

THETFORD TOWN NEWSLETTER

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THETFORD TOWN OFFICE

1) Petitions for articles to be included on the Town Meeting Warning are due to the Town Clerk by January 26, 2012. The petition requires signatures of 5% of the checklist (approximately 105).

2) The following offices have terms that end on March 6, 2012. This means anyone who wishes to have their name on the ballot as a candidate for a position must:

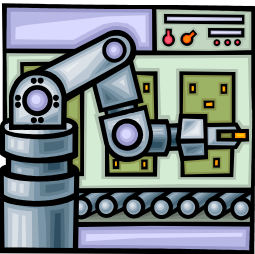
- Complete a *nominating petition* (available at the Town Clerk's office)
- Get the necessary signatures on the petition (approx. 25)
- Return the petition to the Town Clerk's office by 5pm on January 30, and complete the consent for nomination.

For information on the various offices, please contact a Selectboard member or the Town Clerk at 785-2922.

OFFICE	TERM
Town Moderator	1 year
Selectboard	3 year
Selectboard	2 year
Grand Juror	1 year
Agent to Prosecute/Defend Suits	1 year
Agent to Convey Real Property	1 year
Lister	3 year
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 year
Cemetery Commissioner	3 year
Latham Library Trustees (2)	4 year
School Moderator	1 year
School Director	3 year
School Director	2 year

Submitted by Tracy Borst

TA ROBOTICS TEAM RAFFLE AND MEET



The TA robotics club is raffling off a beautiful handmade quilt, a Copeland Furniture end table, and other wonderful prizes to support team travel to robotics meets.

You can buy tickets from robotics team members, at the recycling center on some upcoming Saturdays, or at the **Robotics Meet at Thetford**

Academy on January 21, where you can also watch the robotics competition and be there for the raffle drawing.

Submitted by Marcia Groszek

THETFORD ACADEMY

* The **Thetford Academy Winter Choral Concert** will be held on **Saturday, January 7**, at 4:00pm in the Martha Jane Rich Theater in Anderson Hall. Refreshments will be offered before the performance in the Café; donations will benefit Project Graduation. The snow date is Sunday, January 8, at 4:00pm.

* **VSAC Financial Aid Forms Night** will be held on **Monday, January 9**, from 6:00-8:00pm. Meet in the TA Library and Computer Lab.

* The **TA Board of Trustees** will meet on **Thursday, January 12**, at 7:00pm in the TA Library. The public is invited to attend.

* **TA WILL be in session on Friday, January 13**, as a makeup day for one of the "snow days" earlier in the school year. The school calendar lists the day as one with no school.

** The always popular **Ten-Minute Play Festival** will take place **Friday and Saturday, January 13, and 14**. Performances start at 7:30pm in the Martha Jane Rich Theater in Anderson Hall.

Before the Friday show, Project Graduation will offer a **Dinner Theater**, featuring dishes by local chefs, salad, beverages, and dessert, beginning at 5:30pm. Suggested donation for the dinner and play is \$25.00/person; \$45.00/couple. **Reservations for the Dinner Theater are a must!** Call Sarah or Wendy in the Advancement Office @785-2600.

* The **Class of 2014** will host a **dance** for students in grades 7-12 on **Friday, January 20**. The dance will be held from 7:30-9:30pm.

* On **Tuesday, January 31**, the Counseling Office will sponsor a **Junior College Night**. The evening will start at 6:00pm in the Martha Jane Rich Theater. The snow date is Tuesday, February 7.

* **Woods Trail Tee Shirts from 2011 and 2010** are still available; get them while you can. Contact Wendy Cole at Wendy.Cole@Thet.Net or 785-2600 to find out how you can get your shirt before they are gone.

We wish everyone a **Happy New Year** and hope 2012 treats you well!

Submitted by Wendy Cole

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the Thetford Town Newsletter is around the 24th of each month.

Send news including contact name and telephone number to Sheila Fifield at SheilaFifield@aol.com. (If you don't have access to email, please call me at 802-333-3577). Please list Thetford Town Newsletter in subject line.

Thanks ~ Sheila

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE'S WARMTH IN THE WINTER SERIES

The Thetford Energy Committee's Warmth in the Winter series returns! Join us for these films in January:

Sunday, January 8: Carbon Nation. This climate change documentary "celebrates solutions, inspiration and action." The film attempts to show 'how solutions to climate change also address other social, economic and national security issues."

Sunday, January 22: Gasland. This film by Josh Fox was nominated for a Best Documentary Oscar in 2011 and won a Special Jury Prize at Sundance. Learn more about the spreading technology to drill for natural gas: hydraulic fracturing, or fracking. The film's website bills it as "part verite travelogue, part expose, part mystery, part bluegrass banjo meltdown, part showdown."

Films will be shown at **7 pm at the Thetford Congregational Church, Rt. 113 across from the Green.** Free, refreshments provided.

Submitted by Alice Stewart

EXPEDITION OPPORTUNITIES



Hulbert Outdoor Center offers unique wilderness leadership expeditions. **The Young Women's Leadership Expedition** is dedicated to support young woman to discover, challenge, and connect their learning's in the wilderness and beyond. **Young Women ages 16-18** will travel to the Coulonge River, Canada from Fairlee, VT from **June 29-July 19, 2012.**

Northern Maine Wilderness Expedition provides a co-ed adventure for 15-18 year olds who have completed 10th grade. You will travel through some of the most pristine wilderness areas that the U.S. has to offer. The adventure starts with backpacking Maine's 100 Mile Wilderness, then canoeing the Allagash Waterway. Course dates are **July 8 to August 2, 2012.**

No previous paddling or camping experience is necessary. Application and more information are available by calling Megan Chamberlain or Brian Stoudnour at (802) 333-3405.

For more information visit: <http://www.alohafoundation.org/hulbert-outdoor-center/youth-expedition/>

*Submitted by Megan Chamberlain, Program Director
Hulbert Outdoor Center*

WINTERFEST CELEBRATION AT THE HULBERT OUTDOOR CENTER

Don't let this warm weather and sun fool you! The snow will arrive (again) and the ice will freeze for the Winterfest Celebration this year.

Please join us by volunteering some time on Sunday, January 8th at the Hulbert Outdoor Center on Lake Morey in Fairlee, VT.

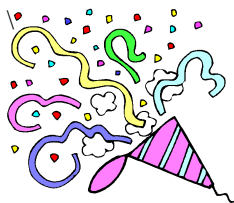
Volunteers are still needed to help with: children's crafts, leading ski tours, skate fitting, on-ice patrolling, sledding hill supervision, parking, and clean up. There are various times still available from 10AM to 4PM depending on the job. Anything would be helpful even if you can only give 2 hours of your time. Free food, hot drinks, and of course use of the facility on Sunday, to all volunteers.

Please contact Hulbert Outdoor Center if you are able to volunteer by calling 802-333-3405 or sending an email to: Megan_chamberlain@alohafoundation.org.

Additional volunteers are needed for the **SKATE-A-THON on Saturday, January 7th** Contact john.taylor@uvtrails.org, 802-649-9075, Upper Valley Trail Alliance.

For more information please visit www.alohafoundation.org/hulbert-outdoor-center/

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Wishing You
The very Best In 2012!

