

The Aurora Colony Times

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**ALL WELCOME
City Meetings for
Sept./Oct.**

**Meetings at the City
Council Chambers at
7:00pm**

Planning Commission
Sept 3
Oct 1

City Council
Sept 10
Oct 8

Parks Committee
Sept 17
Oct 15

Historic Review Board
Sept 26
Oct 24

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

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

Mayor's Corner

I hope all of you enjoyed the 30th anniversary of the Aurora Colony Days celebration this year! It appears we had more visitors, more vendors, more cars, and more hometown fun! The addition of the Trolley Car appeared to be quite a success as many of our visitors and residents alike enjoyed riding the trolley throughout town to the various event locations. Look for The Trolley Girl again next year!! As always, there are never enough volunteers so if you are interested in helping next year or have questions contact city hall or send a personal message to the Aurora Colony Days Facebook page.



In and around town

PUBLIC SAFETY – We have a new Deputy in town! Deputy Bell has taken another position with the Salem schools as a School Resource Officer for several middle schools. Deputy Bill Ovchinnikov applied for the position and will be Aurora's deputy for the remainder of the contract period. Thank you, Deputy Bell for your service and we wish him great success in his new position. Also, mark your calendar for **October 2nd for National Coffee with a Cop day!** This is a great opportunity for you to meet our new Deputy! Details will be posted on social media and the bulletin boards around town.

STREETS - In case you hadn't noticed, we recently repaved 4th Street, and portions of Filbert and Walnut Streets with grant funds awarded through the Small City Allotment grant. This grant is applied for every year and when awarded provides \$100,000 which we allocate to repaving our streets. The 2020 grant has been submitted and if awarded will be used to complete Filbert and Walnut streets as well as Orchard.

VOLUNTEER with your City! – The city council is currently reviewing a volunteer application form for the community. We have identified a list of committees, organization and special activities you may want to engage in. Keep your eye out for more details.

Finally, a reminder to us all as school begins to be mindful of our driving habits around town and rural roads as bus routes begin and traffic patterns change. Have a wonderful fall!



Mayor Kris

**THE
ENCLOSED
UTILITY BILL
IS DUE
ON OR
BEFORE
SEPTEMBER
10th.**

***Please remember to keep grass, rocks,
vehicles, bark, etc. off water meters!***

***If you have a Backflow device and have not had
it tested this year—Please get it tested now!***

Aurora Community Preparedness Team forming

How prepared are you in case of a disaster? What do you need to know? What can we expect from each other? And do we know how to help?

This past spring a group of residents from Aurora took advantage of the CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) free basic training that was offered. Now those Aurora residents along with the support of North Marion CERT and the City of Aurora are taking it to the next level. The goal is to help our neighborhoods be prepared in the event of a disaster, such as a major earthquake that might cut us off from the services we have all come to depend on. We are forming a community action planning team called the Aurora Community Preparedness Team. We're in the planning stages now and looking for people representing all neighborhoods of Aurora to join us as we discuss some specific plans we can put in place before disaster strikes.

Are you looking to get more involved in our community? Saturday, September 14th, at 10:00 AM we will be holding an informational meeting at City Hall. Please join us to learn more!

Also, there are additional CERT trainings coming up in our area this fall. For more info, or to register go to:

1. North Marion CERT Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/northmarioncert
2. Email: NorthMarionCERT@gmail.com
3. Call: (503) 804-6391 for additional info.

Library News



As you can imagine, the North Marion Community Library Association's **Fourth Annual Book Sale**, held this year on a new site (thank you, Mike Byrnes,) took a lot of time, energy, hard work, and many helping hands to pull off. But the outcome was gratifying, especially because most books sold for only a dollar. A heartfelt thank you to all who came, browsed, and bought, as well as to those who donated books or gave monetary gifts; we appreciate your support of the library!

Now we would like your input on what you think are the best use of these funds: Write, email, or better yet, join us at the library association's monthly meeting, usually held the first Monday of the month, because of Labor Day, it will be held the following Monday, September 9, 7 p.m. at the library (21553 Liberty St. NE, Aurora). Come help us brainstorm and dream!

Looking ahead: We have gotten requests for evening hours, so the next First Friday in Aurora is September 6, and the library will be open from 5 to 7 p.m. If you've ever wanted later hours, this is the time! Make us happy and come say hello.

Also put the library association's **Holiday Greens Sale** on your calendar for October and into November. Our late fall fundraiser features wreaths, swags, garlands, and more, all beautifully crafted in Oregon for your winter enjoyment or to ship to family and friends in less evergreen-blessed places. You can place your order at the library, located in the basement of the Aurora Presbyterian Church, during library hours (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m.), or email nmarionlibrary@gmail.com so we can contact you, or call Nancy Trivitt, 503-678-5999.

Park Cleanup Event

The Aurora Parks Committee will be doing a volunteer cleanup event Saturday, September 21 at 8:30 a.m. at the city-owned property at Coyote Lane, near the end of Ottaway by the Pudding River. For more information, call city hall at 503-678-1283 or email recorder@ci.aurora.or.us.

Upcoming City Hall Closures

Monday, September 2,
2019 - Labor Day



47th Annual Quilt Show

Rhapsody in Blue



October 11-20, 2019 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Daily
Old Aurora Colony Museum
Admission \$7.50 per person

Old Aurora Colony Museum Office: 503-678-5754
info@auroracolony.org

Join us at the museum for our 47th annual quilt show, with about 100 quilts in the beautiful setting of the Old Aurora Colony Museum. There will be a coffee shop, a special store, featured quilters and quilting demonstrations, and a raffle of a blue and white quilt made from last year's block contest.

Block Contest for the 2020 Quilt Show "2020 Visions of Joy"

What personally brings you joy? Let your creativity loose and show us in your block design! Use quilting fabrics of your choice (novelty prints okay) as long as they are pre-washed 100% cotton. If you use white in the background, use a true white or white-on-white, not cream or ivory.

Size: 12½" x 12½"

To finish as a 12" x 12" block

Do not set blocks on point.

Block may be pieced and/or appliquéd but appliqué must be trimmed on back.

Please, no fusing or gluing of fabrics – too difficult to hand quilt.

Limit of two block entries per quilter.

Quilt Blocks due at the Old Aurora Colony Museum by Friday, October 18, 2019, 4 p.m.

The 20 winning quilt blocks will be assembled into the raffle quilt for the 2020 Quilt Show, 2020 Visions of Joy. The remaining blocks will also be assembled into additional quilts and wall hangings to be used for fundraising purposes. Thank you to the Aurora Colony Quilters for holding this contest and creating the beautiful resulting quilts. We appreciate your generous donation to our programs!



Aurora Colony Flea

First Saturday of Each Month

September thru May
9 AM to 4 PM

Coffee & Pastries 9 - 11 & Lunch 11 - 2

FREE ADMISSION

Aurora Veterans Hall
21510 Main St NE
Aurora, Oregon 97002



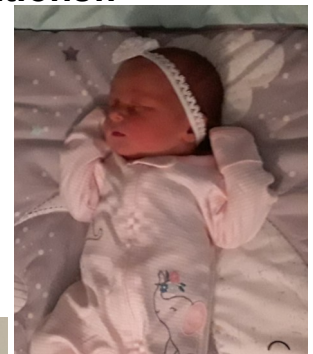
This long running Flea brings together local vendors carrying anything & everything: antiques, collectibles, vintage, furniture, hand crafted, repurposed finds, funky junk, local products, household goods and other treasures! Come see what you can find. It is a Pickers Paradise! Dealers, homeowners, artisans, non-profits and crafters. Table rental only \$25.00



For more information and vendor application: visit www.WindHorseAntiques.net or contact Wind Horse Antiques at 503-720-1601 or LHand@WindHorseAntiques.net On Facebook: Wind Horse Antiques & Aurora Colony Flea

Congratulations!!

City Recorder W. Scott Jorgensen and his wife Kelsey welcomed their daughter, Laurie Maria-Lynn, at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, August 5.



Mark Basargin proudly displays one of his recently earned certifications for the operation of wastewater treatment plants from CSU Sacramento.

**View or Pay
your Bill**

ELECTRONIC WATER ACCOUNT ACCESS

You can make payments and view your water/sewer account online at the following website <https://cityofaurora.merchantransact.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.

North Marion Community Library

21553 Liberty St. NE., Aurora, OR 97002

Library Hours: Tuesday, Thursday &
Saturday : 1 – 4 pm



Colony Museum Hours

Tuesday—Saturday 11:00 am—4:00 pm

Sunday: Noon—4 pm

The Museum is closed for the month of January and all major holidays.



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

City Council Contact/Information

Mayor Kris Sallee – mayor@ci.aurora.or.us

Councilor Weidman—tweidman@ci.aurora.or.us

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

Councilor Heitmanek—theitmanek@ci.aurora.or.us

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