

TREASURE ISLAND

Lush sandy beach, clear Lake Fairlee swimming, beautiful views and fresh air, wildlife sights and sounds, sports and room to roam in your beautiful town park. Treasure Island is open until 8pm every day. Bring a watercraft of your own, or use our paddleboats or canoes. We also have clay tennis and swimming lessons. Peabody Library Story Hour is every Wednesday at 11am. Try our swimming lessons, taught by American Red Cross instructors. Learn more on the Thetford Recreation [website](#) or sign up at the beach.

Call Treasure Island at 333-7000 with questions or to reserve the island for a large group outing.

*Scott and Ann O'Hearn
Treasure Island Managers*

TOUCHLINE SOCCER

Touchline Soccer Tech will be at TA July 27-31 and Aug. 3-7. Grades K-3 is from 9-10:30am. Grades 4-5, 6-8, 9-12 are from 9am-noon. Family discounts available. Attend both weeks for a 50% discount the second week. Players train within their age group. All players receive a camp T-shirt and lots of technical soccer training.

Contact Dustin Burnett at 369-9301 or touchlinesoccer@me.com for details or a brochure.

Dustin Burnett

THETFORD ACADEMY

Congratulations to **Julio Lopez Linehan '16**, TA's Student of the Month for June. Julio is described by others as a unique individual and team player, a natural leader and a deep thinker; one of TA's favorite students. Well deserved, Julio!

Tuesday evening Fun Runs at TA start every Tuesday at 6:00pm. All

THETFORD HILL FAIR

SATURDAY, JULY 25

11:30 AM—3:30 PM

THETFORD HILL GREEN

Come one, come all to the best event of the summer, in its 110th year!

- Town-wide Rummage Sale
- Antiques & Collectables
- Food, Pie & Bake Sale
- Plants, Games and Books
- The Tea Garden
- Costumed Dog Parade

Benefits from the fair will keep the Thetford Green beautiful for all.

French McConaughy

WANTED: ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES

We are accepting donations such as furniture, china, glassware, jewelry, silver, brass, linen and quilts. If you have questions or would like to donate, call 785-2552 or email janeafsanfrancisco@gmail.com.

WANTED: BOOKS, CDS, DVDS, LPS

Drop off your contributions at the Latham Library Mon., 2-8, Tues., 2-5, Wed., 10-5, Thurs., 2-8, Sat., 10-1, from Sat., July 11th through Tues., July 21st. Please no encyclopedias, Readers' Digest or other damaged materials. Thank you!

Jane Francisco

ages and abilities are welcome to walk or run the 5K course. Choosing to do only half the course (the lower loop) is also an option. Runners and spectators should gather near the boys' (lower) soccer field near the gym. Runs are hosted by TA cross country coaches and continue every Tuesday throughout the summer. Contact Joseph.Deffner@Thet.Net.

Wendy Cole

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP: THE SWERVE

Come to Latham Library at 7pm on Tues., July 28th to discuss Stephen Greenblatt's *The Swerve: How the World Became Modern*. If you enjoyed Dan Brown's fiction, you'll love this true story about Poggio Bracciolini's dangerous journeys through 15th-century Europe. It's an amazing story and it's all true!

Get your copy from the library or as an e-book or audiobook via Listen Up Vermont. Buy it at your favorite bookstore or online via bookfinder.com, the aggregator site for books old and new from book-sellers all over the world.

E D M Landman MD

ADVENTURES IN DRAMATIC ARTS

A DAY CAMP FILLED WITH DRAMA, CREATIVE ARTS, AND OUTDOOR FUN FOR 8-12-YEAR-OLDS

Aug. 3-7, 9am-3pm. Friday performance at 2:30pm, at Open Fields School. Cost: \$175. In one week, campers will write a script, create props, design a set, and perform a simple play.

Facilitators: Jen Manwell and Leslie Berger, Open Fields teachers. For more info or to register, contact:

- Leslie: 802-333-4303
particleofdust@gmail.com
- Jen: 802-579-4947
jlmanwell@hotmail.com

Leslie Berger

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

ENERGY-SAVING TIPS FOR KEEPING YOUR HOME COOL

It's much cheaper, and uses less energy, to prevent heat build-up in

your home than to cool it with air conditioning. The US Department of Energy has these suggestions:

- Window awnings reduce heat gain in the summer by up to 65% on south-facing windows and 77% on west-facing windows.
- Reflective blinds reduce heat gain by around 45%.
- Medium-colored draperies with white-plastic backings reduce heat gains by up to 33%.
- When it's cooled off outside, open up the house and let the cool air in. (You can also use a window fan or box fan.)
- Reduce sources of interior heat (and use less energy) by using the microwave or toaster oven instead of the regular oven. Cover pots when cooking and use the stove fan to pull hot air out. Turn off your office machines when not in use.

Alice Stewart

COMMUNITY SOLAR MEETING

We have been working on developing two community solar projects that would provide electricity for the town and for residents who wish to buy into it. We are considering sites on the uncapped area of the closed landfill in Post Mills and an extension of the TES solar array on Rt. 113.

A meeting to discuss these projects will be on Tues., July 14 at 7pm at the Thetford Center Community Center. This is a preliminary meeting and there will be more to come, as we are early in this process.

If you plan to attend, please confirm with me at bwalker@serg-info.org or 785-4126 so we have a sense of how many are coming. If you want to learn more but can't make this meeting, please let me know and I can send you an update.

Bob Walker

THETFORD LIBRARIES

"Every Hero has a Story", the 2015 Summer Reading Program, has begun! Stop into either library to sign up for a reading log to keep track of what you read over the summer.

LATHAM LIBRARY

Latham Library will be closed on Fri., July 3 and Sat., July 4 for the holiday.

Tell Your Own Story, with Comics!

A comics workshop for children 7 and up with artist Ericc Cram. Mon., July 6 at 4:00 pm at Latham Library.

"You Are a Hero" **magic show** with Tom Joyce! Monday, July 20 at 4pm.

Tech Help Night Thurs., July 23, 6:30-8:00 pm.

ONGOING PROGRAMS AT LATHAM LIBRARY

Tales and Tunes with Tots is a playgroup for babies, toddlers and caregivers. Wednesdays at 10 am.

Preschool Storytime Fridays at 10:30 am. All preschoolers and their caregivers welcome.

Knitting Group Thursday evenings from 6-8 pm. Beginners and experienced knitters welcome.

PEABODY LIBRARY

Vermont Humanities Council Summer Book Discussion: "Youth Looking at Life" Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Books are available for loan at both libraries.

- July 1: *Out of the Dust* by Karen Hesse. Discussion led by Patricia Norton.
- July 15: *Lyddie* by Katherine Paterson. Discussion led by Rachael Cohen.
- July 29: *Black Rain* by Masuji Ibuse. Discussion led by Rachael Cohen.

Dorothy Canfield Fisher Book Award Discussion Group for kids entering 5th through 7th grades, Wednesdays at 5:30 pm:

- 7/22: *Absolutely Almost* by Lisa Graff
- 8/5: *Seven Stories Up* by Laurel Snyder

Paperback copies of these titles will be available at Latham Library for \$5.00. Reserve a copy by emailing librarians@thetfordlibrary.org.

Every Hero Has a Story Family Movie Series: Wed., July 22, at 6:30 pm, "The Incredibles." Free popcorn!

Peabody Library Storytime at Treasure Island Beach, Wednesday mornings at 11:00 am, July 1-August 12. All ages welcome.

For more info on these programs, please visit thetfordlibrary.org.

Emily Zollo

THETFORD ELDER NETWORK

JULY LUNCHEON

Come celebrate summer with friends new and known! Warm-season fare is sure to please, plus tunes and fun from the irrepressible Out on a Limb Band, including some of our best-loved musicians! Seating starts at 11:30 Thurs., July 23. Donations welcome but not required. To RSVP call Martha at 785-4274. To volunteer, call Cathy at 785-3136.

Sponsored by Senior Solutions and Thetford Elder Network.

Susan Rump

THETFORD SELECTBOARD

Construction plans for the repair of the Lake Fairlee Dam are moving forward with all three towns of Thetford, West Fairlee and Fairlee voting to approve the Bond and create a Tri-Town Interlocal Agreement to repair the Lake Fairlee Dam. The Thetford Tri-Town Commission appointments to oversee and represent Thetford in matters relating to the dam are Renee Snow, Ridge Satterthwaite and James Dixon, who will be the liaison to the Select Board. We anticipate having a dedication ceremony in the fall once the dam is completely repaired.

James Dixon

GOT NEWS?

Is your news of general interest to Thetford residents? Send it to thetford@pendane.com or by calling me at 802-356-4542 **by the 29th of the month**. I generally enter news in the order in which it is received, and may need to edit for space. There may not be room for submissions received near the deadline (The early bird is guaranteed space, but I do my best). Feedback is always welcome.

Susanna French