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*Hello Fall by Marivel Fernandez*

## 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 this town-wide newsletter that is disseminated by email monthly 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 who may be interested in receiving the electronic newsletter, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them.

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- 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 Ed Morris, Enfield Town Manager, at 603-442-5405 or [townmanager@enfield.nh.us](mailto:townmanager@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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## A Message from Enfield's Town Manager

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October was a great month, full of celebrations and spectacular color. After such a dry summer, there was speculation on what colors the fall would usher in. I believe most of us were surprised with the brilliance of the season and the length of time we



were able to enjoy the majestic beauty of Enfield in the fall. We also enjoyed nice weather for Cider Sunday and the Enfield Halloween Celebration. I would like to thank Kevin Marker, the Enfield Recreation Director, for the work he put into the Enfield Halloween event. The event was well organized with 400+ people in attendance, and fun was had by all.

In addition to all the fun and enjoyment of season, the Town of Enfield moved into budget season. We have had two Budget Committee meetings and will continue preparing the budget through the end of the year. We also continue to work on the two building projects with most of the work focused on the Public Safety Building. The Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee Design Team is meeting regularly with our design build contractor and have started work on the final design of the building. In preparation for purchasing the land in front of Shaker Hill Granite, along Route 4, the Town has secured a geotechnical contractor and surveyor to complete site preparation plans and exploration. We are excited to continue the planning phase of this project and hope to be able to provide final plans in early 2023. We are still hopeful that construction will begin in the spring/summer of 2023.



The Town staff is now moving our focus towards preparing for the winter season. Preparation has begun for many outdoor recreation opportunities along with events and celebrations, for the upcoming holiday season. I hope to see many of you out enjoying the holiday season and giving thanks for everything that Enfield has to offer.

Ed Morris,  
Town Manager

## Election Information

### State General Election

Enfield Community Building, 308 US Route 4  
Tuesday, November 8, 2022  
8:00 AM – 7:00 PM



Sample ballots are available on our website on the Town Clerk’s [Voter Registration / Elections](#) web page.

### Enfield Voter Information

Using a template from the New Hampshire Campaign for Voting Rights, “a non-partisan coalition of organizations in New Hampshire working to ensure and protect the right to vote for every Granite Stater,” our Town Clerk prepared a two-page informational sheet of Enfield Voter Information that provides details on both the Local and State levels:

- How to Register to Vote
- How to Vote
- Election information
- Election Official Contact Information

We think you might find this useful. **Check it out!** [Enfield Voter Information](#)

You can also find other information on the Town Clerk’s [Voter Registration / Elections](#) web page. Or visit the [NH Secretary of State’s 2022 Election Information](#) page.

## And the Winners are...

Dawn Archambeault  
Elizabeth Borowsky  
Sharon Beaufait  
Cindy Wells  
Nicole Zauski  
Francine Lozeau  
Shirley Green  
Penny May  
Jackie LaFleur  
Mary Reynolds

### Congratulations to our 2023 Enfield Municipal Calendar Photo Contest Winners!

The calendar photo contest is fun for entrants and Town staff alike! Those entering the contest share photos of what they love about Enfield and staff members get to look at them all and vote for their favorites! (Photographer identities are not disclosed until judging is complete.) Thank you to everyone who participated!

We won't share the winning photos now – we know you're going to love them as much as we do! – just watch for the delivery of a calendar to your mailbox. They'll be mailed to Postal Patron at 03748 and 03749 zip codes around early December.

## November Holidays

The Town will be observing the following holidays in November:

**Veterans Day – Friday, November 11**

**Thanksgiving – Thursday, November 24 & 25**

All Town Offices and the Enfield Public Library will be closed on these days.

## Department & Committee Reports

### Building Inspector/Health Officer

Recently the Health Officer participated in a School Health Inspection Form Stakeholder Group, the purpose of which was to make recommendations for edits to the current school health inspection form. A school health inspection is required as part of the State Department of Education school approval process every five years for public schools, and every three years for private schools. These school health inspections are done in addition to kitchen and fire/life-safety inspections, and are intended to ensure the school building is maintained in a sanitary condition.

Indoor air quality was a topic of discussion for the group since adequate ventilation and filtration of indoor air will reduce pollutants and limit the spread of viruses and bacteria in school buildings. Residents might be interested in the following strategies to improve indoor air quality in schools as some suggestions will apply to residential homes and home heating systems:

- Ensure a scheduled inspection and maintenance program for heating and air-conditioning equipment is in place to allow for maintenance, repair, monitoring, or necessary replacement of equipment.
- Consider opening windows and using fans if weather and outdoor air quality permit. Even a brief influx of outdoor air will help freshen the indoor environment in winter.
- Keep radiators and heating and cooling equipment clear of obstructions that could reduce airflow.
- Increase filter efficiency in existing heating and cooling systems by using filters with the highest Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) rating possible (per equipment specifications). If possible, increase the level of the air filter to MERV 13 or higher.
- Make sure the filters are sized, installed and replaced according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Consider using portable air cleaners as a supplemental filtration strategy. Choose portable air cleaners that use proven technology such as HEPA filters and are appropriately sized for the spaces they will serve.
- If portable air cleaners are used, they should be placed so that air is not blown directly from one person to another, as this could potentially facilitate the spread of viruses and bacteria to others. Air flow to and from air cleaners should not be obstructed.

The building codes also take indoor air quality into consideration. Fresh air ventilation of residential homes includes the following code requirements:

- The openable area of windows and doors must equal at least four percent of the total floor space in the habitable area of the house. Habitable space is that used for “living, sleeping, eating, or cooking.”
- Bathrooms need either an exhaust fan or a window that opens to a size one-and-a-half square feet minimum.
- Air intake openings have to be located a distance of ten feet or more from any source of hazardous or noxious contaminants such as chimneys, plumbing vents, and streets. The ten foot separation is not required where the intake opening is located three feet or greater below the contaminant source.

The Building Inspector/Health Officer encourages everyone to be well and relates this familiar expression: A breath of fresh air is a great thing to take and a better thing to be.

## Cemetery Department

**Reminder:** any items put near gravestones needed to be removed by November 1<sup>st</sup>. This includes but is not limited to potted plants, decorative stakes or solar stakes, fake flowers etc.

The Trustees next meeting is on November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Town Office Conference room. As always please contact Bridget with any questions at [cemetery@enfield.nh.us](mailto:cemetery@enfield.nh.us)

We recently finished a re-surveying project in Countryside to create two sections for cremation only sized plots. You can find sizing and pricing for those plots in the rules and regulations at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/cemetery-department/files/rules-regulations>

## Conservation Commission

The Enfield Conservation Commission has recently mailed to 110 households a document titled: “Enfield Conservation Commission’s Plan for Preservation of Habitat Sufficient to support Wildlife, Water Quality, and Recreation”. Those households that received this mailing have property with the most important habitats in New Hampshire and Enfield for achieving those goals. The total acreage in those properties is approximately 5,773.45. This, coupled with the 6,000 acres in the Conservation District controlled by the New Hampshire Fish and Game and the Upper Valley Land Trust, provides Enfield with approximately 46% of the total acreage in Enfield (25,792) being important to conserve. All residents of Enfield rely on well water, a vital necessity for this community, which comes from snow melt and rain filtering through surface soil into fissures in the bed rock and reaching the aquifers from which the wells, municipal or private, derive their water. People have no control over snow fall or rain delivery to Enfield and a drought declaration was issued by the Town in 2020 and 2022 indicating the uncertainty of the supply. Forty percent of all wildlife in Enfield relies on wetlands and riparian woodland for survival, as well as corridors to move from one such area to another. Open space and protection of vital habitat is essential for wildlife as well as for our recreational opportunities and clean water supply.

The Conservation Commission encourages all to read the 2021 Natural Resources Inventory, delivered to all households in Enfield. Those that received the 2022 Conservation Plan for Preservation of Habitat etc. please read it. Contact the Conservation Commission, attend our meetings (7:00 PM, the first Thursday of

every month at the Department of Public Works, or virtually). People often do not appreciate what they have until it is gone.

## Energy Committee

### Water and Energy Usage

Sometimes when we step back, we can see the connection among things. For example, water and energy use. Here are two examples to show the connection.

#### Home Use

According to the US Department of Energy, water heating can account for nearly a quarter of the energy consumed in your home. If you think about this a moment, you may realize there are ways you can reduce your heating bill as well as reducing your water bill.

When you turn on your faucet, do you turn on both hot and cold water? Every time you use hot water, your system wants to replace it with more hot water. If you have a water heater on demand system, this works differently. When you turn on the faucet, do you open the faucet to get a full gush or do you turn it to get only a small amount? Do you use hot water cycle in your clothes washer? Have you tried other temperature settings? Do you run your washer, dishes or clothes, when full? Or do you run half loads? All of these are ways to being more efficient with our water and hot water use.

Below is link to the Department of Energy Guide to Home Water Efficiency. Improving water efficiency in the home can decrease your water usage and save you money. Meanwhile, toilets can account for almost a third of an average home's indoor water consumption. You can take steps to conserve water without sacrificing conveniences by fixing leaky toilets, installing low-flow showerheads, and reusing water.

[https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/guide\\_to\\_home\\_water\\_efficiency.pdf](https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/guide_to_home_water_efficiency.pdf)

#### Town Use

Here in Enfield, the solar array on the DPW salt shed has been generating enough energy to cover most of the energy used at the DPW plus energy credit for the electricity to operate the Lovejoy Brook pump station.

The rate we are charged is based on the Purchase Power Agreement we made with Norwich Technologies in 2020. The Town did not put any funds into this project. We receive the benefit of energy produced by the solar array at a prescribed and modestly increasing rate for up to 10 years.

The Town is being charged only \$ 0.114 per kWh for the energy supplied from the solar array. Additional energy needed for the pump at Lovejoy Brook is billed like all other municipal buildings. This year in March and April, the Liberty Utilities bills for Lovejoy pump station were \$1670.27 and \$2932.21. From June to September, when the energy credit from the solar at DPW was applied to the pump station bill, the amount owed ranged from \$46.39 to \$149.66.

How much water is pumped is based on the amount used by our community. When you reduce your water consumption, it also reduces the amount of money the Town pays in electricity to pump the water. Something to think about.

Here is the chart of solar production for this year.



Day | 3 Day | Month | **Year** | Lifetime ◀ Jan 1, 2022 - Dec 31, 2022 ▶

Month

Lifetime

-0.01 kW

Power

259 kWh

Energy Today

6.58 MWh

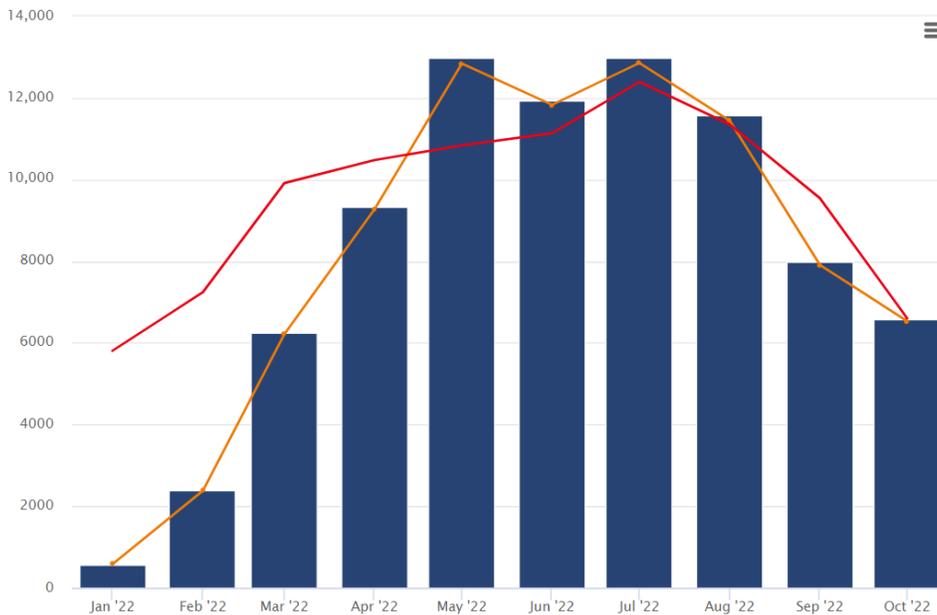
Energy This Month

82.59 MWh

Energy This Year

128.78 MWh

Energy Lifetime



Energy  
6.58 MWh  
Generated



Water  
3,292  
Gallons of  
water



Trees  
116  
Trees  
planted



Gas  
511  
Gallons of  
gasoline

System Size: 60 kW

Operating Since: 5/31/2021, 7:00:00 PM EDT

Last Upload: 10/30/2022, 7:41:02 PM EDT

Last Update: 10/30/2022, 7:44:02 PM EDT

## Enfield Public Library



# Enfield Public Library

23 Main Street, Enfield, NH 03748 / 603-632-7145

We've got a few things going on. Looking forward to seeing you at the library!

### PROGRAMS



Learn about this fun way to connect with people all over the world, one postcard at a time! At the library on **Tuesday, November 1, 5:30 - 6:30 pm**

## Storytime Returns to the Library!

Join Miss Kate for Storytime at the library **Wednesdays at 10 am** for stories, songs, and lots of fun.



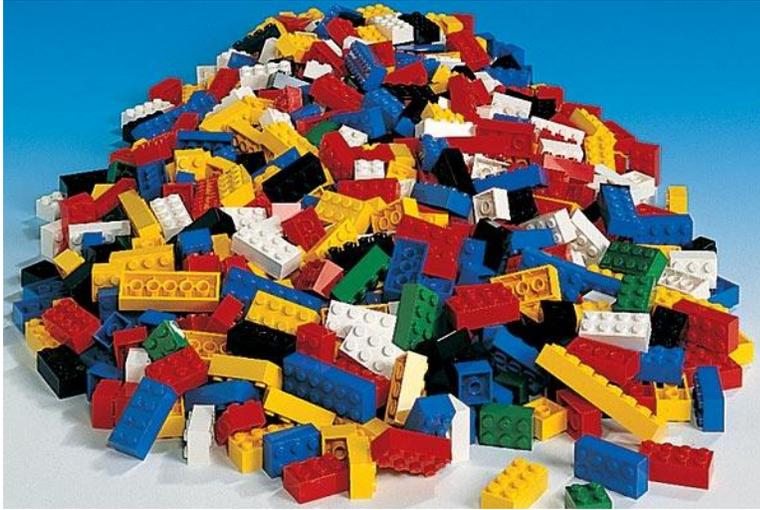
## Library Tech Talk



Got questions about library technology? Join us **Wednesday, November 15**, at 1 pm for an overview of what's available and the opportunity to ask questions in person.

## LEGOS!

The LEGOS come out at the library every Thursday from 3:30-4:30 pm for free-building fun!



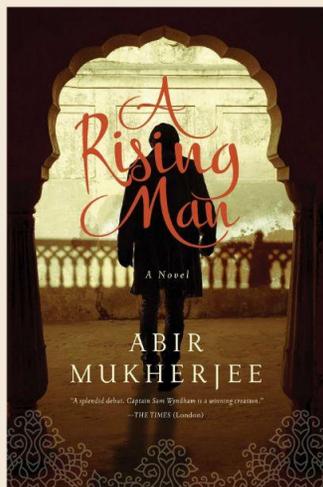
We have many books on LEGOS, including several new ones. [Click here to see the whole list.](#)

## Knitters' Group

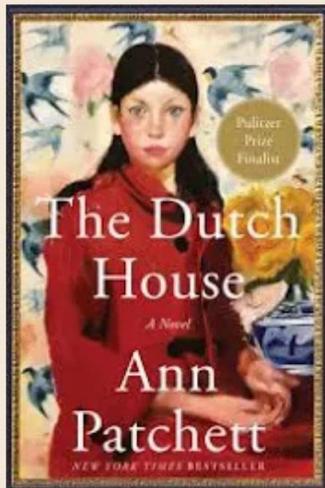
The [Knitting Group](#) gathers on Tuesdays from 10:30-noon. Bring your fiber project and join in.



# November Book Groups



MYSTERY LOVERS  
THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 10  
2 & 6PM



EPL BOOK GROUP  
TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 22  
6:30PM

## Holiday Make It/Take It Crafts!

Starting November 30, we'll have Make It/Take It craft each **Wednesday at 3:30** before the Christmas holiday.



## What's New

Browse [New Fiction](#), [New Non-Fiction](#), and more on our Aspen Discovery home page. Find out the details on Borrowing, Resources, Programs, [contact information](#), and our [Calendar](#) too!

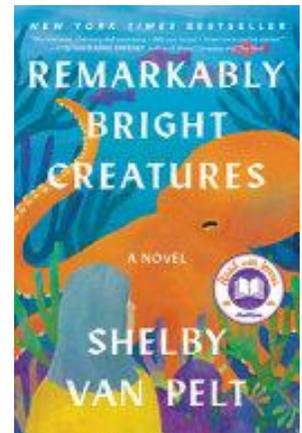
Get the latest acquisitions in your email inbox each Wednesday with a [Wowbrary newsletter](#) subscription.



## Recommended Reading

I found this novel delightful! --Nancy

“After Tova Sullivan's husband died, she began working the night shift at the Sowell Bay Aquarium, mopping floors and tidying up. Keeping busy has always helped her cope, which she's been doing since her eighteen-year-old son, Erik, mysteriously vanished on a boat in Puget Sound over thirty years ago. Tova becomes acquainted with curmudgeonly Marcellus, a giant Pacific octopus living at the aquarium. Marcellus knows more than anyone can imagine but wouldn't dream of lifting one of his eight arms for his human captors--until he forms a remarkable friendship with Tova. Ever the detective, Marcellus deduces what happened the night Tova's son disappeared. And now Marcellus must use every trick his old invertebrate body can muster to unearth the truth for her before it's too late.”



## HOURS

*Monday:* 9:00 am-5:00 pm

*Tuesday:* 9:00 am-7:00 pm

*Wednesday:* 9:00 am-5:00 pm

*Thursday:* 11:00 am-7:00 pm

*Friday:* closed

*Saturday:* 10:00 am-2:00 pm

*Sunday:* closed

We're open **Tuesdays until 7 pm**, like the town offices.



## Fire Department News

The Fire Department has been busy participating in fire prevention activities with the Enfield Elementary School. This has included visiting several classrooms to discuss fire safety and lunch with a firefighter. We also selected, with the help of EVS Staff, Chief of Police Holland and Town Manager Ed Morris, poster contest winners who will get a ride to school in a fire engine. Photo's will be posted to our Facebook page after the event. We hope to expand our involvement at the school promoting fire safety.

Daylight Saving ends November 6 -- great time to change smoke and C/O detector batteries and test them to assure they are working.

With the high price of fuels and the weather getting cooler we want to remind everyone to use heat sources safely. Have your equipment serviced not only for safety but efficiency as well. Be sure to use alternative heat sources according to manufacturer recommendations. If you are unsure about a particular use do not hesitate to contact us at [firechief@enfield.nh.us](mailto:firechief@enfield.nh.us)

Stay safe and Healthy,

For the Enfield Fire Department  
Phil Neily, Fire Chief

## Heritage Commission -- "Know Your Town"

"Know your Town" is presented by the Enfield Heritage Commission. Each month we bring you a bit of insight into the origins of street names or places you see every day and more. Check out "Know your Town" features from [past issues!](#)

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### Follow up on Old Home Days and Certified Local Government

During Old Home Days, members of the Heritage Commission, the Enfield Historical Society and Union Church hosted dozens of visitors to the three buildings in the Enfield Center Historic Triangle; the School House, Union Church and the Town House.

Visitors admired the lovely spaces, the handsome architectural details and insights into Enfield's past. "Wow, I didn't know this was here!" or "What a beautiful setting this would be for a wedding/event/meeting".

Almost every exclamation of admiration was followed with questions about how we can use these beautiful buildings better.

The best answers came from visitors themselves. They suggested them as settings for local arts events or weddings and other festivities. They could be spaces for classes or meetings or homes for local groups. All of these suggestions could not only revitalize these buildings, but also bring our town together and attract interest and investment from outside.

Of course, it's never simple. These buildings are old. They have issues, such as parking, accessibility, no sanitary facilities or heating/cooling.

Help is available. Both the state of New Hampshire and the federal government offer programs that can contribute to getting value from Enfield Center's treasures.

Such help comes in the form of training, planning grants or capital grants, from \$50,000 to \$250,000 in the case of the Sacred Places initiative. Other help comes from tax credits, such as the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program's 20% investment tax credit, awarded to rehabilitate historic buildings that can then produce income.

Applying for these grants is time consuming and delicate. Enfield can and has competed successfully for some of this aid. A [Land & Community Heritage Investment Program \(LCHIP\)](#) grant aided the Smith Pond/Shaker Forest project. Two Mooseplate grants repaired the Town House's floor and support beams. Competition for such grants is stiff. Only recently the Heritage Commission's application for another Mooseplate grant to replace the Town House stairs was not successful.

One way to improve Enfield's chances is to join the [Certified Local Government Program \(CLG\)](#). This is "a partnership between municipal governments and the state historic preservation program, to encourage and expand local involvement in preservation-related activities." Becoming a Certified Local Government would give Enfield access to between \$50 and \$150 million that the federal government provides for historic preservation. At the moment, this largesse ends up in certified local government towns such as our Upper Valley neighbors Lebanon and Claremont or the cities of Nashua or Manchester.

The first—and key—step that Enfield must take for certification is to designate a Local Historic District. In our case, this would be the Enfield Center Triangle; the School House, Union Church and the Town House. No other buildings in Enfield Center are affected.

The regulations for such historic districts are created by the towns themselves—not the state or the federal government. There is great leeway. For example, the Heritage Commission has been looking at Bristol's rules as a model. Bristol allows additions and renovations to buildings and concessions to modern life, such as non-wood siding or air conditioning in its historic district. Even demolition is possible. The goal of a historic district is to encourage thoughtful change in the district, not create a costly time capsule of buildings.

In a few days, Enfield's new master plan will be published. Its second guiding principle is to "honor our unique history through purposeful preservation." Heritage is part of Enfield's unique brand. It can bring in new resources and residents and improve the services and opportunities that residents asked the Planning Board to deliver.

Keep your eyes peeled and lend your support as the steps for certification go through the town legislative process with hearings about historic district regulations and warrant articles. Make a difference!

For more information, see the [New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources](#). Summary of state and federal programs for historic preservation

[Certified Local Government Program \(CLG\)](#)

The CLG program encourages and expands local involvement in preservation-related activities.

[Conservation License Plate Grant Program - Moose Plate Grants](#)

Grants for the conservation and preservation of significant, New Hampshire, publicly owned historic resources or artifacts.

[Land & Community Heritage Investment Program \(LCHIP\)](#)

Makes matching grants to New Hampshire communities and non-profits to conserve and preserve New Hampshire natural, cultural and historic resources.

[NH Preservation Alliance - Community Landmarks and Grants](#)

This organization helps New Hampshire individuals and communities achieve their preservation goals with education and funds

[National Trust for Historic Preservation - Preservation Funding](#)

Grants that help nonprofit organizations and municipalities gain technical expertise and find and encourage financial support from private and nonprofit sectors.

[National Fund for Sacred Places](#)

Partners for Sacred Places and the National Trust for Historic Preservation provide grant funding to strengthen the sacred places of all faiths in communities.

## Land Use & Community Development



Enfield’s Master Plan is now in draft form and we would like your feedback! You can read or download the draft plan at [www.enfield-leaps.org/plan](http://www.enfield-leaps.org/plan)

### Did We Get It Right?

We would like your comments to focus on Enfield’s Vision and Guiding Principles, and the RECOMMENDATIONS found at the ends of the Land Use, Transportation, Economic Development, and Housing chapters.

These are the first five chapters, with more to come in future years.

**The Master Planning Task Force will take your comments at a public workshop on  
November 13, from 2-4 p.m.  
in the Enfield Public Works Building on Lockhaven Road.**

You can also email your thoughts to [info@Enfield-leaps.org](mailto:info@Enfield-leaps.org).

Many thanks,  
Lindsay Smith  
MPTF Co-chair

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The Enfield Master Planning Task Force (MPTF) met twice in October. The MPTF has been working hard on final preparations for the “Draft” Master Plan to be shared with the public for final input and review. The

latest draft version is now available on the website: [www.enfield-leaps.org/plan](http://www.enfield-leaps.org/plan). The Master Planning Task Force will take your comments at a public workshop on November 13<sup>th</sup>, from 2-4 pm at the Enfield Public Works Facility at 74 Lockehaven Road. The MPTF would like your comments to focus on Enfield's Vision and Guiding Principles, and the recommendations found at the end of the Land Use, Transportation, Economic Development, and Housing chapters. This version of the plan includes the first five chapters, with up to five more to come in next year. I would like to thank all of the Master Planning Task Force members for their hard work and dedication in getting us to this point. I would also like to thank the members of the public who have contributed to this effort as well. Those of you who took the time to complete our surveys, who attended a visioning session or educational event, helped to make this effort successful. We are excited to put this plan out there for your review and feedback!

The Enfield Planning Board (PB) also met twice in October. The main topic of both meetings was possible updates and amendments to the Enfield Zoning Ordinance (ZO). Ideas being considered by the PB so far are: 1- Standardizing parking spot dimensions for consistency throughout the zoning ordinance. This may also include some size flexibility for "constrained lots" and vehicle variety (big and small). 2- Increasing the allowed number of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) from one to two in all residential zones. 3- Increase the dwelling density in the "R1" zone where municipal sewer and water are used, from one half acre to one quarter acre per dwelling. 4- Consideration of a Short Term Rental Ordinance. 5- Updates to the Enfield Floodplain Ordinance as requested by the State of NH Office of Planning and Development and the US Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The Planning Board will again be discussing these and other ZO amendments and changes at their next meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. All are encouraged to attend to share their thoughts. Any amendments the PB advances will have a formal hearing before being placed on the March 2023 Town Meeting Warrant. Then it is up to the voters of Enfield at Town Meeting to decide whether or not to approve the PB's recommendations.

The Enfield Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) met on October 11<sup>th</sup> for two public hearings. They were for the following Land Use Cases:

Land Use Case # Z22-10-01, Mickey's 603 LLC sought variance relief from the Enfield Zoning Ordinance Article IV, section 401.4(P) to place temporary structures within fifty feet setback from the seasonal high water line of any river, stream, wetland, lake, or public pond. The business is located within the Community Business (CB) Zoning District and the lot is 0.58 acres in size. The business and parcel are owned by Mickey's 603, LLC (Nicholas Yager and Maria Liman, proprietors). This variance was approved by the ZBA.

Land Use Case # Z22-10-02, The Town of Enfield, NH sought variance relief from the Enfield Zoning Ordinance Article IV, section 408 (SIGNS) to install and operate an LED Messaging Sign at the Enfield Community Building, 308 US Route 4 (tax map 37, lot 34). Specifically, the request is to have messages that change on the sign more than once in a 24-hour period (section "D", paragraph "5. displayed message") and the Town also wishes to display messages to the public for 24 hours a day and 7 days a week (section "D", paragraph "6. Hours of Illumination"). The parcel in question is located within the Community Business District (CB) and is owned by the Town of Enfield, NH. This variance was approved by the ZBA.

The ZBA meets again on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm for two more hearings.

Please contact me, Rob Taylor, at the Land Use office with any questions or ideas between Monday and Friday at 603-442-5427 or by email at: [planning@enfield.nh.us](mailto:planning@enfield.nh.us) You may also drop by my office at the DPW facility at 74 Lockehaven Road. I always recommend calling ahead first to be sure I am available. Have a great month!



*A nice autumn view of Mascoma Lakeside Park from above. Photo by Brittany Schones, Squarelight Photography, Enfield, NH*

## Parks & Recreation

Program listing and registration Keep up to date with our current program registrations here (please note, outside organization's programs may have their own registration page):

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

Follow Enfield Parks & Recreation on [Facebook](#) or Instagram [@enfieldnhrec](#)! Reminder- Electronic payments are now accepted through the recreation program registration site. \*There is a 3% non-refundable processing fee\*

(If you need to pay by check or cash all program payments should be made payable to "Town of Enfield" and mailed to: PO Box 373, Enfield, NH 03748 OR dropped off in the night drop box in an envelope marked Parks & Recreation and a note of what payment is for.)

**\*\*Just a friendly reminder that all payments are due at the start of the program, a spot in the program will not be held without payment. Failure to make a payment may also lead to not being able to take part in future programs. If you need financial assistance, please email [recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:recreation@enfield.nh.us) \*\***

### **Mascoma's After School Ski & Ride Program Bus Ride to Whaleback – Thursdays**

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>

Students needing transportation to the mountain need to register with the Town of Enfield through [RecDesk](#). The cost for transportation is \$30 per student. The \$30 fee covers transportation for the entire 6 weeks. Registration opens on **November 16<sup>th</sup>** and payment is due at the time of sign up. If you are wanting to pay by check arrangements need to be made before registration is open. This is just for sign up -- all mountain fees are to be **paid to Whaleback directly**. Visit our [Facebook Page](#) for more information or reach out to [Recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:Recreation@enfield.nh.us) for details.

### **Elementary Cross Country Skiing Program – Wednesdays**

January 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and February 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>

Students will be at Canaan Elementary School learning how-to cross-country ski with instructors after school. Students from EVS will be dismissed from school early to ride the bus to CES. Cost is \$25 per student. Students will need to be picked up from CES at 4:30pm. Registration for this program opens on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Visit our [Facebook Page](#) for more information or reach out to [Recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:Recreation@enfield.nh.us) for details.

### **Mascoma Youth Sports League**

For seasonal registration information or questions email [MYSLBoard@gmail.com](mailto:MYSLBoard@gmail.com) or take a look at: [Mascoma Youth Sports League](#), you can also follow them on [Facebook!](#)

### **Yoga with Sonya**

The classes are all levels and beginners are always welcome. These classes are happening on Mondays at the Mascoma Community Health Center, in Canaan, from 5:45-6:45pm. For further information please contact Sonya at [sonyayoga2007@gmail.com](mailto:sonyayoga2007@gmail.com) Classes are \$12 for drop-in, \$10 for students and seniors, space is limited. Be sure to email Sonya if you would like to attend and to keep up with the schedule.

### **Chair Yoga & Strength Class**

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair Yoga/Exercise classes at the Enfield Community Building. These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength, and meditation. The classes are only \$5.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required. \*Schedule subject to change based on instructor availability & weather\* Mondays (11/7, 11/14, 11/21, 11/28) 8:15-9:05AM with Nicole Carriere Wednesdays (11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30)- 9:30-10:30AM with Sonya Carter



### **Line Dancing**

Grab a friend and join professional dance instructor Jamie Orr on Thursdays from 1:30-2:30pm at the Enfield Community Building. This is a fun and friendly class, and they dance to ALL types of music. This class is for experienced dancers. October Schedule: 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24.

### **Bone Builders**

Tuesdays & Fridays 9:30-10:30AM at the Enfield Community Building. Donations are welcome. Registration is required. To register call RSVP at 603-448-1825.

### Other Fun Items/Opportunities

Check out Trail Finder, you can print the trail maps or download them to your phone if there will be no service on your hike. Take a look: <https://www.trailfinder.info/>



### Kevin Marker

Enfield Recreation Director

[recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:recreation@enfield.nh.us)

[Online Registration](#)

Follow us!



## Police Department

Fall is here and the cold weather has already started. The members of the PD would like to remind drivers to prepare your vehicles for the inclement weather. Windows should be properly defrosted, and snow removed prior to driving. Remember to change tires to all weather or snow tires before those first storms make our roads slippery. It is always a good idea to put an emergency kit in your vehicle that includes extra warm clothing, gloves and a winter hat.

The start of the Holiday season is also an increased time of fraud and scams. Please do not give your information to unknown people over the phone or internet. Remember that no official government agency will demand payment over the phone or accept gift cards as payment. When in doubt hang up and call the station.

Finally remember if you see something say something. Officers of the department are here to help -- no problem is too big or too small. You can always reach an officer by calling the station at 603-632-7501 or through dispatch at 603-643-2222.

Roy Holland  
Chief of Police

## Public Works Department – Highway, Water, Sewer, Sanitation, Buildings & Grounds

### Winter Parking Ban

The Enfield Board of Selectmen wishes to remind citizens of Enfield that the Winter Parking Ban is in effect from November 1 through April 1.

No vehicle shall at any time be parked on any public or publicly maintained street, alley, roadway, parking area or way open to the public, in a manner that hinders in any fashion the maintenance of the way.

### 2023 Transfer Station Stickers Available

The 2023 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 and access to the driveway sand located at the DPW.

DPW Staff will be enforcing the sticker requirement at the Transfer Station and the citizen sand pile beginning in early January.

### **Enfield Vegetative Management Facility**

The Enfield Vegetative Management Facility closes on November 2, 2022 and will reopen May 3, 2023. Clean brush and yard waste can be recycled at the at the Lebanon Landfill during their regular hours or Hammond's Grinding and Recycling just East of Canaan Village on US Route 4 call ahead 603-523-4353.

### **Improper Leaf Disposal**

Several residents are raking leaves into town roadway ditches to dispose of. This is not permitted and will cause water problems during storm events. The DPW crew will be out blowing leaves out of ditches. Please compost them or use the Enfield Vegetative Management Facility, in season, or the options mentioned above from November through April.

### **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 Permit Sticker. It is not intended for commercial applicators or to be taken in commercial volumes. Salt, ledge sand and materials in the shed are NOT available.

### **Driveway Snow Placement**

A reminder that it is unlawful to plow snow across any and all Town roads or to deposit snow within the traveled portion of a Town road pursuant to RSA 236:20, Paragraph VII, and RSA 41:11.

### **Project Updates**

- Community Building Roof: The replacement roof was installed by Jancewicz and Son Roofing Contractors October 5-8.
- Paving: The paving of Enfield Village streets was completed October 21, 2022. The paving of Birch and Poplar Lanes should be completed by November 1, 2022. The Highway Department will be around to blend the new pavement in with existing paved and gravel driveways.

## **Town Clerk / Tax Collector's Office**

Greetings all! Things are beginning to get busy in the Tax Office once again. The water/sewer bills are out and due on November 18<sup>th</sup>. The Sewer Betterment bills are out and due on December 1<sup>st</sup>. As of the printing of this newsletter, the tax rate has not been set, so we do not have an amount or due date for the second issue 2022 tax bills. We hope to have a tax rate within the next couple of weeks and the due date will be 30 days after the bills are issued.

The online bill pay and the paperless billing options seem to be functioning well. For making any of these payments, utilizing the Paperless billing and the online bill payment options are strongly encouraged! Of course, even without signing up for paperless billing, you may view and or pay your invoices online 24/7 at [www.enfield.nh.us](http://www.enfield.nh.us).

If you would like assistance with any of these steps, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is [whuntley@enfield.nh.us](mailto:whuntley@enfield.nh.us) or to reach me by phone call 603-632-4201 x 5404. You may also reach Jerusha Howard, Deputy Tax Collector for assistance. Jerusha's email address is [tax2@enfield.nh.us](mailto:tax2@enfield.nh.us) and the phone number is the same, 603-632-4201 x 5404.

As a reminder, tax or utility payments over the counter may be made by cash or check only.

On the Town Clerk's side of the Office, please be advised that in 2023 there is discussion of discontinuing the courtesy reminder notices for vehicle registrations. We will however continue to email the courtesy reminder notices to those that are signed up. If you would like to sign up for the email notification, please send us your email address.

Remember to VOTE on Election Day! November 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Community Building – 308 US Route 4. You may also register to vote on Election Day at the polls. Please remember to bring your driver's license and proof of residency along with your either your birth certificate or passport. We do have affidavit forms if you do not have these forms of ID.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and please remember the Tax Collector and Town Clerk Offices will be CLOSED on November 11<sup>th</sup> (Veterans' Day) and November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25 (Thanksgiving Day and the Day after)!

## Meetings & Events

### Upcoming Public Meetings (Schedule subject to change)

All public meetings are being held **in person**. If a **Teams videoconference** meeting option is provided for a meeting, you will find connection details online at [www.enfield.nh.us](http://www.enfield.nh.us) in the specific meeting posting.

As always,

***Electronic or virtual attendance is provided as a courtesy only,  
with no guarantee of quality or ability to participate.***

***Meeting videos for meetings with a Teams videoconference option are available online!***

Simply go to our website and click on the Videos tab for a list of available videos. Or go directly to [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) where you can subscribe to our channel.

The meetings below are linked to the Town's website so you can easily access the most up-to-date information for that specific meeting.

- [November 1 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams – Budget Committee\)](#)
- [November 3 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [November 7 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
- [November 8 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
- [November 8 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
- [November 9 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
- [November 9 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Planning Board](#)
- [November 10 @ 6:00 PM \(Town Hall & Teams\) – Cemetery Trustees](#)
- [November 14 @ 5:30 PM \(Enfield Public Library\) – Library Trustees](#)

- [November 14 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Master Planning Task Force](#)
- [November 15 @ 6:30 PM \(Town Hall & Teams\) – Recreation Commission](#)
- [November 15 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Budget Committee](#)
- [November 17 @ 4:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Heritage Commission Special Meeting](#)
- [November 21 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
- [November 22 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
- [November 22 @ 5:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Energy Committee](#)
- [November 28 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) Master Planning Task Force](#)
- [November 29 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Budget Committee](#)
  
- [December 1 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [December 5 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
- [December 6 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
- [December 8 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Heritage Commission](#)
- [December 12 @ 5:30 PM \(Enfield Public Library\) – Library Trustees](#)
- [December 12 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Master Planning Task Force](#)
- [December 13 @ 3:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
- [December 13 @ 6:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Budget Committee](#)
- [December 13 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)

## Community Events & Announcements

## Community Bulletin Board

The events listings here are provided by local organizations as a convenience and for informational purposes only; they do not constitute an endorsement or an approval by the Town of Enfield of the event, organization, or individual.

Our Community Bulletin Board is an underutilized resource! Include a notice of your Community Event on our Community & Businesses Calendar of Events which you'll find here:  
<https://www.enfield.nh.us/community-businesses>.



**LIONESS ANNUAL  
THANKSGIVING PIE SALE  
WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>  
at the**

**Enfield Community Building**

Starting at 10:00 am until 12:00 pm (noon) **OR** Sold Out

Homemade Pies \$10-\$13 depending on kind

Small 6" Pies \$6

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***PRE-ORDER YOUR PIES by FRIDAY, NOV. 18<sup>th</sup>***

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For Pre-ordering, contact

Mary Magnell at 632-7356 or

Email: [mary@magnell.com](mailto:mary@magnell.com)

Pre-ordered Pies must be picked up between 10:00 am & Noon



proceeds benefit community projects

# FROSTY'S CRAFT WORLD

Saturday, November 19th



ENFIELD VILLAGE SCHOOL

9 am to 2 pm

Crafts, Raffle

Baked Goods

Lunch available

\*Santa available for pictures - 10 am to 12 pm (noon)\*  
Bring your own camera!

Sponsored by the Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club  
Proceeds benefit community projects

## Whaleback Mountain Seeks Volunteers

Love being outdoors? Enjoy helping out? Want to join in the fun?

Whaleback Mountain is Recruiting for Mountain Hosts

Seeking volunteers for weekends and select weekdays to serve as mountain hosts on/off the hill. Benefits include season pass, food/retail discounts, and good vibes.

To learn more about this great opportunity, contact [Heidi Wrighton, Mountain Host Coordinator](#), [mountainhost@whaleback.com](mailto:mountainhost@whaleback.com).

Whaleback - ski it to believe it!





## *Help Needed to Decorate Main Street for the Holidays!*

### **What?**

Get in the holiday spirit and help decorate Main Street for the Holidays. **Sunday November 28** starting @ noon

### **Where?**

**Meet at 12 noon @ the Lynch's Barn, 94 Livingstone Lodge Road** to gather supplies and get assignments. We'll then head to Main Street to decorate Lampposts with kissing balls and garlands and lights. We also will hang wreaths on the bridge posts and along the fence by the Copeland building. Working in groups of 2-3, with at least one person ok with being up on a ladder and others to lend ground support. The more groups the faster it will go! If you have a 8-12' ladder that would be helpful. A pair of scissors is helpful. Everything else supplied including hand warmers. Please dress for the weather.



### **When?**

12-2 on Sunday November 28 (Hoping it's the warmest time of day)

### **RSVP**

Contact Terri Lynch at [terri.m.lynch@gmail.com](mailto:terri.m.lynch@gmail.com) or 632-4046 for more information or to volunteer. Due to Covid we will be unable to have a social lunch after decorating but are looking forward to hosting that again next year.

Help Make Main Street Festive! Hope you'll join in.

[Enfield Village Association](#)

PO Box 763  
Enfield, NH 03748



Warm Weather hours are in effect through Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Beginning Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> pantry hours will go back to Canaan for the colder months to make room for the Lions Cub Tree Sale at Huse Park in Enfield.



# Warm Weather Operations & Hours:

## Tuesdays in Enfield

Huse Park - look for the Foodie Van

**3:00 - 5:30 pm**

## Wednesdays in Canaan

MTD Building behind Canaan Hardware

**3:00 - 5:30 pm**

**Urgent Food Needs:** call 603.632.4542 and leave a message at the prompt

**General Inquiries:** email [info@friendsofmascoma.org](mailto:info@friendsofmascoma.org) or call 603.632.4542

**Food Donations:** drop off during pantry hours or contact us



## Mascoma Valley Thanksgiving Ingathering 2022

The Thanksgiving Ingathering will continue to collect monetary donations and will purchase food again this year for Thanksgiving boxes. We will not be able to collect canned goods and nonperishable food items for Thanksgiving Food Baskets.

Area churches including [Community Lutheran Church](#), [St. Helena Parish and St. Mary's Mission](#) Catholic Churches, and the Mascoma Valley [United Methodist](#) Parish, along with local area Scout Units and [Friends of Mascoma Foundation](#) work together each year on the Annual Ingathering project.

### To Receive a Thanksgiving Box

If you know someone who would like to receive a Thanksgiving Turkey/roast chicken and food box on Sunday, November 20th, please have them fill out the form and **return it no later than Saturday, November 12th** to:

St. Helena/St. Mary's Catholic Church  
c/o Barbara Tourville  
PO Box 1363  
Lebanon, NH 03766

[THANKSGIVING BOX FORM](#)

**Boxes must be picked up by the recipient or their representative on Sunday, November 20th at [St Mary's Church Hall](#), Canaan between Noon and 2 p.m.**

### Monetary Donations Requested for 2022 Ingathering Boxes

*Your monetary donations will help purchase items like:*

- pie crust mix
- pumpkin pie filling
- bread mixes
- cranberry sauce
- gravy
- canned sweet potato
- stuffing mixes
- peanut butter
- evaporated milk
- jelly
- soups
- cereals
- fresh bagged potatoes, etc.

The Mascoma Valley Ecumenical  
Council Presents:

# THANKSGIVING INGATHERING

## DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Your Donations will help  
purchase items like:

- |                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| ✓ pie crust mix       | ✓ vegetable oil         |
| ✓ pumpkin pie filling | ✓ jelly                 |
| ✓ bread mixes         | ✓ soups                 |
| ✓ cranberry sauce     | ✓ canned tuna           |
| ✓ gravy               | ✓ canned chicken        |
| ✓ boxed potato dishes | ✓ cereals               |
| ✓ canned sweet potato | ✓ fresh bagged potatoes |
| ✓ stuffing mixes      | ✓ yams/sweet potatoes   |
| ✓ peanut butter       | ✓ turnip                |
| ✓ evaporated milk     | ✓ carrots, etc.         |

Your monetary  
contributions  
are gratefully  
accepted.

**PLEASE MAIL  
CHECKS TO:**

Community  
Lutheran Church  
P.O. Box 450  
Enfield, NH 03748  
with "Ingathering"  
in the memo line

**Contactless  
Box Pick-Up  
at St. Mary's  
Church Hall  
on Nov. 20th**

MASCOMA VALLEY  
ECUMENICAL COUNCIL:  
Community Lutheran  
Church, Mascoma Valley United  
Methodist Parish, St. Helena &  
St. Mary's Catholic Churches  
YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS: BSA  
Scouts, Friends of Mascoma  
Foundation



LEARN MORE at [clcenfield.org/thanksgiving-ingathering/](http://clcenfield.org/thanksgiving-ingathering/)



The weekend before Thanksgiving, volunteers will work in socially and physically distanced teams to organize and distribute Thanksgiving Baskets to neighbors in need. A turkey or pre-cooked rotisserie chicken is included with each box. Any items left over are donated to the Enfield and Canaan [Friends Feeding Friends Food Pantries](#) in Canaan.

- **To contribute to this long-standing, worthwhile project**, please mail your check to:  
Community Lutheran Church  
P.O. Box 450  
Enfield, NH 03748  
with “Ingathering” written in the memo space.
- Box packing will take place the week ahead of distribution.
- On Sunday, November 20th, all recipients will collect their box at St. Mary’s Church Hall in Canaan. Box pick-up will be a drive-up, no-contact delivery to vehicles.

Thank you very much for your donations! Happy Thanksgiving and God Bless You and your loved ones.



*Packing boxes for the 2016 Thanksgiving Ingathering*

## Recent News from Past Issues

You can find prior issues of the Town E-Newsletter online at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/town-newsletter>

## 2023 Town Meeting Petition Deadlines

This snippet of information from last month's story is just a quick reminder of deadlines for petitioned articles. One of the deadlines is coming soon.

### 2023 Town Meeting Petition Deadlines –

- Petition to adopt or amend a zoning ordinance, historic district ordinance or building code: November 14, 2022 through December 14, 2022.
- Petition to the Select Board to include an article on the warrant relative to other matters: February 7, 2023

As a way to assist Enfield residents and voters, we also created a form for public use for creating and submitting [Petitioned Warrant Articles](#)! You can use this form or use it as a guide for preparing your own petition. A link to this form with some instructions and guidance can be found on our [Annual Town Meeting web page](#). And remember, **we're here to help!** If you would like assistance in drafting your petitioned warrant article, we will assist you with the wording to be sure it accomplishes what you set out to do.

## We Need You! Board & Committee Volunteer Opportunities

**Updated list!** Several appointments have been made, but we still have opportunities for you to join others who are supporting our community through volunteering. Please consider donating some of your time for the betterment of your community – you'll make a difference! Simply complete an [Application for Committee/Board Membership/Reappointment](#) and email it to [abonnette@enfield.nh.us](mailto:abonnette@enfield.nh.us) or drop it off at the Enfield Town Manager's Office and your application will be provided to the appointing authority. If you're a bit undecided, committee meetings are open to the public – [attend a meeting](#) to see what they're all about!

**Budget Committee**  
**Capital Improvement Program Committee**  
**Conservation Commission**  
**Energy Committee**  
**Old Home Days Committee**  
**Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Committee**



And two local area committees:  
**Mascoma River Local Advisory Committee**  
**Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway Advisory Board**



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