



Enfield Community Currents

News from and for the Community

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"In the spring I have counted one hundred and thirty-six different kinds of weather inside of four and twenty hours."

~ Mark Twain

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Spring Greetings!

The editor called me today: Where y'at? The newsletter is ready except for your opening notes! I'm in New Orleans! Turns out that this is not a problem since my friend let me borrow his Smart Pad for the trip. I feel so modern.... So where do I begin so far away from Enfield? Not hard. First, let's get it straight that we are far past Mardi Gras—that would be the Tuesday before Lent, 60 days before Easter—and on to JazzFest: one of the biggest music festivals in the US. I had forgotten how beautiful the New Orleanians are. Always the hair cut and the hair do. Metallic, brass-color ringlets spewing out of a complete head of ringlets. Corn rows are out. Marcelled and waved and rolled are in and then the bobbles and bows embedded in the valleys. Or coil it until it looks like a rose and then do it all over your head so it looks like a bouquet but first, dye your hair metallic gold. In Louisiana we are at the end of spring, beginning of summer, in the most foreign of all American cities, basking in the sunshine, coping with the rain, watching the oil spill, up close and personal; probably no Louisiana oysters or crayfish (pronounce that crraawfish, child!) after tomorrow, and listening to so much music it is not to be believed!

I missed the snow, but heard plenty of reports and saw many pictures. The Louisiana iris are out, the sweet olive and jasmine just waft aromas as you walk by. There is an annual that looks like spring beauties on steroids and the magnolias are just finishing their bloom. The cypress in the bayous are just leafing out. The live oaks in town are just leafing out. So, the music: I didn't see Miss N's caberret this year but I saw her friends, The Red Stick Ramblers, either in Ithaca or at Jazzfest. Simon and a voiceless Garfunkel, the Allman Brothers, and Darius Rucker last weekend. How about Steve Martin in his Nashville phase? He's an excellent banjo player. Or Elvis Costello in his Blue Grass phase? Little Amanda Shaw, all grown up, giving a great show. And still to come: Charmaine Neville, BeauSoleil, the Pine Leaf Boys, and Van Morrison. And did I mention the food at the Fairgrounds? Jazzfest does it like no other venue. Couchion du lait po'boys, oyster beigets (BEEN-yeas), crawfish Monica, white chocolate bread pudding, and a new addition Vietnamese spring rolls.

I always come back with lots of ideas. Signs for the bands ala JazzFest, improved bread pudding, mount that New Orleans' copper lamp on your stone post, design a new dress for SewGreen, and many more.

And I also always come back to my thoughts of Robbie Cornish's family and their daily struggle. I hold them in my thoughts and heart everyday. Cassie, Ryan, Rhonda and Rob—we are here for you.

Wishing you all a joyful renewal and time for reflection this spring!

~ Ann Rider, ECC Vice President

Mark Your Calendars!

The Annual
Enfield Harvest Festival
 is **September 25th**
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

at the **Enfield**
Elementary School

Enfield School's 51st Birthday Party

Friday, June 4th
 5:30-7:00 PM

50's music 5:30-6:00
 Speaker(s) 6:00
 Refreshments
 Tours of school

Class pictures on display
 Plus much more fun!!
 Hope to see you on the 4th!!!

Youth Programs!!!

By Beth Bannister, Enfield Youth Program Manager

Youth Employment:

The Youth Employment Program gives youth 14 and older opportunities to work in Enfield and the Ithaca area. In these first time work experiences young people learn work skills and job appropriate behavior, and gain a sense of confidence in the work world. Currently there is one youth in a docent program at the Sciencenter, learning about many sections of the center and gaining many job skills. She will continue until her 100 hours are done. A second youth is helping in the Primitive Pursuits program as a teen helper, helping with activities and supervision.

Youth Programs:

Stop Motion Animation: Boynton Middle School. *This program brings together Danby, Joint Youth Commission and Enfield youth to learn about Stop Motion Animation. Students are learning many facets of Stop Motion Animation, from the history of Stop Motion, to techniques of the art, and the creation of a story for stop motion. Students in this program will learn many things about stop motion, will learn photography techniques to use in stop motion, and by the end of the program will put it all together to create Stop Motion Animations in small groups. The last few weeks of this program, youth worked to finish their photography, and in putting together their animation. They were able to add titles, music and sound effects to their animations. The last day parents were invited and were very enthusiastic and pleased to see all the different animations that the youth proudly showed.*

Wacky Wednesdays: *In this program, youth have opportunities to create in many ways. The group might create crafts, using materials found and recycled, new materials, or materials gathered in nature. In this program, youth may work to create positive experiences for themselves in their community, through community events and volunteering. Finally, youth make art, with materials, through writing, or through movement. In March we did some paper crafts, as well as some Stop Action Animation. Youth worked in 2 groups to make one very simple whiteboard animation, as well as a dramatic clay animation--all done in a little over an hour! This group is interested in doing this more as well.*

Dance!: Boynton Middle School. *This program is a joint program with the Danby/Joint Youth Commission programs, which gives youth a chance to get to know youth from other communities as well as learn with another program manager, Laura Smith. Our goal is to bring in a variety of dance instructors, both to expose youth to different teachers but also bring to them different forms of dance. Another goal of this program is for youth to get physical activity mixed with fun music with friends. The last days of dance included a day of hip hop dance, a day practicing moves with DDR (Dance Dance Revolution) and a celebration on the last day. The celebration was special not only because it was the last day, but also because it was the youngest participant's birthday. The older dancers were very attentive to him and made him feel special. Youth were also able that day to take charge of the music, and chose a variety of line dances, practicing routines from previous weeks, and showing off their stuff to everyone.*

Primitive Pursuits: Enfield Elementary School. *Youth learn ancestral living skills and nature awareness while building self confidence through Primitive Pursuits programs. Youth have opportunities to learn problem solving skills, to work together as a team to meet challenges, and to also set goals and challenge themselves personally. This semester we have instructor Akiva returning with his strengths with trees, firebuilding, crafts and games. One goal he has is for all youth in the program to be able to create their own bow drill kits and be able to make a one match fire (and ultimately make fire with their kits) Youth in March continued making their bow drill kits, with several of them putting string on bows and beginning to practice using them. Several of them at least were able to get smoke, and one was able to get a coal with some guidance and help from instructors and peers.*

Extended Day Primitive Pursuits: Enfield Elementary School. In March we focused on teambuilding games to help the group work better as a team and to focus. We also had this group carve throwing sticks, and then had them work as a team to get to a goal.

Enfield Preschool Program 2010-11 Applications Available

It's not too early to get your child's application in for the Ithaca City School District PreKindergarten Program for the 2010-11 academic year.

Developed to meet the learning needs of preschoolers, the Pre-K Program supports children's social-emotional, cognitive, physical and language/literacy development and learning. Children attend Pre-K at Enfield School Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 to 10:30 a.m. and get the experiences they need to be ready for kindergarten.

If your child will be 3 or 4 on or before December 1, 2010, he or she is eligible for Pre-K. Priority is given to children who will be 4 by December 1, 2010 and children who are eligible for free and reduced lunch.

To get an application or more information, either:

- Inquire at the Enfield School office
- Go to the Ithaca City School District website, www.icsd.k12.ny.us, and click on District Offices/Early Childhood
- Call the Early Childhood Office at 274-2208 and ask for Deb Mahool.

Girls Basketball

The successes of the girls' basketball team this year were not measurable on the scoreboard. For nine of the twelve players this was the first time playing on a basketball team and most, if not all, of the teams we played against had more experience.

We worked on fundamentals such as dribbling without looking at the ball, passing, rebounding, protecting the ball, and keeping track of the person who we were guarding when playing defense. We got used to playing in front of lots of cheering people. We started learning to work together as a team. Most of all we had fun.



Enfield Summer Day Camp

Now is the time to think of summer. Where are your children going while you work? What activities will they do? How will you keep them busy? The Enfield Community Council has a summer day camp program for children ages 4-13 years old. It is a 6-week program that begins on July 5 and ends August 13. This summer it will be held at the Robert Treman State Park's lower level (the North Shelter).

The campers start their day at 8:45 a.m. with a cold breakfast and have activities until 11:30 which is lunchtime (except for field trips, all lunches are hot food items). Daily and weekly activities include a combination of the following: sports, arts, science, sewing, cooking, journal writing, singing, hiking, literacy activities, swimming, outdoor education, and photography (the last 2 activities are for campers 9 years old and up). We have access to open fields, creeks and the playground. There will be field trips to Hangar Theater, Sciencenter, Taughannock Park, Watkins Glen, miniature golf, and Strong Museum in Rochester.

All fees are per child as follows:

<u>Core camp program</u>	9:00 am–2:00 pm	\$155 for 6 weeks (includes park entrance pass)
<u>Before camp care</u> *	7:30 am–8:45 am	\$125 for 1-5 days/week for 6 weeks
<u>After camp care</u> *	2:00 pm–5:30 pm	\$220 for 1-5 days/week for 6 weeks

* Before camp care and after camp care are now flat rates regardless of the number of days per week using the care. This guarantees space for your child(ren) daily.

Completed applications and all fees are due in by June 15 to guarantee space at camp. If you currently receive temporary assistance or need help with the cost of childcare, you may be eligible for assistance through DSS. Please contact Vera Howe-Strait or DSS (Carla Trenchard 274-5677) for further information. The DSS acceptance letter must be received by Vera Howe-Strait before camp starts.

The Enfield Community Council strives to provide activities that are free or low cost. It is our goal that no one is turned away because of the inability to pay. Please contact Vera Howe-Strait if there are any issues regarding income and/or ability to pay.

Camp applications are available at the Enfield Elementary School Main Office, Enfield After School Program, Enfield Town Clerk's Office and Valley Corner Store. Please contact Vera Howe-Strait with questions, concerns and/or application at 274-2368 (2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.) or email vstrait18@htva.net.

Have a great spring and see you in the summer!

- Vera

Enfield Elementary School 51st Birthday Party June 4, 5:30 - 7:00 pm at the Enfield Elementary School



Enfield Elementary School opened its doors to students on September 8, 1958. This year is Enfield School's 51st Birthday and we want to celebrate!!!

I would like to ask your help in putting together a list of teachers, staff, etc. from the Enfield School through its 51 years. If you and or family members attended the Enfield Elementary School could make a list of teachers, etc. while you were at the school to send to me it would be very greatly appreciated!

We are looking for class 5th/6th grade pictures for the years: 1980-81; 81-82; 89-90; 91-92; 94-95; 99-00; 00-01; 01-02. Please let me know if you have one of these years and we can either borrow it to copy or you can send us a jpeg of the picture.

In response to many inquiries, it's our hope to have the graduation photos from the 50 classes up on the walls again. Many of the pictures have fallen into disrepair so will need to be replaced. If your family or organization would like to sponsor the framing of a class picture, please send a check in the amount of \$25 to the Enfield Community Council, Box 214, Jacksonville, NY 14854. The Community Council will then have the pictures finished.

Please pass this message on to others you might would be interested in this project. Sue Thompson, Enfield Town Historian, sd1@cornell.edu, 607-272-6412

Box Tops for Education

Enfield Elementary School recently launched their 2009-2010 Box Tops for Education fund-raising campaign with a goal of earning \$550 to purchase items for the school. So far we have earned \$250.

Box Tops for Education is a General Mills school fund-raising program which has helped America's schools raise over \$200 million to buy the things they need but can't always afford, such as library books, school supplies and playground equipment. The Program offers three easy ways to earn cash for schools through everyday activities like buying groceries, shopping online and purchasing books. Schools can earn a total of up to \$60,000 each year.

If you'd like to help the students at Enfield Elementary School reach their goal, there are several easy ways to get involved. Collect Box Tops from hundreds of familiar, participating products and send them to Enfield Elementary School, 20 Enfield Main Road, "Attn: Jessica Couch, Box Tops Coordinator". Or, drop them off at the Valley Corner Store. You can also sign up on the Box Tops website: boxtops4education.com. Designate Enfield Elementary School as the school you wish to support. At this website, you'll learn more about all of the easy ways you can choose to make a difference -- all at no additional cost to you.

So just look for the Box Tops For Education Official Coupon, cut it out, and send it in. Each Box Tops is worth .10 cents and can really add up quickly. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at 273-1392. Thank you for supporting our school through the Box Tops program.

Ithaca Youth Bureau News

1 James L. Gibbs Drive
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(607) 273-8364

Register for Recreation Programs starting in April:

Introduction to Fencing: Apr 25-Jun 27
The Language of Music: Apr 14-Jun 9
Youtheatre: Apr 17-May 22
Saturday SkatePark Sessions: Apr 17-May 22
Learn to Play Chess: Apr 10-May 8
Track: Apr 26-May 26
Tae Kwon Do: Apr 8-Jun 3

Summer Days and Fall Fun Brochure Hits the streets! Brochures will be available the week of April 19th. Your child should bring one home in their backpack. Information will be also available at www.ithacayouthbureau.org, click on "recreation" and then "summer and fall programs". Registration opens on Monday, April 26th.

News from the Dairy Princess Court: Refuel with Chocolate Milk!

Hello everyone, my name is Abbie Teeter and I am currently one of the Tompkins County Dairy Ambassadors. Through the program, 5 other girls and I travel throughout Tompkins County to promote "3-A-Day", and more recently, "Refuel with Chocolate Milk".

Refuel with Chocolate Milk is a new promotion trying to get teenagers to rehydrate with chocolate milk after exercising. Chocolate milk is delicious, and it counts as one of your 3-A-Day. After teenagers have sports practice, they typically rehydrate with drinks full of extra calories and tons of sugar. Milk has 9 essential vitamins and nutrients your body needs to survive, and chocolate milk is no different. Milk also helps you have better bones and a better body, and most athletes who try it say it helps them recover faster. So next time you go to practice or go to the gym, instead of grabbing a sugary drink, think "Chocolate Milk"!

Would you like someone from the Dairy Princess Program to speak and do an activity with your class or organization? Just give me a call at 277-4547!

Remembering Sarah Graham Palmer Young, "Aunty Becky"

By Sue Thompson Enfield Town Historian

Sarah Graham was born in 1830. She lived in Enfield in the vicinity of Hayts and VanDorn Roads until she married Abel Palmer around 1850. Abel died shortly before the start of the Civil War in 1861, leaving Sarah a widow with two very young daughters.

In the summer of 1862 her brothers Theodore and John joined Company A of the 129th New York Infantry. Although nursing was not regarded as a proper thing for a woman to undertake, Sarah's brothers asked that she accompany them into the field to care for them if they fell ill. According to Military Records – Sarah was registered as a Matron in the 109th Regiment, New York Infantry in 1862. She provided nursing service at Fredericksburg, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor, Chancellorville, and Petersburg. She received personal commendations for her work from both General Ulysses S. Grant and President Abraham Lincoln.

In 1867 Sarah published the story of her life in the military, "The Story of Aunt Becky's Army-Life." This book has been reprinted and is available on the web or through many book stores. Sarah died on April 6, 1908 in Des Moines, Iowa.

As 2011 approaches, the 150-year anniversary of the Civil War, local historians will commemorate the contributions of female nurses through a "living memorial" to four local women who helped change the face of the once male-dominated profession.

Among the local nurses were: Julia Cook, Dryden; Sophronia Bucklin, Newfield; Susan Hall, Ulysses; and **Sarah Graham Palmer Young, otherwise known as "Aunt Becky," from Enfield.**

The Tompkins County Civil War Commemoration Commission has teamed up with the Tompkins Cortland Community College Foundation to establish three permanent scholarships to TC3's nursing program and the college's first endowed nursing chair position in their honor. Their goal is to raise \$80,000 within the next year, in time for commemorations of the start of the Civil War: April 12, 1861, with the battle at Fort Sumter in South Carolina. Donations can be made directly to: TC3 Foundation Box 520 170 North Street Dryden NY 13053. Donations in any amount are welcomed!

RETIRED EDUCATORS DRIVE—The newest RSVP program

Do you want to volunteer, but want to choose your own hours and your own level of commitment? You can! Join RED! Retired Educators Drive (RED) is a new organization designed to meet an old need of families and the public schools. Some Ithaca City School District (ICSD) parents and caregivers cannot get to important school meetings because they have no way to get there. Maybe the car is in the shop, or a medical condition prevents one driving, or maybe the family has no car at all. It does not matter, RED can help. RED aims to create a network of volunteer drivers willing to take parents and caregivers to these meetings. RED is the product of cooperation among many agencies including RSVP, ICSD, Ithaca Public Education Initiative (IPEI), Ithaca Hours, Ithaca-Tompkins Transportation Council, Tompkins County Departments of Social Services (DSS) and Youth Services, and Cooperative Extension's Way2Go.

You can help by becoming a RED driver. Retired educators from schools and colleges are not the only ones who can get involved with RED. In addition, you choose your own level of participation. Maybe you would be willing to offer as few as five rides a year. Maybe you would be willing to offer rides to your favorite school. Maybe there are particular days or months in which you would be willing to drive. In each and every case, you get contacted to find out if you are available to provide a particular ride. You always can choose to do so or not. Maybe YOUR car is in the shop this week. That's OK, we'll call again another time.

We are offering Ithaca Hours as compensation for your driving. You can also use your mileage as a charitable deduction. Interested? Please call or e-mail coordinator Carrie Kerr, 659-5003 (long distance from Ithaca since it is in Candor) or RetiredEducatorsDrive@gmail.com Please spread the word as well to others who you think would be interested! Thanks!



Nancy Oltz

Enfield Resident Honored as One of 20 Outstanding Women You Should Know

"Ask Nancy Oltz's coworkers at Tompkins Area Consolidated Transit to describe her and you will hear words like "dedicated," "hard working," "amazing," "awesome," "strong," "generous," "graceful." TCAT mechanics love to tell the story how Nancy, now Tcat's service development manager, pitched in on the third shift to help work on bus engines. At the end of the overnight shift, she was soaked in grease. She went home, showered, put on her business attire and went back to the office to attend her daily duties of making sure routes were running normally, safely and on time. "She would get right out there and work with everybody," on mechanic said."

"Nancy Oltz, TCAT Inc.'s service development manager, has worked at Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit (and for pre-consolidation agency, Ithaca Transit,) for three decades. She started out as a bus driver and steadily rose through the ranks to become a top manager at TCAT overseeing service development -- a critical job in any public transit agency. She is tireless, extraordinarily dedicated, a great listener, a people person and she still manages to supply the office with chocolate. Born, raised and educated in Ithaca, Nancy is very involved in her community and with her family, including her husband Bob, who is retired from Ithaca City Department of Public Workers; her daughter Tammy, son-in-law and her two little granddaughters (the apples of her eye) who live in Massachusetts. After putting in a long day at TCAT it is not uncommon for Nancy to go to her home in Enfield and get on the snow plow to clear her driveway. That's just the kind of woman she is. She's tough, resourceful, competent as well as very kind and generous."

"Nancy has been a role model for all employees at TCAT. Nancy started out as a bus operator and advanced throughout the years to her current important function as service development manager. I have been with the company close to four years and have seen Nancy shovel snowy bus shelters, coordinating special functions, ready and willing to answer questions mornings, evenings, weekends, and even recently from a hospital she was visiting. Nancy has worked hard with the public and operations at TCAT to best serve the Tompkins community. Nancy is worthy of recognition and my nomination. "

" It is my pleasure to nominate Nancy Oltz for this prestigious award. Nancy is a warm and generous person who devotes herself to her job and community. As Devolvement Manager for TCAT, I have seen Nancy put numerous hours into a massive restructure in the company (even pulled an all-nighter). She currently has a daughter that has had back surgeries and her husband graciously moved in and is taking care of the family in Boston. This is about 3 months of recovery and Nancy commutes back and forth..... Nancy handles customer service concerns and does it with elegance. A genuine caring, compassionate and loyal mother, friend, co-worker and personable woman! "

"Nancy is a bright spot each and every day at TCAT Inc. She is one of the only people in this world that never has a bad thing to say about anyone! She is an inspiration to me!"

"I would like to nominate Nancy Oltz, Service Development Manager for TCAT, as one of the "20 Outstanding Women You Should Know." She began her career as a bus operator for Ithaca Transit long before the idea to form TCAT had ever been born, and has since worked her way to the head service planner for public transit serving all of Tompkins County. Most recently she oversaw the planning and implementation of the so-called "Transit Development Plan," a process taking over 2 years that involved a consultant, all of the TCAT staff, the public, and major employers and institutions in the Ithaca area. This required very hard work on Ms. Oltz's part; often grueling hours into the night and weekends, in order to make substantial changes to TCAT's system since its' inception AND it happened on-time and on-budget. The new route system was implemented January 17 of this year. For all her hard work resulting in a public service that removes over 3 million car trips per year from the roads and enables countless people, many of whom do not have cars, to get to work, appointments, and shopping destinations, I nominate Nancy Oltz for this award."

Nominated by Mark Harmin, Pamela Johnson, Doug Swarts, Mary Myers, and Patty Poist

From <http://www.i100rocks.com/pages/6881385.php?contentType=4&contentId=5966084>

CityVan: The newest way to travel from Enfield to Downtown Ithaca. Call 277-7777 to schedule your CityVan ride!



CityVan will take residents of the Towns of Newfield and Enfield to and from Downtown Ithaca, or in the two Towns, from early morning to early evening on weekdays, Monday to Friday. CityVan will help people get to work or to appointments.

CityVan is for people who do not live close to TCAT bus routes or who need to travel at times TCAT does not run. The TCAT bus is always less expensive than CityVan.

CityVan is flexible! Call 277-7777 to reserve a trip on CityVan 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call early to reserve a trip at the time you want.

If you need a ride on the same day, please call as early as possible. We will try to accommodate last minute requests.

CityVan is affordable! To go between Enfield and Ithaca, Adults over 18 years old pay \$3.00 for a one-way trip. Up to 3 children, 5 years and younger, ride free with an adult. Youth, 6-17, pay \$2.00 for each one-way trip. Youth under 13 years must travel with an adult.

To travel in the Town of Enfield, Adults pay \$2.00 and Youth pay \$1.00 for one-way trips.

Cancelling a Trip! You need to call 277-7777 at two hours or more before your pick-up time to cancel a ride. We want to carry everybody who wants to travel. Help everybody ride CityVan by making cancellations on time.

If CityVan is unable to meet your request, we will use the information to improve service in the future.

CityVan is operated by Ithaca Dispatch under contract with Tompkins County. For more information on CityVan and other travel choices contact Cynthia, County mobility advisor, at 274-5022 or send an email to Cynthia.kloppel@dfa.state.ny.us. Check out www.Way2Goinfo.org and click on Taxis for more information.

Get in Shape for Summer with Country Line Dancing!

Beginner Line Dancing classes for adults and teens will be offered beginning on Monday, January 4th, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at the Enfield Elementary School. Experienced instructors Terri and Chuck Haskin will be teaching the classes. Suggested donation is \$3 per person. If you have any questions, please call Terri at 272-8687.

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 liv4es. 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.

Ends not Meeting? Food Stamps Can Help

More and more families are struggling to put food on the table while worrying about how they will pay their other bills; Food Stamps can help. New Food Stamp policy allows higher income limits for families who pay child care expenses while working, attending employment training or seeking employment.

Did you know that about only half of New Yorkers who are eligible for Food Stamp benefits are actually receiving them? In order to help eligible people get the nutrition they need, the *Nutrition Outreach and Education Program* (NOEP) at Catholic Charities of Tompkins/Tioga counties offers free and confidential pre-screenings and application assistance. Please contact Ellin Corrigan, NOEP Coordinator, at 607 272-5062 ext.21

Yard Waste, Lawn and Tree Trimmings, and Leaves

The Tompkins County Solid Waste Management Division has instituted an \$80/ton fee at the Recycling and Solid Waste Center (RSWC) for all yard waste, including lawn and tree trimmings, leaves, and brush. Yard waste from the RSWC is currently transported to Cayuga Compost on Agard Road in Trumansburg at a cost.

Cayuga Compost accepts yard waste directly from landscapers and large yard waste haulers. These haulers can bring their grass clippings, tree trimmings, brush, yard trimmings, and pallets to Cayuga Compost. The fee at Cayuga Compost is \$40 per ton with a \$10 minimum charge for anything less than 500 pounds. Cayuga Compost will not accept anything in plastic bags, treated or painted lumber, and railroad ties. Small haulers or homeowners can call Cayuga Compost at 351-2173 for information about using their facility.

Residents or small businesses looking for more information about composting onsite should contact Cornell Cooperative Extension's Compost Education program at 272-2292.

Leo Riley, Recycling Manager
Tompkins County Solid Waste Management Division
P: 607-273-6632, Ldriley@tompkins-co.org, www.recycletompkins.org

For the Farm Community:

Tompkins County Landowners Coalition Now Accepting Members

A grass-roots group has formed in Tompkins County that offers farmers and other rural landowners the opportunity to work together, and thereby from a position of power, in future negotiations and leases with natural gas drilling companies. Similar in organization to the Tioga Land Owners Group (<http://www.tiogagaslease.org>), this new group seeks, among other things, to develop a model lease that will provide protections for the environment and personal property and is compatible with landowner goals.

About the Tompkins Landowners Coalition:

Mission: To be regarded as a leader among landowners, residents, and the greater community in delivering information about the impacts of natural gas development on families.

Vision: We are mindful that the vast majority of landowners in our county own their property because it is their home, although some drive income from it. Discovery of a complex hydrocarbon resource beneath our lands is of global commercial interest. We seek to find the balance between the economic potential of this discovery and our other reasons for being here. We dedicate ourselves to a sincere educational and investigative effort, believing that anyone alone attempting to make a decision about whether to lease is seriously disadvantaged. The opportunities which an informed partnering with a responsible, respectful natural gas developer will bring are obvious, A well crafted model lease to be used in defining the rights and obligations of the landowners and such a developer is our goal.

Membership in this organization is free, there is no obligation to lease your land, and it does not matter if you are currently under lease. Many farmers are feeling isolated and vulnerable within the farming community as a result of recent and ongoing characterizations about and attributed motivations of those who have leased their land for gas exploration. This organization will provide a structure for sharing information within the membership and to the greater community. For more information, visit the website (<http://www.tompkinsgaslease.org>) or call 607-657-8200. You can join through the website, or applications are available at the Enfield Town Hall. The membership role will remain confidential.

Agape Bible Church

264 South 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!

The Enfield Community Blessing Shop

The Enfield Community Blessing Shop, 174 Enfield Main Road is open from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month through November.

The Blessing Shop is a ministry of The First Baptist Church of Enfield Center. We provide used clothing and household items to anyone in need. ALL items are free and everyone is welcome!

We accept donations of slightly used clothing and household items. All clothing must be clean: no stains or holes. Household items and furniture must be in good working condition. Donations are accepted on the days we are open. For more information contact Ginny French, 274-6285 (work) or 279-5199 (cell).

Enfield Food Pantry

The Enfield Food Pantry is available to Enfield residents who need help providing food for themselves and their family. The pantry is open on the second Tuesday of every month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and on the fourth Tuesday from 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

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.



Enfield's
GED Program is up & running!

You can start anytime!

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
5:00-8:00 PM, during the school year

INTERESTED?
CALL MARY COLE, 274-6838



Enfield Baptist Church

162 Enfield Main Road, Ithaca, New York
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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Mission outreaches in 2010:

Enfield, New York
Ithaca, New York
New York City, New York
Mexico - Tapestries of Life
Africa - Jinja, Uganda (Walakuba)

Enfield Baptist Fellowship
Worship Sunday 10:00 AM
Bible Study Tuesday 6:30 PM
Christmas Eve Service 6:30 PM

All are welcome to join us at
7 West Enfield Center Road
The McMillan Art Center
Questions: Please call 607-273-5682



Calendar of Events

May

- 16 Senior Citizen Christmas Dinner, Ramada Inn
- 17 Senior Citizen trip to Lights on the Lake
- 18 Grange Holiday Decoration Contest Ends
- 19 9 pm, Grange Christmas Party

June

- 4 5:30-7, Enfield School's 51st Birthday
- 10 Chicken BBQ, Enfield Volunteer Fire Company
- 20 7 pm, Enfield Elementary Birthday Planning mtg

July

- 6 Pancake Breakfast at the Grange
- 14 Chicken BBQ, Enfield Volunteer Fire Company

August

- 6 Pancake Breakfast at the Grange
- 14 Chicken BBQ, Enfield Volunteer Fire Company

September

- 25 Enfield Harvest Festival

Regularly Scheduled Community Meetings & Activities

Community Council: 4th Monday, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Community Building

Enfield PTA: 2nd Thursday, dinner at 5:30 pm, meeting at 6 pm, at the school (call 274-2221 to confirm)

Enhance Fitness: Mondays, Wednesday, Friday, 10:15-11:15 am at the Enfield Community Center, suggested donation is \$0-3 per person

Food Pantry: 2nd Tuesday, 1:00-3:00 pm & 4th Tuesday, 12-4 pm, at the Community Building

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

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

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

Line Dance Classes: Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm at the Elementary School, suggested donation is \$3 per person

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

United Way



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