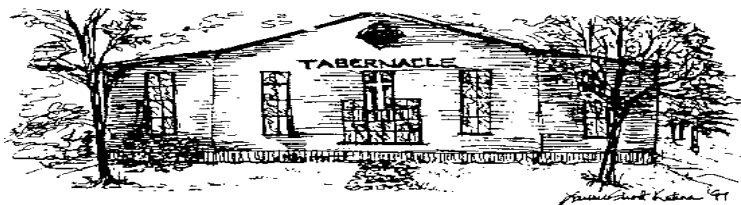


This is issue #8 of the Tabernacle Community Association’s *Information Sheet* for 2026. *There is NO house-to-house delivery in August!* Copies of this issue can be picked up in the Corporation Office, the TIP Post Office, the Guzzle, and the TIP Library. To access a digital copy of this *Information Sheet*, go to www.tiparkcorp.com; look at the bottom of the page for a link to a PDF for the issue.



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TABERNACLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION *INFORMATION SHEET*

CHURCH SERVICES

A Catholic mass will be offered in the Tabernacle on August 16th at 8am. The speaker at the 10:30am Protestant service is James Velasco, from Wellesley Island and Washington DC, who just completed the summer season as Lead Counselor for the Thousand Island Park Yacht Club.

If you are getting to the end of your summer stay in TIP, please remember that there are baskets for your contributions of unopened canned or boxed goods, paper products, etc., for the food pantry in LaFargeville; the baskets are available at the Sunday services in the Tabernacle, and in the TIP Post Office.

CHAUTAUQUA OF THE NORTH 2026

*The Chautauqua of the North includes talks of civic interest,
and an end-of-the-summer ‘foodraiser’ concert,
sponsored by the Tabernacle Community Association,
and made possible by a mini-grant from the TIP Corporation.*

❖ *Thursday, August 20th @ 5pm in the TIP Chapel*
CHRIS FOLEY

InterFaith Works of Central New York

My Journey from US AID to Central New York

❖ *Thursday, August 27th @ 4pm in the TIP Chapel*
THOMAS NEMEC

Colgate University

Classical Origins in Rome and Thousand Island Park

❖ *Sunday, Sept 6th @ 6pm at the Four Corners*
WIN PRICE & FRIENDS

A ‘Food-Raiser’ Concert & Block Party

To benefit Gwen’s Pantry in LaFargeville

TABERNACLE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MORNING RECREATION

- KICKBALL every Monday through Thursday morning at 9am and Fridays at 9:30am
- SOCCER on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10am and Fridays at 10:30am
- SOFTBALL on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10am

Coach Win says bring a water bottle, labelled with your name or initials!

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS AT THE TABERNACLE

The next Family Movie Nights are Saturday, August 15th, Saturday, August 22nd, and Saturday, August 29th. More information about the movies will be posted at the playground kiosk and on Facebook. Admission is free, and concessions will be sold throughout the movie (cash only).

The TIP Tabernacle Community Association is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable/educational organization, and your contributions are tax-deductible! Please think about all the good stuff that the Tabernacle Community Association does each summer, and give generously. Please send your donation to our POSTAL ADDRESS: **TIP Tabernacle Community Association, PO Box 362, Wellesley Island NY, 13640**, or put your envelope in the locked “ballot box” on the wall in the TIP Post Office. We are grateful for your support!

TIP YACHT CLUB: A Sailing Program Recap--That's a wrap! What an incredible season it was, and we couldn't be prouder of how it all came together. From smoke, to storms, to way too much wind, our team of counselors and CITs rolled with whatever came their way, keeping the kids learning, sailing, and having fun — because at the end of the day, that's what matters most! A special shout out to our lead counselors, Walker Pennington, Lee McKinley, and James Velasco, whose steady leadership and engaging approach made this season one to remember! We'll see you next year - look for registration to open in May!

THOUSAND ISLAND PARK LIBRARY: The Library is open Monday/Wednesday/Thursday/Friday, 9am-4pm; Tuesday/Saturday, 9am-2pm, with Story Time for ages 3-5 years on Mondays and Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30-10:30am (capacity is 15; must be potty-trained OR accompanied by an adult), and Kids' Club, for ages 6+, from 11am-12noon (capacity is 12). This will be the last week for children's programming as the remaining college-age library staff will be wrapping up on Friday (8/20). Next week beginning 8/26, the library will have modified hours. From Wednesday (8/26) to Saturday (8/30) the library will only be open from 9-12 noon. Stop in to see Mary Popovich who will be holding down the fort from Thursday to Saturday while Jean attends her niece's wedding in Minnesota. Thank you, Mary! Thank you to all of the library supporters who attended the Friends of the TI Park Library annual fish fry fundraiser. It was a successful fundraiser for the Library, and we could not have done it without all of the volunteers: the fishermen who caught, prepped, and served the fish, the set-up, serving and take down volunteers and LOTS O'LEAKS! Until next summer...

THOUSAND ISLAND PARK FOUNDATION: The Red Cross Health Fair was held on Thursday, August 6th, but the Friday drive was cancelled due to a shortage of phlebotomists, but there were 28 donors on Thursday. Thank you, Erika Goodyear for setting the Blood Drive up and thank you, Matt Aman for manning the registration table! The August Kids Fishing Derby on Sunday, August 9th was a huge success! Forty children (and their parents) enjoyed the competition! Mike Stedem and his family did another great job coordinating the event. The Lou Turri Conservation Award for the most gobies removed from the River went to Piper Ravanelli who caught 12 gobies; overall 78 gobies were caught and removed from the River. The Biggest Fish Award went to Bradley Aldrich; the Smallest Fish Award was won by Leo Cardona and the Most Fish Caught Award went to Levi Barnes. Worms were free, donated by Kent Humphries. The kids enjoyed hot dogs donated by the Brasser family and ice cream coupons were donated by the D'Agata family & Fremac Marine. Price Chopper donated the hot dog buns, water and the condiments. Special thanks to the Blauvelt family for setting up the food area and serving, and thanks to all the volunteers: Steve and Kelly Baker, Lou Turri, Ned Adams, Andy Kane, Mike Stedem, Jen Coon, Kevin Hatton, Monk D'Agata, Lenny Storto, Frank Heitman, Michael O'Connell and Frank Inman. A huge Thank You to Sheila Parkes Smith and Save The River for giving out free non-lead sinker tackle kits to the kids! Upcoming Events: the Pet Show will be on Saturday, August 15th at 4pm. Come show off your pets; any pet is welcome as long as it gets along with other pets! Cats, Dogs, Turtles, Frogs, Fish, Lizards and more! Meet at the Gazebo. The Second Moon Viewing event will be on Saturday, August 22nd at 8:30pm on the Gazebo Green near the Gazebo. Stephen Karon and Austin Key of the Watertown Sci-Tech Center will bring their Electronic Telescope, Refractory Telescope and the new Dwarf Telescope System, used to view deep space nebulae and stars.

FRIENDS OF ROCK RIDGES NATURE TRAIL: The Trail has two more events for the 2026 season. Come join us for morning meditation on Saturday, Aug 15th at 8am, with Nickie Foley. Please bring a yoga mat or towel. We saw many of you this year at our Friday programs, and at our Family Firepit events on Thursday evenings. We hope we helped you enjoy our natural surroundings even more and look forward to next summer! Our open-to-the-public annual meeting will be on Monday, August 17th at 8:30am at the Treehouse; please pop in and visit with us!

LANDMARK SOCIETY: Thanks to all who participated in the *Talk and Walk on Fires in TIP* held on Aug. 5th. A special thank you to Tom French and Mike Stedem who shared information, images, and stories about the fires of the past. We wish Clare Aman, the summer preservation intern, well as she heads off to the University of Pittsburgh. Clare was the third intern supported by the Corporation and Landmark who is part of the park community; each has helped to raise awareness of preservation in our historic district. During the month of August, preservation efforts shift to learning more about your cottage and neighborhood. Juliana Keicher, Education Coordinator, led a Cottage Research Workshop on Aug. 12th. Next week Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps will be featured to learn more about structures in the Park from 1905 to 1924. Stop in to see the maps. Materials from the Workshop and the Sanborn maps will also be available during regular open hours. * It's time to stock up on those items that remind us of TIP in the off-season! Pillows, books, notecards, ornaments and more! The shop will be open Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 11am- 2pm. We are in need of a few volunteers to help us keep our doors open. Please consider helping out!

| Tonight (Aug. 14) at the Tabernacle! |

A special performance by indie-folk group Great Lakes Swimmers. Come celebrate the River, our community, and the beauty of the Great Lakes watershed with an unforgettable night of music, co-hosted by Save The River and TIP
↪ Tickets: www.rivertakemehome.org

COMMUNITY NOTES

- **Densmore Church Concert** at 7pm on August 16th : Pat & Owen Duo (Guitar)
- **Recycling:** drop off your returnable bottles and cans in the blue barrels on the trailer parked by the Corporation Barn (near the back tennis courts); no need to wash/separate! Refund \$\$\$ benefits the TIP Playground.
- **Composting:** contact TIPCompostcoalition@gmail.com for more info. Free compost buckets for your cottage are available; the regular drop-off of food waste is on Monday mornings, 10am-noon behind the Corporation Barn. Volunteers are always welcome!
 - **TIP Security:** 315-215-2851
 - **TIP Corp. Office:** Open Monday to Friday from 8:30am-4pm; Saturday from 8:30am to 12noon (315-482-2576)
 - **TIP Gas Dock:** Open seven days a week from 8am to 4pm.
 - **The Guzzle:** Open 6 Days (Closed Mondays), 8 am – 9 pm. (315-203-2166)
 - **The Wellesley Hotel: Dinner** service 5 pm – 9 pm Tues-Sun; Sun Jazz Brunch, 10 am – 1 pm; Closed Mondays. Reservations via *OpenTable*. <https://www.opentable.com/r/wellesley-hotel-restaurant>