



## Regional Events and Community Calendar

**90-minute USCG Boat Tours** every Saturday at 3 PM through September 12. New London Maritime Society, Custom House Maritime Museum - 860-447-2501

"All the Sea Knows" - Marine Art from the Museum of the City of New York - through September 20, 2015 at the Florence Griswold Museum, 96 Lyme St., Old Lyme - (860) 434-5542

American Waters: A Marine Art Exhibition - through July 31, 2015 at Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme St., Old Lyme - A juried exhibition of marine art by the Lyme Art Association's member artists will be on view simultaneously. (860) 434-7802

"Artists at Work" through 8/23, at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum, 625 Williams St., New London. Drawings by Italian, Dutch and French artists of the 16th-18th centuries. (860) 443-2545

**DONUT FUNDRAISER** - 7am Sat/ Sun/ Holidays at the Shoreline Community Ctr., 39 Hartford Ave., Old Lyme. 860-434-2871. **BINGO** - 6pm Wednesdays through Sept. 9 at the Shoreline Community Center, 39 Hartford Avenue, Old Lyme. 860-434-3745

**Daytime Gillette Castle Viewing Cruises and Evening/Sunset River Cruises aboard RiverQuest.** Relaxing and informative cruises aboard the friendly RiverQuest. Depart from Eagle Landing State Park, Route 82, Haddam. ctriverquest.com 860 662-0577.



**"La Cage aux Folle"** through Sept 6 at Goodspeed Opera House, 6 Main St., East Haddam - From the Tony Award-winning composer of Hello, Dolly! and Mame. (860) 873-8668

Lighthouse Expeditions on Project Oceanology Enviro-Lab boats: through September - Enjoy a 2½-hour cruise to a distinctive Southeastern Connecticut landmark and architectural gem: New London Ledge Lighthouse. Tours by the Ledge Lighthouse Foundation include a film, exhibits and maybe even Ernie, the legendary Ledge Light ghost. Tours run out of Project Oceanology's docks, Avery Point, Groton, on Tuesdays and Saturdays through August, and from New London's City Pier on Sundays through August and on Saturdays only in September. Children under 6 not permitted for safety reasons. 860-445-9007. www.oceanology.org

Niantic Farmer's Market - Local vendors will fill the market space as they do every year with an array of fresh and local produce, pies, breads, plants, herbs, greens, hummus, pork, jams, jellies, prepared foods, native wool, coffee, fresh-filled cannoli's and much, much more. The Niantic Farmers Market is located on Methodist Street between Pro Tek Auto and Niantic Cinemas and will run every Thursday from 3 to 6:30 p.m. until October 8th. For additional info regarding Niantic Farmers' Market, visit their Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/NianticFarmersMarket

**New London Harbor Lighthouse Tours** - 11 AM, 12 noon, and 1 PM. every Saturday & Sunday through October 25 - New London Maritime Society, Custom House Maritime Museum - 860-447-2501

Oceanographic Cruises by Project Oceanology: through August - Come aboard our Enviro-Lab Research Vessel for a 2½-hour cruise on Long Island Sound and a fantastic hands-on, brains-on marine science experience. Test the waters for temperature, salinity and more, and discover life beneath the waves by bringing up marine animals with a trawl net and collecting plankton, the base of the marine food web, or by pulling aboard lobster pots. Children under 6 not permitted for safety reasons. Cruises run daily. 860-445-9007. Reservations and departure times at www.oceanology.org

**Smith-Harris House Tours,** 33 Society Rd., Niantic. Fridays, through Sundays, 12 pm to 4 pm thru August \*Closed July 4th Weekend\* suggested donation: \$5 . 860-739-0761

**SENIORS PICNIC** at the Seebeck Pavilion behind the East Lyme Town Hall starting at 12pm, 7/1 - 860-739-5859

"Gettysburg" presented by author and historian Matthew Bartlett July 1st at 1:00pm at Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme. (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

**"South Pacific"** July 1-26, 2015 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main St., Ivoryton - Who doesn't love this extraordinary show? (860) 767-7318 www.ivorytonplayhouse.org

**BOCCE ON THE LAWN** starts at 9:30am, 7/2 at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road, Niantic. 860-739-5859

**The Old Lyme Town Band** 7pm, 7/2 at Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme. Rain or shine. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, etc. Free Ice Cream Social will follow the concert. FREE- open to all ages. (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

**ADOPTION INFORMATION SESSION** - 6:30 pm on Thursday, July 2nd at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Rd., Groton - Connecticut Adoption Services representatives offer a step-by-step outline for adopting a child and answer any questions you may have. Register before 3pm the Wed. before by calling 860 886-7500 x355



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Gaia's Lament: "Art Cry" July 3, 2015 - August 4, 2015 at the Hygienic Art Gallery, 79 Bank St., New London -Opening reception on July 3, from 7 p.m.-11 p.m. (860) 443-8001

Niantic Lions Lobsterfest and Chicken BBQ & Annual Niantic Outdoor Arts and Crafts Show - July 4 and 5 on the East Lyme Town Hall grounds. Displays of over 150 artists and crafters at the show. Enjoy a delectable lobster dinner or chicken dinner. For Special Savings go to www.tickets.nianticlions.org. Pre-event tickets available: Wild Birds Unlimited. www.nianticlions.org/lobsterfest East Lyme Historical Society: 4th of July Flea Market 9-5, 7/4 & 7/5 at the Thomas Lee House grounds at the junction of Giant's

**INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE** - JULY 4 at 10:00 am starting from Hartford Avenue, Sound View, Old Lyme. 860-434-6426.

Neck Road and Connecticut Route 156 in Niantic.

Annual Fireworks Cruise aboard RiverQuest: July 4 at 7:30pm to 10:30pm - departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Although there are no scheduled fireworks for this evening, RiverQuest will "search" for any that may be displayed from homes along the edge of the river. They have had great luck the last couple of years. Bring your picnic basket and favorite beverage. ctriverquest 860-662-0577.

American Legion Auxiliary Breakfast Buffet - All You Can Eat - SundayJuly 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.at the American Legion, Unit 128, 16 York Ave., Niantic - Omelets and eggs to order, bacon, sausage, homefries, pancakes, French toast, donuts, bisquits, bagels, fruit cup, juices, coffee, tea, etc. 860-739-2107.

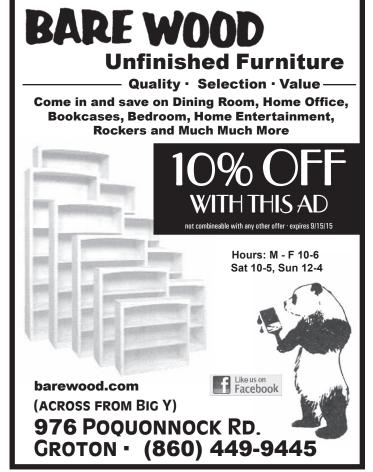
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Tag Sale / Friends of Feral Felines fundraiser - 7/5, 8-4 at the Niantic Animal Hospital, 9 Lake Ave., Niantic. 860-691-0667. Sea Song Sampler & Ice Cream Social - July 5 from 2 PM to 4 PM at 154 Thames Street, Groton - \$25 in advance, \$30 at the gate. Bring lawn chair or a blanket. Reservations 860-445-1637. United States Coast Guard Band Concert 2 p.m. July 5th at Leamy Concert hall, 15 Mohegan Ave., New London - Patriotic favorites to celebrate Independence Day weekend. (860) 701-6826 Non Profit Resource Center Grant Database Training 7/6. 12:30-1:30 PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org **DEEP Safe Boating/Personal Watercraft Class** - 5:30-9:30pm. Monday & Tuesday, July 6 & 7 at The Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Turnpike, Clinton - register 860-669-2342. **One-on-One INTERNET** instruction at 10:15am, 7/7 at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road, Niantic. 860-739-5859 **Essential Oils Workshop** July 7th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme. (860)434-1605 ext. 240. ERIN BROCKOVICH July 7, 2-4:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd. - (1999 132 mins. R) 860-444-5805 Roast Beef and Turkey Dinners - 7/7 at Niantic Community Church, 170 Pennsylvania Ave 5:30-7:30 p.m. - (860) 739-6208. The Many Faces of Noah Webster: Tuesday, July 7 – 7:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Learn all about Noah Webster from the folks who know him best, the Noah Webster House & West Hartford Historical Society. 860-739-6926





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Raising Guide Dogs July 8th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme - (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

WELLNESS CLINIC 1-3pm, 7/8 by appointment at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road, Niantic. 860-739-5859

Jurassic Park - 6pm, 7/8 at the Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Turnpike, Clinton. (860) 669-2342

The Civil War in Literature: "Where I'm Bound" (2000) by Allen Ballard. At East Lyme Public Library, Society Rd., Niantic -Wednesday, July 8th at 7:00 pm. Ballard's tale of a former slave turned cavalry scout is based on a true story. (860)739-6926.

Powwow: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. July 9, 2015 at the Mashantucket Pequot Museum & Research Center, 110 Pequot Trail, Mashantucket - Annual educational powwow will be an unforgettable experience for you and your family. Learn about the different dances, powwow etiquette, and the significance this cultural gathering holds for Native people. See dancers in their colorful regalia. Join in a social dance and visit with Native artists as they demonstrate and seel works of art. Try some Native cuisine for lunch. Gain a greater understanding and appreciation for the powwow experience and how it helps sustain a sense of community for America's first people. Grand entry is at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the air-conditioned Gathering Space. Free with museum admission. (800) 411-9671 www.pequotmuseum.org

MY LEFT FOOT Thursday, July 9, 2-4: pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - (1989 103 mins. R) 860-444-5805 The Northeast Navy Pops Band - 7pm 7/9 at The Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme, rain or shine. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, etc. A Free Ice Cream Social will follow the concert. FREE and open to all ages. (860)434-1605

FREE CONCERT: Rock Bottom Band - July 9 at the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - . (860) 669-3889

Cruise - Thursdays at the Dock of the Connecticut River Museum: July 9 at 5:00pm to 8:30pm - Board RiverQuest and cruise from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam south down the river to the Connecticut River Museum in Essex. Enjoy music and cocktails while overlooking scenic Essex Harbor. Tonight's band is: Ramblin' Dan Stevens performs a mix of traditional finger style blues, Americana and originals. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577.

Sailfest - July 10-12, 2015 New London waterfront - Fireworks, amusement rides, free entertainment, tall ships, and more than 200 vendors lining the downtown streets. (860) 444-1879

Friday Afternoon Film 7/10 12:15-2:00PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 Antique & Classic Boat Show 9-4:30 p.m., 7/11 at the Connecticut River Museum, 67 Main St., Essex - Preserved and restored wooden boats displayed in the water and on land. (860) 767-8269 **DRONES!!** Saturday, July 11, 10-1:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Members of the RC Propbusters will demonstrate and discuss what drones do, suggest what they can be used for and how drones work/fly. 860-444-5805

"The Fairy Circus" 7/11 at 1PM at St. John's Episcopal Church, 400 Main St., Niantic - The East Lyme Puppetry Project will present a breathtaking showcase of turn-of-the-century style TRICK puppetry featuring beautifully hand-crafted marionettes. 860 739-7225. Cappella Cantorum Men's Chorus: 7/12, 3PM, Deep River Town Hall Auditorium, 174 Main Street, Deep River - 860-577-2950

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BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL Tues., July 14 2-4 pm & July 16 2-4 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road -(2012 124 mins. PG-13) 860-444-5805

Book Discussion: Outlander by Diana Gabaldon - 7p.m. 7/14 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - 860-739-6926 Author Nancy Hollandersky Butler - Tuesday, July 14, 7:30-9:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd. 860-444-5805 Studio Art Quilt Association Exhibition - July 15-22, 2015, at Lyme Art Association, 90 Lyme St., Old Lyme - LAA's main floor galleries will display over 50 quilts. (860) 434-7802

FDR and the Transformation of the American Presidency July 15th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme. (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

Film Discussion: Unbroken - at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Wednesday 7/15. The film is shown at 5:30 p.m. with a discussion immediately following. 860-739-6926

RiverQuest Connecticut River Cruise, Haddam to Middletown: July 15 at 5:30pm to 9pm - departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Pass under the East Haddam Swing Bridge. Observe how beautiful the river is as you pass by several state parks on the edge of the river: Haddam Meadows, George Dudley Seymour and Hurd to name a few. See where the Connecticut Yankee Nuclear Power Plant was; view many beautiful homes. Maybe even see the Haddam Island Bald Eagle chicks, some Osprey chicks and other notable sights! ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577.

THE SOBER PALETTE, an instructor-led painting class on 7/16 at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road. 860-739-5859 **Book Sale:** hosted by The Friends of Acton Public Library, July 16, 17 & 18 at Acton Public Library, 60 Old Boston Post Road, Old Saybrook - 860 395-3184

Cruise - Thursdays at the Dock of the Connecticut River Museum: July 16 at 5:00pm to 8:30pm - Board RiverQuest and cruise from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam south down the river to the Connecticut River Museum in Essex. Arrive at the museum dock at around 6:15pm, disembark and join others at the very popular "Thursday's on the Dock". Tonight's band is: Brad & Brian. A typical Brad & Brian performance includes a wide range of musical styles from the 60s to current hits, as well as the use of guitar, keyboard (sequenced bass & drums), saxophone, and trumpet- all performed by two individuals! Enjoy music and cocktails while overlooking scenic Essex Harbor. Head back up river at about 7:30pm, return to the RiverQuest dock around 8:30pm. No one under 21 on this cruise. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577.

ADOPTION INFORMATION SESSION - 6:30 pm on Thursday, July 16th at Cragin Memorial Library, 8 Linwood Ave. (Rt. 16), Colchester - An experienced Connecticut Adoption Services representative will explain the different types of adoptions, offer a step-by-step outline for adopting a child and answer any questions you may have concerning adoption. Register before 3pm the Wednesday before the date of the session you wish to attend by calling Sandra Couillard at 860 886-7500 x355 or e-mailing CTadoptions@waterfordcs.org.

Connecticut Lore: Strange, Off-Kilter & Full Of Surprises -Thursday, July 16, 7-8:30 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Author and Norwich native Zachary Lemothe will



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# & ART CENTERS

Florence Griswold Museum - During the early decades of the 20th century, the Lyme Art Colony, centered in Miss Florence Griswold's boarding house, became America's most famous summer art colony. Today this museum is known as the Home of American Impressionism. 96 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, 860-434-5542.

**Lyman Allyn Museum of Art at Connecticut College**-Overlooking the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, the Lyman Allyn Museum of Art at Connecticut College is the principal comprehensive art museum serving southeastern Connecticut. Main Museum Hours Tues-Sat 10-5 Sun 1-5, Closed Mon and Major holidays. 625 Williams Street, New London - 860 443-2545

The Lyme Academy of Fine Arts - Described as one of the finest art schools in the country, the Academy offers instruction and holds exhibitions throughout the year. Located at 84 Lyme Street, Old Lyme - (860) 434-5232.

**Mystic Arts Center** - Located in Mystic, Connecticut on the beautiful Mystic River, the Mystic Arts Center was founded in 1913 by Charles H. Davis. The Mystic Arts Center has been the focal point of the Historic Downtown Mystic riverfront art and education scene for more than 90 years. 9 Water Street - Mystic - 860-536-7601

The Slater Memorial Museum - The Slater collection of Egyptian, Greek, Roman and Renaissance casts, one of the three largest in the country, is considered by many to be the best of its kind. The Slater Museum also offers exhibits of American and European art and furniture from the 17th - 20th centuries, Native American artifacts, Oriental art, African art, firearms, Egyptian arts, textiles and even a children's museum. 108 Crescent Street, Norwich - (860) 887-2506 Guilford Art Center - a non-profit organization established to nurture and support excellence in the arts. Through educational programs for adults and children, exhibitions, sale of contemporary crafts, and special events. The Gallery features work by both emerging and established artists and presents biennial ceramics and glass exhibitions as well as other media-specific shows. All exhibits are free, open to the public, and often have items available for sale. 411 Church Street Guilford - (203) 453-5947

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discuss the many tales of the supernatural and off the beaten track places in CT. such as the Jewett City vampires, the hauntings in Woodstock, Daniel's Village in Killingly, Diana's pool in Chaplin, the frogs of Willimantic, and the CCC Museum in Stafford Springs. A question and answer period will follow the formal presentation. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing. For more information call 860-444-5805

The Waterford Community Band: July 16th at 7:00pm at The Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme, rain or shine. Outdoors, weather permitting, inside if not. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, etc. A Free Ice Cream Social sponsored by Big Y will follow the concert. This concert is part of our FREE Summer Concert Series and is open to all ages. For more information call (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

**FREE CONCERT: The Auburn Mode** - July 16 at Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - In case of rain, the evening's concert will be cancelled. (860) 669-3889 www.clintonct.com.

Carnival on the Green! St. John's Episcopal Church, 400 Main Street, Niantic - Friday, July 17th, 6-10pm; Saturday, July 18th, 3-10pm; Sunday, July 19th, Noon-5pm. In conjunction with the Celebrate East Lyme festivities, the Carnival comes to town complete with games and rides for folks of all ages along with traditional Carnival treats! Tickets for rides and amusements may be purchased on the day(s) you attend the Carnival. Sponsored by St. John's Episcopal Church, the Carnival is its largest annual fundraiser in support of its outreach programs. For additional information, please call the church at 860.739.2324 or visit the website at www.stjohnsniantic.org.

**DANCE** - 7pm to 10pm 7/17 at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road, Niantic. For more information call 860-739-5859

**Civil War Naval Encampment:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. July 18-19 at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - Enter the Seaport's village green to take part in a naval and infantry encampment filled with tents, amazing exhibits, and dozens of living history presentations. Explore the naval implements of war and learn from a variety of speakers who will explain unique circumstances by sailors. Shanty singers will roam the camps, singing ballads of the sea. Free with museum admission. (860) 572-0711

**Madison Antiques Show:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. July 18, 2015 More than 80 dealers display and sell quality antiques and collectibles; refreshment and bakery shop. (203) 421-3241

4th Annual Pawsitively PURR-fect Summer ReSale Fundraiser on July 18th from 9 am - 3 pm & July 19 from 11 am - 3 pm inside Boilermakers Lodge 614 on 33 Sacred Heart Drive in Groton. Hosted by Animal Welfare League of New London County - Silent Auction; a Buy-a-Bone Basket 'Raffle' and awesome baked goodies. Also, they are collecting dog and cat food, bedding, blankets, non-toxic cleansers and pet items to distribute after this fundraiser. AWL will have low cost microchipping available Sunday, July 19th from 12 pm - 1 pm by appointment. Call 860-445-0280 to schedule your pet!

Osprey "Cruising for Chicks" Cruise aboard RiverQuest: July 18 at 9:30am to 12:30pm - Cruise quietly from RiverQuest's home berth at Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam to observe and learn about the Osprey, a bird of prey also known as the Fish Hawk. This time of year, baby Ospreys will be at the edge of the nest, thinking



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# Antique Motorcycle Show

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about taking their first flight! You will get close up views of the "chicks" in nests located along the lower Connecticut River, on navigation structures, nesting platforms and in trees. RQ crew members will educate all on the Osprey and any other birds/wildlife they may see on the journey, including Bald Eagles. There will be complimentary coffee and tea. Bring your own breakfast onboard if you'd like. Visit ctriverquest.com more information and to reserve your spots with easy on-line booking. Cost is \$40 per person. No children under 10 please. RiverQuest phone: 860-662-0577.

Celebrate East Lyme 2015 - Saturday, July 18th. The Town of East Lyme will once again transform it's waterfront Main Street in the seaside village of Niantic into their annual Bash by the Bay! Niantic's Main St. will close to vehicular traffic (beginning at 3:00 p.m.) which will then be filled by over 200 local vendors offering food, fun and entertainment for everyone! Festivities will include live music and performances, cooking demonstrations & tastings, an Art & Author walk, children's area and so much more! Additionally, the East Lyme Parks & Recreation Department will again host a Sand Castle competition and the always popular Great Niantic Bay Raft Races. And last, but not least, the day will conclude with a spectacular fireworks show over the beautiful Niantic Bay. celebrateeastlyme.com or www.discovereastlyme.com

SINGLES WALK and LUNCH - JULY 19 in the Boardwalk area, Baptist Lane, Niantic at 11 am. Walk along the ocean's edge and listen to the waves.. then on to lunch. No charge for walk. For info, call Gail 860-434-6426 or 860-582-8229.

Book Talk: "Homegrown Terror" 2 p.m.-4 p.m. July 19 at The Hempsted Houses, 11 Hempstead St., New London - Author Eric Lehman will discuss on his new book, Homegrown Terror, on the burning of New London. Rethinking Benedict Arnold, Lehman sheds light on the ethics of the dawning nation, and the way colonial America responded to betrayal and terror. (860) 443-7949

Usual Suspects Mystery Book Club: Site Unseen by Dana Camero - 7/20, 5:30-7:00PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org The Plein Air Painters - Daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m. July 21-25 at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - Artists gather at the Seaport to paint the museum's grounds and environs. Following the tradition of the plein air painters of the 19th and early 20th centuries, the artists will be at their French easels capturing the beauty of Mystic Seaport and the shifting light along the Mystic River. Come and watch your favorite artist paint en plein air. A public opening reception at the Maritime Gallery, July 25, from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Meet the artists, enjoy refreshments and purchase work fresh from their easels. (860) 572-0711

Foot and Ankle Pain Presentation - July 21st at 12:45 pm at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road., Old Lyme. To register or for more information call (860)434-1605 ext. 240

GORILLAS IN THE MIST - Tuesday, July 21, 2-4:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - (1988 127 mins. PG-13) The story of Dian Fossey, a scientist who came to Africa to study the vanishing mountain gorillas, and later fought to protect them. Based on a true story. 860-444-5805

New England Lobster Stew Dinner: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 21 at Niantic Community Church, 170 Pennsylvania Ave., Niantic. Indoor, air conditioned seating as well as outdoor summer sun seating, and take out is available. Fresh Maine lobsters, cooked by church

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members Sonya and Dennis Hoisington and their team of volunteers. The cost for this dinner and full menu is to be determined. Proceeds from the Summer Suppers help fund the general operating budget of the church and its many ministries, and the value of the fellowship is priceless. (860) 739-6208.

**Great American Picnic** - Held by the Groton Senior Center "Club 55" on Rt. 17 in Groton on July 21 from 6 to 8 pm with a performance by the "As Time Goes By" Band. For reservations and more information call 860.441.6785

**The Andy Sherwood Jazz Duo:** Tuesday, July 21 – 7:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Enjoy an evening of toe-tapping hits including a variety of New Orleans jazz, music of the Swing Era, and jazz standards of today. Andy Sherwood is a former jazz clarinetist and retiree of the U.S. Coast Guard Band. For more information call 860-739-6926

**The Philadelphia Story** - 6:00pm Wednesday, July 22 at the Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Turnpike, Clinton. Not Rated, 112 minutes) Admission is free, and popcorn will be donated by Chip's Pub III. (860) 669-2342

"My Paris" July 23, 2015 - August 16, 2015 at The Norma Terris Theatre, 33 North Main St., Chester - A new musical about the life and times of Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, the artist who captured the gaiety, color and heartbreak of Montmartre, Le Can-Can, and the world of Le Moulin Rouge. Inhabited by the colorful people he painted, it's the story of a great artist who loved a world that never quite loved him back. Music and lyrics are by legendary French performer Charles Aznavour. The book is by Oscar, Tony and Pulitzer Prize winner, Alfred Uhry, with English lyrics by three time Tony winner, Jason Robert Brown. Tony winning director/choreographer, Kathleen Marshall, brings it all to whirling, spinning and sassy life. C'estmagnifique! (860) 873-8668 www.goodspeed.org Hotel Rwanda - Thursday, July 23, 2-4:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - (2004 122 mins PG-13) The deeply moving true story of a five-star-hotel manager who used his wits and words to save more than 1,200 lives during the 1994 Rwandan conflict. For more information call 860-444-5805

Last Will & Embezzlement, financial exploitation of the elderly - Thursday, July 23, 6-9:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - A documentary film followed by discussion. It features disturbing, first-hand accounts from real-life victims, including Hollywood icon Mickey Rooney, as well as in-depth interviews with experts who discuss such key issues as victim profiles, the perpetrators' modus operandi, reasons for vulnerability, as well as potential solutions to this ever-increasing worldwide problem. Filmmaker Pamela Glassner and local Attorney Kathleen McNamara who specializes in elder law and wills, trusts and estate planning will lead the discussion. For more information call 860-444-5805

**FREE CONCERT: The Navels** - July 23 at the Vece Gazebo in front of the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - In case of rain, the evening's concert will be cancelled. (860) 669-3889

**The STRING OF PEARLS** - July 23rd at 7pm at The Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme. It will be held outdoors, weather permitting, inside if not. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, etc. A Free Ice Cream Social will follow the concert. Open to all ages. (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

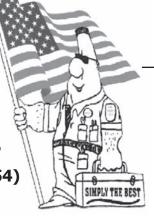
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Children's Museum of Southeastern Connecticut - 409 Main Street, Niantic - an interactive, hands-on, educational opportunity for the children in your life. Engage, encourage, and challenge children ages 1 through 12 and adults, as well, in the arts, sciences, safety & health, and culture & history. For more information call 860-691-1111 or visit www.childrensmuseumsect.org

Christopher Leffingwell House Museum - 348 Washington Street, Norwich- Leffingwell House Museum is one of the finest restored examples of New England Colonial architecture and home of revolutionary patriot, merchant, and industrialist Christopher Leffingwell. - By the mid 18th century what was built as a simple two room house in 1675 had evolved into an elegant home for one of Connecticut's most famous patriots. This 1665 building had been restored and is furnished with 17th and 18th century pieces. Visitors to this living museum catch a glimpse of early 18th century life. - In the tavern room, visitors will find one of the few remaining examples of a completely paneled room from this time period in New England. Phone 860-889-9440 for more information. or visit www.leffingwellhousemuseum.com

Coast Guard Museum - Coast Guard Academy, 15 Mohegan Ave., New London, The U. S. Coast Guard Museum spans the two hundred year history of America's premier maritime service. Phone 860-444-8511 for more information or visit www.uscg.mil/hq/g-cp/museum/MuseumIndex.htm for more information.

**Colonial Village** - Waterford Historical Society Jordan Green, Rte. 156, Waterford. Replica of a Colonial village with 1740 Jordan Schoolhouse, 1840 Beebe-Phillips farmhouse, blacksmith shop, Stacy Barn with farm implements, and horse drawn vehicles, Miner Education Center. Phone: (860) 442-2707

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**Connecticut River Museum,** 67 Main Street, Essex, CT, 06426 - Founded in 1974, The Connecticut River Museum is located in two National Register Landmark buildings directly on the river. The museum offers monthly lectures, education programs and tours and seasonal events and exhibits. Phone 860-767-8269 or visit www.ctrivermuseum.org for more information.

CUSTOM HOUSE MARITIME MUSEUM of the New London Maritime Society, 150 Bank Street, New London. Open year round. The Custom House Maritime Museum is housed in a splendid 1833 neo-classical building designed by Robert Mills, the architect of the Washington Monument. When the slave ship Amistad was brought to New London in 1839, the ship was moored near the

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Custom House and when it was sold, in 1840, its cargo was auctioned off in the building. Exhibits illustrate aspects of New London's maritime history and include: the Amistad, area lighthouses, the Jibboom Club—a society formed by New London's whalers, and the US Customs Service. The Custom House Maritime Museum has collections dealing with New London, CT, maritime history and the US Customs Service in New London. For more information visit www.nlmaritimesociety.org

or phone 860-447-2501

**Deacon John Grave House** (c.1685) - 581 Boston Post Rd. Tuxis Farm, Madison - This house, evolved from a primitive 2-room dwelling to a classic New England saltbox, was inhabited for over 300 years by the descendants of Deacon John Grave I. Used as a private residence, school, wartime infirmary and weapons depot, inn, tavern and courtroom. The Deacon John Grave House is special because its history is the story of seven generations of one Madison family. For more information call (203) 245-4798

**Denison Homestead Museum** - Pequotsepos Road, Mystic - Built in 1717 by George Denison (grandson of Captain George and Lady Ann) for his bride Lucy Gallup, the Denison Homestead Museum is located on 200 acres of meadows and woodlands. A trained docent will lead you on your journey through this unique family homestead and will regale you with stories of the family members who lived here from 1717 to 1941. This 200 acre site was granted to Captain George Denison in 1654 and continues to honor him and his descendants today. For more information 860-536-9248 or go to denisonhomestead.org

Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center - 109 Pequotsepos Road, Mystic - a combination wildlife sanctuary, visitor attraction and educational facility. The Center features exhibits highlighting the habitats and wildlife of southeastern Connecticut, as well as eight miles of trails that wind through a beautiful 300-acre wooded preserve. For more information call 536-1216 or visit www.dpnc.org Dr. William Beaumont House - 169 W. Town St., On the Green, Lebanon - The house, birthplace of Dr. William Beaumont, the "father of gastric physiology," is a tribute to early 19th century medicine, with exhibits of period medical instruments and a re-created doctor's examining room. For more information call 860 642-6579 **Dudley Farm -** 2351 Durham Road, Guilford - Dudley Farm was in the same family for about 350 years before it was willed to the North Guilford Volunteer Fire Department which created a private, nonprofit foundation to oversee it as a working farm. Various events are held throughout the year including blacksmithing demonstrations, sheep shearing, wool spinning, crafters, quilters, archeological digs, and music jams. Phone: 203-457-0770 or visit their website www.dudleyfarm.com/

**Ebenezer Avery House** - Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park, 57 Fort St. Groton, A center-chimney Colonial where American soldiers found refuge after losing the battle of Fort Griswold on Sept. 6, 1781 to the British. For more information call (860) 446-9257 **The General William Hart House** - 350 Main St., Old Saybrook. A typical residence of the well to do New Englanders in the 1770s. Phone (860) 388-2622

Governor Jonathan Trumbull House - 169 West Town St., on the Green - Lebanon, the former home of Connecticut's Revolutionary War Governor (1769-1784). Birthplace of patriot artist John Trumbull. National Historic Landmark. Phone: (860) 642-7558

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#### Haley Farm State Park, Haley Farm Lane, Groton

The park has been preserved as open space and is used for passive recreational purposes. A 0.8 mile bike trail winds its way through the scenic old shoreline farm. The Haley Farm Bike Trail, which is wheelchair accessible, is part of a 7 1/2 mile town-owned bikeway routed from Mystic to Groton on local roadways. Activities: Biking, Birding, Hiking. **860-444-7591** 

Rocky Neck State Park, 244 W. Main St. (Route 156) East Lyme The large stone pavilion, diverse trail systems, and gently sloping swimming beach make this park ideal for families. Try your hand at crabbing or fishing. Look for hawks, cranes, and herons. Rocky Neck provides something for all members of the family. Activities: Picnicking, Saltwater Fishing, Hiking, Camping, Field Sports, Saltwater Swimming. (860) 739-5471

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Hammonasset Beach State Park, 1288 Boston Post Rd, Madison Connecticut's largest shoreline park offers over 2 miles of beach to enjoy swimming, strolling along the boardwalk, or just relaxing in the sun and surf. Hammonasset also offers over 550 grassy campsites perfect for the nature enthusiast. Facilities: Bathrooms, Boardwalk, Car Top Boat Launch, Concessions, Nature Center, Picnic Shelters, Picnic Tables, Showers. (203) 245-2785

Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park - Fort Street, Groton. Add a touch of reality to your Revolutionary War history lesson with a visit to Fort Griswold Battlefield State Park, site of the 1781 massacre led by the traitorous Benedict Arnold. For visiting hours or for more information call (860) 449-6877

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**Indian & Colonial Research Center** - 39 Main St. (Rte. 27), Mystic-Research library in an 1856 bank building; Native American artifacts, genealogy, local history, early maps of the area, rare photographs (1895-1917), manuscripts dating back to 1700s. For more information call (860) 536-9771

**Adam Stanton House** - 63 E. Main St., Clinton. The 1789 house features Colonial furnishings and local historical items. Tours by appt. Jul-Aug. Phone (860) 669-2132

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**Thankful Arnold House Museum** - Hayden Hill Road, Haddam. A historic house museum dating from the late 18th century located in the picturesque village of Haddam, Connecticut along the Connecticut River. Open year round. For more information call 860.345.2400 or visit www.haddamhistory.org

**The Thomas Lee House** - Route 156 just east of Rocky Neck State Park, Niantic. Built circa 1660 - the Thomas Lee House is one of the oldest wood frame houses in Connecticut still in its primitive state. The Lee House is listed on the National Register of Historic Houses, and is open for tours during the summer. 860.739.6070

**U.S. Submarine World War II Veteran's Memorial (East)** - Bridge & Thames St., Groton - National Memorial (East) with the actual conning tower of a WWII submarine. 52 memorial plaques listing all boats lost and black marble Wall of Honor listing all men lost on submarines. Phone: (860) 388-3553

**Essex Steam Train** - Exit 3 off of Route 9, Essex: The Valley RR is a small railroad museum located in southeast Connecticut. They operate a steam excursion that runs about 5 miles. There is also a companion steam boat ride on the Connecticut River. 860-767-0103 www.essexsteamtrain.com

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## **Regional Events**

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**Midsummer Festival Concert - Reception:** 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Concert 7 p.m.-9 p.m. July 24, at the Florence Griswold Museum, 96 Lyme St., Old Lyme - The evening begins with receptions at the Lyme Art Association, the Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts, and the Florence Griswold Museum from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. (all free admission). The annual concert at the Florence Griswold Museum is always a favorite and makes for a perfect summer evening on the banks of the Lieutenant River. Concert-goers are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner. (860) 434-5542

Antique & Classic Boat Rendezvous - 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 7/25-26 at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - Every year some of the most outstanding boats in the country converge at Mystic Seaport for the Antique and Classic Boat Rendezvous. The annual event showcases restored antique vessels, including cruisers, sailboats, runabouts, and launches. Visitors are invited to see the vessels on display at Mystic Seaport all day Saturday and Sunday morning. Sunday at 12:30 p.m. the classic vessels will take part in a three-mile parade down the historic Mystic River. Each boat will be announced on the shore at Mystic River Park as it passes through the iconic bascule bridge. The spectacular boats and their costumed crews will make their way down river in what has become a highlight of the Mystic summer season. (860) 572-0711

**Tea with Carolyn Johnson** - 2 p.m.-4 p.m. July 25-26 at The Hempsted Houses, 11 Hempstead St., New London - Enjoy a three course tea with Carolyn Johnson, proprietor of a popular New London teahouse for many years. Reservations (860) 443-7949

Time Machines Car Show & Flea Market - 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 7/26 Guilford Fairgrounds, 111 Lovers Lane, Guilford - There is a good variety to enjoy with 26 judged show car classes and a flea market of mostly automotive-related items; and trophies awarded. A car corral featuring cars for sale, music by a DJ, prizes and several food vendors offering breakfast, lunch, and snacks. (203) 239-2656 United States Coast Guard Guardians Big Band - 3 p.m. July 26 New London City Pier, Waterfront Park, New London - The United States Coast Guard Band attracts some of the best musicians in the world, eminently capable of performing all types of demanding and immortal music in a variety of circumstances and

**Archive Room Open House:** Monday, July 27 – 6:00-8:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Explore what the library has in its Archive Room! A member of the East Lyme Historical Society will be on hand to answer questions about the collection and local history. 860-739-6926

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**FINANCIAL HEALTH CHECK UP** starting at 1pm. 7/28 at the East Lyme Senior Center, 37 Society Road, Niantic. For appointments call 860-739-5859

**Eat Drink Man Woman** - Tuesday, July 28, 2-4:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - (1994 124 mins. PG-13) Senior Master Chef Chu lives in a large house in Taipei with his three unmarried daughters. Life in the house revolves around the ritual of an elaborate dinner each Sunday, and the love lives of all the family members. For more information call 860-444-5805

**Genealogy Club** - 7/28, 4:30-7:00 PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - Access genealogical resources and Ancestry.com to explore your family history. Free (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

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**Downton Abbey: Fashion and Social Change** - Tuesday, July 28 – 7:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Downton Abbey is a television phenomenon, watched by fans throughout the UK and the USA. Like other British costume dramas, the costumes are presented with attention given to meticulous detail. Susan Jerome, Collections Manager at the University of Rhode Island Historic Textile and Costume Collection, will explore the many changes that occurred throughout the time period depicted in Downton Abbey and how these changes influenced fashion. For more information call 860-739-6926

**Fantasy/Sci-Fi Book Discussion: The Last Unicorn by Peter Beagle** - Tuesday, July 28, 7-8:30 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Last Unicorn is one of the true classics of fantasy, ranking with Tolkien's The Hobbit, Le Guin's Earthsea Trilogy, and Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland. For more information call 860-444-5805

"Last Will and Embezzlement" July 29th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme. A question and answer period will follow. An elder law attorney will also be here to answer questions. This information is important for all seniors to know. For more information or to register for this free program please call (860)434-1605 ext. 240.

Mindfulness Meditation for Beginners - offered at Niantic Community Church, Wednesday, July 29 and August 26, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.. The free program is being offered by Carol Vara, a social worker at Lawrence & Memorial Hospital. Carol has an interest in the creative and spiritual arts and is also the facilitator of the Christian singles program at the church. Niantic Community Church is located at 170 Pennsylvania Ave., Niantic. (860) 739-6208. www.NianticCommunityChurch.org.

Mystery Book Discussion: Fig Eater by Jody Shields - 11:00 a.m July 30 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - No registration necessary. For more information call 860-739-6926 Mad Hot Ballroom - Thursday, July 30, 2-4:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - (2005 120 mins. PG documentary) New York City kids are transformed, from reluctant participants to determined competitors, from typical urban kids to "ladies and gentlemen," on their way to try to compete in the final citywide ballroom dance competition. 860-444-5805

Cruise - Thursdays at the Dock of the Connecticut River Museum: July 30 at 5:00pm to 9:00pm - Board RiverQuest and cruise from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam south down the river to the Connecticut River Museum in Essex. Arrive at the museum dock at around 6:15pm, disembark and join others at the very popular "Thursday's on the Dock". Crazy Celts perform traditional Irish music as well as a variety of pop and folk tunes. Enjoy music and cocktails while overlooking scenic Essex Harbor. No one under 21 on this cruise. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577.

Music Through The Ages of Fort Trumbull - 7 p.m. 7/30 in the Conference Center at Fort Trumbull State Park, 90 Walbach St., New London. The Friends of Fort Trumbull will present Faye Ringel and Anne Flammang who will perform- separately and togethersongs that were popular during the eras commemorated by the window hangings at Fort Trumbull. www.fortfriends.org

**THE CORVETTES DOO WOP REVUE** - 7/30, 7pm at The Lymes' Senior Center, 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme - Held







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outdoors, weather permitting, inside if not. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, dinner, dancing shoes etc. A Free Ice Cream Social will follow the concert. FREE - open to all ages. (860)434-1605

FREE CONCERT: The Convertibles - July 30 at the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - (860) 669-3889

Moby-Dick Marathon: Noon to noon July 31 - August 1 - at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - "Mr. Melville" will kick off the reading by reciting the first chapter of the novel. The 196th anniversary of Melville's birthday. (860) 572-0711

Sea to Table Talks & Tastings, Cooking Classes & Dinner: Stonington Red Shrimp - August 1 - Join local seafood farmers, and chefs Elisa Giommi and Amelia Lord for an inspiring, educational trip through our local sea fare. Talk & Tasting sessions feature local seafood growers, paired with Cooking Classes with Dinner presented by chefs Elisa Giommi and Amelia Lord, to be held at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 150 Bank Street, New London. Participants may sign up for just the Talk or for both the Talk and Cooking presentations. Register by calling 860-447-8700. Roast Beef and Turkey Dinners - Tuesday, August 4 at Niantic

Community Church, 170 Pennsylvania Ave., Niantic. 5:30-7:30 p.m. - indoor, air conditioned seating as well as outdoor summer sun seating, and take out is available. The roast beef and turkey suppers include mashed potatoes, gravy, cole slaw, green beans, rolls, cranberry sauce and homemade desserts for the budget price of \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. (860) 739-6208.

Poetry with a Touch of Midlife Insanity: Tuesday, August 4-7:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic -

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"Memphis" August 5-30 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main St., Ivoryton - Memphis is set in the places where rock and roll was born in the 1950s: the seedy nightclubs, radio stations and recording studios of Memphis, TN. With an original score, it tells the fictional story of DJ Huey Calhoun, a good ole' local boy with a passion for R&B music and Felicia Farrell, an up-and-coming black singer that he meets on Beale Street. (860) 767-7318

**Rambling Dan Stevens** - Variety Show of old time popular songs, country, rock and roll, and original songs - August 5th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme. Call (860)434-1605 ext 240 to register for this free performance.

**Summer Film Series: Bull Durham** - Wednesday, August 5 at 6:00pm at the Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Turnpike, Clinton. (Rated R, 108 minutes) Admission is free, and popcorn will be donated by Chip's Pub III. (860) 669-2342

**Noank-Mystic Community Band** - 7 p.m.-9 p.m. August 5 at Mystic River Park, Cottrell St., Stonington - Free.

**Model Yacht Regatta** - 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m., 8/6-8/9 at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - The J Class and the East Coast 12 Meter class race their model yachts on the Mystic River. Event is free with museum admission. For more information call (860) 572-0711

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## Kayak Regatta

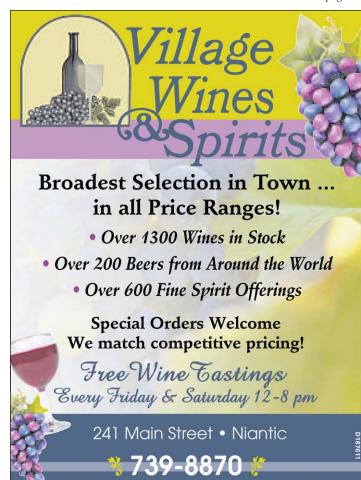
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**Kids' Swimming Lessons** at Lyme Shores, 22 Colton Road, East Lyme. Swim lessons for kids of all ages and abilities. 30 minute classes meet Mon-Thurs for 2 weeks. Sessions run until July 30. Register at www.lymeshores.com or call 860-447-9177.

Oceanographic Cruises by Project Oceanology: through August - Come aboard our Enviro-Lab Research Vessel for a 2½-hour cruise on Long Island Sound and a fantastic hands-on, brains-on marine science experience. Test the waters for temperature, salinity and more, and discover life beneath the waves by bringing up marine animals with a trawl net and collecting plankton, the base of the marine food web, or by pulling aboard lobster pots. Children under 6 not permitted for safety reasons. Cruises run daily. 860-445-9007. Reservations and departure times at www.oceanology.org

Lighthouse Expeditions on Project Oceanology Enviro-Lab boats: through September - Enjoy a 2½-hour cruise to a distinctive Southeastern Connecticut landmark and architectural gem: New London Ledge Lighthouse. Tours by the Ledge Lighthouse Foundation include a film, exhibits and maybe even Ernie, the legendary Ledge Light ghost. Tours run out of Project Oceanology's docks,



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Avery Point, Groton, on Tuesdays and Saturdays through August, and from New London's City Pier on Sundays through August and on Saturdays only in September. Children under 6 not permitted for safety reasons. 860-445-9007. www.oceanology.org

It's A Bird, It's a Plane: 10:30 - 11 am 8/10 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St. (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org **Independence Day Celebration** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. July 4, 2015 at Mystic Seaport, 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic - Celebrate America's birthday circa 1876. Free with museum admission. (860) 572-0711 Animals in Disguise: 10:30 - 11 am 7/6 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St. - 860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

**TEENS Make your own comic book** 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. July 6 at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

Super Crafts Tuesday, July 7, 14, 21 and 28 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road -Create superhero themed crafts. All ages. No registration is required.

Illustration and Drawing Workshop for Kids: 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28 10:30- 11:30 AM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - Ages 7-13. (860) 447-1411

**Altered Poetry** 3-5pm, 7/7 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St.- Give new life to a page! (860) 447-1411

Horizon Wings – Wee Wings 7/8, 11am at Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Tpk, Clinton - Birds of prey! 860-669-2342 Super Birds and Their Super Abilities Wednesday, July 8, at 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Get up close and personal with natures flying machines. All ages. 860-441-6750.

Puppets to Go: The Last Dinosaur Puppet Show 7/8 2:15-3:15pm at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd -860-739-6926

Henna Hands: Wednesday, July 8, 6-8:00 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Ages 8-18. Register 860-444-5805 WOW Animal Program: "Wild Over Wildlife" 7/9, 10:00 am at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - A variety of critters to touch. All ages with an adult. 860-444-5805

Teen SRP: Beaded Bookmarks - 7/9, 1:30-3 PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - Make beautiful beaded bookmarks with Catryna. (860) 447-1411

TEENS Game On! Who Wants to Be a Millionaire? 2 p.m. 7/9 at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

Book Discussion: Wonder by R.J. Palacio. 2:30 to 3:30 pm July 9 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd. 860-739-6926

Make A Giant Letter 2:30-3:30PM, 7/9. at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noves Library, 2 Library Lane - 860-434-1684

CUPCAKE DECORATING 7/9, 6 P.M.Bill Memorial Library, 240 Monument Street, Groton - Grades 6 through 12 get creative with cupcakes. 860-445-0392.

Monster Movie Makeup For Children Under Age 10 07-10-15. 10:30-11:30AM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

Monster Makeup Workshop Ages 10 & Up 07-10-15, 10:30-11:30AM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - 860-447-1411 www.plnl.org

The Comedy Magic of Danny Diamond 11 a.m. 7/10 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main St., Ivoryton - Come and be amazed by the comedy magic of Danny Diamond. (860) 767-7318 www.ivorytonplayhouse.org

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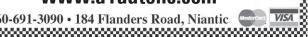
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Super Bubbles 7/10, 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Please dress to get wet! 860-441-6750.

Game Day: Saturday, July 11, 10-12:00 noon at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Games, games, games; play ours or bring your own. 860-444-5805

Kid's Cruise aboard RiverOuest: 10-11 am, 7/11 - departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Children will use binoculars and learn about the birds they see, nautical terms, the ecology of the river and other points of interest including Gillette Castle and the Chester/Hadlyme Ferry. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577.

**Paws and Read:** 10-12, 7/11 & 7/25 at Waterford Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd - Practice reading with a therapy dog. 860-444-5805

"The Fairy Circus" 1PM 7/11 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 400 Main St., Niantic - The East Lyme Puppetry Project will present "The Fairy Circus," by Tanglewood Marionettes, a breathtaking showcase of turn-of-the-century style TRICK puppetry featuring over twenty beautifully hand-crafted marionettes.860 739-7225.

Teen Movie Matinee July 11, at 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

From Farm to Table: 10:30 - 11 am 7/13 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - 860) 447-1411

TEENS Mask Making 2 -4 p.m. 7/13 at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - For more information call 860-441-6750.

Sparky's Puppet Show: 7/13, 6pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Sparky's Puppets dramatize favorite children's stories with colorful puppets. 860-444-5805

**TEENS Superhero Jeopardy** 7/13, at 7 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Classic trivia game. 860-441-6750.

Crayon Art: 7/14, 3-5:PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org GLOW! 7/15, at 10:30 a.m.at the Groton Public Library, 52

Newtown Road - Learn about and eat super foods. 860-441-6750. All Aboard the Little History Tour 2:15 to 3:15pm 7/15 at East

Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - 860-739-6926

Super Spies, 7/15, 3pm at Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth tpk, Clinton - Create a disguise, decode some secrets, and do some training drills to become a super spy! 860-669-2342

Nightingale's Acoustic Cafe Youth Performers 6 - 8 PM 7/15. at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library - 860-434-1684

TEENS Book Party/Pizza and Pages 6 p.m. 7/15 at Groton Library, 52 Newtown Rd. - 860-441-6750.

Construction Truck Storytime: 7/16, 10 am at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - 860-444-5805

Fuse Beads 2:30-3:30PM 7/16 at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library - Make super-powered keychains. 860-434-1684

Middle Grade Book Discussion: El Deafo by Cece Bell 2:30 to 3:30 pm 7/16 at East Lyme Public Library - 860-739-6926

Teen Program: Make a Tie-Dye T-Shirt 7/16, 6 PM at the Bill Memorial Library, 240 Monument Street, Groton - Grades 6 through 12 are invited to tie dye t-shirts with sharpie pens. 860-445-0392. Learn the Art of Beekeeping! 7/17, 10:30-11:30AM at The Pub-

lic Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - Free & open to kids of all ages. (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

"Jack and the Beanstalk" 11 a.m. July 17, 2015 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main Street, Ivoryton - Presented by the Crabgrass Puppet Theatre. (860) 767-7318 www.ivorytonplayhouse.org

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**Super Legos!** Friday, July 17, at 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

**DIY and Craft Workshop:** Soap-making Class for adults and teens. July 18, 10am to 2:30pm at Mystic Arts Center, 860-536-7601

**Super Hero Photos:** 7/18, 10 -11 am at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Bring your camera . 860-444-5805

**Horizon Wings – Wee Wings** 7/18, 11am at Henry Carter Hull Library, Clinton - Learn about birds of prey! 860-669-2342

**The Heroes in My Community** 7/20, 10:30AM-1PM at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane - Have lunch (provided) with a special hero in our community. 860-434-1684

**Super Birds:** 10:30 - 11 am 7/20 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411

**Chalk It Up!** 7/20, 2pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Chalk-drawing is at its best. 860-444-5805

**TEENS Doodling with a Purpose:** 2-4 p.m. 7/20 at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

**"The Day the Crayons Quit"** 7/20 4:30-6:PM at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane - Poor Duncan just wants to color. But his crayons have had enough! They quit! 860-434-1684 **Pests or Guests:** 7/20, 5pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road -Ages 6-10. 860-444-5805

**Rockets to the Rescue** 7/20, 6 pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Build a soda bottle rocket. 860-444-5805

**FAMILY STARGAZING** 7/20, 7p.m. at the Groton Public Library - For families with children, ages 8 and up. 860-441-6750.

**DIY Jean Craft** - 7/21, 3-5PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org **Fairy Houses, Tea Party and Crafts** 1 PM - 3 PM 7/22 at the Avery-Copp House, 154 Thames St., Groton - 860-445-1637

**Animals in Disguise**, 7/22, 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

**Storyteller Rona Leventhal:** Interactive Stories about Heroes and Heroines. 2:15-3:15pm 7/22 at East Lyme Library, 860-739-6926

**The Modern Riffs** at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane 7/22, 6 -8PM. 860-434-1684

**Animal Superheroes:** 7/23, 10 am at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Appropriate for preschoolers. 860-444-5805

**Henna** 7/23, 1:30-3:PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

**Pokemon Bingo!** 7/23, 2:30-3:30PM. at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane - 860-434-1684

Middle Grade Book Discussion: Liar & Spy by Rebecca Stead 2:30-3:30 pm 7/23 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - For more information call 860-739-6926

**Teens: Blood and Terror-Piracy in the Caribbean** -7/23, 6 PM at the Bill Memorial Library, 240 Monument Street, Groton Terrible tales of the Golden Age of Piracy! 860-445-0392 to sign up.

Super Sleuth Party 2 p.m. 7/24 at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Go through Sleuth training and once you are an official "Sleuth" take a crack at solving the mystery! 860-441-6750. Lotta LEGO®s: Saturday, July 25, 10-12:00 noon at Waterford

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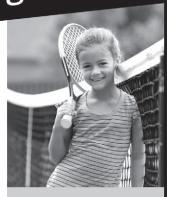
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Family Cartooning Workshop, 7/25, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!: 10:30 - 11am 7/27 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St. - (860) 447-1411

TEENS Shrinky Dinks 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. July 27 at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

Feast Like a Bug - 7/27, 5pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Take a very close look at bug mouths. 860-444-5805 LEGO® Story Starter: 7/27, pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - 860-444-5805

**Duct Tape Wallet** - 07-28-15, 3:00-5:00PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411 **Super Birds:** 7/28, 6pm at Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Road - Natures flying machines. 860-444-5805

**TEENS Anime Club** 7/28, from 6:30 p.m.- 8 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - 860-441-6750.

**Animal Superheroes** 7/29, 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Have a close encounter with some of Connecticut's very own super animals. 860-441-6750.

Airborne Jugglers: Comedic Juggling Show 2:15 to 3:15pm July 29 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd. 860-739-6926

Stone Creek with Braiden Sunshine - 7/29, 6-8 PM. at Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, 2 Library Lane - This youth community music is sure to engage, enrich, & inspire! 860-434-1684 Fire Truck Storytime: 7/30, 10 am at Waterford Public Library,

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49 Rope Ferry Road - Storytime featuring touch-a-truck fun! Most appropriate for preschoolers. 860-444-5805

**DIY Lipstick/Lipgloss** 7/3, 1:30-3PM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - Learn how to make your own lipstick. (860) 447-1411 www.plnl.org

Middle Grade Book Discussion: The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate 2:30-3:30 pm 7/30 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - 860-739-6926

Magic Show with Steve Wronker! 7/31, 10:30-11:30AM at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - The magic will include comedy, lots of audience participation in the use of many volunteers, music and more! (860) 447-1411

**Talent Show** 7/31, at 2 p.m. at the Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Road - Individuals and groups are welcome to participate. Must be G rated. For more information call 860-441-6750.

**Animal Superheroes:** 10:30 - 11 am 8/3 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - (860) 447-1411

**GRAMMY winner Les Julian: Concert for Kids** - 2:15 to 3:15pm 8/5 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd. 860-739-6926

Middle Grade Book Discussion - Flora & Ulysses: the Illuminated Adventures by Kate DiCamillo - 8/6, 2:30 to 3:30 pm at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Road, Niantic 860-739-6926

East Lyme Puppetry Project Presents ""Carnaval del Mundo" by Dan Butterworth Marionettes 8/8 at 1PM, at St. John's Episcopal Church's Hall in Niantic. contact mediamom2@gmail.com.

**DIY and Craft Workshop: Body Products** 8/9, 1-4pm. at Mystic Arts Center, 9 Water Street, Mystic. 860-536-7601 mysticarts.org **It's A Bird, It's a Plane:** 10:30 - 11 am 8/10 at The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington St, New London - The Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center will be at the library with Superhero related nature programs. (860) 447-1411

**Mr. Magic: Mystifying Magic Show:** 2:15 to 3:15pm 8/12 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Road, Niantic 860-739-6926

**"Goowin's Balloowins"** 11 a.m. 8/14 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main St., Ivoryton - Allynn Gooen uses balloons to turn the kids into creatures. Goowin's Balloowins will capture the imagination of children and adults alike. (860) 767-7318

**DIY and Craft Workshop: Stained Glass** with Rebecca Grills. Class for adults and teens. August 15, 10am to 4pm at Mystic Arts Center, 9 Water Street, Mystic. 860-536-7601 mysticarts.org

**Kid's Cruise aboard RiverQuest:** 10-11 am, 8/8 - departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Children will use binoculars and learn about the birds they see, nautical terms, the ecology of the river and other points of interest including Gillette Castle and the Chester/Hadlyme Ferry. First Come, First Serve. 860-662-0577.

**Middle Grade Book Discussion** - Rain Reign by Ann M. Martin 8/13, 2:30-3:30 pm at East Lyme Public Library 860-739-6926

**Saltwater Fishing Day** 10 a.m.-3 p.m. 8/15 at Fort Trumbull State Park, 90 Walbach St., New London -Free. Marine fishing license required for ages 16 and over. (860) 424-3200

**Sing Along with Irv!** END OF SUMMER PARTY! 8/19 2:15 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd, 860-739-6926

Casey Carle's "Bubblemania" 11 a.m. 8/21 at The Ivoryton Playhouse, 103 Main St., Ivoryton - Casey Carle performs tricky undulations, manipulations and juggling with bubbles. For more information call (860) 767-7318

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**Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival** - 11 a.m.-11 p.m. 8/6-8/9 at the Hebron Fairgrounds, 347 Gilead St., Hebron - Local, regional and national bluegrass artists, bringing together the finest in bluegrass. Band & Sognwriter Competitions, Workshops, Kid's Academy, New Acoustic Americana Stage. A family-friendly event with camping on site, family fun activities. podunkbluegrass.com

ADOPTION INFORMATION SESSION - 6:30 pm on Thursday, August 6th at Groton Public Library, 52 Newtown Rd., Groton - An experienced Connecticut Adoption Services representative will explain the different types of adoptions, offer a step-by-step outline for adopting a child and answer any questions you may have concerning adoption. Participants will be provided with a packet of resource information to help guide families, couples and individuals wishing to adopt. Please register before 3pm the Wednesday before the date of the session you wish to attend by calling Sandra Couillard at 860 886-7500 x355 or e-mailing CTadoptions@waterfordcs.org.

FREE CONCERT: Gold Rush - 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. 8/6 at the Vece Gazebo in front of the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - Americana, bluegrass, roots, old and new country. In case of rain, the evening's concert will be cancelled. (860) 669-3889 or visit the Clinton Chamber of Commerce website at www.clintonct.com. Annual Parrothead River Cruise! 6-9pm, 8/7 - Board RiverQuest and cruise on the Connecticut River from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Enjoy the beautiful Connecticut River while listening to "Parrothead" music. Bring your margarita or any favorite beverage and your picnic basket. If you want your margarita on the rocks, we'll have a blender, mix and ice available. Dress in your "Parrothead" attire and meet other "Parrotheads"! This is designed to be a fun, active Evening Cruise. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577. Mystic Outdoor Art Festival - August 8-9, The festival stretches over two miles in downtown Mystic and is the oldest of its kind in the northeast with over 250 artists who come from all corners of the United States and bring more than 100,000 works of art. For further information call (860) 572-9578

The Changing Culture of Mourning - lectures noon & 2 p.m. August 8th at the Ebenezer Avery House, 57 Fort St., Groton - This lecture examines the typical mourning methods of the Revolutionary era, but also look at how those methods have changed over time. (860) 446-9257

**East Lyme Puppetry Project Presents ""Carnaval del Mundo"** by Dan Butterworth Marionettes on Saturday, August 8 at 1PM, at St. John's Episcopal Church's Hall in Niantic. All tickets for all shows are \$5.00 at the door. mediamom2@gmail.com.

Herbs for Hearth & Health 2 p.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 8th at The Hempsted Houses, 11 Hempstead St., New London - Learn about the importance of herbs in an 18th century household for both food and medicine, and how you can still use them in your own home today with food ways historian Leslie Evans of Groton. Reservations required. (860) 443-7949

**PASTA DINNER** - 8/8, Saturday at the Shoreline Community Center, 39 Hartford Avenue, Old Lyme. Doors open at 5:30 pm To 8 pm. Enjoy delicious pasta, meatballs, fresh salad, bread, desserts, and coffee. All you can eat! Walk-ins welcome. Admission adults \$12, children under 8 years \$6. Tickets available at door or call Val Meluzzo 860-434-7859.

Antique Motorcycle Show - 10 am to 3:30 pm, Sunday, August 9 at the Smith-Harris House, 33 Society Road, Niantic - Come and enjoy the history of coolness on two wheels! View antique motorcycles, then vote for your favorite to receive the People's Choice Award! Tours of the house and music concerts included. Cycle equipment, enthusiasts, and food vendors will be on-site to sell their wares. Rain or shine. \$10 per person. For more information, contact curator Joanie DiMartino at 860-739-0761 or curator@smithharris.org or visit www.smithharris.org.

Cape Horn Widows: Whaling Wives Holding Down the Home Front - Presented by author and first-person interpreter Jennifer Emerson - 2 PM - 4 PM 8/9 at the Avery-Copp House, 154 Thames St., Groton - How did the women back home spend their time while their husbands were out on whaling voyages that could last 5 years? The answers may surprise you! Join Jennifer as she shares the trials and joys of being a Cape Horn Widow. 860-445-1637

Medicare Saving Program - August 11th at 1:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme CT. Call (860)434-1605 ext 240 to register.

Book Discussion: Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee - 7:00 p.m 8/11 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - No registration necessary. For more information call 860-739-6926

"Die Fledermaus" August 11, 13, 15, 16 at Andrews Memorial Theater, 54 East Main St., Clinton - Captivating serenades, a famous Hungarian Czardas, and, of course, lilting waltzes permeate the luscious score from Johann Strauss II, the Waltz King, all integrated into a marvelous comedy of misguided revenge, romantic deception, and champagne's delicious bubbles. (860) 669-8999

Cruise "Thursday's on the Dock" of the Connecticut River Museum: 5-8:30pm 8/13 - Board RiverQuest and cruise from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam south down the river to the Connecticut River Museum in Essex. Arrive at the museum dock at around 6:15pm, disembark and join others at the very popular "Thursday's on the Dock". Enjoy music and cocktails while overlooking scenic Essex Harbor. Enjoy the Celtic music of: "Ringrose and Freeman." No one under 21 on this cruise. For more information or visit ctriverquest.com or call 860-662-0577.

FREE CONCERT: The Engine Room - 6-8pm 8/13 at the Vece Gazebo in front of the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - Blues, rhythm and blues, classic rock and pop. In case of rain, the evening's concert will be cancelled. (860) 669-3889 or visit the Clinton Chamber of Commerce website at www.clintonct.com.

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**Antique Marine Engine Exposition** - 8/15-16 at Mystic Seaport 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic. Collectors from around the country come together to show off full-size and miniature 19th- and early 20th-century marine engines. Inboards, outboards, steam, gasoline, diesel, electric and naphtha engines. (860) 572-0711

The fifth annual Healeys - Saturday, August 15 on the Green at Mystic Seaport 75 Greenmanville Ave., Mystic. The classic British sports cars will parade on to the Mystic Seaport Town Green at 10:30 am.

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Connecticut River Museum & Steamboat Dock - Learn the history of the Connecticut River, one of America's greatest waterways. Visitors will see full-scale reproductions of early ships as well as a variety of other interesting displays. Cruise the CT River aboard the Schooner Mary E. The museum is open by admission 7 days a week in summer, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Located on 67 Main Street, Essex - (860) 767-8269 www.ctrivermuseum.org

**Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center** - Enjoy all new natural history and live animal exhibits highlighting Connecticut's woodland, wetland and meadow habitats. Hike, jog or stroll up to 8 miles of trails in the 300-acre wildlife sanctuary. See live birds-of-prey in our outdoor flight enclosures, enjoy your picnic in this splendid area or spend an afternoon birding on the trails. The Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center is located at 109 Pequotsepos Road, Mystic. For more information or to register for programs call (860) 536-1216 or visit their website at www.dpnc.org

**Essex Steam Train & Riverboat Ride** - Visitors will get a unique view of the Connecticut River Valley from a ride aboard a vintage 1920's steam locomotive. A stop at Deep River Landing will give guests the option of cruising aboard a multi-decked riverboat making the total excursion about 2 1/2 hours. Located on Railroad Avenue. Essex, CT (860) 767-0103 www.essexsteamtrain.com

**Garde Arts Center** - a non-profit, professional center for the performing arts, striving to engage, enrich, entertain and inspire by presenting top-quality performing arts and film events, fostering community arts organizations, and strengthening community interaction and vitality in and through the arts. Located at 325 State St. New London, CT. For more information please call (860) 444-7373 or visit www.gardearts.org

Gillette Castle State Park - William Hooker Gillette, who played Sherlock Holmes in the early 1900's, found refuge in his medieval fieldstone fortress. Completed in 1919 the castle with its 24 rooms provides a majestic view of the Connecticut river. Castle admission hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Daily. Access to the 184 acres of park grounds, is free year-round from 8 a.m. until dusk. Located 67 River Road, East Haddam (860) 526-2336

Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center - This permanent exhibition traces the Native and natural history of Southern New England from 18,000 years to the present. Summer hours 9-5 daily. Last admission at 4pm. Located at 110 Pequot Trail, off Route 214 Mashantucket. Phone: 800-411-9671, website www.pequotmuseum.org

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**U.S. Coast Guard Academy** - Homeport to barque Eagle the U.S. Coast Guard Academy offers two centuries of history and a picturesque stroll on its lush grounds. The museum displays lighthouse lenses, ship models and a wealth of related maritime history. The Academy is open year-round Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is free. Located on Mohegan Ave., New London (860) 444-8511 / 444-8611

Waterford Speedbowl - Race car fans enjoy Saturday nights at the Waterford Speedbowl, an area attraction held since the early 50's. The track runs races Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights from June to late Sept. and ends the season with a three-day event, in Early October. For additional information visit www.speedbowl.com or call 860 442-1585. Located on Route 85, Waterford.

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Drivers will be with their vehicles to answer questions and to help kids of all ages who want their pictures taken behind the wheel. Visitors to Mystic Seaport that day will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite car. The car with the most votes will be awarded the Popularity Prize at 2:00 pm. The show is sponsored by the Austin Healy Club of America, New England Region. The event typically draws twenty to thirty 1950s and 1960s Austin-Healeys in many different models and colors. (860) 572-0711

**SINGLES SUMMER BEACH PARTY** - 8/15 (Saturday) at Gail's beach cottage, 46 Swan Avenue, Sound View, Old Lyme starting at 2 pm. Don't miss out! This is always a great time. You can visit, hang out, or walk on beach. For the picnic, bring a salad, side dish, or dessert. Admission \$10. If you don't want to bring food, cost \$15. To reserve, call Gail in Bristol 860-582-8229 or Old Lyme 860-434-6426. Sponsored by Social Connections.

**Griswold Bicentennial Fireworks Display** - 7 p.m. August 15 at Veterans Memorial Park, Ashland St., Jewett City - Starting at 7 p.m., there will be family entertainment, craft booths, activities, food and more, then around 9 p.m. there will be a lavished fireworks display over Ashland Pond. Help celebrate a momentous year for this small town. (860) 376-7060

Ted Dubay's Three Knots to Nowhere: A Cold War Submariner on the Undersea Frontline - at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic on Tuesday, August 18 – 7:00 p.m. Ted Dubay will talk about his recently published book chronicling his experiences in the United States Navy. Three Knots to Nowhere: A Cold War Submariner on the Undersea Frontline, explores a neglected piece of American history: what it was like being a nuclear trained crew member of a Fleet Ballistic Missile submarine during the height of the Cold War. Don't forget to get your Connecticut Authors Trail passport stamped! Follow other authors on the trail at: connecticutauthorstrail.org - 860-739-6926

Annual Dessert Sunset Cruise: 6-8:30, 8/19 - Board RiverQuest and take a relaxing evening cruise on the lower Connecticut River, departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Bring your picnic basket and favorite beverage, family and friends. Observe how beautiful the river is at twilight as you dine. At around 7:30pm, a variety of desserts will be served, including Captain Mark's famous Key Lime Pie! 860-662-0577 www.ctriverquest.com.

**Summer Film Series: North by Northwest -** Wednesday, August 19 at 6:00pm at the Henry Carter Hull Library, 10 Killingworth Turnpike, Clinton. Not Rated, 136 minutes. Admission is free, and popcorn will be donated by Chip's Pub III. (860) 669-2342

**8th Annual New England Lobster Bake** - 8/20, 12:00pm at the Lymes' Senior Center 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme CT. Cost is \$26.50 per person due upon sign u p . (860)434-1605 ext. 240

Cruise - Thursday's on the Dock: Geoff Kaufman - 5 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 8/20 - Board the RiverQuest and cruise south down the river to the Connecticut River Museum in Essex, then will disembark and join others at the very popular "Thursday's on the Dock." Enjoy music and cocktails while overlooking scenic Essex Harbor. Tickets includes a drink ticket on the dock. Bring your picnic basket and favorite beverage . (860) 662-0577 www.ctriverquest.com

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FREE CONCERT: Beatles Forever - 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. 8/20 at the Pierson School on East Main Street, Clinton - (860) 669-3889 TGIF Sunset Cruise: 6-8:30, 8/21 - Enjoy a relaxing evening cruise on the lower Connecticut River, departure from Eagle Landing State Park in Haddam. Observe how beautiful the river is at twilight as you dine. There will be only light narration on this cruise. Grab a friend and your favorite wine or beverage and start your weekend! Some light snacks will be provided, and mother nature will provide great scenery and a sunset to unwind from your busy week. ctriverquest.com 860-662-0577

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12th Annual Niantic River Appreciation Day and Kayak Regatta - Saturday Aug. 22, 10 am-2 pm, on the water in front of 47 Oswegatchie Road, Waterford. Come celebrate and paddle the scenic Niantic River with Save the River-Save the Hills and experience the Oswegatchie Hills from a water view. Canoes, kayaks, SUP boards – any non-motorized boat welcome! Paddlers Parade, live music by folksinger Geoff Kaufman as well as The Denise and Tony Band, short fun races, and free drawing for a kayak for STR-STH members at 1:45 pm. Pack \$ for t-shirts, enjoy donated hot dogs and clam chowder served on the shore, meet town leaders and officials. Put in at Three Belles Marina, Cini Park in Niantic, or call Deb at 860-444-9247 for close-by Waterford launch site. Rain date Sun. Aug. 23, website: www.savetheriversavethehills.org Clinton Summer Fest and Fireworks: 8/22. Starting at 5:00pm include a performance by Night Flight Band, the start of the Clinton History Trail, Facepainting, and family activities, among many others. After sunset, what will be one of the largest fireworks displays on the Connecticut Shoreline will begin. 860-669-3889.

**Votes for Women! "Their Rights and Nothing Less"** A Suffrage Tea Presented by Progressive Era suffrage historian Joanie Di Martino - 2 PM – 4 PM 8/23 at the Avery-Copp House, 154 Thames St., Groton - Celebrate the 100th anniversary of a surge in political activism by suffragists in Connecticut that led to the final push for women's voting rights. Reservations required 860-445-1637

**Trivia Night** - Tue. 8/25 – 7:00 p.m. at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - Are you game enough to take on the challenge? Come by yourself or bring your friends. Test your knowledge from general categories, including pop culture, current events, history, music, and of course, literature! 860-739-6926

**Free Gardening Lecture:** 8/26 at 1pm at the Lymes' Senior Center 26 Town Woods Road Old Lyme (860)434-1605 ext 240

**Mystery Book Discussion: Descent by Tim Johnston** - 11 a.m 8/27 at East Lyme Public Library, 39 Society Rd., Niantic - No registration necessary. For more information call 860-739-6926

**Local Author visit with Adrienne Kane** - Saturday, August 29, 1 PM at the Bill Memorial Library, 240 Monument St, Groton - This event is part of the 7th Annual Connecticut Author Trail. (860) 445-0392 www.connecticutauthorstrail.org

**Sea to Table Talks & Tastings, Cooking Classes & Dinner: Mystic and Fishers Island Oysters** - August 29 - at the Custom House Maritime Museum, 150 Bank Street, New London. Participants may sign up for just the Talk or for both the Talk and Cooking presentations. Register by calling 860-447-8700.

**United States Coast Guard Dixieland Jazz Band:** 3 p.m. 8/30 New London City Pier, Waterfront Park, New London - Performances of classic jazz, blues, and rags with a "New Orleans" flavor. (860) 701-6826 www.uscg.mil/band

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**Burning of Benedict Arnold Festival:** September 4-5 Flock Theatre, 66 Union St., New London - The festival includes an original play about the event, a parade down Bank Street, celebrations on the waterfront, and a public burning of Benedict Arnold's effigy. (860) 443-3119 www.flocktheatre.org

**Connecticut Maritime Heritage Festival:** September 9-12, New London Waterfront - Events will include a schooner race, boat parade, chowder challenge and more. (860) 447-2519

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**Groton History Day - Battle of Fort Griswold:**  $11 \, \text{AM} - 3 \, \text{PM} \, 9/13$  at the Avery-Copp House, 154 Thames St., Groton - Commemorate the 1781 battle. Meet soldiers, see their camp, watch musket firing demonstrations, visit with traditional artisans as they demonstrate colonial crafts. 860-445-1637

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