

# THE HUB

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

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## NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Happy February!

Although February is the shortest month, there are loads of events happening in our area to keep everyone busy this winter. Keep track with our calendar at the end of this issue.

- On February 1, we celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day. Drop in for activities or storytimes at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. featuring African American artist Alma Thomas. Our Annual Association Meeting is on Thursday, February 13 at 5:30 p.m. Come meet our Board, hear about 2024, our plans for 2025, and vote in new Board members. All are welcome!
- This month's winter break is packed with kids' activities at the library including Lego Night, STEAM-WARTS camp, and Game Day! Our Tween Graphic Novel Book Club and Painted Paper Art Club meet this month as well.
- This month's Southern Cayuga Book Club discussion features the Community Read of *Man's Search For Meaning* and there are other opportunities for discussions throughout the month.
- Our movie this month is *Wicked* on Saturday, February 22. Be sure to mark your calendar now!
- Have you been knitting, crocheting or needlepointing this winter? Don't forget that our Fiber Friends group meets on Mondays at 4 p.m.
- Families are invited to get out of the house and join us for storytime on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.
- Our new Teen D&D club meets on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. and we are continuing to gather names of interested adults for an adult D&D group. Please let us know if you are interested.

- Would you like to gather and play another game (chess, checkers, mahjong, Scrabble, cards, etc.) or have a group focused around a hobby? Let us know. Maybe we can convene a group.
- The library always welcomes volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please email Sandy Groth at [aurorafreelibrarycny@gmail.com](mailto:aurorafreelibrarycny@gmail.com) or ask next time you visit. There are a variety of opportunities from shelving books to helping with fundraisers and more.
- Lastly, The Fargo is sponsoring a fundraiser for our Morgan Opera House on Friday, February 21!
- Check our [website](#) and [Facebook](#) for up-to-date information. Library hours are Monday and Friday 3-7 p.m., Wednesday 10 a.m.–6 p.m., and Saturday 10 am.-2 p.m.

We hope to see you at the library soon!

**Aurora Free Library**

**NEW ADULT & YA FICTION**

**Christmas in Bethel** by Richard Paul Evans  
**The House of Cross** by James Patterson  
**How to End a Love Story: A Novel** by Yulin Kuang  
**Like Mother, Like Mother: A Novel** by Susan Rieger  
**The Mighty Red: A Novel** by Louise Erdrich  
**The Mirror** by Nora Roberts  
**Now or Never: Thirty-One on the Run** by Janet Evanovich  
**The Paradise Problem** by Christina Lauren  
**Small Things Like These** by Claire Keegan  
**A Song to Drown Rivers: A Novel** by Ann Liang  
**Tooth and Claw: A Longmire Story** by Craig Johnson  
**The Tower: A Novel** by Flora Carr  
**Insurgent** by Veronica Roth

**NEW ADULT NON-FICTION**

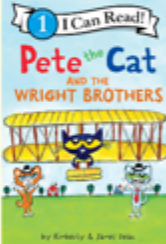
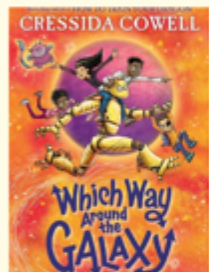
**What the Chicken Knows: A New Appreciation of the World's Most Familiar Bird** by Sy Montgomery  
**ADHD is Awesome: A Guide to (Mostly) Thriving with ADHD** by Penn and Kim Holderness

**NEW KIDS' NON-FICTION**

**Attack of the Deranged Mutant Killer Monster Snow Goons (Calvin & Hobbes)** by Bill Watterson  
**The Essential Calvin & Hobbes: A Calvin and Hobbes Treasury** by Bill Watterson  
**Gifts from the Garbage Truck: A True Story About the Things We (Don't) Throw Away** by Andrew Larsen  
**Minecraft Mega Bite-Size Builds: Over 20 Incredible Mini-Projects** by Minecraft  
**Narwhal: Unicorn of the Arctic** by Candace Fleming  
**The Observologist: A Handbook for Mounting Very Small Scientific Expeditions** by Giselle Clarkson  
**What is Color?: The Global and Sometimes Gross Story of Pigments, Paint, and the Wondrous World of Art** by Steven Weinberg

## NEW PICTURE BOOKS AND EASY READERS

**Alice in a Winter Wonderland** by Jan Brett  
**Angela's Glacier** by Jordan Scott  
**At Our Table** by Patrick Hulse  
**Chicka Chicka Ho Ho Ho** by William Boniface  
**Lefty: A Story That Is Not All Right** by Mo Willems and Dan Santat  
**Tails** by Matthew Van Fleet  
**We Are Definitely Human** by X. Fang  
**Wonder & Awe** by Annie Herzig  
**Pete the Cat and the Wright Brothers** by Kimberly and James Dean (Easy Reader)



## NEW CHILDREN'S DVD

**The Wild Robot**

## NEW KIDS' AND YOUNG ADULT GRAPHIC NOVELS

**Dog Man: Big Jim Begins** by Dav Pilkey  
**Asgardians: Thor** by George O'Connor



## NEW CHILDREN'S FICTION

**Aisha the Sapphire Treasure Dragon (Dragon Girls #5)** by Maddy Mara  
**Black Girl Power: 15 Stories Celebrating Black Girlhood** by Leah Johnson by Patrick Ness  
**Owl Diaries: Eva and the Lost Pony** by Rebecca Elliott  
**Owl Diaries: Eva at the Beach** by Rebecca Elliott  
**Owl Diaries: Eva's Big Sleepover** by Rebecca Elliott  
**Hanna the Thunder Dragon (Dragon Girls #13)** by Maddy Mara  
**I Survived the Black Death, 1348 (I Survived 24)** by Lauren Tarshis  
**The Last Dragon on Mars** by Scott Reintgen  
**Mei the Ruby Treasure Dragon (Dragon Girls #4)** by Maddy Mara  
**Mina the Lightning Dragon (Dragon Girls #14)** by Maddy Mara  
**Owl Diaries: The Nature Club** by Rebecca Elliott  
**North! Or Be Eaten** by Andrew Peterson  
**Phoebe the Moonlight Dragon (Dragon Girls #8)** by Maddy Mara  
**Quinn the Jade Treasure Dragon (Dragon Girls #6)** by Maddy Mara  
**Rani the Enchanted Dragon (Dragon Girls Special Edition #1)** by Maddy Mara  
**Bravelands: Thunder of the Plains #3: Realm of Lost Spirits** by Erin Hunter  
**Rosie the Twilight Dragon (Dragon Girls #7)** by Maddy Mara  
**Stella & Marigold** by Annie Barrows  
**Stella the Starlight Dragon (Dragon Girls #9)** by Maddy Mara  
**Swimming with Spies** by Chrystyna Lucyk-Berger  
**Westfallen** by Ann and Ben Brashares  
**Which Way Around the Galaxy** by Cressida Cowell  
**Zora the Snow Dragon (Dragon Girls #15)** by Maddy Mara

# COMMUNITY NOTES

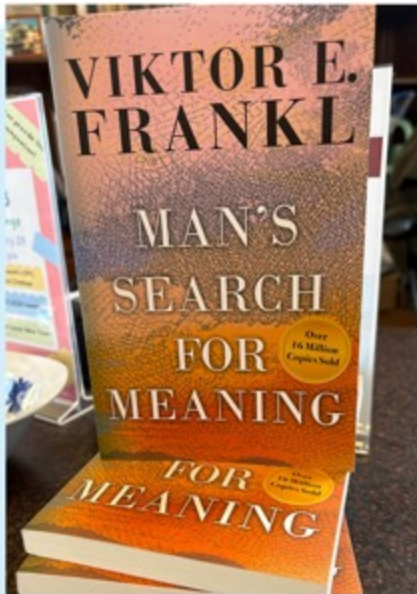
## 2025 SOUTHERN CAYUGA Community Read

### Man's Search for Meaning

by Viktor Frankl

Each year, the Southern Cayuga Community Read brings neighbors and friends together to discuss a book that has local relevance while exploring timeless themes related to justice, freedom, and equity. This year, we will be reading *Man's Search for Meaning*.

The 2025 Community Read will consist of small discussion groups. We will be breaking up into small groups of participants and one moderator (either in-person or via Zoom) to share, reflect and discuss the book and how it relates to themes we see or feel in our own community.



Small groups will meet during **February**

- **February 5**, 7:00 p.m. Southern Cayuga Book Club at Aurora Free Library
- **February 6**, 2:00 p.m. Zoom discussion
- **February 20**, 4:00 p.m. United Ministry of Aurora

If interested in participating, please email [elaine.meyers4@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.meyers4@gmail.com)

**Copies of the book are available at the Aurora Free Library and the Hazard Library**



Learn more here >





# Community Science Institute

Partnering with Communities to Protect Water

## CALL *for* VOLUNTEERS 2025

As we begin 2025, we look forward to continuing to inspire and empower communities to safeguard water resources by cultivating scientific literacy through volunteer water quality monitoring, certified laboratory analyses, and by providing education opportunities! Please reach out and let us know if the following opportunity interests you. No experience needed, all are welcome!



It's hard to believe, but synoptic stream monitoring will begin again in March - just a few short months away! In preparation for the 2025 season, we are actively recruiting new volunteers for the program and scheduling the annual mandatory training sessions.

We are recruiting volunteers to monitor the following streams in Cayuga County:

- Yawger Creek and Great Gully Creek
- "Direct Streams" which includes: Dean's Creek, Paines Creek, Mill Creek, and Townline Creek
- Salmon Creek

If you are interested in collecting stream samples at another one of our synoptic sites in the Cayuga Lake watershed, don't hesitate to let us know! We're happy to accommodate all interests and don't want to discourage anyone from participating.

Please contact CSI's Executive Director, Grascen Shidemantle, at [gshidemantle@communityscience.org](mailto:gshidemantle@communityscience.org) or call (607) 257-6606.

## Updates from the Howland Stone Store Museum and Opendore

The Howland Stone Store Museum and Opendore have begun the Reading and Discussion group for winter 2025.

January 26 was the first meeting, facilitated by Larry Bell, and Linda Van Buskirk. The theme for this series of meetings is the history of abolition. It isn't too late to participate so contact [madeline4394@gmail.com](mailto:madeline4394@gmail.com) or leave a message at 315-303-2145 if you'd like to obtain reading material and participate. More detailed information can be found on the HSSM website.

Collections work continues as we inventory The Cabinet of Curiosities, which includes taking photographs of all artifacts. Organizing and protecting documents stored in the archive room continues to be a priority as well.

Programs and exhibits for the 2025 season are in the works with a local cemetery tour and a Slocum Howland exhibit that will highlight the calendar.

Work on the East Porch has been suspended till more suitable weather arrives in the spring. It has been 5 months since the start of the project, with 840 hours of volunteer work recorded.

It will be an exciting 2025 at the HSSM and Opendore. Please consider becoming a docent during this upcoming season or volunteering in some capacity. You can give as much or as little time as fits your schedule. All that have an interest are welcome.



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St. Albert the GREAT Preschool  
call 315-283-0555 [stalbertacademy.com](http://stalbertacademy.com)

call The Main Office to set up your visit today!





## KING FERRY FOOD PANTRY

Neighbors helping neighbors.



### When the Cupboard is Full, the Heart is Full

Can you imagine staring at nearly empty kitchen cupboards, feeling pangs of an empty stomach, and hearing your children say they're hungry—each a reminder of uncertainty weighing heavily on your shoulders? This is the stark reality for some of our neighbors, and it's a struggle they face all too often.

Now, envision the relief and gratitude that would wash over you as you receive bags brimming with food, knowing that you have the resources needed to prepare nutritious meals in the days ahead. Consider what a household is offered during a visit to our pantry. Thanks to our generous community, each food pickup extends far beyond a single meal. A typical pantry visit includes offers for fresh produce, canned vegetables and fruits, dairy, bread, canned and frozen proteins, and more - enough to create balanced meals for the whole family for at least a week. These meals nourish not only bodies but also minds, bringing comfort and assurance.

We are deeply grateful for the community support that keeps the food pantry shelves stocked and ready for those in need. When clients leave our pantry, they take with them more than just food; they carry hope, dignity, and renewed strength to face the challenges ahead. As the number of families seeking assistance continues to rise, we invite you to stand with us in our mission of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors". By extending a helping hand, you ensure that our pantry remains a place of abundance and hope.

King Ferry Food Pantry, PO Box 242, King Ferry, NY 13081 (315) 497-2049  
kingferryfoodpantry1@gmail.com - kingferryfoodpantry.org  
facebook.com/KingFerryFoodPantry/



# We're Hiring!



## CAMP GREGORY

# SUMMER CAMP 2025

Staff Training  
JUNE 29 - JULY 5

Camp Season  
JULY 7 - AUG 3

Perks  
WEEKENDS OFF  
FAMILY DISCOUNTS  
FOOD & LODGING

## JOIN THE ADVENTURE



Sports & Games



Outdoor Adventures



Arts & Crafts

Apply online at:

[www.CampGregory.org/employment](http://www.CampGregory.org/employment)

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## Join Us for an Unforgettable Summer at Camp Gregory!

Summer 2025 registration is now open, and we're hiring for our upcoming camp season! If you're looking for a rewarding summer job with competitive pay, check out our [campgregory.org/employment](http://campgregory.org/employment) for available positions. Working at Camp Gregory isn't just a job—it's an opportunity to make a lasting impact. Summer camp transforms not only the campers who attend but also the entire community, as local youth connect with nature, build friendships, and develop a deeper appreciation for the land around them.

Visit our website to learn more and be part of something special this summer!





# CAMP GREGORY

## 2025 REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

### Day Camp

- Week 1: July 7 - 11
- Week 2: July 14 - 18
- Week 3: July 21 - 25
- Week 4: July 28 - Aug 1
- Week 5: Aug 4 - Aug 8

### Overnight Camp

- Week 3: July 20 - July 25
- Week 4: July 27 - Aug 1
- Week 5: Aug 3 - Aug 8



Scholarships  
& Financial  
Aid Available



Camp Gregory is a 501c3 nonprofit

Learn about financial aid:  
[www.campgregory.org/camperresources](http://www.campgregory.org/camperresources)  
or  
Email: [campcasparegory@gmail.com](mailto:campcasparegory@gmail.com)



[www.campgregory.org/register](http://www.campgregory.org/register)

# Unity House Seeks Nominations for 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Fred Atkins Community Service Award

**Due date: Thursday, February 13, 2025**

Nominations are now being accepted for the 15th annual Fred Atkins Community Service Award. This award is given by Unity House each spring in memory of Frederick J. Atkins, a beloved Cayuga County volunteer who passed away in 2009 at the age of 95.

The Atkins Award recognizes an outstanding individual who volunteers in Cayuga County and who exemplifies Fred's high moral standards and philanthropic spirit. The winner receives a \$1,000 cash prize: \$500 for him/herself and \$500 to donate to a Cayuga County non-profit of his or her choice.

The winner will be announced in early March. The award will be presented at Unity House's annual dinner on Monday, April 28. The public is warmly invited to attend. Nominations are due by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 13. Learn more and find the nomination form at <https://unityhouse.org/atkins-award/> or call 315-253-6227 ext. 313, or email [kelly.buck@unityhouse.org](mailto:kelly.buck@unityhouse.org).



2024 Atkins Awardee Joe Goodsell, nominated by Matthew House

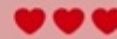


## February 2025

Saturday Suppers 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8



FEB 1ST : OPEN STUDIO



FEB 4TH : 3 PM TO 5 PM

*High Tea in the Greenhouse at Micheleens*



FEB 8TH & 9TH : Pre-Valentine Artisan Market

*During Regular Cafe Hours*



FEB 10TH : 5 PM TO 7 PM

*Weekend Worker's Happy Hour*



FEB 15TH : 7 PM TO 9 PM

*In The "No" Mocktail Party with DJ Doug | \$15 pp*



FEB 21ST : 5 PM TO 7 PM

*Adult Game Night*

Stay tuned for Girl Scout Cookie Sales Event

999 State Route 34B  
King Ferry, NY 13081  
northvillearts.com

Hours: Fridays and Saturdays: 9 AM - 5PM  
Sundays: 9 AM - 2 PM

*Schedule subject to change*

## **Happenings at the United Ministry of Aurora** **337 Main Street, Aurora**

Our Sunday morning services are at 10:30 a.m. For the winter months we are in the Social Room. Communion is on the first Sunday of the month. Pastor Barb is available to all for spiritual or pastoral counseling, or just to chat.

[revbarbe@gmail.com](mailto:revbarbe@gmail.com)

**We have a variety of guest preachers on Sunday mornings who bring different perspectives and depth to our traditional worship services - with a little fun added.**

February 2 - Rev. Dr. Barb Blom

February 9 - Susan Barr

February 16 - Rev. Dr. Barb Blom

February 23 - Elder Larry Weiss

**Coffee, Tea and Treats - Saturday mornings, 9-11 a.m.**

Feeling the February doldrums, need some fellowship? Stop in for a cup of coffee, tea, a treat, a chat, or maybe play a board game, do a puzzle, or just sit and enjoy!

**We also offer many opportunities to learn, to join together in community and to follow a Way of being in the world that brings hope, peace, joy and love to ourselves and others.**

**Chair Yoga with Kathleen Ganley – Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.**

Kathleen owns Healing Hearts in Union Springs, she has over 20 years of experience as a physical therapist, yoga teacher and more. All abilities welcome!

**Book Club – Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.**

All are welcome to join in our interesting conversations even if you haven't read the book. Currently we are reading Anne Lamott, *Somehow: Thoughts on Love*. Email the UMA Office ([umaofc@gmail.com](mailto:umaofc@gmail.com)) to ask how to receive a copy.

**Music Ensemble with Laura Cambell, Colgate University and former Wells College Professor of Music - Thursdays at 7 p.m.**

Are you interested in playing music with others in our community? Then join in the fun! Musicians of all instruments, ages, and abilities are welcome!

**Doug George Kannentino, Mohawk - Sunday, February 9, 4 p.m.**

Doug George Kannentino, Mohawk, will speak to us about the boarding schools for Indigenous children, where the goal was to "take the Indian out of them," and the need for reparations. He grew up in one of the boarding schools and it was a very traumatic time. Many of us value the traditional spirituality of the Native people that honors the earth, creates "the good mind," and fosters peace and reconciliation. The women of Seneca Falls were heavily influenced by their neighboring Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Clan Mothers. Please join us in learning more about the traditional Haudenosaunee people and the impact of the boarding schools and how we can support them as they emerge from the generational trauma.

**Community Movie Afternoon - Sunday, February 22, 3 p.m.**

Join us for some popcorn and a movie TBA. The movie will have a "spiritual" "religious" kind of base.

**Wells Professor of Religion Emeritus Dr. Arthur Bellinzoni - Sunday, February 23, 4 p.m.**

The distinguished Dr. Arthur Bellinzoni will once again lead us in a seminar, "The Diaspora and Antisemitism."

This presentation and discussion will examine the disbursement of the Jewish people and the effect on antisemitism. Please join us for what is always a thought-provoking hour-and-a-half. In person in the Social Room or [Zoom](#).

May there be Peace on Earth!

## Upcoming Events at Local Wineries and Breweries

### Aurora Brewing Co.



**What's Cookin' Trio**  
Friday, February 21, 5 p.m.

### Bright Leaf Vineyard

*Valentine's Day*  
Dinner

—♥—

**FIRST COURSE**  
*Loûster Bisque*  
Crème Fraîche, croûton, chive and lobster butter  
OR  
*Wild Mushroom Soup*  
Thyme oil, crème fraîche & croutons

**SECOND COURSE**  
*Bûche à l'Éric*  
Topped with spiced fig & pecan compote, baguette

**THIRD COURSE**  
*Beef Tenderloin*  
Green peppercorn, red wine sauce with Cambazola & spinach stuffed baby portabella mushrooms & buttermilk chive mashed potatoes  
OR  
*Grilled Swordfish*  
Green olive, artichoke, garlic, herbs & pistachio sauce  
Spaghetti with kale pesto  
OR  
*Vegetarian Wellington*  
Butternut, barley, mushrooms & greens wrapped in puff pastry  
Served with a cambazola cream sauce.

**FOURTH COURSE**  
*Chocolâte Fondue*  
Assorted fruit, lavender shortbread & house made marshmallows

**February 14th**  
**6:00PM**  
Tickets Available  
[www.brightleafvineyard.com](http://www.brightleafvineyard.com)  
\*Food selections made at time of ticket purchase\*

 **BRIGHT LEAF**  
VINEYARD

 **SIMPLY RED**  
KITCHEN

**Wine Glass Paint and Sip Party**  
Sunday, February 23, 2 p.m.

**Treleaven Wines**

**Barrel Room Concert Series**

Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

February 1 – Nicholas Stark

February 8 – Tom Chick

February 15 – Rob Ervin

February 22 – Bill Ali

**Bingo, Bubbles & Brunch**

Sundays, 12-5 p.m.

**Trivia League**

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

**Valentine's Day Dinner**

Friday, February 14, 5-9 p.m.

# Sights of Southern Cayuga

Submitted by Linda Dugan

“A scene from the polar bear plunge—brrrrr—and a blue sky winter panorama of the college dock.”



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



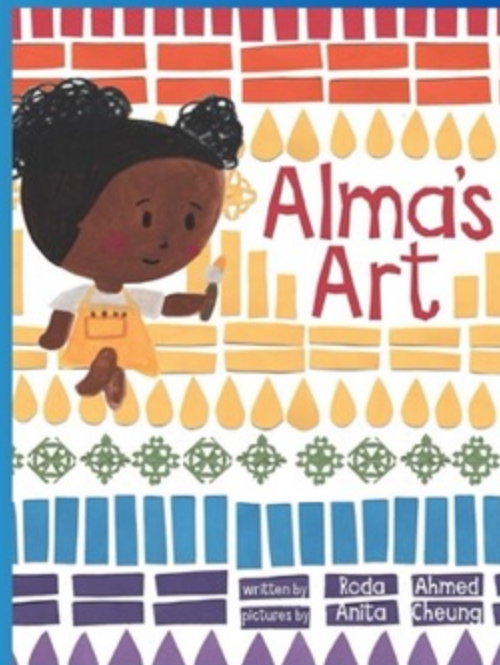
## Visit Aurora Free Library



Saturday, February 1st  
10 AM - 2 PM



Make a collage  
inspired by the artist  
Alma Thomas



Family Storytime at  
11 AM & 1 PM

**Choose a FREE book too!**



# FE-BREW-ARY

SIP YOUR WAY ACROSS CAYUGA COUNTY & SUPPORT YOUR UNITED WAY

## AURORA BREWING CO.

Sunday, February 2 | 2:00pm - 5:00pm | 1897 NY-90, King Ferry

SEE ALL THE DETAILS



SCAN THIS QR CODE!



More than 55% of Cayuga County residents turn to a funded program.  
**YOU can help us reach our 2,000 donor goal...**

Support from all of our FE-BREW-ARY events will go toward the 2024-25 United Way of Cayuga County Campaign to provide funding for our Member Agencies.

🎉 Get ready to have fun for a great cause **this Sunday!** 🎉

Join your friends and neighbors at **Aurora Brewing** for a FE-BREW-ARY event, to benefit our friends at the **United Way of Cayuga County!** From 2-5 p.m., a percentage of your purchases will go directly toward supporting the important work of United Way in our community.

United Way of Cayuga County helps serve people all across the county, focusing on key areas like youth opportunity, financial security, health, and basic needs. Your participation will help make a real difference!

So come out, enjoy food and drink, watch the sunset over the water, and support a wonderful cause.

See you this Sunday! ❤️



Event Details: <https://www.unitedwayofcayugacounty.org/fe-brew-ary-aurora-brewing>

Do you hate sending packaging foam to the landfill?!



We have an alternative for you!

**Drop off your 'Styrofoam'  
during this one-time  
recycling event!**

Not recyclable curbside, Cayuga Climate Action has found a Syracuse-based recycler for clean, white, polystyrene foam (aka '**Styrofoam**'). Throughout this holiday season, save your clean, white packaging foam for proper recycling!

Contact  
cayugacclimateaction@gmail.com for  
more info

**Accepted  
materials:**

Clean, white polystyrene  
packaging foam (seen in  
picture above)  
Clean, white foam coolers

Brought to you by



**WHEN:**

Saturday February 8th, 2025  
Varied Locations and Times

**WHERE:**

Auburn- Phoenix Building:  
10AM-2PM  
Aurora-Patrick Tavern:  
9AM-2PM

**Not Accepted  
materials:**

Packing Peanuts  
Multi-colored foam  
Food containers or meat  
trays



**Union Springs Lions Club**

# **SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**

## **Pancake Breakfast**

**February 9, 2025**

**at the American Legion Dining Hall**

**8 Schobey St.**

**Serving 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**Join us to help raise funds for a *new scoreboard* for  
The Union Springs Frontenac Park Baseball Field**

<b>FRONTENAC PARK</b>										
<b>PITCHES HOME</b>	<b>BALL STRIKE OUT</b>									<b>PITCHES GUEST</b>
42	3	0	2							133
<small>Varsity</small>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>GUEST</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>HOME</b>	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

**All you can eat!**

**Adults: \$12:00; Children (5-10): \$8:00**

**Children (4 and under): Free**

***Make checks payable to: Union Springs Lions Club***



create  
KINDNESS

# Make a Valentine with Us!

Join us on **Sunday, February 9th** at the  
Northville Arts Center for their  
Valentine's Artisan Fair from 9am-2pm!

Stop by our free "Make a Valentine" station—  
perfect for kids and adults alike.

## **Got the classroom valentines ready to go?**

Bring the list and a pen, and let your kids tackle  
them while you all enjoy tasty drinks and enjoy  
delicious snacks.

## Patrick Tavern Market

Tuesday, February 11  
4:30-6:00 p.m.

Drive away the chill on Tuesday, February 11th, 4:30-6:00 p.m. at the Patrick Tavern monthly winter market. The theme will be Valentine's Day; Cookie will have dinners to enjoy right away or save to heat up for the day itself. There will be Valentine cards and a table with some calligraphy pens so you can sign and address them in a warm and festive atmosphere. To sign up for a box of microgreens - a welcome winter salad - write directly to Vic at [vic i munoz@yahoo.com](mailto:vic_i_munoz@yahoo.com). Jeff's Centurion Farm pork list will be posted soon, too. Show some love with a purchase from San Pedro Sister Community: chocolate bars and Love Buzz coffee are naturals.

Baked goods from Alicia, honey from Ron, and more treats and gifts (the list is still shaping up) will fit the sweet theme. Above all, it's a chance to get out, do your shopping with warmth and convenience, and mingle with friends.

Of course, any winter event is subject to weather. If you don't already receive market notices through the Tuesday Market mailings, sign up for the former by writing [lschwab.glebefarm@gmail.com](mailto:lschwab.glebefarm@gmail.com) to get an update if necessary.



## AURORA FREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

*Thursday, February 13, 2025*  
*5:30 pm*

**Community members are encouraged to attend!**

- Meet the Library Board
  - Review 2024
  - Hear about 2025 goals
- Association members\* vote in board members

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

**All are welcome.**

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

**Aurora Free  
Library**

# **LEGO CLUB**

## **Domino Chain Reaction Challenge**

**Friday, February 14 at 6 pm**

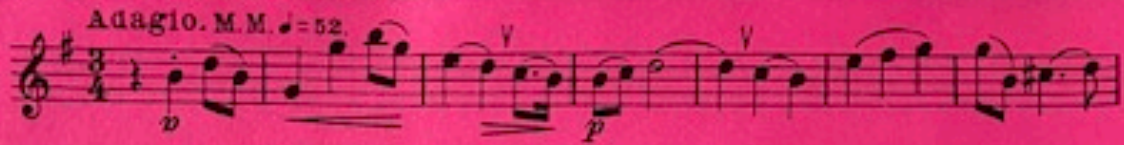
**We provide the LEGO bricks!**

**You provide the imagination!**

**New Challenge  
Each Month!**

**All ages  
welcome!**

**Registration not  
required.**



# Kuro Winds

Presents:

## An Afternoon of Woodwind Quintet Music

Laura Campbell - Flute

Erica Howard - Oboe

Heidi Oros - Horn

David Resig - Bassoon

Matt White - Clarinet

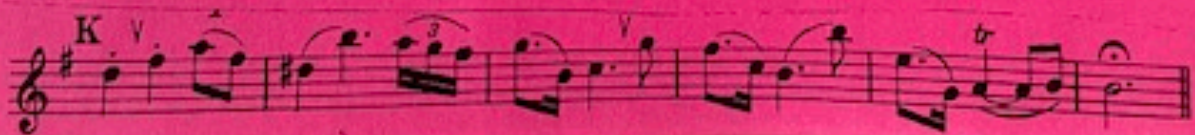
Music by Ewazen, Gould, Agay,  
Shostakovich, and Prokofiev

Sunday, February 16 at 4:00PM

United Ministry Churches

337 Main St.

Aurora, NY



# Steam-Warts

Camp of Wizards, Spells and Potions

You're invited to join Aurora Free Library and Challenge Island CNY for an evening of S.T.E.A.M.

Harry Potter Style!

Wednesday, February 19th, 2025

6:30pm-8:00pm

Ages 5-99!



**FREE, registration required**

**Register @ [Challenge-Island.com/CNY](https://Challenge-Island.com/CNY)**

From creating your wand to casting spells and then building a marble staircase, your evening will be S.T.E.A.Ming with magic! No knowledge of Harry Potter required, come join in on some family fun!





# GAME TIME



AT AURORA FREE LIBRARY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

3-5 PM

Video Games & Board Games

For ages 9 & up



Drop by our basement "jail" room for some fun gaming on our Switch!

Join the fans and friends of the Morgan Opera House at the Fargo, Friday, February 21 starting at 5 pm. For every salad, sandwich or entrée purchased, the MOH will receive \$5. What a great way to support a great organization, greet your neighbors and enjoy a great meal. As a special added bonus, a "Mystery Minstrel" will stroll among the diners performing familiar songs. Beat the winter blues and support the arts. It'll be GREAT!



**Aurora Free Library Film Series:  
Experience the Magic of *Wicked* at the Morgan Opera House!**

Defy gravity—and maybe even the cold—by joining us on **Saturday, February 22** for a special screening of *Wicked*, the Broadway sensation now brought to life on the big screen!

Doors open at **6:30 PM**, and the movie starts at **7:00 PM**. Enjoy themed snacks, dress in your *Wicked*-inspired best, and immerse yourself in this spellbinding story.

Follow the yellow brick road to the **Morgan Opera House** and support the **Aurora Free Library**—it's sure to be an **Oz-some** evening!



# Painted Paper Art Club

with Whitney Nichols

at Aurora Free Library

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

6:30 PM



Theme: Glow in the  
Dark Art



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# FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<p><b>1</b> UMA Coffee, 9-11 a.m.</p> <p>King Ferry Food Pantry, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.</p> <p>Open Studio, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.</p> <p>Take Your Child to the Library Day, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.</p> <p>Nicholas Stark, 1-4 p.m.</p>
<p><b>2</b> Bingo. Bubbles, and Brunch, 12-5 p.m.</p> <p>Fe-Brew-Ary, 2-5 p.m.</p>	<p><b>3</b> Fiber Friends, 4 p.m.</p> <p>Teen D&amp;D, 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>4</b> Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>High Tea in the Greenhouse, 3-5 p.m.</p> <p>ABC Trivia, 6-8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>5</b> Storytime, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>UMA Book Club, 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Community Read, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>6</b> Community Read, 2 p.m.</p> <p>Music Ensemble, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>7</b> Trivia League, 6:30-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>8</b> UMA Coffee, 9-11 a.m.</p> <p>Artisan Market, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. →</p> <p>Styrofoam Recycling, various times</p> <p>Tom Chick, 1-4 p.m.</p>
<p><b>9</b> Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-11 a.m.</p> <p>Artisan Market and Make a Valentine, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.</p> <p>Bingo. Bubbles, and Brunch, 12-5 p.m.</p> <p>Doug George Kannentino, 4 p.m.</p>	<p><b>10</b> Fiber Friends, 4 p.m.</p> <p>Weekend Workers Happy Hour, 5-7 p.m.</p> <p>Teen D&amp;D, 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>11</b> Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Patrick Tavern Market, 4:30-6 p.m.</p> <p>ABC Trivia, 6-8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>12</b> Storytime, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>UMA Book Club, 12:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>13</b> AFL annual meeting, 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Music Ensemble, 7 p.m.</p> <p>Atkins Award nominations due</p>	<p><b>14</b> Treleaven Valentine's Day Dinner. 5-9 p.m.</p> <p>Bright Leaf Valentine's Dinner, 6 p.m.</p> <p>Lego Club, 6 p.m.</p>	<p><b>15</b> UMA Coffee, 9-11 a.m.</p> <p>King Ferry Food Pantry, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.</p> <p>Rob Ervin, 1-4 p.m.</p> <p>Mocktail Party, 7-9 p.m.</p>
<p><b>16</b> Bingo. Bubbles, and Brunch, 12-5 p.m.</p> <p>Woodwind Quintet, 4 p.m.</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b> Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>ABC Trivia, 6-8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>19</b> UMA Book Club, 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Steam-Warts Camp, 6:30-8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>20</b> Community Read, 4 p.m.</p> <p>Music Ensemble, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>21</b> AFL Game Time, 3-5 p.m.</p> <p>Adult Game Night, 5-7 p.m.</p> <p>What's Cookin' Trio, 5 p.m.</p> <p>MOH Fargo Dinner, 5 p.m.</p> <p>Trivia League, 6:30-8:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>22</b> UMA Coffee, 9-11 a.m.</p> <p>Bill Ali, 1-4 p.m.</p> <p>Community Movie, 3 p.m.</p> <p>Film screening, <i>Wicked</i>, 7 p.m.</p> <p><i>The Hub</i> submissions due</p>
<p><b>23</b> Bingo. Bubbles, and Brunch, 12-5 p.m.</p> <p>Wine Glass Paint and Sip, 2 p.m.</p> <p>"The Diaspora and Antisemitism," 4 p.m.</p>	<p><b>24</b> Fiber Friends, 4 p.m.</p> <p>Teen D&amp;D, 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>25</b> Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>ABC Trivia, 6-8 p.m.</p>	<p><b>26</b> Storytime, 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>UMA Book Club, 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>Painted Paper Art Club, 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>27</b> Music Ensemble, 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>28</b> Trivia League, 6:30-8:30 p.m.</p>	