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Auburn’s Hometown Celebration Back to Our Roots!
Handmade Crafts—Fun Competitions Backyard BBQ Competition—Family Fun
Kid Zone—Zip Line—Rock Wall
Hometown Country Fair

AuburnFest Car Show

Saturday 11/11/17
Registration 11AM-1:00PM Downtown Auburn
Door Prizes and Trophies for Top 20 and Mayor’s Choice
All Proceeds Will Benefit the Barrow County Veterans Memorial
Questions? Contact Ray Vaughn rayvaughn47@gmail.com 404-597-6170

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**MEETINGS CALENDAR**

All meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1361 4th Avenue (next to the Police Station) unless otherwise noted. Meeting times, locations, dates, and subjects are subject to change.

- **October 5 at 11:30AM:** Between the Pages Adult Book Club
- **October 7 at 3PM:** Auburn Lego Club
- **October 5, 12, 19, 26 at 5PM:** Auburn Teen Night
- **October 11 at 6:30PM:** City Council Business Meeting
- **October 15 at 12:30PM:** Saturday Crafternoon

**What do leaves and storm drains have in common?**

**Hopefully nothing!**

Gotta keep them storm drains clear!

LEAVES IN STORM DRAINS 
A MAJOR NO-No!

Please always bag or compost your leaves. Never rake leaves into the street or into the storm drain. Although they are “natural,” leaves not only clog drains, they also alter the ecosystems of local water bodies when dumped in larger amounts than would naturally fall there. Other storm-water-friendly lawn tips for this time of year include:

- If you fertilize more than once a year, consider cutting back until September.
- More is not always better! Use only the amount directed.
- Check the weather forecast, and don’t apply fertilizer when rain is predicted.
- Clean up any spills by sweeping the product back on-the-lawn. Never sweep fertilizer toward a paved surface or a storm drain!

**Rivers Alive Clean-Up—10/21!**

Georgia has more than 70,100 miles of rivers and streams that need help to stay clean. Individuals, neighborhoods, scout troops, schools, churches, clubs, and service organizations are being asked to pull together to make a difference for the Apalachee River and its tributaries.

Volunteer registration is now open for Georgia’s annual river clean-up initiative, Rivers Alive, October 21, 2017. The clean-up will take place from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. Volunteers are needed for privet (an invasive plant species) removal at Shackelford Park, as well as litter pick-up in surrounding areas. All volunteers must have the Rivers Alive volunteer waiver form completed and signed before arriving at the event. For more information or to register, contact Joe Moravec or Dan Pruehs at 770-963-4002 ext. 229 or email iakridge@cityofauburn.ga.

**City of Auburn**

**Great American Cleanup**

Friday Oct. 20th—8:00AM–4:00PM and Saturday, Oct. 21st—8:00AM–2:00PM

Mary Carter Ballfield Parking Lot

We will be collecting:

- Batteries
- Ink Cartridges
- Scrap Metal
- Eye Glasses (for Lion’s Club)
- Old Cameras/Radios
- Motor Oil
- Electronics
- Cell Phones
- Junk—junk includes anything you don’t want whether usable or not
- Tires – A cost of $2.00 - $5.00 per tire (depending on size)

Questions? Contact Iris Akridge 770-963-4002 ext. 207 or email iakridge@cityofauburn.ga

**It’s That Time of Year Again!**

Business & Alcohol License Renewals Going Out

Auburn Business Owners will see their 2018 Business License Renewals in the mail soon. These renewals are due by December 31. Alcohol License Renewals are also going out. New this year: You can use your credit/debit card to pay for your license fees! If you don’t see your Alcohol License Renewal packet within the next 10 days, please contact City Planner Jay Miller at 770-963-4002 ext. 229 or cityplanner@cityofauburn.ga.