



The Lyme Light

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"To enhance and support the community through cooperation, learning and enrichment."
Town of Lyme, NY.

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Village of Chaumont News

Chaumont-Three Mile Bay Townwide Yard Sales

Please register your sale!

Registration will be taken until **August 16th**

Saturday, August 21st and Sunday, August 22nd

9AM to 5PM throughout the communities.

Over 40 sales expected!!

Interested residents must register to be included on the map. **Registration is FREE.** Register your sale at CITIZENS BANK OF CAPE VINCENT, Chaumont Branch or via email to: villageofchaumont@gmail.com.

LCF President's Notes

Well summer is in full swing. We had with a spectacular 4th of July weekend with the Town bursting with Fireworks and the weather as fantastic as anyone could hope for. We can look forward to several more months of beautiful summer weather, and with a little luck the Lake level will stabilize to allow continued enjoyment of our water resource, Lake Ontario.

Now on to a few words of thanks to those who have given and continue to give so much to the community through the Foundation.

After many years of dedication to the Lyme Community Foundation, Deanna Lothrop has stepped down from her Board Presidency. We all owe a debt of gratitude to her for her leadership and are relieved that she remains on the Board with her wealth of institutional knowledge. In addition, our deepest thanks go to an array of folks who have guided the Foundation through years of challenges.

In particular Cari Green whose tireless efforts have brought so much to the Lyme Community Foundation:

the haunted house, the Christmas House tours, the fundraising can drives to name only a few. Without Cari we would not be where we are today.

Now a word of thanks to the new folks recently added to the Board, and all of the hard work they are undertaking to position the Foundation to serve the Community in the future. The Community Survey to which so many of you responded has provided invaluable information on 'what is important to you' and how the Foundation can better serve those needs and desires. The survey data is being analyzed and the results will be made public in coming editions of the Lyme Light.

However, I will say that the survey response from the community members, with the overwhelming offer and willingness to volunteer in a multitude of ways is heartwarming. There is a list being developed, and you are on it! Thank you. As the reopening after Covid continues there will be many more opportunities for those volunteers to contribute to the betterment of the area.

As we move ahead during my period as interim president of the board, I and the rest of the Board look forward to working hand-in-hand with all of the talented and generous folks in our community who make Lyme a wonderful place to live.

Paul Carr

Lyme Community Foundation President

The end of summer is the time of babies - like this fledgling Barred Owl. Immature animals are less fearful of humans than the adults. Even though they may not run, please still give them space!

Photo & info by Julie K. Covey



Copley House - LCF Programs

Don't you love seeing the activity placards on the Copley House lawn again and cars parked in the driveway? The LCF programs committee is celebrating the return to normalcy with gusto.

Matt Biondolillo, formerly of Rootz, LLC, educated community members about "Living on the Edge: Integrating a Living Shoreline Strategy." Fascinating!

The 10th Mountain Division Army Band will provide entertainment at our "Farewell to Summer Soiree" on the lawn of the Copley House August 29, 3-5 PM. Bring a picnic, chairs, or blankets and enjoy the music!

Fitness classes continue to be offered by our knowledgeable instructors. Erika's Monday (9AM) yoga classes will wind up Aug. 9. Please contact her (315- 771-3944) to preregister for class. Jamie will continue to teach PiYO (Pilates and yoga) on Wednesdays at 5. Each class is \$10 and is payable at the door.

We have received a grant from the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) which is administered through the St. Lawrence County Arts Council. As a result, we will offer a ten session after-school course, Fun with Art from Around the World, to elementary school students ages 8 through 11 beginning September 14. The culminating Art Show will be October 22 from 5:00-7:00 PM. Mrs. Hyde, LCS art teacher, will instruct these fascinating classes. "This project is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts, with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature, and administered by the St. Lawrence County Arts Council."

If you have an idea for a program, please reach out to one of the Program Committee members listed below.

Sharon Spaker (Sharonspaker@gmail.com) - **Co-chair**

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Darien Frederick (darien.b.frederick@gmail.com)

Kris Mangone (klmangone01@gmail.com)

Lyme Community Foundation Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to Ashlyn Hilts and Aniyah Henderson who were the 2021 recipients of the Lyme Community Foundation Citizenship and Service Award at the Lyme Central graduation ceremony held on Friday, June 18. Ashlyn and Aniyah were each awarded a \$250 scholarship. Each year the Lyme Community Foundation awards scholarships to students at Lyme Central School based on an application and an essay from students.



Ashlyn Hilts

Ashlyn Hilts has been continually active in school and in the community. Ashlyn provided community service for the Boy Scouts/Girls Scouts and for The Children's Miracle Network. Ashlyn was also a Miss America Scholarship Competition titleholder, and we are all proud of all her accomplishments. Ashlyn plans to attend a four-year pre-med program at Niagara University after graduation to pursue a career in the medical field.

Aniyah Henderson was active throughout her school career and was the Class of 2021 Salutatorian. Aniyah completed the BOCES New Vision Health Program, as well as completing numerous college courses at Jefferson Community College. Aniyah provided community service for The Chaumont Food Pantry, Relay for Life and Operation Christmas Child. Aniyah plans on attending JCC for nursing, and then transferring to a 4-year program to become a Nurse Practitioner. Her hope is to become a great NP and to someday have her own practice.



Aniyah Henderson

We wish Ashlyn and Aniyah the best of luck and we know you will do great things and make our community proud!!

Thank You to Cari Greene for Your Service

The Lyme Community Foundation would like to thank Cari Greene for her many years of service on the board for the foundation. Cari has resigned from the foundation board so she can fully concentrate on running her business, The Blue Heron, to keep it moving forward successfully. Before Cari joined the board she was one of the recipients of the Barbara Burrows Community Service Award presented each year by the foundation to an outstanding person in the community who gives back to the community. Cari has given so much of her time and energy to the entire Lyme community. Cari was the person that brought forward to the board the crazy idea of doing an annual Haunted House at the Copley House. What an event that was and it took the entire community to pull it off, but we all had so much fun!!! This event became the highlight of the community and she helped to raise thousands of dollars for the Lyme Community Foundation for many years. Cari has held many special events at The Blue Heron to raise money for the foundation and she has done numerous bottle and can drives that have helped us bring in donations during COVID when we were not able to hold other fundraisers in person. Cari also had a way of finding families every year who were willing to open their homes during the Christmas holidays for our annual Holiday House Tour. The list goes on and on and we will really miss having Cari on the board. Thank you again Cari for all you have done for the Lyme Community Foundation.

Lyme Heritage Center Collection

The collection of historical resources at the Lyme Heritage Center is large and growing! After a year of being closed, we're excited to welcome visitors back to browse our shelves.

We have:

- ★ over 4000 family files
- ★ 16 binders on shipping and ship building
- ★ Cemetery records for all the towns in Jefferson County
- ★ 25 binders on all the wars
- ★ Many albums of old pictures, most are identified, but some are unlabeled
- ★ 5 Albums of Bilkey Moore's Lyme postcard collection
- ★ Pictures from Glass plate Negatives, 1860s era.

And for sale we have 23 books of local interest:

- ★ Point Salubrious 1802 - 2006 by Clara Van Doren
- ★ Schermerhorn Park Memories by Frank Silver
- ★ The Founding of the Schools in Lyme by Joyce Lance
- ★ The Stone and Bricks Houses of the Town of Lyme by Clara Van Doren
- ★ Calendars for 2017, 2018, 2019 with local historical photos and commentary.
- ★ Rome, Watertown and Cape Vincent Railroad by Sue Cornell
- ★ Local School yearbooks which are sold for a donation

If you have any questions, please call Shirley Williams at 315-649-5780.

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

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Tuesday - 10AM to 8PM Friday - 10AM to 8PM

Saturday - 10AM to 4PM

No Appointment Needed!
Masks are required if you are not fully vaccinated. Please use hand sanitizer and social distance when necessary. Library visits and computer sessions are limited to 1 hour per day. We will continue to offer Front Porch Pick Up.



Enjoy an evening stroll to the library and meet some very unique artists at our August Pop-Up Art Show! 4 to 8 PM on the Lyme Free Library Lawn on select Fridays - Please Join us!

August 6th - Mary Catherton & Tracey Jean

August 27th - Jan Byington & Cheryl Simeone

Pottery, Paintings, Mixed Media, Sculptures and more!

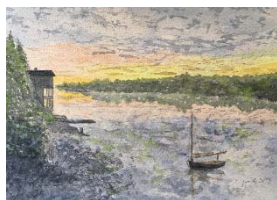
Library Raffles, O'Reilly Prints & Silent Art Auction!

Local Prints by Artist James O'Reilly



Matted prints now available at the library and The Shoppe and Cottage Bakery at the Isthmus in Three Mile Bay. Each print in the collection perfectly captures local scenes: Chaumont, Three

Mile Bay, Cape Vincent, Clayton, and a variety of local towns and villages are included. Prints 6.5" x 4.5". With Matting 8" x 10". Choose from a variety of matting colors. \$15 each, or 2 for \$25. Some originals available - Unframed 7" x 10" \$100, Framed 12" x 16" \$125. All proceeds benefit the library. All prints can be viewed at: lymefreelibrary.org



Seven beautiful baskets to choose from! Tickets \$2 each, or 3 for \$5.

Drawing August 23rd at 2 PM.

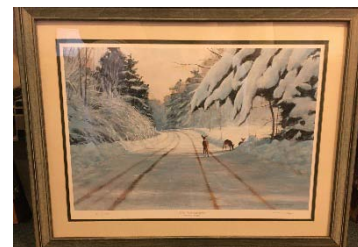
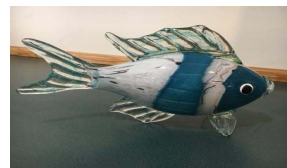
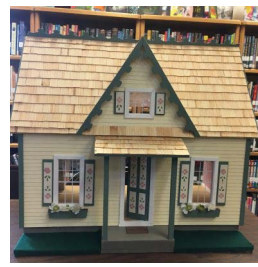
Free Kids Raffle!

Thanks to a very generous donation, children ages 1 to 12 may enter a free raffle for a \$10 Barnes & Noble gift card each time they check out books. Drawings are held at the end of each month.



Stop in and place your bid today! Winners announced August 23rd at 2PM. A special thank you to Jim & Susan O'Reilly,

Doug & Rene Warneck, Alan & Kristen Johnson Jones, Mary Murphy, Foster Holcombe & Theda Hansen, Susan Farrell, & Joy Seymour for their generous donations.



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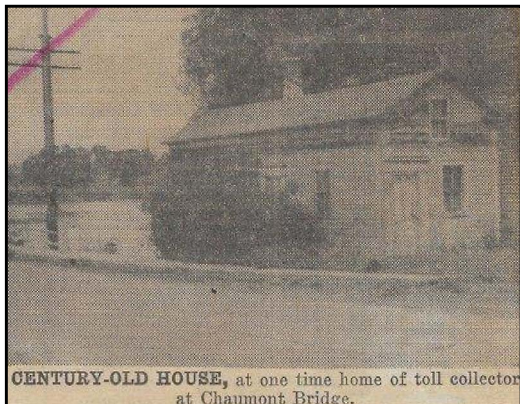
Roy Fairman's History of the Chaumont Bridge

Reprinted by the Lyme Heritage Center

Next April the Department of Transportation will begin to deconstruct the bridge which has spanned the Chaumont River for over 60 years. We thought readers would enjoy this 1957 article which Roy Fairman wrote to mark the deconstruction of the previous bridge (often called "The Long Bridge"), built in 1824. The following is a re-print of Fairman's "As Time Goes By" column which appeared in the Syracuse Herald-American on Sunday, February 10, 1957.

Central New Yorkers who visit the resort village of Chaumont or pass through it on their way to or from the excellent fishing grounds in the St. Lawrence River off Cape Vincent will be interested in learning that a new bridge in the not too distant future will replace the present long viaduct which spans the mouth of the Chaumont River as it flows into Chaumont Bay, an arm of Lake Ontario.

Construction of the new bridge is on the State program for 1957. It will be built a short distance south of the present one, which will be used until the new one is completed.



CENTURY-OLD HOUSE, at one time home of toll collector at Chaumont Bridge.

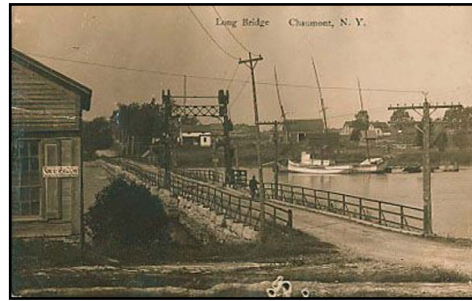
old causeway, which would have necessitated the removal of the little white house once owned and occupied by Stephen Horton, my maternal great grandfather, when he was toll collector at the east end of the causeway.



Congdon House

The house is now owned by Mrs. Charles G. Congdon, whose late husband was publisher of the Watertown Daily Times. Mrs. Congdon is the former Miss Martha Caldwell, native of Syracuse and a member of a family long engaged in the lumber business in this city.

As study of the bridge problem progressed, the engineers decided that it would be more advisable to place the new viaduct on the south instead



of north of the old one. This saved the old toll house but made necessary the removal of an equally old landmark across the street.

This building, like its neighbor, was built in the early years of the 19th Century when the business section of the village was along Lower Chaumont Bay which the bridge spans. For many years after erection the front part of this building was a store with living quarters in the rear.

When the railroad reached Chaumont in 1852 the depot was built in what Lower Bay residents call "uptown." Naturally, Village business houses moved into that area, and the stores along the waterfront were left vacant. Today, of all the

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buildings there once used for business purposes, only two remain.

It has been more than 100 years since a store was housed in the front part of that building. When I was a boy the late William Knapp, who, with his family lived in the rear apartment, used it as a paint shop. In the subsequent years many persons have lived in the apartment. It now houses the Darlington family.

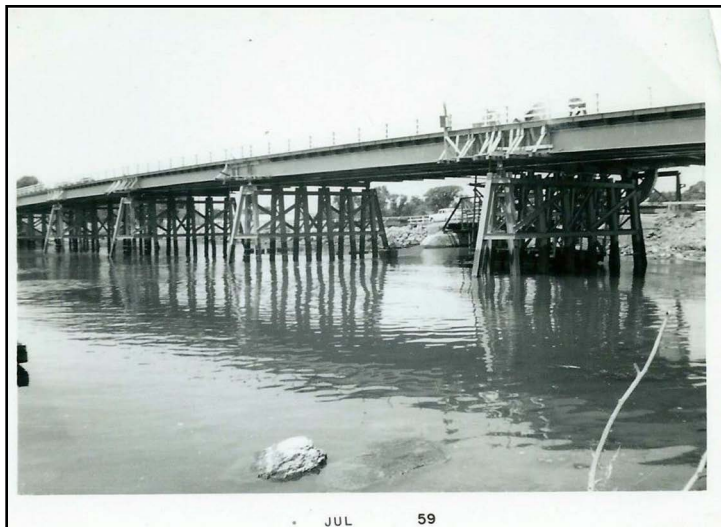
The old "long bridge" dates back to 1824. Previous to that, the river was crossed by ferry. The first bridge was erected by James Leray de Chaumont, a French royalist who owned a great tract of land in that part of Jefferson County, after he was authorized to do so by the State Legislature. It was a toll bridge and the little house now owned by Mrs. Congdon was built for the toll collector.

By 1850, when Leray and his associates were no longer there, the bridge had fallen into such a state of disrepair as to be almost impassable. It was taken over and repaired by the Town of Lyme with help from the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors. Cost of the repair job was \$11,000. Little has been done in the way of improvement since that time.

Built of Limestone

The viaduct is a causeway built of limestone blocks, on the top of which is a roadway. It has three "draws" to allow the tide to ebb and flow. In one of these draws is a lift bridge which for many years was opened occasionally to allow the passage of schooners and steamers to a stone quarry a short distance up the river.

Several lift bridges on the causeway have worn out



and have been replaced. The present one was built in 1911. The new viaduct will have no drawbridge as large vessels no longer cruise up Chaumont River. It will be erected high enough above the water to allow passage of small craft.

In horse and buggy days the bridge was considered of ample width, but, with the ever-increasing number of automobiles crossing, it has been regarded as too narrow for many years.

Furthermore, the road is so close to the water that during strong gales waves sweep over the roadway and drench passing cars and pedestrians.

Many schooners, tugs and steamships once bore the name "Chaumont" on their sterns. But that era is past and about the only craft you see on the waters of Chaumont Bay today are pleasure boats owned by members of the Crescent Yacht Club, which has its headquarters in Chaumont.

The village, which once hummed with industrial activity in its stone quarries, seed houses, limekilns and shipyards, is now a summer resort and residential suburb of nearby Watertown. But the fishing and the scenic beauty are as great as ever and many Syracusans spend vacations in cottages on Independence Point or on Point Salubrious, on the opposite side of Chaumont Bay. Many others will use the new bridge when it is completed as they motor to or from one of their favorite fishing grounds at Cape Vincent.

On **August 15th** Clarence Giles will talk about Penet's Square, a fascinating part of local history that few are familiar with.

The Lyme Heritage Center is open for the summer with regular hours! Volunteers are available on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays** from 1-3PM, **Tuesdays** from 10AM-12PM, and **Friday** evenings from 6-8PM.

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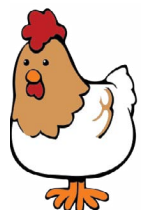
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Lyme Garden Club

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Gardening is a rewarding activity that provides a host of benefits beyond access to fresh fruits, vegetables and beautiful blooms. Gardening is great physical therapy for maintaining joint flexibility, bone density and range of motion but the work can also be painful. Gardeners have many tools available to them. Among those options are **ergonomic tools**. Ergonomics is the science of refining product design to optimize it for human use. Ergonomic gardening tools are designed to ensure that using them has as little effect on the body as possible. These tools align with how a person naturally moves his or her body, which reduces the likelihood that gardeners will suffer any strains or sprains. Ergonomic tools have longer handles, are made of lightweight materials, and offer smaller grips. They also tend to:

- ✧ Neutralize joint position
- ✧ Minimize stress
- ✧ Allow for different sizes
- ✧ Add soft padding
- ✧ Reduce vibration include thumb rest and proper diameter grips
- ✧ Feature spring-loaded power assistive features

Three aspects to keep in mind when selecting ergonomic garden tools are:

- ✧ Adjustable-choose tools that allow you to adopt a variety of postures as you work.
- ✧ Lightweight-use the lightest tool possible. If force is required, use your largest muscle groups.
- ✧ Multiple sizes or heights-conduct work with your joints at about the midpoint of your range of movement, especially your head, trunk and upper limbs.


Green Heron Tools, launched by two women farmers, invented the term "hergonomic". The HERShovel, features a D-shape handle, a shorter shaft, and an angled blade with a generous area for foot placement.

Motus makes garden tool grips modeled after the grips farmers use on scythes to cut grain. To determine the right fit, make a circle with your index finger and thumb; that's the correct size of grip for your tools.

Ergonomic tools increase gardeners' capabilities. The principles behind ergonomics keep gardeners using the tools in natural positions. Gardeners won't lose power to bending and twisting, enabling them to do more in the garden. These user-friendly tools for avid gardeners who have arthritis, back pain and other

physical limitations can make gardening enjoyable again. (www.agriculture.com/machinery/tools/hand-tools, Keys Home, Spring 2021 The Citizen.

The Lyme Garden Club has been very busy around town taking care of planters and gardens. We would like to thank Terry Petrie for supporting the Garden Club and helping to water our plants in Three Mile Bay. If you have and questions, or would like to join the LGC, contact us at lymegardenclub@earthlink.net.



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CYC Junior Division

The Summer Sailing Series - Part 3: Community Sailing

This summer we welcome both first time participants and seasoned sailors to the program! Our Staff, Day Sailors, CIT's, Adults and Racers are busy making memories and already have stories to tell!

Lucas Lavarney, one of our CIT's, is back for his 5th year! He started helping with the juniors in 2019 as a senior helper. Some of his favorite memories at camp include jumped off the boats when there is no wind! This he reminisced, is the best way to cool off on an extremely hot day. Lucas is a local here in upstate New York. He always looks forward to going to camp in the summer! His hope is future campers to be able to make as many wonderful memories as he has. Lucas shared that one of the biggest life lessons he has taken away from his time in the program was learning to be empathetic to others. He says it is important to understand and care about other people.

Hannah Sellers is the Program Director this year. Hannah loves to sail! Hannah first became a camper Junior Division at CYC at the age of 6 and was a camper for 9 years before becoming a staff member. One of her favorite memories was beating her older brother racing 420s when we were both in seniors for a year! Hannah has spent nearly every summer in Chaumont her entire life. She originally from Finger Lakes. She recalls that after a couple of summers she did not really want to come, she wanted to stay at home and be with her friends but her "parents made her". Now she does not know what she would do without sailing in her life. Her "summer friends" are her lifelong friends. She spends most of her free time on a race course somewhere across the country! She has learned many life lessons throughout her time in the program, perhaps the most important is how to adapt, adjust and think on her feet to solve problems of all kinds.



Along with building lifelong skills and love of sailing, most note that it is the friendships and life skills that they remember most. We hope that you will reach out to us to share your own memories. For more information go to www.juniordivision.org.

Summer Sailing Programs

Sailing programs for Youth to Adult!

CYC Junior Division

All abilities are welcome!

No previous experience required!



Community Sailing
Chaumont, New York

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Lyme Food Pantry

For all of us who purchase food for ourselves and our families, we certainly are experiencing the increased costs in food, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. At the Pantry January through June 2021 we have had 82 pickups which have served 155 men, women and children. Some customers as usual come monthly. The Pantry also continues to have new inquires for assistance from those who are facing difficult times due to medical issues, job loss, increased family size, increased appetites with growing children etc.

Because of the generous donations of food and money from the Lyme community, the Pantry continues to be able to supply foods for balanced, nutritious meals as well as increasing food varieties.

The Pantry is not just one entity. It is easy to say "The Food Pantry does this or that" but each item of food, each dollar and each unselfish act from a volunteer is what makes this Pantry come together to assist those truly in need.

Anyone needing food in the Lyme area please call 315-649-2424 on Wednesday for Thursday morning pickup, unless needed in an emergency. The Pantry is located next to the Chaumont Presbyterian Church parking lot, corner of Main and Church Streets.

As always, we appreciate food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and donations left in outside cabinet or at the post office. Send monetary donations to Lyme Food Pantry, Box 176, Chaumont, NY 13622.

At this time we also welcome fresh vegetables from your gardens, and any unopened food with unexpired dates, if closing up summer places.

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The Lyme Light

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September/October Friday, August 6

November/December Friday, October 8

To submit to the Lyme Light

The question has been raised -
*How does one submit articles or
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Please send your articles to lymelightnews@gmail.com. Articles should be about 350 words, maximum. For included pictures, reduce the total words by about 30 words per picture.

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Please send questions concerning sponsorship of the Lyme Light to Kathie Carr, kacarr140@gmail.com. Sponsors can submit a complete graphic or a graphic can be constructed from their logo and other pertinent information provided to the editor.

"Market" On Your Calendar

A farmers' and makers' market launched at the Copley House in Chaumont. The Lyme Community Foundation organized the weekly event on Fridays from 3-7 p.m. (rain or shine) in response to the closure of the village's only grocery store for fresh food. Residents and visitors are able to shop for farm-grown produce and flowers, dairy and meat products, and other homemade and specialty food and beverage items such as spices, jams, coffee and baked goods. Vendors include Luff Farms, Rogers Family Farm, Idle Acres Farm and Farmers Wife Creations and Greenhouse.

Local artisans and dealers specializing in a variety of items are also participating.



Find candles, soaps, leather accessories, baskets, clothing, jewelry, toys and wooden bowls and boxes, among the eclectic assortment. LCF invites any other interested vendors to join the effort to solve Chaumont's food desert dilemma. Please contact sharonspaker@gmail.com.

LCF would like to thank board and committee members Christine Palumbo, Sharon Spaker, Beth Wagenaar and Kathie Carr for putting together this much-needed service for our community. Please come out and support your local market, which runs through October 15.



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LCS update from the Superintendent

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying what has proven to be a lovely summer in Chaumont and the North County!

As we continue to prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, I want to take this opportunity to once again thank our families, and all members of this wonderful community, for the overwhelming support you have consistently shown our district, but perhaps even more so most recently, throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic! Your partnership, understanding and patience during one of the most stressful and challenging times in recent history, is something we will not soon forget at LCS. While we continue to wait for the promised guidance from NYSED, the CDC; DOH and our Governor regarding next year's expectations, we are spending the summer months planning for the year ahead, hopeful, it will be more like a typical year rather than resembling a year ridden with social distancing and mask wearing. Like you, we are remaining optimistic about the year ahead!

Throughout July and August members of Administration continue to be busy working with our staff preparing for an exciting year ahead! Interviews have been conducted, schedules created, and transportation routes developed. The building is being thoroughly cleaned, instructional materials are being distributed, and equipment and technology are being installed.

This summer, as you pass by our school building, you have likely spotted some significant changes in and around our playground area. You may have noticed that our playground area is and will remain closed for much of the summer as our friends from the Town and Village are helping with the removal of our old playground equipment. While the timing is unfortunate, I hope you will soon agree that the end result will be worth the temporary inconvenience!

I'm very excited to share that our NEW PLAYGROUND will be installed during the first two weeks of school, in September of 2021! We at Lyme Central are very much looking forward to sharing this new and much improved part of our facility, offering spaces for play, movement and fitness with our whole community, young and old alike, and regardless of physical ability. Highlights of the new playground are a gigantic crab trap, additional swings and spinners; fitness stations, a fitcore extreme rope climb; tetherball; a student athlete fitness area and so much more!

May you all enjoy what is left of our summer, safely, with your family and friends! We will continue to share information and updates regarding the year ahead, as well as regarding our playground project on the District's Website and via Parent Square! On behalf of the Board of Education and our entire staff at LCS, we look forward to seeing you all very soon!

Warm Regards,
Cammy J. Morrison

"2021 Lyme Through the Lens" Photo contest - FREE to enter!

Chaumont – Three Mile Bay Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Town of Lyme photo contest.

This contest is **FREE** to enter.

1. Must take your pictures in the Town of Lyme
2. Print them size 5 x 7 inches, no mat or frame needed
3. Print your name, phone number and the location the picture was taken, on the back of the photo.
4. Drop them off at Citizens Bank of Cape Vincent - the Chaumont Branch OR mail them to **Chaumont – Three Mile Bay Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 282, Chaumont, NY 13622**

Photos become the property of the Chamber and may be used by the chamber.

Prizes are:

- 1st Place \$100
- 2nd Place \$75
- 3rd Place \$50.

The entries should be submitted by October 4th. E-mail questions to chaumontchamber@yahoo.com.



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