



Enfield Community Currents

News from and for the Community

September-November 2011

Free

Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

~Henry James

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The next issue will be compiled in December for publication at the end of that month. Contact the editor with information you'd like to see included.

Who-ee! Summer has landed!

Ah, the dog days of summer! It's meaning more than ever this summer. When I told my daughter that I was reluctant to just stay at Wegman's all afternoon with my head on the table, she suggested the library - more comfortable chairs and they would be more tolerant of napping! Next heat wave, I'm going to try it. The daylilies thrive on the heat and have been more beautiful than I ever remember. If you can't get to the Jersey Shore, you better be chatting up your neighbors who have a pool. I have wrangled invitations to two near my house.

Summer camp is full up. Very much the place to be - tie dying, theater, mini-golf and much more. Water temperature is 72° and the kids go swimming or wading morning and afternoon with a break to Taughannock several times. I'm sure the water is very different there...

Still need some volunteers for the Harvest Festival. Call Marnie, 272-2241 or me, 277-3478. If you don't call us, we'll be calling you! Volunteers for set-up are always appreciated. We'll start at 2:30 on Friday at the school and many hands make light work....and pizza for the helpers.

Hope you are getting your quota of summer activities. There's lots of live music around, outdoor movies and other activities abound. Stay cool and see you at the Harvest Festival on September 17th! Buy a chance on the beautiful quilt. It's really something to see!!

~Ann Rider

GED Classes May Return to Enfield School

If you are interested in the GED classes starting up again at the Enfield School please call Michelle at BOCES at 257-1555 extension 372 and tell her you are interested or you can call Mary Cole, Enfield Family Liaison, at Enfield School once school starts again: 274-6838. Please pass this information on to others who may be interested.

Calling all Bakers: Cakes Needed For Harvest Festival

Donations of cakes for the cake wheel at the Harvest Festival are especially needed and graciously accepted. Both can be dropped off at the school Friday afternoon and evening during set up or the morning of the event. Call Tammy Alling, 592-5733.

Want to get involved in and/or give back to your community?

The Enfield Community Council (ECC) welcomes any and all levels of participation, from serving as board members to volunteering for an event or activity. This is a great way to make an impact within your community. Call Ann Rider at 277-3478 for more information.

Community Guide

ECC is developing a *Guide to Enfield* for residents to include information about community services and organizations. To make sure your organization is represented, please contact Debbie Teeter at 272-2292 or DLT22@cornell.edu.

36th Enfield Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 17th - 10 am to 4 pm

Enfield Elementary School - 20 Enfield Main Road

Good Times & Great Food All Day!



Featured Events

Live Entertainment

11-12 Pete Panek
12-1 Doolin O' Dey
1-2 Technicolor Trailer Park
Walking about:
Finger Lakes Pipe Band

The Tompkins County Dairy Princess Court

McCadam Cheese Samples & Giant Ice Cream Sundae at 1 pm!

Ping Pong Ball Drop - 3 pm

Silent Auction

Goods & services from local artists, crafters, restaurants & businesses:

Quilt Raffle

Drawing at 4:00 pm

Twin Size "Tulips in the Park"
Hand-applied top by Peggy Hill,
hand-quilted by community members

Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5
Available at Valley Korner's Store or
from ECC Members & Enfield Seniors
& at the Festival Main Ticket Table

Local Vendors

Hand-crafted & Locally produced!

Thanks to the United Way for their Support!

**United
Way**



Concession Stand

Chili, corn chowder, chili dogs,
hot dogs, nachos & cheese,
soda, juice, water

**PLUS: Delectable Treats at the
Enfield Senior Citizens Bake
Sale AND the EVFD Ladies
Auxiliary Cake Wheel!**

Chicken BBQ at 11 am

\$8 full dinner
Chicken, roll, choice of two sides:
baked beans, salt potatoes, cole slaw
& Valley Korner's "Davey's Cookies"
for dessert!

\$6 chicken half only
\$6 vegetarian

Lots of Games & Activities for Children, including:

Hay Rides * PTA Book Fair * Games Tent

Fun Things to Look at and Learn About with:

Enfield Fire Department * Enfield Highway Department
Bangs Ambulance * Roll Over Demo with the State Police
"Car Pride" * Exhibit Tompkins County Transportation
Coop Extension Energy Corps * Recycling Center

Can you help make this event a success?

Contact Ann Rider at 277-3478 or daylilyann10@yahoo.com

The Enfield Harvest Festival is the major annual fundraiser for the Enfield Community Council; all profits go directly to fund local Youth and Community Programs.

Event made possible by the Tompkins County Tourism Program.

Some of the Community Quilters (& the Quilt!) who helped hand-quilt this year's beautiful Raffle Quilt!



Enfield Community Council Programs

ECC Summer Day Camp Vera Howe-Strait, Director

Wow! Is it already the end of July and camp is completing week 4 of 6? It has been a very busy summer for those of us participating in the summer camp. Once again we are located at lower Treman State Park and the North Shelter. It is such a comfortable place for us; we have access to an open field for sports and other games or just running, shaded trees for resting or listening to a story being read to us, picnic tables surrounding the pavilion for our science activities or other activities outdoors, access to the playground by way of a short walk, access to the creek for walking thru and exploring, hiking trails along the gorge and access to the swim area with a longer 10 minute walk – we really couldn't ask for much better and it is definitely a camp environment and "feel".

The trips we have already been on are 4 trips to Taughannock, 1 to Watkins Glen, 1 trip to Trumansburg Mini-Golf, the Syracuse Zoo, 1 Hangar Theatre play and the Cayuga Nature Center. Presenters have been the Tin Can Fantasy Factory, Tompkins County Public Library, and the New York State Coalition for Healthy Foods.

In the last 2 weeks of camp we are going to the Sciencenter, Trumansburg Mini-Golf, Greenwood Lake, Hangar Theatre, Bowling trips, and the traditional Watkins Glen last day trip with a barbecue. The special activities we have completed and /or will be done are: Sno-Cones, Water Day, Tie-Dye, Ice Cream, and the traditional Peanut Hunt.

The daily schedule includes organized sports games, arts and crafts activities (sun catchers, pom-pom critters, bracelets, pet rocks, nature screen painting, cupcake decorating, foam shape magnets, wood shape magnets), Forgotten Arts (ice cream in a bag, smores, camp egg decorating, edible play dough, reading books and eating popcorn, grilled cheese, play dough, musical chairs, songs, board games, puzzles, clay, ooblick, goop, and hot potato with water balloons ball), Science (soda bottle rockets, food coloring dye flowers, volcanoes, tree identification), The Cornell Energy Corps volunteers working on energy activities and information of conservation and the afternoons are reserved for swimming or sprinklers. The two oldest groups of campers get to participate in the Primitive Pursuits program and the Thursday Trails (formally known as Walking Wednesdays).

I can't image I have left out too much – just typing this out makes me realize how busy we have kept the campers and counselors. I have enjoyed my season with all your children, as I do each year. Thank you for the staff and their diligence, responsibility and professionalism and endless energy to keep up. Thanks to the Town of Enfield and Enfield Community Council for their continuing support to make the camp all that it is.



Lindsay, staff & children—smiles all around!

Fun in the Sun and More to Come: Enfield Youth Programming!!! Lindsay Cray, Enfield Youth Program Manager

Earlier this spring youth finished up projects in the 2011 programs— Our Totally Tuesdays group had a super smoothie-making contest, built their own hot air balloons, and enjoyed multiple team building exercises. Students at Boynton continued to join us for Lunch Bunch each Wednesday during their lunch period where we tried delicious new and healthy foods, had great peer discussions, and wrapped up our *Above the Influence* activities in preparation for our march in the Ithaca Festival Parade! Youth in our Primitives program learned how to sew with elk, deer and goat hides, identify wild plants, harvest tree bark as a utility and navigate streams barefooted!

We have continued the excitement into our Enfield Summer Camp programming this year: catching crayfish, learning how to make fires (primitive style of course), going on adventure treks and planning our upcoming primitives camp-out with an overnight. Other summer fun included trips to Watkins Glen, the Syracuse Zoo and Taughannock Falls. For those youth who participated in our *Counselors In Training* (C.I.T.) program, we had a number of activities in which our CIT's gained experience in working in a real-world setting. They learned about leadership, interpersonal and conflict resolution skills, as well as fun ways to build relationships with kids and peers alike, using ice-breakers and teambuilding games. We even had a few guest visits from Beth Bannister who helped lead specialty trainings in job-interviewing, resume writing and the college/job application process.

Watch for exciting Fall programs in early September. You will find more information and the program brochure on our web page at:

www.cce.cornell.edu/tompkins/rys/index.htm.

You can contact me with questions or comments at 272-2292 ext 225, or email at lac263@cornell.edu

Enfield School Age Program

The Enfield School Age Program is available to the families whose children attend the Enfield Elementary School grades K-5.

The daily schedule includes 2 snacks, homework time, lots of outdoor play, group time (with various activities that are different each day), free play, organized sports games, outdoor education activities, science activities, arts and crafts, quiet reading.

There are presenters from: Cornell EYES (Engineering Department), Asian Department (Thai and Spanish languages), Cornell Raptors (Birds of Prey), Cornell Sports Teams, SPCA, and Cayuga Nature Center to name a few.

Applications are available from Colleen, the Program Director, in the school cafeteria from 1:45-5:30 and/or call 274-2368 for further information.

Enfield Community Council Programs

Notes from the ECC President:

As a child, summers were idyllic times that seemed so much longer. It was fun to visit ECC's summer camp at Treman Park and see the community's children engaged in fun activities. It was particularly rewarding to see both staff and campers that I recognized from past employment at the camp. This endeavor could not happen without ECC's strong community support. No child was turned away because the Enfield Baptist Fellowship generously provided scholarships to families in need of them.

Vera Howe Strait's dedication to this community goes way beyond the call of duty. She calmly addresses every issue and has the respect of all the authorities for compliance with the regulations with willingness to consider any effort to enhance our youth experience. Enfield is truly blessed to have her as our camp director and stalwart community volunteer.

Vera begins planning camp in February and assisted with the completion of ECC United Way applications. She walked me through the online process which was highly successful. Data from the Compass Community Needs Assessment highlighted some compelling community needs which a newly formed ECC program committee is discussing. If you have interest in participating or comments contact Marnie via phone 272-2241 or email magic@htva.net.

ECC's mailing address is changed! Our new address is 168 Enfield Main Road, Suite 10, Ithaca, New York 14850. In keeping with our mission of community-building, a local address seemed appropriate. We plan to launch a logo shortly with a *Welcome to Enfield* gift bag containing information specific to our community.

This time of year much of ECC's time is spent planning for the annual Harvest Festival scheduled for September 17, 2011 at Enfield School from 10 am to 4 pm. This event will include all of the traditional features such as barbeque, games, silent auction and ping ball drop, with entertainment from the Finger Lakes Bagpipe Band, Pete Panek, Doolin O' Dey, and Technicolor Trailer Park. We hope to see you there!

- Marnie Kirchgessner

2012 Harvest Festival Quilt - Planning Ahead!

Quilting is nothing if not a whole lot of long-range planning. This year's quilting group was very enthusiastic about doing the WHOLE thing this year. Yes, we can do this, said they. There were several newbies who were very enthusiastic about learning more about this process. I had said that I wanted to use rescued material; so, after the picture taking session, Barbara Sadovnic ran home and got some material that she had had on hand for years and that is forming the basis for our 2012 quilt. JoAnn Huddle and I went to SewGreen a couple of weeks ago and finished out the color scheme. It ended up changing quite a bit and now it is going to be a red, pink, and green scheme. We're not sure what the pattern is going to be yet but we are planning two organizational/teaching sessions to teach people how to operate a sewing machine, rotary cut, sew squares together and produce the squares for next year's quilt. Out of this will come our pattern. These sessions will be held on **Saturday, October 15 and Saturday, October 29**. They will be held from 10-12 a.m. at the Community Building. Come join this fun process. No experience is necessary but you need to be 12 to join us. For more information call Ann Rider, 277-3478.

Enfield Beautification

Hope everyone has noticed the lovely red, white and blue barrels of annuals that line the main thoroughfare. Many thanks to Helen Hetherington for planning, planting and watering them this summer. We'll plant chrysanthemums this fall when the weather changes.

We have two maintenance men this summer. Trent Lucas agreed to return and Mark Stillwell has enthusiastically joined our merry band. We got an early start on things this spring and have pretty well kept ahead of the weeds in the Memorial Garden in front of the school and the 'Welcome' sign. We have also paid particular attention to the bus stop. Buddy and the Town guys graciously set the 3 bicycle stands last fall and added some much-needed gravel to the site. The boys have been steadfast about keeping the area weed-wacked and weeded and all in all, I think we have quite a presentable first impression to our community. We will be finishing off the planting at the other 'Welcome' sign this fall when it is cooler and most to the site work has been completed at the new Town buildings.

Many thanks to Larry and Linda Stilwell for joining the Beautification Committee. If you see Mark or Helen or Trent, give a shout out. They've made it happen!

~Ann Rider

Adult Basketball to Resume

Adult Basketball will resume in the Enfield Elementary School gym Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m. Adults and teens 16 and older are invited to join in for fun and exercise.

An Adult Waiver, Release and Consent form is required; there is no charge to participants.

This activity is sponsored by ECC. Contact Fay Coyne with questions at 273-0162.

Enhance Fitness

**Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.
Enfield Community Center**

This evidence-based exercise program helps participants at all levels of fitness become more active, energized, and empowered to sustain independent lives. Classes focus on stretching, flexibility, balance, low impact aerobics, strength training exercises, and deep breathing exercises. Join us for classes at the Enfield Community Center. All are welcome! Suggested donation of \$0-\$3. for more information contact Lifelong at 273-1511.

Zumba Dance at the elementary school Monday's 6:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 15 and up, \$4 per class, sponsored by the ECC. Call Nichole at 227-9818 for more info.

The Enfield Volunteer Fire Company Memorial Scholarship Fund

The Enfield Volunteer Fire Company Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by the Enfield Volunteer Fire Company to assist individuals attempting to improve themselves and the community through academic achievement. This scholarship is offered to any resident of the Town of Enfield or fire personnel of the Enfield Volunteer Fire Company. All students meeting eligibility requirements will be considered for this scholarship.

This scholarship program is open to any Enfield resident perusing a degree in fire science, safety engineering, medical studies or public administration. It will be awarded to individuals pursuing a higher education, either attending a junior college or a four-year college or university.

A completed application and a letter of reference must be submitted by October 1, 2011. The scholarship recipient will be honored during the Fire Company's annual banquet in December. The scholarship amount, approved by the membership, will be \$250. The Scholarship Committee will select the recipient based on the merits of the application in accordance with selection criteria. For more information please contact William Eisenhardt (272-0827) or Larry Lanning (256-7476).

The Fire Company sincerely thanks members of the community who have donated funds in memory of lost loved ones; you have made this program possible. Donations to the Memorial Scholarship Fund are gratefully accepted at any time.

- Submitted by William Eisenhardt and Larry Lanning

Enfield Valley Grange

What amazing summer weather we have been blessed with. Gardens are producing, flowers are in abundance, and the sunshine...oh..who could complain! Hope all of you and your families have been able to take some time for yourselves to enjoy and have some 'fun in the sun'.

We are always seeking profitable ideas to earn money for our Building Fund. This year on our agenda for repair is the front landing and steps, as it is in dire need of patching (a lot of patching!) or replacement. Certainly it would be wonderful if this task could be completed before winter, but the determining factor will be cost. We are open to ideas to strengthen our Building Fund; if you have any profitable ideas, please share with us. Community support is appreciated by joining us in our Grange meals and events throughout the year, which contributes to our Building Fund. Of course donations are always appreciated and can be sent to: Roger Hubbell, 301 W. Enfield Center Rd., Ithaca NY 14850.

Currently we are busy planning the Election Night Dinner that will be held on Tuesday, November 8th. Come join us as we will be serving a complete turkey dinner with all the trimmings, and let's not forget those amazing homemade desserts!

Once again we will be continuing our monthly breakfasts beginning in January. Our schedule will be as follows:

January 7 th	March 3 rd	May 5 th
February 4 th	April 7 th	

We invite you to join as a member. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m., please come join the fun.

Easy Ways to help the Enfield PTA

- Get a Target card and link it to Enfield School
- Take your redeemables to K&H Redemption for credit to Enfield PTA
- Save Labels for Education and Box Tops for Education and drop them off at the school

Enfield Elementary PTA

The meeting schedule for Enfield Elementary PTA for 2011-2012 academic year:

September 12
October 17
November 14 (tentative)
December 12
January 9
February 13
March 12 (tentative)
April 16 (nominations for officers must be in)
May (determined by district PTA/ vote on 2012-2013 officers)
June 11

Meetings are in the Enfield Cafeteria unless otherwise noted

5:30 p.m.: Refreshments
6:00 p.m.: Meeting

PTA is a community-based organization for our children. You do NOT need to be a parent to join. We need everyone to contribute with ideas, time, money, or anything else you can think of. PTA gives new books to each student on their birthdays (children choose from a selection), brings in performers (this year we brought in "Capture the Flag", a Civil War performance from a child's point of view, Ithaca City Orchestra, and a teaching artist), the Enfield Yearbook (which is given to ALL students regardless of their ability to pay). We provide limited funds for teachers to get classroom materials, a Holiday Breakfast for all families, and a grant to the Enfield Elementary Library for new books. We also sponsored a discussion of the Ithaca City School District 2011-2012 budget with Dr. Brown, ICSD Superintendent, and many other wonderful opportunities. We would like to begin a by-monthly free family movie night.

Please come to any meeting; they are open to the public. You may have the next idea that will make a difference in our children's lives.

To get more information contact Enfield PTA President **Cortney Bailey** at 279-4702.

The Dunham Family
by Sue Thompson, Enfield Town Historian



Peter and Irene Dunham were living in the Gunderman and Jersey Hill Roads area of Danby New York in 1850. There were six children listed as living with them: John, Lydia, Ephraim, Charlotte, Moses, and Sarah. Irene's father was Ephraim Rolfe of Enfield. By 1860 some of the Dunham family had moved to Enfield. Martin was living with the Ford family on Fish Road. Peter and Irene and three of the children were living on the west end of Enfield Center Road. Some of their neighbors at that time were Bryums, Leonards, Kirbys and Teeters. They had eight acres of farm land where they grew wheat and oats and had cows, oxen, sheep and pigs. Life was busy and hard back then especially when the Civil War came along in 1861. The Dunham family became deeply involved in the War when three of their sons signed up for military service. John enlisted in 1861 from the Town of Ithaca; Ephraim enlisted in 1862 from the Town of Danby and Martin 1863 from the Town of Enfield. They lost two of the sons in the war.

John had enlisted twice: once in 1861 and once in 1863 with the cavalry. He died at Sandy Hook, Maryland from wounds received on July 29, 1864. John is assumed buried in Rolfe Cemetery on Applegate Road here in Enfield. Ephraim died three months after his enlistment from disease; I've not located his burial site. Martin came back from the war and lived until 1912. Why am I telling you this story? John never has had his own grave marker. He shares one with his mother Irene who died in 1887 and, sadly, the stone is in disrepair. Since John was in the military he is qualified to receive a military grave marker. I have applied for this marker through the Federal government and at this point waiting to hear from them.

The other part of the story is about Martin Dunham (above) enlisted in the military in 1863 in the Town of Enfield. There is a Martin Dunham who is buried in Rolfe Cemetery (1846–1912). Martin was listed as 5 feet 6 and 1/2 inches, light hair, grey eyes and 18 years old, with his parents as Peter and "Elizabeth" Dunham. The paper work is a little confusing at this point because the Martin in Rolfe Cemetery has Peter and Irene listed as his parents on his death certificate - so who is Elizabeth? His wife, Fannie Cowan Dunham, applied for a widows pension in 1912 (Martin's death). All his military enlistment and release papers point to Martin of 1846. There is a Dunham family bible on the web but it does not directly say he was in the civil war; the bible was his wife Fannie's. He lost his son Willie, 18 years old, in 1898 from a hunting accident near Applegate Corners. Harry, age 23, died in 1905 at the Elmira Reformatory. He was sentenced there for stealing money. Burr died at the age of 19 years old in 1905 after a short illness.

The sad point, or at least I think it's sad, is that he served his country during the Civil War but no one seems to acknowledge this point in any of the articles I found. Was it because the Civil War was so horrific that maybe many did not want to speak about what they went through during it?

I am looking for one more written piece of information that points directly at Martin as being in the Civil War. Does any one know about the Dunham family and their history? Please let me know.



Stop losing your money out of your home!

Want ideas about how to waste less and save more?

Everything you need to know at: www.ccetompkins.org/energypath



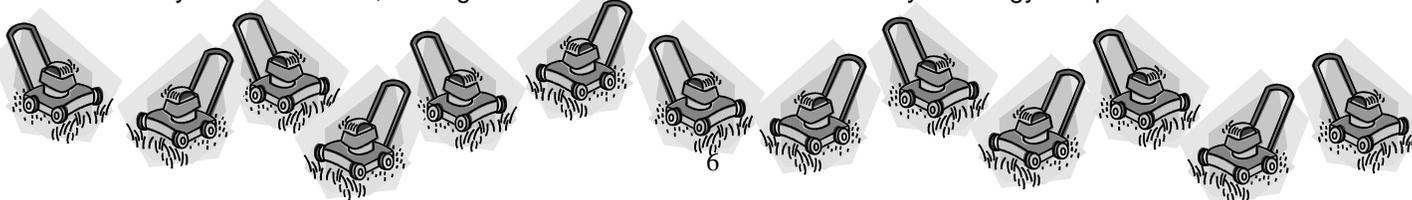
With fuel prices going up and up and up, everyone is looking for ways to save money on energy bills. Luckily, there are lots of ways to save money and make your home more comfortable and more affordable to operate. Right now you can get a free or reduced cost home energy assessment using NYSERDA's Green Jobs Green NY enhanced program funding for Home Performance with Energy Star® (apply at www.ccetompkins.org/gny). It's a great opportunity to learn where your home is losing energy and easy cost-effective improvements you can make to reduce energy costs, increase comfort, and reduce indoor air pollutants.

During the assessment an accredited contractor evaluates insulation levels and determines the efficiency of heating systems, household appliances and lighting. A thermal imaging camera identifies heat loss through walls and areas that need insulation. Air leaking from the house is measured using a blower door, which is a large fan affixed to an exterior doorway to show air infiltration. The contractor will also test indoor air quality and suggest ways to reduce your exposure to mold, radon, carbon monoxide, and other pollutants.

For more information on how to get a free or reduced cost energy assessment visit ccetompkins.org/gny or call 272-2292. Also, visit the interactive financing guide (ccetompkins.org/energypath) to find other subsidies, loans, and tax credits you may qualify for to help pay for energy improvements. You can also find the path to energy savings, how-to tips and videos for saving energy, and testimonials from other residents who have made energy upgrades.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County is organizing a number of programs to help spread the word about the benefits of energy efficiency. We offer informational presentations to any group, organization, or neighborhood. Energy Teams are forming throughout the county to provide support for people to make the changes they want to make. If you are interested in getting involved, or know a group where we might do a presentation, please contact Shawn Lindabury at 272-2292 or SCL36@cornell.edu.

One by one we do a lot, but together we can transition our community to energy independence!





From Enfield Volunteer Fire Company's Chief



It has been very busy for fire departments and utility companies across the state this year. The storm season has been active. Just today we spent most of the evening clearing roads of downed trees and guarding downed utility poles and power lines. An electric power line can fall on almost anything that will conduct electricity and be very dangerous; TV cable, phone line, trees, metal fences, guard rails, and much more. Always call emergency services when you see hazardous conditions; never touch or try to remove wires that have fallen or are hanging low. Please call NYSEG for electrical concerns at 1-800-572-1131 or the Tompkins County Emergency Center 911. Some helpful tips from NYSEG for storms can be found at the following: <http://www.nyseg.com/UsageAndSafety/electricalsafety/stormsafety.html>



American Red Cross

We continue hosting a blood drive through The American Red Cross at the Enfield Volunteer Fire Company. The next scheduled blood drives will be Tuesday, September 20th, and Tuesday, November 15th. The hours of the blood drive will be from 1:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. You can make an appointment by calling Roy at 277-3843 or the American Red Cross at 273-1900. Walk-ins are always welcome. Thank you for your support.

Brush Fires

As summer continues, do not get caught off guard when having an outdoor fire. We respond to many grass fires in the spring, summer, and fall. Before trying to put the fire out yourself call 911 and report the fire. With strong winds the fire can change direction and spread very fast. Last year we assisted Newfield in extinguishing an out-of-control fire that ended up burning many acres through a wooded hillside. The volunteer fire fighters in the area are equipped with additional equipment to stop the spread of outside fires. **A state ban on open burning remains in effect.** See a few highlights from the state web site listed below. <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/58519.html>

Questions and Answers Regarding Open Burning: *Regulations Effective October 14, 2009*

1. Do the regulations on open burning make burning household trash in burn barrels or piles illegal?

Yes. Burning trash is prohibited statewide in all cases. Our existing incinerator rule already prohibits burning household trash in wood stoves, fireplaces, and outdoor wood boilers. DEC recommends that you recycle all appropriate materials (such as newspaper, paper, glass and plastic) and compost your organic kitchen and garden waste.

2. What are the regulations on open burning in New York State?

Effective on October 14, 2009, all open burning is prohibited in New York with several exceptions including the following:

- Campfires less than 3' in height and 4' in length, width, or diameter are allowed.
- Small cooking fires are allowed.
- Fires cannot be left unattended and must be fully extinguished.
- Only charcoal or clean, dry, untreated or unpainted wood can be burned.
- Ceremonial or celebratory bonfires are allowed.
- In towns with a total population less than 20,000, you may burn tree limbs with attached leaves. The limbs must be less than 6" in diameter and 8' in length (also referred to as brush). However, **this is not allowed from March 16 through May 14 due to the increased risk of wildfires.**

See Section 215.3 for a full list of exceptions.

3. Why has DEC changed the regulations allowing open burning in New York State?

Open burning of household trash releases dangerous compounds including arsenic, carbon monoxide, benzene, styrene, formaldehyde, lead, hydrogen cyanide and dioxin, among others. Open burning is also the single greatest cause of wildfires in New York.

4. Can I burn leaves if I live in a rural area?

No, burning leaves is banned in New York State. We encourage you to compost leaves.

Again, thank you for all the support you provide us throughout the Year.

- Arthur Howser Jr. – Chief of the Enfield Volunteer Fire Company

Enfield Ladies Auxiliary

We have had an eventful spring and summer. The Auxiliary marched in the Montour Falls Parade in June, and managed to get through the parade before the downpour started.

In July, Judy Hetherington was installed as the new President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Central New York Firemen's Association. She had a small reception following the close of the convention meeting. This year's Convention was held at the White Eagle Conference Center in Hamilton, New York, in Madison County.

In August, The Ladies Auxiliary of the New York State Firemen's Association held their convention at the Riversedge Resort in Alexandria Bay. Pam Whittaker was installed for her second year as President of the New York State Auxiliary.

In September, we will be running the cake wheel at the ECC Harvest Festival on September 17, 2011. All donations of cakes would be appreciated. Cake donations can be dropped off on Friday, September 16 at the Enfield School or on the morning of September 17.

If you are interested in joining our Auxiliary, we meet on the Monday night after the first Thursday of each month. Our next meeting date is September 12th (this is one week later due to the holiday on the 5th). Just come by the Firehouse to one of our meetings to get information. We look forward to seeing you.

Enfield Food Pantry



The Enfield Food Pantry is available to Enfield residents who need help providing food for themselves and their family.

PLEASE NOTE NEW HOURS:

The pantry is now open **1:00 - 2:00 p.m.** on the second Tuesday of every month and **3:00 - 5:00 p.m.** on the fourth Tuesday.

The pantry is located at the Enfield Community Building at 182 Enfield Main Road and is a ministry of the Enfield Baptist Fellowship. The Town of Enfield provides the space and utility costs.

Weigh Scale Replacement Completed at the Recycling & Solid Waste Center

The Tompkins County Solid Waste Management Division (TCSWMD) announces the Recycling and Solid Waste Center's new outbound weigh scale installation has been completed. Both weigh scales are now operational.

Thank you for your patience; for more information, contact: TCSWMD, 273-6632, www.recycletompkins.org

Eat Better Today, Stay Healthy for Tomorrow—Are you 60 or older?

- Every day seniors just like you use Food Stamps to help buy nutritious food to help stay healthy.
- Up to a million older New Yorkers may be eligible for food stamp benefits, but most have not yet applied.
- Help strengthen our community! Every \$5 spent in benefits nearly doubles to \$10 in local economic activity.
- As an added help to seniors, most medical expenses may be counted toward raising your monthly benefits.

Income Guidelines may be higher than you think! For a free prescreening to find out if you may be eligible please contact:

Nutrition Outreach & Education Program
Melissa Young, NOEP Coordinator
607 272-5062 ext. 21
Catholic Charities Tompkins/Tioga
324 W. Buffalo St., Ithaca, NY 14850

No appointment necessary, this institution is an equal opportunity provider. Prepared by a project of the Nutrition Consortium of NYS, USDA/FNS, and NYSOTDA.

Area Churches

Agape Bible Church

264 S. Applegate Road, Ithaca NY 14850
607-273-7419/www.agape-ithaca.org

Pastor Mike Corriero
Pastor Chip Adams-Compton

We invite you to join us Sunday mornings for our 70 minute service, beginning at 8:30 a.m., with a bit more of a traditional flavor. Or, join us at 10:00 a.m. for our contemporary worship celebration. Nursery and children's church are provided in this service only. Youth group also meets twice a month during this 2nd service.

Our church community includes local residents from Enfield as well as many people from all over Tompkins County, including Cornell and Ithaca College students. We have an active outreach program which involves many from our church, including students, providing spiritual outreach to: Lakeside Nursing Home, Titus Towers, Beachtree, Oak Hill Manor, Lou Gossett Center, and Cayuga Addiction Recovery Services. Midweek Bible Studies, Men's Bible Studies twice per month and Echo's Women's Breakfast meets monthly. View our Cable TV broadcast "God is Greater" on Time Warner Cable Channel 13, Mondays 10 pm, Tuesdays 2 pm, & Thursdays 4 pm.

If you identify a need in your life for God, or have a spiritual hunger for Him, or you are seeking Him, join us!

Enfield Baptist Fellowship

The Enfield Baptist Fellowship gathers at 10:00 AM Sunday mornings at the Enfield Baptist Church, 174 Enfield Main Road, for Worship and Sunday School. All are welcome!

We are an American Baptist Church. www.abc-usa.org/. We are very involved in missions in Enfield and around the world including the Enfield Food Distribution, which we sponsor. We strive to see no one goes hungry in our community. We work with many others to respond to crisis situations throughout the world to provide necessary items to those in need.

Enfield Baptist Church

162 Enfield Main Road, Ithaca, NY 14850
607-277-6301

Rev. Chris Lynch, Senior Pastor
Rev. David Leonard, Associate Pastor
Rev. Jim Clark, Youth Pastor/Assoc. Pastor

The **Enfield Baptist Church** welcomes you! We are a full Gospel community fellowship, incorporating contemporary worship music with traditional hymns. We believe and practice the gifts of the Spirit (I Corinthians 12). We also offer a Bible-based Christian School for grades Pre-K through 12th.

Regularly Scheduled Events:

Sunday

Prayer	9:00 am
Worship Service	10:00 am
Youth Group, ages 13 & up	6:00 pm
Worship Warriors, ages 4-12	6:00 pm

Wednesday

Mothers Group, 2nd & 4th Wed	2:30 pm
Prayer	6:00 pm
Bible Study	7:00 pm

Friday 2nd & 4th Fri

Friday Night Live - Bible Study	7:00 pm
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Saturday last Sat of the month

Men's Breakfast	7:00 am
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Jacksonville Community United Methodist Church

PO Box 224, Jacksonville, NY 14854
607-387-6296/www.jcumc.com

Reverend Nelson Reppert, Pastor
Reverend Enid Zollweg, Pastor
Jean Geuder, Organist & Choir Leader
Ministers: the Congregation

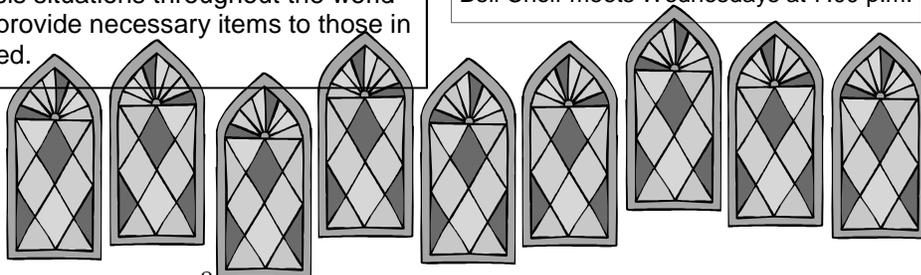
We welcome visitors and invite you to join us at any time. The church is located on Route 96 in Jacksonville Center, Jacksonville, NY.

Worship Opportunities

Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m. year-round (Nursery provided)

Meetings:

Children's Sunday School - During
Worship Service
Vocal Choir meets Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.
Bell Choir meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.



For the Farm Community

FYI: The Ag Plastics Baler is Here! The Environmental Risk Analysis Program has a **Recycling Agriculture Plastics Project (RAPP)** - a regional Big Foot Ag Plastics Baler is housed at the Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District office—call 2572340 for more information and to arrange for a visit to your farm to baler your ag plastics!

Upcoming Workshops: Focus on Forestry

Forest Field Days: Sat., Sept 24th: Finger Lakes National Forest hosts the annual Forest Field Days at the Caywood Point site on State Hwy. 414 in Lodi (west of Shalestone Vineyards). Contact Chris Zimmer, Finger Lakes National Forest, 607-546-4470 ext. 311 or email czimmer@fs.fed.us.

Interfering Plant Ecology and Management: Mon., Oct. 3rd, 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Neuhauser Tree Farm, 434 West Groton Road; Groton, NY. A practical and effective approach to taking back your land! NY's woodlands are increasingly threatened by a multitude of noxious plant species that impose many costs on landowners and the surrounding community. Join us for an informative evening as foresters from NYS DEC and Cornell Cooperative Extension will discuss and demonstrate a variety of practical, effective, do-it-yourself strategies to control undesirable vegetation in the forest and farm landscape. Contact Brett Chedzoy of Schuyler CCE 607-535-7161, bjc226@cornell.edu

Got Woods? Got Livestock? Nov 7th & 8th, the Northeastern Silvopasture Conference, Watkins Glen Harbor Hotel in Watkins Glen, NY. Learn how Silvopasturing (sustainable woodland grazing) can improve the health, performance and viability of livestock operations and woodlands in the Northeast. The conference is open to all, but foresters, graziers, researchers and conservation professionals are especially encouraged to attend. For agenda and registration, visit <http://nesilvopasture.eventbrite.com>. Contact Brett Chedzoy of Schuyler CCE at 607-535-7161 (bjc226@cornell.edu)

Other Workshops & Activities of Interest:

Southern Tier Commercial Berry Growers Workshop: Wed. Oct. 12th, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. Belfast Town Hall (11 Merton Ave., Belfast, NY 14771). Cost: \$25.00 per person, (lunch included) non-refundable fee. Pre-registration required. DEC Credits: Category 1a, 10, 22 (3 credits). Contact Colleen Cavagna, 585-268-7644 ext. 12 or cc746@cornell.edu

The Pesticide Management Education Program now has a Distance Learning Center: On-line pesticide applicator courses produced by Cornell Cooperative Extension. Each one qualifies for New York DEC recertification credits: <http://pmpcourses.cce.cornell.edu/>

Home Repair Grant in Tompkins County

Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation is a not-for-profit agency that administers home repair grant monies (the HOME Grant) to low income families, persons with disabilities, veterans, and seniors (persons 60 years of age and older).

This is a grant for all ages. It involves the entire home, inside and out, including roofing, heating, plumbing, and electrical repairs as well as many carpentry repairs. There are inspections and the work is put out to bid to contractors on our approved Contractor's List. The process is quite lengthy but well worth the time. The home owners rarely needs to pay anything towards this grant.

The following chart shows the gross annual income limits per number of people in a single household in Tompkins County at this time for the current HOME Grant:

# in Home	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income Max	\$24,900	\$28,450	\$32,000	\$35,550	\$38,400	\$41,250	\$44,100	\$46,950

All grants are for owner-occupied single family homes. Grants are distributed on a first come, first serve basis. To see if you qualify for an application please call 585-657-4114 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Veterans should call for special income limits.



Check out Transportation Options for potential savings!

Making do with current resources and controlling spending on transportation can help you consider different options. Several options of note are: CityVan; VanPool; and ridesharing.

- CityVan is on the 2nd year of service! CityVan offers service within all of Newfield and Enfield to Ithaca with expanded service to Cayuga Medical Center, nearby offices and now also to South Hill Business Park at \$3 one-way per adult ride (less for youth). Eligible riders for the Working Families Transportation Assistance Program receive 2 months of work transportation from CityVan. Contact Cynthia Kloppel at 274-5022 to determine eligibility for Working Families Transportation Assistance Program.
- An electronic ridesharing search is available at www.zimride.com/tompkins.
- VanPool group sign-up is available at TCAT, 277-7433 or 1-800-VAN-RIDE. Van pooling is a group of 5-9 who commute regularly together to work in the comfort of a van from VPSI.
- If you know a friend or family member who is considering retiring from driving, Way2Go is offering a Driver's Retirement Informational Workshop on September 15 at Lifelong and again on October 3 and 4th at Cornell Cooperative Extension from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Contact Way2Go at 272-2292 to register for the workshop.

For more information on these transportation alternates and others, contact Way2Go at 272-2292 or www.way2go.org, 211 Tompkins or Cynthia Kloppel, Mobility Program Specialist at 274-5022.

Calendar of Events

September

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- 17 Harvest Festival, 10-4 (pg 2)
- 20 Red Cross Blood Drive, Fire Station, 1:30-6:30 (pg 7)
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October

- 1 EFVC Scholarship applications due (pg 5)
- 3 Interfering Plant Ecology & Mngmnt, 5:30-7:30 (pg 9)
- 12 So. Tier Berry Growers Workshop, 8:30-4:30 (pg 9)
- 15 & 29 2012 Raffle Quilt session, 10-12 (pg 4)
- 17 PTA Meeting, 5:30 (pg 5)

November

- 7 & 8 Got Woods? Got Livestock? (pg 9)
- 14 PTA Meeting, 5:30—tentative (pg 5)
- 15 Red Cross Blood Drive, Fire Station, 1:30-6:30 (pg 7)

December

- 12 PTA Meeting (pg 5)

Upoming: Grange Breakfasts - First Saturday of the month, January through May (pg 5)

Regularly Scheduled Community Meetings & Activities

Adult Basket ball: Wednesdays at 6:30 at the elementary school

Enfield Community Council (ECC): 4th Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Community Building

Enhance Fitness: Mondays, Wednesday, Friday, 10:15-11:15 am at the Enfield Community Center, suggested donation is \$3/person

Enfield Valley Grange: 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. at the Grange

Food Pantry: 2nd Tuesday, 1-2 pm & 4th Tuesday, 3-5 pm, at the Community Building

GED Classes: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5-8 pm during the school year, at the Enfield Elementary school—**tentative**

Historical Society: Bimonthly, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7 pm at the Community Building

Ladies Auxiliary: 1st Monday after 1st Thursday, 7 p.m. at the Fire Station

Senior Citizens: 3rd Wednesday, 11:30 am-1:00 pm at the Grange; meetings include a dish-to-pass luncheon

Zumba Fitness: Mondays, 6:30-7:30 at the elementary school, \$4 per person

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