

SAVE THE DATE! AUGUST 9 @ 5 P.M.

The Post Mills Congregational Church is having their annual Chicken BBQ and Bean Hole Bean dinner. Dinner includes a half chicken, salad, roll, bean hole beans, a slice of pie and beverage for \$14 per dinner. Takeouts available. Music by the Lyme Town Band. If you have questions or would like to help in some way please contact either Lynda Hayes 802 333 3265 or Judy Dixon 802 333 9524.

Lynda Hayes

AUGUST TEN LUNCHEON

Please come to the Thetford Elder Network August Luncheon Thursday, August 28, at 11:30am at the North Thetford church. Help celebrate late summer with friends.

The menu will very likely include chicken thighs, assorted salads, beverage, and dessert. We'll enjoy pleasant background music, various puzzles, and each other's company.

This luncheon is sponsored by TEN and by Senior Solutions.

To RSVP, please call Martha at 785-4274. To help with a task important to the Luncheon, please call Cathee at 785-2668.

We'll see you there!

*Submitted by Susan Rump for
Thetford Elder Network*

THETFORD ACADEMY

Athletic practices for high school sports teams at Thetford Academy begin on Thursday, August 14. Please be aware of increased traffic to and from the Academy.

The Thetford Academy **Board of Trustees** will meet Wednesday,

August 20, at 7:00pm in the TA library in the White Building. The public is welcome to attend.

Orientation and tours for new students and their families will be offered on Monday, August 25. Middle School will start at 5:30pm in the Martha Jane Rich Theater in Anderson Hall, and High School begins at 6:30pm. Contact Wendy Cole in the Admissions Office for more information 802.785.2600.

Wednesday, August 27, is **opening day** for the 2014-2015 school year. The school day begins at 7:30am and dismisses at 2:15pm. Please be aware of increased traffic and new student drivers.

Middle school **sports practices** for cross country and soccer begin Thursday, August 28.

Wendy Cole

AUGUST IS THETFORD HISTORY MONTH!

Visit www.thetfordhistoricalsociety.org for more information.

Martha Howard

BARN DANCE!

Saturday, August 23 at 7:30 at the former Huntington's Dance Pavilion now John's Barn, 140 Pavilion Road, East Thetford. Squares and contra led by David Millstone. Live music by Bill Shepard and Friends. Dessert Potluck at the break. Donations accepted at the door. For more information or directions call Merit Scottford at 802 333 9372.

Merit Scottford

LATHAM LIBRARY

Fridays in August, 10:30 am: **Pre-school Storytime.**

Fridays August 1, 8, and 15 at 4:00 pm: **Storytime at the Thetford Farmer's Market** (across from the library on the Thetford Hill green). All ages welcome.

How Does That Work? Night: Ever wondered what is inside common appliances and electronics? Bring your own screwdrivers and come find out! Latham Library, Thursday, August 7 at 6:30 pm. Best for ages 7 and up.

Friday, August 22, 3:00 pm: **Fizz Boom Read Finale Party!** Certificates will be awarded to those who kept a reading log at either library. Games and refreshments.

PEABODY LIBRARY

Wednesdays August 6 and 13, 11:00 am: **Storytime at Treasure Island Beach.** All ages welcome.

The annual **summer book discussion series** at Peabody Library, a Vermont Humanities Council event, has one more session left. This summer's theme is "Literary Reflections of Islam." Books are available on loan in advance. Please contact Peter Blodgett at 785-4361 for more info. August 6: Minaret by Leila Aboulela.

DCF Summer Book Discussion Group for 5th-7th graders at Peabody Library. Open to kids entering 5th through 7th grades. On Wednesday, August 13, we will be discussing "Sure Signs of Crazy" by Karen Harrington from 5:30-6:30. Paperback copies are available for purchase at Latham Library for \$5 each.

Wednesday, August 13, 6:30 pm:
Movie Night at Peabody Library!
"Dolphin Tale". Free popcorn.

Wednesday, August 20, 3:00-5:00
pm: Peabody Library's annual
Penny Carnival! Games, food, and
prizes. Bring your pennies!

For more on all of these programs
visit www.thetfordlibrary.org.

Emily Zollo

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

CAR ROOF RACKS CAN LOWER YOUR GAS MILEAGE

Back from vacation? Take that
empty carrier off the top of your car.
Better yet, remove the roof rack if
it's not attached. Consumer Reports
notes that "At highway speeds, more
than 50 percent of engine power
goes to overcoming aerodynamic
drag. So don't carry things on top of
your vehicle when you don't have
to. Installing a large Thule Cascade
1700 car-top carrier on our Camry
dropped its gas mileage from 35
mpg to 29 at 65 mph. Even driving
with empty racks on the car reduces
its fuel economy."

Alice Stewart

THETFORD MEMORIAL PARK

The Proposed Thetford Memorial
Park is located on Town owned land
between the Post Mills Church and
the Post Mills Cemetery.

Several residents recall that in the
late 1940's pine trees were planted
on this land in memory of Thetford
soldiers that lost their lives in serv-
ice to our country during World
Wars I and II.

The Selectboard asked Thetford's
Tree Warden, Gary Ulman, to exam-
ine the trees this spring and he de-
termined that all of them were dy-
ing and dangerous and should be
removed before they caused exten-
sive damage to the Church , Ceme-
tery and major power lines.

Green Mountain Power Company
agreed and took down four of the
trees that seriously threatened the
power lines.

Elmer Brown created the original
proposed park plan for the Select-
board, who are interested in con-
tinuing to honor our veterans there.
Larry Hart drew up the plan to scale
which can be seen at the Town Of-
fices.

The American Legion is raising
money for a plaque.

Estimates are currently being con-
sidered for the removal of the rest
of the trees and the debris as well as
stump removal, site restoration,
new plantings, and the purchase and
placement of the park benches and
gazebo.

The Park will allow for many safe
parking areas off the street and
gatherings in a pleasant environ-
ment for Thetford residents as well
as others who may wish to enjoy the
surroundings.

Ted Peters

GOT NEWS?

Is your news of general interest to
Thetford residents? Send it to
thetford@pendane.com by the 25th
of the month or by calling me at
802-356-4542. Newsletter feedback
is always welcome.

Susanna French



***Dancers at the August 1911 Thetford Pageant,
which drew an estimated 5,000 people over its four-day run.***

courtesy of the Thetford Historical Society