A Monthly Newsletter for City of Auburn Citizens

Trash Amnesty Week May 21-25

In an effort to assist Auburn residents with their spring cleaning efforts, the City Council has unanimously approved the 3rd Annual Trash Amnesty Week for the week of May 21-25. During Trash Amnesty Week, the fees normally assessed for the collection of oversized yard debris and other bulky waste will be waived. Please pay close attention to the following guidelines when placing your items out for collection:

- Collection is scheduled to begin at 6:00 a.m. on your regularly-scheduled collection day. Please place debris out for collection prior to that time.
- No household garbage, hazardous waste, or other unacceptable waste should be left out for collection with your debris. Only yard waste, appliances, bulky items, and other such waste should be placed out for collection.
- Debris should be placed at least 3 feet behind the curb, roadway, or sidewalk AND in front of your residence. No debris should be placed in the roadway, on storm drains, near utility lines, on utility boxes such as water meters and phone boxes, or on vacant lots.
- Limbs and other debris should be no longer than 5 feet in length.
 To facilitate our wood debris and metal recycling efforts, we request that all wood debris (i.e. limba and grass alignings) be
- request that all wood debris (i.e. limbs and grass clippings) be placed in a separate pile from metal items.

Due to the large volume of debris expected during this week, there may be a delay in the collection schedule. Every reasonable effort will be made to maintain the established collection schedule. For more information, please contact the Environmental Services Department at 501-3080.



May 2007

Last year, Environmental Services crews picked up an average of 68 tons of trash each day during the 2nd Annual Trash Amnesty Week. During a typical collection week, crews average 40 tons of trash collections each day. Mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Trash Amnesty Week May 21-25.

9th Annual Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast

The City of Auburn and its Veterans Committee invite citizens to honor the United States Military at the Ninth Annual Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast on Monday, May 28 at 8:00 a.m. at The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center. Lieutenant General Kelly H. Burke, U.S. Air Force (Retired), will be the guest of honor and the recipient of the City of Auburn's 2007 Distinguished Veterans Award. General Burke is a 1952 graduate of Auburn University and a distinguished graduate of the Air Force ROTC program. He served as a pilot, aircraft commander, instructor pilot, operations officer, vice commander and commander of a wing, a general staff officer in the Strategic Air Command, and a staff officer at Headquarters U.S. Air Force before he retired in 1982.

Tickets for the breakfast are available at City Hall or you may purchase them from a Veterans Committee member for \$20 each. All proceeds will go to the Veterans Memorial Fund.



At 10:00 a.m., immediately following the breakfast, there will be a memorial wreath laying ceremony at the Veterans Monument, located at the northeast corner of Ross Street and Glenn Avenue. Ceremony attendees are encouraged to park at the Douglas J. Watson Municipal Complex and Felton Little Park. Parking for the disabled will be available on Ross Street, which will be closed during the ceremony.

Orders are now being accepted for bricks to be placed at the Veterans Memorial Monument. Bricks are \$100 each. All 2007 brick orders must be received by Friday, June 29. Copies of the order form are available at City Hall or on the City's web site at <u>www.auburnalabama.org</u>.

Please join us on Monday, May 28 as we honor the men and women who have courageously served our country. For more information on the Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast, the wreath laying ceremony, or the Veterans brick project, please contact the Economic Development Department at 501-7270.

Memorial Day Schedule

City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 28 in honor of Memorial Day. Public Safety services, including Police, Fire, and Communications, will be on their normal schedule. The collection of garbage, trash, and recycling for the week of May 28-June 1 will change as follows:

Normal CollectionDay	Holiday Pick-Schedule
Monday	Tuesday, May 29
Tuesday	Wednesday, May 30
Wednesday	Thursday, May 31
Thursday	Friday, June 1

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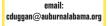
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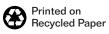


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May Sundown Concert Series at Kiesel Park

Enjoy the May Sundown Concert Series at Kiesel Park, presented by Parks and Recreation, each Thursday night in May from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the Kiesel Park Pavilion. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, chairs, and a picnic dinner. Dogs are welcome. Don't miss the following outstanding performances during the May Concert Series:



Martha's Trouble

Will Dooley

May 17 Wynn Christian and Tony Brook May 24 Blue 32

Caterpillars of the Community

For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/parks or contact Parks and Recreation at 501-2930.

Special Olympics Torch Relay Begins in Auburn on Friday, May 11

The 2007 Special Olympics Torch Relay will begin with a ceremony on the front steps of City Hall on Friday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Bill Ham, Jr. will preside over the ceremony. Athletes competing in this year's **Special Olympics**



Alabama Special Olympics Games at Troy University,

as well as Public Safety officials from across the State, will depart from City Hall immediately following the ceremony, turn south onto College Street, and proceed through downtown to the shopping center at Parkerson Mill on South College Street. From there, officials will caravan to the State Capitol and then on to Troy to bring the torch into the opening ceremonies at Troy University's football stadium. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the ceremony at City Hall or line the torch route along South College Street to cheer on the torch relay participants.

The 2007 Special Olympics Summer Games will be held Friday, May 11-Sunday, May 13 on the Troy University Campus. More than 1500 athletes from counties across the State will participate in competitions throughout the weekend. Volunteers are needed to assist at the athletic venues and to encourage the athletes in competition. For more information, please contact Alison Hall, Community Programs Director, at 501-2940.

Board Vacancies

One vacancy on the Board of Education was

announced at the April 3 City Council meeting and will be filled at the May 1 meeting. The incumbent has served one term and is eligible for reappointment.



- One vacancy on the Indian Pines Recreation Authority will be announced at the May 1 City Council meeting and will be filled at the June 5 meeting. The incumbent has served two terms and is not eligible for reappointment.
- Two vacancies on the Auburn Downtown Redevelopment Authority will be announced at the June 5 City Council meeting and will be filled at the July 10 meeting. Both incumbents have served two terms each and are not eligible for reappointment.
- Two vacancies on the Greenspace Advisory Board will be announced at the June 19 City Council meeting and will be filled at the July 24 meeting. One incumbent has served two terms and is not eligible for reappointment and one incumbent has served one partial term and one full term and is eligible for reappointment.

Citizens interested in serving are encouraged to contact a City Council member or notify the City Manager's Office.

Register for the Summer Reading Program

Register for the summer reading program at the Auburn Public Library beginning Friday, May 25. Summer programs will begin on Monday, June 4. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196 or visit www.auburnalabama.org/library.



Meeting Schedule

City Council May 1, 7:00 p.m., Council Chamber

Board of Zoning Adjustment

May 2, 4:30 p.m., Council Chamber

Tree Commission

May 4, 11:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Conference Room, 714 East Glenn Avenue

Water Works Board

May 7, 4:00 p.m., Water Resource Management Conference Room, 1501 West Samford Avenue

Cemeteries Advisory Board

May 7, 4:00 p.m., Dean Road Recreation Center

Greenspace Advisory Board

May 8, 11:00 a.m., City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 **Tichenor Avenue**

Historic Preservation Commission May 8, 4:00 p.m., Development Services Building

Greenspace Advisory Board May 8, 5:00 p.m., City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 Tichenor Avenue

Board of Education May 8, 6:00 p.m., AHS Multi-Media Room

Planning Commission May 10, 5:00 p.m., Council Chamber

City Council May 15, 7:00 p.m., Council Chamber

Library Board May 24, 1:15 p.m., Library Board Room

Bicycle Committee May 29, 7:00 p.m., Development Services Building

Tree Commission June 1, 11:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Conference Room, 714 East Glenn Avenue

Cemeteries Advisory Board June 4, 4:00 p.m., Dean Road Recreation Center

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board June 5, 5:30 p.m., Dean Road Recreation Center

City Council June 5, 7:00 p.m., Council Chamber

Board of Zoning Adjustment June 6, 4:30 p.m., Council Chamber

Meeting times and places are subject to change-

What You Can Do to Help Keep Auburn Beautiful

The City of Auburn employs a number of measures in its ongoing efforts to Keep Auburn Beautiful. As an affiliate of the Keep America Beautiful campaign, the City's Keep Auburn Beautiful Committee includes members from various City departments and community groups. Committee members work to evaluate current City policies on public property maintenance, in addition to educating the public on issues such as littering, recycling, and illegal dumping. The City also utilizes a street sweeping schedule and Right of Way Maintenance crews to routinely patrol and maintain City property. Included below are a number of ways Auburn residents can help Keep Auburn Beautiful. For more information on these items or Keep Auburn Beautiful initiatives, please visit www.auburnalabama.org.



Littering

Litter can be defined as anything deposited where it is not meant to be, whether it is intentional or unintentional. Primary sources of litter include:

- 1. Pedestrians or cyclists who do not use receptacles.
- 2. Motorists who do not use car ashtrays or litterbags.
- 3. Trucks with uncovered loads on local roads and highways.
- 4. Business dumpsters that are improperly covered.
- 5. Loading docks, commercial areas, etc. with inadequate waste receptacles.
- 6. Construction and demolition sites that are improperly maintained.
- 7. Household garbage scattered before collection.

Littering Fines

- (1) For a first violation: A fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00).
- (2) For a second violation: A fine of not less than three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00).
- (3) For a third or any subsequent violation: A fine of not less than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment of not more than ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the municipal judge trying the case.

Auburn residents can help to minimize litter by setting an example not to litter. The more people litter, the more it becomes a habit; however, if an area is kept clean, people are less likely to litter. By setting an example not to litter and utilizing waste receptacles, we can all do our part to help Keep Auburn Beautiful.

Sign Graffiti and Sign Theft

Each year, the City of Auburn spends more than \$2,000 repairing and replacing street signs resulting from graffiti and sign theft. The destruction and theft of street signs and traffic indicators such as STOP and YIELD signs are criminal acts. The Code of Alabama defines Criminal Mischief, 3rd degree, as the damaging or destruction of property that belongs to another, without legal authority to do so, for property whose value does not exceed \$500. This is a class B misdemeanor and is punishable by jail time up to six (6) months and a fine of no more than \$1000. Any person caught damaging City property, including street signs and traffic indicators, is subject to the terms of the Code of Alabama.



Section 20-31 of the City Code states that "It shall be unlawful for any person to dump, or cause to be dumped, any garbage upon any property other than a sanitary landfill

Illegal Dumping

Share Your Auburn Photography on the City of Auburn Web Site

The City of Auburn is looking for citizens with an eye for capturing what makes life in the Loveliest Village on the Plains special to so many. The new City of Auburn web site will incorporate Auburn photography throughout, and City staff would like your help in capturing Auburn's spirit in pictures.

From City of Auburn facilities, to the beauty of Auburn's natural surroundings, if you have photographs that represent Auburn that you would like to share, we want to see them. If your photographs get to the heart and soul of Auburn as a community, then they may be the pictures we need to represent the City of Auburn on the web.

Requirement/Guidelines:

- Pictures must be in JPG or PNG format. Submissions should be emailed to photos@auburnalabama.org.
- There is no deadline for submission.
- Submitted pictures may be used by the City of Auburn in any of the City's media or publications.
- The City of Auburn is not responsible for additional use or misuse of these photographs by those who capture them from the web site.
- Photographs will be resized and/or reframed as needed to fit available space.
- Not all photographs received by the City of Auburn will be used.
- Credit for all submissions used will be listed on a "photo credits" page.

For more information, please visit http://www.auburnalabama.org/photos, or contact us at webit@auburnalabama.org or 501-7200.

City of Auburn Committees Say Thank You Bike Bash 2007



The Auburn Bicycle Committee would like to thank the following sponsors for their generosity and the many volunteers for their dedication and hard work. Thanks for making Bike Bash 2007 such a huge success!

Presenting Sponsors: Ameriprise Financial - John Williford, Auburn Givitan Gub, The Bike Shop, Briggs and Stratton, Envision Salon,Golden's Bicycles, The Gourmet Tiger, Niffer's Place, Prestige Properties, and Travel Travel

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Patron Sponsors: Century 21 Paramount Real Estate - Carole Harrison, Christine's Gourmet Steak and Wine, For Paws Boutique, Magnolia Wood, Panera Bread, and Village Mart

Community Sponsors and Volunteers: Adventure Cycling, Auburn University Sustainability Initiative, The Barbacue House, Big Swamp Harley-Davidson, The Flower Store, and Moores Mill Fitness Club

Special thanks to members of the Auburn Civitan Club and the City of Auburn Bike Patrol for volunteering as intersection marshals. Thank you to the Auburn High School Key Club for providing free face painting and a very special thank you to In Cahoots, our featured band.

CityFest 2007

The Auburn CityFest Committee would like to thank all of the sponsors who supported CityFest 2007

Presenting Sponsor: Opelika-Auburn News

Official Sponsors: The Auburn Arts Association, AuburnBank, Alabama Power, Ariccia Italian Trattoria & Bar, Auburn-Opelika Tourism Bureau, Commerce Networks, Flip Flop Foto, McNutt & Company, McQuick Printing Company, the Rental Center, ShirtWorks, and WRBL News 3



Patron Sponsors: Airgas, Auburn Reprographics, Compass Bank, East Alabama Medical Center, Fun Carts of Opelika, and Wachovia

May is National Bike Month

This year will mark the 51st consecutive year the League of American Bicyclists has declared May as National Bike Month. In support of the League, the City of Auburn is promoting Bike-to-Work/Bike-to-School Week from Monday, May 7-Friday, May 11 and Bike-to-Work/Biketo-School Day on Friday, May 11. The 4th grade classroom with the most students to bicycle to school will win a pizza party, courtesy of the Auburn Bicycle Committee. Look for other exciting bicycling activities throughout the month, to include:

Presentation of the Friend of the Auburn Bicycle Committee Award to the Auburn Civitan Club Tuesday, May 1 • 7:00 p.m. • City Council Meeting

Bike-to-Work/Bike-to-School Week Monday, May 7-Friday, May 11

Bike Week Proclamation Signing Tuesday, May 8 • 10:00 a.m. • City Hall

Saturday, May 19 • 10:00 a.m. • Ivy Morris Bike Lane on Thach Avenue Join the City of Auburn and the Auburn Bicycle Committee for the dedication of the lvy Morris Bike Lane on Thach Avenue. Immediately following the dedication, citizens are encouraged to join members of the Bicycle Committee for a celebratory bicycle ride along the new path.

Auburn residents are encouraged to get out and enjoy the nearly 30 miles of existing bike lanes throughout the City in celebration of National Bike Month. Look for more information on the Grand Opening and Dedication of the Highway 14 Bike Path coming soon. For more information on Bike Month activities, please contact Alison Hall at 501-2940.



Mayor Bill Ham, Jr. will sign the Bike Month proclamation. Bike-to-Work/Bike-to-School Day Friday, May 11

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Open Line Feedback

Do you have any suggestions, feedback, or story ideas that you would like to share? If so, please contact us at openline@auburnalabama.org or call 501-7255.

/ Showing...Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center Exhibition — Mark your calendar for the following Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center Exhibition. The exhibit is free and open to the public Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Arts Center at 501-2963.

9th Annual Juried Art Exhibition, through May 31, annual juried show featuring works by regional artists.

Wednesdays in May... Preschool Story Time - Join the Auburn Public Library for Preschool Story Time on Wednesdays this month at 10:00 a.m. Please note that Preschool Story Time will not meet May 30. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.



.Toddler Time - Join the Auburn Public Library for Toddler Time on Thursdays this month at 10:00 a.m. Please note that Toddler Time will not meet May 31. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

May 2...Salmagundi © - Youth in grades K-5 are invited to Salmagundi © on May 2 at 3:30 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library. This month's theme is The Thrilling World of Horses. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

. Young Adult Coffeehouse – Students in grades 6-12 are invited to Young Adult Coffeehouse on May grangetedule 3 at 6:30 p.m. This month's theme is Asian Culture. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

May 7... Summer Quarter Brochure – Be sure to pick up your copy of the Parks and Recreation Summer Quarter Brochure beginning May 7 at various City facilities. The brochure will also be available online at www.auburnalabama.org/parks. This brochure is your guide to summer activities, pool schedules, and summer camps in the City of Auburn. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at 501-2930.

May 7... Summer Registration Begins – Registration for Parks and Recreation summer programs, including day camps, swimming lessons, and arts and crafts activities, begins May 7. For more information, contact the Dean Road Recreation Center at 501-2930. DATE!

Beginning May 8... Register for Auburn Thunder Soccer Tryouts – Register for the Auburn Thunder Soccer Team Tryouts beginning May 8-May 25 at the Auburn Soccer Complex. For more information, visit <u>www.auburnalabama.org/soccer</u> or contact the Dean Road Recreation Center at 501-2930.

May 9...Magic Tree House Club- Students in grades K-3 are invited to the Magic Tree House Club at the Auburn Public Library on May 9 at 3:30 p.m. This month's featured book is Dolphins at Daybreak. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

May 9-12... Auburn Area Community Theatre Young Actors Performance — The Auburn Area Community Theatre Young Actors will present Beauty and the Beast at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center May 9, 10, & 11 at 6:30 p.m. and May 12 at 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Tickets are S8 for adults and S6 for children. Reservations are recommended. For more information, contact the Auburn Arts Association at 887-2832.

May 11... American Girls Club - The American Girls Club, for youth in grades K-5, will meet on May 11 at 3:30 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library. This month's characters are Samantha and Nellie. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

Auburn Public Library Book Group - The Auburn Public Library Book Group will meet on May 15 at 6:30pm. In honor of Memorial Day, this month's topic is war stories. For more information, contact the Reference Desk at 501-3190.

May 16... Auburn Public Library Puppet Show - Join the Auburn Public Library for a puppet show entitled Mother's Day in Piney Woods on May 16 at 3:30 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library. Youth ages 3-10 are invited to attend. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

May 18...Register for Soccer Camp - Register for the Rising Tiger Soccer Camp and the ASA Jr. and Sr. Soccer Camps on May18 at the Auburn Soccer Complex. For more information, visit <u>www.auburnalabama.org/soccer</u> or contact the Dean Road Recreation Center at 501-2930.

Register by May 21...Kayaking on the Coosa River – Youth ages 12-15 years are invited to join Parks and Recreation for a day of kayaking on the Coosa River May 26 from 8:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m. Participants will meet at the Dean Road Recreation Center. The course includes 6 miles of flat water and Class I and II rapids. All paddlers must be able to swim and should wear appropriate dothing, sunscreen, and footwear. Top quality river equipment will be provided. The cost is \$25, payable in cash on the day of the trip. Participants must bring a light lunch in a soft-sided, waterproof container. Registration ends May 21. For more information or to register, contact Melissa Weldon at 501-2946.



Register by May 25...Beginning Dog Obedience Training – Beginning Dog Obedience Training will be held at the Kiesel Park Pavilion on Mondays from 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. beginning June 4 and continuing through July 23. Dogs must be at least 8 months old to participate. Participants must be registered by May 25. The cost is \$80, payable to the instructor. For months old to participate. Participants must be regist more information, contact John Passailaigue at 524-6302.

June 9...15th Annual Fishing Rodeo — Cast into summer with Parks and Recreation at the 15th Annual Fishing Rodeo, sponsored by Evans Realty, on June 9 from 8:00 a.m.-Noon at the Auburn Technology Park-South Lake. Bring your lucky fishing pole and we'll supply the bait. Prizes will be awarded for the Biggest and Smallest Fish caught and the first 200 children will receive a Zebco Rod and Reel, courtesy of Evans Realty. This event is open to youth ages 12 and under. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact Alison Hall at 501-2940.



Locations:

Auburn City Pools

Samford Pool - 328 Samford Avenue (behind Samford Middle School) Drake Pool - 653 Spencer Avenue (behind Drake Middle School) Fee: \$2.00 per person (Children 1 year & under are free) Season Passes: On sale at Dean Road Recreation Center \$50.00 Individual • \$100.00 Family (Parents & Children)

Summer Swim Schedule May 21- September 4

Swim times are subject to change after August 10.

Recreation Swim Monday-Friday 1:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Saturday & Sunday 1:15 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Monday & Wednesday* 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. *Samford Pool Only

Recreation Morning Swim* Monday-Friday • 9:00 a.m.-Noon May 21-June 1 June 18-July 6 July 23-August 10

Lap Swim (all ages)* 6:00 a.m.-7:15 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday (Closed Wednesday morning due to cleaning)

Adult Lap Swim (19 & older)* Noon-1:00 p.m. Monday-Sunday Monday-Friday 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. *Samford Pool Only

-This schedule is subject to change-