



# LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2017

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Spotlight—Amanda East

Lyme resident Amanda East recently graduated from St. Bernard High School in Uncasville. She will be attending the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, NY this fall and intends to major in Interior Design. She participated in Kristen Thornton's Open Studio classes at the Library and says Kristen's help was invaluable to her. "Kristen's Open Studio classes helped me to develop my observational skills. I am so grateful to Kristen for her help, and she has been a mentor in preparing me to enter the art profession." Amanda also says that library programs such as the Open Studio classes give students the opportunity to explore options outside of what is available in the classroom. "I didn't even realize that I liked art until I was in high school, and programs like these allow students to recognize and develop their passion." We wish Amanda the best in her college career and beyond!



Photo by Kristen Thornton

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

### AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

#### Toy Around with Science with Kendall Perkins

Wednesday, Sept. 20 from 3:15 – 4:30 P.M.

Each session will explore a principle of physics or chemistry by making something fun that works, with everyday materials!

Wednesday, Sept. 20 – project to be announced.

Limited to 12 children. Please call to register or email [program-reg@lymepl.org](mailto:program-reg@lymepl.org).

#### Art and Books with Kristen Thornton

for Grades K-5, Wednesday, September 13th, from 3:15-4:30 P.M.

Kristen Thornton will conduct after school art programs which will feature a story, based on a recent or notable children's book, and art activity.

Wednesday, Sept.13 – *The Most Magnificent Thing* by Ashley Spires/ Clay and Found Object Sculptures

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## SUMMER PROGRAMS

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### Summer Open Studio – Still Life with Kristen Thornton

for students entering Grades 6-12, Tuesdays July 11th, 25th, and August 8th from 5:00–6:00 P.M.

Students will recreate Still Life exhibits from their choice of media and materials, i.e. painting (watercolors/oils) or drawing (charcoals/pastels.) Kristen Thornton will guide them through their projects as they work at their individual paces. Materials will be supplied for all programs, but students may bring their own supplies if they choose. Limited to 10 participants. Please call or email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) to register. Please note: Fall Open Studio Classes will resume on September 12.

### Summer Art Programs with Kristen Thornton

for children entering grades K-5, Build a Better World – Tuesdays, July 11th, 25th, and August 8th from 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.

July 11 – Painted Sentiment Racks

July 25 – Overlapping Hand Cutouts

August 8 – Dandelion Thumbprint Wish Art

Limited to 12 participants. Please call or email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) to register.

### Summer Science Programs with Kendall Perkins

for children entering K-5, Wednesday, July 5th, and Tuesdays, July 18th, August 1st and 15th from 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.

Keeping with the summer reading theme of Build a Better World, participants will build bridges, enhance the world with music (build a musical instrument), and build with recycled and earth friendly materials. Each week they will explore a simple design concept, and a variety of materials. These programs are hands on, and creative thought is encouraged.

Limited to 12 participants. Please call or email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org) to register.

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## BOOK CLUBS

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Library Book Club – Thursday, September 14 at 7:00 P.M.

One Book One Region title *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi For more information on this title, go to <http://onebookoneregion.org/>

New members and guests are welcome. A limited number of copies of the selected titles are available at the circulation desk 3-4 weeks before each discussion.

### Reading Group

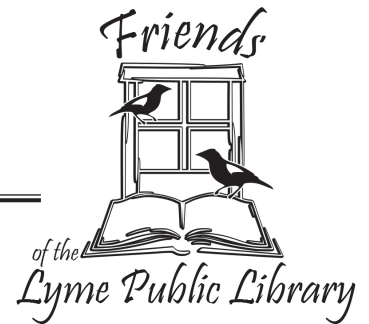
The Friday Afternoon Reading Group will begin its autumn season on September 8th. The group meets at 2:00 on the second and fourth Fridays of each month through June. New members and guests are cordially welcome. At the meeting on September 8th members will share comments on reading that they've done during the summer. This is a particularly enjoyable meeting.

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## PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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To register for any of the programs below, please call 860-434-2272 or email [programreg@lymepl.org](mailto:programreg@lymepl.org).



**They Called Her Reckless: a True Story of War, Love, and an Extraordinary Horse** by Janet Barrett, Saturday, July 15th, Saturday, 11:00 A.M.

“When the Fifth Regiment’s Recoilless Rifle Platoon acquired a small Korean pony to haul ammunition to the front lines, what they got was a real-life warhorse, the courageous and indomitable Reckless, who stood with her Marines for two years during the Korean War, saving many lives, raising spirits, and winning the love and respect of all who knew her.” (from [they-called-her-reckless.com](http://they-called-her-reckless.com)) Author Janet Barrett will speak, and copies of the book will be available for purchase.



**Marc Black: Music of the 50s and 60s - Friday, August 25th, 7:00 P.M.** Marc returns to the Library for an entertaining and nostalgic evening of music.



**Hiking the Appalachian Trail”; a retired K9 officer taking on a new challenge presented by Sam Ducharme – Friday, September 15th, 7:00 P.M.**

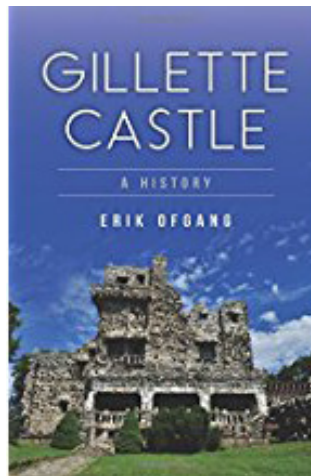
See more about this program under Friends President Mary Mazur’s column.



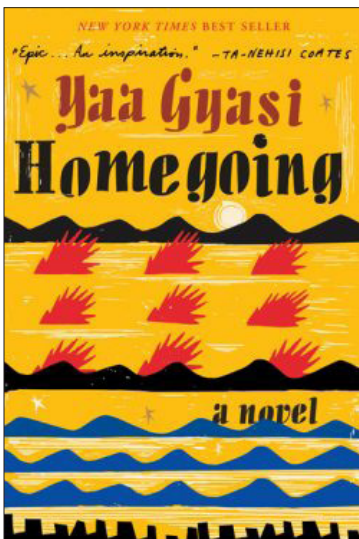
**Gillette Castle: a History by Erik Ofgang - Thursday, October 12, 6:00 P.M.**

Award winning writer Eric Ofgang will speak about William Gillette and the history of the magnificent castle he built right down the road!

**November, TBA Dawn Fitzpatrick-Dowd: Cooking Demo: “Appetizers For the Holidays”**



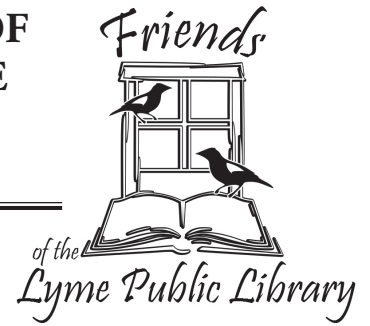
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## FRIENDS OF THE LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY



**Kudos to Deb Giaconia!**

Thanks Deb and all your dedicated crew, including Mark Wayland’s Boy Scout Troop, for all your time, effort, and energy in making our annual book sale such an overwhelming success the weekend of June 16th and 17th. You always give it your all. Heartfelt thanks.

“Summer afternoon - summer afternoon.... The two most beautiful words in the English language,” Edith Wharton, *A Backward Glance*

Join us on Friday evening, August 25th at 7:00 P.M. and step back in time to the toe tapping music of Marc Black. Marc will transport us musically to all those not to be forgotten memories of the 50s and 60s. So come share with us an August night, bring your dancing shoes and be prepared to be entertained.

“Not all those who wander are lost” —J.R.R. Tolkien  
On Friday evening September 15th at 7:00 P.M., we will vicariously share in the adventures of Sam Ducharme who after retiring as a K-9 officer, decided to take on the adventure of hiking the Appalachian Trail. This modern day adventure started out from Springer Mountain, Georgia and after a 2180 mile, 14 state backpacking trip, ended at Mt. Katahdin in Maine. With no prior backpacking experience, he learned on the trail. Sam will share the stories of how he cooked, what it was like sleeping in a hammock for six months through three seasons and the rugged beauty of the Appalachian Mountains. The images and stories will leave you with a renewed awe of the beauty of our country and its people.

— Mary Mazur  
President, Friends of the Lyme Public Library

### AT A GLANCE

#### Upcoming Programs

Friends of the Lyme Public Library

July 15th, Saturday, 11:00 A.M. Author Presentation: Janet Barrett; “They Called Her Reckless” True story of a Korean conflict warhorse

August 25th, Friday, 7:00 P.M. Marc Black: Music of the 50s and 60s

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November, TBA Dawn Fitzpatrick-Dowd: Cooking Demo: “Appetizers For the Holidays”

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### LIBRARY HOURS

**Sunday & Monday – Closed**  
**Tuesday – 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.**  
**Wednesday – 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Thursday – 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.**  
**Friday – 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Saturday – 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

### Dates to Remember

July 4 – Library Closed – Independence Day  
July 5 – Summer Science 6:30 P.M.  
July 11 – Open Studio 5:00 P.M.  
July 11 – Summer Art 6:30 P.M.  
July 15 – They Called Her Reckless 11:00 A.M.  
July 18 – Summer Science 6:30  
July 25 – Open Studio 5:00 P.M.  
July 25 – Summer Art 6:30 P.M.  
July 26 – Library Board 5:00 P.M.  
Aug. 1 – Summer Science 6:30 P.M.  
Aug. 8 – Open Studio 5:00 P.M.

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Sept. 8 – Reading Group 2:00 P.M.  
Sept. 13 – Art & Books (Gr. K-5) 3:15 P.M.  
Sept. 14 – Book Club 7:00 P.M.  
Sept. 15 – Hiking the Appalachian Trail 7:00 P.M.  
Sept. 20 – Toying with Science 3:15 P.M.  
Sept. 22 – Reading Group 2:00 P.M.  
Sept. 27 – Library Board 5:00 P.M.  
Oct. 12 – Gillette Castle: A History 6:00 P.M.