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City of Auburn



Auburn CityFest 2003 on April 26

Auburn CityFest 2003, Auburn's largest outdoor festival, will be held at Kiesel Park on Saturday, April 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. This free community event presented by the City of Auburn with support from many leading businesses will give citizens the opportunity to enjoy a free, fun-filled day in the park with family and friends.

Auburn CityFest 2003 will offer a full day of live musical entertainment in the Charter Communications Entertainment Pavilion, a wonderful Children's Imagination Station also sponsored by Charter Communications, an Eats & Treats area sponsored by Bruno's, a Vendor and Non-Profit Showcase presented by AmSouth Bank, an Artist's Marketplace sponsored by Alabama Power, and a Children's Art Exhibition sponsored by AuburnBank. These areas have interactive activities and priceless memories and treasures for the whole family to enjoy.

The Charter Communications Children's Imagination Station will have many exciting activities for children of all ages. This area includes a giant slide, moonwalk, a sea of balls, plus many more inflatable games. The Storymaker, sponsored by Colonial Mall, will feature interactive stories for children. There will also be carnival games and many more enjoyable activities.



The Entertainment Pavilion has a full day planned with musical acts and other performers. The featured musical act is Robert Lee Smith & the Original Tams, one of America's all-time favorite groups known best for hits like "Be Young, Be Foolish, Be Happy" and "What Kind of Fool Do You Think I Am." The rest of the musical line-up includes the Parrot Tales, Koostico, Route 66, and Ben Bagley & Chris Posey. Ben Taylor from 97.7 Kicker FM will be back as master of ceremonies. Other performers throughout the day include the Village Squares, Make Your Move Dancers, Auburn Ballet Dancers, and the

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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Auburn's first Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be held April 12 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Environmental Services Building at 365-A North Donahue Drive and will kick off the City's Earth Week activities. This special event offers Auburn residents the opportunity to safely dispose of hazardous household chemical products. These materials pose a potential danger of personal exposure, fire, and contamination of the environment if disposed of improperly.

The City has contracted with Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc. to collect and properly dispose of these potentially dangerous materials. Clean Harbors is the largest provider of environmental services in the country and has a strong reputation as a national

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Auburn Unicycle Club.

The Artist Marketplace will feature fine, folk, hip, and funky art from artists around the Southeast. Around the corner, the Vendor and Non-profit showcase will have a variety of booths everyone will surely enjoy!

There will be many other exciting activities and events throughout the entire park. Be on the lookout for the Army National Guard Rock Climbing Wall, an Autograph session by Pat Dye, the Children's Art Exhibition featuring children's artwork from area schools, slot car racing, and much, much more!

So come on out to Kiesel Park on April 26, and enjoy a day of fun in the park!

For additional information about Auburn CityFest 2003, please contact Sandy Estes or Ali Lloyd-Wallace at 887-4930 or visit the Auburn CityFest web site at www.auburnalabama.org/cityfest.



Earth Week 2003

The City of Auburn will celebrate Earth Week April 12-19. The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on April 12 will kick off the week's festivities. Scheduled activities include a children's art display at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center, a creek clean-up, a composting workshop, and an environmental awareness day for local students at Kiesel Park. For more information about Earth Week activities, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 887-4930.

Waste Collection *(continued)*

leader in managing Household Hazardous Waste collection events.

All Auburn residential garbage customers are invited to participate in this free event at the Environmental Services Building at 365-A North Donahue Drive. Residents are asked to bring proof of Auburn residency, such as a recent water bill.

Accepted items include:

Drain cleaners	Old chemistry sets
Metal polish	Herbicides
Photo chemicals	Brake fluids
Rust preventatives	Pool chemicals
Wood strippers	Creosote
Paint thinner	Mothballs
Sealants	Ammonia
Engine & radiator flushes	Oven cleaners



Aerosol Cans
Arts & crafts supplies
Floor cleaners
Radiator cleaners
Oil based paint
Latex paint
Solvents
Antifreeze
Batteries



Transmission fluid
Pesticides
Insect sprays
Used engine oil
Rodent killers
Muriatic acid (HCl)
Bleach
Cesspool cleaners



The following items will **NOT** be accepted:

Large quantities of unknown materials
Radioactive waste
Explosives, fireworks, and ammunition
Unstable wastes
Pressurized fire extinguishers
Unknown gas cylinders
Infectious & Biological Waste
Prescription Medicines & Syringes

This event is open to homeowners but not farmers, businesses, or industry. To ensure everyone's ability to take advantage of this important opportunity, participants are asked to limit their disposal to 20 pounds per household, with individual containers limited to five gallons. Larger amounts and containers can be pre-approved. The City's computer recycling company, UNICOR, will also be available to receive items for computer recycling. For more information, contact the Environmental Services Department at 501-3080.

CleanHarbors
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.

Memorial Day Breakfast Tickets on Sale Now

The Fifth Annual Mayor's Memorial Day Breakfast will be held Monday, May 26 at 8:00 a.m. at the Auburn University Hotel and Dixon Conference Center. Lt. Gen. Hal Moore (ret.) will be the honored guest at this year's event and will be presented the City of Auburn's Distinguished Veterans Award. At 10:00 a.m., immediately following the breakfast, there will be a memorial wreath laying ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Monument at the northeast corner of Ross Street and Glenn Avenue.



The Veterans Committee members include Norm Caldwell, Gussie Calhoun, Jay Crowder, Pat Deery, Jim Foy, Andy Lamar, Hal Moore, and Doug Sams. The Chair of the Committee is Dick Phelan.

Tickets are now available for this event at City Hall or from a Committee member for \$20 each. Tables can be sponsored for \$200 per table (ten tickets). All proceeds will go to the Veterans Memorial Fund. For additional information, contact the Economic Development Department at 501-7270.

Arbor Day Tree Giveaway



In celebration of Alabama's Arbor Day, the Auburn Tree Commission sponsored a tree giveaway on February 22. Members of the Tree Commission gave away 1000 Dogwoods and 1000 Sawtooth Oak trees to Auburn citizens.

Reading Programs for Children



Preschool Storytime for children ages 3 – 5 is held every Tuesday from 1:30 – 2:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. at the Auburn Public Library. The themes for April are as follows: 4/1&2- Rain and Puddles, 4/8&9- Easter Eggs, 4/15&16- Barnyard Fowl, 4/22&23- Butterflies and Bees, 4/29&30- Flowers.



Toddler Time for children ages 18 months to 3 years old and their adult caregivers is held every Thursday morning from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. at the Auburn Public Library. April's themes are as follows: 4/3- Puddles, 4/10- Bunnies, 4/17- Ducks, 4/24- Butterflies and Bees.

MEETING SCHEDULE

City Council - April 1, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.

Tree Commission - April 2, 4:00 PM, City Hall Annex.

Board of Zoning Adjustment - April 2, 4:30 PM, Council Chamber.

Water Works Board - April 7, 4:00 PM, Water and Sewer Conference Room, 214 N. Donahue Drive.

Cemetery Advisory Board - April 7, 4:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

Park & Recreation Advisory Board - April 7, 6:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

Greenspace Advisory Board - April 8, 11:00 AM, City Hall Annex.

Historic Preservation Committee - April 8, 3:00 PM, Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center.

Board of Education - April 8, 6:00 PM, AHS Multi-Media Room.

Planning Commission - April 10, 5:00 PM, Council Chamber.

City Council - April 15, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.

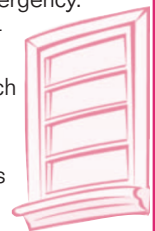
Bike Committee - April 22, 7:00 PM, Development Services Building, 171 N. Ross Street.

Cemetery Advisory Board - May 5, 4:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

Park & Recreation Advisory Board - May 5, 6:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

– Meeting times and places are subject to change –

Safety Tip: Inspect all bedroom windows to make sure they can be opened in case of an emergency. Window locks should unlock easily and windows should open without much effort. There should not be any burglar bars on bedroom windows unless they can be easily removed from the inside.



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up COMING EVENTS

The **5th Annual Juried Art Exhibition** will be held April 4 – May 10 in the gallery of the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. This competitive show is open to artists and craftspersons residing or employed in Lee County. Entry forms are available at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center or by calling the Auburn Arts Association at 887-2832.



Salmagundi, offered to children in grades K-5, will meet on April 9 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. in the Youth Services area at the Auburn Public Library. The theme will be "Silly Poems."

Young Adult Coffeehouse, for students in grades 6-12, will meet April 10 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library for its Annual Poetry Slam. Stupid Joke Night will be the theme of the May 1st meeting.



First Fridays for Homeschoolers will be held April 11 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Auburn Public Library. The theme will be "Poetry." "May Day" will be the theme of the May 2nd meeting. For more information, contact Eve Kneeland at 501-3196.



Soccer Mini Camps for ages 5-18 will be held on April 11 from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. at the Auburn Soccer Fields. A goal-keeper Mini Camp will be available for ages 8-18. Each camp is \$10 and participants may pre-register at the Dean Road Recreation Center. For more information, call Auburn Parks and Recreation at 887-4930.



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The **RPG Book Club** will meet April 15 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library to discuss David Brin's Uplift Saga. Contact Eve Kneeland at 501-3196 for more information.

The **Auburn Community Orchestra** will perform "They Got Rhythm," a concert featuring music by Piazzola, Haydn, and Beethoven on April 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Opelika Center for the Performing Arts. Contact Howard Goldstein at 844-3167 for more information.



The City of Auburn's **22nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Kiesel Park** will be held April 19 at 11:00 a.m. More than 15,000 eggs will be hidden over a four-acre area, and there will be musical entertainment, free sodas and balloons, and a chance to meet the Easter Bunny. Bring your baskets and participate in the largest FREE egg hunt in Lee County, sponsored by the City of Auburn and SouthTrust Bank. In case of rain, the hunt will be held April 20 at 2:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Auburn Parks and Recreation at 887-4930.



Auburn CityFest 2003, an all-day festival bringing music, arts & crafts, great food, and exciting children's activities to Kiesel Park, will be held April 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. For more information, visit the festival's website at www.auburnalabama.org/cityfest or contact Ali Lloyd-Wallace or Sandy Estes at 887-4930.



Change Your Clock – Change Your Battery

Daylight saving time begins April 6. Remember to "spring forward" one hour and change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

