



Enfield Community Currents

News from and for the Community

April-June 2012

Free

Spring has come when you can put your foot on three daisies*

~ Proverb

[*editor's note: I think they mean *dandelions*]

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December for publication at the end of
that month. Contact the editor with
information you'd like to see included.*



Spring??? Summer???

Ahhh, the longer days, the warmer weather - gotta love it! Looking back-it was the winter that wasn't but it was still dark and dank. I'm a little sad that I didn't cross-country ski once and the kids are kinda sad about that too, BUT-longer days and warmer temperatures are definitely better!

Fourth and fifth grade basketball is finished and I hope we hear from some of the kids on their experience. The community is busy having chicken barbeques and corned beef dinners. Looks like an early spring so I've mobilized the beautification brigade to clean up, trim and plant pansies. ECC has a new logo, is planning summer camp, co-sponsoring the Community Yard Sale and is well on the way to finishing the quilt for this year's Harvest Festival. Still would very much like one of you to volunteer to head up the Games and the Silent Auction for the Harvest Festival. We're big on keeping this fun so join up and join the fun!

Eight children from the community are making windmills for the "Catch the Breeze" contest being held on Earth Day at the Ithaca Children's Garden on April 22, Earth Day.

This year's Florida vacation seems very, very long ago but the shot of warmth and sunshine back in February was very welcome. You can't beat Key West and three sunsets and sleeping on a houseboat or Disney World for a couple of days. Of course, there is always a downside. Had to come back on the day that the idiot decided to drive his van onto the tarmac at the Philly Airport. Interestingly enough, we got back into Ithaca only one and a half hours late. Yes, we have our next vacation lined up—have to go see the grandchildren on spring break. Einstein's laboratory in Menlo Park is closed for renovations so we are forced to go into the Big Apple to see the Museum of Natural History. Then maybe a carriage ride in Central Park...Back to reality for a couple of weeks and then a true vacation at JazzFest in the Big Easy...see you the second week of May! Hey, I work very hard when I'm here! I recently heard that the younger generation of Gunnings is going to start milking cows again. Jerseys, of course. Maybe fresh ice cream at the end of school.....

~Ann Rider

Community Yard Sale—Saturday, May 12

The Enfield Firemen's Ladies' Auxiliary and the Enfield Community Council are co-sponsoring an **Enfield Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 12 from 9 am-2 pm**. The whole community is encouraged to join in and plan their own sale on the date. Sign-up requests are available at Valley Korner's store, the Town Clerk's office or from members of the ECC or Ladies' Auxiliary. If you would like to rent a table at the Community Building or if you want to donate items to ECC, instead of having your own sale, call Ann Rider, 277-3478 or e-mail asr10@cornell.edu. Pick up your guide to the community yard sale participants at the Enfield Community Building, 182 Enfield Main Rd., or the Fire House, 168 Enfield Main Rd. starting at 9 AM. In addition to the yard sale, breakfast will be available at the Community Building and the Auxiliary is having a bake sale at the Fire House.

Enfield Community Council Programs

Catch the Breeze Wind Turbine Challenge

Eight children from Enfield are joining the fun of making a windmill out of recycled materials. We went to the Challenge Kickoff, at Cornell's exploration station next to the Synchrotron Lab, to meet wind turbine designers and pick up free materials, design criteria and guidelines. Then we worked independently to design our own unique turbine. We made a first attempt at designing a windmill and are coming back to Enfield to fine-tune our projects, find out more about windmills and wind farms, have a tour of the Synchrotron and have a lot of fun with our friends. We will show off our final designs at the Ithaca Children's Garden on Sunday, April 22, Earth Day. Stay tuned for more developments!

Zumba

Zumba will continue until the end of the school year. Join 12-20 of your neighbors every Monday evening at 6:30 at the Enfield Elementary School gymnasium for a high energy (but you can do your own pace) hour. So join your neighbors for an hour that makes you healthier. Can't beat that! \$4 per session. Call Nicole for more information, 227-9818.

2012 Harvest Festival Quilt

The pattern for the 2012 Harvest Festival Quilt is 'The Ohio Star' pattern done from repurposed (NEW, not used) fabric from SewGreen in shades of pink, burgundy, cream, sage and dark green. The quilt is on the frame in Ann Rider's living room and we have started the hand quilting! We are planning to meet on Monday and Tuesday nights starting at 7 and on Sunday afternoon starting at 1. We would like to get the quilting done by May 1 so that means that we need lots of hands! No experience necessary but be prepared to listen - lots of talking about lots of things. It is absolutely beautiful and Helen Hetherington, our raffle chairman, will be asking you to help her sell tickets in the early summer.



The Enfield Community Council

The Enfield Community Council held its Annual Meeting on February 15, 2012. The following officers were voted in: Ann Rider, President; Joann Huddle, Vice-President; Lauren Trenchard, Treasurer; Sue Howser, Secretary. The newsletter editor continues to be Debbie Teeter. The Youth Program Manager is Lindsay Cray and our Summer Camp Director is Vera Howe-Strait. We served 63 youths from ages 9-17 in our Youth Program and 100 campers in our summer program in addition to employing 15 local teens and adults in our program. 16 4th & 5th Graders participated in the basketball program. An average of 15 people participate in our Zumba Class every Monday. Our continuing programs are the quarterly newsletter, the annual Harvest Festival and the Community Yard Sale.

The ECC holds regular monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at the downstairs of the Community Building and every member of the community is invited to attend our meetings and bring ideas to make Enfield more fun and interesting. See you there!



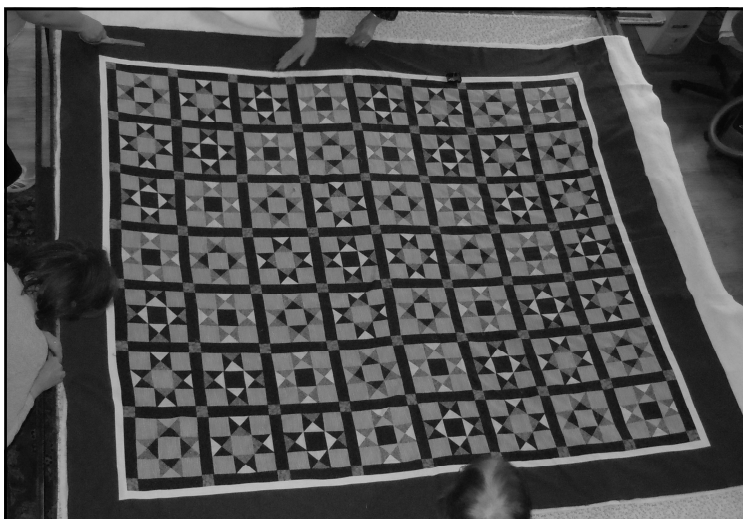
Filling a Need: Education and Enfield Youth

With the second half of the school year upon us, students, parents and teachers alike have begun to feel the stress of final exams in the not too distant future. With this pressure to improve, many families and youth, who have traditionally participated with Enfield programming, voiced a need for extra help with homework and tutoring. In response to this concern, the Enfield Youth Program, in collaboration with Boynton Middle School, began running "Get2It!" in January 2012. This homework help/tutoring program connects Enfield students who struggle with grades and comprehension of various subjects to Cornell scholars, Ithaca High School Seniors and professional tutors on a one-on-one basis. The program also rewards the efforts of hard-working students who raise their grades with special days, such as a Pizza Day, Movie Day and Choose-A-Snack Day. Over the course of the last few months we have seen a wonderful evolution that tells us - it's working! Parents are noticing an improvement in comprehension and homework completion. Teachers have overwhelmingly supported our efforts, offering take home study sheets and practice exams, and have even requested specialized focus on subject areas during "Get2It!" This has been a wonderful opportunity to develop strong collaborative ties between the Enfield Youth Program and staff at Boynton Middle School, as there is so much to share: Enfield programs build relationships with students outside of school while teachers build in-school connections - when combined, these bits of information can be very powerful in aiding youth development! Don't forget though, we need parent support too! Parents, please be sure to ask your child how it is going and offer encouragement and praise of his/her progress...and, be sure they continue to come each Monday and further their personal improvement.

Our "Get2It!" program meets every Monday night from 4-6pm, at the Community Building in Enfield, and currently has 13 participants registered but is STILL ACCEPTING! Please feel free to contact Lindsay Cray with questions or comments at 272-2292 ext 225, or email at lac263@cornell.edu

Watch for exciting news about our Summer Camp starting in June. You will find more information and the program brochure on our web page at www.cce.cornell.edu/tompkins/rys/index.htm

Enfield Community Council Programs



Enfield Summer Day Camp Position Available

The Enfield Summer Day Camp is looking for an Assistant Director that has to fill many "hats". The rate of pay is \$10.00/hour for an approximately 185 hours, six week camp position: July 2 - August 10, 2012. The responsibilities include all the following categories (a) After Camp Program: development and supervision of programming of the after camp program (2:00 – 5:30), (b) Aquatics Trip Leader: to establish and oversee all activities in and around the waterfront (11:45 am - 1:45 pm), (c) Trip Leader: supervise and direct all trip staff in relation to safety, program standards, and proper care and handling of food, responsible for the health and safety of all campers on trip and act as liaison between the trip location contact person and director in terms of entrance fees, total camper:staff ratio, schedule at trip location, activities to participate in (8:45 a.m. -1:45 pm).

Qualifications:

- Be at least 20 years of age.
- Be attentive to details, have good organizational skills, exceptional communication skills, the ability to work with a variety of personality types and the ability to work within the camp environment and be an effective member of the staff team.
- Must have:
 - ⇒ At least one year experience as a counselor in a camp, after school program or other child-related agency.
 - ⇒ Preferably some college courses in child development, outdoor recreation, psychology or related subjects.
 - ⇒ Current certifications in CPR/First Aid, Responding to Emergencies and Lifeguard Supervision and Management.
 - ⇒ The ability to accept supervision and guidance; a strong sense of enthusiasm, a sense of humor, patience, the desire and ability to work with children outdoors.
 - ⇒ Experience with a variety of behavior modification techniques and experience with conflict resolution.
 - ⇒ Experience identifying the personal, performance, and social needs of individual children and the proven ability to work with children in both group and individual settings.
 - ⇒ Some knowledge of and experience with methods of group organization and the proven ability to develop a good working relationship with children and staff.

Interested applicants please contact Vera Howe-Strait at 280-2317 (please leave message) or vstrait18@htva.net

Enfield Summer Day Camp

Is Spring here? At least in our wishes – and the thoughts 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 2 and ends August 10, 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). The daily activities include a combination of most of the following: sports, arts, science, sewing, cooking, journal writing, singing, hiking, literacy activities, swimming, and outdoor education (the last activity is 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, Greenwood Park, bowling and Corning Museum of Glass.

All fees are per child as follows:

- Core camp program (9:00 am–2:00 pm) \$175 for all 6 weeks for Enfield residents and \$225 for all 6 weeks for non-residents (includes park entrance pass)
- Before camp care (7:30 am–8:45 am) \$140 for 1-5 days/week for 6 weeks
- After camp care (2:00 pm–5:30 pm) \$250 for 1-5 days/week for 6 weeks for Enfield residents and \$275 for non-residents.

Note: 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 and maintains the regulated staff:child ratio.

Camp applications are available at the Enfield Elementary School Main Office, Enfield After School Program, Enfield Town Clerk's Office and Valley Corner Store. 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.

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

Early Prekindergarten Registration

Register your preschool aged child for an opportunity to be accepted into the ICSD Prekindergarten program for the 2012-13 school year. Registration will take place on Tuesday, April 24th from 2:15 to 3:15. It will be held in one of the Pre-K classrooms at the Enfield School. To complete your registration you must have the following documentation:

Child's birth certificate
Proof of address
Proof of income

Preference will be given to children who qualify for free and reduced meals, and for children who will be four by December 1, 2012.

Early Prekindergarten Registration will take place at several other school locations as well. You may also request the registration form (and more information) by contacting the Office of Early Childhood Programs 274-2208.

Benefit Square Dance

All proceeds go to the Enfield After-School Program

Friday, May 4, 7:30 p.m.
The Old Enfield Baptist Church
174 Enfield Main Road
Suggested donation \$5 to \$10
Nancy Spero, Caller
Live music by Goatboy

Come square dance ... or just be there to enjoy the music and community. Either way, come to this fun event to support Enfield's After-School Program!

Nancy Spero, a fun and experienced caller, is also an Enfield resident. Five-piece stringband *Goatboy*, led by Enfield residents Judy Hyman and Jeff Claus, is 4 members of *The Horse Flies* (Judy Hyman, fiddle; Jeff Claus, banjo-uke and guitar; Richie Stearns, banjo; Jay Olsa, bass) plus Steve Selin from the *Evil City Stringband* on guitar.

All dances will be taught; no experience is needed. For more information: Nancy Spero (273-6603) or Judy Hyman (277-7025). For more information about the music: <http://thehorseflies.com>, <http://www.evilcitystringband>.

News From The Enfield School Age Program

We have all been enjoying the beautiful weather outside. The children are very happy to be out and about in this unseasonably warm March! At after school we are gearing up to start our seeds for our children's garden. This year we will be planting different color vegetables (purple beans, golden beets, etc.) as well as lots and lots of flowers! Our next subject of study will be the circus and magic!

We have all kinds of ideas for putting on a circus of our own. If any folks have special circus or magic talents that they would like to share please get a hold of us at after school!

Our annual Art Gallery fundraiser is scheduled for April 27th at 6:00 pm at the Enfield Elementary School. This event is open to the public and it is super fun! The children have started work on their projects and we are excepting donations of art or craft work from the community. All proceeds go to the after school.

We are also very excited about the upcoming ENSAW Square Dance fundraiser that is scheduled to happen on May 4th (details TBA) and sounds like it will be a bunch of fun for the whole family - We can't wait! We hope to see lots of folks out at these community events.

Enfield Elementary PTA

There are some exciting things coming up at Enfield Elementary School, but we need your help. Our current playground is being replaced. We need tools and volunteers on Saturday June 9th, 2012. If you are interested in loaning tools and/or time please contact Mary Cole at 274-6338 or 274-2221 or e-mail at mcole@icsd.k12.NY.us.

On the same day we will be helping grout the mural done by the pre-k, kindergarten, and 1st grades. This mural incorporates math and art. Please contact Mary Cole about volunteering for this also. We also need volunteers to watch and entertain children on the build day as the site will be off limits to children.

Our last meetings for this school year are April 9th and June 11th at the Enfield Elementary School. Child care is provided for the April meeting. May 7th is our meeting at the Ithaca High School. This is our annual voting for officers. If you are interested in serving as an officer for the 2012-2013 school year please e-mail mbgith@gmail.com.

We are starting a Junior First Lego League in September 2012. We are laying the ground work now. This ties in with the high school's Code Red Robotics team (who took 6th place in the Rochester competition on March 11th). This helps kids get involved in math, engineering, and working as a team. There will be no fees for the students who wish to participate. We will be needing Legos, so please check you closets and attics for those old Legos. As always there are the pain-free ways to help us continue our important projects:

- Send box tops, empty printer/toner cartridges, and labels for education to the school.
- Link your Target card to the school (takes about 5 minutes on-line).
- Take your redeemables to K&H and tell them it's for Enfield PTA.
- Buy a membership.

When you support our PTA, you are supporting many fine projects for our students. Some examples are: books for birthdays (each student gets a free, new book that they choose for their birthday), yearbooks for each child regardless of their families' ability to pay, a \$500.00 donation to the school's library, various artists and musicians coming into the school, Junior First Lego League, and many others.

Please contact Cortney Bailey, PTA President, at 279-4792 or cbailey525@yahoo.com if you would like to help in any way, need someone to pick up a donation, or have ideas for us to better help the school and community.

Cortney Bailey, PTA President Enfield School

**Records from School District No. 5 Stone School House
by Sue Thompson, Enfield Town Historian**

Records from School District No. 5 Stone School House. This school was located on the east side of Applegate Road south of State Route 79. Also appears on the 1866 map of Tompkins County New York. Annexed to District #6 Enfield Center School, on July 12, 1916. *If you have information on any of the people listed below let me know. Thanks, Sue*

Trustees through the years: Mike Norton, J.G. Jones, J. Carman, E. S. Bagely, L. Ackley

Teachers for School No. 5:

- 1888 – 1890: Katie Hunt - for the winter and summer terms of school at \$5.50 per week. Katie was 27 years old. She lived with her sister's family Michael and Mary Norton.
- 1890 – 1891: Addie Tucker - \$5.25 per week for winter term. Addie was 19 years old. Her parents were William and Delia Tucker. Katie Hunt was hired for summer term
- 1891 – 1892: Katie Hunt
- 1892 – 1893: Hattie Malory, \$5.00 per week. Hattie was 20 years old. Her parents were Austin and Sarah Mallory; Katie Hunt
- 1893 – 1894: Alice M. Nobles - \$5.00 per week. Alice was 18 years old. Her parents were Edwin and Abbie Nobles. Hattie Mallory (Summer Term)
- 1894 – 1895: Nancy E. Wallenbeck - \$5.00 per week. Nancy was 49 years old. She lived with her sister Abbie. Her parents were Solomon and Jane Wallenbeck; Angie M. Harker - \$5.00 per week.
- 1895 – 1896: Nancy E. Wallenbeck - \$5.00 per week; Laura B. Peck - \$5.00 per week
- 1896 – 1897: Edna O. Updike - \$5.00 per week. Edna was 18 years old. Her parents were Herman and Ida Updike; Maude S. Newman - \$5.00 per week
- 1897 – 1899: Frances L. Brown - \$5.00 per week; Margaret Hollister - \$5.00 per week. Margaret was 26 years old.
- 1899 – 1900: Lollie Byrum - \$4.50 per week
- 1900: Anna Aiken - \$4.25 per week. 18 years old. Her parents were Fred and Emma Aiken.
- 1901 – 1902: Belle Hubbell - \$5.25 per week
- 1902 – 1903: Nancy Wallenbeck- \$6.00 per week; Belle Hubbell - \$6.00 per week
- 1903 – 1904: Mary L. Smith - \$6.50 per week
- 1904 – 1905: Minnie M. Wallenbeck - \$7.00 per week
- 1905 – 1906: Anna Aiken - \$7.00 per week

ENFIELD VALLEY GRANGE

So far the winter has been quite uneventful as far as snowfall received. Although most of us probably did not miss the plowing, shoveling, etc.! As the weather turns warmer we can start planning what we will grow in our gardens. Oh, the thought of home grown fresh veggies, and the smell of flowers blooming, what could be better!

In December we held our Community Holiday Dinner and announced the winners of our Holiday Decoration Contest. We would love to see more community participation at our Holiday Dinner, as this is a great event to wish all your community neighbors a joyous season and share a great meal. Winners in the contest were:

1st place: David Achilles 2nd place: Carolyn Monroe 3rd place: Sharon Stodolski

A big thank you to all that entered. We look forward to our 2012 Contest in December. Remember to enter as you could be our next winner!

Our breakfasts held January - March have been well attended, and we look forward to our next two: April 7th, and May 5th. Come out and enjoy an all you can eat Pancakes, Waffles, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Homefries, and Sausage you can eat. We promise you will not go away hungry!

We will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day dinner, consisting of corned beef, cabbage, and home grown vegetables, etc. on Saturday, March 17th, from 5 – 7 p.m. Look forward to seeing you there!

Community support is appreciated by joining us in our Grange meals and events throughout the year, and 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. We invite you to join as a member. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m., come join the fun.

**Safe Medication Disposal Day
Saturday, April 28**

Mark your calendar! The Coalition for Safe Medication Disposal has set the date for its next Safe Medication Disposal Day. This collection event, which gives residents the chance to safely dispose of expired or no longer needed household medications, will be held Saturday, April 28. It is part of a nationwide collection effort, organized by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency.

The April 28 collection will occur at three locations: the TCAT garage (just off Route 13 on Willow Avenue in Ithaca); the Groton Police Department (108 Cortland Street, Groton); and the Slaterville Fire Station, 2681 Slaterville Road. Slaterville Springs. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at all three locations.

For more information, call 211 or email: egottlieb@cityofithaca.org or visit www.healthyyouth.org.

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.

Enfield Ladies Auxiliary

The Enfield Ladies Auxiliary has been holding Bake sales at the BBQ's the last few months. We want to thank everyone for your donations. We will have our last one in conjunction with the Firemen's BBQ on April 1st. Mark your calendars.

We will be having a Garage Sale on May 12th, Community Yard Sale Day, at the Fire Station. Stop in and check out the items for sale.

We have also been selling coffee and cookie mixes. This is new for us and we are not sure how it will go. If you are interested contact anyone in the auxiliary.

We are always looking for new members. Think about joining a great organization.

DEC: State Ban on Residential Brush Burning Begins March 16 during High Fire-Risk Season

All residential brush burning is prohibited in smaller communities during the state's historically high fire-risk period from March 16 through May 14, state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Commissioner Joe Martens reminded New Yorkers today. "This time of year has the most risk of fires and the risk is even greater this year due to the extremely mild winter we've seen across the state," Commissioner Martens said. "Since the open burning regulation passed in 2009, there have been fewer fires reported in New York state. In an effort to protect the health and safety of our children, families and our natural environment, we remind residents that brush burning is banned statewide beginning this week."

In 2009, New York toughened restrictions on open burning to reduce harmful air pollutants and help prevent wildfires. While the burn ban regulation allows residential brush burning for most of the year in towns with a populations of less than 20,000, it prohibits open burning in all communities during early spring when the bulk of New York's wildfires typically occur. The state regulation prohibits the burning of garbage at all times and in all places.

Several factors enable wildfires to start easily and spread quickly at this time, including the lack of green vegetation, abundance of available fuels such as dry grass and leaves, warm temperatures and wind. Open burning is the largest single cause of wildfires in New York state. Data from DEC's Forest Protection Division shows that debris burning accounted for about 36 percent of wildfires in the state between 1985 and 2009, which is more than twice the next most-cited cause. In addition, from 2000 to 2009 New York's fire departments responded to an average of 2,300 wildfires each year from March 16 to May 14. That represents about 46 percent of all wildfires for the year.

Fire department data for 2010 and 2011 indicated a 26 percent reduction in wildfires during the burn ban period for those years when compared to the previous 10 years (2000-2009). In addition, 86 percent of all communities across the state had a reduction of wildfires compared with the previous five years.

Violators of the open burning state regulation are subject to both criminal and civil enforcement actions, with a minimum fine of \$500 for a first offense. To report environmental law violations call 1-800-TIPP DEC (1-800-847-7332), or report online on DEC's website. A list of questions and answers on the open burning regulation is available on DEC's website or by calling the DEC dispatch center at (518) 408-5850. <http://www.dec.ny.gov/press/80920.html>

**New York State Watch Center, New York State Office of Emergency Management
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services
24/7 Phone: (518) 292-2200 24/7 fax: (518) 322-4982
24/7 Email: NYSWatchCenter@dhses.ny.gov**

For the Farm Community

DEC's Saratoga Tree Nursery Annual Tree & Shrub Seedling Sale & Giveaway: More than 50 species of trees and shrubs available to schools and public and private landowners at the NYS DEC Saratoga Tree Nursery for erosion control, wildlife habitat, reforestation, etc. The program provides low-cost, native planting materials from NY sources; there are also a few non-native species to enhance wildlife plantings and/or for stream bank stabilization. Minimum order is 25 for conifers, hardwoods and wildlife shrubs, 50 for container stock. Mixed species packets of 30-100 wildlife shrubs are also available for homeowners. This is primarily bare-root stock, but a few species are available in containers. The 2012 Tree & Shrub brochure is on the DEC's website <http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/9395.html> or from the Nursery, 518-581-1439. To order by phone, call weekdays 8-4:30, 518-587-1120. Orders may be placed through mid-May. Seedlings are shipped from mid-April to mid-May.

Free Assessments and Incentives Available for Farm Energy Upgrades: NYSERDA's Agriculture Energy Efficiency Program provides free assessments (up to \$1,500) to identify cost-effective energy improvements. Grants are available for up to 75 percent of the costs to update lighting, install high-efficiency motors and fans, and other projects that will save energy. According to NYSERDA, a typical farm can save \$2,700 to \$4,000 per year on an investment of \$4,800 to \$7,000. Funding is extremely limited and farms will be chosen on a first-come, first-served basis. It's important to act very quickly to sign-up if you are interested. For more information and a link to the two page program application visit <http://www.nyserda.org/programs/Agricultural/default.asp>.

Interested in Doing Something With Your Land? Whether you're wondering about small scale farming options or simply want to generate income to help offset the taxes, Cornell's Small Farms program produces the SMALL FARMS QUARTERLY magazine full of articles on small scale agriculture and land use issues. Monthly updates will keep you in touch with a schedule of classes that are open to the public. To be added to the email list or receive a printed copy contact CCE-Chemung at 734-4453. New USDA Grant Awards Mean \$3 million Investment in Northeast Beginning Farmers. Erica Frenay at 607-255-9911 or ejf5@cornell.edu www.smallfarms.cornell.edu/pages/news/

Area Churches

Agape Bible Church

264 S. Applegate Road
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

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
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

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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.

Worship Opportunities

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

Meetings:

Children's Sunday School - During
Worship Service
Vocal Choir, Thursdays at 7:30 pm
Bell Choir, Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

Red Cross Blood Drive

The Enfield Volunteer Fire Company continues hosting blood drives at the station through The American Red Cross. The next scheduled blood drive will be Tuesday, May 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 continuing support.

Transportation Options

The average commute in Tompkins County is about 20 minutes and anywhere from 5-20 miles. With gas hovering around \$4.00 a gallon, the cost of a 20 minute commute quickly adds up! Before we know it, we're spending \$80-100 a month on gas *just to commute to work*. You might be thinking to yourself, "What other options are there?"

Luckily, Tompkins was the first county in the nation to begin using Zimride's online ridesharing platform. Zimride Tompkins helps you get to work, run errands, attend community events and more by ridesharing with someone already going the same way. With over 16,000 commuters in Tompkins County, it's likely that at least one or two of them are going your way. A year after launching, Zimride Tompkins boasts over 400 members who are posting rides daily to and from Ithaca, Cortland, Syracuse, Binghamton and more! Visit Zimride.com/Tompkins to see who's going your way.

For anyone living near Route 79, TCAT's Route 20 will pick you up anywhere between Ithaca and Enfield. A park and ride area at the intersection of Route 79 and Enfield Center Rd. provides a way to just drive or bike a few miles to the bus stop, and ride the rest of the way to town. One-way fare is \$1.50 from Sheffield Rd. and east, or \$2.50 between Sheffield Rd. and Enfield. Up to two bikes can be loaded on the bus, and senior and youth fares are half-price.

If you are concerned about being "stuck" during the day, considering keeping a bike in town, or setting up a membership with Ithaca Carshare, a member-based service that gives you access to vehicles by reservation. Several Ithaca Carshare vehicles are located along TCAT's Route 20, as well as throughout downtown and on Cornell's campus. Ithaca Carshare also has an Easy-Access Membership that provides assistance for low-income residents. For more information, contact Ithaca Carshare online at www.ithacacarshare.org or call at 277-3210. For more information about Zimride, TCAT, Ithaca Carshare and other transportation options in rural areas, contact Way2Go at Cornell Cooperative Extension, 272-2292 or Way2Go.org. Transportation information also available at 211 and Tompkins DSS Mobility Program at <http://tcmobilitynetwork.weebly.com/dss-mobility-program.html> or by phone at 274-5022.

Calendar of Events

April

- 7 Grange Pancake Breakfast, (pg 5)
- 9 PTA Meeting, 5:30 (pg 5)
- 22 Catch the Wind (pg 2)
- 24 Pre K Registration, 2:15-3:15 (pg 4)
- 27 Afterschool Art Gallery Night 6:00 (pg 4)
- 28 Medication Disposal Day, (pg 5)

May

- 4 Benefit Square Dance, 7:30 (pg 4)
- 5 Grange Pancake Breakfast (pg 5)
- 12 Community Yard Sale Day (pg 1)
- 12 ECC & EVFC Yard Sales, 9-2 (pg 1)
- 15 Red Cross Blood Drive, Fire Station, 1:30-6:30 (pg 7)

June

- 11 PTA Meeting, 5:30 (pg 5)

Semi-regular meetings

Community Quilting: Sundays, Mondays, & Tuesdays (pg 2)
Get2It!: Mondays, 4-6 (pg 2)

Regularly Scheduled Community Meetings & Activities

Adult Basketball: Wednesdays at 6:30 at the elementary school

Enfield Community Council (ECC): 3rd Tuesday, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Community Building

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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