THETFORD DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all of those that donated to our "Fill-A-Truck" food drive and yard sale held in May. The yard sale was a great success and we also sold baked goods, grilled hot dogs, chips and beverages! In addition to the items collected during our food drive, we were able to present a monetary donation to the Thetford Food Shelf of almost \$700.00!!

With our appreciation,

Mary Ellen Parkman and Diane Osgood

THETFORD ENERGY COMMITTEE

Sept. 12 at 6:30pm, Thetford Center Community Center. Please join us for information on three programs for income-qualifying Vermonters. Light refreshments will be served.

CAPSTONE: Free home weatherization, fuel \$ assistance, wood stove replacement.

Annual income guidelines, to qualify for discounts: Income per number of household residents:

- \$44.632/1
- \$51,008/2
- \$57,384/3
- \$63,760/4
- \$68,861/5
- \$73,972/6
- \$79,062/7
- \$84,760/8

COVER: Free weatherization and home repair for income-qualified residents.

WINDOW DRESSERS: custom-built, interior storm windows for Thetford residents that let light in, keep drafts out, reusable and reduce heating costs. Grant money make these \$40 windows available to income-qualifying residents for as little as \$5/window.

Anyone interested in volunteering to take measurements or assemble windows, please contact bobwalkervt@gmail.com.

Your neighbors on the Thetford Energy Committee,

Mary Bryant and Bob Walker

TIMOTHY FROST BUILDING PLANS COMMITTEE

Agenda for Sept. 26, 2019, Thetford Town Hall, 7 pm.

- 7:00 pm Public comments
- 7:15 pm Review minutes from Jul/Aug meetings.
- 7:20 pm Set date, time, and place for Oct/Nov meetings.
- 7:30 pm Work on drafting survey.
- 8:30 pm Adjourn

Sharon Harkay

TOWN CLERK

Please join us in welcoming Thetford's first Town Manager, Serena Bemis-Goodall, at a Meet and Greet Reception on Mon. Sept. 9, 6-7 pm at Town Hall. This will be just prior to the regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

Tracy Borst, CMC & CVC Town Clerk & Treasurer

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Thetford Town School District is looking for two interested community members to participate on its Strategic Planning Committee as it plans its hopes and vision for the next 5 years. If you are interested please be ready to commit to meeting as part of a group of 12 people from late September through late May-early June. If you are interested, please send letters or emails of interest to the Thetford School Board at PO Box 182, 2689 VT Route 113, Thetford, VT 05074, or schoolboard@thetfordvermont.us.

Shannon Darrah

THETFORD ELDER NETWORK

SENIOR COFFEE KLATCH

The second Wednesday senior Coffee Klatch will be held Sept. 11th, 10-11:30 at the Thetford Center community center. Come meet friends and neighbors for visiting, coffee, lemonade, treats - no charge. Call if you need a ride, 802-222-7885. Hope to see you there!

Pril Hall

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

Wow--Autumn already! It will be when we gather at the North Thetford Church on Thurs., Sept. 26, at 11:30a.m. for the Thetford Elder Network Luncheon: Pam's Signature Mac and Cheese, Tossed Salad, Chet's Sautéed Veggie Medley, Fruit crisp with ice cream for dessert, and a Beverage, of course.

And with our close attention, we'll have announcements and an informative program that could help our comfort in winter, as well as our budget!

Senior Solutions sponsors the TEN Luncheons, held monthly on fourth Thursdays (except near holidays.) Your suggested donation (\$5 if you can) will be accepted with thanks.

Could you help with one specific task? Call Cathy at 785-3136.

We're glad to be part of an enthusiastic team who make these fun events possible. We appreciate our diners, regular and new!

Susan Rump

PARISH PLAYERS

Spinning Into Butter by Rebecca Gilman, directed by Kay Morton, is a play based on actual, racially fueled incidents that took place at Middlebury College in the early 1980s, though Ms. Gilman sets her play on the fictitious campus of Belmont College, also in Vermont. The discoveries and challenges faced by the characters in

this production are as relevant today as they were thirty years ago when the play was written.

The show opens in the office of a new Dean of Students. With efforts of being politically correct while assisting a Latin American student with a scholarship, a crisis erupts. Racist notes are found on the dorm door of one of the school's few black students. Sarah is charged with defusing the turmoil of emotions of the students and the faculty. In the process, she is forced to look at her own challenges and ingrained prejudices. A twist becomes instrumental to Sarah's reexamination of her life, and the beginning of a new journey.

Cast members include: Jenn Langhus, Mark Rosalbo, Steve Cornish, Kim Meredith, Paul Hunt, Fritz Junker, and Acadia Cook.

Show dates: Sept. 26-29 and October 3-6. For reservations and more information go to parishplayers.org. See you at the Theater!

Katherine Morton

THETFORD LIBRARIES

LATHAM LIBRARY

Latham Library will be closed on Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

"Universe of Stories" Summer Reading Program: If you were not able to attend the summer reading program finale party, you may pick up your child's certificate and prize at the Latham Library front desk anytime during open hours.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT LATHAM LIBRARY

Thurs., Sept. 5, 5:00-7:00pm: **Unplugged Game Night!** Every first Thursday of the month (during the school year), come play one of our board games or bring your own. All ages welcome. Pizza will be served. If you would like pizza, please RSVP to librarians@thetfordlibrary.org.

ONGOING PROGRAMS AT LATHAM LIBRARY

Tales and Tunes with Tots: a playgroup for babies, toddlers and

their caregivers. Wednesdays at 10 am during the school year, unless noted. All are welcome!

Storytime Fridays at 11 am unless noted. Stories and songs for preschoolers and their siblings. All are welcome!

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

After school activities for students in grades 4-6 start on Sept. 6 and 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. Please note that students younger than grade 4 must be accompanied by an adult or high school student while in the library.

PEABODY LIBRARY

UPCOMING EVENTS AT PEABODY LIBRARY

Peabody Library Book Discussion Series: Wed., Sept. 18 at 7:00 pm. *Sweetland* by Michael Crummey. Books are now available to borrow at Latham and Peabody Libraries. All are welcome.

ONGOING PROGRAMS AT PEABODY LIBRARY

After school Wednesdays will begin on Wed., Sept. 4 and run every Wednesday that Thetford Elementary School is in session, unless noted. Students in grades K-3 may take the school bus from TES to the Peabody Library for stories, activities, and a snack. Pick-up time is 4:30 pm.

For more information, including lists of new books and movies, please visit thetfordlibrary.org or follow us on Facebook @thetfordlibraries.

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., Sept. 24th at 7 pm. We will be discussing *The Family* by Jeff Sharlet.

Behind the scenes at every National Prayer Breakfast since 1953 has been the Family, an elite network dedicated to a religion of power for the powerful. Their goal is "Jesus plus nothing." Their method is backroom diplomacy. The Family is the startling story of how their faith—part free-market fundamentalism, part imperial ambition—has come to be interwoven with the affairs of nations around the world.

You can find the book at your library; via interlibrary loan; as an audio or ebook via the Green Mountain (gmlc.overdrive.com) or New Hampshire (nh.overdrive.com) library consortiums; from your bookseller; or at bookfinder.com. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

EDM Landman MD

COMMUNITY NURSE OF THETFORD

Office hours at the Upper Valley Pediatrics Office in East Thetford (former Merchants Bank) across from Isabell's Café are Wednesdays, 1-3 PM.

Blood pressure checks, medication review, caregiver resources, advocacy and education related to health care challenges.

Call or email for an appointment. Services are free and confidential. Available for phone and home visits.

No office hours Sept. 3rd.

Cindy Grigel RN 802-738-9066, fax 802-785-4709 communitynursethetford@gmail.com communitynurseofthetford.weebly.com

GOT NEWS?

Is your news of general interest to Thetford residents? Call me at 356-4542 or send *brief* submissions to thetford@pendane.com 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). I welcome your feedback.

Susanna French