

# Open Line

A Monthly Newsletter for City of Auburn Citizens

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## Veterans' Day Ceremony

The public is invited to attend the City of Auburn's Veterans' Day Ceremony on Tuesday, November 11 at 10:00 a.m. at the Veterans' Memorial located at the northeast corner of Ross Street and Glenn Avenue. Mayor Bill Ham, Jr. will be the moderator and the Auburn High School choral group will sing the National Anthem and other patriotic songs. The ceremony will conclude with a memorial wreath laying. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception will be held at Greystone located at 434 E. Magnolia Avenue. Attendees are encouraged to park at the Development Services Building and at Felton Little Park. Handicapped parking will be available on Ross Street, which will be closed during the ceremony. For additional information, contact the Economic Development Department at 501-7270.



In conjunction with the Veterans' Day events, the Auburn Veterans' Committee will be implementing several activities aimed at increasing awareness about veterans among Auburn's youth. One of these activities is the establishment of a "Speakers Bureau." The Committee has compiled a list of veterans from World War II, Vietnam, and the Gulf War in Iraq, who are willing to speak to student groups about their military experiences. To schedule a speaker, contact Major Doug Sams with the JROTC at Auburn High School at 887-2100. For additional information on any of these activities, contact Veterans Committee Chairman, Dick Phelan at 887-9901.

## Celebrate Auburn Recycles Day

The City of Auburn will celebrate Auburn Recycles Day on November 14. The theme for this year's Auburn Recycles Day is "Make Every Day Auburn Recycles Day." Activities include introduction of the winners of the RecycleAuburn Poster Contest from among entries submitted by junior high school students and the Auburn Recycles Day Celebration at the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center, located at 365-A N. Donahue Drive. Activities will begin at 1:00 p.m. The highlight of the celebration will be the introduction of ink jet and laser cartridges recycling.

There are more than 100 million printers installed in homes and businesses today — 70% of them are ink jets and a majority of the others are lasers. All laser cartridges and all ink jet cartridges, **except any cartridges made by or for "Epson" ink jet printers**, will be accepted at the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center only. A general rule is that "recyclable" cartridges usually have some type of copper strip or electronic circuitry visible on the cartridge. The City of Auburn will partner with "Kash for Kids" to offer recycling of these cartridges to Auburn residents. Designated bins will be located in the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center Information Center to deposit the ink jet and laser cartridges.

Auburn residents may participate in recycling by becoming involved in the curbside recycling program or by depositing material at the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center. In addition to accepting newspaper, steel cans, plastic, cardboard, and clear and brown glass at curbside, residents may also drop off green glass, magazines, mixed paper and rechargeable and non-rechargeable batteries (no car or boat batteries) at the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center.



# Holiday Schedules

During November, City Hall will be closed for Veterans' Day on November 11 and Thanksgiving on November 27 and 28. Public Safety services will be on normal schedule. Garbage, trash, and recycling services will be collected as follows:

Monday, November 10	-	Regular Schedule
<b>Tuesday, November 11</b>	-	<b>Veterans' Day Holiday (no pick up)</b>
Wednesday, November 12	-	Customers normally picked-up on Tuesday will be collected
Thursday, November 13	-	Customers normally picked-up on Wednesday will be collected
Friday, November 14	-	Customers normally picked-up on Thursday will be collected



Monday-Wednesday November 24-26	-	Regular Schedule
<b>Thursday, November 27</b>	-	<b>Thanksgiving Holiday (no pick-up)</b>
Friday, November 28	-	Customers normally picked-up on Thursday will be collected



## Winter Basketball Registration

Winter basketball is just around the corner! Anyone between the ages of 6 and 14 is invited to register for the Youth League during November 3-14. The High School League's registration will be held from November 12 until December 8. There is a \$15 registration fee for both groups. Adults can sign up between November 10 and December 16. The fee for adults is \$200 per team. All registration will be Monday through Friday at the Dean Road Recreation Center. Games will be played in December, January, and February.

## BOARD VACANCIES

Two vacancies on the **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board** were announced at the October 21 City Council meeting and will be filled at the November 18 City Council meeting. The incumbents are eligible for reappointment.



One vacancy on the **Water Works Board** will be announced at the November 18 City Council meeting and will be filled at the December 16 City Council meeting. The incumbent is eligible for reappointment.

Citizens interested in serving are encouraged to contact one of their City Council members or notify the City Manager's Office.

## Meeting Schedule

- Cemetery Advisory Board** - November 3, 4:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board** - November 4, 5:30 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.
- City Council** - November 4, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.
- Tree Commission** - November 5, 4:00 PM, City Hall Annex.
- Board of Zoning Adjustment** - November 5, 4:30 PM, Council Chamber.
- Water Works Board** - November 10, 4:00 PM, Water and Sewer Conference Room, 214 North Donahue Drive.
- Planning Commission** - November 13, 5:00 PM, Council Chamber.
- Greenspace Advisory Board** - November 18, 11:30 AM, City Hall Annex.
- City Council** - November 18, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.
- Bike Committee** - November 25, 7:00 PM, Development Services Building.
- Cemetery Advisory Board** - December 1, 4:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.
- Parks & Recreation Advisory Board** - December 2, 5:30 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.
- City Council** - December 2, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.
- Tree Commission** - December 3, 4:00 PM, City Hall Annex.
- Board of Zoning Adjustment** - December 3, 4:30 PM, Council Chamber.

*-Meeting times and places are subject to change-*

# Adventures in Art

On September 29- October 3, Auburn children participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual *Adventures in Art* program at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. This week-long event introduced third - fifth grade students en-



rolled in Auburn City Schools to various forms of arts and crafts. This year's theme was "The Poetry of Nature." The students rotated through various phases of the adventure including Art Bingo, a theatre workshop taught by Auburn University Theatre stu-



dents capped by a mini-performance by each child, an art project featuring the use of natural materials to create art, and a Gallery Talk in the Center's Art Gallery. As a part of their art adventure, each child created a natural mosaic from materials such as rocks, leaves, seeds, and pinecones.

The *Adventures in Art* program would not have been possible without the generous support from volunteers, contributors, and sponsors. Through the efforts of State Representative Mike Hubbard, the City of Auburn was able to receive a grant from the State of Alabama to help fund the program.



# Auburn Area Community Theatre

This past summer, theatre group Applebell Productions moved to the Birmingham area, ending a three-year run as the resident theatre group in the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. In response to that loss, a core group of actors, artists, and crew is organizing the Auburn Area Community Theatre (AACT) to continue to provide quality, entertaining, and thought-provoking theatre to the local area. This non-profit group will be gathering local support in the coming months to stage its first production in February 2004.

AACT will also continue producing the fine children's theatre Applebell Productions began this past season, with the hit

"Charlotte's Web." The AACT is currently in the process of reviewing scripts for upcoming performances starting in 2004. Auditions for a February production will start in early December. In addition, a children's theatre production is also planned for late May and early June 2004.



Be on the lookout for updates on the AACT! See you at the show!

## up COMING EVENTS



"Read with the Tigers," a Fall reading program for students in grades K-5 featuring the Auburn University Lady Tigers Women's Basketball Team, will be held at the Auburn Public Library. Students can participate by picking up a bookmark at the Auburn Public Library on or after November 1. The program lasts through December. Call the Youth Services desk at 501-3196 for more information.

The **Photo V exhibition**, an annual juried photography exhibition open to artists residing in Alabama and Georgia, is open to the public through November 7 in the Art Gallery at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. For more information, call the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center at 887-4938.



The **Fall Invitational 2003** exhibit will be open to the public during November 10-December 19 at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. This exhibit will feature ceramics by Stephen Cappelli and drawings and works on paper by selected regional artists. For more information, call the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center at 887-4938.

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## It is Illegal to Attach Signs to Telephone Poles

Section 13-7 of the The Code of the City of Auburn states that it is unlawful to attach signs and posters to public utility poles or traffic signs. Please help keep Auburn clean by refraining from attaching written material to utility poles, traffic control signs, or other structures in the rights-of-way. By working together, we can all do our part to keep Auburn clean and attractive.



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The **Parks and Recreation Winter 2004 Brochure** will be released on November 12 at City facilities including Auburn City Hall, Dean Road Recreation Center, the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center, and the Auburn Public Library.

**Freakspiel!** will be presented during November 12-16 and 19-21 at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. See the Albino Venus de Milo - she smokes with her toes! See the World's Smallest Dog! Marvel at our Giantess Tess. Straight from the waters of the South Pacific - the Fiji mermaid! Meet our cavalcade of Pinheads! Wonder at Vanity - the Living Doll! Let ring leader Nick Dragon be your manic guide into this world of abhorrent and abominable! Gaze at the beautiful, the bizarre, and the beastly! Call the Auburn University Theatre Box Office for ticket information at 844-4154.



Independent scholar Jackie Matte will present "**Southeastern Indians: Culture and Change Over Time**" on November 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Hollifield Room of Auburn Public Library. In her presentation, Ms. Matte will discuss the culture of the Native Americans who continued to live in the Southeast after the Removal era of the 1830s. Little is known of these groups because they had no legal existence in the Southeast following the Removal. With the help of illustrations, Ms. Matte will illuminate their culture and the way it has changed through the years. This presentation is part of the Alabama Humanities Foundation Speaker in the House program series. For more information about this event, call Auburn Public Library at 501-3190.



The City of Auburn will celebrate **Auburn Recycles Day** on November 14 at 1:00 p.m. at the RecycleAuburn Drop Off Center located at 365-A North Donahue Drive. This year's theme is "Make Every Day Auburn Recycles Day." The City will introduce the recycling of laser and toner cartridges. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 501-3080.

Join your friends and neighbors at a **Saturday Arts and Crafts Workshop** from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on November 15 at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. Projects will include a variety of art mediums including stained glass, clay projects, gourd painting, and basket weaving. Call the Auburn Arts Association for more information at 887-2832.

**Research Mysteries @ Your Library** will be held on November 15 from 9:00 a.m. until noon for students in grades 5 – 8. This program introduces participants to research methods and computer skills. Registration is required. For more information or to register your child, call 501-3196.

In recognition of **Children's Book Week** during November 16 – 22, the Auburn Public Library will have special activities daily. For more information on the specific programs offered, call Youth Services at 501-3196.

**A Puppet Show** will be held at the Auburn Public Library at 3:30 p.m. on November 19. Following the show, a puppet-making workshop will be offered to the children in conjunction with the Auburn University Art Department. For more information, call the Auburn Public Library at 501-3196.

The **Auburn Area Community Theater** will present scenes from Neil Simon's "Rumors" and "The Curious Savage" by John Patrick in the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center at 6:00 p.m. on December 6. This event is open to the public and will give the Auburn community a chance to get a taste of its newest theatre group and say goodbye to Applebell Productions. Call the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center for more information at 887-4938.



Please mark your calendars for the 14th Annual **Daddy-Daughter Date Night** to be held February 6 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Best Western.

**Auburn CityFest 2004**, an all-day festival bringing music, arts, crafts, food, and children's activities to Kiesel Park, will be held April 24, 2004. Applications are now being considered for volunteers, corporate sponsors, vendors, and craftspersons. To access the appropriate applications, visit [www.auburnalabama.org](http://www.auburnalabama.org) or contact Ali Lloyd-Wallace at 887-4930.



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