



# Crossroads on the Fox

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Village of North Aurora

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## Village President - Mark Gaffino

As you've been going around town you may have noticed there are a number of developments under construction. Businesses are the backbone of our economy and we are always delighted to welcome new ones into our community to provide services for our residents. You can view a full list of businesses operating within the Village on our website at [www.northaurora.org/business](http://www.northaurora.org/business). Regarding some of the new businesses (and residential developments) coming to town that you may be seeing under construction, here are a few highlights:



- Seasons at North Aurora (1780 West Orchard Road) is a brand new apartment complex that will be coming this summer
- Randall Terrace Apartments (300 Miller Road) is another brand new apartment complex that just recently broke ground.
- Fortunato (approximately 301 Deerpath Road) will be an Italian seafood restaurant
- Casey's (16 North Randall Road) is a new gas station and convenience store that is set to open soon

If you'd like to discuss items like new businesses in town, I invite you to join me for Meet With the Mayor where we can talk about all things Village of North Aurora. The next Meet With the Mayor is set for Thursday, May 18 at 3:00 pm at Village Hall and if you're looking for some fresh air the Meet With the Mayor on Saturday, June 17 will be at Moose Lake Park at 9:00 am.

## Beautification Committee Summer Property Recognition Program 'Green Thumb' Starting

The Village's Beautification Committee is gearing up for Green Thumb, the Summer Property Recognition Program. Nominations will be accepted starting on July 10 through July 31 and submitted properties will be judged based on overall maintenance, overall creativity, and overall appearance impact and aesthetic for the front yard. If you are interested in submitting your property for judging please fill out the form located on the Village's website here:

[northaurora.org/community-information/property-recognition-program/](http://northaurora.org/community-information/property-recognition-program/)

Judging will take place between August 1 and August 9. Winners and participants will be publicly posted on Facebook and winning properties will be recognized at the August 21, 2023 Village Board meeting.

## Upcoming Village Special Events! We'll See You There!

**Scavenger Hunt:** Put on your sleuthing cap and get ready to solve riddles! The Village's third annual scavenger hunt begins on July 1 with prizes awarded to the first three teams to find all 10 locations throughout North Aurora! Any additional team that completes the event by July 31 will be entered into a raffle for a fourth place prize! Find rules and the first riddle on the Village's website!

**Independence Day Celebration:** Join us Monday, July 3, at Riverfront Park (behind Village Hall, 25 East State Street) to celebrate the 4th of July! Starting at 5 p.m., residents are invited to BYOB and enjoy the park, live music begins at 6pm, and firework will **launch at approximately 9:30 p.m.** Please be aware the Fox River trail will be shut down on the east side of the river, between State Street and the Red Oak Nature Center prior to the event. For any updates be sure to check out the Village's website and Facebook. In the event of rain, fireworks will launch on Wednesday, July 5 also at 9:30 p.m.; however, there will be no additional entertainment or festivities.

**Movie in the Park:** Splash on over to watch the Disney/Pixar classic 'Finding Nemo' on the big screen! This year's Movie in the Park will be held on July 21 at Schneider Park (304 Banbury Road) starting for 8:30 pm. Bring snacks, drinks (no alcohol), chairs and blankets and enjoy!

**North Aurora Days:** Our annual North Aurora Days event will be held on **Friday, August 4 and Saturday, August 5** at North Aurora Riverfront Park. The weekend will be full of family-fun activities and plenty of music, food and drinks! For the most updated information and event schedule please visit the North Aurora Days Facebook page and website at [www.northauroradays.org](http://www.northauroradays.org). See the enclosed flyer for a list of highlights and other information! Don't forget about the Community Garage Sale! Find forms on the Village website or pick one up at Village Hall!

**Police Department News and Information - 630-897-8705****National Night Out Registration**

On Tuesday, August 1, neighborhoods throughout North Aurora will join communities across the nation for National Night Out (NNO) a crime and drug prevention event, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the North Aurora Police Department. The focus of our local National Night Out is bringing neighborhoods together, having fun, and being united against crime and disorder. From 5:00 — 9:00 pm residents are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police.

Registration for National Night Out is free and gives public safety officials the opportunity to attend your event as time and call volume allow. Members of the police and fire departments will visit as many registered events as possible. Please register by July 22 by contacting Crime Prevention Officer Robyn Stecklein at (630) 897-8705, ext. 716 or [rstecklein@northaurora.org](mailto:rstecklein@northaurora.org) so that we can attend your event.

**Save the Date for the Community Picnic!**

Mark your calendars for our annual community picnic, which will be held on Saturday, September 2 from 12:00 — 3:00 pm at the North Aurora Police Department. You'll be able to tour the station, play games and enjoy food provided by the Village!

**Public Works News and Information - 630-897-8228 ext. 260**

**Holiday Garbage Pickup** - Due to the 4th of July Holiday Groot will be closed on Tuesday. For pick-ups on Tuesday and Wednesday garbage will be delayed by one day from your normal pickup day (July 5-6). Monday pickup (July 3) garbage will be picked up as usual.

**Street Infrastructure Projects** - Residents can check the Village website at [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org) for updates on any current road and water construction projects that are ongoing within the Village.

**Village Mosquito Spraying** has begun throughout the Village to help prevent new breeding sites. Each month the Village will have an **entire application done during the evening hours** as well as treatments of all catch basins and ponds. To report high volumes of mosquitoes or to find out the last time your neighborhood was serviced, please call the Clarke Mosquito Hotline at 1-800-942-2555.

**Street Lighting** - Report streetlight outages to the Public Works Department. Street lights on wood poles are repaired by ComEd and can be called into the Village or to ComEd at 1-800-334-7661. Repair services wait until they have a handful of calls before they come to service the area so please contact the Village Hall as soon as one goes out.

**Sanitary Sewer** - Call the Village **FIRST** if you should ever experience a sanitary sewer back up in your home. This will enable the Public Works Department to check the main sewer line for any trouble prior to residents calling a plumber. Calls after hours/weekends should go to the Police Department at 630-897-8705.

FREE Mulch is available at 314 Butterfield Rd. Mulch is available to residents on a first come first serve basis. Please note, all mulch will need to be picked up and loaded by the resident, as delivery of mulch is not available.

**Village of North Aurora Directory**

Village Hall - 630-897-8228 / Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Website: [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org)

**Elected Officials**

Mayor Mark Gaffino  
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**North Aurora Meeting Schedules**

Village Board and C.O.W. Meetings are held the first and third Mondays of each Month at 7 p.m.  
(Please check the Village Website for the most current meeting dates)

June 5 and June 19 | July 17

Plan Commission meetings - 1st Tuesday of the month.

June 6 | No meeting in July

All meetings are held at the North Aurora Village Hall, 25 East State Street (unless otherwise posted).  
All Meeting Agendas are on the Village's website at [www.northaurora.org](http://www.northaurora.org) under the Government tab.

**Village Hall is Closed for the Following Holidays:**  
July 4 - Independence Day