

Remembering and Honoring Our Fallen Heroes

Hello,

The Roosevelt American Legion Post 84 will be hosting a free concert by the American Legion Band tomorrow, May 28th. The concert will take place at 3 PM in the West Aurora High School auditorium. Everyone is encouraged to join and more information can be found here.

Monday is Memorial Day, and it is a day to remember those who have given their lives in the service of our country. While many people want to wish a "Happy Memorial Day" to Veterans, remember that there is nothing happy about brave men and women giving the ultimate sacrifice for our country. You could say to a Veterans, "I am glad you are here and honor those who didn't make it home".

Please keep our Gold Star Families in your thoughts and prayers on this day. Memorial day is not a holiday, it is a day or remembrance. Pick an event to help others in order to honor those who are no longer with us. One opportunity is the cemetery visits sponsored by the Aurora American Legion, or visit Abraham Lincoln National cemetery in Elmwood, IL to pay respects for our fallen; or visit the memorials in and around Aurora.

Finally, reach out to a Veteran you know, let them know you are there. They could be missing their battle buddies and need a friend. Volunteer at the local Veterans organizations, such as the Aurora American Legion Post 84 and continue to support our Veterans throughout the year.

Thank me in November 11 on Veterans Day, on Memorial Day remember those who are no longer with us and gave their lives so that we can have the freedoms we enjoy everyday.

On Memorial Day, I will be visiting cemeteries across Aurora to honor to pay my respects to fallen service members. I will be also be participating in the Aurora Memorial Day parade. If you'd like to pay your respects and take time to honor our war dead I have highlighted a few locations below for you or your family to visit.

I hope you enjoy the holiday weekend, but encourage you to remember the true meaning of Memorial Day and pay your respects to honor our heroes in your own way.

Take care and be well,





P.S. We have public service events coming up in the near future in our district including our **Shred and Recycle Day on June 18th from 9 AM - 12 PM**. Read more below. As always, if you have any questions on events you may call my district office at (630)-585-1308 or visit www.ll.District84.com

MEMORIAL DAY, May 30 2022 Events to Honor The Memory of Our Veterans Lost In The Service of our Country

Aurora



The City of Aurora's Annual Memorial Day Parade will begin at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, May 30, 2022, in downtown Aurora. Click here for details.

Oswego



Oswego American Legion Post 675 will host the annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 30 at 10 a.m. Parade line up begins at 9 a.m. at the Old Traughber Junior High, 61 Franklin St., Oswego. Click <u>here</u> for details.

Naperville



The Naperville Memorial Day Parade will step off at 10:30am at Jackson Avenue and West Street. Click <u>here</u> for details.

Every year members of the Roosevelt - Aurora American Legion Post 84 visits four cemeteries to pay respects to the fallen veterans of our community. The community is encouraged to attend and honor those who lost their lives in the service of our country. The members will attend ceremonies with times and locations listed below.

8:00 a.m. at Lincoln Memorial Cemetery located at 675 U.S. 30, Aurora 9:00 a.m. at Annunciation Cemetery located at 1820 Church Road, Aurora 9:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Cemetery located on Route 25 at Mitchell Road, Aurora 10:00 a.m. at River Hills Memorial Park Cemetery located at 1650 S. River, **Batavia**, IL

To learn of other ways to honor our fallen service members on Memorial Day click on the link **here**.

History of Memorial Day: Originally called "Decoration Day" as a way to honor soldiers lost during the Civil War. After WWI, the holiday was expanded to honor all American war fatalities. The name "Memorial Day" became more commonplace after WWII and the federal government officially adopted the name in 1967.

Our 44th President, Barack Obama, said "Our nation owes a debt to its fallen heroes that we can never truly repay." Truer words were never spoken. But what we can do is remember, what we can do is reflect, what we can do is give thanks.

Senior Food Drive June 13th 11 AM-1PM

For the 3rd year we are partnering with Representative Keith Wheeler and Representative Barbara Hernandez to distribute frozen meals to eligible seniors and all Veterans. You must reside in Kane County, be 60 years of age or older, or a Veteran to participate in this program. Additional particulars are on the flyer below. You may call any of our offices for more information.

Senior Meal Distribution Drive-Thru







Rep. Barbara Hernandez

Rep. Stephanie Kifowit

Rep. Keith Wheeler

Mondays from 11am -1pm



- March 14th & 28th July 11th & 25th
- April 11th & 25th
- May 9th & 23th
- June 13 & 27th
- Aug 8th & 22nd
- Sept 12th 8 26
- Oct 3rd & 24th



St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church, 1855 5th Ave, Aurora, IL 60504

*Only Available Via Registration:

To register, call: 630.585.1308 (Kifowit)

630.270.1848 (Hernandez)

630.345.3464 (Wheeler)

*Registration closes the Friday prior at 12:00pm





Adults who are 60+ and reside in Kane county are eligible for 5 frozen meals. Veterans of all ages, residing in Kane County are eligible. You must call to register to be eligible to participate. You are not eligible if currently enrolled in Meals On Wheels

www.ildistrict84.com - michelle@ildistrict84.com www.StateRepresentativeBarbaraHernandez.com - hailey.repbhernandez@gmail.com www.repkeithwheeler.com - office@repkeithwheeler.org

Meals Provided by the Kane Senior Council. This is a Temporary Service that may conclude at any time. For more information about Kane Senior Council call 630.338.0999 or email info@kaneseniorouncil.org or visit kaneseniorcouncil.com

Shred & Recycle Day June 18th 9 AM-12 PM

Mark your calendars for a late spring cleaning day! On June 18th, come out from 9am-12pm to shred any old documents, papers, and recycle other household items. See below for items that will be accepted at this rain or shine event. Call (630)-585-1308 with any questions.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE STEPHANIE KIFOWIT



RECYCLE & SHRED DAY



Electronic Recycling

Medication

Paper Shred

Cell phone Eyeglasses & Used Books







Accepting computer towers, microwaves, DVD players, VCRs, video game consoles, printers cable receivers, fax machines digital players & recorders

NO TVs or COMPUTER MONITORS Prescription drug & over-the-counter medication collection provided by Fox Metro No controlled substances Please place all medications in a clear plastic bag

On-site document shredding

Limit of 4 bags per car Cell phone collection to benefit Mutual Ground domestic violence & sexual assault services

We are also accepting eyeglasses and gently used books

SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022 9:00AM - NOON

WHERE:

Rep. Kifowit constituent service office parking lot 1677 Montgomery Rd Aurora, IL 630.585.1308 Stephanie.kifowit@att.com

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Rep. Kifowit-USMC



Contactless disposal

Youth Fishing Derby Saturday June 18th

Come out and enjoy a FREE Youth Fishing Derby at the Oakhurst Forest Preserve in Aurora on June 18th. Enjoy a day of fishing, food, games, and free attendance! To register visit **FishOakhurst.eventbrite.com** or call (847)-608-3108.



Enjoy a day of fishing complete with food, prizes raffles, and more! Prizes will be awarded to youth by age group, and all attendees can enjoy FREE food prepared and served by Home Run Hot Dogs & Lemonade! Fishing poles and quick fishing lessons will be available to those youth in need.



To register, visit the web at: FishOakhurst.eventbrite.com

Questions? Please call 847-608-3108 or email Ted.Penesis@illinois.gov.

Thank you to our co-sponsors











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Illinois Conservation Foundation

Fishing Team

Take a Break with VNA Health Care!

Come out to VNA's Take a Break for some light refreshments, health tips, and activities/tutorials on how to learn healthy habits and make some new friends in your area! Visit VNA's website **here** for future updates on this event in June or see below for more information.

Take a Break with VNA



Are you young at heart? Interested in making some new friends? Well you've come to the right place!

VNA Health Care - Aurora 400 N Highland Ave 2nd Floor Wellness Kitchen

Please join us every month on the: 2nd Thursday from 9:30am to 11:00am 4th Thursday from 2:00pm to 3:30pm

Highlights Include:

- . Healthy Tips from the Experts
- A different activity each time— Easy Cooking Tutorials, Games, and Exercise
- Visit vnahealth.com/calendar for exact dates and details for that day's activity
- · Light refreshments will be served
- · Caregivers Welcome!

RSVPs preferred. Walk-ins Welcome. Call (630) 482-8178 or email takeabreak@vnahealth.com.



No Facebook Live Monday, May 30th

There will not be a Facebook Live this upcoming Monday, May 30th in respect of Memorial Day. We will resume Facebook Live the following week on Monday June 6th. As always, you can email **Michelle@ILDistrict84.com** or call the office at 630.585.1308 if you would like to join then.





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