

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Local Municipal Updates

COVID test kits are available in the Village Office. Call 315-364-7293 or email villageclerk@auroranewyork.us.

Please check the <u>Village of Aurora website</u> for updates on Cayuga County vaccine clinics and other programs and guidance related to the pandemic, small business development opportunities, hydrilla treatment, recent NYSEG rate increases, and village office operations and meetings.

Announcements from the Ledyard Town Clerk

KN95 Masks and COVID Tests Are Available at the Town Clerk's Office

If you test positive using an at-home test kit, please report your positive test to the Cayuga County Health Department. You can report it by:

• Taking a clear picture of your home test results

• Emailing a picture of the home test results to <u>covidtest@cayugacounty.us</u>.

• Please include the following information in the body of the email: your full legal name, date of birth, and date the test was taken.

www.townofledyard.com https://www.facebook.com/townofledyardNY

Announcements from the Aurora Free Library

Did you know you can check out a MUSEUM PASS KIT? Each kit contains a pass to visit the Sciencenter, the Museum of the Earth, or the Cayuga Nature Center and books to inspire your exploration with experiments at home!

NYS Empire Park Passes are also available for checkout!

The library has FREE COVID-19 test kits available.

Aurora Library Summer Reading Fun

Track your reading and after reading for 20 days stop at the Library for a certificate for a FREE ice cream from Cream at the Top!

Zero Waste Fun Activities with Alyssa Gunderson on Wednesday, Aug 3.
 9:30 a.m. Make your own granola bars and 7 p.m. Reuse your T-shirt (bring an old t-shirt)

Teddy Bears' Picnic 8/13 Lily Silly Puppets and puppet making workshop at 12:30 p.m. Picnic at noon with your bear. All bears win a prize!



AND MORE: Adopt a Stuffie, Ice Cream Raffles, Take and Make Art Bags, Drop-In Activities and Tween Book Club!

aurorafreelibrary.org or Facebook for info and to register for some events



Teen & Adult

2022 Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading Rules



5 Weeks of Drawings!!



Each time you read or listen to a book, record it when you visit the library (books do not have to be library books), get a treat and be entered into our weekly drawings for local gift cards and an ice cream cone from Cream at the Top!

The more books you read, the greater your chances!

All entries will be entered into a final drawing for a \$50 Amazon Gift Card!!!



NEW ADULT FIGTION

The 6:20 Man by David Baldacci Any Other Family by Eleanor Brown Aurora by Kim David Keopp The Best is Yet to Come by Debbie Macomber A Dress of Violet Taffeta by Tessa Arlen Fruiting Bodies: Stories by Kathryn Harlan The It Girl by Ruth Ware Packages by Chris MacCormick Shattered by James Patterson







NEW ADULT NON-FIGTION

Dinner for One: How Cooking In Paris Saved me: A Memoir by Sutanya Dacres The Extreme Life of the Sea by Stephen Palumbi A Life Among Fishes: The Art of Gyotaku by Christopher M. Dewees Radically Content: Being Satisfied in an Endlessly Dissatisfied World by Jamie Varon Toasts, Admonitions & Captions for Imaginary Illustrations by Chris MacCormick



THE HUB 4



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Hazard Library Book Sale



Saturday, July 30 – Saturday, August 13, 2022 (2 FULL WEEKS!) Poplar Ridge Firehouse (2423 Route 34B, Poplar Ridge)

Sat., July 30	Sunday, July 31	Monday, Aug 1	Tuesday, Aug 2
9 AM – 4 PM	Noon – 4 PM	10 AM – 7 PM	10 AM – 7 PM
Wed., Aug 3	Thurs., Aug 4	Friday, Aug 5	Sat., Aug 6
10 AM – 7 PM	10 AM – 7 PM	10 AM – 7 PM	9 AM – 4 PM
Sunday, Aug. 7	Monday, Aug. 8	Tuesday, Aug. 9	Wed, Aug. 10
9 AM – 4 PM	10 AM – 7 PM	10 AM – 7 PM	10 AM – 7 PM
Thurs., Aug 11 10 AM – 7 PM	Friday, Aug 12 10 AM – 7 PM	Sat., Aug. 13 9 AM – 2 PM Bag Sale – \$5/Bag	
Prices			

- Adult Hard Cover/Trade Paperback Books \$2.00
- Mass Market Paperbacks \$1.00

Children's Hard Cover Books \$1.00 Children's Paperback/Board Books \$.50

AuroraFest... Is Back!!!!

After a less than brief hiatus, we are thrilled to announce AuroraFest is back!

Our mission: To bring some BIG fun to our tiny village!

Join us Saturday, August 27 for a full day of frolic and frivolity starting with the PARADE! Yes, indeed, we will be marching down Main Street so get to it! Decorate a golf cart, your bicycle, a pickup, or just yourself! To register a float for the parade, email <u>AuroraFestCommittee@gmail.com</u>. Forms will also be available at the post office. OH! And there WILL be marching bands in this parade!

After the parade, follow the fun to the Wells Athletic Field (near the golf course) for a full slate of activities. Join us for fun games and dance to the DJ! Local non-profits and business will have booths set up for you to peruse and shop! Grab a beer and order dinner from a food truck, and don't forget to snag a T-shirt! The band Cruise Control will cap off the evening with their unique blend of danceable tunes!

This year's theme is "AuroraFest: Through the Ages" designed specifically to gather all the memories of wonderful AuroraFests gone by. Was there a parade float that was particularly creative or a t-shirt you still cherish? Do you have photos of AuroraFest? We'd love to see them to create a display of AuroraFest memories. Email your pictures to <u>AuroraFestCommittee@gmail.com</u>.

Interested in hanging out with us and helping at the event? We would love to hear from you! Email <u>AuroraFestCommittee@gmail.com</u>.

The current schedule is as follows, but keep checking back, because new things are being added all the time!

August 27, 2022

3 p.m. Parade down Main Street
4-6 p.m. Games (pickleball, foursquare, pie eating contest and more!) DJ, Food Trucks, booths by local non-profits and businesses
4-9 p.m. Beer sold by Aurora Volunteer Fire Department
6-9 p.m. Dance to Music provided by Cruise Control

AURORAFEST: THROUGH THE AGES AURORAFEST 2022!

Questions? Email <u>AuroraFestCommittee@gmail.com</u> or call Robin 518-339-0541

Remember this one?!!!



AuroraFest 2015

Community Pickleball at the Wells College Tennis Courts!

Sundays at 6 p.m. Beginners welcome. Equipment provided.





Thank You from the San Pedro Sister Community

The San Pedro Sister Community wants to thank our generous friends and neighbors for making our June fundraiser at the Aurora Brewing Company a great success.

We raised almost \$2000 through pizza sales and donations. Funds raised allow students in a remote village of El Salvador to continue their educations at the high school and university level.

The staff and volunteers at the Aurora Brewing Company were wonderful to work with and produced truly delicious pizzas. It was a beautiful evening and many people also enjoyed the beers and views from the brewery. Many thanks to all who came out and donated, and to owner Mark Grimaldi and his terrific team.



AURORA FARMERS' MARKET WELLS COLLEGE BOATHOUSE LAWN, AURORA, NEW YORK www.facebook.com/AFMBoathouse

News for August 2022



Charlie Guy, of One-of-a-Kind Wood Products and Ron Woodburn, of Standing Stone Honey Bee Products at Charlie's tent with the many fine handmade one-of-a-kind items.

August will be a busy month at the Market. We will celebrate **National and New York Farmers Market Week** on August 6 and 13 (Official week is August 7-14). Plans are still in the works. This year's theme is **FARMERS MARKETS ARE INFLATION FIGHTERS.** Check our Facebook page for details. Remember that you can fight inflation by purchasing crafts from our vendors for upcoming holiday gifts as well as fresh food during the summer and early fall.

This month our regular late summer vendors will begin to come to Market. Check the Facebook page to see when **Dennis Donahue of Deacon's Garlic Farm** will start selling, and when **Jessica Bodine of Hidden Pasture Farms** will begin to sell her varieties of sweet corn and winter squash.

We also have a new craft vendor, **Josh Branchini**, who makes wonderfully **fanciful bird houses and feeders** from repurposed materials.

Toward the end of the month, on August 27, we will help to celebrate **Aurora Fest**! August will be a month of celebrations at AFM!



A Letter from the King Ferry Food Pantry

Written by Janet Heslop, Vice President of the KFFP Board and a regular volunteer at the pantry

As you read current comings and goings, or stories of the past, all give reflection on the small, vibrant, rural community of Southern Cayuga that we live in or are in some way connected. Whether you grew up locally or moved into the area, at some time you probably have volunteered for one

(or more) of the many nonprofit organizations that support needs in our community.

Have you ever considered the value of volunteering? When it comes to volunteering at the King Ferry Food Pantry, there are multiple answers to that question.

There is a value in knowing that every minute spent is making a meaningful contribution to our community by delivering a vital service to our neighbors in need. While volunteering, many feel value in a sense of purpose within the community or find value in being of service to others. At the food pantry these values can be experienced by unloading food deliveries, stocking shelves, filling orders for clients, or working behind the scenes – all with the goal of improving the lives of our neighbors.

The value of volunteering often cultivates friendships with likeminded people. The social aspects gained are extremely positive, along with an appreciation for not taking the basic need of food for granted. Each month volunteers ensure a generous supply of items from all five food groups is available to strengthen and lift-up those needing to supplement their grocery purchases. On first and third Saturdays mornings there are usually 24 volunteers working. And throughout the month there are tasks of picking up food, unloading the food deliveries, or prep work to be prepared for Saturday, all which requires another 24 volunteers.

When the word value comes to mind some may think about money. In April of 2022, Independent Sector released an article on the Value of Volunteer Time. According to the article, the national average monetary value of volunteering in 2021 was \$29.95 per hour. The operation at the King Ferry Food Pantry requires a minimum of 250 volunteer hours per month and that does not include meetings, administrative tasks, the BackPack program, or committee work. Using these numbers, the monetary value of the food pantry volunteers would be approximately \$7,500 per month! Just think, this is only one of the nonprofits in Southern Cayuga that is helping to build a stronger community.

It is interesting to learn through a study done by Fidelity Charitable that 66% of volunteers decreased the amount of time they volunteered or stopped entirely due to the pandemic. At the King Ferry Food Pantry, just the opposite occurred. Many caring people (especially Southern Cayuga School teachers) came forward when their employment was interrupted, to help their neighbors in need. This was such a gift during a time when we made frequent home deliveries to families in quarantine.

As you read through the articles in this newspaper, maybe a specific nonprofit captures your interest. Is now the time for you to think about volunteering? Whether the food pantry or another nonprofit appeals to you, you can make a meaningful contribution in our local community by volunteering. If you were asked the question, "Have you ever considered the value of volunteering?", what would your answer be? Personally, I would say that the value of volunteering is **priceless**.

Those who need a helping hand will find a warm welcome at the King Ferry Food Pantry on first and third Saturdays of each month from 9-noon, or other days by appointment. We're located in the Ag wing of Southern Cayuga High School, 2384 State Route 34B. To learn more about the pantry please visit our website at <u>kingferryfoodpantry.org</u> or follow us on <u>facebook.com/KingFerryFoodPantry/.</u>

Wells College Golf Club—August Events

Gray's Tea Room:

Open daily for lunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Open for dinners MON & WED thru SAT 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Menu: Traditional Pub Fare

On the Deck Music Series:

Brian Francis: Friday, August 5, 12, and 26, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Open MIC Night featuring The BAND JUHL: Friday, August 19, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

First Fridays:

First Friday of the month join us for music, golf, and good times and not necessarily in that order. Featuring live music, drink specials, and Happy Hour appetizers.

Please contact Kevin Fitzgerald (kdfitz@rochester.rr.com) with any questions.

Upcoming Events at Local Wineries and Breweries

Aurora Brewing Co. 1897 State Route 90

Lub Dub Saturday, August 6, 5-8 p.m.

The Soul Benders Saturday, August 13, 5-8 p.m.

Rachel Beverly Friday, August 19, 5-8 p.m.

Liam Alone. Friday, August 26, 5-8 p.m.

Brightleaf Vineyard 1250 Clearview Road

Wednesday Summer Concerts, 5:30-8:30 p.m. August 3: Amy Varckette August 10: Sydney Irving August 17: Mystic Two (6:00-8:00 p.m.) August 24: Tribal Revival Duo (6:00-8:00 p.m.)

Band & Brunch: The Inner Crazy

Sunday, August 7, 11:30-3:00 p.m.

Treleaven Wines

658 Lake Road

Summer Trivia Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Thompson Square Friday, August 5, 6:30 p.m.

Live Music, 1-4 p.m. August 7: Roadhouse Prophets August 14: Dave Turner August 21: Paul Noyd August 28: Rachel Beverly

Hangtime Comedy Night Thursday, August 11, 7-9 p.m.

Garden Concert Series, 6 p.m. August 12: Maddy Walsh and The Blind Spots August 19: The Destination August 26: Cruise Control

Sights of Southern Cayuga

Submitted by Linda Dugan

"I'm focusing on pollinators in my submissions. Lots of insect life this time of year."





<u>EVENTS</u>

Aurora Free Library Wednesday, August 3rd



Zero Waste Activities

with Alyssa Gunderson from Peachtown Elementary School

9:30 am Make your own Granola Bars

7 pm "Reuse your T-shirt" - bring an old T-shirt to transform (we will have a few extras)

All ages welcome! Ideas are based on the book Zero Waste Kids.



Southern Cayuga Book Club

Wednesday, August 3 7:00 p.m. Opendore and Zoom

The Southern Cayuga Book Club will meet to discuss *The Guest List* by Lisa Foley. New members are always welcome. If you are more comfortable on Zoom, please email <u>aurorafreelibrarycny@gmail.com</u> for the link.

Next month, the group will discuss *The Indomitable Florence Finch* by Robert J. Mrazek on September 7. The full list of 2022 selections is available on the <u>Aurora Free Library website</u>.



Wheat Harvest Festival

August 5-6, 2022 920 Rt 34B, King Ferry, NY Sponsored by the Genoa Historical Association and the NYS Draft Horse Club



Friday Night, August 5: 6:00-8:30pm

Music & Dancing by Donna & the Mystics Food provided by Genoa Fire Department





Saturday, August 6: Ends at 3:00pm

7-11 am	Pancake Breakfast at		
	Presbyterian Church		
9 am	Festival Grounds Opens		
11 am	PARADE BEGINS		

12 pm Musical Entertainment

For more information contact the Rural Life Museum at 315-364-8202. www.genoahistorical.org



Old-Fashioned Wheat Harvesting Crafters Antique Tractors Threshing Barn Tours Kid Games & Activities and Cake Wheel Chicken BBQ provided by KF Fire Dept. Food/Drink provided by Genoa Fire Dept.

Saturday, August 6, 2022 5pm - 10pm

Family, Friends & Village Neighbors George & Gloria Peter PETER PALOOZA

LIVE MUSIC & LIBATIONS BEGIN 5PM 'TIL IOPM!! SURPRISE GUEST RECORDING ARTIST FREE DRAFT BEER, SODA, HOT DOGS & BURGERS 'TIL WE RUN OUT! ADDITIONAL ALCOHOL & FOOD IS B.Y.O.

Plenty of dockage & anchor room lakefronr. Plenty of dockage & anchor room lakefronr.





Escape to the Aurora Free Library for the Tween Book Club featuring the mystery Chasing Vermeer on August 9th at 7pm

Led by local middle school teacher Bird Cramer, participants will discuss the book, create and break codes and ciphers, construct puzzles, eat snacks and have some fun.

Ages 9 and up.

Stop by the Aurora Free Library to reserve your spot and to pick up your free copy of the book.

Funded in part with a Rosen Library Fund Grant from the Community Foundation of Tompkins County.





Saturday, August 13th at 12:30 pm LilySilly Puppets

Wanda and the 3 Potions

Wanda the Wizard has always been very helpful on the set of Aunt Irene's variety show, but her new potions are making a magical mess. See the singing Ms. Lips, the Opera Cat, a celebrity giraffe and more! Live music by classically trained Matthew Ocone.

The puppet show will be followed by a puppet making workshop.

Bring a stuffed animal and a picnic lunch at 12 pm. All 'bears' in attendance will receive a prize.

Funded by a grant from the NYSCA Community Arts Regrant Program



Aurora Free Library Board Meeting

Thursday, August 18 5:30 p.m.

The Library Board Meeting will be held in person at the library.

Read the Book and Meet the Author

Sunday, October 9 2:00 p.m. Aurora Free Library

Robert Mrazek, award-winning author of 10 books, is speaking at the Aurora Free Library on Sunday, October 9 at 2 p.m. He will be discussing his book, *The Indomitable Florence Finch: The Untold Story of a War Widow Turned Resistance Fighter and Savior of American POWs*. It is a riveting narrative of the World War II Pacific theatre of war and the heroism of Florence Finch, who after her distinguished career lived the last forty years in Ithaca. The book has received 5-star reviews from both the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* as well as many others. Robert Mrazek is a Cornell graduate and a former US Congressman from New York.

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21 Paul Noyd, 1-4 p.m. Pickleball, 6 p.m.	22 Submissions to <i>The Hub</i> due	23 Patrick Tavern Market, 4:30-5:30 p.m.	24 Tribal Revival Duo, 6-8 p.m. Summer Trivia, 6:30 p.m.	25	26 Liam Alone., 5-8 p.m. Cruise Control, 6 p.m. Brian Francis, 6-9 p.m.	27 Aurora Farmers' Market, 10 a.m2 p.m. AuroraFest, 3-9 p.m.			
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