

Aurora Parks and Rec Committee bringing beauty to the community

Some Aurora residents have decided to take it upon themselves to improve the look of the town and it's been full speed ahead since then.

Beginning last July, some of the first projects of the newly formed nonprofit Parks and Recreation Committee include applying for and getting a grant to fix up the boat landing, and American flags to decorate the streetlights in town. To fund these en-

deavors members have sold t-shirts and 50/50 tickets at the Mud Run.

This year some completed projects include a new sign at the bridge entering town, new shrubs in front of the Town Hall and flowers planted to decorate the George Weber Memorial sign at the pavilion entrance. They also held a very successful community spring clean-up in May.

There are several exciting events on the

docket for summer. There will be new Farmer's Market held at the Aurora Pavilion every Thursday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. from June through September.

Coming up on July 22 the inaugural Town of Aurora Community Picnic and Cornhole Tournament will take place at the Aurora Pavilion and Grounds. Tickets to get in are \$2, with a variety of food beverages available for purchase. Fee to enter the cornhole tournament is \$30 per team with payout for first place of \$100, second \$70 and \$50 for third. There will also be a silent auction with dozens of valuable items up for grabs.

Next up, August 19 the committee has planned an Aurora Community Wide Rummage Sale, with details to be announced later this year.

To round out the season of events, there will be a Harvest Dance at the pavilion on September 23. Watch for times and details in future issues of the Florence Mining News.

All the proceeds from these community events will go to fund future projects to spruce



Members of the Aurora Parks and Recreation Committee with the new Aurora banner. Front row, left to right, Eric Printz, Cathy Dyer, Judy Carncross, Jim Carncross, Jan Schafer, Nancy Hill; back row: Bill Dyer, Fred Harvath, Laura Harvath, Ross Dyer, Nancy Prichard, Elise Neuens, Mark Sullivan.

up the town. Currently, the group is looking to raise funds for banners to hang along the main street in town. The colorful banners were designed by an artist and committee member and depict trees and the river in the four seasons with the words Aurora and Wisconsin.

The group is certainly living up to their mission statement "to plan, fund and actualize specific town beautifications and improvements as well as organize activities that increase


community en-

gagement." If you are interested in joining the Aurora Parks and Recreation Committee, join them at a meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Aurora Town Hall. New members are always welcome. For more information call Laura at 715-595-3238.



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