

UP FRONT



Newsletter from John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk

The Aurora Office is ready to open!

Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham is proud to announce that the Aurora Office will open **Monday, August 13**. The new location under the Stolp Avenue parking garage at **5 E. Downer Place, Suite F**, faces the beautiful GAR Memorial Hall along the river.

The Aurora office hours will be the same as the Geneva office--Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham said, "I am excited that we are ready to open the new office in Aurora. Residents of Aurora and surrounding areas will be able to come to the new office to pick up copies of birth, death, and marriage records, apply for passports, and for the other functions of the Clerk's Office, without driving to Geneva."

Most of the services of the Clerk's office will be available at the Aurora location such as: Birth Certificates, Marriage / Civil Union Licenses and Certificates, Death Certificates, Voter Registration, Passport Services, Business Registration/Assumed Name Services, Property Tax Redemption and Search information.

Aurora residents are encouraged to stop into the new office not only to take advantage of the services provided by the Clerk's Office but also to become familiar with the eSlate voting machines that will be used in elections beginning this fall. Step-by-step instructional videos about the machines are also available at kanecountyclerk.org/Elections/Pages/E-Slate-Introduction-Videos.aspx.

More information about the Clerk's Office services is available at kanecountyclerk.org or by calling (630) 232-5950.

CLERK ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO PICK UP COPIES OF BIRTH RECORDS PRIOR TO SCHOOL REGISTRATION

With the summer in full swing, **Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham** encourages parents who will soon be registering children for school to come to the Kane County Clerk's Office, 719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. B, Geneva, to request certified copies of their child's birth records.

Cunningham said, "The next few weeks will be a busy time for school registration and I want to remind parents planning to register their children for school this fall to come to the Clerk's Office soon to request certified copies of the birth records needed for registration. Getting those records now, before registration begins, will allow you to avoid any potential lines that might occur due to the last minute rush during school registration."



The Kane County Clerk's Office maintains certified copies of birth records for **individuals born in Kane County**. Individuals born in other counties must contact the County Clerk's Office in those counties. Certified copies of birth records can be ordered either **in person** at the County Clerk's Office, **by mail**, or **online**.

Individuals requesting records at the Clerk's Office must bring valid photo identification in addition to payment. Information about valid identification is available at kanecountyclerk.org/VitalRecords/Pages/Valid-ID.aspx.

Fees for certified copies of birth records are \$16 for the first copy and \$6 for each additional copy of the same record. An additional \$2.50 fee will be added to any transaction involving debit or credit cards. Cash, check or money orders should be payable to the Kane County Clerk.

Requests sent by mail must include: A completed Certificate Request Form (available at kanecountyclerk.org/VitalRecords/Documents/CertificateRequest.pdf), a photocopy of valid photo identification, and a check or money order payable to the Kane County Clerk.

Online requests are available at vitalchek.com through Vital Chek, the online vendor for the Clerk's Office. An additional fee is charged by Vital Chek for online orders.

Because of the confidential nature of these records, state law specifies that copies of birth records may be obtained only by a person whose name is on the record (if 18 years of age or older), a parent or guardian, or other legal representative.

In person requests can be made at the office on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. More information about how to request birth records is available at kanecountyclerk.org/VitalRecords/Pages/Birth-Certificates.aspx or by calling (630) 232-5950.

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**Thank you Susan Ericson for 22
years of service.**

Enjoy your retirement!

“Susan Ericson has been a foundation for the success of the very complex Vital Records and Tax Extension departments at the Clerk’s Office. Her knowledge of Tax Extension is respected by all of her peers throughout the state. Her devotion and commitment to the Kane County Clerk’s Office has exceeded even my greatest wishes. We all will miss you, Susan. May God bless you with health and happiness in your retirement.”

—John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk

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ELECTION NEWS

GENERAL ELECTION - TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2018

Voters who would like to apply for a Vote by Mail ballot can do so by completing an application. Applications will be available to print from the Kane County Elections website or can be picked up at the Election Department offices.

The Election Department is currently recruiting Election Judges for the General Election. Voters who would like information can call the Election Department at 630 232-5994. Training for Election Judges will be held at the Kane County Clerk's Office in August. Information can also be found at our website, www.kanecountyelections.org.

Updated voter registration cards were mailed to all registered voters residing in the Kane County portion of the City of Aurora. The voter registration cards issued by the Clerk's Office included the name and location of the polling place where the voter will be voting.

Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham said, "We continue to move forward with our transition plan. We have already started educating the more than 50,000 registered voters in the 63 precincts in Aurora about what they can expect this fall. We have done our best to minimize the changes to the voters as they go through this transition, and I hope they will be pleased with the new system."

BE PREPARED! REGISTER TO VOTE

If you have moved or changed your name since the last elections, your voter registration information might not be current. Visit kanecountyclerk.org/Elections/Pages/Voter-Search.aspx to verify your registration information.

A person can register to vote by mail, in person, or online. You must provide 2 acceptable forms of ID when registering. Registering by mail requires the completion of the mail-in registration form provided on the Kane County Clerk's web page and two acceptable forms of ID. Information on Acceptable forms of ID's can be found on our website, www.kanecountyelections.org.

To be eligible to vote you must be a US citizen, must be at least **18 years of age** by Election Day; persons 17 years of age can vote in a General Primary if the individual will be 18 as of the following General Election, and have resided in the precinct for **30 days** prior to the next election.

Voters who have changed their name since registering to vote must re-register to vote. **Grace Period** registration is for persons who missed the deadline to register to vote. During Grace Period registration you may register to vote at the Kane County Clerk's office from the 27th day through the day prior to the election. If you register to vote during Grace Period and want to vote in the upcoming election, you **MUST** vote at the time of registration.

Voters can also register to vote **online** at ova.elections.il.gov.

2018 GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

REQUEST VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2018

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018 (IN PERSON)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018 (ONLINE)

EARLY VOTING PERIOD

(**ONLY AT THE KANE COUNTY ELECTIONS MAIN OFFICE**)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018 THRU

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018

GRACE PERIOD REGISTRATION

(**ONLY AT THE KANE COUNTY ELECTIONS MAIN OFFICE IN GENEVA**)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2018 THRU

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

EARLY VOTING PERIOD

(**ALL EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES**)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2018 THRU

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2018

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WWW.KANECOUNTYELECTIONS.ORG