 1, 2009		10,980.12
Add: Contributions	1,500.00	
Less: Exp to General Fund	3,750.00	
Balance: June 30, 2010		8,730.12
<b>Pension Fund</b>		
Balance, July 1, 2009		410,621.49
Add: Town of Lyme – contributions		34,793.61
Gains/Losses		48,607.32
Less: Pension Payments		0.00
Balance, June 30, 2010		494,022.42
William L. Hawthorne, <i>Treasurer</i>		

**LYME VNA STATISTICS  
2009 - 2010 ANNUAL REPORT**

	VISITS	HOURS	
<b>Home Health Visits</b>	14	14	
<b>New Baby</b>	0	0	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	
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CLINIC	PATIENTS SEEN	RECHECK	HOURS
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>161</b>		<b>7</b>
<b>Office Hour Breakdown</b>			
Total Patients Seen	116		
Blood Pressure	85		
Immunization	14		
Injections	8		
Other	9		
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>			<b>59</b>
<b>MEETINGS</b>			<b>HOURS</b>
		<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0</b>
		<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>	<b>80</b>

TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2009	Current Year Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfer To Suspense	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections			Overpayments Refunded	Uncollected Taxes June 30, 2010
			Additions	Deductions			Taxes	Interest	Lien Fees		
1993	\$ 499	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 499	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1994	366	-	-	-	366	-	-	-	-	-	366
1995	407	-	-	-	407	-	-	-	-	-	407
1996	49	-	-	-	49	-	-	-	-	-	49
1997	(156)	-	-	-	(156)	-	-	-	-	-	(156)
1998	101	-	-	-	101	-	-	-	-	-	101
1999	1,271	-	-	-	1,271	-	-	-	-	-	1,271
2000	1,530	-	-	-	1,530	-	-	-	-	-	1,530
2001	3,682	-	-	-	3,682	991	159	-	-	-	2,691
2002	3,846	-	-	-	3,846	59	69	24	-	-	3,787
2003	5,700	-	-	-	5,700	1,185	471	24	-	-	4,515
2004	13,305	-	7	-	13,298	6,880	5,384	24	-	-	6,418
2005	24,563	-	46	235	24,282	16,257	10,222	120	-	-	8,025
2006	30,685	-	44	302	30,401	12,195	6,456	120	-	-	18,206
2007	74,862	-	287	563	74,514	48,833	12,171	312	-	-	25,681
Total Prior Years	160,710	-	564	883	159,291	86,400	34,932	624	-	-	72,891
2008	-	7,629,104	22,138	16,387	7,634,376	7,576,289	21,985	72	1,269	58,087	-
Total	\$ 160,710	\$ 7,629,104	\$ 22,702	\$ 17,270	\$ 7,733,667	\$ 7,652,689	\$ 55,917	\$ 696	\$ 1,269	\$ 130,978	\$ -
60 Day collections-June 30, 2009 ( 17,548)											
60 Day collections-June 30, 2010 6,884											
Taxes, interest and lien fees \$ 7,709,638											

\*Uncollected taxes eliminated pursuant to Section 12-165 of the CT General Statutes.

TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
General Government:				
Selectmen	\$ 64,822	\$ 64,822	\$ 60,168	\$ 4,654
Town clerk	48,542	48,542	45,465	3,077
Board of finance	2,000	2,000	3,324	( 1,324)
Tax collector	40,627	40,627	35,517	5,110
Assessor's office	51,875	51,875	41,797	10,078
Revaluation	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
Town treasurer	8,405	8,405	8,405	-
Election expenses	13,008	13,008	7,466	5,542
Board of assessment appeals	250	250	104	146
Planning and zoning commission	15,000	15,000	13,290	1,710
Zoning board of appeals	7,000	7,000	3,349	3,651
Zoning officer	30,412	30,412	30,411	1
Harbor maintenance	2,600	2,600	4,497	( 1,897)
Conservation commission	7,400	7,400	12,232	( 4,832)
Pollution control	1,340	1,340	1,331	9
Probate court	750	750	913	( 163)
Auditor's expense	20,800	20,800	20,854	( 54)
Town counsel	15,000	15,000	13,746	1,254
Town report	7,500	7,500	5,708	1,792
General insurance	76,000	76,000	73,883	2,117
Workers' compensation insurance	23,000	23,000	23,435	( 435)
Health insurance	145,771	145,771	143,813	1,958
FICA	43,944	43,944	43,655	289
Retirement	41,666	41,666	38,422	3,244
Town hall expense	35,000	35,000	29,855	5,145
Heat and fuel	51,004	51,004	51,437	( 433)
Affordable housing	750	750	-	750
Elderly	6,822	6,822	6,822	-
Transportation distribution	1,907	1,907	1,907	-
Hadlyme Historic District	24,000	24,000	24,000	-
Total general government	802,195	802,195	760,806	41,389
Public Safety:				
Fire marshal	5,500	5,500	4,827	673
Fire company	48,550	48,550	38,916	9,634
VSECI	32,883	32,883	32,883	-
Complex maintenance	16,350	16,350	15,769	581
Public safety utilities	19,500	19,500	21,754	( 2,254)
Police	10,000	10,000	9,061	939
Civil preparedness	5,500	5,500	2,014	3,486
Building inspector	21,000	21,000	19,574	1,426
Hazardous waste	8,495	8,495	7,855	640
Public safety pension	71,571	71,571	73,435	( 1,864)
Total public safety	239,349	239,349	226,088	13,261

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**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010  
... Continued ...**

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Highways:				
Superintendent	\$ 56,504	\$ 56,504	\$ 57,199	(\$ 695)
Town crew	125,849	125,849	120,232	5,617
Town crew benefits	20,061	20,061	19,864	197
Town aid road - maintenance	356,570	356,570	356,570	-
General maintenance	35,000	35,000	36,863	( 1,863)
Snow and ice removal	30,000	30,000	40,009	( 10,009)
Street lighting	3,500	3,500	2,932	568
Street signs	2,000	2,000	472	1,528
Garage expense	1,000	1,000	455	545
Superintendent expense	4,250	4,250	4,250	-
Tree Warden expense	1,300	1,300	1,200	100
<b>Total highways</b>	<b>636,034</b>	<b>636,034</b>	<b>640,046</b>	<b>( 4,012)</b>
Sanitation:				
Dump maintenance	53,444	53,444	51,047	2,397
Tipping fees	64,800	64,800	53,636	11,164
Sanitarian	22,599	22,599	22,599	-
Recycling	30,855	30,855	17,412	13,443
<b>Total sanitation</b>	<b>171,698</b>	<b>171,698</b>	<b>144,694</b>	<b>27,004</b>
Conservation of Health:				
Health officer	750	750	750	-
Visiting nurses	4,000	4,000	4,796	( 796)
Vital statistics	75	75	-	75
<b>Total conservation of health</b>	<b>4,825</b>	<b>4,825</b>	<b>5,546</b>	<b>( 721)</b>
Welfare:				
Women's center	400	400	400	-
T.V.C.C.A.	1,000	1,000	1,000	-
Soup kitchen	300	300	300	-
Family service	3,500	3,500	3,500	-
Regional mental health	116	116	116	-
<b>Total welfare</b>	<b>5,316</b>	<b>5,316</b>	<b>5,316</b>	<b>-</b>

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**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010  
... Continued ...**

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Library	\$ 122,211	\$ 122,211	\$ 120,217	\$ 1,994
Recreation:				
Hartman park	3,750	3,750	1,080	2,670
Park maintenance	10,750	10,750	8,384	2,366
Recreation commission	30,000	30,000	23,249	6,751
Rogers lake commission	6,610	6,610	3,164	3,446
Town Woods property	22,739	22,739	24,122	( 1,383)
<b>Total recreation</b>	<b>73,849</b>	<b>73,849</b>	<b>59,999</b>	<b>13,850</b>
Miscellaneous:				
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	356	644
Council of small towns	725	725	725	-
CT river conservation district	1,421	1,421	1,421	-
Moulson fund	100	100	-	100
Data processing	26,600	26,600	26,344	256
Contingent account	2,000	2,000	651	1,349
Eight-mile cemetery	4,600	4,600	3,972	628
Lyme cemeteries	7,800	7,800	7,650	150
Dog fund	1,000	1,000	306	694
C.R.E.R.P.A.	5,100	5,100	4,963	137
C.R.E.R.P.A. seniors	9,000	9,000	9,000	-
Lyme youth services	21,400	21,400	21,400	-
Elderly housing	1,500	1,500	1,500	-
Literary volunteers	600	600	600	-
CCM	1,326	1,326	1,326	-
Lyme/Old Lyme senior center	12,264	12,264	7,994	4,270
Secter	1,206	1,206	1,206	-
LRCPOB	100	100	-	100
<b>Total miscellaneous</b>	<b>97,742</b>	<b>97,742</b>	<b>89,414</b>	<b>8,328</b>
Education:				
Regional School District No. 18	5,544,823	5,544,823	5,524,057	20,766

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**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010  
... Continued ...**

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Redemption of Debt				
Principal and Interest:				
General obligation bonds principal	\$ 370,000	\$ 370,000	\$ 370,000	\$ -
General obligation bonds interest	46,200	46,200	46,318	( 118)
Total redemption of debt principal and interest	<u>416,200</u>	<u>416,200</u>	<u>416,318</u>	<u>( 118)</u>
Capital Outlay:				
Office Equipment	3,500	3,500	-	3,500
Land purchase	-	117,000	117,000	-
Fire truck lease	72,599	72,599	72,599	-
Fire company equipment	26,550	26,550	24,528	2,022
Rescue truck lease	75,628	75,628	75,628	-
Sanitation site improvement	20,000	20,000	20,000	-
Fire house garage	10,000	10,000	15,096	( 5,096)
Town trucks	25,287	25,287	25,287	-
Town hall improvements	7,500	7,500	-	7,500
Highway equipment	5,000	5,000	1,761	3,239
Vital records restoration	5,000	5,000	-	5,000
Town Woods Development	-	-	260	( 260)
Civil preparedness radios	15,500	15,500	11,385	4,115
Total capital outlay	<u>266,564</u>	<u>383,564</u>	<u>363,544</u>	<u>20,020</u>
Total expenditures	<u>8,380,806</u>	<u>8,497,806</u>	<u>8,356,045</u>	<u>141,761</u>
Other Financing Uses:				
Transfers out:				
Dog fund	4,000	4,000	4,000	-
Total transfers out	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Total expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ 8,384,806</u>	<u>\$ 8,501,806</u>	<u>\$ 8,360,045</u>	<u>\$ 141,761</u>

**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010**

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Taxes, interest and lien fees:				
General property taxes	\$ 7,522,746	\$ 7,522,746	\$ 7,652,670	\$ 129,924
Interest and lien fees	20,000	20,000	58,417	38,417
Telephone access grant	18,718	18,718	11,658	( 7,060)
Total taxes, interest and lien fees	<u>7,561,464</u>	<u>7,561,464</u>	<u>7,722,745</u>	<u>161,281</u>
Licenses and permits:				
Mooring permits	2,000	2,000	2,420	420
Building permits	30,000	30,000	41,289	11,289
Conveyance tax	35,000	35,000	43,757	8,757
Other licenses and permits	3,000	3,000	6,140	3,140
Total licenses and permits	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>93,606</u>	<u>23,606</u>
Charges for services:				
Zoning board of appeals fees	1,000	1,000	1,400	400
Planning and zoning fees	750	750	1,920	1,170
Waste disposal fees	1,000	1,000	1,325	325
Newspaper profit share	10,000	10,000	2,100	( 7,900)
Town clerk fees	12,000	12,000	19,692	7,692
Refunds and rebates	1,500	1,500	2,025	525
Visiting nurse receipts	500	500	465	( 35)
Miscellaneous	25,000	25,000	13,768	( 11,232)
Parks and recreation fees	15,475	15,475	13,075	( 2,400)
Affordable housing	3,000	3,000	3,870	870
Hadlyme Historic District	23,600	23,600	-	( 23,600)
Total other charges for services	<u>93,825</u>	<u>93,825</u>	<u>59,640</u>	<u>( 34,185)</u>
Intergovernmental:				
Town aid roads	65,205	65,205	88,927	23,722
Local capital improvement program	10,000	10,000	40,707	30,707
Education equalization grant	145,556	145,556	126,460	( 19,096)
PILOT state property	19,820	19,820	19,638	( 182)
Mashantucket grant	6,892	6,892	7,060	168
Civil preparedness	20,000	20,000	13,333	( 6,667)
Tax relief - homeowners	10,000	10,000	22,008	12,008
Tax relief - veterans	500	500	459	( 41)
Miscellaneous grants	5,000	5,000	6,624	1,624
Boating safety	6,780	6,780	3,474	( 3,306)
Total Intergovernmental	<u>289,753</u>	<u>289,753</u>	<u>328,690</u>	<u>38,937</u>

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**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
GENERAL FUND  
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES  
BUDGET AND ACTUAL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010  
... Continued ...**

	Original Budget	Final Appropriated Budget	Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Investment income:				
Interest on investments	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 14,920	(\$ 35,080)
Total investment income	50,000	50,000	14,920	( 35,080)
Total revenues	8,065,042	8,065,042	8,219,601	154,559
Other financing sources:				
Transfers in	16,150	133,150	141,257	8,107
Lapsed encumbrances	-	-	-	-
Appropriation of fund balance	-	-	-	-
Total other financing sources	16,150	133,150	141,257	8,107
Total revenues and other financing sources	\$ 8,081,192	\$ 8,198,192	\$ 8,360,858	\$ 162,666

**TOWN OF LYME, CONNECTICUT  
BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 2010**

	General Fund	Capital Nonrecurring Fund	Lyme Cemeteries Trust Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents (including restricted cash of \$6,000)	\$ 203,183	\$ 28,672	\$ 166,575	\$ 45,771	\$ 444,201
Investments	1,000,000	244,829	-	18,011	1,262,840
Receivables, net:					
Property taxes	130,978	-	-	-	130,978
Intergovernmental	2,353	-	-	-	2,353
Other	26,445	-	-	-	26,445
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 1,362,959</b>	<b>\$ 273,501</b>	<b>\$ 166,575</b>	<b>\$ 63,782</b>	<b>\$ 1,866,817</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$ 53,041	\$ -	\$ 26,445	\$ -	\$ 79,486
Performance bond deposits	35,849	-	-	-	35,849
Unearned revenue	124,094	-	-	-	124,094
Total liabilities	212,984	-	26,445	-	239,429
Fund balances:					
Reserved for:					
Encumbrances	189,955	-	-	-	189,955
Endowments	-	-	-	6,000	6,000
Unreserved, reported in:					
Designated for subsequent year's budget	344,512	-	-	-	344,512
General Fund	615,508	-	-	-	615,508
Special revenue funds	-	-	-	53,180	53,180
Capital projects funds	-	273,501	-	2,536	276,037
Permanent funds	-	-	140,130	2,066	142,196
Total fund balances	1,149,975	273,501	140,130	63,782	1,627,388
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b>\$ 1,362,959</b>	<b>\$ 273,501</b>	<b>\$ 166,575</b>	<b>\$ 63,782</b>	<b>\$ 1,866,817</b>

See notes to basic financial statements.



Pvt. Ely's marker, North Lyme Cemetery. Volunteers place a flag each July 4 on the twenty-four graves of Lyme Civil War veterans.

## CIVIL PREPAREDNESS

In our continuing effort to make sure people with special needs are attended to in the event of either natural disasters or nuclear power plant emergencies, Lyme's Civil Preparedness Office is again incorporating the following form in this year's Town Report. Our Civil Preparedness Group wants to know about all people in town who might need special help in an emergency; so your cooperation and participation are greatly appreciated.

If you fall into this Special Needs category, please fill out the form and return it to:

Lyme Civil Preparedness  
480 Hamburg Road  
Lyme, CT 06371

Lyme Civil Preparedness

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

If you need transportation or any other assistance during an emergency, please fill out this SPECIAL NEEDS form and mail it now. In an emergency, you would be assisted by local emergency workers.

Street \_\_\_\_\_  
Apartment # \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

I am hearing impaired  Yes  No Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

I have impaired vision  Yes  No

I am otherwise disabled  Yes  No Special directions to your house:

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

I would need a ride in an evacuation \_\_\_\_\_

Yes  No I am a part-time resident \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

If you know of others who may need help, please list their names and addresses:

List months you are here: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Even if you have previously sent in a card like this, you should send it in again whenever you receive a new booklet.

This information will remain confidential.

The Fire Company and Ambulance Association again request Lyme residents to post their house numbers in a clearly visible location so they may more effectively serve us in times of emergency.

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