## THETFORD ELDER NETWORK COFFEE KLATCH

Seniors of all ages! Join us to visit with friends and neighbors at the TEN/Community Nurse of Thetford Coffee Klatch! Wed., Nov. 9th, 10-11:30am at the Thetford Center Community Center. Free coffee, tea and treats! Call if you need a ride and we'll try to work that out. If you might be interested in volunteering to help make this a monthly event, also give us a call.

Pril Hall, 333-4077

#### **NOVEMBER LUNCHEON**

Brilliant fall foliage and a bountiful harvest--haven't we been doubly fortunate this season! Let's gather together and enjoy! Come to the TEN November Luncheon at 11:30am Thurs., Nov. 17, at the North Thetford Church.

For your dining pleasure: Roast turkey with stuffing, potatoes and gravy, squash, cranberry sauce, a scrumptious dessert, and a beverage. We can reminisce on Thanksgivings of yesteryear, or simply savor the delights of this year in the good company that always shows up--including you!

TEN Luncheons are offered monthly on mostly the fourth Thursdays (earlier this November and December due to holidays), sponsored by Senior Solutions. Donations are gratefully accepted. To volunteer for a specific task, call Cathy at 785-3136.

Susan Rump

#### THETFORD ACADEMY

As the leaves change and the temperature drops, we are in full swing here at TA.

The 26th annual **Woods Trail Run** took place on Oct. 1, a perfect fall day for running. As usual, it was a fantastic community event with over 100 volunteers and more than 2000

runners and spectators. Thank you very much to everyone who contributed to the event. We will host the Vermont Cross Country Championships on Sat., Nov. 5th. To volunteer, please contact Asst. Meet Director, Bridget Dugan-Sullivan at bridget.dugan-sullivan@thet.net

The **Fall Play** performances will be on Nov. 17, 18 and 19 at 7 p.m. in the Martha Jane Rich Theater. This year's play is *Rumors* by Neil Simon. Please note this plays contains adult language and is not appropriate for young audiences.

There will be another **Open House** for students and families interested in attending TA on Thurs., Dec. 1 at 6:30 p.m. More information: Admissions Office, 785-4805 ext 235.

The TA **Board of Trustees** monthly meeting is on Thurs., Nov. 10, at 7 p.m. in the TA Library in the White Building. The public is welcome.

We hope to see many familiar faces around campus for these and many other events taking place at TA this fall!

Bridget Dugan-Sullivan

# VOTE!

Vote in the 2016 general election at Town Hall, 3910 VT Route 113. Polls open at 8:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m.

#### THETFORD LIBRARIES

#### **LATHAM LIBRARY**

Magic Card Night Mon., Nov. 7, 6:30-8:00 pm. Come play Magic, the card game, with friends. All ages welcome.

The Wonderful World of Bats with Jerry Schneider Friday, November 11

at 11:00 am. Audiences learn how vital bats are for maintaining a healthy environment (did you know that a Little Brown Bat eats up to 1000 mosquitoes in one night?). Via interactive dialogue and slide photos taken by bat expert Merlin Tuttle, children move beyond old stereotypes, to an understanding of the importance of bats for farmers, fruit growers, the rain forest, and us. See vivid photos of tropical fruit bats, the vampire bat, and some of our local bats. We will learn about bats in our attics, vampire bats, bat evesight, echolocation, migration and hibernation. We will also listen to bat echolocation calls that are slowed down through a bat detector.

After the show, children can create their own bat T-shirts (heavy, 100% cotton) using fabric dye sprays, plants, and butterfly cutouts. Children may purchase shirts for \$4.00, or bring their own.

**Local Author Reading** "A Curriculum of Courage: Making Safeart" by Tracy Penfield, Mon., Nov. 14 at 7:00 pm.

Tracy Penfield, founder of SafeArt, will share her journey and experiences working with young people and adults. Tracy is an artist and dancer who founded SafeArt after her own experiences healing from a destructive marriage and helping others to heal through creative expression. She has worked with individuals and groups of all ages to prevent and reduce the effects of trauma. Find out more at safeart.org. Books will be available for purchase.

Holiday Book Sale Sat., Nov. 19, 9:00-3:00. Come shop our great selection of gently used books for both children and adults. We will also have movies on DVD, music and books on CD, and puzzles for sale. Find the perfect gift for a reader in your life or for yourself! Great prices, and all proceeds support the library.

#### ONGOING PROGRAMS AT LATHAM LIBRARY

**Tales and Tunes with Tots:** A playgroup for babies and toddlers and their caregivers. Wednesdays from 10:00-11:00 am.

**Preschool Storytime** Fridays at 10:30 am. Children of all ages and their caregivers welcome.

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

Friday afterschool activities for grades 4-6 run every Friday that TES is in session through the school year, with the exception of Ski Fridays. Children in grades 4-6 (this is a change from last year) are welcome to walk to the library from school to participate. Stories, crafts, games, and other activities will be offered, and a snack will be served. Pick-up time is 4:30 pm.

#### **PEABODY LIBRARY**

Vermont History Through Song Wed., Nov. 16 at 7:00 pm. Singer and researcher Linda Radtke and pianist Arthur Zorn bring Vermont history to life with commentary about the songs found in the Vermont Historical Society's sheet music collection. Dressed in period costume and using the music Vermonters published and sang in their communities, Ms. Radtke guides listeners through our history, from the earliest published song. "Green Mountain Farmer" (1798), through 1850 temperance ballads and Civil War-era songs to songs about Vermonters Calvin Coolidge, Thomas Dewey, and Jim Fisk. A Vermont Humanities Council program. Free.

Wednesday afterschool activities run every week that TES is in session through the school year, unless otherwise noted. Children in grades K-3 (this is a change from last year) are welcome to ride Bus #2, with a note from home, from TES to the Peabody Library on Wednesdays. Stories, crafts, games, and other activities will be offered, and a snack will be served. Pick-up time is 4:30 pm.

For more info, including lists of new books and movies, please visit thetfordlibrary.org.

Emily Zollo

## THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

#### **READY FOR HEATING SEASON?**

Keep your house comfortable and save money by not wasting energy during the heating season.

- Check weatherstripping and caulk cracks on all doors and windows
- Close your storm windows and lock your windows
- Program your thermostat to 50 degrees at night
- Clean heat vents and fin tubing
- Service your furnace or boiler for maximum efficiency
- Wash windows for solar gain

Alice Stewart

#### **NONFICTION BOOK GROUP**

The next meeting of Thetford's informal nonfiction book discussion group will take place at Latham Library on Thetford Hill on Tues., Nov. 29th at 7 pm.

We will be discussing *The Pigeon Tunnel*, a memoir by John Le Carré.

You can find the book at your library; via interlibrary loan; as an audio or e-book via ListenUp Vermont or NH Downloadable Books; from your bookseller; or at bookfinder.com.

All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

EDM Landman MD

### 31ST ANNUAL TA HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR

Sat., Nov. 19, 9 am - 2:30pm. Free.

Over 70 quality crafters present a dazzling variety of crafts in the new gymnasium.

Soaps, lotions & herbal items, maple products, scarves, stained glass & sun catchers, fabric bowls & placemats. Fresh wreaths, crocheted and knit items, jewelry, candles, trinket boxes & wooden bowls. Fudge, cloth dolls, quilts, Santa & matryoshka dolls, teas, spices & herbs, pottery and baskets.

Teddy bears, metal works, fleece items, baby quilts, lazy Susans & cutting boards, bobbin lamps. Christmas gift giving ideas in all sizes, shapes and colors.

- Door prizes drawn every half-hour!
- Coffee, donuts and snacks all day. Hot lunch 11am - 2 pm (or gone).
- Free horse-drawn wagon rides with Dalton Thayer 10 am 1 pm
- Santa! 10 am 1 pm

Sponsored by TA Alumni Association

Exit 14, I-91 Turn up the hill. At the top turn left onto Academy Rd. ¼ mi. on the right is TA. Or follow the signs.

Jessica Eaton, TAAA Chairperson/Treasurer 333-9491

#### THETFORD REC DEPT.

Ski season will be upon us soon! **Registration for the ski program** is open. Sign up no later than 12/13/16, so please don't wait until the last minute! The sooner the better, so that I have an accurate count.

If you are getting your **season pass** please make sure to click the skier/snowboard box as your fee is less if you are already season pass holders. Skiway will not sell passes before Nov. 1.

**Ski sale** will be the weekend of Dec. 3, so if you would like to volunteer please let me know.

Nathan Maxwell, Recreation Director

#### **GOT NEWS?**

Is your news of general interest to Thetford residents? Send it to thetford@pendane.com or by calling me at 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