

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

LAST CHANCE FOR GREAT SOLARIZE THETFORD-STRAFFORD PRICING!

The joint effort between Thetford, Strafford, and our partners at Vital Communities to double the number of solar-powered homes in our communities is going strong. Enough homes have made the commitment to go solar that pricing has already reached Tier 3, meaning increased savings for all participating homeowners. The more homes that opt in to the Solarize program, the greater the savings for all. The program runs through June 30th, so act now to ensure you benefit from this opportunity to go solar at special pricing.

- vitalcommunities.org/solarize/Thetford-Strafford/
- Bob Walker in Thetford: 802-785-4126, walker@serg-info.org
- Dori Wolfe in Strafford: dori.wolfe@gmail.com

Alice Stewart

THETFORD LIBRARIES

"FIZZ, BOOM, READ"

The 2014 Summer Reading Program starts this month! Children may sign up for a reading log to keep track of books read over the summer starting on Monday, June 16 at either Latham or Peabody Library. There is lots of summer programming for kids planned at the libraries. More info: www.thetfordlibrary.org

WRITING WORKSHOP FOR KIDS ENTERING GRADES 7-10 WITH DEAN WHITLOCK!

Friday, June 20th, 10:00 am, Latham Library. Free of charge. Contact Emily Zollo at ezollo@hotmail.com to sign up.

SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS AT PEABODY LIBRARY IN POST MILLS

Vermont Humanities Council summer book discussion for adults: Literary Re-

flections of Islam. Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm at Peabody Library. Books are available on loan in advance. Please contact Peter Blodgett at 785-4361 for more info.

- June 11: The Arabian Nights
- June 25: The Conference of the Birds by Farid al-Din Attar
- July 9: Snow by Orhan Pamuk
- July 23: Dreams of Trespass by Fatima Mernissi
- August 6: Minaret by Leila Aboulela

2014 THETFORD HILL FAIR

Saturday, July, 26th 11:30 am—3:30 pm. If you have any questions, you can reach me at 301-641-3150 or frenchmc17@gmail.com.

French McConaughy

ANTIQUES/COLLECTIBLES WANTED!

The Thetford Hill Fair is coming up on Saturday, July 26th and the Antiques and Collectibles Table is seeking donations. If you've been putting off cleaning out your cupboards or organizing your attic, here's the perfect opportunity! Items can include furniture, china, glassware, jewelry, silver, brass, linen and quilts. Please contact Jane Francisco at 785-2552 or janeafrancisco@gmail.com.

Jennifer Francisco

DCF (DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER) BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP FOR CHILDREN ENTERING 5TH, 6TH, AND 7TH GRADES

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm at Peabody Library: June 18, July 2, July 16, July 30, August 13. Our first discussion will be about Frogged by Vivian Van Velde. Paperback copies are on reserve for our group at Latham Library for \$5 each; sliding scale available. Please contact Emily Zollo at ezollo@hotmail.com.

CAREGIVER INFORMATION SESSION

Saturday, June 7, 11 am—12 pm at Latham Library. Many of the people who help an elder with daily necessities (such as meals, transportation, or

scheduling care) fall in the category of family caregiver. This meeting will describe the resources and grants available to help plan for future care needs, and to address current challenges such as elder depression, loneliness, caregiver stress, and more. If you need help getting respite care to allow you to attend, please call the Senior HelpLine well in advance at 1-800-642-5119.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Knitting Group: Saturdays at 1:00 pm at Latham Library. Both beginners and experienced knitters are welcome.

Tales and Tunes with Tots, a playgroup for babies and toddlers and their caregivers: Wednesdays at 10:00 am at Latham Library.

Preschool Storytime: Fridays at 10:30 am and 12:15 pm at Latham Library. Summer story times at Treasure Island Beach on Lake Fairlee begin June 25th and continue every Wednesday at 11:00 am until August 13.

After School Activities at Peabody Library: Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 pm when school is in session. June 11 will be the last after-school program until September.

Emily Zollo

CEDAR CIRCLE FARM

SUCCESS! SUCCESSION GARDENING —MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR VEGGIE PLOT

JUNE 7, SATURDAY 10:30AM-12PM. This class is suitable for intermediate gardeners who'd like to learn how to maximize the yield from their vegetable gardens, year after year. Topics include: choosing varieties, thinning, pruning tips, frost protection, crop rotation, companion planting, and timing succession plantings.

SALT BRINING THE SPRING GARDEN

JUNE 7, SATURDAY 11AM-2PM. As the first harvest starts rolling in from your garden or CSA box, capture the snap and crunch of spring with salt-brine fermentation! Salt brining, or vinegar-free pickling, is an excellent way to preserve crisp spring veggies and get the most out of your early CSA boxes. We'll show you how to salt brine everything spring, from chard stems to green garlic to those first crunchy peas. You will learn about the benefits of fermentation, time and temperature requirements, safety and troubleshooting, plus go home with recipes and instructions for setting up a fermentation workshop at home (no special equipment required). Only 12 seats available. Pre-registration required. A light lunch will be provided.

FATHER'S DAY ORGANIC BERRY BRUNCH

JUNE 15, SUNDAY 10AM-12PM. Take this opportunity to treat Dad to the spectacular brunch he deserves! Featuring strawberries, farm-made pancakes, Hogwash Farm sausage, farm-fresh eggs, coffee, tea, smoothies and more. Enjoy free wagon rides to and from the pick-your-own berry patch. Live music. Average breakfast price \$12.

12TH ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

JUNE 29, SUNDAY 10AM-3PM. Lots of family fun and activities! Children's crafts and games, theatrical performances, live music, horse-drawn wagon rides, educational activities and displays, self-guided farm tour, strawberry picking, homemade strawberry shortcake, grilled local sausages, fresh salads, organic local ice cream, and more! Fun for the whole family, rain or shine. \$10 per car (carpooling strongly encouraged). Come by bicycle or on foot and get in free! Help us to reduce waste, bring your own plate, cup, and silverware.

Shawna at Cedar Circle, 802-785-4737

THETFORD ACADEMY

TA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, June 5, at 7:00pm in the TA Library. The public is welcome.

THE SPRING CHORAL CONCERT

Sunday, June 8, at 5:00pm in the Martha Jane Rich Theater in Anderson Hall. There is no charge for admission and all are welcome to attend.

BACCALAUREATE FOR THE CLASS OF 2014

Sunday, June 8, at 7:00pm at the First Congregational Church of Thetford. Seating is limited.

THANK YOU, SHEILA!

Sheila Fifield can't be thanked enough for her stewardship of the newsletter. I look forward to carrying on her work.

Susanna French

TA PROUDLY GRADUATES 61 SCHOLARS

Friday, June 13, at 6:30pm on the lawn in front of the Academy. Please keep fingers crossed for blue skies and a beautiful evening as we wish farewell to our students.

THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR OFFICIALLY ENDS FRIDAY, JUNE 13

We wish our students, staff, faculty, families, friends and neighbors a wonderful summer.

TA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (TAAA) ALUMNI DAY

Saturday, June 14. A number of classes will be holding reunions throughout the

day, with the annual meeting and banquet following in the Vaughan Alumni Gymnasium. Contact Roxanne Eastman at roxeastman@gmail.com to register for the banquet.

Wendy Cole

JUNE TEN LUNCHEON

Thursday, June 26, 2014, at 11:30am, North Thetford Church. On the menu are assorted salad sandwiches (chicken, ham, egg), American chop suey, chips, pickles, strawberries & ice cream, and beverage. We'll enjoy music (live or background--details are being worked out), solve season-themed puzzles, and savor each other's spirited company! Availability shapes our menu; please don't be surprised by changes when needed.

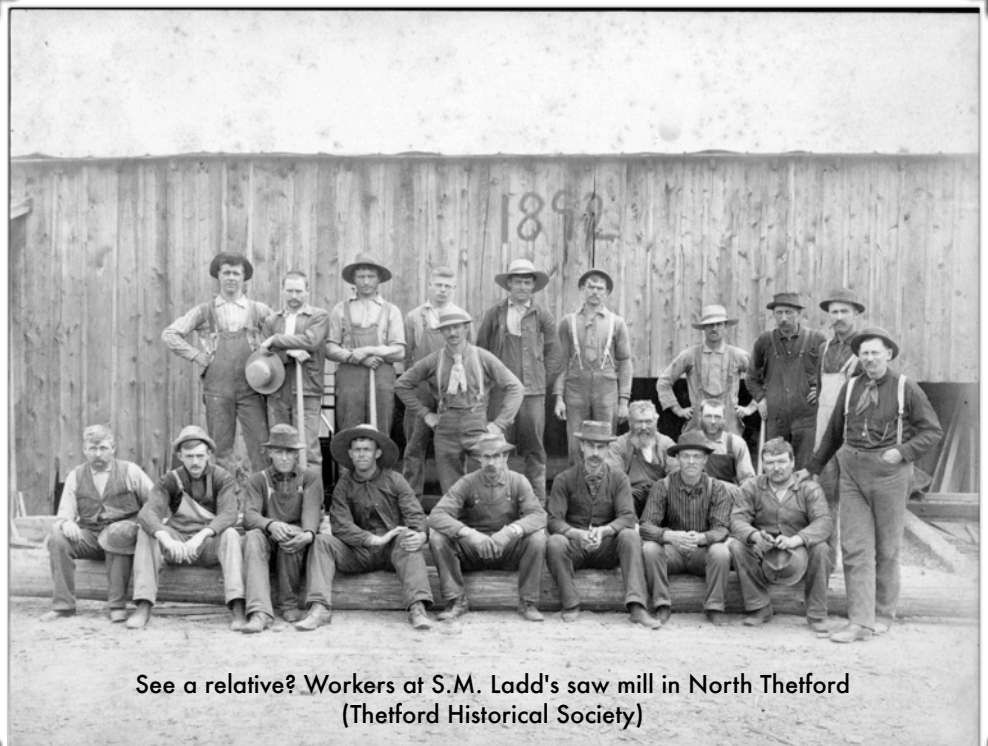
Would you like to help with a specific task? Please call Cathee at 785-2668. RSVP by calling Martha at 785-4274. See you there!

Susan Rump

GOT NEWS?

Send your news of general interest to Thetford to thetford@pendane.com by the 20th of the month or by calling me at **802-356-4542**. Newsletter feedback is always welcome.

Susanna French



See a relative? Workers at S.M. Ladd's saw mill in North Thetford (Thetford Historical Society)