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*Queries:* A query on the earlier and rather short-lived “Aurora Historical Society” of the 1980s and its relation to the Aurora-Ledyard Civic Association.

The sudden closure of Wells College on April 29 has led to a very large number of queries on historic archives and artifacts held by Wells, with new ones added almost daily. I am also compiling a list of historic resources at Wells that are exclusively or predominantly related to the Village and therefore should remain here.

*Display:* Related to the Wells closure, the next display in Patrick Tavern will be a special show, called “Unfinished Work,” to be prepared in conjunction with Robert LoMascolo. We hope to open for Graduation if possible, but certainly for Reunion.

*Tours led:* I showed sites associated with “The Agitators” to guest lecturer Dorothy Wickenden on April 17 and contributed to the tour for special guest Janna Rudler, Preservation League of NYS.

*Work for Committees:* Providing historic information, from text, maps, and census data, in response to requests from CPP to assist in its mandated regular survey of Aurora for features worthy of Local Landmark designation.

Respectfully submitted,  
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