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ALL WELCOME City Meetings Nov/Dec 2012

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

- **Planning Commission**
Nov 6th & Dec 4th
- **City Council**
Nov 13th & Dec 11th
- **Park Committee**
Nov 20th & Dec 18th
- **Traffic/Safety Comm.**
Nov 28th & Dec 26th
- **Historic Review Board**
Nov 29th & Dec 13th

**Please confirm dates and
times with City Hall**

Water Updates

For budgeting purposes if it is easier to pay your water bill monthly instead of bi-monthly, we here at City Hall encourage it. For example, if your bill averages about \$200.00 bi-monthly, split that in half (\$100) and pay that amount monthly. Please keep in mind that more water is used during the summer months (July/August) and less water is used during the winter months (December/January) and you may need to pay more or less monthly to accommodate that.

Any time that you pay your water bill ahead of time, it will show up as a credit on your next bill.

If you have any questions or need help figuring out your average water payment please feel free to call City Hall Water Dept at 503.678.1283.

**The enclosed Utility bill is due on or before November 10th
Late fees shall be assessed after the 10th as follows:**

- **Courtesy Notice—\$15.00**
- **Door Hanger/Shut off—\$45.00**

A Friendly Reminder from Public Works

Please keep water meters clear of plants and don't park cars on or over meters.

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City Hall Holiday Closures

November 22nd & 23rd for Thanksgiving

December 24th—open half day due to holidays

December 25th for Christmas

January 1st for the New Year



Newly Appointed Councilor

Scott Brotherton was appointed as Councilor at the September 11th City Council Meeting. Welcome Scott! We look forward working with you!

City of Aurora Website

The City of Aurora website is in the process of being updated. Please be patient as we work on adding more content.

Check it out at: www.ci.aurora.or.us

City of Aurora Candidates for Mayor & City Council 2013

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| Greg Taylor | Mayor | | (current Mayor) |
| Scott Brotherton | Councilor | Seat 3 | (current Councilor) |
| Rick Vlcek | Councilor | Seat 4 | (current Councilor) |

Aurora City Hall is NOT a Ballot Drop Off Site

To find your nearest ballot drop site location please visit this website:
<http://www.co.marion.or.us/CO/elections/dropsitesfull.htm> or call (503) 588-5041 for more information.

Thank you for voting!

Message from Aurora Fire Department

Winter's fast approaching along with the Holiday season. Here are some useful home safety tips to help prevent accidents and keep your home and families safe.

Holiday decorations -- If you're planning on having a live Christmas tree be sure you water it daily, and place in a stand that's designed not to tip over. If you're using an artificial tree be sure it is labeled as fire-retardant. **Holiday lighting** -- Always use lights listed by a testing laboratory. Follow the manufacture instructions on how to use the lights. Never use lit candles to decorate a tree. Also, maintain at least three feet clearance from heat sources, such as fireplaces and radiators.

Smoke Alarms -- When properly installed and working "SMOKE ALARMS" are the single most important means of preventing house and apartment fire fatalities by providing an early warning signal. Please test your smoke alarms monthly. Your home should have a working smoke alarm on every level including the basement. These safety tips and information provided by the **National Fire Protection Association**.

Thanks, Dave Fincher ARFD



Aurora Celebrates the Holidays!

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No need to travel to the big cities with these popular events in your own backyard.

November 10

Santa's Christmas Bazaar, American Legion Hall 9-4

Sponsored by Aurora American Legion Auxiliary

November 23-25

Open House Weekend at Aurora's Shops

Décor, gifts, refreshments 10-5

December 1

"An Aurora Colony Christmas"

Old Aurora Colony Museum, 12-4pm

Costumed reenactments and Colony Christmas decor plus home and church tour

Wine and Chocolate Walk, 12-5pm

Sample artisan wines and local chocolates as you browse Aurora's antiques shops.

\$20/person includes wine glass and a whole afternoon's samplings & coupons.

Santa at the Octagon Building, 2-5pm

Bring your camera and the kids for a jolly time with St. Nic. Free.

For more information and details go to

www.auroracolony.com & www.auroracolony.org

Aurora Colony Upcoming Events

Events in December and November 2012

- **November 3** First Saturday in Aurora
- **November 10-11** Time After Time Holiday Open House, [Time After Time](#)
- **November 23-25** Open House Weekend, "*Aurora Celebrates the Holidays*"
- **December 1** First Saturday in Aurora
- **December 1** Wine & Chocolate Walk
- **December 1** Historic Home Tour & Tea, [Old Aurora Colony Museum](#)
- **December 1 & 2** Aurora Artists Art Show & Sale



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Aurora Scarecrow Contest — October through Mid November

Take a drive-by tour of residential sections and a walking tour of businesses to view our creative and charming scarecrows. Follow signs and tour map (available beginning October 17) in Aurora's shops and eateries.



Winners of the Scarecrow Contest:

Commercial – 1st Place – Main Street Mercantile, **2nd Place** – Time After Time, **3rd Place** – Timeless Antiques.

Residential – 1st Place – Imholt Family, 21300 Main St, **2nd Place** – Kirwan family, 14853 Ottaway Rd, **3rd Place** – Robinson family, 14680 Orchard St, Honorable mentions: Potter-Goff- 21244 Liberty St, Brian Asher-21514 Liberty St, Kirk-Heer – 21370 Main St, Arreola family, 14942 Bobs Avenue.

Thank you to everybody that participated!

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