Enfield Community Currents

July to September 2026

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Due Date for October to September 2026 Newsletter: 3rd Monday of the month prior or September 14, 2026 by the end of the day.

The opinions presented in this newsletter are of those who submit items and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the editor, nor the members of the Enfield Community Council.

Enfield Community Library

We're excited about our finds at the Friends of the Tompkins County Public Library Sale in May—below is a sample of the nearly 100 books we've added to our collection.

Tempting new recent fiction:

- "Vigil," by George Saunders
- "Buckeye," by Patrick Ryan
- "Sunrise on the Reaping, a Hunger Games Novel" by Suzanne Collins
- "My Friends," by Fredrik Backman
- "The Black Wolf," by Louise Penny

Young Adult fiction:

- "The Marrow Thieves," by Cherie Dimaline
- "The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon," by Stephen King
- "A Young People's History of the United States," by Howard Zinn
- "The Naturals," by Jennifer Lynn Barnes
- "Explorer: The Mystery Boxes," seven graphic stories, edited by Kazu Kibuishi

For school age readers:

- "Share Your Smile," by Raina Telgemeier
- "The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs," from America's Test Kitchen
- "Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Let's Make History!"
- "Clash," by Kayla Miller (graphic fiction)

Non-fiction:

- "Eager: The surprising, secret life of beavers and why they matter," by Ben Goldfarb (for those of us intrigued by the ambitious beavers attempting to turn Iradell Road into a pond)
- "Five-Star Trails: Finger Lakes & Central New York. Your guide to the area's most beautiful hikes," by Timothy Starmer
- "Life on a Little-Known Planet: Dispatches from a Changing World," by Elizabeth Kolbert
- "Do What You Are: Discover the perfect career for you through the secrets of personality type," by Paul D. Tieger, Barbara Barron and Kelly Tieger

Also, some of our latest loans from the downtown Tompkins County Public Library include historical fiction, including Julia Quinn's "The Duke and I," (first novel in the Bridgerton series on Netflix), "Shelterwood," by Lisa Wingate, and "The House of Broken Angels," by Luis Alberto Urrea, plus some practical non-fiction: "Grow Your Own Vegetables," (Carol Klein), "Cables Untangled: an exploration of cable knitting," (Melissa Leapman), and more. We'll have these books until October.

Our hours are Sunday 1 PM to 4 PM, Tuesday and Thursday 3:30 PM to 6:30 PM, and Saturday 9 AM to noon. Come visit!

Submitted by Barbara Sadovnic

Town of Enfield Updates

Installation of A Community Statue
We are excited to share that the Town of Enfield will soon feature a unique statue. This installation is part of a project by the Tompkins County Arts Council, supported by the Cortland Arts Partnership, which aims to place seven original sculptures throughout Tompkins County, with Enfield chosen as the first site.

The design of the Enfield statue reflects our rich agricultural heritage, specifically highlighting the tradition of the three sister crops. This artwork symbolizes the Indigenous agricultural history alongside the colonial agricultural narrative.

The statue is a collaborative effort by talented local artists Tony Moreno and Gwen Quigley, along with contributions from Ann-Marie Zwack, ferro cement artist Brian Pfeiffer, and stone carver Jason Rivard. Their collaboration, alongside feedback from Enfield elementary school students and longtime residents, has resulted in a beautiful piece that embodies our community's history, values, and commitment to the environment.

Groundwork has already been laid at the statue's future location, and we are currently planning for its installation and dedication, aiming for a fall 2026 unveiling. We invite all community members to participate in the unveiling ceremony, which will be a perfect opportunity to engage with our local arts scene and enjoy the playground.

This project has emphasized community engagement, bringing together diverse voices from Enfield. As Megan Barber, a project collaborator, noted, the sculpture is an expression of collaboration between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people, inspired by the Two Row Wampum.

The Enfield statue will be the first in a series of sculptures throughout the county, celebrating our shared cultural values and agricultural heritage, made possible through funding from the Tompkins County Tourism Program.

For more information about the Community Arts Partnership and its initiatives, please visit www.artspartner.org. We look forward to celebrating this momentous occasion with all of you!

NOTICE – BOSTWICK RD CLOSURE to through traffic – July 6 until the end of August
The Town has been working with the Tompkins County Soil & Water Conservation District on the Bostwick Road Stream Stabilization Project. This project has been made possible by the awarding of an NYSDEC WQIP grant. Part of the project entails replacing the culvert on Bostwick Rd. While completing the project, Bostwick Rd will need to be closed for a period of time to through traffic. Starting July 6 and continuing until the end of August, Bostwick Rd will be closed to through traffic. The closure will start at 1110 Bostwick Rd and end at Bostwick Run.

Billboard Moratorium in Effect
A billboard moratorium has been enacted in the Town of Enfield. This temporary measure is in place while the Planning Board works diligently to draft a new sign law. This decision was made in response to inquiries regarding the erection of billboards within our community.

We appreciate your understanding and patience during this time as we strive to ensure that any future signage aligns with the best interests of our town and its residents.

Submitted by Stephanie Redmond

Enfield Valley Grange

Recently one of our grange members prepared a nice gift basket for the raffle. At our last public dinner we raffled off this basket. We would like to thank everyone for your support in this way. We also would like congratulate Mrs. Bruce Rumsey on being our winner. A big thank you to Carolyn Monroe for her generous donation in preparing this beautiful basket.

We have exhausted our supply of placemats used for our breakfast and dinners and have decided to do this fundraiser again. Our patrons enjoy reading your ads and we hope they patronize you. If you would be interested in advertising your business on our placemat, please give me a call at 607-272-2144.

SAVE THE DATE: October 3, 2026 from 11:00am to 2:00pm we will be hosting our annual Craft Fair. We welcome our local crafters and creators to come and join us.We are currently taking reservations. We are also planning on having a bake sale and refreshments available. Please give me a call if you're interested; 607-272-2144.

Our building is always open for rentals with reasonable rates. If you or anyone you know is looking for a place to hold an event; the Grange Hall is an excellent place. Please give me a call if you're interested; 607-272-2144.

Submitted by Carol Baker
President, Enfield Valley Grange
607-272-2144

Enfield Food Distribution

June 2026 Quarterly Report
January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

Pounds: 1,159,939
Value: $1,539,248
Duplicated People Served
Children (0-17): 25,610
Adults (18-59): 54,596
Seniors (60 and older): 9,427
Households: 29,189

Our distribution of 200 potted cherry tomato plants was very successful and VERY popular. The plants already had tomatoes developing and were in beautiful shape thanks to Steve Eddy and the folks at Eddydale. Next year we are aiming for 500 plants for distribution.

Submitted by Jean Owens

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Justice Knutsen-King: Tuesday, 5:00 PM

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Town Historian
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Sue Thompson historian@townofenfield.gov

Other Regularly Scheduled Events & Business Hours

Senior Citizens
3rd Wednesday 11:30 AM–1:00 PM at the community center. Meeting includes a dish-to-pass luncheon.

Enfield Valley Grange
3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM at the Grange Hall

Enfield Volunteer Fire Company
2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays member training 7:30 PM. Community members interested in joining welcome.

Senior Fitness Class
Tuesdays at 10:00 AM

Family Tae Kwon Do Class
Thursdays at 5:30 PM

Enfield Elementary PTA
Every Monday in August from 6–7 PM at the Enfield community center. At Enfield School playground for August 26th 5–7PM. Email EnfieldPTA@gmail.com or text 607-342-3037

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Anti Racists in Enfield
1st Saturday of the month from 10 AM–noon at the ECC pavilion in warmer weather and the community center in the colder months. Contact antiracistsinenfield@gmail.com for details

Food Scrap Collection
Saturdays 9:00 AM–11:00 AM small shed behind the town clerk's office.

Community Justice Center Resource Hub
1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month 12:00–2:00 PM
607-793-0473 or msmiley@tompkins-co.org

ECC Wishlist

- Vacuum cleaner
- Electric can opener
- Various sizes of ski boots
- Volunteers!

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