



The Lisbon Quarterly

A Newsletter for Lisbon Residents



Connecticut Trails Day Celebration June 3 - 4

Connecticut Trails Day Celebration is Saturday - Sunday, June 3 - 4, 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.. You may pick up a booklet in the town hall or visit ctwoodlands.org to view the online event directory. Lisbon's event this year is on Saturday, June 3rd to perform trail clean up at Lisbon Meadows Park. To participate, you are asked to bring a rake, clippers, or shovel. Wheelbarrows are especially helpful. Long pants and closed toed shoes are recommended. Participants will meet in the Lisbon Meadows Park parking lot, Route 169 (South Burnham Highway) at the walking bridge. The event is sponsored by the Lisbon Recreation Committee. Rain will cancel the event. Preregistration is NOT necessary. You may contact Chad Johnson at 860-889-4236 or johnsonc@nfaschool.org if you have questions or need more information.

Lisbon Farmers Market

By Elaine Joseph

The Lisbon Farmers Market is pleased to be entering into its fifth season! The market will open on June 29 (3:30 - 6:30 at Lisbon Meadows Park) and will run through late September - early October. We are excited to have the following regular vendors back: Grants Berry Patch; Johnny Bgood Garlic; Grace gardens; Donna's Delicious Designs; Shepherd's Harvest; Meadowstone Farm Artisan Cheese; and Standish Brook Farm.

We are sad to say that Black Swan Baking Co. has closed her doors for

good. However, Standish Brook Farm assures us that she has expanded her line of baked goods, so bring your sweet tooth when you come to the market! Farmers Market contd pg.7 (flyer pg.12)

Trail Committee

By Chad Johnson, Member

A new town committee was established by the Board of Selectmen this past January. The trail committee has been charged with identifying and recommending to the Board of Selectmen, those parcels of land owned by the Town of Lisbon that are most appropriate to accommodate recreational trails, research funding opportunities, and assist with the design and/or develop of trails in town. In recent weeks, the committee has performed site walks at the Burnham Tavern property, the old golf course property on Kendall Road, as well as a parcel on Mell Road.

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Historical Society Quarterly Notes

By Kim Sperry

The John Bishop House Museum commences the summer open house program in June. On Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the public will have the opportunity to tour the restored 1810 Call Karen Washington, Sr. Coordinator at 860-376-2329 for details. Federal style farmhouse. LHS contd. pg. 7

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Summer Basketball Camp
June 26th - 30th

See flyer and registration form on
(flyer pages 4 & 5)

Boston Red Sox vs Chicago White Sox Bus Trip - August 6th.
See flyer page 6 for details.

SENIOR CENTER

June 3rd - River Dance, Providence
(flyer pg. 2)

June 13th - Lighthouse Cruise
(flyer pg. 10)

June 21st - Lighthouse Cruise
(flyer pg. 11)

Details are unavailable, at this time, for the following trips.

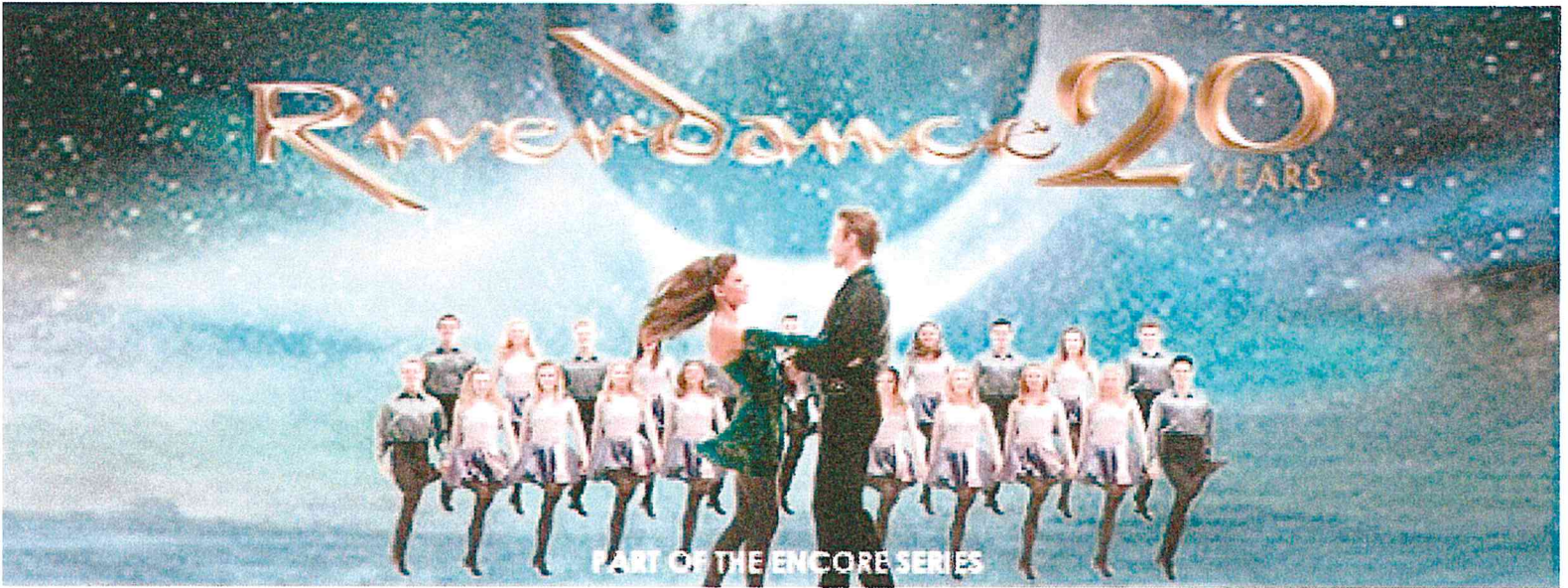
July 6th - Essex Steam Train Lunch
Excursion & River Boat
July 19th - Thimble Islands Cruise
August 30th - Saturday Night Fever,
Ivoryton Playhouse

Call Karen Washington, Sr.
Coordinator at 860-376-2329 for
details or to register.

SLATE LIBRARY

Ice Cream Social & Book Sale
June 6th - 6:30 p.m. (Flyer pg. 3)

SATURDAY, June 3rd



Saturday, June 3rd-Show is at 2:00

Price is \$49 for bus and show

Providence Performing Arts

Bus leaves Lisbon at 10:30

Lunch on your own at Davenport's Restaurant

The 20th Anniversary World Tour. Drawing on Irish traditions, the combined talents of the performers propel Irish dancing and music into the present day, capturing the imagination of audiences across all ages and cultures in an innovative and exciting blend of dance, music, and song. Of all the performances to emerge from Ireland - in rock, music, theatre, and film - nothing has carried the energy, the sensuality, and the spectacle of RIVERDANCE.

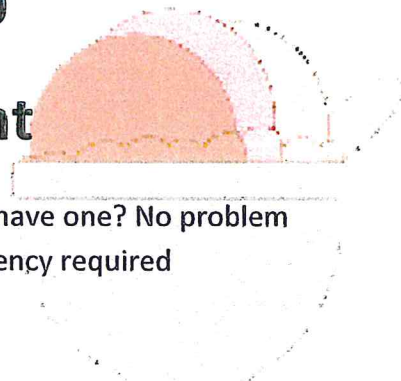
AN ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND MORE!



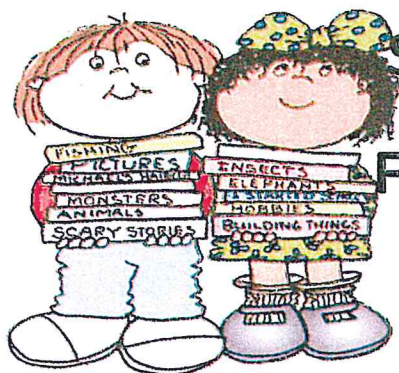
Help us celebrate a Great First Year of Tuesday Topics!

Tuesday, June 6th at 6:30

Join us for Ice Cream under the tent



To get an "Ice Cream Ticket" show your up to date Library card. Don't have one? No problem we will set it up that day! Valid I.D. and proof of Griswold/Lisbon residency required



Slip in to the foyer for the
Friends of Slater Library book sale

Hardcover \$1, Paperback .50, bag of books \$2

Travel upstairs to step into the past with the
Griswold Historical Society



Join us at Slater Library 26 Main Street in
Jewett City 6:30 until the Ice Cream runs out!

LISBON RECREATION BASKETBALL CAMP 2017

JUNE 26TH-30TH

3RD-8TH GRADE (10:00-12:00) \$60

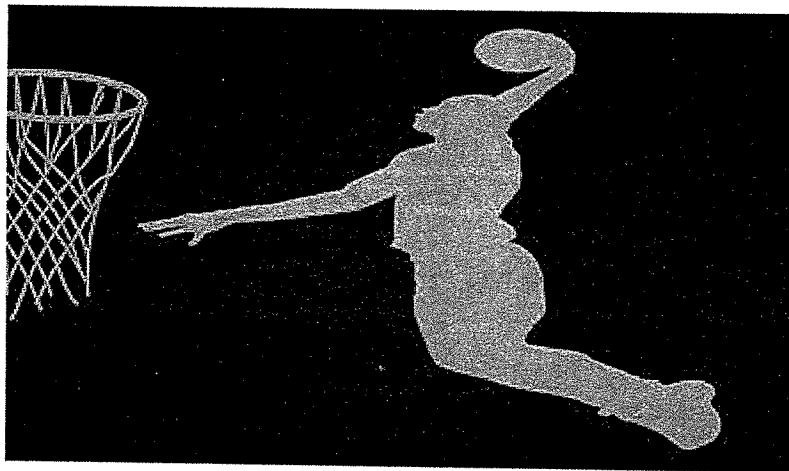
KINDERGARTEN-2ND GRADE (9:00-10:00) \$40

Lisbon Central School Gymnasium

FAMILY DISCOUNTS

2 Participants minus \$15 from total cost

3 Participants minus \$20 from total cost



There will be two separate camps (K-2 9:00-10:00 and 3rd-8th 10:00-12:00) at Lisbon Central School. Players will be split into groups based on ability level for safe and fair competition. In camp we focus on fundamentals, team play, and having fun. Players will learn from local varsity level coaches and players in a variety of drills and games.

***PLEASE WRITE DOWN IMPORTANT DATES AND TIMES BEFORE TURNING IN YOUR FORM. (Complete camper information on the back)**

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THE BOYS OF SUMMER ARE BACK!!!



**BOSTON RED SOX VS CHICAGO WHITE SOX
BUS TRIP**

(Sponsored by the Lisbon Recreation Committee)

SUNDAY, August 6, 2017, Time 1:35pm

Seats are in the Right Field Grandstand, Section 2, rows 1-5

Get your Tickets Early, First Come, First Served!!!

All tickets must be paid in full at time of reservation. Limited Tickets available!

Be aware this trip sells out FAST!!!!!!

Tickets are \$ 65.00/per person

(Tickets available to Lisbon Residents only through 7/15/17)

Motor Coach will leave Lisbon Meadows Park at 9:30am

and will arrive at Fenway Park at around 11:15 am.

The motor coach will leave 30 minutes after the final out.

Make Checks Payable to LISBON RECREATION

**Please enclose the names and addresses of persons attending (required) along with your
Contact number, and a check made out to Lisbon Rec. and mail to:**

LISBON RECREATION COMMITTEE c/o LISBON TOWN HALL

RE: Red Sox Bus Trip

1 NEWENT ROAD – LISBON, CT 06351

ATTN: JAMES SYNOTT

Call: 860-822-1676 or Email JimSynott@comcast.net with questions

Farmers Market contd from pg. 1

We anticipate a nice selection of guest vendors as well. Bakeries, jewelry makers, potters and artisans of all kinds; Michele's Massage; and various community groups (such as the Slater Memorial Library and the Lisbon Senior Center) will be joining us throughout the season, as well! Be sure to watch our facebook page, website, and advertising in The Go section of the Norwich Bulletin for specific dates.

We are very excited to announce that we will have some fabulous acoustic musicians at the market as well! Lisbon's very own Junkyard Heartstrings; Jim Taylor (he was a favorite last year!); and The Quiet Corner Fiddlers are slated for appearances. We are still looking to expand our line-up of entertainment, so if you know of a fabulous local entertainer, have them contact us!

Market Pal buttons will be offered again this year. These popular buttons cost only \$10 and are good for the entire season. Market Pals receive discounts and/or specials from each participating vendor. As in years past, we are also gratefully accepting sponsorships to the market. Sponsorship allows a local business the opportunity to set up a booth at the market to provide information to our market goers, if desired, and most importantly, helps fund the market so that we may continue to grow. Visit our website for a sponsorship form, or contact me directly by email at ejoseph@lisbonct.com.

If you or someone you know would be interested in being a full time or guest vendor, please visit our website www.lisbonfarmersmarket.com for an application, or contact me directly at ejoseph@lisbonct.com for more information. Full time vendor spaces

are just \$100/season; guest spots are still just \$20 each day. We are a CT Grown market, so all items must be produced here in Connecticut.

The Lisbon Farmers' Market runs Thursdays, 3:30 - 6:30 PM. We hope to see you all at the market this season! Contact info: ejoseph@lisbonct.com
www.lisbonfarmersmarket.com
www.facebook.com/lisbonfarmersmarket

Trail Comm. contd. from pg. 1.

A preliminary proposal for trail development was recently submitted to the Board of Selectmen for the Kendall Road property. The members of the committee are Joseph Lewerk (Chairman), Randy Baah (Vice Chair.), Chad Johnson, Terry Joseph, Kevin Shafer, Marcia Shafer, and Kim Sperry. The committee's meetings are open for public comment and are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm at the town hall.

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Only three families, Bishop, Browne, and Bradlaw owned the 200-year old property before acquisition by the town. The house is virtually unchanged since the day it was built, of the seven fireplaces, five are fully functional including the kitchen fireplace and bake oven. You may be surprised to find open hearth cooking in progress during a Saturday visit.

June events include the annual Lisbon Central School field trip to the Bishop House. We expect forty eager 5th graders, teachers, and chaperones that will have a full day of open hearth cooking combined with a history lesson about life in the early 1800s.

This past April, the Historical Society hosted a group of visitors from the Greater Hartford Jewish Historical Society at the Anshei Israel Synagogue, located on Newent Road. Ken Mahler

gave a presentation on the history of the synagogue, the congregation and the town's acquisition of the property. Special guest, Irene Zuckerbraun, a former congregant, took questions from the visitors. If not for the late Dr. Albert Gosselin and Jerome Zuckerbraun and the leadership of the town of Lisbon, we might not have this significant historic building or the stories of our Jewish immigrants. In addition to the tour group, the synagogue opening was part of The Last Green Valley's 2017 Spring Outdoors program. Total visitor participation for the day was 43.

On an overcast day in May, Ken and Christine Mahler, Kevin Shafer and Kim and Mark Sperry tackled the job of hauling and chipping brush and downed trees to open up the Monarch butterfly stopover field at the Burnham Tavern. Because caterpillars can eat nothing but milkweed, the plant is crucial to the survival of the species. The milkweed flowers are also a food source for bees.

Many thanks go to our contributors, sorters, and especially Ken Mahler who administers and organizes the can and bottle redemption program. As long as CT is somewhere on the label or top of the bottle or can, it is good. Gatorade, Snapple, tea beverages, wine bottles, plastic milk jugs, and all others that do not have "CT" in the list of states on the container are not redeemable, those items should be disposed of via our town-wide blue bin recycling program.

contd. pg. 8 A new web page is under construction, please visit, and like us on Facebook by typing Lisbon Historical Society in the "find friends" bar while we rebuild. Look for postings on the annual Holiday Open House, cooking classes, special events, and Burnham Tavern updates. contd. pg. 8

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Membership in the Historical Society is a rewarding opportunity for only \$5.00 per year or \$100.00 for a lifetime membership to not only research, educate, mentor and preserve but to build long and strong community relationships. The Society holds business meetings on the second Friday of the month in the Lisbon Town Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Women's Volleyball League

By Nancy Smigiel, Program Director

The 14th Season of the Lisbon Recreation Women's Volleyball League began on Tuesday, September 13, 2016, with 18 teams - 17 returning and 1 new - participating in pre-season skills & drills clinic. Official match play began on 9.27.16. The weekly match format includes each of the 18 teams, averaging 8 players each, competing in a 3 game match following a season schedule prepared by League Program Director, Nancy Smigiel. The Program Director oversees the weekly evening matches while League Referees officiate each match.

Upon completion of weekly matches, games scores are recorded to maintain League standings, which are shared with League Captains and participants via e-mail and League Facebook page. This is a very popular page as a great number of the participating teams are sponsored by local businesses! At the completion of 5 weeks of head-to-head match play and based upon standings, divisions are adjusted in advance of the new 5-week schedule. Regular season match play continues for a total of 20 weeks and is followed by a position night, quarterfinal, semi-final, and league divisional final matches.

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More Living Museums

By Marcia Shafer, Town Historian

Historic Deerfield was founded in Old Deerfield, MA in 1952 and is an outdoor museum that focuses on the history of the Connecticut River Valley and early New England. They interpret 300 years of history and describe life with the diversity of living with Indians, many immigrants, and slaves to that region. They also display use of farmland, gardens, common plants to the area, a restaurant, and a gift shop, and a book store. They also display open hearth cooking classes.

They have 12 guided and self-guided tours of houses dating from 1730 to 1850. Eleven of the houses are on their original site or foundation. Most of the houses are within close proximity for walking and taking in the tour of each house or property. Some are private buildings but the architecture of the exterior can be admired and a time frame of its build can be determined.

You can visit a woodworking apprentice's shop, an Inn built in 1814 that can be stayed in, learn of the life of a farming family, see furnishings of a Connecticut Valley home, see how a very prosperous person lived in luxury of the time and see antiques, needlework, ironware, and bakery.

Deerfield was founded in 1673. In 1704, the village was raided by French Troops and Native Americans. Fifty-six Deerfield residents were killed and 109 captured. Those 109 people were marched north to Canada and only 89 survived the trip.

Strawberry Banke in Portsmouth, NH, is an outdoor living museum on 10 acres of land with historic buildings, interactive exhibits and gardens. In addition, there

are historic homes outside of the Bankes museum that can be seen for a cost. This can be checked on the internet for the homes and museums off of the Strawberry Banke site. Home structures on the museum site range in date from 1695 which is the Sherburne House that demonstrates house construction of the time. A majority of the houses were built in the late 1790's and early 1800's. You can see wooden boat building, furniture, ceramics, textiles, glass, tools, works of art, coopering, use of herbs, a family run grocery store. There are chicken coops, fruit and vegetable gardens, a seasonal skating rink, and orchards. contd. pg 9

2017 Fall Festival

By Denise Howard

Lisbon Fall Festival time is upon us once again! In recognition of the Taftville Volunteer Fire Department's 100th Anniversary and CT Firefighters Convention, we have changed the date of the Lisbon Fall Festival this year. This year the festival's main events will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 22nd-23rd. Our festival continues to grow and get better every year.

Friday night will start out with our famous chowder and fritters being served for your dinner from 4:30 - 7:00 PM. We sold out early last year with a big line through the parking lot, so don't miss out this year! Grab some chowder and fritters to go or stay with us for a while for "open mic" night. Enjoy some of our local talent as they sing, make you laugh, or play an instrument, from 4:30-6:30.

Join us for the annual Lisbon Fall Festival on September 23rd, 11AM-5PM. This event is being held at the Lisbon Community Center, near the Lisbon Meadows Park. contd. pg. 9

Women's V-ball contd. from pg. 8
The season culminates with an Awards Banquet.

As with the majority of programs run by the Recreation Committee, participant registration fees cover operating costs. These fees and coinciding non-resident fees, are collected by the Program Director, and turned into the Town Treasurer. Program operating expenses are presented for approval at monthly Recreation Committee meetings. Any unused funds generated by these successful Recreation Committee run programs like the Women's Volleyball League, remain in the Town of Lisbon General Fund. A financial report and equipment inventory is prepared by the Program Director and presented to the Recreation Committee upon conclusion of each program.

That is no denying that the sport of volleyball has gained steadily in popularity through the years. Due in part to the success of the Women's League, the Recreation Committee has been able to provide and maintain court equipment, which is also used by the students of Lisbon Central School. Many of these students have gone on to play with knowledge and confidence on their high school and college teams. It is the hope of the Recreation Committee to continue to provide opportunities for the youth and adults of this community through strong, viable and financially self-sufficient programs like this one.

For more information about the Women's Volleyball League or other Recreation Committee run programs, please visit:

https://www.lisbon.com/recreation_committee.php

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There also have been archaeologists that have done research and recovered items from the soil and from donations that have made it possible to depict life in this area over 300 plus years with relative accuracy. These are all items that depict life in Portsmouth and the museum site. They have been able to document maritime activities, diet, agricultural practices, and domestic life. Archaeology has helped the museum to reconstruct wharves, gardens, road, pathways and learned how to transitions from farmers to tradesmen to merchants lived from the 1600's. Food grown at the museum is used to cook in the hearth cooking programs.

In my next writing I will let you know about Colonial Williamsburg Virginia where you can spend a week and never see all the sites of the historic area going back to the settlement in Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown, and many other areas of the surrounding area.

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The day's events start at 10:00 AM with a 3.5 mile road race, starting at the Lisbon Town Hall and finishing in front of the Lisbon Community Center. Road Race applications are available at www.lisbonfallfestival.org.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and fries, popcorn, fried dough, apple fritters, and refreshments will be available for purchase. The members of the Newent Congregational Church normally have a great bake sale table of delectable treats at the Festival. We will have many fun events for young and older kids, including "Touch a Truck", as well as some great events, including dance, karate, and Broadway show demos.

You will also get an opportunity to step back in time with the Lisbon Historical Society at the John Bishop

House, located next to the Community Center. Enjoy a guided tour, participate in some of their planned events, and try samples of their wildly popular open hearth cooking.

We will have many local vendors, crafters, and artists. Meet the artists, crafters and vendors and do some early Christmas shopping!

SAVE THE DATE for our Fall Bingo on Friday, September 29th!

We need YOUR help! As you know, we are a volunteer organization and are always looking for new volunteers on the committee, or for people who can spare just a small amount of time to help us with major events. We are asking for volunteers for set-up and tear down for the Fall Festival, as well as volunteers who can help cook or help with concessions. Contact Cyndy Goodwin Cockett at 860-710-1640 or lastcarnival@comcast.net if you can assist with the Lisbon Fall Festival.

The Lisbon Fall Festival Committee is raising the funds required to install a heating system in the Lisbon Community Center with events like the Fall Festival and Bingo. A heating system in the Community Center will make this spacious and affordable location available year-round for your events.

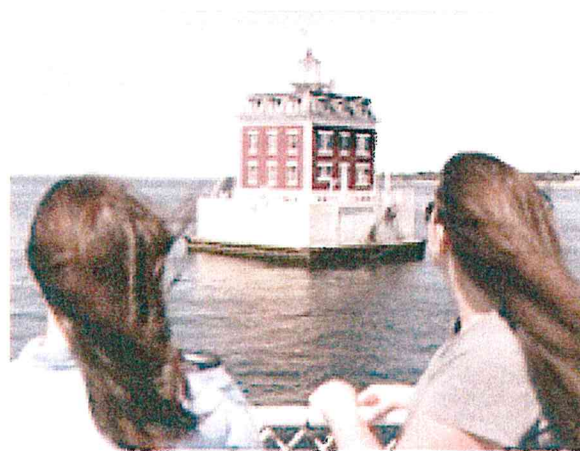
We are looking for contractors interested in donating their skills and/or supplies!! Do you know of someone who would like to donate time or supplies to help install insulation and a heating system? Please contact us!

To learn more about using the Lisbon Community Center, visit www.lisbonfallfestival.org and click on "Community Center". You may also make reservations by contacting Lorraine Dawley at 860-866-7595.

LIGHTHOUSE CRUISE (Classic)

TUESDAY, JUNE 13TH

Leaving at 11:15



Bus & Ticket \$35

cruise starts at 12:30 for approx. 2 hours

**Followed by lunch on your own at
Capt. Scott's Lobster Dock**

- New London Harbor Light
- New London Ledge Light
- Avery Point Light
- Race Rock Light
- Plum Island Light
- Little Gull Light
- North Dumpling Light
- Orient Point Light
- Long Beach Bar (Bug) Light—
new!
- Fort Trumbull
- Fort Griswold

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21ST

Leaving at 11:15



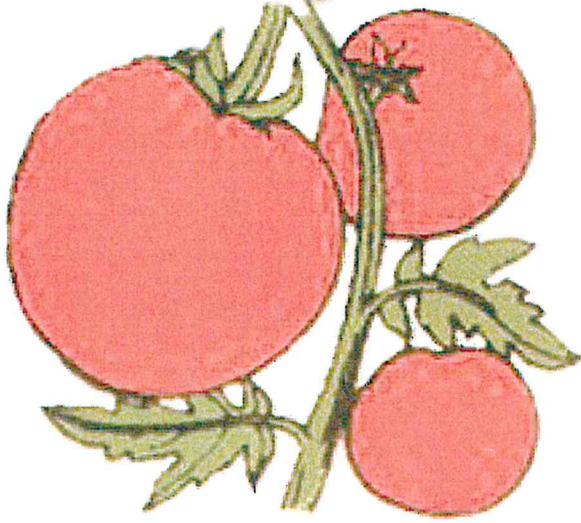
Bus & Ticket \$35

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**Followed by lunch on your own at
Capt. Scott's Lobster Dock**

- Morgan Point Light
- Latimer Reef Light
- Watch Hill Light
- Historic Ocean House
- Simmons Castle
- Fort Wright
- Race Rock Light
- Little Gull Light
- North Dumpling Light
- New London Harbor Light
- New London Ledge Light
- Avery Point Light
- and much more!

Lisbon



Every Thursday
Opens June 29, 2017
3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

At Lisbon Meadows Park, Route 169

Locally grown vegetables, fruits,
plants, preserves, baked goods,
maple syrup and honey products,
organic and heritage produce,
eggs, local crafters and more!

FARMERS' MARKET

June 29 - Opening Day

July 6

July 13 - Fiddle Around
with the Quiet Corner Fiddlers

July 20 - Celebrate Seniors

July 27 ; August 3

August 10 - Artists & Artisans
with Junkyard Heartstrings

August 17 ; August 24 ; August 31;

September 7 - Guitarist James Taylor

September 14 - Slater Library/Book Drop

September 21

September 28 - Autumn Bonfires

***Become a Market Pal and help
support our efforts!***

*"Like" our Facebook page for more details about our themed markets
- live music, special vendors, and more!*

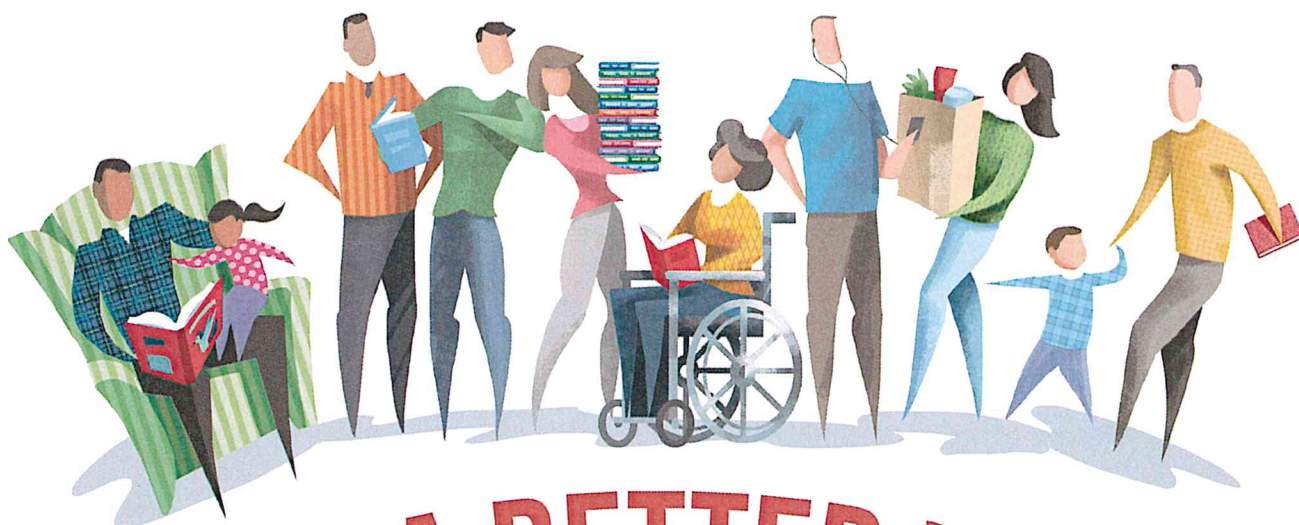
www.lisbonfarmersmarket.com



Supporting Local Farmers and the Good Health of the Community!

Lisbon Quarterly – Board of Education

As we close in on the last day of the 2016-2017 school year, we reflect back on a very busy and challenging school year for the Lisbon Board of Education and the LCS staff. Operating under the constant uncertainty and budget instability at the State level, the Lisbon BOE and LCS staff marched along, putting the interests of our students and their educators at the top of our list of priorities. Highlighted by a complete curriculum overhaul in Math for all grades, the roll out of a new Special Education Pilot program designed to bring back select outsourced students to LCS and educate them with in-house talent, the search process and ultimate hiring of a new Principal, Mr. Brian Apperson, and the untimely and tragic loss of our Special Education Director, Mr. Dave Yellen, we certainly have challenged our staff this year. At the Board level, we have been busy reviewing and revising policy based on new State mandates in the realms of student data privacy and transgender students, re-negotiating multi-year contracts for our MEUI employees and transportation providers, reviewing all facets of our program in an effort to develop a comprehensive five-year plan, and taking a deep look at our current infrastructure to get a clear picture of future Capital Improvement needs. In response to a request by the Board of Finance to present a zero percent increase for the 2017-2018 budget, our Budget Subcommittee and staff worked tirelessly to meet that end, and ultimately were rewarded with a budget approval this spring at the Town Referendum. Regretfully, one of our highly skilled teachers, Mrs. Didi Gauthier announced her retirement effective the end of this school year after 35 years of educating multiple generations of Lisbon residents. Additionally, one of our dedicated Classroom Assistants, Mrs. Jan. Schultz also retired after numerous years of service. The names of both ladies are posted on our new Plaque of Honor which celebrates current and past LCS staff who have been with us for twenty-five years or more. Lastly, we would be remiss in not mentioning the passing of our beloved Mrs. Maggie Herrmann, a long-time LCS employee and Lisbon resident, after a prolonged and courageous battle with cancer. She will be sadly missed by the entire LCS and Lisbon community. As we look forward to 2017-2018, Lisbon students will see a new format of delivery for the 5th grade, breaking up their day into separate classrooms as we currently do in grades 6-8. We also look to continued progress in Math and ELA SBAC grades, and we will continue an overhaul of the current Science and Social Studies curricula. Lots of work to do for the Board and the staff this summer in preparation for another successful school year!



BUILD A BETTER WORLD

Slater Library Summer Reading 2017

Sign-ups begin June 6th at the Ice cream Social
6:30pm outside the library

6/20 Drop in from 1-4pm "Read to Me Day" The Builder's Edition!

Bring a shoebox and help make a Lego brick wall! Stories with Mrs. Brown at 2pm

6/26 @ 3pm Sportstacking with Speedstack, sign up, ages 6-14

6/27 @ 3pm Tween Yoga, ages 10-14, bring a mat or towel and please sign up!

6/29 @ 2pm Rock Painting Class, with Kim from "06351 Rocks"

7/10 @ 3 pm Yoga for ages 6-9, bring a mat or towel and please sign up

7/11 @ 1pm Mobile Farm visit from Waterford Country School

7/18 @ 4pm Make a Hanging Terrarium! Sign up required, 12 and up.

8/2 National Coloring Day!-activities upstairs and down

Build-a-Lego Challenges! Wednesdays at 2pm

3rd Saturday Noontime Movie Matinees:

June 17th: Moana, July 15th: Lego Batman Movie,

August 19th: The Smurfs

Different drop in crafts every week!

Check our website at sites.google.com/site/slaterlibrary/

for sign up requirements and complete details.

