



Established in 1856

"National Historic

District"

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The Aurora Colony Times

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ALL WELCOME City Meetings July/August 2011

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

- **Planning Commission**
July 5th & Aug 2nd
- **City Council**
July 12th & Aug 9th
- **Park Committee**
July 19th & Aug 16th
- **Traffic/Safety Comm.**
July 27th & Aug 24th
- **Historic Review Board**
July 28th & Aug 25th

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

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Aurora Colony Days—Schedule of Events:

Friday, August 12th

6 - 8 pm Artist's Reception – American Legion Hall

Saturday, August 13th

7 - 11 am - Pancake Breakfast

8 am - 4 pm - Outdoor Antiques Faire – Downtown

10 am - 5 pm - Art Show & Sale – American Legion Hall

11 am - Annual Aurora Colony Days Parade
(Main St. & Liberty St.)

11 am - 4 pm Living History Demonstrations - Old Aurora Colony
Museum (Free Admission)

5 - 9 pm Celebration in the Park – Aurora City Park

Sunday, August 14th

11 am - 5 pm - Art Show & Sale - American Legion Hall

Help Needed for Colony Days Parade!

The Aurora Colony Days Parade Coordinator is in need of volunteers the morning of the parade to help stage the entrants. If you are able to help, please email: auroraparade@wavecable.com.

Type "Parade Day Volunteer" on the subject line. Include name and contact information. No email? please leave a message at city hall 503.678.1283. Thanks for your support.

The current parade coordinator will be stepping down after the 2011 parade. We would like to identify the 2012 coordinator very soon so they can help with the current year, for a seamless transition. Please email: auroraparade@wavecable.com. Type "Would love to take over" on the subject line. Include name, contact information and any questions you may have.

The Aurora city streets will be cleaned by the street sweeper on August 9th or 10th. If at all possible, please have your vehicles parked off city streets by 6am on these days. Thank you!

Water Bills are due by the 25th of the Month

Aurora Concerts in the Park

Presented by:

The City of Aurora, Corban Auto Repair, The Kennedy Team of Re/Max equity group

Aurora City Park Amphitheater

7pm Wednesdays in July & August

Food, Beer and Wine available from Pheasant Run Winery

July 13th - Kerosene Dream

July 20th - William Jenks, with opening band Ignition (NMHS band)

July 27th - Ty Philliapay

Aug. 3rd - Michele VanKleef

Saturday, Aug. 13th - Wheels in the Sky

Big Night Out (July 10th @ 5:30 PM)

“Big Night Out” twelve piece high energy pop hits from 60’s, 70’s & 80’s performing at Aurora City Park in the Amphitheater. Everyone is invited...mark your calendar!

Sponsored by Susannah England.

Community Vacation Bible School

Shake It Up this summer as we cook and learn Bible stories at Community Vacation Bible School. All children are invited to experience *Shake It Up* the week of August 15-19 from 9am until noon at Christ Lutheran Church, 15029 2nd Street in Aurora.

Register online now or in person on August 15th from 8:30-9 am.

For more information call Aurora Presbyterian (503) 678-5701.

Online registration is linked at www.clcaurora.org.

Art Opens Doors!

You will start to notice some pretty fancy “doors” being displayed outside Aurora’s businesses this summer. A charitable fundraiser, Aurora businesses and artists have teamed up to paint old doors that will be sold and auctioned at the end of the summer. Pick up a walking tour brochure at businesses or City Hall to see over 14 doors this summer and vote for your favorite. Doors can be hung like wall art or may even grace a door jamb! If you find a door that really “speaks to you” it may be purchased in advance of the auctions.

Historic Inventory Survey this Summer

Beginning in July, the State Historic Preservation Office will assist the Historic Review Board in updating the city’s Historic Inventory. You may notice these workers as they do street side “surveys” to update descriptions of in filled lots, identify architectural styles and note buildings which may no longer be standing since the original survey over 30 years ago.

The survey update will be at no cost to the city or its property owners.

The inventory provides historical information on each property in the historic district. For information on your own property, you may obtain a copy of your page from City Hall. The introduction to the Historic Inventory also offers a good history of the old Aurora Colony on which this National Historic District was based; ask for a copy of that, too.

From the Aurora Police Department:

The Police Department would like to remind everyone that with the warm weather comes more outside activities. Please pay close attention for children playing and riding their bikes. This is also a great time for parents to check their children's bike helmets to make sure they are free of cracks and still fit properly. The department would be happy to check your child's helmet if you would like, just call. Also as a reminder, all sports equipment, basketball hoops and other items must be removed from the sidewalk and street when not being used. Enjoy the summer and we will see you at the parade.

A Message from your Fire Department:

Home Address Signs—Can We Find You?

Every second counts when Firefighters, Police, and medical personnel are responding to an emergency 911 call. The Aurora Fire District is concerned about locating people during their time of need. Please take a moment to check your address sign for proper identification of your residence. This could be the difference in saving or losing lives and property.

The address sign should be clearly visible from the street. Numbers should be 3-4" in height. When placing numbers on your mailbox, please be sure that there are numbers on both sides. When placing numbers on your house, please be sure that they are a contrasting color from your house, and easily seen from the street. If you have questions or need additional information please call the Aurora Fire District 503-678-5966

Thanks, Dave Fincher

City of Aurora Website Updates

In an effort to provide information in an easily accessible manner to all residents of the City of Aurora, we are working to place maps, municipal code sections, newsletters, and forms on the City of Aurora website (<http://www.ci.aurora.or.us>) to make it more up to date and user friendly.

This effort will occur on an "as costs allow" basis. To date, the City has been able to place our Comprehensive Plan map and Zoning maps online. You can also find the Historic District Boundary marked on these maps. We are currently working on updating the Municipal Code online, including recently updated sections of the Aurora Development Code. We have recently added the HRB Design Guidelines for those properties in the Historic District.

If you have suggestions for other documents or informational tools that should be included on our website, please contact city hall with your questions or concerns.

Aurora Colony Upcoming Events:

Saturday, July 23rd, Spin and Dye Demonstrations

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Aurora Colony Handspinners Guild will be demonstrating in the museum courtyard a variety of fiber dyeing techniques.

Saturday, July 30th and August 6th, Living History Days

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Regular Museum Admission

Come and be a kid again. Living History hands-on experiences and demonstrations.

Chores, crafts, and games for children of all ages.

Saturday, August 13th, Colony Day

FREE Admission to the Old Aurora Colony Museum

Hands-on crafts and demonstrations

Benefit Yard Sale

October 14-23, 2011

"Bountiful Oregon" 39th Annual Quilt Show

10:00 am - 4:00 pm Daily

New, Vintage & Antique Quilts, Demonstrations, Featured Quilter, Country Store, Coffee Shop, Block Contest, Quilt Raffle



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City of Aurora Contact Information



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