

THE LYME COLLABORATIVE



AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH in LYME

On **Thursday, April 2**, we will be joining communities around the globe to participate in **Light It up Blue**, a campaign sponsored by Autism Speaks to commemorate the U.N.-sanctioned World Autism Awareness Day. Many, if not all, businesses and residents around the Common have kindly agreed to light up their buildings blue the night of April 2. Special thanks to **our friends at Lyme Home & Hardware**.

Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m. Autism: What Is It? What Is It Not? with Dr. Stephen Mott, Assistant Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics, Geisel School of Medicine, Dartmouth. At the library.

Thursday, April 9, 7 p.m. See It Our Way: Developing Perspective on Social Interactions with Persons on the Autism Spectrum. A casual discussion open to all using vignettes to illustrate social challenges, with Dr. Raymond Chin. At the school.

Thursday, April 23, 6:30 p.m. Film: Temple Grandin (2010, TV-PG, 107 min.), introduced by Miki McGee, Special Education Director, Lyme School. At the library.

Thursday, April 30, 7 p.m. Autism Diagnosis: Now What? with the Neurodevelopmental Child Psychiatry Team at DHMC: Dr. Lauren Baird, Neuropsychologist; Dr. Jennifer McLauren, Child Psychiatrist; Dr. Stephen Mott, Developmental Cognitive Neurologist; and Carin Walker, Special Education Liaison. Location TBA.

Please join us to learn more about this disorder that affects 1 in 88 children in this country (nih.gov). And please, spread the word. These events are open to the public (events on the 2nd & 30th will provide more specific information helpful to ASD families; those on the 9th and 23rd are for a wider audience). Visit autismspeaks.org for more information.

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