

THE THETFORD TOWN NEWS

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THETFORD SELECTBOARD

The Selectboard is in full swing moving from our summer schedule of every other week to our regular schedule of every Monday.

We appreciate the input that the community has given us during open comment concerning various issues in town and would like to thank the reports given to us by the various offices and committees of the town that enable the Selectboard to serve our community better.

We are busy with recycling options, moving forward on the Thetford Hill Pedestrian project, the Latham Road paving and bridge repair and the future repaving of 132. We have also been working with the Planning Commission to update the town plan, the Treasure Island Advisory Committee on the organization of Treasure Island, the Energy Committee on new solar projects, the Conservation Committee on the Post Mills trail head and the Tri-town Commission regarding the Lake Fairlee Dam.

In coming weeks we will be focusing on the budget, presenting the Fish and Game Club Lease, continuing to find recycling solutions in response to the new Vermont recycling law Act 148 and working to ensure that we have the equipment to keep our roads, structures and community areas well maintained and safe.

James Dixon

THETFORD ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

CHRISTMAS CRAFT BAZAAR SAT. NOV. 21, 9:00AM - 2:30PM

The TAAA will be hosting its 30th annual Christmas Craft Bazaar at Thetford Academy. Free admission!

Enjoy a variety of crafts, a delicious luncheon, Santa and free horse-

drawn wagon rides.

Find a dazzling array of handmade items including baskets, mustards & pickles, cutting boards & turned bowls, jewelry, maple products and raised donuts. Teddy bears, miniatures, holiday ornaments, wooden items, polar fleece and knitted hats & mittens, quilts, dried flowers, spices, gemstones, metal works, wreaths, herbal teas, painted saws, stained glass, scarves, soaps and more.

Door prizes are donated by registered crafters and tickets drawn every ½ hour. Tickets are available at the door. Join us at Thetford Academy (exit 14, I-91 turn up the hill and left onto Academy Road).

Jessica Eaton, 333-9491

THETFORD LIBRARIES

LATHAM LIBRARY

MAGIC NIGHT: Thursday, Nov. 5, 6:30-8:00 pm. Come play Magic, the card game, with your friends. Please bring your own deck.

HOLIDAY BOOK SALE! Saturday, Nov. 21 from 9:00-3:00. Shop our huge selection of new and vintage books for children and adults, books on CD, movies on DVD, and an assortment of gifts at low prices. Proceeds benefit the Latham Library.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMMING AT LATHAM LIBRARY: Children in grades 3-6 are invited every Friday TES is in session, aside from Fridays during the ski program. Activities will run from 3:00-4:15 pm. There will be snacks, stories, games, crafts, and other activities each week.

- Nov. 6: Cooking Show Part 2
- Nov. 13: Charades
- Nov. 20: Native American Stories and Games
- Nov. 27: No program

ONGOING PROGRAMS AT LATHAM LIBRARY

TALES AND TUNES WITH TOTS is a playgroup for babies, toddlers and caregivers. Wednesdays, 10 am.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME Fridays at 10:30 am. All preschoolers and caregivers welcome.

KNITTING GROUP Thursday evenings from 6-8 pm. Beginners and experienced knitters welcome.

PEABODY LIBRARY

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMMING: Children in grades K-2 are invited on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 for stories, activities and a snack every week that TES is in session. Students can ride the school bus to the library in Post Mills.

- Nov. 4: Make a Scarecrow
- Nov. 11: Gourd Creatures
- Nov. 18: Native American Stories and Games
- Nov. 25: No program

Emily Zollo

2015
THETFORD
Geography Bee

FEATURING
THE Connecticut RIVER
Source to Sea

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015~7:00 PM
@ **THETFORD ACADEMY**

Visit
www.thetfordhistoricalsociety.org
for information and registration

FOURTH CONNECTICUT LAKE
PITTSBURGH, NH

CONNECTICUT RIVER ESTUARY
AND LONG ISLAND SOUND

THE PARISH PLAYERS

PRESENTS ANGEL STREET (GASLIGHT)

A thriller/mystery by Patrick Hamilton, directed by Barbara Payson, Nov. 6-7, 7:30 pm; Sunday matinées Nov. 1 & 8, 3:00 pm. Adults \$15, seniors \$12, students \$10.

Starring Christine Williamson as Mrs. Manningham; Erik Gaetz as Mr. Manningham; Jim Heidenreich as Rough (the detective); Sandra Dell as Elizabeth (the housekeeper); and Hannah Sundell as Nancy (the housemaid).

This Victorian thriller was a tremendous hit when it premiered in London in 1938, and a great success in America, where it remains one of the longest-running non-musicals in Broadway history.

Eclipse Grange Theater, 193 Academy Rd., Thetford. 785-4344.

Reserve online at parishplayers.org.

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THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

REBATES ON ENERGY-EFFICIENT APPLIANCES

The Efficiency Vermont website is a great resource for energy-saving tips. You can also learn about rebates for energy-efficient home appliances. Efficiency Vermont is offering rebates on qualified dryers and washers, heat pump water heaters, and refrigerators. Visit tiny.cc/tec1115 to learn more.

Alice Stewart

NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Our next meeting will be at Latham Library on Tues., Nov. 24th at 7 pm.

We will be discussing *God's Hotel* by Victoria Sweet, about Dr Sweet's experiences at Laguna Honda hospital, once one of the last almshouses in America, where she was initially able to practice medicine with time and thought, while also studying the history of medicine, particularly Hildegard of Bingen, the 12th-century abbess known for the music she composed, rather than the medical texts she wrote.

Find *God's Hotel* at your bookstore, via interlibrary loan, as an audio or ebook via ListenUp Vermont or New Hampshire Downloadable Books, or at bookfinder.com.

EDM Landman, MD

AWESOME AUTUMN AFTERNOON!

The Open Fields School biennial fall event will be held on Sat., Nov. 7 from 12-4 pm at the Thetford Center Community Center, across from the Village Store.

- Harvest Lunch \$8 adults; \$4 kids under 12
 - 12pm Live music by Senayit
 - Outdoor kids' activities
 - 1pm Auction with Dean Whitlock
- Learn more at tiny.cc/of1115.

Mindy Wren Barth

THETFORD ELDER NETWORK THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

Come with a neighbor or friend to celebrate Thanksgiving with a turkey dinner and pie. We'll open the North Thetford Church Community Room at 11:30 Thurs., Nov. 19. You'll be welcome to a pleasant and warmly filling occasion with friendly company, puzzles, and maybe music.

TEN's monthly luncheons are sponsored by Senior Solutions. Donations are welcome but not expected; they support all TEN activities.

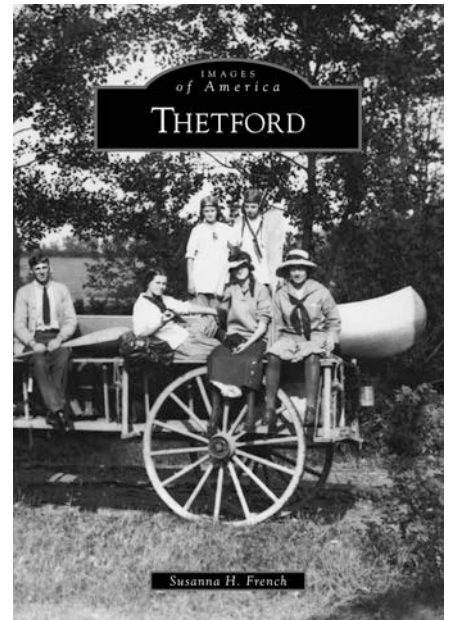
Consider helping to make the luncheon happen by volunteering for a specific task, such as driving a neighbor to the event or washing dishes. Speak with a volunteer server or call Cathy at 785-3136.

Susan Rump

WATCH FOR RABID ANIMALS NEARBY

In the event that you come across an animal that appears rabid, contact local or state police at 911 or the Rabies Hotline at (800) 472-2437.

Jessica Eaton



THETFORD THE BOOK!

"THIS BOOK MAKES AN AWESOME STOCKING STUFFER!" —SANTA

I've written a book about Thetford's history for Arcadia Publishing's *Images of America* photographic book series. It's full of images from the 1860s to the 1970s, including the places we all know and love: our general stores, summer camps, covered bridges, and historic homes.

Also included are many places lost to time: the Malmquist Mill, the homes and businesses demolished for the dam and highway, and places devastated by fire and flood.

It makes a great gift for friends and family who have moved away, have summer homes here, or attended camp in Thetford!

Order securely and learn more at susannafrench.com. Call 356-4542 to pay by check. I deliver!

Susanna French

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 late submissions (but I do my best). Feedback is always welcome.

Susanna French