

THETFORD TOWN NEWSLETTER
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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Rabies Clinic – rabies and other vaccinations available for cats and dog (for a fee) by Oxbow Clinic on **March 12, 2011 10-noon** at the Town Garage, licensing will be available at Town Hall.

Submitted by Tracy Borst, Town Clerk

THETFORD ACADEMY NEWS AND NOTES

*Thetford Academy will host its first ever basketball tournament play off game soon. The varsity boys will play their first round game at TA **during the week of March 9**. Check the Valley News or the Parent/Family/Community Newsletter (PFC) for more information.

*The Thetford Academy Board of Trustees will hold their monthly meeting on **Thursday, March 10, in the TA Library**. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm and is open to the public.

*TA will be hosting public performances of the One Act Play ♦Metamorphosis♦ on Tuesday and **Wednesday, March 15 and 16**. Performances will begin at 7:00 pm and will be held in the Martha Jane Rich Theater in Anderson Hall. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be reserved by calling Gloria Thurston or Kim Dyke at 802-785-4805, extensions 201 or 219. Reservations are strongly encouraged.

*The group going to Peru will host a benefit dance on **Friday, March 18, from 7:30-10:00 pm**. The dance is open to the public; families are invited. Live band. . .don't miss it!! Call TA at 802-785-4805 for more information.

*Winter Sports Awards will be **held Wednesday, March 22, at 7:00 pm in the TA gymnasium**. Join us as we celebrate our athletes, coaches, and fans.

Submitted by Wendy Cole

BAKED HAM AND BEAN SUPPER

Saturday, March 12 at 5:00 PM at the North Thetford Church

Sponsored by the United Church of
\$9.00 adults; \$4.00 children under 5

Baked Ham, Baked Beans, Brown Bread, Rolls
Cole Slaw, Beverages and Homemade Pies

Submitted by Bev Slack

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHTBULBS

"Local stores are selling all types of energy efficient Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs (CFLs) for \$.99 each, through the end of March at least, thanks to discounts from Efficiency Vermont. The discounted CFLs include regular spirals, 3-ways, dimmables, floods, globes and capsules. CFLs use one-quarter the electricity of incandescents and last much longer. They do contain small amounts of mercury and should be recycled or returned to the store of purchase after the sale. Local retailers carrying the discounted bulbs include Fogg's Ace Hardware and Building Supply in Fairlee and Norwich, Welch's True Value in Woodstock and S. Royalton, Aubuchon Hardware in Bradford, and Woodstock Ace Home and Hardware. For a complete details and a list of other stores, go to www.newbulbintown.com."

Submitted by Bob Walker, sustainable Energy Resource Group

THETFORD COMMUNITY GARDEN

Have you always wanted to garden but... You have a black thumb? Your yard is shady, hilly, or rocky? You can't do it alone? **Then this is for you!**

Our Community Garden: Makes less work for everyone. Some things, like tilling and soil improvements, can be done together. Offers a team of experienced local gardeners to help those who need growing tips. Features a series of FREE gardening workshops throughout the season (open to all) with Cat Buxton, courtesy of Cedar Circle Farm and Education Center.

It's a great way to spend time with your community.

Where is the garden? On the Common (across from Town Hall)

How does it work? 12 plots available for Thetford residents! Rental Fee: \$10 plus a refundable deposit (waivers are available) ~ If there are too many sign ups we'll choose by lottery ~

**** Sign up by March 31! ****

To sign up or for more information, contact: The Garden Committee Chairs: Marilyn Cook, 333-4103 or Jim McCracken, 802-356-9996; by Email : ThetfordCG@gmail.com OR stop by the Town Hall and leave your contact info and we'll be in touch with you!

Submitted by Lori Harriman

THETFORD 300

2011 – Our Town's 250th Year
2061 – Our Future 300th Year

Meet Third Thursday of Each Month at Latham Library
7:00-9:00 PM

Submitted by Peter Blodgett

THETFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Thetford Historical Society was founded in 1943. It started with just a handful of neighbors interested in local history. In 1960 the society was given a barn to house the tools and artifacts that had been acquired. Still needing a home for the books and records, the society played a big part in the building of Latham Memorial Library that opened in 1975 and gave the society a home. Over the last 35 years the society has published several books on local history. The barn has grown adding four more buildings all full of wonderful history. We have several projects in work this year as well as working with the elementary schools and high schools. In short, we are looking for more members.

The Thetford Historical Society is an important asset to our local history. Important history is being lost every day. We do a lot but we could do a lot more. We need more active members. If you are interested, stop by, give us a call (Marshall - 802-333-4574) or go on line (www.thetfordhistoricalsociety.org).

Submitted by Marshall Van Norden, President, THS

STERLING STRING QUARTET

Managed by Thetford resident and cellist Margaret Gilmore, the *Sterling String Quartet* provides elegant music for special occasions in the Upper Valley and beyond. Check out our own recording of sample repertoire at www.sterlingstrings.com. Other combinations and instrumentations are available. Call 785-4909 or e-mail for rates: mouxgie@gmail.com

Submitted by Margaret Gilmore

ACADEMIC TUTORING

Private tutorials for students in grades K-8. Enrichment and remediation

Contact Jane Friedlander at 785-4455 or visit: www.uppervalleytutor.com

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION INFO

The deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month. Send news including contact name and telephone number to Sheila Fifield at Sheila.fifield@aol.com. Please list Thetford Town Newsletter in subject line. Thanks!