

THE HUB

JULY 2020

YOUR SOURCE FOR WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND SOUTHERN CAYUGA PRESENTED BY THE AURORA FREE LIBRARY

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visit the Village of Aurora Website for COVID-19 Resources and Updates

Please check the Village of Aurora website, <http://auroranewyork.us/>, for updates and information related to the COVID-19 pandemic. There, you can find links and information from the Aurora Fire Department, Cayuga County, the Center for Disease Control (CDC), World Health Organization (WHO), New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH), and Senator Pamela Helming. You can also find updated information on village office operations, meetings, and the village election.

To get on the Aurora municipal e-blast list for news updates and emergency alerts, send a request to VillageClerk@auroranewyork.us or DeputyClerk@auroranewyork.us.

Notice from the Aurora Volunteer Fire Department

The Aurora Volunteer Fire Department would like all of the Aurora-Ledyard Fire District to know that we are still [here](#) and covering calls like normal.

Please follow CDC and government guidelines to keep yourself safe and healthy. Follow good hand-washing techniques, and social distancing. Stay home if possible! Check on the elderly and home bound—from a distance.

Call your doctor: If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, call your healthcare provider for medical advice. (CDC guide to symptoms [here](#).)

Don't hesitate to call 911 if you are experiencing a true emergency. Always report symptoms to dispatch so we can protect ourselves before our arrival.

Video from Auburn Fire Department: [Stop the Spread of Covid-19](#).

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay home.

Aurora Free Library is Open for Outdoor Contactless Pickup!

Revised Open Hours:

Monday 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Wednesday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Friday 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am – 1:00 pm (*starting on July 11*)

There are 3 ways you can place your order:

1. Online via the [catalog](#). Log in and place a “hold request” at [aurorafreelibrary.org](#)
2. Call us at 315-364-8074 during our revised open hours or leave a message.
3. Email staff@aurorafreelibrary.org with your request.

Once your order is ready you will receive an email notice. Contact us to let us know when you are coming or we will contact you to schedule a pickup time at our back door on Cherry Avenue.

You can currently only place holds on items that are owned by the library at which you will be picking up items.

Interlibrary loan service will begin on Friday, July 24. We will receive items from other libraries once a week.

There will be no out-of-system interlibrary loaning of materials.

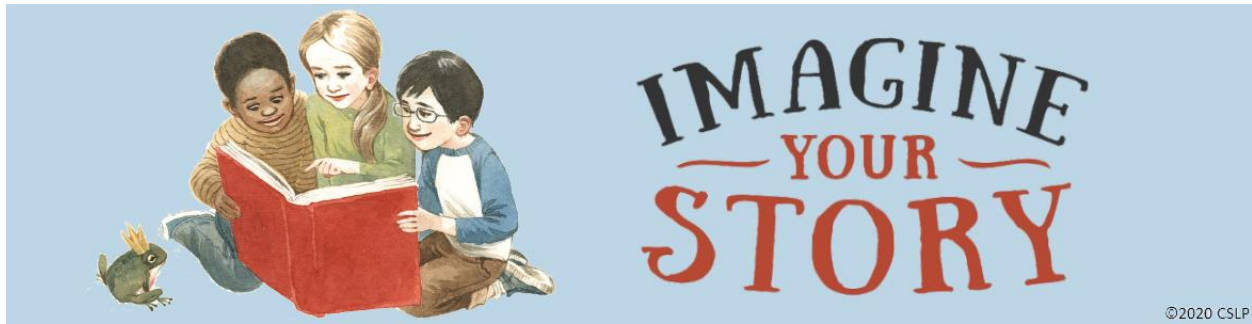
- Since there is no Finger Lakes Library System delivery at this time, we ask that you please **return Aurora Library owned items back to us** and not to another library.
 - All materials are to be dropped off in the book drop and will be quarantined for 72 hours for safety.
- Check out our FAQs on [aurorafreelibrary.org](#) and please don't hesitate to email us at staff@aurorafreelibrary.org with additional questions or if you would like us to find a certain type of book for you!
- **Preschool Storytime** will continue Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. on Facebook Live through July.
- We are planning more activities so please check [aurorafreelibrary.org](#) or [Facebook](#) for the latest information..

We have enjoyed serving you again! Stay safe!

Have You Filled Out the Census?

If not, please follow the link to do so: <https://www.2020census.gov/>.





Aurora Free Library Summer Reading Program



This year to track your reading you can use an [online](#) summer reading log which will include challenges, missions, online badges, and so much more, or if you prefer you can use [our paper reading log](#) and bingo sheet.

There are **programs for readers and listeners of all ages from babies to adults** with activities and special missions you can complete on your own or with the whole family.

To register and begin tracking your reading online go to

<http://aurorahazardlibraryny14.readsquared.com/> and sign up.



DON'T FORGET we are also posting on our *Aurora Free Library Summer Reading Facebook Group* and on our aurorafreelibrary.org [webpage](#) daily virtual performers and activities provided by *Page Turner Adventures*. If you have questions or need assistance please call (315) 364-8074 or email us at staff@aurorafreelibrary.org.



A Message to Our Loyal Audience Members from the Morgan Opera House Committee

Yes, the theater is dark, but we shall return. Just as soon as it is safe for us to gather together, we will open the doors and once again enjoy live music and theater. Meanwhile, stay safe and healthy, we will get through this.

News from the Tuesday Pre-Order/Pick-Up Market at Patrick Tavern

Fresh veggies now in from Centurion Farm! Herbalist Jesse Ball offers a new product: an Aromatherapy Roll-on for headache relief. Iced tea? Make it fair trade with San Pedro Sister Community. Baker Meg Goloub of Lumis and Po is on a short break; her next Tuesday delivery will be July 14. Send an email to centurionfarm@outlook.com, mixtapemedicinals@gmail.com, cathy.mullarney@gmail.com, and lumisandpo@gmail.com for weekly info and how to order. And here's farmer Jeff Saeli, doing direct-to-car delivery.



**KING FERRY
FOOD PANTRY**
Neighbors helping neighbors.

Located in the Ag Wing at Southern Cayuga High School

Open from 9 am-12 noon on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month.

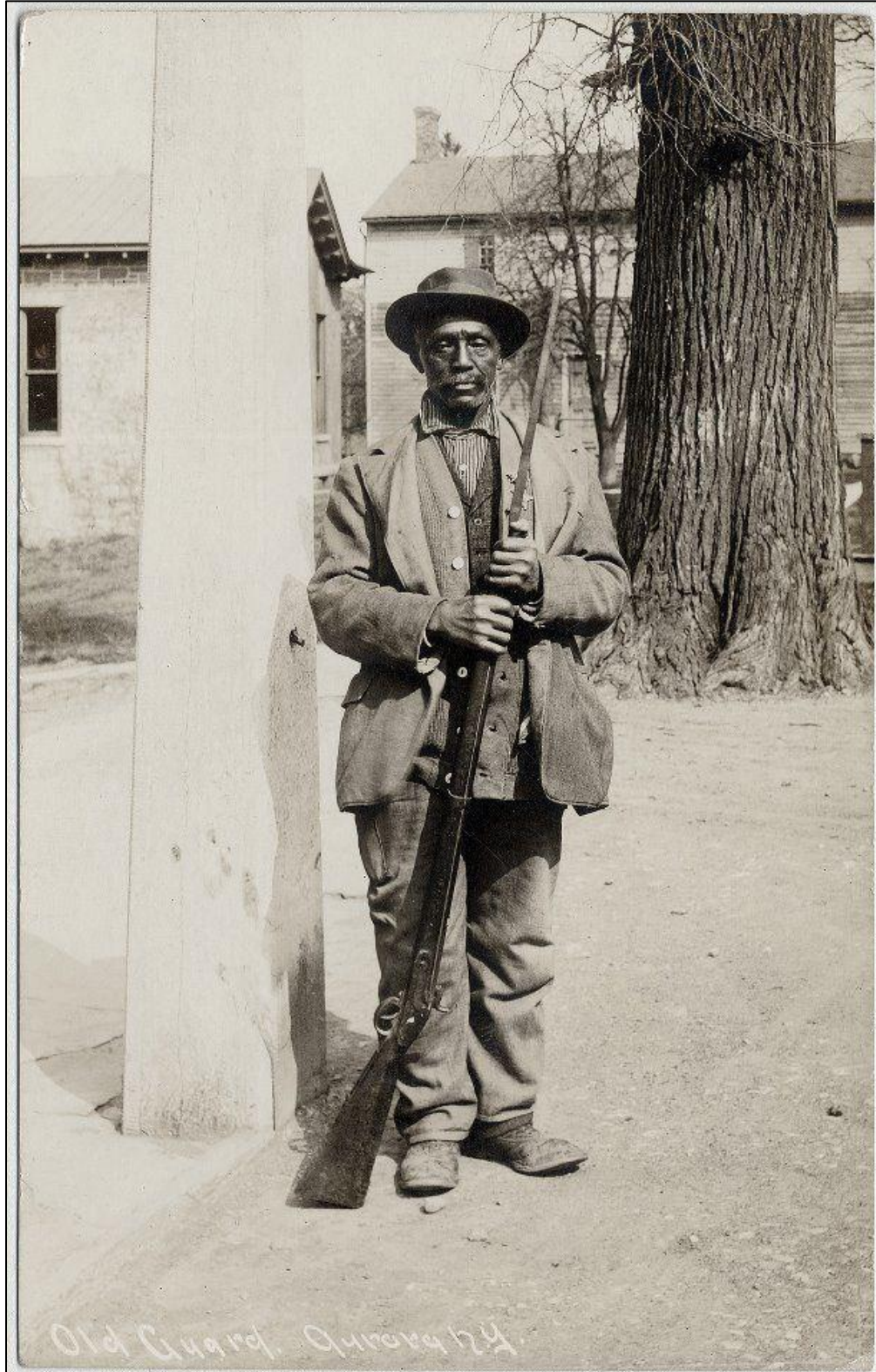
Contact us at (315) 497-2049 or email
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PO Box 242, King Ferry, NY 13081

Learn more about us at: facebook.com/KingFerryFoodPantry/ or kingferryfoodpantry.org.

New from the Aurora Historical Society

Watch for reopening soon! There's paperwork to do and procedures to get in place, but the process is beginning. In the meantime, please visit the [Facebook page](#) for Village of Aurora Historical Society. Recent conversations have included the historic craft of timber-framing, members of the Heffernan family ca. 1875-1900, and two African-American Civil War veterans and their distinguished regiment. The photo below is Nathan Prue, 26th USCT.



Message and Upcoming Programs from the Howland Farm Museum

Hello friends and neighbors!

I hope everyone is doing well under the circumstances! I am so saddened that I will not be hosting open houses and seasonal festivals at my home this year, due to the pandemic. 2019 was such a successful first year in welcoming you all to the future Howland Farm Museum and I was very much looking forward to continue meeting and getting to know my community this year!! Looking on the bright side, the social distancing is giving me much needed time to revisit tackling many unfinished personal chores, doing some cool projects in the yard and focusing on the not-very-fun aspects of creating a museum, such as writing a business plan and getting into all the logistical details. Boring, but completely necessary!! Plus, I finally got chickens! And they have been such a joyful new experience!!



However, during July and August, I will be hosting Fitness on the Farm: Nature Yoga and Movies at the Museum again! I feel that since these activities are outside in the fresh air and we can stay quite far apart from each other, that they can be enjoyed safely. If you agree and will respect others health and safety, please join me! Both activities are TBD for times & dates.

Nature Yoga is basic yoga suitable for all experience levels and practiced outside under the walnut or locust trees. This year we will focus on breathing and poses which are helpful for de-stressing and reducing anxiety. Because many people's work situation is up in the air, there will be a sliding pay-what-you-can fee of \$2.00-\$10.00 per class so that I can cover the instructor cost. As soon as we pick a weekday and time, I will post on my FB and Instagram pages @HowlandFarmMuseum.

Movies at the Museum will be announced one week in advance due to their weather dependence. In order to be extra safe, I will be marking out about a dozen seating sections on the lawn where family groups will be able to watch the movie from. It will be first come, first served to select a spot and please bring your own camp chairs or blankets, food and beverages. This is very low facility due to keeping everyone safe, so the outhouse will not be available for use. But movies are free!! I will be posting movie dates & times on FB and Instagram @HowlandFarmMuseum. If you aren't on social media and would like an email update for either Nature Yoga or Movies at the Museum, please email me at jodibaldwin@gmail.com.

Lastly, I am looking for older folks in the community who have grown up here or lived here a majority of their lives to volunteer to be interviewed. I would like to video-record our seventy-plus years young neighbors telling your stories and memories of growing up in this area! I have had the pleasure of talking with a handful of life-long residents and LOVE what they share, but it is hard for me to remember all the details and since I am creating a museum, I'd like to document these stories and memories to create a permanent collection for everyone to enjoy. If you or anyone you know would like to sit down with me and reminisce about the good-ol-days, please email me at jodibaldwin@gmail.com or call me at 315-246-0743. I am not just interested in farming stories or memories of my house, but really any of your experiences growing up. I have heard some pretty interesting and funny things so far and I can't wait to hear more!! It will be just me doing the interview/recording and I will wear my welding mask to create a safe barrier. Also, we can decide where you feel most comfortable meeting: either in a shady part of my yard or at your own home. This will be ongoing throughout the year so please spread the word!!!

Be safe, be well, be outdoors!

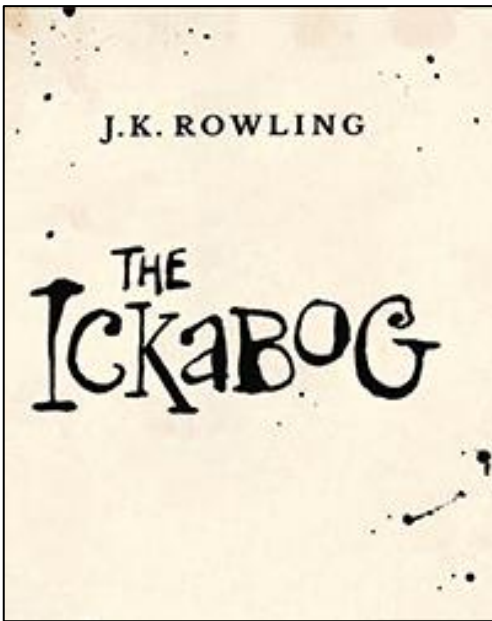
"I firmly believe that nature brings solace in all troubles." - Anne Frank

Bells at UMA

Every Monday at noon, there will be a minute of bell ringing calling us to a minute of silence and prayer in honor of all those affected by COVID as well as those affected by violence, discrimination, poverty, natural disasters, loss, and mental, emotional, and physical illness.

All community members are welcome to join us! No experience necessary, just show up at 11:50 a.m.

Southern Cayuga Book Club and Kid's Illustration Competition of *The Ickabog*



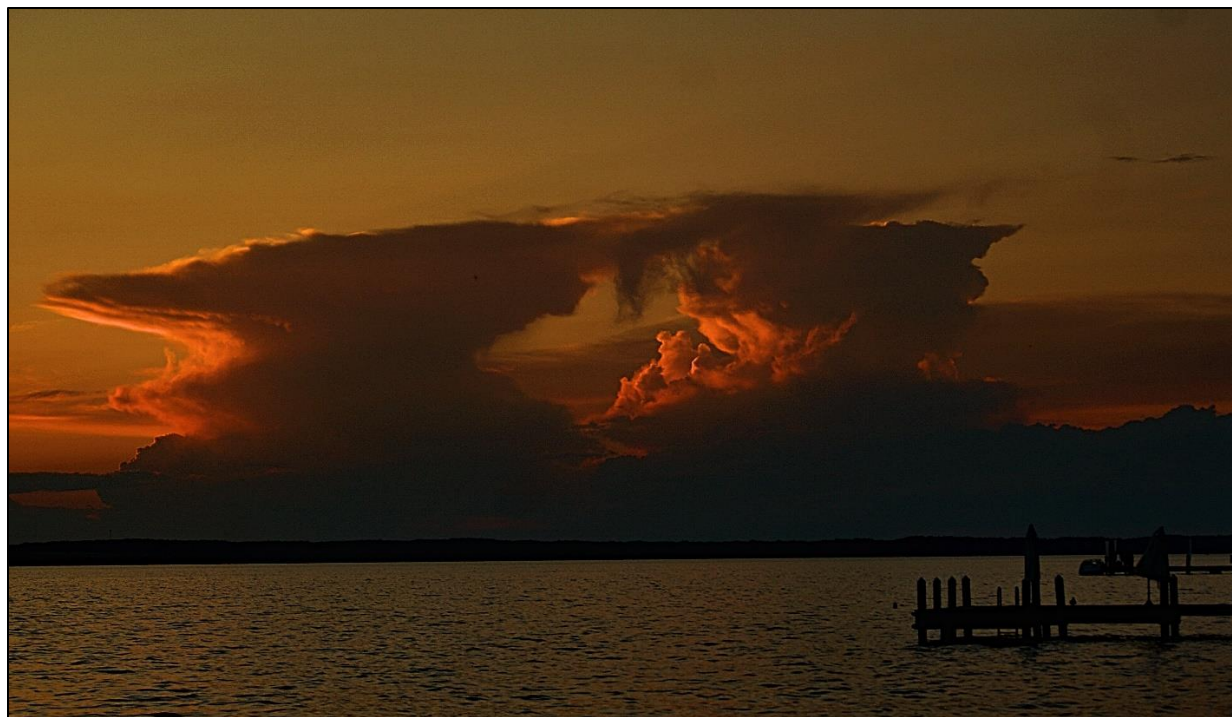
The Southern Cayuga Book Club held a book discussion on *The Ickabog*, a new children's book by J.K. Rowling, on July 1. This book is being published in a serial fashion online. The chapters of the book can be accessed for free at <https://www.theickabog.com/en-us/read-the-story/>. You can read the book on any device that has internet access (computer, tablet, phone).

There is an illustration contest for kids 7-12 years old through July 17. See more details at <https://theickabogcompetition.com/>.

The Book Club will meet again on **Wednesday, August 5 at 7:15 p.m.** to discuss *The Shipping News* by Annie Proulx. Books are available at Hazard and Aurora Libraries. Please email librarian@hazardlibrary.org or staff@aurorafreelibrary.org to reserve a copy and for the ZOOM link to the discussion. New members are always welcome.

Sights of Southern Cayuga

Submitted by Linda and Patrick Dugan

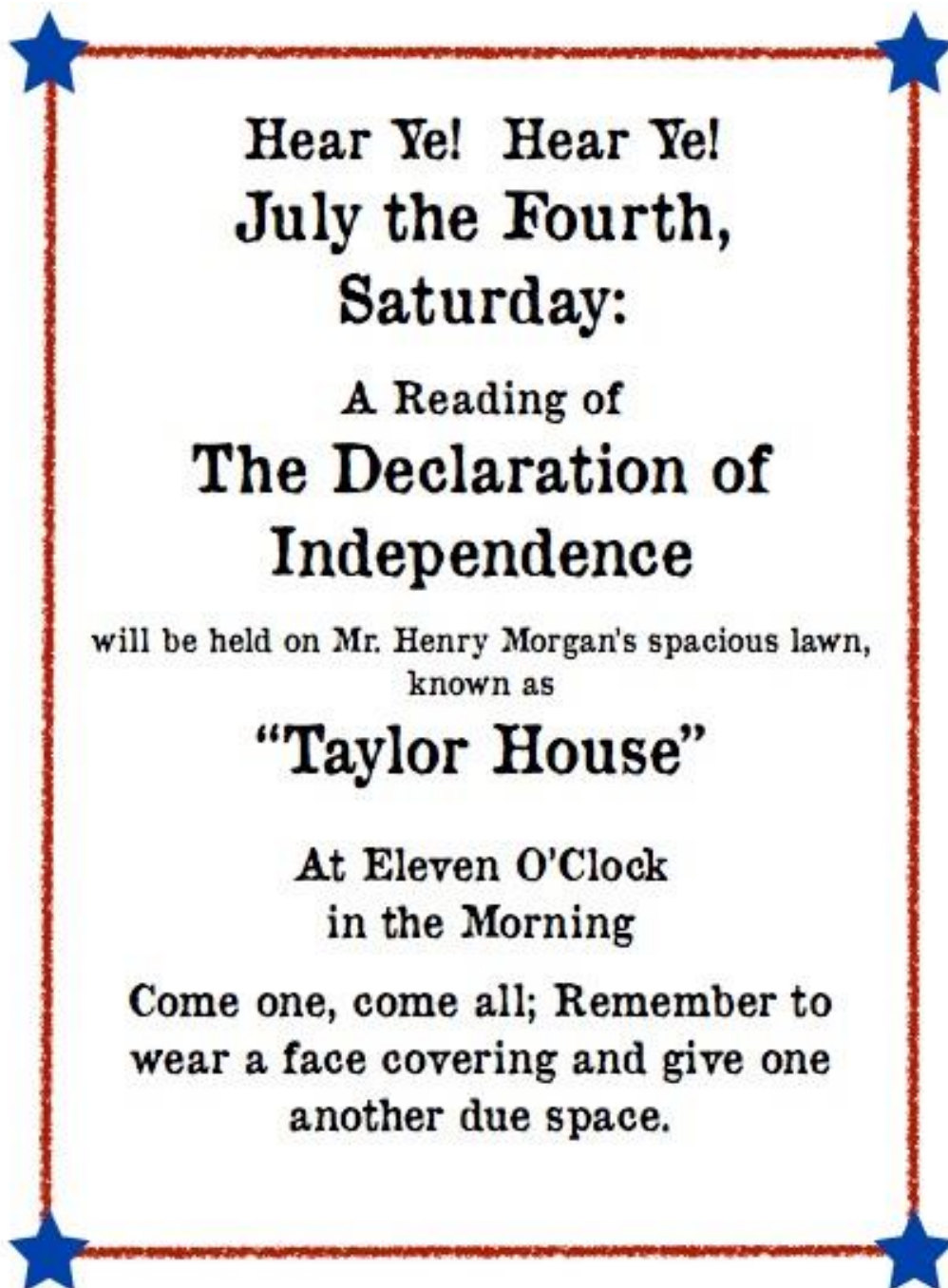


EVENTS

Birthday Celebration for Elsie!

**Friday, July 3
12:00 p.m.**

Elsie Torres is turning 88! Please help her celebrate by gathering in front of her house at 272 Main St. (with a sign if you can) at NOON on Friday, July 3. Please wear a mask and safely distance!



Celebrate the 4th of July on the 5th of July with an Organ Concert at the UMA

Sunday, July 5

9:30 a.m.

United Ministry of Aurora

Ten or fifteen minutes of the best in patriotic music with the church windows and doors wide open. Be inside or out but always at a safe distance. The regular service follows, inside.

All welcome!



AURORA FREE LIBRARY
NEW! VIRTUAL Lego Fun
Mondays July 13th and 27th

Listen to a fun story on ZOOM @ 10 am
& then build a Lego creation based on the
story at home!

Join a 2nd ZOOM call to show off
your final creation @ 12 noon.

****For kids in Grade 1 & up!****

Must register by emailing
staff@aurorafreelibrary.org

Aurora Free Library Board Meeting

Thursday, July 16
5:30-6:30 p.m.



The meeting will be held using remote meeting software. For a call-in number, please send your email address to aurorafreelibrarycnny@gmail.com. All are welcome to attend remotely.

Virtual “Palm-of-the-Hand” Memoir Writing Workshop, Hosted by the Aurora Free Library

Facilitated by poet, publisher, and oral memoirist Michael Czarnecki

Thursday, July 23, 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 30, 6:30 p.m.



Everyone has stories to share and many people have a desire to write about their life. Wanting to write and doing so are two different things.

Participants will be introduced to a method called “Palm-of-the-Hand” writing, after the “Palm-of-the-Hand” stories of Japanese writer Yasunari Kawabata. After deciding on story possibilities, the method helps focus the writer’s energy into completing short individual pieces about their life.

These workshops have been very successful in helping people to write extensively about their life experiences—whether for family members or to someday be published in a book.

The first ZOOM meeting will be on **Thursday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m.** with a follow up review meeting the following week on **Thursday, July 30 at 6:30 p.m.**

Contact staff@aurorafreelibrary.org with any questions and for ZOOM meeting invite.

This is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a regrant program of the NYSCA and administered locally by Finger Lakes Community Arts Grants at Auburn Public Theater.

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			1 Virtual Storytime, 9:30 a.m. Southern Cayuga Book Club, <i>The Ickabog</i> , 7:15 p.m.	2	3 Birthday Celebration for Elsie, 12 p.m.	4 King Ferry Food Pantry, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Aurora Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Annual Reading of the Declaration of Independence, 11 a.m.
5 UMA Organ Concert, 9:30 a.m.	6 UMA Bell Ringing, 11:50 a.m.	7 Patrick Tavern Market Pick Up, 4-5:30 p.m.	8 Virtual Storytime, 9:30 a.m.	9	10	11 Aurora Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
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