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NEW HOURS beginning July 1!

Clerk's Office: Monday-Thursday, 10-2.

Code/Zoning Enforcement Office: Mondays & Thursdays, 1-4

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To contact Aaron Van Arnum or Mike White at the DPW, please call (315) 364-5239

Summer Swim Program!

Now Open!

We open for the season on July 1 and the program runs through August 18. Hours are as follows, but please check the signboard at the dock for any changes.

Sunday-Thursday, 1-5 Friday, 1-7 Saturday, 10-5

We are lucky to have Christy Gundersun Van Arnum running the program this year. Please welcome her and all the lifeguards when you come down to cool off.

Unfortunately, with the Wells pool drained, we are not able to offer swim lessons this year. However, I want to acknowledge the many, many years of service that Carolyn Connors has dedicated to this program. The program would not be in existence without her. She is a true friend to me personally, and to the village.

Thanks, Carolyn! Ann Balloni

DPW

A BIG thank you to all our residents for your patience and cooperation during the recent repairs and upgrades to the Sherwood Road water tower. As of today, July 1, we are up and running and because of your diligence, there were no issues due to a lack of water. Fill your pools, wash your cars, do some laundry, run the dishwasher, and take a nice long shower. Sincerely,

Mike White Aaron Van Arnum Anthony Filer (the new guy)

Message from the Mayor

Hi All.

We hope you are enjoying our beautiful summer. While we are saddened by the news of Wells College closing, please rest assured that we are working feverishly on two fronts. Most immediate is the transition of the water treatment plant to the Village to continue providing water to the

residents. Numerous discussions have taken place between Wells officials, their attorneys, our Board and our attorneys. We are now studying a draft to guide us through the process. In addition, we have conferred with numerous state agencies who have been extremely supportive.

The other part of this is the future of the Wells campus. We have had a few interested parties reach out to us with their ideas. However, this is tied into what the Attorney General tells Wells and the Village what can be done with the property. Again, this was also part of our conversation with the state agencies mentioned above. To date there is nothing firm back to us at this point. Also, this week Congressman Brandon Williams is visiting Aurora to assess our situation. So, we are seeking input from the County, State and Federal government as we prepare for the future of Aurora going forward. I remain optimistic that there's opportunity for the Village during this time. We will keep you advised when we learn more.

I am happy to announce that our swim program at the dock is starting this week. With all that's been happening this program was in doubt due to a number of factors. However, our Village Clerk, Ann Balloni, has been working very hard regarding insurance, working with Wells and seeking lifeguards for this. Thanks to Ann, along with Carolyn Connors, this has all come together for the benefit of our community.

The village water tower on Sherwood Road has now been repaired and passed its inspection. Many thanks to all of you who cooperated with the order to conserve water. It proved successful and the tank is back online providing water to the Village.

Please circle August 24th for the Annual Aurorafest celebration. This year's theme is "Auroaring Good Times - A Tribute to Wells." Please feel free to have an entry in the parade. The parade and following events are always well planned and fun. Let's all help make this year's celebration the biggest and best ever!

And finally, we welcome our newest DPW employee, Anthony Filer. Anthony is a sewer plant operator but will also be helping us around the village. Introduce yourself if you see him around.

Thank you for your support of our Village staff and we hope you enjoy the lake this summer.

Jim Orman

Fireworks Permits

Remember that firework displays within the village require a permit. Please contact the code enforcement officer for information on permit applications.

Tax Collection

Village taxes are now overdue. If you did not receive a bill, please contact the village office as soon as possible to limit any additional late fees.