

City of Amery Newsletter

April 15, 2022



EVENTS AND INFORMATION

Please check Facebook pages and websites at www.amerywi.gov and www.amerylibrary.org for the most current and up-to-date information.

Dates to Remember

May 15	Utility Bills Due
May 30	Memorial Day, City Offices Closed
June 3 & 4	Trail Days
June 4	Airport Fly-In Pancake Breakfast
June 17 / July 15	Music on the River—Michael Park
July 1	Giant Ice Cream Sundae
1st Wed of Month	Council Meeting at 5PM
3rd Tues of Month	Committee of the Whole
1st & 3rd Saturday	Landfill Open 9AM - Noon

Council Members

Chad Leonard, <i>Mayor</i>	(715) 268-6978
Eric Elkin	(715) 268-9547
Rick Van Blaricom	(715) 268-2264
Sarah Flanum	(715) 268-4223
Tim Strohbusch	(715) 607-0187
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Office Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8AM to 4:30 PM

AMERY FARMERS MARKET

The Amery Farmers Market is open at **Soo Line Park** on Mondays from 3:00-6:00 pm AND Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until Noon.

SEVERE WEATHER

If you need shelter during severe weather you may come to the north entrance of the Amery Police Department and shelter will be available in the basement of the Amery Public Library. The police department and library can both be found at 104 Maple St W with access through the north door.

NEWS FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The City is always working to prevent storm and groundwater from entering the waste water system and prevent a costly plant expansion for utility payers in the city. Tap water should be the only thing that goes into the sewer. If you have a sump pump, please ensure it is not draining into the sanitary sewer, but into your yard or open area.

Please be sure to blow **grass clippings** back into your own yard only and NOT into the street.

The City Dump is open for yard waste only (leaves and branches) every 1st and 3rd Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. Contents must be removed from plastic bags. Trash and household items must be brought to Waterman Sanitation.

NEWS FROM CITY HALL

The City of Amery has the following seats open for appointment at the May 4th City Council Meeting. If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Patty Bjorklund, City Administrator at 715-268-3411 or patty.bjorklund@amerywi.gov.

- Aldersperson – District 1 – 1 Opening
- Aldersperson – At-Large – 1 Opening
- Airport Commission – 2 Openings
- Board of Appeals – 4 Openings
- Downtown Façade Loan Committee – 1 Opening
- Library Board – 2 Openings
- Plan Commission – 1 Opening

OTHER REMINDERS

GARAGE SALE PERMITS are available at City Hall. City ordinances limit garage sales to three (3) per year. The cost is \$5.00 per sale for the first 2 sales and \$15.00 if you hold a third sale.

BURNING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED in the City of Amery and surrounding townships. City Hall no longer issues burning permits. You **MUST** go online at www.amerywi.gov and click the **Submit A Request** button. A burning permit does not allow for the burning leaf and debris piles as this is against city ordinance.

MUSIC ON THE RIVER AT DANIELSON STAGE

June 17	5-7 pm	Ember
	7pm	Lamont Cranston
July 15	5-7 pm	Gravel Road
	7pm	Viva Knieval
August 19	5-7pm	Nici Peper
	7pm	The Jorgensens

News from the Amery Police Department

New scams have been popping up via phone, text, and computer.

There have been text messages circulating stating an item has been purchased on your Amazon account, and they don't believe you ordered it. The scammer then requests you call a provided number, and an individual with a very thick and heavy foreign accent will answer. This individual will state you need to pay a certain amount to resolve the situation and direct you to either purchase gift cards in certain amounts from multiple location and read the activation number to them, or send the digital currency, Bitcoin.

Another common fraud is taking place on individuals' computers. While online, people are receiving pop-ups which flash on their computer and state the computer has been compromised. The pop-up states they need to call a number to fix the problem or purchase an anti-virus. If the number is called, the scammer instructs the individual to purchase gift cards to pay for the services.

If you are receiving these calls or text messages, please be careful. The individual you are speaking with will stay on the line with you as you drive to wherever you are going to collect money. These callers are from overseas using some form of telephone application that produces unknown numbers. There is little that the police department can do to track these individuals down.

If you receive the message that your computer is corrupted, please do not call the number or click on the link. If you fear that it has been corrupted, take it to an in-person repair location. In the event of a telephone call or a text message, don't call the number that they provide. If it is from "Amazon," then look up Amazon's number elsewhere and call their service department or check for the transaction by logging into your account.

No major company such as Amazon or Microsoft will request the use of gift cards or Bitcoin to make a payment for services. If something seems odd about the request, please contact the Police Department before moving forward.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Police department at 715-268-7411. Any of our officer will be more than happy to assist you.

Officer Peter Krumrie
Amery Police Department

News from the Amery Area Public Library

More info for all events at amerylibrary.org/ or 715.268.9340

Explore MORE 2022 Passport starts April 4th and goes until July 15th! Visit MORE libraries and get a MORE passport stamped. Stop in to the Amery Library to pick up a passport and learn about the program.

Summer Reading is June 1-July 30. This year's theme is:



Children's Story Time: Join into Storytime on Wednesday's at 10:00am

Learning & Activity Backpacks: Explore themed learning tools, games, activities, and more. Nearly 30 kits including Dinos, Board games, Indoor Camping, Microscopes, & more! Full list at tinyurl.com/aaplbackpacks.

Book Bundles: Get a bundle of books or movies hand-selected by library staff. Call or fill out the request form at tinyurl.com/aaplbundles.

Introduce books to your baby by joining the **Baby Book Bees** self-led program through the AAPL! Get a themed tote bag for your child's books when you register! For more info, email kids@amerylibrary.org or check our website.

Help your child build early literacy skills by reading **1000 Books Before Kindergarten**. Your child will get a themed tote bag for their books upon registration. For more info, email kids@amerylibrary.org.

The Summer Reading Program is for Adults too! We will once again be hosting an Adult Summer Reading program with activities, programs, and prizes. Explore Oceans of Possibilities with us and see where the library can take you this summer!

Library Home Services: You are eligible for free monthly delivery of library materials if you are not able to visit the library due to advanced age or a temporary or long-term illness or disability. For more information and to get an application form, call the Amery Area Public Library at 715-268-9340, press 0, or visit our website at www.amerylibrary.org/home-services to download an application.

Third Thursday Crafting is BACK! Keep an eye on Facebook and our website for details, but every Third Thursday we will meet at 6 PM for an hour of crafting and conversation.

Books & Brews has returned to in-person meetings! Join us at 6 PM on the first Thursday of each month at Amery Ale Works to discuss our latest read. Zoom links will still be sent out for anyone who wants to attend virtually. Contact us at library@amerylibrary.org to be added to the email list.