



# The Aurora Colony Times

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**ALL WELCOME  
City Meetings for  
Nov. / Dec.**

Meetings in the City  
Council Chambers at  
7:00pm

**Planning Commission**  
Nov. 7  
Dec. 5

**City Council**  
Nov. 14  
Dec. 12

**Historic Review Board**  
Nov. 28  
Dec. 26

Please confirm dates  
and times with City Hall  
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## Mayors Corner



Welcome to fall in all its glory. It's time to enjoy the fruits from the growing season. Apple and pumpkin picking time is here. Fall and Halloween decorations are being created throughout the town. What's your favorite?

Mark your calendars for the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Aurora Halloween Faire & Book treats on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 2-5 at the American Legion Hall. Costume contest, games & treats for the kiddies!

Stop by the Fire Station on Halloween from 5-8:30 to check out the engines and get your trick or treat on! All ghouls and goblins welcome!

It's beginning to look a lot like....Thanksgiving! And you know what that means...the third annual Aurora Christmas Tree Lighting and Caroling on Friday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Santa! Caroling! Cocoa! Treats! Giving Tree! Support the children in our community to make Christmas special for all. See you there in the park!

Take time to enjoy the holiday season with family and friends, near and far. Thank you for making Aurora a very special place to live.

Brian Asher  
Mayor



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

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

## A Festive \$25 Aurora Bucks Reward is Awaiting You!

This holiday season, the City of Aurora presents a golden opportunity: take our 2-minute communications survey and earn a \$25 Aurora Bucks voucher! By sharing your thoughts through this survey, you'll play an important role in shaping how we connect with you. As a token of our appreciation, we'll send you a \$25 Aurora Bucks voucher to brighten your holiday shopping.

Not only is this a fantastic way to boost your festive budget, but it's also an excellent opportunity to support your local businesses. Your Aurora Bucks voucher will be delivered after the survey period closes in mid-November, arriving in time for holiday shopping at local participating merchants.



[www.bit.ly/AuroraBucks](http://www.bit.ly/AuroraBucks)

All community members are encouraged to complete the communications survey, and the Aurora Bucks promotion is limited to Aurora residents who currently receive utility service from the City of Aurora, with a limit of one voucher per address. The survey is available until November 15, so scan the QR code or visit [www.bit.ly/AuroraBucks](http://www.bit.ly/AuroraBucks) to get started today. Aurora thrives when every voice is heard; thank you for sharing yours!



# MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

JOE KAST, SHERIFF

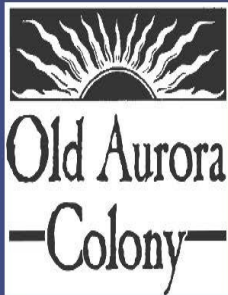
The Sheriff's Office would like to thank White Rabbit Bakery (21368 Hwy 99E) who hosted national Coffee with a Cop (Deputy) day on October 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a national event and this year it was held in the three contract cities, Aurora, Sublimity and Jefferson. It was a pleasure to see our community members, answer their questions and hear their concerns.

By now, I'm sure you have seen the Sheriff's Office radar reader parked around the city. This radar trailer is used to remind drivers of the speed zone and the speed they are traveling. The unit only records the time of day and speeds. It does not provide us with any vehicle or driver information. Please let me know if you have any questions.

And one last reminder, Halloween is just around the corner. Please be on the lookout for little ghouls and goblins in our neighborhoods. They will be looking for treats and may not be paying attention to vehicle traffic. The monsters may be hard to spot especially since daylight is getting in short supply.

I hope everyone gets their fill of candy and enjoys the break from the heat.

Pete Walker, Senior Deputy  
Marion County Sheriff's Office  
City of Aurora contract | Enforcement Division



Visit the museum store for one-of-a kind gifts,  
local products and more!

## Aurora's Flower Garden - Extended Show

Now - January 27th

Thu.-Sat., 11am-4pm

[AuroraColony.org](http://AuroraColony.org)



## North Marion Giving Tree

We are partnering with North Marion Schools to bring gifts to our community children. Tags will be available the week before Thanksgiving at Aurora City Hall, 21420 Main St. NE and on November 24th at Aurora City Park on the town Christmas Tree.

Helping couldn't be easier! Pick up a tag with a gift suggestion, purchase gift, and return **unwrapped** to City Hall by December 7th. North Marion School District will distribute gifts to children needing a little extra love. This has become a beautiful partnership with our local school, and a way that Aurora can make an impact in our neighborhood children's lives.

Let's come together as a community and make this holiday season a special one for every child in our city. Your generosity and support can truly make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate.

Together, we can ensure that every child in our city experiences the joy and warmth of Christmas.

If you wish to volunteer, or have any questions, please contact Tara Weidman at [taraweidman@gmail.com](mailto:taraweidman@gmail.com).

### North Marion Community Library News

**YOUR FREE LOCAL LIBRARY:** The North Marion Community Library (NMCL)—open to all who live or work in North Marion County—is located at 21553 Liberty St. NE in Aurora. Library hours are Saturdays, 10–4. Get a library card, browse the collection, check out and return books, or if you can spare three hours some Saturday to help keep the library open, contact Josie Hyde, (541) 749-8088.

**JOIN THE HALLOWEEN FUN on Sunday, October 29, 2–5 p.m. at the Fourth Annual Aurora Halloween Faire and Book Treats**, with costume contest, games, and free book/puzzle “treats” (no tricks) for all children in costume. Presented by the NMCL, the Aurora American Legion Post 110, and the Aurora American Legion Auxiliary Post 110, 21510 Main St. NE, Aurora.

**ORDER YOUR HOLIDAY GREENS:** It’s time to order wreaths, centerpieces, and so much more that can be shipped as gifts (**deadline: November 15**) or picked up in Aurora in late November/early December (**deadline: November 21**). Place your order at the library (Saturdays, 10–4) or by calling Nancy Trivitt, (503) 577-1856.

**BABY/TODDLER/PRESCHOOL STORY TIMES WITH JESSY:** Bring your youngsters to the library for three 30-minute interactive story times at **11 a.m. on October 21, November 18, and December 16 (all Saturdays)**. Jessy uses stories, rhymes, and play to help build skills for reading readiness. And did we mention it’s fun?



## JOIN US FOR THE 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AURORA HALLOWEEN FAIRE & BOOKS TREATS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 - 2 TO 5**

Costume Contest, Games & Free book & puzzle “treats” (no tricks) for all children in costume.



Presented by the North Marion Community Library, Aurora



American Legion Post 110 & Aurora American Legion Auxiliary Post 110



At Aurora American Legion Hall  
21510 Main St NE, Aurora



THIRD ANNUAL AURORA

## CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING AND CAROLING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24 @6 PM  
AURORA CITY PARK

**Santa! Caroling! Cocoa! Treats!**  
And the LIGHTING OF THE AURORA CHRISTMAS TREE!

### Aurora's Third Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Friday, November 24th

Aurora City Park

Gather at 6 for Santa, treats, and caroling

The lighting of the tree is at 6:30 pm

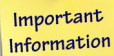
Come ring in the Season with your community at our Christmas Tree Lighting! Santa will be there for the young and young-at-heart to share your Christmas wishes.

Once again, the City of Aurora has partnered with the North Marion Giving Tree. Tags will be available on the city tree and at City Hall with gift ideas.

### Upcoming City Hall Closures

Wednesday & Thursday, November 22 & 23, 2023  
- Thanksgiving

Monday, December 25, 2023—Christmas



Important  
Information

## Update Your Contact Info

If you've had a change of contact information (email address, landline, or cell phone number) please provide City Hall with current contact information. It is important for the City to have good contact information to be able to reach residents in the event of an emergency. Thank you !

## 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 503-409-1434 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.

**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.**



Working together to build a library for the communities of Aurora, Donald, Hubbard, Butteville and Broadacres

21553 Liberty St. NE, Aurora, OR 97002

Open Saturdays 10am - 4pm

[nmarionlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:nmarionlibrary@gmail.com)

[www.northmarioncommunitylibraryassociation.com](http://www.northmarioncommunitylibraryassociation.com)



## **Colony Museum Hours**

Thursday—Saturday  
11:00 am—4:00 pm

The Museum is closed  
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**

**Stuart A. Rodgers, City Recorder**  
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**Mary Lambert, Finance/Court Clerk**  
[finance@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:finance@ci.aurora.or.us)

**Tammy J. Grimes, Administrative Specialist**  
[assistant@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:assistant@ci.aurora.or.us)

**Mark Gunter, Public Works Superintendent**  
[pws@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:pws@ci.aurora.or.us)

## City Council Contact/Information

Mayor Brian Asher – [mayor@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:mayor@ci.aurora.or.us)

Councilor Berard – [jberard@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:jberard@ci.aurora.or.us)

Councilor Feely – [mfeely@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:mfeely@ci.aurora.or.us)

Councilor Veliz – [wveliz@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:wveliz@ci.aurora.or.us)

Councilor Roper – [croper@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:croper@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**  
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## Aurora/Marion County Police Department

Anonymous Tip Line: 503-540-8079

Non Emergency: 503-588-5032

Emergency: Dial 911