



# DANBY AREA NEWS

## FUN DAY AND PARADE SATURDAY, JULY 10

Submitted by Christel Trutmann

Fun Day 2010 is in memory of Joe Salino. It marks the grand opening of the newly expanded Danby firehouse with music, barbecue, and games!

- 10am Fun Day Begins - play games and check out vendors and exhibits!
- 10:30 Parade - including fire trucks, fun floats, and the Color Guard of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, led by Danby resident Danny Wheeler
- 11:30 Wheel O'Treats begins to spin
- Noon Famous Danby Fire Co. Chicken BBQ
- Noon-3pm - Music!
- 3pm Chinese Auction Drawing

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## DANBY FIRE DISTRICT UPDATE

Submitted by Ralph Bowles

I said last time that the Danby Fire Station addition was nearing completion. Well, it's nearer but not quite complete. The passerby will note that the big window at the front of the meeting room is still made of plywood. It's a somewhat unusual one because of the arched top and, so, is taking a little longer.

Much else is completed and we have gotten rid of that storage trailer. Let's hope everything is done in time for "Fun Day".

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## FARMERS' MKT STARTS NEW SEASON

By Jade Tabony

Lively music, delicious food, and jovial company are just a few elements of the Danby Farmers' Market. After months of planning and organizing, the Farmers' Market planners are filled with anticipation and ready to unveil their plans for the 2010 Danby Market season. This year, the Fire Station Pavilion will be home to not only vendors and local products, but to weekly music and community enrichment events as well.

Kicking off the market season on July 15 is *Green Thumb Day*. Gardening guru Pat Curran, from Tompkins County Cornell Cooperative Extension, will be offering free soil pH tests, plant disease diagnosis, and other gardening information to help you settle your gardening qualms. And you can bring home a flowering plant; one free with every purchase at the market!

The nature and outdoor excitement continues on July 22 with a *Walk and Talk* through Dotson Park with Naturalist and Educator, Julie Kulik. Come to the Fire Station Pavilion at 5:30pm prepared with hardy shoes and ready to learn something new about the world around you.

The end of July and the crisp dawn of August brings agriculture to your home with *The Bees and The Birds* on July 29 and *Canning 101* on August 5. Seasoned bee and bird keepers will discuss their experiences with keeping chickens and bees in the backyard. Have questions about how to get started, whether the return is worth the hassle or the biggest challenges with bees and chickens? Have them answered!

August brings the summer's end...the leftovers of a bountiful summer harvest. Prepare for winter with a canning demonstration and Q & A by food preservationist Carole Fisher, Cornell Cooperative Extension.

The Danby Farmers' Market is sponsored by the Danby Community Council in partnership with Cornell Cooperative Extension. Starting July 15, the Market will be held every Thursday, 5-7pm at the Danby Fire Station Pavilion. Stay tuned for more Market events! ❁

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**DANBY NEWS NOTES**

Submitted by Ted Crane

It's gardening and digging season, so  
our Town Observer column is taking a  
break. If you still want to know what's  
going on, try reading the minutes of  
various meetings—the Town Board,  
Planning Board, Board of Zoning Ap-  
peals, the Fire Commissioners, and  
even the Community Council—on  
the web at [town.danby.ny.us].

Not only will you find out what hap-  
pened, you'll be able to read the full  
text of resolutions and laws passed by  
the Town Board...and, when a Public  
Hearing is scheduled, the full text of  
any proposed legislation!

Right on the home page of the web  
site, you'll see the current *Notices* of  
hearings, road closures, and other  
important info, and you'll find *Town  
Events* for the next month or two,  
along with map links to direct you to  
where they're happening.

Can you find *your* home on the detailed  
photo of the Town, on the web site?

**DANBY NEWS DELIVERY**

A big welcome to a few more Danby  
residents; we've just found out that  
sections of Fisher Settlement and  
Coddington Roads weren't on the  
Post Office "Postal Patron" delivery  
routes, and we've added them to our  
"individual label" list.

We've been unable to confirm suc-  
cessful delivery to many Spencer-PO-  
based residents, so if you live in West  
Danby...ask your neighbor: "Did you  
get your Danby Area News?" If they  
didn't, we'd like to hear about it, and  
we hope you'll also contact the Sepn-  
cer Post Office.

**TOWN OF DANBY WEB SITE**

The Town of Danby has a web site,  
[town.danby.ny.us]. If you have a  
question about the Town, it's a great  
place to start looking for answers. If  
your answer isn't on the site, you will  
find lots of contact information to  
continue your search. ❁

## TOWN CLERK'S DESKTOP

Submitted by Pamela Goddard, Town Clerk

Town Clerks across the state are going to the dogs. More accurately, thanks to the New York State budget crisis, the dogs are coming to the Town Clerks...at least, all the responsibility for dog licensing and control. Starting this summer, the Statewide dog licensing program will be phased out. As dog licenses come up for renewal, State tags will be replaced by local ones.

One of the cuts in the Governor's budget is the elimination of the Dog Licensing and Animal Population Control program of the State's division of Ag & Markets, particularly the statewide dog licensing database. The contract for maintaining this database expires in July and will not be renewed.

Town Clerks met with a representative of Ag & Markets in April and reluctantly agreed that the health and welfare of New York's citizens and animals is a much more important function of the Division of Animal Industry than dog licensing. By way of support, the New York State Town Clerks Association is working with Ag & Markets to streamline the transfer of dog licensing to the local level.

When the state-maintained database will be phased out this summer, there will still be a record of dog licenses in the Town of Danby. For several years, each Town has maintained its own local database of dog licenses, along with a database of all the other permits issued (such as handicapped parking permits and marriage licenses) and money received by the Town. This computer system is already set up to generate renewal notices, an enumeration list, and records of spay/neuter and rabies vaccination.

Currently issued NYS tags will remain valid until the current license expires.

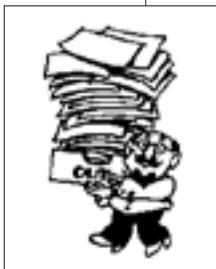
The Town Clerks hope that most dog owners will notice very little change. Your renewal notice may look a bit different, and your dog's new tag may actually provide more local information—including the Town and County of residence and the phone number of the Town Clerk's office.

While this will mean more work for the clerks, there are some benefits. Not only will all existing local dog laws remain in effect, but Towns will keep 100% of license revenue. Towns will have unlimited flexibility to

set fees and fines at rates that reflect local needs—and the money will now be spent locally for such important measures as animal population control, subsidizing spay/neuter programs, and financing humane education and programs in responsible dog ownership.

What will happen next?

There are still questions to be answered and systems to be worked out as this change goes into effect. A key question is whether there will be a Tompkins-County-wide system? Municipalities participating in the Tompkins County Council of Governments are discussing with each other shared services, including dog enumeration. Keep tuned for further developments. ❁



## DANBY FARMERS' MARKET OFFERS EMAIL REMINDERS

Submitted by Christel Trutmann

The Farmers' Market will kick off at Fun Day and run every Thursday thereafter until the end of August. Stop by the Danby firehouse pavilion from 5-7 PM for veggies, mushrooms and activities! If you're curious what produce, activities and music you'll find each week, you can sign up at Fun Day to get a reminder email each Thursday morning.

Look for details and additions when you stop by at Fun Day. Danby growers can sell on a consignment basis through the Cooperative Extension youth stand. Anyone with questions or ideas about selling, activities, or music can send them to [\[ctrutmann@gmail.com\]](mailto:ctrutmann@gmail.com).

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND...HAS FUNDS

Submitted by June Pollack

Thank you! Community people responded to our request for help in meeting our present scholarship requests. We are now solvent for possible future applications!

We know that some of the sources for funding for our youth programs will be cut in the coming year, so the need will continue. If you care to consider a tax deductible contribution we will gladly accept them. Send any amount—large or small—to Treasurer, Danby Community Council, 1830 Danby Road, Ithaca 14850. Contributions are tax deductible. Again, thank you! ❁

## GAS DRILLING TASK FORCE

Submitted by Katherine Halton

June has been a busy month in the NYS Legislature. Several bills have been proposed—by various people—that pertain to gas drilling. The most active bill right now, A10490/S7592, is sponsored by Assemblyman Englebright and Senator Addabbo. It would set a moratorium on hydrofracturing in New York State until after the publication of results of the fracking-related Federal EPA study are completed.

Another bill under consideration, proposed by Senator Antoine Thompson, would establish a one-year moratorium on hydrofracturing. Both of these bills are in the process of being considered by various legislative committees, and the outcome is uncertain.

Our own assemblywoman, Barbara Lifton, has also proposed expanding the regulation of hydrofracturing and would prohibit this process in the New York City and Delaware River watersheds, would require the disclosure of the chemical contents of fracking fluids, among other things. Several other bills being proposed, which indicates that these legislators are hearing a great deal from their constituents about hydraulic fracturing for natural gas. The members of our Task Force have been participating in this debate, by writing to the legislators and by phone calls to Albany.

On June 14, there were two showings of a new documentary, *Gasland*, about hydraulic fracturing, done by Josh Fox, a young man from Pennsylvania. A rally took place on the Ithaca Commons between the showings. NYS Assemblywoman Barbara Lifton, US Representative Maurice Hinchey, and Martha Robertson of the Tompkins County Legislature, among others, showed up to speak to the crowd about their views.

The Task Force still has two surveys out on the Internet for Danby residents to fill out: one is about your land, water and gas wells, and the other about your views about gas drilling. They are available at [[surveymonkey.com/YourLandandWater](http://surveymonkey.com/YourLandandWater)] and [[surveymonkey.com/YourViews](http://surveymonkey.com/YourViews)].

The Task Force has decided that, for the summertime when so many of us are away, the whole group will meet once a month, with the various committees meeting on a second date during the month. The next scheduled meeting of the entire Task Force will be on July 7, and the second meeting will be on July 28, both at 7pm in the Town Hall.

The second meeting will be a letter-writing event for those interested in sending postcards or letters to representatives. We will have materials and sample letters there at the meeting. The public is welcome, and if you have questions about the time or date, please contact me at [[khaltontwcnyny.rr.com](mailto:khaltontwcnyny.rr.com)] or 607.273.0533. ❁

### Danby Fun Day, continued from page 1—

#### Fun Day Music Schedule:

- Noon-12:45 The New West Danby Henry Ford String Throttlers (BBQ area)
- 1-1:45 The Hogben Family Crane Hill Trio (BBQ area)
- 12:45-1:45 Sim Redmond & Jen Middaugh (main area)
- 2-3 Mary Brett Lorson & the Soubrettes (main area)

All Day: Food, Wheel O'Treats cake wheel, bounce house, games, firefighters, face painting, books, and other great vendors!

Fun Day is made possible every year by Danby volunteers! This year we also have generous support from the Tompkins County Tourism Fund, the Danby Community Council, Cornell Cooperative Extension, and the Community Arts Partnership of Tompkins County.

### NYS Rt.96 Closed During Fun Day Parade

Please remember that Danby Road will be closed during the parade, from around 10:30am until Noon, from East/West Miller Road to Bald Hill Road. A detour will be provided as usual along West Miller, Comfort, Lieb, and Bald Hill Roads. ❁

### Fire District Update, continued from page 1—

In the meantime, our thanks go to the West Danby Fire Department for hosting many of our meetings and events while the Danby station is torn up.

Hope to see you all July 10 at the "Fun Day" and parade. ❁

## HAPPENING AT THE DFC

Sundaes on Wednesday—July 21 and 28, 7-8:30pm  
Join us for ice cream sundaes and entertainment. ❁

## SUPERVISOR'S UPDATE

Submitted by Ric Dietrich, Town Supervisor

It's a really big deal for our town. In response to updated information about the County's Health Insurance Consortium, the Town Board passed a resolution supporting a financial commitment to the project. (by the time you read this, the full text of the resolution—along with all the other minutes of Town Board meetings—will be available from the Town's web site).

In an effort to keep you informed about projects your Town is engaging in, I am trying to give you some talking points, and some reasons why we are moving ahead on this project.

A key point is drawn from one sentence of Consortium update:

“Develop...necessary Reserves or a proposal that NYSID will accept to provide security for the program.”

The Town Board devoted considerable discussion to the issue of whether the Town of Danby has enough money in its reserve accounts to cover our participation in this endeavor.

What precisely is this project and what does it mean for the Town? Cooperative health risk-sharing agreements allow public entities to:

- share, in whole or part, the costs of self-funding employee health benefit plans
- provide municipal corporations, school districts and other public employers with an alternative approach to stabilize health claim costs
- lower per unit administration costs
- enhance negotiating power with health providers by spreading costs among a larger pool of risks.

Forming the Tompkins County Health Insurance Consortium creates the following opportunities:

1. Creates a large pool of participants that can leverage savings throughout the Health Care delivery and insurance system.
2. Allows under 50 employee municipalities which are currently allowed to only purchase “Community Rated Privately Delivered Insurance”, to receive the cost savings afforded large municipal employers that are “risk pool” rated.
3. Creates control over health insurance premiums, benefits, and delivery of service.
4. Immediately lowers overhead cost compared to private sector insurance.
5. Gives members control to reduce premium spikes.

6. Allows all Consortium members to see a reduction in premiums, with the community-rated municipalities seeing a 15-30% reduction.

7. Affords members access to data so that programs and employee awareness can be managed to reduce the costs and need for health care.

8. Allows creation of programs like wellness programs that reduce the need for expensive health care.

Two remaining tasks before these opportunities can become reality:

1. Resolve “labor representation” issue with labor and NYSID.
2. Develop a necessary Reserves or a proposal that NYSID will accept to provide security for the program.

The 5 year pro-forma, using a 17% IBNR (incurred but not reported) formula, projects that the Consortium will start generating reserves from day one and, by year five, will have developed the needed reserves and a 5% (of premium) Contingency Reserve. Actual data from past history suggests that the actual IBNR varies in the range of 8-10%, which means that the Consortium will generate IBNR and reserves more quicker than the pro-forma indicates.

In other words, besides saving the Town money, the proposed Health Insurance Consortium will be self-sufficient within five years.

This is not new territory. BOCES Consortiums have operated successfully for decades. They have remained solvent and afford school districts the savings and management control being sought here. ❁

## TOWN HOURS

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## HYDROFRACKING FACTOIDS

Submitted by Becca Harber

I attended a presentation in Newfield by Caroline Town Supervisor Don Barber last April, where he discussed the differences between the older kind of hydrofracking, which I call OHF, and the newer, very destructive high pressure hydrofracking, or HPHF. It was new information to me, and it made me wonder whether the fracking that gas people refer to when they say, “Safe, no water problems,” refers to the OHF or HPHF.

There are big differences between the older kind of hydrofracking (OHF) that’s been done since the 1940s and the newer, extremely high pressure hydrofracking (HPHF) developed in the 1990s. It’s HPHF that the gas corporations want to use in our region, as they are in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Wyoming, Colorado, and New Mexico:

- OHF uses few chemicals and not the array of extremely toxic ones used by HPHF.
- HPHF uses 100 times more water: 2-8,000,000 gallons of fresh water per frack per well vs. 20-80,000 gallons for OHF.
- OHF uses 700 to 2800 lbs of chemical additives per well. HPHF uses 130,000 to 580,000 lbs per well frack of a greater number of additives, many of which are extremely dangerous to health. In all other activities—except the natural gas industry—these additives are regulated as “hazardous”.
- HPHF generates 100 times as much waste fluid as OHF.
- Unlike OHF, HPHF removes an average of 3.5 million gallons of fresh water per well per frack (companies hope to frack each well several times!) from the regional water cycles and does not return this water to the natural system because the waste fluid is so toxic.
- Truck Traffic: OHF requires 225-484 truck trips to establish well production; HPHF needs 1180-1324 trips per frack per well.

- Drill Cuttings disposal: OHF produces 54 cubic yards of solid waste, while HPHF created 94 cubic yards, about 74 percent more.
- Sites of disturbed areas: OHF uses about 2 to 3 acres; HPHF well pads and ancillary structures are about 4 to 5 acres minimum. Unlike OHF, much more land is leveled with contours changed, and original contours don’t get restored after gas production ends.

Other info that I picked up about the wells:

- Gas Industry drills many wells in a region because of their big investment in the needed infrastructure (roads, pipelines, sites, wells, technology, equipment storage, waste storage, worker centers, etc.).
- Once the gas is coming out of all the wells on a site, which might take a year or much more, depending on when each well is drilled and fracked, there is less truck traffic. However, the wells may be re-fracked at that point.
- Unlike the older Trenton-Black River gas drilling, of which there is not much in the more southern part of our region, where the gas is in pockets and sucked out without fracking, HPHF gas is found in little pores that are not connected. The HPHF produces cracks in the rock layers to access the gas.
- One site can have several wells on it.

And then I heard about other effects to our lands:

- Artificial “ponds” may be used—as they are elsewhere—to hold toxic waste fluid are subject to spilling over, polluting local water/waterways. The liners of such waste areas can crack as they age and allow toxic material to soak into the ground and/or travel.
- The huge amount of toxic chemicals used per well can contaminate water from below if there is a fault there. Gas companies do their best to avoid faults, because faults cause them problems, but—so far—they can’t figure out where all the faults are. ❁



## H<sub>2</sub>O

Submitted by Tod Sukontarak

“Hi,” from the West Danby Water District.

There has been lots of activity in the water district in the last few months. After the automatic switch stopped working, our operators manually turned the pump on and off for almost two months.

It is now repaired and electric service to the pump updated. The old control was mercury operated and had to be changed. While doing the electric work, we also had other safety updates done to the system, such as directly grounding the pump, installing a soft start switch, and installing all Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter receptacles. These improvements should make the system last longer and operate more safely.

Also in the last month, we've had two different companies come and give us free inspections of the condition of our water tank. There is some work to be done there and the Water Commissioners will be looking at the inspection reports and estimates to decide where we need to go. The results of these were presented to the Town Board as will the decisions made by the commissioners and operators as to work to be done.

Thank you. ❁

## HAY FIELD DAY

Submitted by Sandra Repp, Coop Extension

It's Hay Field Day on Thursday, July 8, 11am-1pm on Fitzgerald Road, off of NYS Rt.79 between Mecklenberg and Burdett (watch for signs on Rt. 79). The event features the latest in self-propelled choppers, big square balers, rakes, and tedders. Demonstrations will include mowing, raking, tedding, chopping and baling. Equipment to be demonstrated includes Kuhn's new big square baler, H&S merger, Claas rake and tedder, New Holland self propelled chopper and a Claas 900 forage harvester.

## DANBY COMMUNITY PARK

Submitted by Julie Clougherty

Some work, s'mores, and some help: these are July's buzzwords for the Danby Community Park Association. A work party with Cooperative Extension's Summer Youth Program has been scheduled for July 8. We'll help install the flagstone picnic table and locust benches under the pavilion. We'll be out there all morning, so feel free to drop in and say hello or lend a hand!

DCCA is looking forward to having a table at Fun Day and chatting with folks about the park, and we invite everyone to come by the park later that day for our *Fun Evening* S'mores cookout, 5-7pm (unless it's raining!). S'mores fixings will be provided.

We are in need of some financial assistance, but this is not a plea for donations. What we're looking for is someone with fundraising experience who is willing to share some of their time, helping us shape a fundraising effort for the park.

With our pending NY state matching grant of nearly half a million dollars, this kind of help is critically needed if we are to succeed in actually seeing any of this money. If anyone with this kind of experience is willing to get involved, for any length of time, please get in touch with us! Many thanks.

Any park questions or concerns may be directed to me at 607.272.7189 or [janderty@yahoo.com]. ❁

Educators from Cornell Cooperative Extension will provide information on *Hay-in-a-Day* (wide swathing), why *Grass is Great*, and the latest research on cutter bar height recommendations. A light lunch will be served at noon. After the field demonstrations, those who are interested can join a short tour of Bergen's Dairy Farm, including the rotary parlor. Reservations are appreciated; for info, please contact CCE-Steuben at 607.664.2311 or [ks29@cornell.edu] by July 7. ❁

## SPENCER SUMMER CONCERTS

Submitted by Marrell Cortright

Here's a free thing to do with your family or neighbors. It goes on for six weeks. Many residents of West Danby attend, and I thought maybe some music lovers in Danby might enjoy it as well. It is hard to find nice, family things to do that are free.

- July 9 Bucky Moon  
Old Country
- July 16 Steve Southworth and the Rock A Billy  
Rays - Car Show and Sock Hop
- July 23 George Kaye  
Country & Old favorites
- July 30 Northern Harmony  
Country and Squares
- August 6 Triple Play with Alice Detrick  
Old and New Country
- August 13 Cheyenne  
New and Old Country

Music in the Park is sponsored by the Spencer Chamber of Commerce and is always open and free to the Public. Music starts at 7pm in Nichols Park in Spencer, with the Masons selling many choices for a good dinner from the food booth at 6pm. ❀

## THE LITTER NEWS

Submitted by Ronda Roaring

Just after we'd gotten Rts. 34/96, 96B, and several other roads cleaned up and the town was looking nice and clean, the litterers struck again.

The NYSDOT has been called to pick up two large pieces of carpeting on 96B, Solid Waste has been called to deal with household garbage dumped on South Danby Road, and the Sheriff has been called to deal with yet another person (will they never learn?) who littered on South Danby Road.

If you need an excuse for going for a walk and getting some exercise—or you just have a half-hour to spare—consider taking a plastic bag and walking along 34/96 or 96B. Covering half a mile in each direction can make a huge difference. The early morning and late evening are the coolest times to go. Wear comfortable shoes, a hat with a brim, and a clothing that makes you easily visible to traffic. Bring your best friend, either two- or four-legged.

Contact me at [rondaroaring@hotmail.com] or 607.589.4031. ❀

## DANBY SENIORS UPDATE

Submitted by Margie VanDeMark

Thanks go out to Bill and Ann Harris and Charyl and John Lawrence for hosting the June meeting! We were delightfully entertained by Mr. Bush on harmonica.

We'll be at Merritt's for our July BBQ and there is no meeting in August. Our next regular meeting with a dish-to-pass meal will be on Thursday, September 2 at 6pm in the Danby Church. All Danby seniors 55 and older are invited to attend.

On Thursday, August 5, we're taking a bus trip to Keuka Lake for lunch at the Esperanza Mansion with a boat tour on the *Rose* following. Contact me (607.273.8046 or [margievan@live.com]) if you'd like more information, or to sign up. Payment for this trip would be appreciated at the July BBQ. ❀

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Elizabeth Owens-Roe

Certificates will be available for pickup at the Danby Fun Day. Thereafter they will be sent to recipients. Names of all recipients will be posted at Fun Day and at the Town Hall. They will also be published in the Broader View Weekly and in the August Edition of the Danby News. Thanks to all who participated by nominating our volunteers and thanks to the Town for their support. Next year we will form a committee and hopefully keep this going for many years to come! ❀



Learn to use a bow and arrow at the Flashing Feathers booth during Fun Day!  
(Ted Crane)

## ALP 211 BLOCK PARTY

Submitted by Marv Eastman

The American Legion will again be hosting its annual block party on July 17 to raise funds for its various donations. This year we have added a Motorcycle Fun run to the agenda as well. The block party is designed to raise needed funds to support several charities:

- Veterans of Foreign Wars Shuttle Service - providing veterans and their families in the Ithaca and surrounding areas with the safe means to get to the Veterans Healthcare Facility
- South Hill Cemetery, designated as *Tompkins County Veteran's Cemetery*
- The 2010 Veteran's Day Parade

The day will start with a Motorcycle Fun Run, departing from the Legion Post 221, 1231 Danby Road at 10:30am. The ride is approximately 85 miles; registration opens at 9am (fee is \$15 for the motorcycle; \$10 extra for a rider/passenger). After the ride, the participants will be able to get a small meal (Hamburg/Hot Dog/Sausage, and a soda/coffee) at the American Legion.

The Block Party begins at 1pm and includes Auctions and Raffles starting at 2pm and a band plays for your enjoyment at 5pm.

We are in need of several items to make this a success:

- New or Used (like new) Furniture & Household items to be raffled/auctioned off
- Gift Certificates for Local Business or Services
- and, as always, Cash Donations

Any questions? Contact the American Legion Post 221, 607.272.1129 ☘



Fun Day fun, learning fire safety

(Ted Crane)



In the parade, Danby, a great town getting "grader". (Ted Crane)

### Danby Fun Day Contacts

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	Sue Beeners	(see above)
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## DANBY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Submitted by Patti Meyers

### Missing:

- Awesome Ancient Ancestors by E. Levy
- Kidtopia: Round the Country and Back through Time In 60 Projects by R. Gould
- What Looks Like Crazy on an Ordinary Day by P. Cledge
- Tinkerbell (DVD)

If you have seen these, please return to Danby Community Library! They belong to Tompkins County Public Library and we will be charged.

### Wanted:

More library volunteers! Just a few are doing the work of many. If you have a couple hours to spare a month, please call Patti Meyers, 607.273.3878.

### New Feature At the Library:

The BookSale basket! Bring your quarters and pick up a paperback or puzzle for 50 cents.

### Seen the Movie? Read the Book!:

- Twilight Saga: Eclipse
- Iron Man 2
- Shutter Island
- Eat, Pray, Love
- Dear John or The Last Song
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid
- Fantastic Mr. Fox
- Lovely Bones



## (CHEAPER) INTERNET FOR SOUTH DANBY

Brought to Our Attention by Ronda Roaring

If you're one of the Danby-ites served by Frontier Communications, and you're either a month-by-month customer or your contract is about to expire (if you signed up two years ago)...here's a deal for you.

In return for a new one-year contract, they're offering DSL Internet service for under \$30 (\$20 off the regular price). They're also offering a discount on the monthly rental of the DSL modem (downside: they make you pay this fee, even if you own your own modem).

For more information, call 800.921.8181.



*[Editor's Note: Internet options are interesting, so I called the 800-number. It took me 20+ minutes of patience with the Florida-based operator, who first assured me that Frontier covered all of King Road (not true), and then also Comfort Road (which turned out to be in Walkill, NY). She was able to verify the basic facts given above.]*

## HAWK HATCHES CHICKENS

Submitted by Dan Klein

On Friday, July 16 at 7:30pm, Kara Hagedorn will show her film, *Sunshine's Surprise--The Tale of a Red-tailed Hawk Who Hatched Chickens*. This free screening will be at the Danby Town Hall on NYS Rt.96B.

During the 1990s, Kara Hagedorn volunteered at a Raptor Rehabilitation Center and adopted Sunshine, a red-tailed hawk who was shot and cannot fly. For many years she did educational programs with Sunshine in schools and in State Parks around Tompkins County before moving to California. One Spring, Kara got the idea to replace Sunshine's infertile eggs with chicken eggs! Join us for an hour long screening of this delightful interspecies comedy. A web site, [[sunshinehawk.com](http://sunshinehawk.com)], is under development.



## FAMILY PROGRAMS AT JENNINGS POND

Submitted by Julie Kulik

Returning this summer, Julie Nichols Kulik, a local naturalist and a teacher at Earth Arts in Ithaca, will be conducting four Family Programs at Jennings Pond.

Come on down! The programs are free and open to people of all ages. Let's be outside together and discover the beauty and bounty at the Pond. Four Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm, with a rain date for all four events on August 4.

June 30: Using Local Clay—processing clay and making small pieces, to be fired at Earth Arts and returned to participants on later weeks.

July 7: Animals of Jennings Pond

July 14: Birds of Jennings Pond

July 21: Plants of Jennings Pond

All programs will include stories, games, and activities that connect us with our local plants and animals. For more info, contact me at [[julieofthewoods@mac.com](mailto:julieofthewoods@mac.com)].

### Adoptive/Foster Parenting Meeting Notice

Tompkins County Department of Social Services has a need for foster families for all ages of children but especially for families in the Ithaca City School District and for families who will foster teenagers.

You can help! Come to an informational meeting regarding foster care and adoption on Thursday, July 8, Noon-1pm in the Human Services Building, room 142, 320 West State Street, Ithaca, NY.

For more information, please call 607.274.5266.



# Danby Youth Flyer

## Community Council Youth Programs Summer 2010

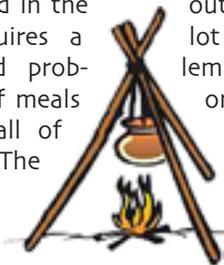
After School Programs require pre-registration and are open for youth living in Danby. Contact Laura Smith, Danby Youth Program Manager, with any questions, concerns or requests for a form: 607.272.2292.x225 or [ljs257@cornell.edu].

**Summer Programs are intended for youth going into grades 4-8 unless otherwise noted.**

### Campfire Cooking

August 9-12, 10am-1pm  
West Danby, location TBA

This program is a great opportunity for kids to learn different ways to cook a meal, give them a chance to be creative with fresh ingredients, all while being active and in the outdoors. Cooking in a group also requires a lot of teamwork, cooperation, and problem solving. We will make a variety of meals on campfires and the youth will do all of the prep work and tend the fire. The group will learn about dutch ovens, roasting techniques, and experiment with pudgie pie recipes.



### Farmers Market

Thursdays, July and August, 3:30-7pm  
Kick-off at Fun Day  
For youth going into grade 5-12

This program is an opportunity for youth not yet fourteen years of age to volunteer, and for two employed youth to spend time at a Farmer's Market. They will sell produce, learn the ins and outs of running a produce

stand and other skills that will help them get jobs later on. Each market day, the group will also participate in nutrition lessons and prepare the produce they are selling into samples to entice purchasers.

### Identified Flying Objects (IFOs) and Rocketry

July 19-22, 9am-Noon  
Danby Park

For youth going into grade 5-8

IFOs are back, by popular demand. Combined with the opportunity



to create your own rocket and launch it, this is a program not to be missed! An exploration in science and flying, the group will learn how Mentos react with soda pop and how to design their own boomerang. The finale of the program will be the family-friendly rocket launch.

### Team Fun/Service Group

July 6-8, 9am-noon; July 10, all of Fun Day  
meet at Town Hall,

The annual Team Fun group will be expanded into a several day service program. With volunteering possibilities ranging from Jennings Pond trail work, to building new components of the Danby/Dotson Park and maintaining areas used often during Primitive Pursuits, this group will discover all the cool volunteer opportunities available in Danby. The program will culminate at Danby Fun Day, when the group will run a stand of games and kid friendly activities.



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## DANBY AREA NEWS: EVENT CALENDAR

Jun 29 • Tue

7pm 🏠 Danby Town Hall

**BZA Meeting:** Troy/Coddington parcel; Oasis music

Jun 30 • Wed

6:30pm 🏠 Jennings Pond—Family Pgm: **Clays of Danby**

Jul 1 • Thu

1pm 🏠 Merritt Pavilion; Jersey Hill Road

**Danby Seniors' Meeting;** BBQ and Picnic

7pm 🏠 Town Hall

**Danby Community Council Meeting**

Jul 5 • Mon

7pm 🏠 Town Hall

**Town Board Agenda Meeting**

Jul 7 • Wed

6:30pm 🏠 Jennings Pond—Family Pgm: **Pond Animals**

7pm 🏠 Town Hall—**Gas Drilling Task Force Meeting**

Jul 10, 2010 • Sat

**Danby Fun Day and Parade**

Jul 12 • Mon

7pm 🏠 Town Hall

**Town Board Regular Meeting**

7:30pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall

**Danby Fire Department Monthly Meeting**

Jul 13 • Tue

7pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall

**Danby Fire Commissioners Meeting**

Jul 14 • Wed

6:30pm 🏠 Jennings Pond—Family Pgm: **Pond Birds**

Jul 15 • Thu

5pm 🏠 Danby Fire Hall Pavilion

First Week! **Danby Farmer's Market**

Jul 17 • Sat

11am 🏠 Town Hall

**Danby History Group Meeting**

🏠 American Legion Hall

**Post 211 Block Party**

Jul 20 • Wed

7pm 🏠 West Danby Fire Hall

**Danby Fire Commissioners Meeting**

Jul 21 • Wed

6:30pm 🏠 Jennings Pond—Family Pgm: **Pond Plants**

7pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church—Sundaes on Wed

7pm 🏠 Town Hall

**Planning Board Meeting**

Jul 28 • Wed

7pm 🏠 Danby Federated Church—Sundaes on Wed

7pm 🏠 Town Hall—**Gas Drilling Task Force Meeting**

### ONGOING EVENTS

**Danby Community Council** 🏠 Town Hall

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, 7pm

**Danby Community Library Open** 🏠 Town Hall

Saturdays, 10am–Noon, Wednesdays, 1:30–3:30pm,  
and when the **Open** sign is out!

**Danby Community Library Volunteer Mtg** 🏠 Town Hall

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 6:30pm. Public Welcome.

**Danby Fire Company** 🏠 Fire Hall

Mondays, 7pm; monthly mtg 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:30pm.

**West Danby Volunteer Fire Company** 🏠 WD Fire Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7pm.

**Danby Fire Commissioners** 🏠 Fire Hall or WD Fire Hall

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 7:30pm.

**Danby Community Park Association** 🏠 Town Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7pm.

**Danby Food Pantry** 🏠 Federated Church

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, 4–6pm, Thursday the-day-before, 6–8pm

**Military Family Support Group** 🏠 Federated Church

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 6:30pm.

**Seniors Strength Training Group** 🏠 Federated Church

Mondays, 9am.

**Danby Quilters Group** ☎ 273.2950

Fridays, 9–11am.

### WHERE THINGS HAPPEN

🏠 Danby Town Hall • 1830 Danby Road

🏠 Danby Fire Hall • 1780 Danby Road

🏠 West Danby Fire Hall • Sylvan Lane, off Rt.34/96

🏠 Danby Federated Church • 1859 Danby Road

🏠 American Legion Hall • 1231 Danby Road