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A Monthly Newsletter for City of Auburn Citizens

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Auburn Public Safety Academy 2010

The next session of the *Auburn Public Safety Academy* begins on Thursday, April 1, 2010. This program is offered free to all citizens age 18 and older.

In nine courses over seven weeks, members of the Public Safety Department will train citizens on a variety of different topics including building code enforcement, fire prevention, emergency communications, CPR, firearms and crime prevention.

For information on how to apply, contact the Public Safety Department at 501-3110 or visit the City of Auburn's web page, www.auburnalabama.org.



Auburn CityFest 2010 Saturday, April 24

Spring is here and that means Auburn CityFest, presented by the *Opelika-Auburn News*, is just around the corner. Mark your calendar for this year's 10th annual Auburn CityFest to be held on Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Kiesel Park. CityFest is Auburn's largest, FREE, outdoor festival for families and people of all ages.



Thousands of people visit the festival each year to enjoy a day filled with music, art, food and fun.

Festival goers will have the opportunity to visit fine arts and arts & crafts exhibitors selling everything from paintings, pottery, sculpture and prints to jewelry, hand-woven baskets, children's clothing and much more. Be sure to visit the Non-Profit Showcase, the children's art exhibition and the Art-Fest tent. Don't miss special appearances by Aubie and Miss Auburn University throughout the day. Explore birds of prey at the South-



eastern Raptor Center tent, try your hand at fishing in our trout pond, or enjoy a ride on a Jubilee Farms pony.

Children will enjoy an adventure through the Children's Imagination Station, complete with inflatable games and performances by the Bama Air Dogs. Other children's activities include face painting, the Gamma Phi Beta carnival and a world of interactive storytelling with Sean Driscoll, the Storymaker.

Music lovers will enjoy performances by blues and folk musician John Peterson and Martha's Trouble, an acoustic duo from Opelika. The Undergrounders, a 7-piece horn band known for a mix of New Orleans brass, old time rock and roll, Motown soul, and funk, will headline this year's musical talent.



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Auburn CityFest 2010

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New to this year's festival are high-flying entertainers The Skyriders!, headed by three time National Trampoline Champion and Guinness World Record holder Ken Kovach. Also new to CityFest is Jason Ringenberg, better known as Farmer Jason, the 2009 Emmy Award Winner for Best Children's Program in the mid-south region.

The 6th Annual Juried Art Show will be held in conjunction with Auburn CityFest. Artwork will be on display at the historic Nunn-Winston House located on the park grounds. A preview reception honoring the artists will be held Wednesday, April 21 at Fountainview Mansion from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Interested in becoming a part of the excitement? Volunteer applications are available on the CityFest website at www.auburncityfest.com.

Bring your family and friends and join us for Auburn CityFest 2010 on Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. CityFest is a rain or shine event. For more information and a complete list of sponsors, please visit www.auburncityfest.com.

8th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Saturday, April 10



The City of Auburn Environmental Services Department will host the 8th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, April 10 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Environmental Services Complex, located at 365-A North Donahue Drive. This annual event offers citizens the opportunity to safely dispose of hazardous household chemicals. Computers and related equipment will also be accepted for recycling during the event.

Participation is limited to Auburn residential solid waste service customers only. Citizens may bring up to 20 pounds of materials per household for disposal. No farm, commercial, or industrial waste will be permitted. Participants are asked to bring a recent water bill to demonstrate proof of residency.

For a complete list of acceptable items, please visit us online at www.auburnalabama.org/es. For more information, please contact the City of Auburn Environmental Services Department at 501-3080.

Board Vacancies

- One vacancy on the **Library Board** will be filled at the April 6 City Council meeting.
- Two vacancies on the **Historic Preservation Commission** will be filled at the April 6 City Council meeting.
- One vacancy on the **Board of Education** will be filled at the May 4 City Council meeting.



Citizens interested in serving on a City Board or Commission are encouraged to contact their City Council member or notify the City Manager's Office at webocm@auburnalabama.org or call 501-7260.

Last Day to Pay on Time Dates for March Water Bill Cycles

Continuing our effort to help City of Auburn Water Works Board customers adjust to the multi-cycle billing schedule, the *last day to pay on time* dates for each residential billing cycle for the current billing period are listed below.

Cycle*	Last Day to Pay Bill Received in March
1	Thursday, March 18
2	Thursday, March 25
3	Thursday, April 1
4	Thursday, April 8

*The billing cycle number is located on your water bill

Payments may be made by cash, check, money order, automatic bank draft, credit, or debit card and are accepted at the following locations:

- **Online** at www.auburnalabama.org/wro
- **In-person** at the Bailey-Alexander Complex, 1501 West Samford Avenue
- **Payment drop boxes** located in front of Auburn City Hall on Tichenor Avenue and at the Bailey-Alexander Complex, 1501 West Samford Avenue

For more information, please visit www.auburnalabama.org/wro or contact the Water Works Board of the City of Auburn - Water Revenue Office at 501-3050 during regular business hours, Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MEETING SCHEDULE

APRIL

- 5 Cemeteries Advisory Board**, 4 p.m., Dean Road Recreation Center
- 6 Industrial Development Board**, 4 p.m., City Hall Conference Room
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board**, 5:15 p.m., Dean Road Recreation Center
- City Council**, 7 p.m., Council Chamber
- 7 Board of Zoning Adjustment**, 4:30 p.m., Council Chamber
- 8 Planning Commission**, 5 p.m., Council Chamber
- 9 Tree Commission**, 11:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Conference Room
- 13 Greenspace Advisory Board**, 11:30 a.m., City Meeting Room
- Historic Preservation Commission**, 4 p.m., Development Services Building
- Board of Education**, 6 p.m., AHS Multi-Media Room
- 20 City Council**, 7 p.m., Council Chamber
- 22 Water Works Board**, 4 p.m., Water Board Conference Room
- 27 Bicycle Committee**, 7 p.m., Development Services Building

Meeting times and places are subject to change.

For more information, including a map of City meeting locations, please visit www.auburnalabama.org/boards.

Job Vacancies

The City of Auburn has full-time and part-time positions in a wide range of areas. Some of the current temporary, part-time job openings include:

- **Assistant Pool Manager**
(\$8.10/hour)
- **Senior Lifeguard**
(\$7.55/hour)
- **Lifeguard**
(\$7.35/hour)



Applications are accepted **online only** at www.auburnalabama.org/jobs. Applicants in need of assistance completing the online application may visit the Alabama Career Center. Public Internet access is available at the Alabama Career Center and the Auburn Public Library, 749 East Thach Avenue.

For updated job opportunities, visit us online at www.auburnalabama.org/jobs, contact the Alabama Career Center, call the City's job line at 501-7250, or sign up for job vacancy email updates at www.auburnalabama.org/e-Notifier.

The City of Auburn is an equal opportunity employer.

2010 Teachers of the Year

At the February 16, 2010 City Council Meeting, the Auburn City Council passed a Resolution honoring the 2010 Auburn City Schools Teacher of the Year Nominees.

Special thanks to these teachers, and all of the faculty and staff of Auburn City Schools who give so unselfishly of themselves to make Auburn City Schools an award winning school system for which Auburn is truly proud.



2010 Auburn City Schools Teachers of the Year

FEMA Floodplain Maps and Flood Insurance Study

For information and updates on the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Floodplain Maps and Flood Insurance Study, visit www.auburnalabama.org/fema.

Questions? Visit us online at www.auburnalabama.org/fema or contact the City of Auburn Public Works Department at 501-3000 or webpw@auburnalabama.org.



29th Annual Easter Egg Hunt

SPONSORED BY WACHOVIA

**SATURDAY,
APRIL 3**

Join the City of Auburn Parks and Recreation Department for the 29th Annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Wachovia, on Saturday, April 3 at 11 a.m. at Kiesel Park. This FREE community event is one of the largest egg hunts in Lee County and features more than 25,000 eggs hidden over a four acre area. Children ages 12 and under are invited to attend. Enjoy live music, free soft drinks, balloons, and a chance to have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny! The Greater Kiwanis Club of Auburn will be selling hotdogs and hamburgers. Proceeds will benefit needy families throughout the community.

In the event of rain, the egg hunt will be held on Sunday, April 4 at 2 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/parks/events.asp or contact the Dean Road Recreation Center at 501-2930.

Construction Notice

Due to the Wire Road Bridge Replacement Project, citizens attending the Easter Egg Hunt may need to access Kiesel Park via alternate routes along AL Highway 14. Please allow adequate time to arrive at the event. For the latest construction updates, please visit our website at www.auburnalabama.org.

Honoring Those Who Served

Did you know there are more than 780 veterans honored in the City of Auburn's Veterans Memorial? The City's Information Technology Department - GIS Division, with the help of the City of Auburn's Fire Division and student volunteers from this year's Big Event, has photographed and cataloged each of the memorial bricks in the Veterans Memorial, located at 200 N Ross St. This archive is available on the City of Auburn's website at

www.auburnalabama.org/maps. The new website allows visitors from around the world to search the Veterans Memorial archive for loved ones by name, by war, by service branch, or by any other text inscribed on the bricks. Users can view these search results, including photographs of the actual bricks and the location of the bricks within the Memorial.

Citizens wishing to honor a member of the military may commission an engraved brick on the honoree's behalf. Orders are filled once a year and installed in time for the Annual Veterans Day Ceremony in November. To find out more visit the City of Auburn's website at: www.auburnalabama.org/veterans or call 501-7270.



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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.

up COMING EVENTS

Due to space considerations, we are unable to publicize any events that are not directly affiliated with a City department.

Now Showing...Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center Exhibitions - Mark your calendar for the following Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center Exhibitions. The exhibits are free and open to the public Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, contact the Arts Center at 501-2963.

- **Auburn Preservation League Photography Exhibition**, March 5 - 29. A juried exhibition of photographs of historic buildings and sites in Auburn. Open to all artists and photographers.
- **Student Art Exhibition**, March 29 - April 9. A display of works from Auburn City Schools, grades 1 - 12.
- **Spring Invitational Exhibition**, April 2 - 30. Landscapes and still life works by area artists.



Weekly in April...Auburn Public Library Story Times for Children - Join the Auburn Public Library as they host special story times for children ages 6 months - 5 years and their caregivers. All story times are held at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

- **Tuesdays** - Baby Time (ages 6 - 18 months)
- **Wednesdays** - Preschool Story Time (ages 3 - 5 years)
- **Thursdays** - Toddler Time (ages 18 months - 3 years)



April 1...Teen Café Game Day - Youth in grades 6 - 12 are invited to join the Auburn Public Library for Teen Café Game Day April 1 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

April 1 - May 27...S.T.A.R Puppy Program - Looking for a way to get your puppy off on the right paw? Join the Auburn Dog Club for the S.T.A.R Puppy Program at the Kiesel Park Pavilion on Thursdays from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. April 1 - May 27. Puppies must be current on vaccinations and between eight weeks and seven months in age. The cost is \$120. Registration will be held at the Dean Road Recreation Center Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. until March 26. For more information, contact Melissa Weldon at 501-2946.



April 1 - May 27...Rally Obedience Training - Join the Auburn Dog Club for Rally Obedience Training on Thursdays from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Kiesel Park Pavilion, April 1 - May 27. This program is for participants ages 16 and up and their dogs. The cost is \$120. Registration will be held at the Dean Road Recreation Center Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. until March 26. For more information, contact Melissa Weldon at 501-2946.

April 2...First Friday Night Tennis Mixer - Join the Auburn Community Tennis Association (ACTA) for the First Friday Night Tennis Mixer on April 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the City of Auburn/Auburn University Yarbrough Tennis Center. Citizens ages 19 and up are encouraged to play. All levels of play are welcome. No partner is necessary. The event will be held rain or shine. Yarbrough Tennis Center non-member court fees apply. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/tennis or contact the Yarbrough Tennis Center at 501-2920.



April 6...Auburn History Club for Teens - Youth in grades 8 - 12 are invited to join the Auburn History Club at the Auburn Public Library on April 6 at 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.



April 7...Magic Tree House Club - Youth in grades K - 5 are invited to join the Auburn Public Library for the Magic Tree House Club on April 7 at 3:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

April 10...Tiger Trekkers Hiking Club - Youth ages 16 and up are invited to grab their hiking books and join the City of Auburn Parks and Recreation Department for the Tiger Trekker Hiking Club trip on April 10. Join us for fresh air, great exercise, and an opportunity to enjoy the great outdoors at the Cherokee Ridge Alpine Trail. For more information, contact Melissa Weldon at 501-2946.

April 15...American Girls Club - Youth in grades K - 5 are invited to join the American Girls Club at the Auburn Public Library on April 15 at 3:30 p.m. This month's featured character is Kit. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.



April 20...Puppet Show - Youth ages 3 - 11 are invited to join the Auburn Public Library for a puppet show entitled *The Jumping Frog* on April 20 at 3:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

April 20... Auburn Public Library Book Group - The Auburn Public Library Book Group will meet on April 20 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library.

April 21...Auburn Public Library Program - Verna Gates will present the program, *World's Biggest Playground - Getting Outdoors with Your Children*, at the Auburn Public Library on April 21 at 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library.



April 24...Auburn Dog Club Volunteer Work Day - Hey dog lovers, join the Auburn Dog Club on April 24 from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. for a volunteer work day with the animals and staff of Rescue K911. For more information, or to sign up, contact Melissa Weldon at 501-2946.

April 27...Teen Café Books to Movies Club - Teens in grades 8 - 12 are invited to join the Auburn Public Library for the Teen Café Books to Movies Club on April 27 at 4 p.m. Join us for discussion on *The Prince and the Pauper*. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/library or contact Youth Services at 501-3196.



April 30...Auburn Community Orchestra Performance - The Auburn Community Orchestra will present a pops concert at the Telfair Peet Theatre on April 30 at 7:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.auburnalabama.org/arts or contact the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center at 501-2963.

May 1...Bike Bash 2010 - Join the City of Auburn and the Auburn Bicycle Committee for Bike Bash 2010 at Town Creek Park on May 1 from 7 - 11 a.m. Bike Bash is an event to encourage biking activities, bicycle safety, and emphasize local bike-friendly areas. Bicycle rides of varying distances will be offered. Registration is available online at www.auburnalabama.org/cycle. For more information, contact the Dean Road Recreation Center at 501-2930.

