

July / August 2019 The Aurora Colony Times

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Mayor's Corner

Hope your summer plans are getting off to a great start! With warmer weather approaching residents are encouraged help with the city's summer water conservation efforts by watering lawns in the late evenings or early morning hours, watering every other day and only as much as needed.

Community events over the summer include the **Concerts in the Parks** in July which will kick-off this year's **30th Anniversary of the Aurora Colony Days Celebration**! A new feature this year will be a Trolley Car/Bus to transport the public between the downtown district and the park for the day's events on August 10th. Scheduled stops include the downtown Aurora, Filbert's Farmhouse Restaurant, the Hazelnut Candy Factory, Aurora City Park, City Hall, and the Aurora Colony Museum with the route running 12pm-4pm. As in previous years, there will be no parking zones in downtown and restricted street access during the parade on August 10th so be sure to plan your activities accordingly.

It's not too late to get involved in this *community-wide* event whether you are in the parade, bringing your classic car or motorcycle, or as a vendor at Market in the Park! This is your opportunity to be involved with your friends and neighbors!! Volunteers are always needed and welcome!! Application forms are available at City Hall or on the website: www.auroracolonydays.com.

Mayor Kris



August 9th

5-11pm – BEER GARDEN – For the Whole Family, Aurora Colony Museum

August 10th

7am-11am – Pancake Breakfast @ American Legion Hall Basement
7:30am – 5k Run/Walk – Starts at the Old Aurora Colony Museum
8:30am –1k Fun Run for Kids – Starts at the Old Aurora Colony Museum
8:30am—3:00 pm Market in the Park—Vendors in the Aurora City Park
9am-4pm – Downtown Sidewalk Sale – Main Street / Downtown Aurora
11am – Aurora Colony Parade – Parade starts at Aurora Park on Main Street
11am-4pm – Old Aurora Colony Museum Exhibits (FREE Saturday Event)
12pm – 4pm – Aurora Colony Car Show at the Park – Aurora City Park
5:30pm -10pm – Celebration in the Park – Aurora City Park Amphitheater

www.auroracolonydays.com www.facebook.com/AuroraColonyDays/

Meetings at the City Council Chambers at 7:00pm Planning Commission July 2 August 6 City Council

ALL WELCOME City Meetings for

March/April

July 9 August 13

Parks Committee July 16 August 20

Historic Review Board July 25 August 22

Please confirm dates and times with City Hall 503-678-1283

City of Aurora Website www.ci.aurora.or.us

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The Aurora Fire District Spot

Stay Safe & Healthy This Summer

The temperatures are rising and the days are getting longer. It's summertime once again. Here are some tips to help make your summer the best, and healthiest, one yet.

Beat the Heat

Heat-related illnesses claim the lives of hundreds of people each year, so it is important to take these precautions when working or playing outside during the hot summer months.

- Drink plenty of water or other non-alcoholic beverages;
- Wear lightweight, loose-fitting clothing that is light in color;
- Reduce strenuous activities or do them during the cooler parts of the day.

Swim Safe

Swimming is a fun way to stay cool and be active. Before diving in, make sure you know these tips for staying healthy and safe while swimming.

- Avoid swallowing pool water or even getting it in your mouth.
- Shower before swimming and wash your hands after using the toilet or changing diapers.
- Take children on bathroom breaks or check diapers often.
- Keep an eye on children at all times. Kids can drown in seconds and in silence.
- Never swim alone or in unsupervised locations. Teach children to always swim with a buddy.
- Don't use air-filled swimming aids (such as "water wings") with children in place of life jackets or life preservers.

Information provided by the CDC – <u>www.cdc.gov</u>

Your Aurora city deputy would like to share a quick crime prevention tip:

If you are going to be away for a few days or on vacation; make sure you let someone know that you trust. Have them collect mail and check on your home while you are away.



New City Employee

The City of Aurora is pleased to announce that Jacob Johnson has been hired as a utility worker for its public works department.

Johnson recently graduated from CCC with a two-year Associates in Applied Science in Water and Environmental Technologies. The City of Aurora offered him a permanent full-time position in the public works department earlier this week. Over the longterm, Johnson said he would like to continue working in municipal wastewater systems. Many cities have systems that were built in the 1970s and 80s and are upgrading to newer technologies.

Johnson's hobbies include playing the guitar, swimming and other outdoor recreation.



Upcoming City Hall Closures

Thursday, July 4, 2019—Independence Day





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Aurora City Park Lunch @11:45 am – 12:15 pm







(Food, Beer and Wine available)

July 10th, 7-9pm - Djangophiles July 17th, 7-9pm - Brady Goss Band July 24th, 7-9pm – Annie Staninec & Friends July 31, 7-9pm – The Ben Rice Blues Band



Thursday Market

The Aurora Colony Visitors Association (ACVA) is sponsoring a weekly old fashioned mar-THURSDAY MARKET ket in Downtown Aurora featuring farmers and local makers. This market will occur Thursdays 11am - 2pm during the Summer months in front of businesses on Main St. right off Highway 99. Enjoy a ever-changing selection of fresh produce and flowers, plants, baked goods, artisan creations and more! A morning yoga class begins the market every Thursday at 10am in The Aurora Company Great Room (21581 Main St NE), Cost \$10. For up to date weekly information, check out the market's Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ aurorathursdaymarket *No market on Thursday, July 4th.



COME ONE, COME ALL TO SUPPORT YOUR FREE, LOCAL COMMUNITY LIBRARY!

WHAT: The North Marion Community Library Association is holding its annual BOOK SALE, with hundreds of books for all ages, both fiction and non-fiction. WHEN: August 9, 10, 11, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We're joining the festivities of Aurora Colony Days, but we'll be open Friday, Saturday, AND Sunday. WHERE: New location this year is the triangular vacant lot between Main Street and Highway 99, across from the Legion Hall. Look for the tents full of books! WHY: All sales benefit your free, local community library, serving the communities of North Marion County and currently housed in the basement of the Aurora Presbyterian Church, 21553 Liberty Street NE, Aurora. If you have books to donate, we'd appreciate it if those can be brought directly to the site on Thursday afternoon, August 8, when we'll start setting up. For more information or to volunteer at the book sale, contact Andrea Heid, NMCLA president, at 503-776-9075 (leave a message), or e-mail Nmarionlibrary@gmail.com.

Aurora Colony Musuem Events

Summer Party in the Emma Wakefield Herb Garden Saturday, July 13 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Free with Museum admission

Spin & Dye Fun With Aurora Colony Handspinners' Guild Saturday, July 20 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free with Museum admission



Aurora Colony Days at the Museum Beer Garden Friday, August 9, 2019, 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Museum Living History & Free Museum Admission – Saturday, August 10 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Celebrate the Colony Annual Fundraising Dinner in the Museum Courtyard

Saturday, August 24 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

\$60 per person at the Old Aurora Colony Museum Office: 503-678-5754

For more information on the above events check out the website at : www.auroracolony.org or contact the museum at 503-678-5754.

ELECTRONIC WATER ACCOUNT ACCESS

View or Pay your Bill

You can make payments and view your water/sewer account online at the following website *https://cityofaurora.merchanttransact.com/*. If you choose to pay your bill with a credit or debit card, there is a small convenience charge of \$3.50 for each transaction. This site also provides the option to sign up for electronic bill delivery.

If you need assistance, please call City Hall at 503-678-1283 for help getting set up.

Emergency and Non-emergency call out information

- If you have an emergency call 911.
- If there is a non-emergency item you would like to report please call 503-588-5032, Marion County non-emergency dispatch.
- If there is a water leak that you would like to report please call City Hall, 503-678-1283. If it is after hours, please report it to Public Works at 971-930-3597 or 503-505-0951 or call the non-emergency dispatch number, 503-588-5032 and they will contact public works
- The City is only responsible for repairs and water leaks in the city right-of-way only.

For additional information regarding events and happenings in Aurora, please check out the City of Aurora facebook page at

https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Aurora-Oregon-1690880117667604/.

This page will be updated regularly to provide up to date information to anyone who may be interested.

SUMMER

Old Aurora

North Marion Community Library

21553 Liberty St. NE., Aurora, OR 97002 Library Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday: 1 – 4 pm

City of Aurora Contact Information

Office: 503-678-1283 Fax: 503-678-2758

Office Hours: 9am-5pm Monday-Thursday **Closed Friday**

W. Scott Jorgensen, City Recorder recorder@ci.aurora.or.us

Mary Lambert, Finance/Court Clerk finance@ci.aurora.or.us

Tammy Grimes, Administrative Assistant assistant@ci.aurora.or.us

Mark Gunter, Public Works Superintendent pws@ci.aurora.or.us

Colony Museum Hours Tuesday—Saturday 11:00 am—4:00 pm

-Colony-Sunday: Noon-4 pm The Museum is closed for the month of January and all major holidays.

City Council Contact/Information

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Councilor Feely-mfeely@ci.aurora.or.us

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Councilor Asher—basher@ci.aurora.or.us

You will find additional council and board information on the city website or come by City Hall with any questions.

City of Aurora Website www.ci.aurora.or.us

Aurora/Marion County Police Department

Anonymous Tip Line: 503-540-8079

Non Emergency: 503-588-5032

Emergency Dial 911

