

THE HUB

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

Please submit content for the next issue to
greaterauroracommunity@gmail.com by February 22.

Like us on [Facebook](#) for more local information throughout the month.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Local Municipal Updates

Check the [Village of Aurora website](#) for updates on Cayuga County vaccine clinics and other programs and guidance related to the pandemic as well as information on village office operations and meetings.

Announcements from the Aurora Free Library



**Souper Bowl
of Caring -
Cans of Soup
requested**

All donations of canned soups
will go toward the
King Ferry Food Pantry.

Drop off your cans of soup until Feb 12th at
Hazard Library (Route 34B, Poplar Ridge) or
Aurora Free Library (Route 90, Aurora)

Did you know you can get a **FREE** New York Public Library (NYPL) card?

Any person who lives, works, attends school, or pays property taxes in New York State is eligible to receive a New York Public Library card free of charge. NYPL cards grant access to their e-book collection, and digital collection.

Learn more and apply for your free card at: <https://www.nypl.org/library-card>.



New York
Public
Library

Aurora Free Library

LIBBY APP

Finger Lakes Library System offers access to digital audiobooks and ebooks. We are switching from the Overdrive App to the Libby App. As of February 2022, we will only be using the Libby app.

Meet Libby.

The One-Tap reading app from your library.

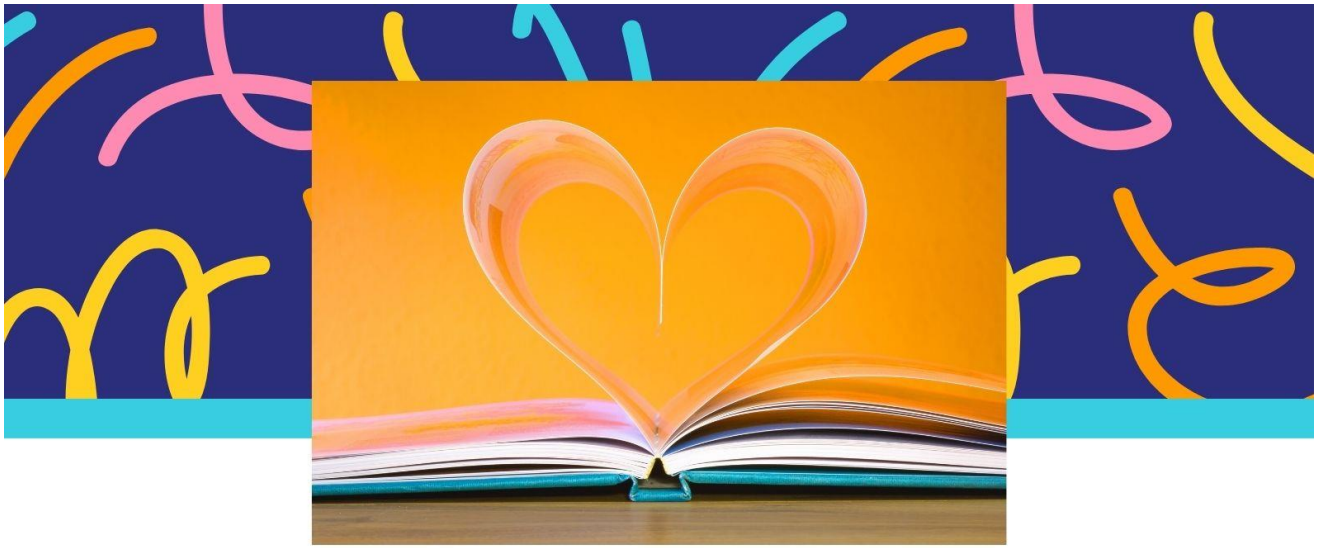


Ask Nicole if you have any questions.
<https://help.libbyapp.com/en-us/index.htm>

315-364-8074

staff@aurorafreelibrary.org

www.aurorafreelibrary.org



**AURORA FREE LIBRARY
INVITES YOU TO
TAKE YOUR
CHILD TO
THE LIBRARY
DAY**

**Saturday, February 5
10 AM - 2 PM**

**Stop in for a Scavenger Hunt,
Free Book Giveaway, Sticker
Puzzle and More!**

New Adult Fiction

Anatomy: A Love Story by Dana Schwartz

The Appeal by Janice Hallett

Diablo Mesa by Douglas Preston

A Flicker in the Dark by Stacy Willingham

A Game of Fear by Charles Todd

Gwendy's Final Task by Stephen King

Honor by Thrity Umrigar

Invisible by Danielle Steel

Iron Pants by Elaine Meyers

Love and Other Disasters by Anita Kelly

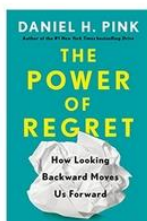
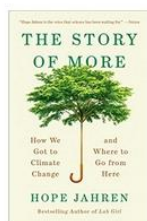
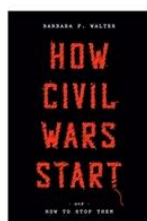
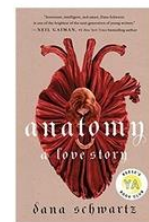
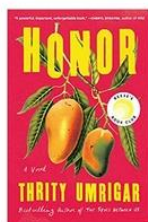
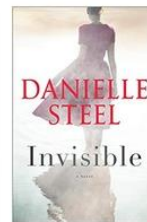
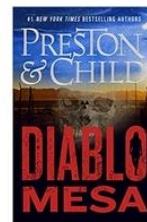
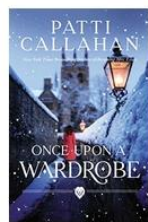
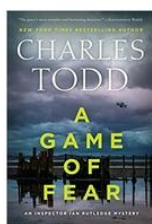
Olga Dies Dreaming by Xochitl Gonzalez

Once Upon a Wardrobe by Patti Callahan

The Paris Apartment by Lucy Foley

Reminders of Him by Colleen Hoover

Something to Hide by Elizabeth George



New Adult Non-Fiction

The Essential New York Times Cookbook
by Amanda Hesser

How Civil Wars Start: And How to Stop Them
by Barbara F. Walter

*The Indomitable Florence Finch: The Untold Story of a War Widow
Turned Resistance Fighter and Savior of American POWs* by Robert J. Mrazek

The Power of Regret: How Looking Backward Moves Us Forward by Daniel H. Pink

The Story of More: How We Got to Climate Change and Where to Go from Here
by Hope Jahren



**12th Annual
Fred Atkins Community Service Award**

REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS - 2022

The Fred Atkins Community Service Award is given each year in honor and memory of Frederick J. Atkins, a beloved Cayuga County volunteer and 30-year Unity House board member. Fred passed away in 2009 at the age of 95, but not before he touched the lives and hearts of many in our community. Fred was an exemplary community servant who gave selflessly of his time and considerable accounting expertise. **This award recognizes an outstanding individual who volunteers in Cayuga County and who exemplifies Fred's high moral standards and philanthropic spirit.**

To be considered, the nominee must:

- ♦ volunteer in Cayuga County;
- ♦ act as a community service role model for others;
- ♦ demonstrate integrity, compassion, and involvement

**Nomination receipt deadline: 5:00 pm Friday,
February 18, 2022**

**Learn more and find the nomination form here:
www.unityhouse.com/fredatkins.html**

*Please complete both sides of
the nomination form and
return it to:*

Unity House of Cayuga
County
Attn: Kelly Buck
217 Genesee Street,
Auburn, NY 13021
or fax to: 315-612-3116
or email to:
kdbuck@unityhouse.com



Candidates will be judged on: level of community involvement, longevity of service, depth and breadth of service, being a community role model and inspiration to others, and demonstrations of integrity and compassion.

The award will be made at Unity House's annual dinner on Monday, April 25; the recipient will receive a \$500 cash reward: \$250 for the winner, and \$250 to donate to the Cayuga County charity/ non-profit of his/ her choice. The public is invited to attend the fundraising dinner and help us celebrate Fred Atkins and volunteerism in Cayuga County.

**Nominate a deserving Cayuga County volunteer by
February 18!**



**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
kingferryfoodpantry1@gmail.com

King Ferry Food Pantry, Inc.
PO Box 242, King Ferry, NY 13081

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the exact same low prices and vast
selection with the added benefit that
Amazon will donate 0.5% of your
purchase to the pantry.*

Learn more about us at:

facebook.com/KingFerryFoodPantry/
or kingferryfoodpantry.org

Health Care Navigator @ Hazard Library

- Do you need health insurance?
- Do you need help using the NY State of Health Marketplace?
- Do you have questions about your health insurance?



You can call 315-255-1703 ext. 159 if you would like to speak to a Health Care Navigator to assist you with your health insurance. Please contact Hazard Library for more information or to make an appointment.

February at United Ministry of Aurora

Thursday, February 10 at 2:00 p.m.

***Yoga Play*, a play by Syracuse Stage**

A very funny play where the world of entrepreneurship and spirituality meet. Virtual in the Social Room or by Zoom.

Saturday, February 12 at 4:00 p.m.

“Afghanistan and Humanitarian Parole, What is It, How You Can Help”

This presentation by Cornell Law Students will give a brief look at the ongoing situation in Afghanistan. We will discuss how human rights have plummeted under Taliban rule within the past several months. After laying this foundation, we will look at a specific type of U.S. immigration relief called Humanitarian Parole. We will describe the process of applying for Humanitarian Parole and conclude with ways to get involved.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87385698496?pwd=ZnV2RzhoTmMwTmNJRWtYQTA1Y0JZUT09>

Meeting ID: 873 8569 8496

Passcode: 381115

Wednesday, February 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Spirit Cafe at the Well on Wells College Campus

Pizza and conversations around religion, faith, spirituality, and the intersection with science and atheism. No matter who you are or where you are on your journey, all are welcome!

Friday, February 18 at 9:00 p.m.

Grocery Bingo! UMA Social Hall

College students and community. Winners have 10 seconds to get as many snacks as they can. If you would like to donate snacks, we have a list of student's favorites. Come and join in the fun!

Sunday, February 20 at 4:00 p.m.

“The Historical Jesus Movement”

Wells College Professor Emeritus of Religion, Dr Arthur Bellinzoni, will lead a talk and discussion on the Quest for the Historical Jesus, the 250-year struggle by scholars to determine what Jesus actually taught and did during his lifetime.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88435197830?pwd=Nk1aWGIVWG9SdFFaalFZQWtSMXNEdz09>

Meeting ID: 884 3519 7830

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Patrick Tavern Market Returns Tuesday, February 8


After a break in January, the Tuesday market at Patrick Tavern returns once a month to fight off the winter blues with good food, drink, gifts, and a chance to see the neighbors: stop by Patrick Tavern, 302 Main St., between 4:00-5:00 p.m. on February 8. We expect there will be Cookie's delicious comfort food (by pre-order), fresh bread and baked goods, salad microgreens, Valentine cards and gifts, mead, chocolate, pork, winter vegetables, and more. Expect an email with the details if you're on the mailing list; if you're not, email lschwab@wells.edu to connect. (If your email bounces back, try lschwab.glebefarm@gmail.com).

We're delighted to have Mark D. Smith of Muddy Rut Apiary join in with honey. He writes, "I have been a beekeeper on and off for over 45 years, and currently manage between 7 and 14 hives." He has on hand raw honey in 1 lb., 1.5 lb., and 2 lb. glass containers, honeycomb in 1 lb. cases, and 8 oz. rounds and 3 oz. jars of mint infused honey.

Finally, the multi-talented Alicia Kirk—baker, knitter, craftswoman in many media—has set up [a Facebook page for the market](#). Be sure to look up and bookmark "Patrick Tavern Market."


Herb Class Online

Nina Saeli of Centurion Farm, one of the founding farms of the Patrick Tavern Market, will be offering three sessions on growing and using culinary herbs. The cost is modest, there is a choice of times, and it will be a cheerful start to the growing season. Visit the [farm Facebook page](#) or go to the [signup page](#). The first sessions will be held on February 16 and 19.



Centurion Farm, LLC
287 Creek Road, Locke, NY 13092
centurionfarm@outlook.com
<https://www.facebook.com/CenturionFarmLLC>

Growing Culinary Herbs (A Three-Part Seminar Series)



Sign up for one or all three virtual seminars as part of this growing culinary herbs workshop. Each seminar will be held twice a week; you choose which day/time you would like to attend. Whether you are a beginner or experienced herb grower, there is something for everyone to learn. This is a safe place to talk, share, and inspire one another.

Seminar 1: Growing Conditions and Considerations. [Click Here](#). Or go to:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c44a4ae2faafec25-growing>

Seminar 2: Propagate, Prune, and Harvest

Seminar 3: Using and Preserving Culinary Herbs

Seminar 2 and 3 registration information will be placed on our Facebook page 2-3 weeks before registration opens.

Facilitator: Nina has been propagating, growing, and preserving culinary herbs for over 13 years. Her goal has been to never buy an herb from the grocery store again. She met and has sustained that goal since 2013.



Wells College Seed Exchange

a project of the
*Center for Sustainability
and the Environment*

The **2022 Seed Exchange** will open on or around **February 1, 2022**

This year's *Seed Exchange* will again be offered virtually. This season's *Seed Exchange* contains over 7,200 packets of flower, herb and vegetable seed donated by more than a dozen generous seed companies.

All seed is available **for free** and is available while supplies last. We have created an on-line inventory to review and an order form you can download and complete. The inventory list includes information for each item about the specific seed company donor if you wish to research particular seed varieties of possible interest. This inventory spreadsheet is "view" only - you cannot "reserve" seed. Orders will be filled in the order received, using the seed exchange order form, and the inventory updated as we fill orders. We will do our best to fulfill your requests and if you provide email or phone/text information, we will communicate with you if substitutions are available (*e.g.* an organic variety is gone but we still have conventionally grown seed).

If you want to get on our notification list, please email: seeds@wells.edu

All seeds in our exchange program are available **for free**. Please note that most seed offered is from earlier growing seasons (which is why companies donate it to us); we offer no warranties about germination rates although most seeds should grow just fine.

We will safely and sanitarily pack your order and will advise when and where we will have your order available for curbside pick-up on campus. If necessary, we can mail orders but in order to keep our program costs manageable, onsite pickup is preferred.

Check out our *Wells College Seed Exchange* and **get growing!**

Aurora Farmers Market

The 2022 Season will be here soon!
WELLS COLLEGE BOATHOUSE LAWN
Main Street (State Route 90), Aurora, New York 13026



The time to plan is now! We are looking forward to welcoming new vendors to the Aurora Farmers Market this summer and to seeing all the returning vendors!



Left: Charles Guy, owner of One-of-a-Kind Wood Works at the Aurora Farmers Market in 2021 in one of his popular handmade Adirondack chairs. Right: two of the special order of 45 handmade cheese boards that a customer requested for holiday gifts.

The Aurora Farmers Market provides a warm and friendly community venue for hand-crafted products and artwork, fresh produce, baked goods, flowers, jellies and jams, jewelry, and more. Our talented and skilled vendors had a good 2021 season. Several continued to sell after the market into the fall and winter. Some received large orders!

As of today, the following vendors are confirmed for the 2022 Season:

- Ward's Food Truck (Scott Ward) - Delicious varied menu for a picnic beside the lake: French fries, sweet potato fries, hot dogs, burgers, and breakfast sandwiches.
- Becker Family Farms (Lowell and Kendra Becker) - Wide variety all summer of seasonal vegetables, fruits, pumpkins, and vases of colorful flowers.
- Kennedy Glass Designs, LLC (Sean and Angela Kennedy) - Extraordinary handblown glass art in many styles, colors, & sizes.
- Dan Hill, Cayuga Nation Haudenosaunee - Craft silver, Wampum beads, wooden flutes created by the artist.
- Mighty-Micros (Demecia Lloyd) - Microgreens, seedling plants, herbs, essential oils, bracelets, terrariums.
- Mixtape Medicinals (Jesse Ball) - Herbal creams, salves, teas, tinctures, infused syrups, vinegars, and oils.
- Amy B. (Amy Toreia) – Hand-crafted aprons, jeans jackets with faux fur cuffs, tops, tote bags, doll clothes, and surprises!
- Out of Our Jars (Alicia Kirk) - Special breads, cookies, low sugar jams and jellies, maple syrup.
- San Pedro Sister Community (Cathy Mullarney/colleagues) – Fair-trade chocolate bars; coffees, teas, nuts, cocoa; purses & hammocks from San Pedro, El Salvador artisans.
- Sisters' Sweets (Kate and Beth Dirks) - Pies, breads, cookies, caramel pecan & cinnamon rolls; veggies from Becker Family Farm.

- Deacon's Garlic Farm (Dennis Donahue) - Garlic in various forms: garlic powder, roasting garlic, tied garlic braids.
- Stewart's Corners Farms - Delicious, varied organic produce and maple syrup.
- Standing Stone Honey Bee Products (Ronald Woodburn, Jr.) - Honey, beeswax candles, soaps, balms, hand crafts; variety of vegetables.
- ¡VERDURAS! (Vic Muñoz & Ellen Hall) - Organic greens, variety of organic vegetables, herbs, fresh baked organic corn tortillas, note cards & canvases with original photos of nature. Later in the season: dahlias galore!
- Hidden Pasture Farms (Jessica Bodine) - Coming in August—sweet corn, pumpkins, winter squash.

Interested in being a vendor?

Send an inquiry to Ellen Hall, AFM Management Team, vewh2014@gmail.com.

Seasonal Fee is \$70.00; daily fee is \$5.00

Like us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/AFMBoathouse>

Upcoming Events at Local Wineries

Treleaven Winery 658 Lake Road

Trivia Night, Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Live Music, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

February 5: Rob Ervin
February 19: Lub Dub Acoustic
February 26: Tarps Duo

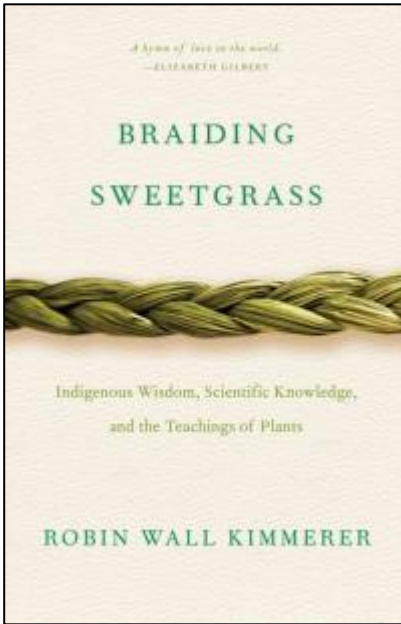
Valentine's Comedy Night
February 12, 8:00 p.m.

Sights of Southern Cayuga

Submitted by Linda Dugan



EVENTS



Southern Cayuga Book Club

Wednesday, February 2

7:00 p.m.

Virtual on Zoom

The Southern Cayuga Book Club will meet to discuss *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer via [Zoom](#). New members are always welcome. Please email aurorafreelibrarycny@gmail.com or librarian@hazardlibrary.org to be added to the list.

Next month, the group will discuss *The Girl with the Louding Voice* by Abi Daré. The full list of 2022 selections is available on the [Aurora Free Library website](#).

Learning by the Lake “Paths to Publishing: Memoir and Creative Nonfiction”

Wednesday, February 9

7:30 p.m.

Virtual on Zoom

Join us for our February Learning by the Lake program with our Linda Lowen '83! Linda will discuss the current state of publishing for writers of memoir and creative nonfiction and the realities of the marketplace. This one-hour presentation will cover both traditional publishing and the opportunities afforded by self-publishing your work.



A book reviewer for Publishers Weekly and theater reviewer for the Syracuse Post-Standard / syracuse.com, Linda's nonfiction has been published in The New York Times and in “Tiny Love Stories: True Tales of Love in 100 Words or Less” (Artisan Books 2020). Her writing advice has appeared in *The Writer* and *Writer's Digest* magazines.

Linda is a creative writing instructor at the Downtown Writer's Center in Syracuse and Oasis Lifelong Learning, and is the author of Syracuse's first travel guidebook, “100 Things to Do in Syracuse Before You Die,” forthcoming from Reedy Press in Spring 2022; more details at <https://100thingssyracuse.com/>. In addition, Linda wrote a modern update on “The Nutcracker” which was recently performed by [Symphoria and CirqOvation at the Syracuse Fairgrounds](#).

To register for Linda's presentation: www.alumni.wells.edu/February2022LxI

Aurora Free Library

TRAVEL TALK

Kelly Buck in Budapest and Prague

Thursday, February 10, 2022
at 7 pm on ZOOM



Danube River, October 2019. Kelly Buck in front of the ornate Parliament Building in Budapest.

Join her for an insider look at this beautiful city and Prague just before Covid shut the world down.

You'll hear the story of "the train Nazi," and explore amazing architecture, interesting culture, good food, two different river systems, fabulous beer and a bone church!

Email staff@aurorafreelibrary.org for the link

[Click here for the Zoom link](#), meeting ID: 810 5323 0265, passcode: 475397.



Few things on Earth are as miraculous and vital as seeds. Worshipped and treasured since the dawn of humankind. SEED: The Untold Story follows passionate seed keepers protecting our 12,000-year-old food legacy. In the last century, 94% of our seed varieties have disappeared. As biotech chemical companies control the majority of our seeds, farmers, scientists, lawyers, and indigenous seed keepers fight a David and Goliath battle to defend the future of our food. In a harrowing and heartening story, these reluctant heroes rekindle a lost connection to our most treasured resource and revive a culture connected to seeds. SEED features Vandana Shiva, Dr. Jane Goodall, Andrew Kimbrell, Winona Laduke and Raj Patel. Runtime: 94 minutes

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 ~ 7:00PM
deWitt Lecture Room, 106 Zabriskie Hall

Free organic popcorn with organic butter will be served.



AURORA FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, February 17, 2022

5:30 pm via ZOOM

Association Members will vote on*

- *By-Laws Amendments establishing a 7-member Board of Trustees and allowing three consecutive Trustee terms*
- *Election of Board nominated David Eckhardt & Dennis Looney as new Trustees*

Everyone can learn more about Library progress in 2021 and look ahead to 2022

For a call-in number or video access, please send your email address to aurorafreelibrarycny@gmail.com, or [use this Zoom link](#) (meeting ID: 874 8516 7483, passcode: 566829).

All are welcome to attend remotely.

**Association Members are those over the age of 18 who have an Aurora Free Library library card.*

A regular business meeting of the Board will immediately follow the Annual Association Meeting.

Special Notes for this Special Time

In keeping with Executive Order 202.1 regarding emergency adjustments to the Open Meetings Law in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, the public is not permitted in-person access to this meeting. The meeting shall be held remotely via Zoom. As required by the Governor's Order, the public will have the ability to listen to such proceeding using their telephone or view and listen on a screen. The meeting will be recorded and transcribed, both of which will be available upon request.

The National Women's Hall of Fame Interwoven Stories: The Harriet Tubman & Emily Howland Connection

Sunday, February 20

7:30 p.m.

Virtual on Zoom

In 2019, a photograph of a young Harriet Tubman was uncovered in a photo album originally owned by Emily Howland. During this panel discussion, originally aired in November 2021, experts from the National Portrait Gallery and Library of Congress explained the discovery, research, and preservation of the Tubman photograph, as well as discussing Tubman and Howland more broadly, and their relationship.

Panelists include: Moderator: Kim Sajet, Director, National Portrait Gallery Ashleigh Coren, Women's History Content and Interpretation Curator, National Portrait Gallery Helena Zinkham, Director for Collections & Services and Chief of the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress Marilyn Post, Research Specialist, Howland Stone Store Museum.

This is a rebroadcast of the National Women's Hall of Fame discussion. As part of this Zoom presentation, our own discussion will follow. The Zoom link will be available on the [Howland Stone Store website](#) closer to the event date.





Sustainable Business Series

An educational collaboration between the
Center for Sustainability and the Environment and the
Sullivan Center for Business and Entrepreneurship

Retailers Reaching for Net-Zero

Scot Case

VP for CSR and Sustainability
National Retail Federation



Climate change is already affecting retailers. More intense storms, forest fires, flooding, power outages and other climate-related impacts are disrupting retail operations, including supplier operations deep within supply chains. While more than three dozen retailers have announced or committed to developing science-based climate targets, some retailers are relatively early in their sustainability journey. Some have more sophisticated sustainability strategies, while others are unclear where they are along the sustainability continuum. Mr. Case will share insights from the NRF's recently released guide to help retailers clarify and prioritize their response to climate change. "Retailers Reaching for Net-zero" provides an overview of the science, highlights the business case for taking action and describes a framework for setting science-based greenhouse gas emission targets. It also includes observations and lessons learned from leading retailers.

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 7:00PM

Zoom meeting #: 889 7130 7983 passcode: EZbHv9+5

Wells College

This event is free and open to the public

FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Preschool Storytime, 9:30 a.m. Southern Cayuga Book Club, 7 p.m.	3	4 Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.	5 King Ferry Food Pantry, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Take Your Child to the Library Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Live Music at Treleaven, 1-4 p.m.
6	7	8 Patrick Tavern Market, 4-5 p.m.	9 Preschool Storytime, 9:30 a.m. Learning by the Lake, 7:30 p.m.	10 <i>Yoga Play</i> , 2 p.m. Travel Talk, 7 p.m.	11 Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.	12 “Afghanistan and Humanitarian Parole,” 4 p.m. Valentine’s Comedy Night, 8 p.m.
13	14	15	16 Spirit Café, 6 p.m. Film screening, <i>Seed</i> , 7 p.m.	17 Aurora Free Library Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.	18 Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m. Grocery Bingo, 9 p.m.	19 King Ferry Food Pantry, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Live Music at Treleaven, 1-4 p.m.
20 “The Historical Jesus Movement,” 4 p.m. The Harriet Tubman and Emily Howland Connection, 7:30 p.m.	21	22 Deadline for submissions to <i>The Hub</i>	23 “Retailers Reaching for Net- Zero,” 7 p.m.	24	25 Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.	26 Live Music at Treleaven, 1-4 p.m.
27	28					