

## THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

Vermont has a goal of 90% alternative energy by 2050 called Act 174. Thetford Energy Committee presents Thetford 2050: The Good Life in a Post Fossil Fuel Era, a yearlong series of forums, movies, and workshops that give vision to what 2050 may look like and tools to reach that goal.

Thetford has the potential to cultivate a secure local food supply, build and retrofit homes to use minimal energy or generate as much energy as they use (Net-Zero), vehicles "fueled" on locally generated carbon free electricity and the list goes on. All this can build our local economy and create a world our we are proud to pass on to our children.

At [climatechange.vermont.gov](http://climatechange.vermont.gov) there is a map with two Vermont climate scenarios: if we lower carbon emissions, VT climate prediction for 2070 will be like Pennsylvania. If we do not lower carbon emissions, VT is predicted to be like Georgia.

Please join one or both events on May 10 at Thetford Academy: the viewing of "Tomorrow" at 3:30, which showcases climate change solutions and a free community dinner at 6:00PM.

*Mary Bryant, 785-4512*

## THETFORD RECREATION JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### LIFEGUARDS

Responsibilities include: Ensuring safety of Treasure Island patrons, responding to emergencies, performing some light cleaning and maintenance.

Qualifications include: American Red Cross certification or ability to obtain. Current first aide and CPR training. WSI certification desired. Great sense of humor, good character, integrity, and adaptability.

## GATE ATTENDANTS

Gate attendants are responsible for collecting fees, checking memberships, and educating members about the facilities.

Qualifications: Punctual, organized, with enthusiasm and ability to engage patrons in a positive manner.

For more information or to apply, please contact the Recreation Director at 802-785-2922 Ext 6 or email [recreation@thetfordvermont.us](mailto:recreation@thetfordvermont.us).

*Nathan Maxwell*

## IMPORTANT TOWN DATES

### Town Meeting

Thetford Elementary, 9am, March 3.

### Town Voting

Town Hall, 8am-7pm, March 6.

*Tracy Borst, Town Clerk, 785-2922  
[townclerk@thetfordvermont.us](mailto:townclerk@thetfordvermont.us)*

## THETFORD ELDER NETWORK

### MARCH COFFEE KLATCH

Join us once again for the 2nd Wednesday Senior Coffee Klatch on March 14th, 10-11:30 at the Thetford Center community building.

(Think you might be too young for this? We are all ages of seniors from just-barely-or-not-sure on up.)

Free coffee, tea and treats coupled with great conversation and connection with friends, neighbors, and interesting people you have yet to know! Call for a ride.

*Pril Hall, 333-4077*

### WELCOME SPRING LUNCHEON!

Come to the North Thetford Church Thurs., March 22, at 11:30 for a delicious lunch: Corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, and dinner rolls, and bread pudding with whipped cream for dessert. A fine meal and rich conversation with other community members will be a treat.

Senior Solutions sponsors our monthly TEN Luncheons, usually held on fourth Thursdays. Your suggested donation (\$5 if you can) will be gratefully accepted. To volunteer for a specific task, Call Cathy at 785-3136. We appreciate all who make these fun events possible, including you, our diners!

*Susan Rump*

## THETFORD LIBRARIES

### LATHAM LIBRARY

**New! Chess Club** this Thurs., March 1, 6:30-7:30 pm. Fifth graders and up with at least a basic knowledge of chess are welcome to come play and get some tips from an expert. This will be a monthly club. Please register at [librarians@thetfordlibrary.org](mailto:librarians@thetfordlibrary.org) so we can plan to have enough chess boards.

**Movie Fridays:** On Fridays during the TES ski program, we will be showing movies, rather than hosting our regular after school activity time. Movies will be shown from 3:15-4:45, and will be rated G or PG. All are welcome, but children younger than fourth grade need to have an adult or high school student accompany them to the library.

**Winter Book Discussion Series** Mon., March 5 at 7:00 pm. *Another Brooklyn* by Jacqueline Woodson. Books are available to borrow at Latham Library. All are welcome.

**Magic Card Night** Mon., Feb. 26, 6:30-8:00 pm. Come play Magic, the card game, with friends. All ages and other games welcome!

### ONGOING PROGRAMS

**Tales and Tunes for Tots** is a playgroup for babies, toddlers and their caregivers. Wednesday mornings at 10am.

**Storytime** Fridays at 10:30am. All ages are welcome.

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

**Afterschool activities** for kids in grades 4-6 run every Friday that Thetford Elementary School is in session, unless noted. Children may walk to Latham Library from school for stories, games, arts and crafts, and other fun activities. On Fridays during the TES ski program we will be showing movies from 3:15-4:45.

Latham Library is now **open every Sunday** 10:00 am to 1:00 pm during the winter months.

### PEABODY LIBRARY

Gardening Talk with Janet Taylor of Crossroad Farm Tues., March 20 at 7:00 pm. Get ready for growing season! Come with your gardening questions. All are welcome. If there is a specific topic you would like addressed, please send your ideas to [librarians@thetfordlibrary.org](mailto:librarians@thetfordlibrary.org).

**Annual Celtic Concert** Wed., March 21 at 7:00 pm. Samantha Moffatt and Clément Demers are Jakéza—a musical duo who interpret dance tunes, ballads and newer compositions on two accordions and hammered dulcimer. This is a recent collaboration of two seasoned artists with solid solo careers as well as experience with other groups and international touring. The sound is alluring and accessible. Check it out!

**Afterschool activities** for children in grades K-3 run every Wednesday that TES is in session, unless noted. Kids may take the bus from TES to the library for stories, games, crafts and

other fun activities! Pickup time is 4:30.

For more information, including lists of new books and movies, please visit [thetfordlibrary.org](http://thetfordlibrary.org).

Emily Zollo

### NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

The next meeting of Thetford's informal nonfiction book discussion group will take place at Latham Library on Thetford Hill on Tues., March 27th at 7 pm.

March is Women's History Month. We will be discussing *American Jezebel* by Eve LaPlante, one of her descendants.

In 1637, Anne Hutchinson, a 46-year-old midwife pregnant with her sixteenth child, stood before 40 male judges of the Massachusetts General Court, charged with heresy and sedition. In a time when women could not vote, hold public office, or teach outside the home, the charismatic Hutchinson wielded remarkable political power. Her unconventional ideas had attracted a following of prominent citizens eager for social reform. Hutchinson defended herself brilliantly, but the judges, faced with a perceived threat to public order, banished her for behaving in a manner "not comely for [her] sex."

You can find the book at your library; via interlibrary loan; as an audio or e-book via the Green Mountain

([gmlc.overdrive.com](http://gmlc.overdrive.com)) or New Hampshire ([nh.overdrive.com](http://nh.overdrive.com)) library consortiums; from your bookseller; or at [bookfinder.com](http://bookfinder.com). All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

EDM Landman MD

### OFFICE HOURS FOR COMMUNITY NURSE

Every Wednesday from 1:00 to 3:00 at Upper Valley Pediatrics, East Thetford (corner of Rt 5 and Rt 113, next to Wings Market).

Please call or email for an appointment. The nurse is available to check blood pressures, review medications, provide assistance and teaching to follow physician medical advice, caregiver support in addition to connecting people to area resources. This service is free and confidential for Thetford residents.

Cindy Grigel RN, Community Nurse

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### GOT NEWS?

Is your news of general interest to Thetford residents? Send *brief* submissions to [thetford@pendane.com](mailto: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



A combination of rapidly melting snow and heavy rains in March 1936 made for a historic flood across New England. North Thetford was inundated, and the only way to get around was by boat.