

TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER

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TOWN MANAGER WELCOME MESSAGE

Greetings!

Municipal officials and staff in the Town of Enfield are dedicated to promoting a high-functioning and close-knit community that appeals to all our residents and visitors. To this end, we are committed to providing accurate information and quality services to members of our community at all times. In the interest of helping to keep residents informed of important “goings on” in town, we produce a town-wide newsletter that is disseminated by email on a monthly basis to all individuals who subscribe to the mailing list. Our hope is that the number of recipients on this list will continue to grow over time to ensure that most households receive these important updates.



If you have friends or family that may be interested in receiving the electronic newsletter, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them.

Subscribing to the electronic newsletter is easy and straightforward. You simply have to:

- Go to the below page on the town’s website:
www.enfield.nh.us/subscribe
- Enter your email address in the “Your Email” field
- Check the box for “Town News & Announcements” Check the “I am not a robot” box and follow the prompts
- Click the “Subscribe me” navigation button at the bottom of the page

Thank you for being a part of our community. We hope you find this and future newsletters both informative and enjoyable. Please don’t hesitate to contact Ryan Aylesworth, Town Manager, at 603-442-5405 or raylesworth@enfield.nh.us, if you have constructive feedback on how the depth and breadth of information provided in the newsletter can be optimized to meet the needs of our residents.

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=====LATEST NEWS=====

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES OPTIMIZATION STUDY

We want thank all the residents who attended the public forum on March 25 and shared questions and feedback regarding the municipal facilities optimization study.

We have posted a copy of the presentation given by Barrett Architecture on the Town's website:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/enfield_municipal_facilities_optimization_study_-_march_25_2019_public_forum.pdf

We anticipate that Barrett Architecture's complete/final report will be submitted to the Town within the next two to three weeks and the full report will also be made available electronically at that time.



It is important to reiterate that the contents of Barrett Architecture's presentation (and forthcoming report) are the first phase of what will be a multi-phase/deliberative process. The Town retained the services of Barrett Architecture (Phase 1) to complete an independent and objective evaluation of our current facilities, our facility needs, and related alternatives that the Town

could/should consider moving forward. The subsequent findings and recommendations furnished by Barrett Architecture will now be thoroughly examined, deliberated, and used to guide future information gathering (and public input) as we collectively progress with a comprehensive analysis that is completed prior to any formal proposals ultimately being presented to voters at a future Town Meeting.

In the near future, an advisory group will be assembled to begin addressing the next phase of this effort. We envision this advisory group being comprised of both local officials and interested citizens, with meetings taking place regularly over the course of the next 12 months. If you if are possibly interested in volunteering your time and ideas for this important project, please don't hesitate to contact the Town Manager to learn more.

Additional related updates will be forthcoming.

We are committed to developing cost-effective strategies that enable the Town to meet its service delivery needs in both the mid- and long-term while still ensuring that potential investments in new projects reflect fiscal responsibility and use external funding sources (i.e., federal and state grants) to the fullest extent possible in order to minimize the Town's financial commitment.

2019 MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

We still have copies of the 2019 Municipal Calendar available. The calendar includes great photos, important information such as Town board and committee meeting dates and the curbside rubbish & recycling collection schedule. Did we mention great photos? We are privileged to have many wonderful photographers in our community. We also had financial support for this publication from businesses that placed ads in our calendar – thank you! We encourage everyone to support our local economy by supporting local businesses!

TOWN MEETING

Thank you to all who participated in Town Meeting by voting on March 12th and attending the March 16th business meeting. Your involvement in local government is so very important because this is YOUR COMMUNITY and we want to make sure that our municipal policies, departments, programs, and projects reflect the values and priorities of our residents. Results of the votes from each day, as well as minutes of the meeting and copies of the presentations made at the March 16th session, are available on the Town's website: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/2019-annual-town-meeting>.

OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE – SUBSCRIBE TO NEWS & ALERTS

Many receiving this e-newsletter have already done so, but for those who get the link from other sources, we encourage you to subscribe to News & Alerts on our Town website. <https://www.enfield.nh.us/subscribe>
Enter your email address. For general News & Announcements check the box for **Town News & Announcements**. Check boxes for any other information you want to receive directly to your email address, such as meeting agendas or minutes. Check the box **I'm not a robot**, then click "Subscribe Me." It's as easy as that.

We plan during the coming year to more fully utilize the News & Announcements for various departments. For instance, during this year of the full town-wide revaluation of property we'll post updates to our progress on the Assessing Department page. Community news items will appear on the Community & Businesses page – we currently have two scholarship Announcements on this page – check it out!

MASCOMA LAKESIDE PARK – THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN PURCHASED!

It is with great pleasure that we report the Town successfully closed on the sale of the Mascoma Lakeside Park property from NH DOT in early-March. This milestone has been made possible by the commitment and dedication of many volunteers comprising the Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee, and of course the residents, businesses, charitable foundations, and other interested parties who have made monetary donations to this project. It is an enormous achievement to be able to acquire this property exclusively with privately raised funds and manage it as a public park in perpetuity.



Now that the sale has been finalized, our focus is squarely on amenities for the park. This past fall we actively solicited public input through a series of meetings with local organizations, town committees, and a well-attended public forum held at the Community Building. The top priority for all stakeholders is that the natural beauty of

the site be preserved and not over-developed. Some improvements are also needed and desired. They include removing and replacing brush and trash trees with native shrubs and trees; creating trails and educational signage to enhance recreational use of the property; constructing rainwater gardens and a new retaining wall to protect the water quality of the lake; installing a children's wading/swimming area; improved parking; installing grill boxes, and; building an open pavilion (which will likely include a fire feature of some sort) that can serve as a gathering place and an educational facility.

As has been previously reported, the Town of Enfield was recently awarded a Northern Borders Regional Commission grant in the amount of roughly \$135,000 to help fund improvements to the park property. This federal grant is a "match" grant, and the total project budget is approximately \$270,000. We have until July, 2019 to raise \$135,000 in matching funds, at which point we

will receive whatever portion of the \$135,000 we have matched. Our fundraising tally is approximately \$242,000. This leaves us with approximately \$113,400 of our \$135,000 goal to fund planned improvements once the \$128,600 sale price is deducted. So, we are well on our way to achieving our \$135,000 goal, but **we still have to raise approximately \$20,000 over the next few months to secure 100% of the federal matching grant.** Your generous support is needed!

An online version of the pledge agreement can be accessed here:

<http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/mlppledgeagreement.pdf>

You may enclose a check with your completed pledge agreement, but if you'd rather pay later you may do that. Send in your donation when it's convenient, with the words "Mascoma Lakeside Park" clearly noted in the memo field. Or, you can choose to wait and a member of the Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee will contact you for payment on the date or dates you specify in your pledge. Thank you for your support! This is an incredibly important effort for our community.

ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Town Manager at 603-632-5026 or raylesworth@enfield.nh.us if you have related questions or interest in lending your support to this important community project.

ENFIELD TOWN FLOWER – WE HAVE A WINNER!

The Enfield Conservation Commission voted to establish a Town Flower for 2019. The Commission members researched several local flowers and narrowed their list down to these five flowers for residents to vote on. In researching the flowers, the Commission developed criteria including the historical value, length of bloom, medicinal value, grown in town (but not necessarily native), wildlife support, overall significance, and how common is the plant to Enfield.



Votes were cast through the afternoon of the March 16th Town Meeting

And the WINNER is...



COMMON MILKWEED!!!

Additional information about common milkweed and its ecological value can be found here: https://www.fs.fed.us/wildflowers/plant-of-the-week/asclepias_syriaca.shtml

ENFIELD LIBRARY TRUSTEES STATEMENT REGARDING VALLEY NEWS ARTICLE "ENFIELD TAKES STOCK OF BUILDINGS"

To the Editor (of the *Valley News*),

I write to you as the Chair of the Enfield Library Trustees having joined this Board about a year ago.

Related to the Enfield Public Library and the new Library project, the article "Enfield takes stock of buildings" in the March 26, 2019 Valley News wrongly states that library trustees "largely abandoned" the pursuit of the new building in 2016. What was abandoned at that time was only a warrant article seeking public funding for the balance needed to complete the fundraising. The decision was a response to town officials who wanted to see more private

contributions to minimize the cost to taxpayers.

We have received commitments this winter and continue to seek new gifts and pledges toward the new Library facility. We have greatly appreciated the generous support of the individuals, families, businesses, foundations and the Town of Enfield that has brought the total available funding to more than \$1 million. While it is true that we have slowed outreach as the Town first went through the Strategic Governance process then this facilities study, we think it is prudent to work in concert with Town officials on all planning and money related matters. The Trustees learned on Monday night – along with the public – the results of Mr. Barrett’s study. We now need to consider what he proposes, ask questions and most importantly engage with our donors and patrons as we determine the appropriate path forward.

We continue to pursue our quest for efficient and improved Library space in the Town of Enfield and remain highly optimistic that with help of our donors, patrons and the support of the Town we will make this important need a reality.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dominic C. Albanese
Chair, Enfield Library Trustees
Enfield, New Hampshire

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Water/Sewer Rate Changes

On December 17, 2018, the Enfield Water & Sewer Commissioners (Board of Selectmen) voted to adjust water and sewer rates in accordance with the formal recommendations offered by the Town Manager and Public Works Director. The new rates are effective as of January 1, 2019 and will appear in the 2019 first quarter bills arriving in your mailbox the first week in April 2019.

The adopted increases include:

- Water Rates
 - Fixed charge increased \$2 per quarter for usage under 10,000 gallon/quarter
 - Fixed charge increased \$7 per quarter for usage 10,000 and over per qtr.
 - Consumption charges have increased 5% for both usage levels

- **Sewer Rates**
 - No change to fixed charges
 - Consumption charges have increased 8% on both usage levels

The Water & Sewer Commissioners, Town Manager, and Department of Public Works are committed to keeping the Water and Sewer Departments financially sustainable while delivering quality water and sewer services for the future. Several new projects are underway that will help to control future costs, and this includes a thorough evaluation of alternative methods of treating Enfield's wastewater.

Water and Sewer Bills

Enfield water and sewer bills will be mailed in early April and will be due May 10. This billing will mark the transition from a 10% onetime charged penalty on past due balances to an 8% annual percentage rate accrued daily on all past due balances in the "pre-lien" stage and a 14% annual percentage rate accrued daily on all past due balanced in the "post-lien" stage. Landlords wishing to charge tenants for water and sewer are responsible for forwarding bills and are ultimately responsible for current and past due bills. Bills can be monitored and paid using the online payment tool on the Town's Website.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

Arbor Day

The Town of Enfield will celebrate Arbor Day on April 26, 2019 by planting a tree. Last year the Town planted an evergreen tree at Huse Park to serve as the holiday tree. Ideas are being accepted for where this year's tree should be planted.

Composting Bins

The Town has a limited number of composting bins and food scrap buckets for sale this spring. Please see Dave at the Enfield Transfer Station for details.

Brush and Yard Waste

The Enfield Brush and Yard Waste Facility will reopen on May 1, 2019 and will be open during the business hours of the DPW or Transfer Station Monday through Saturday. The facility is closed on Sundays. The facility can take clean brush and limbs up to 8" as well as leaves and yard waste. The Town cannot take any invasive plant species, stumps or dimensional lumber. Residents wishing to use the facility must stop at the DPW office or the Transfer Station to have all loads checked by Town staff. The facility cannot take commercial volumes. Enfield Town stickers will need to be displayed in order to use the

brush and recycling facility. Stickers are available at the Town Hall.

2019 Transfer Station Stickers Available

The 2019 Transfer Station window stickers are available at the Town Office and the Transfer Station. An Enfield vehicle permit sticker must be affixed to the window of your car or truck on the side window behind the front passenger's seat, or with regular cab pick-ups in the lower corner of the rear window behind the passenger. Permit stickers are available, free of charge, at the Enfield Transfer Station & Recycling Center or Enfield Town Offices. Proof of residency or property ownership is required.

Enfield permit stickers also permit you to use the town beach parking lot on Mascoma Lake.

Punch Cards for Transfer Station Fees

The Town is working on establishment of a punch card system for Transfer Station fees. The new system should reduce wait times for residents. Punch cards will be available at the Public Works building payable by check only. Punch cards will also be available at the Enfield Town Offices, payable by cash or check. Look for an announcement on our website at www.enfield.nh.us

Road Postings

The Town of Enfield has posted all roads. The State of New Hampshire has posted Shaker Hill Road and Main Street. Limited permission for access will be available on a case by case basis with factors such as weather, truck size, time of day, etc., being taken into consideration. It is expected that the postings will be off no later than May 1. Please contact the Highway Supervisor at (603) 632-7301 ext. 5418 or the DPW Director at 603-632-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us with any questions. Those wishing to access Main Street or Shaker Hill Road should call the NH DOT District 2 office at 448-2654

Please Use Curbside Trash and Recycling Services

Trash and Zero Sort recycling collected at the Transfer Station cost the Town of Enfield significantly more per ton than trash and recycling collected curbside due to extra hauling charges. Trash collected at the Transfer Station costs approximately \$30 per ton more than material collected curbside (when Transfer Station transportation fees are included). Zero-Sort recycling collected at the Transfer Station costs the Town over \$80 per ton more than recycling collected at curbside due to the extra hauling fees (when Transfer Station transportation fees are included).

Please do your part to help keep our solid waste expenses down (and keep property tax rates as low as possible in the process)!

Driveway Sand

Driveway sand is available at the DPW during their business hours (Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM) and is located at the top of the driveway in the bin on the right. It is open to Enfield residents with a current Transfer Station Sticker. It is not intended for commercial applicators or to be taken in commercial volumes. Salt, ledge sand and materials in the shed, and sand from the large pile to the left of Public Works building, are NOT available.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Public Works at 603-632-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us with any questions or concerns.

Household Hazardous Waste 2019 Collection Schedule

Household Hazardous Waste 2019 COLLECTION DAYS

NEW Friday
Collection

WHEN

All collections are 9:00 am—Noon

Sat, May 4—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Route 120)

Sat, June 8—Newport Highway Garage, 449 South Main Street (Rt 10 S)

Fri, July 12—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Route 120)

Sat, August 10—New London Highway Garage, 184 South Pleasant St

Sat, October 5—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover St (off Route 120)

FREE to residents from Claremont, Cornish, Enfield, Goshen, Hanover, Lebanon, Lempster, Lyme, New London, Newbury, Newport, Orford, Piermont, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, and Wilmot. Others residents and businesses welcome for a fee.

ANYONE with 25 gallons or more or any business must pre-register.

WHAT TO BRING:

Pesticides, Herbicides, Flea Powder
Antifreeze, Dirty Gas & Kerosene
Adhesives & Driveway Sealer
Mercury Thermostats & Thermometers
Household Cleaners & Polishes
Hobby & Pool Chemicals,
Lead Fishing Tackle, Smoke Detectors
Oil-Based Paint (not Latex!)
Solvents, Varnishes, Stains
Button, Ni-Cad, Lithium, and
Rechargeable Batteries

...And much more...give a call or
visit <http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>



For
information
contact the

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee
Regional Planning Commission
at (603) 448-1680 or
vdavis@uvlsrpc.org



Alkaline batteries: Most non-rechargeable batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, and 9-volt) are trash in NH. If in doubt, just bring to collection. Tape 9-volt terminals before disposal.

Ammunition and explosives: State Police at 271-3636.

Asbestos: Get a licensed asbestos specialist. Asbestos is hazardous to your health—don't even think about removing it yourself!

Automotive batteries: Take to parts store for cash back or your transfer station

Empty aerosol cans: Can be recycled with scrap metal. Talk to your town.

Fluorescent lights: May be taken at your town facility. Check with your town.

Food Co-ops and Home Depot take may take CFLs (spiral bulbs), not tubes.

Latex paint: Use kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper to dry out latex paint, then throw in your trash. Empty, dry metal cans may be recycled as scrap metal at your recycling facility. If it says "clean up with soap and water," it's latex.

Medicine: See www.twinstatesafemeds.com for police stations taking meds.

Medical sharps: Place in a rigid container (e.g. detergent bottle), seal cap with duct tape, and label container with marker, "Sharps, not for recycling."

Dispose of with regular trash by handing to a waste collector. See

www.nh.gov/medsafety. Can drop off at Lebanon Police Station.

Propane or helium tanks and fire extinguishers: Propane/helium tanks can be exchanged/refilled at a distributor; or contact town transfer station about empty tanks. Empty fire extinguishers can be recycled (NRRA takes from towns).

Used motor oil: Take to town transfer station or a service station for recycling.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: <http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Enfield's fifth season is upon us... "Mud season." Please pay attention to road postings and if you have a question about whether or not you can travel on the road with heavy equipment call DPW or the Police Department.

The bears are waking up, this is the time of year that it is very important to secure your trash bins and bring in the bird feeders. If bears get into a habit at the start of the season you may have a constant issue throughout spring (and into summer).

All dogs living in town need to be registered in April, please see the Town Clerk to complete your registration. Remember dog licenses can now be renewed online as well: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

The Enfield Police Department and Canaan Police Department will be co-hosting a Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) class. The class is free to women of all ages. We would love to see mothers and daughters come together and join us for the class. If you have questions regarding what the class is about you can find information on the Department's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldNHPolice/>) or contact Sgt. Ryan Porter or Officer Alyssa Conley.

As the weather gets better we are seeing an increase in distracted drivers. Officers will be out conducting extra patrols in an attempt to locate distracted drivers. Remember New Hampshire is a hands free state.

The Police Department will be hosting an Enfield Citizens Academy in May. This course will be an 8-week in-depth look at what it is like to be an Enfield police officer. The class will be free to Enfield residents 16 and older. Watch the Enfield PD Facebook page and website for sign ups.

As always, if you see something, say something. Please do not hesitate to contact the Enfield Police Department at any time at 603-632-7501 or through Hanover dispatch at 603-643-2222.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

On behalf of the Enfield Fire Department, I would like to congratulate David Crate on his recent retirement as Fire Chief for the Town of Enfield. He has served the Town for 51 years, decades of which were served as your Fire Chief. He continues to remain on the department to help where he can, and also provide guidance to others from his many years of experience.

We are finally seeing signs of spring.

With bare ground and warmer temps just around the corner, it is important to remember that outside fires can spread fast in the spring and summer months. Brush and wildland fires are a huge concern during these times of year.

The easiest rule to remember is that if there is not complete snow cover in the area you will be burning, and surrounding areas, a permit must be obtained to burn brush or have campfires.

In regard to outdoor burning, please find a lot of helpful information on this website:

<https://www.nhdf.org>

The Town of Enfield has several people who can assist you with questions or obtaining a burn permit. This list is on the Town website, and as changes are made, I will make sure the Town gets the information to update the website. That information can be found here:

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/fire-department/pages/burning-information-permits>

The following people can issue permits for the Town of Enfield:

- David Crate, Forest Fire Warden 603-252-0386
- Richard Chase, Deputy Warden 603-632-5363 or 603-632-7135
- Rick Bean, Deputy Warden 603-632-4936
- John Pellerin, Deputy Warden 603-359-5440
- Richard Martin, Deputy Warden 603-304-9324
- Tony Felix, Deputy Warden 603-632-4949

There will be more people added to this list soon, so please check the Town website for up to date information.

It is also important to remember that with fire permits, the hours of burning are 5pm to 9am with the exception of campfires. Also, if you are going to be

burning at any time, always remember to call [Hanover Regional Communications Center](#) at 603-643-2222 so that they are aware in case someone calls reporting smoke or fire in the area.

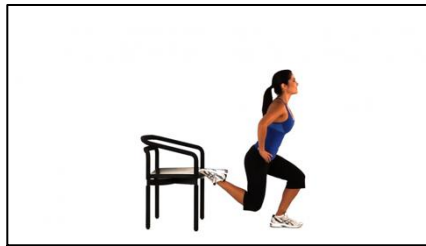
The dedicated men and women of the Enfield Fire Department stand ready to assist you when you need it. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

Fred Cummings
Fire Chief
fcummings@enfield.nh.us

RECREATION

Enfield Recreation



Chair Yoga & Exercise
Weekly on M, W, F

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair Yoga/Exercise classes on Mondays 9:30 – 10:30, Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:00, and Fridays 9:30 – 10:30 at The Enfield Community Building.

These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength and meditation. The classes are only \$3.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required.



Family Game Night
Friday, April 13, 2019
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Join us for Family Game Night at the Enfield Community Building! Black Moon Games of Lebanon, NH, will be bringing along many exciting and fun games for all ages to enjoy! \$3.00 per person, \$10 max per family. Light snacks and refreshments provided.



Enfield Recreation Easter Egg Dash
Saturday, April 20, 2019
10:30 AM

The Egg dash will be held at Huse Memorial Park, and all children in 4th grade and younger are welcome to participate. The Egg Dash will begin promptly at 10:30 AM!



Mother & Son Dance
Mother's Day Weekend 2019

We are looking to put together a fantastic Mother and Son dance on Mother's Day weekend this year. Be on the lookout for further details as it gets closer to May! If you would like to join the planning group, please do let me know!



Enfield Recreation Camp

The Enfield Recreation Camp is a day camp program that serves the Enfield community for youth in K-4th grade. ERC has a morning or full day option, and all campers are eligible for full day camp. With each program, we strive to provide an environment of learning and play as well as a place where campers can meet new friends. Our amazing counselors, local high school and college students, support and engage with our campers during free play, sports activities, and crafts. All of our counselors are CPR and First Aid certified. Sign-ups will be going live soon!



Enfield Recreation is looking to hire lifeguards for the 2019 summer season at Shakoma Beach. Lifeguard applicants must possess current Red Cross Lifeguard certification (or equivalent). Competitive rates of pay and flexible hours.

To stay up to date on all Enfield Recreation Happenings, follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldNHRecreation/>

If you have questions, or are interested in these events, have other ideas, or would like to be involved please email recreation@enfield.nh.us.

Kindly,
Joel King (Recreation Director)

P.S. Would you like to help with future Enfield Recreation events? Do you have a passion, skill, talent, or craft you would like to share? Would you like to become a member of the Recreation Commission? Do you have a Recreation related idea? I'd love to hear from you (recreation@enfield.nh.us)!

Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation

A sneak peek of the *2019 Spring/ Summer Recreation Brochure* is available online! Check out all the great events and activities happening this summer in the Mascoma region. Be sure to check the brochure more than once over the coming months, because we will be updating and adding information!

To visit the brochure, please go to:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/.../pages/spring_summer2019draft.pdf

Registration for the MVPR Summer Theater Camp is open! Our summer theater camp has been a huge hit since we started offering it in 2016. Register your child for a unique learning opportunity to discover talents and strengths through participation in a live theater experience. Actor/Educators from Children's Stage Adventures (CSA) and a cast of students, ranging in age from kindergarten through grade twelve, perform in a full-length original musical production on stage in the Mascoma Community Auditorium. CSA actor/educators lead the cast members through a concentrated five day rehearsal schedule to learn all songs, dances and lines. The camp will culminate with two public performances in the Mascoma Community Auditorium – Friday, August 9th and Saturday August 10th at 2:00pm.



Theater Camp 2016 – “The Elves & the Shoemaker” & Theater Camp 2017 – “Oliver Twist”

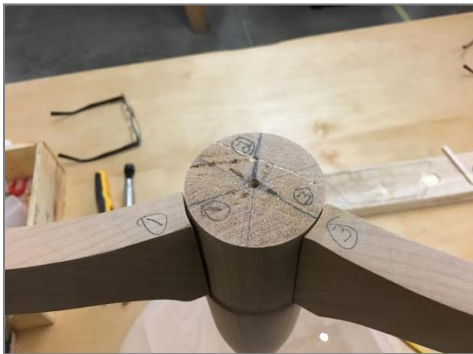


Theater Camp 2018 – “The Sword Called Excalibur”

There might still be snow on the ground, but your local recreation departments

are already gearing up for summer! There are several great day camp opportunities available: Canaan Rec Camp (K-4), Camp X (4-7) and Enfield Recreation Camp. Specialty camps, which include sports and theater, are also offered again this summer. Registration is open for all of the available sports camps, including Challenger International Sports Camp, Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp, Challenger Sports Soccer Camp and our Youth Volleyball Camp. Take advantage of discounted pricing on these camps and register early! We are also planning on some new adventure opportunities for children and adults alike – watch for details on *Field Trip Fridays* (students entering grades 8-10) and *Grown-Up Field Trips* (21 & up).

Our first woodworking class with professional furniture maker, wood turner and finisher, Gary Wood finished on 21st. If you missed the opportunity to register for this class, or the dates did not work with your schedule, do not worry! We hope to continue our partnership with Gary and offer additional classes in the future.



Candle Stands – March 2019 Class

Summer Camp!

Registration Opens on April 1st for Camp X, Canaan Rec Camp & Field Trip Fridays

*Register and pay early to reserve your child's spot – space is limited.
(Payment plans available – contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com to get started)*

Go to <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

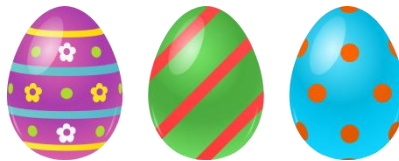
- **Canaan Rec Camp (Canaan Elementary School)**
- **Camp X (Indian River School)**
- **Enfield Rec Camp (Huse Park, Enfield)**
- ***NEW THIS YEAR* Field Trip Fridays (for students entering 8th-10th grade)**

Line Dancing continues on Mondays at MVRHS and on Thursdays at the Enfield Community Building. Bring a friend and drop-in to one or both of these great classes. Participants will learn to line dance to all types of music – country, pop, Irish and more!

MVPR Board Game Afternoons for adults continues on Friday afternoons. Join other members of the community on Fridays from 3:30-5:30pm at the Enfield Community Building. The cost is only \$3 and participants are encouraged to BYO Board Game!

Save time and paper with online registration for our various programs. If you have not already created an account with Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation, please check out our new site and make an account for you and your family.

Recreation Website: <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>



Upcoming & Ongoing Recreation Events, Programs and Activities:

For details about programs listed below and/or to register, please go to:
<https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

- *Il Circolo Italiano – Italian Conversation Club*
 - Saturdays at 10am at Mickey’s Roadside Café (food available for purchase)
- *Mascoma Valley Guitar Orchestra*, weekly rehearsals on Sundays at the Department of Public Works starting at 6:30pm. \$3/session (Registration not required)
- *Adult Volleyball*, on Sundays from 6pm-8pm at MVRHS
- *Adult Basketball*, on Sundays from 10am-12pm through May 2019 at MVRHS
- *Line Dancing*, on Thursdays at the Enfield Community Building from 5:00-6:00pm and Mondays in the CPL Room at MVRHS from 4:30-5:30pm. Drop-ins allowed, no advance registration required.
- *Painting Classes* – Classes are Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays at the Enfield Community Building.
 - May 2019 classes coming soon
<https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>
 - Landscapes, florals and wildlife; Classes are \$45 and all materials are included; you will leave with a completed painting at the end of the class
- *MVPR Board Game Club* – contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com to be added to the email roster!
 - Fridays in January and February from 3:30-5:30pm; \$3/night (adults only please)

- BYO Board Game
- *Challenger Multi-Sports Camp*
 - June 17-21, 2019 at Shaker Recreation Field on Route 4A in Enfield
 - <https://challenger.configio.com/pd/188432/mascoma-valley-parks-and-recreation-sports-ca?m=0&zip=03748&zipdis=30&cid=750&returncom=productlist&source=search>
- *Shooter's Gold Basketball Camp*
 - June 24-27, 2019 at IRS and MVRHS; for boys and girls
 - Grades 1-4 at IRS from 1pm-3pm; Grades 5-8 at MVRHS from 1pm-5pm
 - Register Online: www.hogancamps.com
- *Challenger Sports Soccer Camps*
 - July 15-19, 2019 at Shaker Recreation Field on Route 4A in Enfield
 - <https://challenger.configio.com/pd/188516/mascoma-valley-parks-and-recreation-internati?m=0&zip=03748&zipdis=30&cid=750&returncom=productlist&source=search>
- *Youth Volleyball Clinic*
 - July 22-26 at Mascoma High School
 - Students entering grades 6-9
 - Register Online: <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>
- *Grown-Up Field Trips (more details coming soon!)*
 - Three Saturdays in July – hop in the recreation van and let us do the driving!
 - *July 13* – 1766 Brewing Company, Museum of the White Mountains and the Waterville Valley Artisan Fair
 - *July 20* – Haunting Whisper Winery & Distillery
 - *July 27* – Farmer's Table Café & Polyculture Brewing Company
 - For a small fee, a recreation professional will take you and your adult friends & family to these great locations. Details coming soon – contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com



Doing laundry is most likely part of your every day routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to the safety of your home? With a few simple safety tips you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
- Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time.
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating. Once a year, or more often if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you.
- Keep dryers in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a qualified professional to make sure that the gas line and connection are intact and free of leaks.
- Make sure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected properly.
- Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions and don't overload your dryer.
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.

AND DON'T FORGET...

Dryers should be properly **grounded**.

Check the **outdoor vent flap** to make sure it is not covered by snow.

Keep the area around your dryer **clear** of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc.

Clothes that have come in contact with **flammable substances**, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed and dried as usual.

FACT

- ! The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.



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PLANNING & ZONING OFFICES

The Enfield Planning Board's March 27 meeting included two conceptual meetings. These included formalizing a shared driveway (409 & 411 U.S. Route 4) and the construction of a 54'x100' storage shed near the Montcalm Club House in the Conservation Zoning District (2 Smith Pond Road). Business items also included a review of the Planning Board Rules of Procedure. Review of the Town of Enfield Energy Plan for inclusion in Master Plan was tabled for a future meeting. Dan Kiley was recommended for reappointment as the Planning Board's representative on the Capital Improvement Program Committee (three-year term). Finally, the Planning Board and Town Manager discussed next steps for the comprehensive review and update of the community master plan.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) met on March 12 to review a variance request related to converting an existing single-family home to a duplex (1070 NH Route 4A). The variance request was ultimately approved, with a condition that the property owner ensure that the lot has adequate parking as per ordinance 401.1-10 for a 4-bedroom unit.

All information is public and available at the Planning and Zoning Office in the DPW building at 74 Lockehaven Road.

If you have any questions about planning or zoning activities, please don't hesitate to contact our interim Planning & Zoning Administrator, Vickie Davis (planning@enfield.nh.us or 603-632-4067). Her office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

ENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Happy Spring! I've noticed more birdsong in the mornings when I arrive at the library and we're starting to plan for Summer Reading. This year's theme is "A Universe of Stories" and we'll begin revealing our plans soon!

Save the Date: Author Dan Szczesny will be coming to the Enfield Community Building **Wednesday May 1st at 7:00pm** to talk about his books. His most recent book, *White Mountain*, explores the history, culture, and allure of Mount Washington.

Happening in April:

- **School Vacation Week: April 15th-19th:**
 - Tuesday My First Story Time is **canceled**. It will resume the following week.

- Wednesday Story time at 10:00a. For kids ages 2 ½ to 5. Stories read and told, rhymes, lots of movement, and a simple craft.
- Thursday: **Bristlebots!** Drop in anytime between 1:30-3:30p. A Bristlebot is a small robot made by combining a toothbrush head and a vibrating motor. The vibrations from the motor travel down the bristles and cause the brush to scoot and spin on flat surfaces. **Best for children in Grade 1 and up.**

- **Make It Take It Monday** will happen on April 1st. We'll be making Beaded Bubble Wands. Drop in anytime between 3:30 and 5:00pm, all ages welcome!
- **Saturday My First Story Time:** Is canceled for April.
- Our **book group** will be reading *The Wee Free Men* by Sir Terry Pratchett. The discussion will be held Thursday April 25th at 6:30pm.

What happened in March:

- We circulated 2,123 items and had 27 programs with 316 participants.

Have questions about the public library? If so, please visit the library's website (<https://www.enfield.nh.us/enfield-public-library>) or contact the Library Director at 603-632-7145 or mhutson@enfield.nh.us for assistance.

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

Town Clerk

I would like to thank everyone who cast their vote for me on Election Day. The people in Enfield have always been great and it's been an honor to serve you. We take pride in our office and the people who work here. Again many thanks for your trust and support.

Just a quick reminder, your dog/dogs need to be licensed by April 30, 2019. Please make sure they are up to date on their rabies shots, fees are as follows

Spayed/Neutered -	\$7.50
Unaltered-	\$10.00
Residents over 65-	\$3.00 - \$3.00-First dog only, any additional dogs are full price
Group license-	\$25.00 - \$25.00-5 or more dogs

Please don't hesitate to contact the Town Clerk at 603-632-5001 Ext. 5403 with any questions about motor vehicle registrations, boat registrations, voter registrations, dog licenses, marriage licenses, or other matters handled by the Town Clerk's office.

Tax Collector

Greetings all! Just as a reminder, with Federal Income tax filing time quickly approaching, should you need the amount of property taxes you paid in 2018; it is now available on the Town's website! www.enfield.nh.us. From the home page, click on the online payments button and this will transfer to a new screen of options. Click on Tax Collector online payments and just follow the instructions from there. (Hint: when searching, use as few words as possible, such as house number and road name. Refrain from using St, Rd, Ave, Lane, etc.) Or just enter your last name and a list of possible answers will show on the right of the screen. If you need to be walked thru this process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

As a reminder, payments for taxes or utilities over the counter may be made by cash or check only.

Continue to "think spring"! It's got to come eventually, the calendar says so!

Please don't hesitate to contact the Tax Collector at 603-632-4201 Ext. 5404 or by email (whuntley@enfield.nh.us) with any questions about your property tax bills, water/sewer bills, betterment assessments or other taxes and fees collected by the Tax Collector.

MASCOMA COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE – PARTNERSHIP EXPLORATION

What are we exploring?

The Boards of Mascoma Community Healthcare, Inc.(MCH), of Canaan, NH, and HealthFirst Family Care Center (HealthFirst) of Franklin, NH, are exploring a partnership between their two non-profit, 501(c)(3) organizations.

Who are the Partners?

Health First Family Care Center, Inc. of Franklin, NH is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) providing primary healthcare to anyone in the Twin Rivers and Lakes Regions of New Hampshire. The service area includes 23 rural townships (Alexandria, Andover, Ashland, Belmont, Bridgewater, Bristol, Center Harbor, Danbury, Franklin, Gilford, Gilmanton, Groton, Hebron, Hill, Laconia, Meredith, Moultonborough, New Hampton, Northfield, Salisbury, Sanbornton, Sandwich and Tilton). The HealthFirst organization is 25 years old and currently operates two community health centers, one in Laconia and one in Franklin. They serve over 7,000 patients. The HealthFirst clinics offer primary care, behavioral health care, nutritional/diabetic care, and care management services.

Both HealthFirst clinics have been recognized several times as Level III Patient-Centered Medical Homes by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, which is the highest possible rating for community health centers. This reflects the hard work and dedication of HealthFirst staff, who truly care about their patients and improving health outcomes.

Mascoma Community Healthcare, Inc. operates one community health center in Canaan, NH. The Mascoma health center opened in June of 2017, primarily serving the five Mascoma communities of Canaan, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, and Orange, but serves patients from other Upper Valley communities including eastern Vermont towns. The Mascoma health center has not yet achieved FQHC status. MCH currently serves 2600 patients and continues to add about 100 patients per month.

Both MCH and HealthFirst are accountable to the communities they serve and are managed by independent, volunteer Boards of Directors. The Boards are responsible for setting major policies and for financial oversight of their respective organizations. HealthFirst and MCH share the same goals of providing low-cost, high-quality comprehensive care.

Why the Partnership?

For MCH, the partnership presents the surest and shortest path forward to achieving Federally Qualified Health Center status, thus insuring long term financial and operational stability. FQHC status would probably take another two years for MCH to achieve on its own, a period that would require considerably more philanthropic support than the capacity of the existing and potential donor base is able to provide. A partnership enables MCH and HealthFirst to jointly apply for a UDSA Health Resources and Services Administration “New Access Point” FQHC designation, which would be granted by September 1, 2019.

FQHC status will bring substantial benefits to the MCH operation:

- \$500,000 annually in federal grants for two years, to support the partnership and to supplement the clinic operating budget until Mascoma patient numbers reach sustainable levels (HealthFirst received \$1,225,162 in federal grant support for its 4,360 patients in 2017).
- A \$150,000 grant to facilitate the transition implementation costs include converting electronic health records, billing and collections, and other administrative and communications systems to HealthFirst standards
- Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement rates will increase by up to 150%
- Low-income MCH patients will be able to participate in the federal

government's 340b prescription drug program, drastically reducing the price of maintenance medications while at the same time increasing the clinic's income.

- Malpractice insurance will be provided by the federal government (currently costs MCH \$25,000 per year).
- MCH providers can participate in federal medical and dental school loan forgiveness programs
- Specific healthcare program development funding will become readily available.

For HealthFirst, the partnership will immediately add a full-service dental practice to their list of service lines, provide an increased economy of scale both financially and operationally, and expand the service area from which to draw new patients.

The partnership, in general, will provide the following additional benefits to both organizations:

- Operational and cost efficiencies will be achieved by centralizing administrative and billing and collections operations;
- Temporary provider shortages and on-call coverage can be more easily managed between both organizations when more providers are available;
- Larger patient base to support new service lines (e.g. physical therapy, radiography);
- More grant funding opportunities.

What Doesn't Change?

The Mascoma health center stays in Canaan and will continue to serve all the neighboring towns. No changes are anticipated at the HealthFirst clinics in terms of providers, staff, and patient services.

What will be the Impact to Mascoma Patients?

Quite positive, on all fronts. HealthFirst patient policies and procedures, charges for services, billing and collections, etc., are largely determined by FQHC requirements, and are already in harmony with those at Mascoma. The same high quality of service will continue to be delivered at all three health centers. The Mascoma clinic will see an expansion of nutrition, diabetic, integrated behavioral health, and care management services much sooner than if MCH continued to operate the clinic on its own.

What will be the Impact to Mascoma Providers and Staff?

Quite positive as well. The Mascoma clinic is currently staffed at minimum levels, with most executive functions being performed by a volunteer Executive

Committee of the MCH board, thus there are no executive positions to replace. The numbers of medical and dental providers and staff are commensurate with patient numbers and will only grow as the clinic grows. Wages, salaries, and benefits are already in harmony with those of HealthFirst. Job security will be enhanced by staff becoming employees of a larger, proven, and stable organization.

What will be the Impact to Mascoma Communities?

The full potential of the clinic, as envisioned by the founders, will be realized as clinic finances stabilize and attention is shifted to adding the new programming and services promised to the communities. When fully utilized at around 5,000 patients, considerably more healthcare jobs will be added. Residents of the Mascoma towns and beyond will have a permanent health care home that they can count on for years to come.

What will be the Impact to Local Control at Mascoma?

There will be a single Board of Directors governing all three health centers. Federal rules required that 51% of the board of a Federally Qualified Health Center be consumers of health center services with the balance residents of the communities served. The Mascoma communities will be afforded proportional representation on the HealthFirst board as determined by the number of patients at each health center.

The current Board of Mascoma Community Healthcare, Inc., will remain in existence, albeit with a different mission. The new MCH board, which may undergo a name change to Friends of Mascoma Community Health Center, would support the Mascoma clinic by engaging in patient advocacy, volunteer coordination, community outreach, special event support, and fundraising for specific, one-off projects that benefit the local clinic. It would also 'advise' its representatives to the larger Health First Board about local issues and opportunities.

===== MEETINGS & EVENTS=====

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- April 1 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- April 2 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- April 3 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Old Home Days Committee
- April 4 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Conservation Commission
- April 8 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees

- April 9 @ 5:15 PM (Town Hall) – Energy Committee
- April 9 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Zoning Board of Adjustment
- April 15 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- April 16 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- April 24 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board
- April 25 @ 4:30 PM (Town Hall) Heritage Commission
- May 1 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Old Home Days Committee
- May 2 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Conservation Commission
- May 6 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- May 7 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- May 9 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Cemetery Trustees
- May 13 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees

===== **COMMUNITY EVENTS** =====

In lieu of the Community Bulletin Board on the Town's website we are now using a Community & Business Calendar of Events which you'll find on the Community & Business main page: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/community-businesses>. Previous posts on the Community Bulletin Board that were informational in nature, but not events, can be found under the appropriate department page. For instance, Friends of Mascoma Food Pantry information can be found on the Human Services page under Food Assistance and information on how to recycle those hard to recycle items can be found on the Public Works Department, Solid Waste & Recycling page.

Do you have a Community Event to share? Send all of the particulars, and a digital photo or poster to abonnette@enfield.nh.us and we'll post it for you.

===== **RECENT NEWS FROM PAST ISSUES** =====

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Toters

The trash and recycling toters are part of the Enfield trash and recycling collection program and must remain with the property upon a property transfer. The Town has had to replace many of these containers that people have taken with them after selling their properties.

Recycling Fees

The Town of Enfield charges fees for items that the Town gets charged for to dispose of including CFC units, tires, TVs, computers, tires, electronics, fire extinguishers, propane tanks and microwave ovens. Lately a number of people have been trying to “sneak” items into the Transfer Station to avoid paying these fees. It is very important to dispose of these items properly not only to the health of the Town budget but the safety of the operators and people at the Transfer Station and down the trash and recycling streams. Many of these items contain hazardous materials which is the reason for the fee. Hiding hazardous materials in bags going into a compactor or placing them in the metal container that will be run through a grinder could result in a serious injury. Please follow link below for details.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/solid-waste-recycling/files/solid-waste-recycling-program>

Enfield Vegetative Management Facility

The Enfield Vegetative Management Facility closed on November 3, 2018 and will reopen May 1, 2019. Clean brush and yard waste can be recycled at Hammond’s Grinding and Recycling just East of Canaan Village on US Route 4. 603-523-4353 and the Lebanon Landfill will take brush and yard waste year round.

Construction and Demolition Material (C & D)

The Enfield Transfer Station and Enfield Vegetative Management Facility do **NOT** accept any volumes of C & D at this time. These materials are accepted, for a fee, by the Lebanon Landfill 370 N Plainfield Rd, West Lebanon and Hammond’s Grinding and Recycling just East of Canaan Village on US Route 4.

Water Saving Tips to Help You Save Money on Your Next Water/Sewer Bill

1. *Check faucets and pipes for leaks.* A small drip from a worn faucet washer can waste 20 gallons of water per day. Larger leaks can waste hundreds of gallons.
2. *Check your toilets for leaks.* Put a little food coloring in your toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl within 30 minutes, you have a leak that should be repaired immediately. Most replacement parts are inexpensive and easy to install.
3. *Use your water meter to check for hidden water leaks.* Read the house water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, there is a leak.
4. *Install water-saving shower heads and low-flow faucet aerators.* Inexpensive water-saving low-flow shower heads or restrictors are easy

for the homeowner to install. Long, hot showers can use five to ten gallons every unneeded minute. "Low-flow" means it uses less than 2.5 gallons per minute (gpm). Also, all household faucets should be fit with low-flow aerators. 2.5 gpm may be needed in a kitchen sink but bathroom faucets and other water outlets should be 1.5 gpm or lower. Check gpm rating on packaging to be sure the advertised "low-flow" is at or below these levels. This single best home water conservation method is also the cheapest!

5. *Insulate your water pipes.* It's easy and inexpensive to insulate your water pipes with pre-slit foam pipe insulation. You'll get hot water faster plus avoid wasting water while it heats up.
6. *Take shorter showers.* One way to cut down on water use is to turn off the shower after soaping up, then turn it back on to rinse. A four-minute shower uses approximately 20 to 40 gallons of water. Limit your showers to the time it takes to soap up, wash down and rinse off.
7. *Turn off the water after you wet your toothbrush.* There is no need to keep the water running while brushing your teeth. Just wet your brush and fill a glass for mouth rinsing.
8. *Rinse your razor in the sink.* Fill the sink with a few inches of warm water. This will rinse your razor just as well as running water, with far less waste of water.
9. *Use your dishwasher and clothes washer for only full loads.* Automatic dishwashers and clothes washers should be fully loaded for optimum water conservation. Most makers of dishwashing soap recommend not pre-rinsing dishes which is a big water savings. With clothes washers, avoid the permanent press cycle, which uses an added 20 liters (5 gallons) for the extra rinse. For partial loads, adjust water levels to match the size of the load. Replace old clothes washers. New Energy Star rated washers use 35 - 50% less water and 50% less energy per load. If you're in the market for a new clothes washer, consider buying a water-saving frontload washer.
10. *Keep a bottle of drinking water in the fridge.* Running tap water to cool it off for drinking water is wasteful. Store drinking water in the fridge in a safe drinking bottle.

How to Improve Recycling

To improve the quality of materials that residents place in their recycling bins, Casella (the Town's contracted solid waste service provider) has created a new video for customers to watch. This video is just one component of a campaign centered on Casella's Recycle Better™ campaign.

It is Casella's stated goal to not only invest in recycling technology to improve its outbound materials, but to also educate our customers to do their part to ensure the sustainability of recycling. Consumers, businesses, and

municipalities alike must learn to Recycle Better for cleaner, less contaminated material to be delivered to Casella facilities.

We encourage you to share this video with your friends, family, and colleagues. The video can be accessed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdvboQQWUc8>

The "Don't" of Recycling



KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF ZERO-SORT® RECYCLING



NO Plastic Bags or Bagged Recycling

(Take clean plastic bags to your local retailer for recycling)



NO Coated Paper Items

(Items with a plastic lining such as waxed coffee or soda cups & waxed paper plates)



NO Disposable Items

(Styrofoam™, napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, dirty recycling, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers & coffee pods)



NO Toys, Hangers, Clothes or Shoes

(Gently used items can be donated)



NO Waste or Wood

(Rope, twine, diapers, food, pet & yard waste)



NO Plastic Wrap, Films or Tarps

(Food bags or wrappers, plastic or shrink wrap & tarps)



NO Hazardous Materials

(Check for alternative recycling)



NO Rubber or Scrap Metal

(Check for alternative recycling)



NO Medical Waste

(Find safe and secure disposal near you)



NO Ceramics, Pots, Pans or Baking Glass

(Gently used items can be donated)



NO Electronics, Lithium Batteries or Bulbs

(Check for alternative recycling)

WHEN IN DOUBT, KEEP IT OUT! • For more information visit casella.com or call 800-CASELLA

FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE INSPECTOR

Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors do provide an early warning, helping to prevent a potential disaster. Batteries should never be removed from the unit for any reason and if the alarm sounds we must take advantage of the time it is giving us to vacate the building. They are our early warning system, do not second guess them. **Call 911 immediately.**

Detectors generally have a 10 year life expectancy before they need to be replaced. Batteries should be changed twice a year, change the clock, change the battery.

All fire departments within the Mascoma School District carry Smoke and C/O Detectors that can be left with homeowners in the event that a faulty unit is found during a call, no one should be left unprotected. These units have been generously provided free of charge to the departments by the Assembly of God Church in Canaan. Other donors are always needed, as to date we have given out over 120 units. If anyone is interested in participating or has further questions about Smoke and C/O Detectors do not hesitate to contact this office.

For questions about fire safety, please do not hesitate to contact to Town's building and fire inspector at 603-632-4343 or pneily@enfield.nh.us.



GET READY!

Disasters can happen anywhere and at any time. By taking the time to create an emergency supplies kit, your family will be prepared in the event of a disaster. The kit also helps children feel more secure knowing it is there in case of an emergency.

The supplies can be kept in a plastic tub, small suitcase, trash can, backpack or other container. To learn what else you need in an emergency supplies kit, go to www.ready.gov.



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EMERGENCY SUPPLIES KIT:

- ☐ Water – one gallon per person per day for drinking and sanitation — store 3-day supply
- ☐ Ready-to-eat food, canned juices, comfort/stress foods — at least a 3-day supply
- ☐ Battery-powered or hand-cranked radio and a NOAA weather radio, and extra batteries for both
- ☐ Flashlights and extra batteries
- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Non-prescription drugs such as pain reliever, anti-diarrhea medication, antacid, laxative
- ☐ Prescription medications, contact lenses and supplies, denture needs
- ☐ Whistle to signal for help
- ☐ Infant formula and diapers, if you have an infant
- ☐ Water and pet food if you have pets
- ☐ Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- ☐ Dust mask or cotton t-shirt to filter the air
- ☐ Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- ☐ Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- ☐ Can opener for food
- ☐ Aluminum foil
- ☐ A jacket or coat, hat and gloves
- ☐ A complete change of clothing including long pants, long sleeve shirt, and sturdy shoes stored in a waterproof container.
- ☐ Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person
- ☐ Rain gear
- ☐ Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils
- ☐ Cash or traveler's checks, change
- ☐ Paper towels
- ☐ Tent
- ☐ Compass
- ☐ Matches in a waterproof container
- ☐ Signal flare
- ☐ Paper, pencil
- ☐ Personal hygiene items
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Disinfectant and household chlorine bleach
- ☐ Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container. Remember to include emergency contact numbers.
- ☐ Passport, bank account numbers, credit card account numbers and companies
- ☐ Books, games puzzles, portable music device

NOTE: Replace food every six months. Re-think your kit and family needs once a year. Replace batteries and update clothes, etc.

My Personal Pack Checklist

Have children create their personal pack. Have them include things like their favorite book or stuffed animal. These familiar things will help keep them comfortable during an emergency.

- ✓ Change of clothes
- ✓ Blanket
- ✓ Books
- ✓ Favorite toy
- ✓ Paper, pencils and crayons



For more information, visit the National Fire Protection Association at www.nfpa.org/disaster.
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Heating Safety

There is something about the winter months and curling up with a good book by the fireplace. But did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

BE WARM AND SAFE THIS WINTER!

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet (one metre) away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot (one metre) "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.



Heating Equipment Smarts

Install wood burning stoves following manufacturer's instructions or have a professional do the installation. All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

Install and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If you **smell** gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.



FACT

Half of home heating fires are reported during the months of **December, January, and February.**



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Electric Portable Space Heater Safety

When the weather turns cold, it can bring a chill into our homes. Portable space heaters have become a popular way to supplement central heating or heat one room. If you plan to use portable electric space heaters, make sure to follow these tips and recommendations:

HEATER CHECKLIST

- Purchase a heater with the seal of a qualified testing laboratory.
- Keep the heater at least 3 feet (1 metre) away from anything that can burn, including people.
- Choose a heater with a thermostat and overheat protection.
- Place the heater on a solid, flat surface.
- Make sure your heater has an auto shut-off to turn the heater off if it tips over.
- Keep space heaters out of the way of foot traffic. Never block an exit.
- Keep children away from the space heater.
- Plug the heater directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord.
- Space heaters should be turned off and unplugged when you leave the room or go to bed.

Types of electric space heaters

Oil or water-filled radiator

Heated oil or water travels through the heater.

Fan-forced heater

A fan blows warm air over metal coils.

Ceramic heater

Air is warmed over a ceramic heating element.

Infrared heaters

Heat is created by infrared bulbs.

Fact

Two in five deaths in space heater fires involve portable electric space heaters.



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Smoke Alarms at Home

SMOKE ALARMS ARE A KEY PART of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.



SAFETY TIPS

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom. They should also be outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Install alarms in the basement.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- It is best to use interconnected smoke alarms. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Current alarms on the market employ different types of technology including multi-sensing, which could include smoke and carbon monoxide combined.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions, yet mitigate false alarms.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

FACTS

- ❗ A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- ❗ Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- ❗ Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



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PROPERTY RECORDS AND MAPS

Did you know that property assessment records and GIS maps with various layers, including wetlands, topography, etc., are available on our website? Simply go the Assessing Department page at <http://www.enfield.nh.us/assessing-department> and click on GIS Maps & Property Record Cards link.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

Do you want to become more involved in your community? Then you're in luck! Several volunteer positions are still open. You can access our Application for Committee Membership here: http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/membershipapp_0.pdf

Do you love our wide selection of recreation programs for children and adults alike? Then join our **Recreation Commission!** We currently have three openings. This group works with the Enfield Recreation Director to develop a wide variety of recreation programs for residents of all ages. The Recreation Commission meets the third Tuesday of each month in the Whitney Hall conference room in the Enfield Town Offices. You can see what the committee has been up to on their webpage here: <http://www.enfield.nh.us/parks-recreation>

Do your interests lie in economic development? Then the **Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Committee** may be for you. This committee currently has three openings for a five member committee. Applicants for this committee must live within the Enfield TIF District or immediately adjacent to it or own a business in the TIF District. This committee, advisory to the Board of Selectmen, is charged with maintenance and implementation of the District Plan. The TIF Committee meets on an as needed basis, generally less than once a month, at the convenience of its members.

Or perhaps your interests lean toward Zoning. The Zoning Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body that has the responsibility for special exceptions and variances of the Town Zoning Ordinance. We have up to four openings for **Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) alternates**. Meetings of the ZBA are the second Tuesday of each month (as needed).

Release your inner party planner! Join our **Old Home Days Committee!** Many hands make light work! This group organizes our annual Old Home Days Celebration which takes place the last full weekend of July. The Old Home Days Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month from January

– July at 5:30 PM, with a couple of additional meetings in June and July as needed to prepare for the festivities. Check out the wide array of entertaining events held in 2018:

<http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/2018ohdevents.pdf>



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