

LOAVES and FISHES

Enfield Loaves and Fishes, Inc.

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Enfield Loaves and Fishes offers hot, well balanced, nutritious meals, including fresh fruits, vegetables, and dairy products. This is extremely important to help maintain good health, since many of our Guests have only one meal a day. Enfield Loaves and Fishes was honored to serve 48,667 meals, which includes 17,945 meals, or more than 37%, to children. Another 22,430 snacks were prepared for children in Educational Resources for Children (After School) programs at five schools housed at three locations. Food for

7,644 meals for home consumption was also provided to assist families in emergency situations. In a nation with so much opportunity and wealth, the statistics seem unbelievable.

The State and Federal economy continued to underperform with high unemployment, exacerbated also by upcoming elections and the looming "Fiscal Cliff." As a result, increasing numbers of people lost their savings, homes and retirement accounts. Stagnant investments resulted in fewer jobs created. People suffering severe financial losses found eating at the Soup Kitchen was often critical. Many full time jobs became part time. Laid-off workers became discouraged, and quit searching for work. College graduates were having difficulty finding employment. Guests can use the Soup Kitchen to save for rent, heat, lights, medicine, and clothing for the children, and to supplement money they receive just to survive. Anyone is welcome to hot meals, seven days a week; and to find resources regarding job opportunities, social services, rents, household appliances, furnishings, heating and medical assistance. We heartily thank friends, schools, churches, organizations and businesses that generously partner with the Soup Kitchen to ensure no one goes hungry.

Superstorm Sandy barreled up the East Coast this year, threatening anything in its path. Ironically, Hurricane Sandy struck precisely one year after the Nor'Easter of October 29, 2011. Storm Alfred snapped huge snow laden branches from two pine trees, hurling them at the building and damaging the roof. This year, thankfully, we were spared.

Christmas for all ages was celebrated on 12/17/12. Festive lights and Christmas decorations were carefully placed by students and youth groups from Enfield and as far away as Somers. Some also assisted the adults with food preparation. Students served the Christmas Dinner participating as waiters and waitresses. One volunteer played the keyboard and led the guests in singing carols. Following dinner, other Student Elves and adults helped Santa distribute gifts to over 400 Guests, including children. A few families were adopted by the community to receive Christmas gifts.

The support of volunteers and the community at large is tremendous. Our volunteers graciously donate their time, talent, and love creating colorful, nutritious and delicious meals. Without their kindness and generosity, this valuable mission to end hunger could not be sustained. Guests offer genuine thanks, and often "pitch in" without being asked.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and all our Guests, I extend our heartfelt gratitude to all who share in this worthwhile effort. May your kindness and generosity be multiplied many fold and returned to you.

Priscilla Brayson
Priscilla Brayson, Director
Enfield Loaves and Fishes

2012 ANNUAL REPORT OF CARING

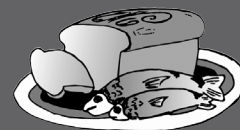


DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS



MISSION STATEMENT

Loaves and Fishes is committed to providing meals and fellowship to the poor, hungry, and disenfranchised within our community.



FIGHTING HUNGER





CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE AT ENFIELD LOAVES AND FISHES

Marion Maruca celebrates her 25th Anniversary as a Volunteer at Enfield Loaves and Fishes this year. Marion grew up in Thompsonville as one of five children in a loving Italian family. Still employed as a 1st grade teacher, she read a newspaper article expressing the need for Volunteers at the newly established Soup Kitchen. Marion's love for food and passion for volunteering led her to become involved

in feeding the less fortunate...and the rest is history! Each Wednesday for 25 years, Marion has aided others by serving dinner and tidying up afterwards.

Retiring after 27 years of teaching, Marion continues to remain actively involved in our community. She volunteers at Loaves and Fishes, serves on the Board of St. Bernard's School and the Enfield Library, and is Board Treasurer of "The Friend's Group" at the Senior Center. For 25 years, Marion has been committed to serving our Guests, despite other demands on her time. Every

Wednesday, Marion faithfully returns to the Soup Kitchen ... gloves on and utensil in hand, ready for duty! Now that's dedication!

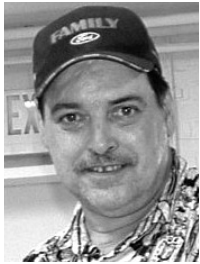
Marion's passion for volunteering and dedication to helping others is apparent to all those who come in contact with her. Marion fondly recalls helping a gentleman during dinner. "He was waiting patiently for a cup of coffee. I offered to pour a cup for him ... and did so. He responded verbally by saying 'You are a nice lady,' and then, he added, 'And you are cute!'" Marion, taken aback by his appreciation, says, "I was so overtaken by his acknowledgement of this simple act of kindness. Little things like this are so appreciated by our guests. This is our reward as a volunteer." Marion's eagerness to go above and beyond illustrates her compassion and kindness as a volunteer, and as a person.

When asked if she had plans to continue at Loaves and Fishes with us each Wednesday, Marion replied, "As long as I am healthy, I'll be there." We indeed wish her the best of health and are grateful to her for all that she has done over the years: for her outstanding level of commitment, dedication, and service to our Guests and their needs for the past 25 years.

ENFIELD LOAVES AND FISHES EXECUTIVE BOARD 2012



- Mr. Murray Brayson – President
- Mrs. Priscilla Brayson – Director
- Mrs. Emily Leary – Treasurer
- Mrs. Joann Clark – Board Member
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DENNIS TETREAULT OVERCOMING INJURIES

Dennis was a mild mannered, good natured person, willing to help anyone. While working at his brother-in-law's garage in 1973, a lock ring flew off a tractor trailer tire assembly. It broke his elbow, his knee, and split his head open. The explosive force threw him across the yard and against a trailer. Medical people didn't expect him to live: and, if he did, he probably would have the mind of a five year old.

Dennis remained in a coma for weeks, had an artificial elbow implanted, his knee repaired, and his head pieced together. He willed himself to recovery, including painful therapy. His capability far exceeded everyone's imagination – including his own. He was determined to beat this. With unwavering belief in himself, he discovered newfound hope and joy in each new day. He graduated High School while confined to a wheelchair. He married Penny, his sweetheart; and they had four children, who were his pride and joy. He worked at the Federal Building in Springfield, the University of Hartford, and later for Easter Seals.

Dennis was very upbeat, kind, and goodhearted. He looked forward to coming to Loaves and Fishes: brewing that first pot of coffee in the morning, and keeping a watchful eye on the place every day for over 10 years. He enjoyed socializing with the Volunteers and Guests, and his belly laugh was resounding and contagious. Dennis was a Volunteer and Guest himself. When asked if he could do something, his smiling response would be "I don't see why not." He would drive people without transportation to their Doctor appointments, often forgetting about his own. He had a passion for french fries, and was devastated when his deep fryer quit. Dennis could not let a good potato go to waste!

He was always helping Loaves and Fishes at events such as the Fourth of July, the Bass Fishing Tournament, and raced to arrive first to prepare for the Fisherman's Breakfast. And his Loaves and Fishes Cap he received for volunteering: It was like his best friend – he wouldn't leave home without it! He always peeled the onions – having lost his sense of smell, his eyes didn't water up. Dennis left his legacy – "that each of us, even with disabilities, are limited only by self-doubts. We can still be productive, make our life beautiful, and bring happiness to those around us."

His beaming smile, the joyful laughter, dry humor, and that first coffee for Priscilla made each day special! We shall miss him deeply.



HIGHLIGHTS

ENFIELD LOAVES AND FISHES COLLABORATED WITH ERfC (EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN) BY PROVIDING

22,430 SNACKS AND MINI- MEALS FOR (5) SCHOOLS HOUSED AT (3) LOCATIONS.

♦ WE ARE A MEMBER OF THE ENFIELD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND THE ENFIELD COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

♦ SHOPRITE HOSTED TWO FOOD DRIVES FOR ENFIELD LOAVES AND FISHES. THROUGH THE EFFORT OF ALMOST 80 VOLUNTEERS, ENOUGH FOOD AND DONATIONS WERE COLLECTED TO SUPPLY THE SOUP KITCHEN FOR SEVERAL MONTHS.

♦ WE PERIODICALLY UPDATE OUR WEBSITE: www.enfieldloavesandfishes.com

♦ A STORAGE / TOOL SHED WAS CONSTRUCTED BY MIKE REILY FOR HIS EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

♦ TWO HUGE PINE TREES THAT POSED A DANGER TO THE BUILDING WERE REMOVED. THEY WERE SEVERELY DAMAGED BY THE NOR'EASTER ON 10-29-11, STORM ALFRED

♦ BEAUTIFICATION OF BUILDING AND GROUNDS WAS COMPLETED BY UTC GROUP EMPLOYEES "DAYS OF CARING," 3M PURIFICATION, ENFIELD JR. WOMEN'S CLUB, AND SUFFIELD ACADEMY.

♦ THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SIT-DOWN DINNERS WERE HELD AT LOAVES AND FISHES, AND EACH GUEST WAS SERVED BY A WAITER/WAITRESS. SANTA WAS ON HAND TO PASS OUT GIFTS TO EVERYONE. THE CHILDREN ESPECIALLY ENJOYED IT.

♦ ENFIELD LOAVES AND FISHES BENEFITED FROM A GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY MAINE FISH MARKET & RESTAURANT OF EAST WINDSOR.

SPECIAL THANK YOU - 2012 ORGANIZATIONAL CONTRIBUTORS

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Bank of America Matching Funds
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 Hartford Federal Credit Union
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 Sun Life Financial
 Tobacco Valley Teachers Federal
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 Webster Bank -Hartford

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 Allied Rehab / Enfield Star
 Alstom Power Inc. / Windsor
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 Big Y - Enfield
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 The Paradies Shops
 The Weed Man
 The Yarde Tavern
 Thompsonville Community Garden
 3M Purification - HR Dept.
 TML-LLC
 Travelers Support Center
 Travelers Community Connection
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 Turf Products
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 United Technologies
 UPS Supply Chain Solutions
 USA Hauling and Recycling, Inc.
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 Williams Laboratories, Inc.
 Wal-Mart
 Weed Man - Chicopee
 White Eagle Farms
 William R Palmberg & Son LLC
 Word Com Inc.
 Woodcock Refrigeration Co., Inc
 XL Center - Hartford
 Yardehouse Tavern

CHURCHES AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS:

All Saints Church Holy Name Society /
 Faith Formation - Somersville
 Amazing Grace Church - Enfield
 Archdiocese of Hartford
 Calvary Presbyterian Church - Jr. & Sr.
 High Youth Group, Enfield
 Community of Christ Church - E.Windsor
 Church of Jesus Christ of Latter
 Day Saints
 Church World Service, Inc.
 Congregational Church
 Golden Saints - Windsor Locks
 Congregational Church Somersville
 Cornerstone Bible Church
 Dominican Laity / Mother of God Chapter
 3rd Order

Enfield Congregational Church
 Ecumenical Christian Council of Churches
 Enfield CT.
 Felician Sisters
 First Church of Suffield
 First Church of Christ Congregational
 Women's Fellowship
 Holy Family, 1st Communion Class
 Holy Family Church Womens Guild
 Holy Family Church / St.Vincent de Paul
 Holy Trinity Church
 Ministries of Love and Hope - Enfield
 Mother of God Monastery - W. Springfield
 New Life Community Church - Enfield
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Women's Aux. -
 Enfield
 Our Savior Lutheran Church - S.Windsor
 Sacred Heart Church - Suffield
 Sisters of Notre Dame de Nomur
 St. Adalbert Church - Enfield
 St. Bernard Church / St. Vincent de Paul
 St. Bernard Church Church Corp.
 St. Catherine Church - Broad Brook
 St. Joseph Residence and Residents -
 Enfield
 St. Martha Church Prayer Group - Enfield
 St. Mary Church
 Small Christian Comm - Windsor Locks
 St. Patrick's Church / 8th Grade CCD -
 Enfield
 St. Patrick's Church
 St. Philip Church
 Second Baptist Church - Suffield
 Secular Franciscan Order
 St. Joseph Fraternity
 Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
 Simsbury
 Somers Congregational Church UCC
 Suffield Congregational Church
 The First Church in Windsor
 United Methodist Church - Enfield
 United Methodist Church - Hazardville
 West Suffield Congregational Church

SCHOOLS:

Asnuntuck Community College
 Edgar Parkman School
 Eli Whitney School
 E.R.f.C-Educational Resources
 for Children-Enfield
 Enfield High School Students
 Faculty / Clubs
 Enfield Montessori School
 Enfield Public Schools
 Enrico Fermi High School
 Faculty / Clubs / Societies
 Enfield School Nurse Association
 Enrico Fermi High School, Class of 2012
 JFK Middle School / Community Service
 Club / Student and Faculty
 Lincoln Culinary Institute
 - Suffield/Hartford
 The Loomis Chaffee School
 Mabelle B. Avery Middle School S.A.V.E
 Club - Somers
 Parkman School
 Prudence Crandall School
 Spaulding School - Suffield
 St. Adalbert School - Enfield
 St. Bernard School, West - Enfield
 St. Martha Roman Catholic School / Parish
 - Enfield
 Suffield Academy
 Suffield Regional Agriscience Center
 Windsor Locks High School

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS:

AARP Enfield Chapter 3062
 AARP, North Central Chapter 1209
 Boy Scout Troop 108
 CT State Assn of Emblem Clubs
 Cub Scout Pack 391
 Enfield Democratic Town Committee
 Enfield Junior Women's Club
 Enfield Rotary Club / Community Garden
 Foodshare, Inc.,
 A Partner of America's 2nd Harvest
 Girl Scout Troop 10762 - Enfield
 Scout Troop 819 - Enfield
 Cybulski Correctional Institution
 VFW Post 10219
 MacDougall Walker Correctional Inst.
 Pat's Angels
 Outlaws M/C - Enfield Charter
 North Central CT. Chamber of Commerce
 North Thompsonville Fire Dept.
 South Windsor Teen Center

Somers Rotary Club
 Somers Supper Club
 Somers Women's Club
 Somers Vol. Fire Dept.
 State of CT, Dept of Corrections
 Suffield Emergency Aid
 Suffield Rotary Club
 North Thompsonville Firemen's
 Taste of Enfield / Town of Enfield
 The Woman's Club of Enfield
 Thompsonville Fire Dept
 Town of Enfield
 United Way of Capital Area, Inc. - Hfd

FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS:

AFSME Local 1029 Enfield
 Municipal Empl.
 Alpha Delta Kappa of Enfield
 American Legion Post #80
 Tanguay Magill
 American Legion John Maciolek
 Post 154
 Amvets Post 18
 Disabled American Veterans,
 Chapter 52
 Enfield Elks Club BPOE 2222
 Enfield Lions Club Inc.
 Fraternal Order of Moose
 Lodge #1525
 Knights of Columbus, Council 50,
 Enfield
 Knights of Columbus All Saints
 Council 4303
 Laureate Tau
 North Central CT Lawyers Assoc.
 NWTN. Central CT Chapter
 Woman of the Moose 1302
 VFW Post 10219
 Aux - Hazardville Station

FOUNDATIONS:

Aetna Foundation Inc.
 Antonacci Family Foundation
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 Campaign
 AT&T Community Service Fund
 Beatrice Fox Auerbach Foundation
 Bob's Discount Furniture Charitable
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 Cpl. Stephen Bixler Memorial Fund
 Cyber Grants, Inc. - Travelers Support
 Center
 Feinstein Family Foundation
 Hartford Foundation for Public Giving
 Home Depot Foundation
 KCI Servant's Heart Foundation
 Keeney Foundation Inc.
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 Mass Mutual (Match Grant)
 Pfizer Foundation (Match Gifts)
 Phoenix Life Ins.
 Rotary Club Foundation/Suffield
 SBM Charitable Foundation Inc.
 Stone Ridge Properties Foundation
 Sun Life Financial
 The Rhode Island Community
 Foundation
 Trust
 TYCO (Match Gifts) T.E.A.M
 United Healthcare
 (Employee Giving Campaign)
 United Way of West Central CT, Inc.
 United Technologies (Match Grant)
 United Health Group
 United Way of Central & Northeast CT
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 to ensure accuracy
 and apologize for any
 errors or omissions.*

• WE CAN NOT EXIST WITHOUT YOUR HELP! THANK YOU! •



Thank you to all the Volunteers & Contributors



“HUNGER HAS NO SEASON”

WHO ARE WE?

Loaves and Fishes is a nonprofit, volunteer program incorporated in 1982. Our purpose is to feed and aid the disenfranchised.

WHERE ARE WE?

We are located in Hargrave Hall at the Olde St. Andrew's Church, 28 Prospect St.

MAILING ADDRESS

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OUR WEB SITE IS:

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FACTS

We have gone from serving **15,625** meals in **1992** to **48,667** meals in **2012**, with an additional **22,430** snacks prepared for children in Educational Resources for Children (ERfC). Of the thousands of meals served, more than 37 % of meals went to children in the soup kitchen and ERfC after school programs. While another **7,644** were provided for home consumption in emergency situations.

We are staffed almost exclusively by volunteers from the community and operate under the guidance of a Director and a volunteer Board of Directors. For information, contact Priscilla at pbelf@aol.com.

Dinners are served Sunday through Friday from 4-5 p.m. and on Saturday from 11-12:30 p.m., with various churches and organizations providing the meals and volunteers on Saturdays and Sundays.



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Enfield Loaves and Fishes is solely dependent upon donations and volunteer help from individuals, churches, organizations, corporations and businesses in North Central Connecticut throughout the year.

The soup kitchen **does not** receive monetary support from state or federal governments.

There is a constant need for volunteers and donations since **“Hunger Has No Season.”** Monetary donations support food purchases, rent, insurance, supplies, equipment purchases, and maintenance.

Volunteers are needed to help with the transportation of food and supplies, stocking shelves, food preparation, cooking, serving, and cleanup.