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The Aurora Colony Times

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ALL WELCOME City Meetings Jan/Feb 2012

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

- Planning Commission Jan 3rd & Feb 7th
- City Council
 Jan 10th & Feb 14th
- Park Committee
 Jan 17th & Feb 21st
- Traffic/Safety Comm.
 Jan 25th & Feb 22nd
- Historic Review Board Jan 26th & Feb 23rd

Please confirm dates and times with City Hall

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Aurora City Council

There have been several changes to the members of the Aurora City Council. Your current City Council Members are:

Greg Taylor	Mayor
Terri Roberts	Councilor
Jason Sahlin	Councilor
Rick Vlcek	Councilor
Bill Graupp	Councilor

City Council Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

All are welcome to attend.

City Hall Holiday Closures

Aurora City Hall will be closed on the following dates:

January 2nd for the New Year Holiday

January 16th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 20th for President's Day

Water Bills are due by the 25th of the Month

Late fees will be assessed after the 25th as follows:

Courtesy Notice: \$15.00

Door Hanger: \$25.00

Disconnect: \$50.00

Re-Connect: \$50.00

Planning Commission Openings

The Aurora Planning Commission is looking for two candidates who would be interested in serving on the Aurora Planning Commission. Applicants must submit a resume and a letter of interest to the City Recorder. This position will remain open until filled.

The requirements for the Planning Commission position are as follows:

- 1. The candidate shall be eligible for an elective office of the City unless at the time of his appointment he is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State Constitution.
- 2. The candidate must live within the City Limits.

For more information, visit the City of Aurora Website at: www.ci.aurora.or.us

2012 City of Aurora Business Licenses

Renewal notices for business licenses will be mailed out in January.

All businesses operating within the city limits of Aurora must possess a city business license, even if the business office is located outside the city limits, and business is only conducted occasionally in Aurora.

A new business license is \$100.00, and the annual renewal fee for existing business license holders is \$50.00.

The 2011 Business Licenses expire on January 31, 2012. Accounts not paid by March 1st, 2012 will be charged \$15.00 monthly in delinquency fees until paid in full.

When paying for business license renewals, please write a separate check from your water payment.

If you have any questions, please call 503-678-1283.

Thank you!

From The Aurora Police Department

As you may have heard, I am retiring on January 6, 2012. After nearly 32 years in Police work, my wife and I decided that this is a good time to enjoy our family and slow down the pace. While I was here only a short time, my experience in the City of Aurora was better than anyone could ask for. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the staff, citizens, Council and businesses of this great community. My hope is that we were able to mutually make this City a better place to live and work. Retired Sheriff Pat Detloff will be filling in until a new Chief is hired. I sincerely wish the very best to the city and citizens. It has been my pleasure to serve you.

Brent Earhart

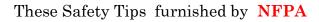
A Message from ARFD

Electrical Safety in the Home

Is your home safe?

Please take the time to inspect your home for potential electrical hazards.

- Replace or repair loose/frayed cords on all electrical devices.
- Avoid running extension cords under carpets and across doorways.
- In homes with small children, unused wall sockets and extension-cord receptacles should have plastic safety covers.
- Consider having additional circuits or outlets added by a qualified electrician so you do not have to use extension cords.
- Avoid overloading outlets. If outlets or switches feel warm, shut off the circuit and have them checked by an electrician.
- Place lamps on level surfaces, away from things that can burn and use bulbs that match the lamp's recommended wattage.



Thanks, Dave Fincher ARFD



Aurora Colony Upcoming Events

We look forward to seeing you at our Exhibits and Events in 2012

January - Museum Closed, Reopens on February 1st

2012 Schedule of Events

Mar. 10-11 - Antique Spinning Wheel Showcase

May 12 - 3rd Annual "Remembering Emma" with Jane Kirkpatrick

June 24 - 42nd Annual Strawberry Social

July 21-22 – Handspinner's Guild Spin & Dye Demonstrations

Aug. 11 - Aurora Colony Day

Oct 12-21 - 40th Annual Quilt Show "Seeing Red"

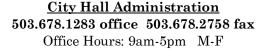
2012 Schedule of Exhibits

Feb 1 - June 2 "Many Lives - Many Ties" The Ehlen Family June 24 - Oct. 7 "Colony and Community" The Other Aurora Families



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