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You Can Make Your Reservations Now

Our block of rooms is set up. Here's how to make your reservation.

1. Call 1-800-801-9982.
2. Give check in & check out dates.
3. Tell the reservation line that you are with a group (National Amateur Press Association) and give them the group ID: 4GD4PT.
4. Give them your credit card number.
5. At this time the credit card will be charged for the first night's stay plus tax.
6. Wait for a confirmation number.

Remember - to get our group rate you must register before our room block expiration date of:

May 31, 2018

To Plan Your Check In and Check Out Dates, Here's a Recap of Our Convention Schedule

Sun., July 15 – Arrival day for most of those attending. An informal supper gathering is planned for those who wish to join in. Evening: hospitality room open.

Mon., July 16 – Opening Session, probably around 9 a.m.; recess for lunch. Optional Lunch together. Afternoon: letterpress printing and amateur journalism demonstrations and displays at Ashtabula County District Library, Ashtabula (see following article). Afternoon and evening: committee meetings as necessary; visiting the area; socializing. Hospitality room open. Optional supper together.

Tue., July 17 – Second Session, around 9 a.m.; recess for lunch. Optional lunch together. Afternoon: letterpress printing and amateur journalism demonstrations and displays at the Geneva branch of the Ashtabula County District Library. Committee meetings as necessary; visiting the area; socializing. Hospitality room open before and after the banquet. Evening: Convention photograph

and closing banquet. Laureate awards for 2017 announced and presented. Hospitality room open after the banquet.

Wed., July 18 – Brief closing business meeting; unfinished business if necessary. Check out for most of those attending.

Wed. through Fri., July 18 - 20 – option of extending your stay at convention room rates for those who wish to visit and explore more of the area.

Two Letterpress and Amateur Journalism Demonstrations Planned at Local Libraries

The Ashtabula County District Library main library, in Ashtabula, was excited to take up Arie Koelewyn's offer of setting up a letterpress printing demonstration for the public on one of the days we're in the area. And I will add to it with a live demonstration of composing and printing an amateur journal with a laptop computer and an inkjet printer. Maybe even a color laser if I can load it into the car. There will also be displays of amateur journals.



With 19 covered bridges Ashtabula County celebrates a Covered Bridge Festival every year. See a 3-minute video at <http://www.coveredbridgefestival.org/>



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Sunrise over Lake Erie behind The Lodge at Geneva-on-the-Lake and its gazebo.

Arie says his approach to the letterpress demonstration will be along these lines: "Take a small, tabletop press, some ink, paper and some type and you can create magic, or so it seems to those uninitiated to the black art. I have an approximately 100 year old Golding Official #2 press that is fairly easy to carry around. Its 6"x4" chase is just about perfect to create a bookmark or small card and the press is easy enough to operate that even a child can operate it. Throw in a typeset, composing stick, and a few cuts for decorative flair and you (or in this case I) can talk, illustrate and demonstrate for hours about the joys of letterpress and its history. People can print their own bookmarks, or at least the final color. I usually pre-print much of content, leaving only a key element for the demonstration."

Subsequently the library asked if we could also repeat the demonstrations on another day at their branch library in Geneva, and we have agreed.

Any of our publishing members are encouraged to bring a display of their journals, or poster boards, etc., about their

amateur journal, that we could add to these demonstrations.

Lots to See and Do in Geneva-on-the-Lake

Ohio's first summertime resort offers indoor and outdoor attractions and events, restaurants and bars, parks, places to shop, places to visit and things to see.

You can download a visitors guide, even subscribe to their e-newsletter, at:

<http://visitgenevaonthelake.com/>

You Can Visit 29 Nearby Wineries on the Lake Erie Vines & Wines Trail

Northeastern Ohio is a grape-friendly agricultural region, indeed! A couple of these wineries are right in Geneva-on-the-Lake, others are less than 10 miles away, and none of them are distant. If you enjoy wines, or just the lovely country drives to wineries, you may wish to put some visits on your agenda.

PDF brochure: available at http://www.ohiowines.org/pdf/vines_wines_brochure.pdf

