



Community Yard Sale  
Last One for 2018!  
Saturday, September 8, 2018  
Burel Park—4th Avenue  
1st Come-1st Serve spaces

### OWLS Game Day!

(Older Wiser Laughing Seniors)  
Wednesday, September 19, 2018—2:30 pm  
JD Withers Bldg., 7 Seventh St.

This monthly gathering is the “don’t miss” event for those age 50 & better. Bring a snack to share!

**Bingo! Try your luck, and join us for games, prizes & special drawings!**



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Join us at the Auburn Tennis Courts for Group Lessons! Group Tennis Classes available All Ability Levels

**MONDAYS: September 10, 17, 24 \$30 (3 lessons—Only \$10 per Lesson!)**

### September Tennis Program Sessions Available at City of Auburn Tennis Courts!

with PTR (Professional Tennis Registry) Certified Professional Instructor Josh Honea

5:00pm-6:00pm **Little Champs Tennis** (4-8 yrs, youth)

6:00pm-7:00pm **Future Champs Tennis—Junior Development I** (9-12 yrs, old)

7:00pm-8:00pm **Competitive Champs Tennis—Junior Development II** (For players 13-18 of all abilities, striving toward a higher level of play through competition)

To register for Group Tennis Lessons or to request more information, please contact:  
Josh Honea: [tenniswithjosh@gmail.com](mailto:tenniswithjosh@gmail.com) - 770-547-8647

### Adult Literacy Barrow Announces that GED and ESL Classes Have Resumed in Auburn.

After a break for the summer, Adult Literacy Barrow announces that the free GED classes and English as a Second Language Classes have resumed in Auburn. Classes for GED are held Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5:30 to 8:30 pm in the JD Withers Building (7 7th Street, Auburn). For more information on GED classes, call 770-531-3361 or visit [www.adultliteracybarrow.org](http://www.adultliteracybarrow.org).

Classes for English as a Second Language will be held on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 8:00 pm also in the JD Withers Building. Ingrid Sandez will be the instructor. Please call 404-438-8508 with any questions.

### September is World Alzheimer’s Month

World Alzheimer's Month is the international campaign by Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI) every September to raise awareness and challenge the stigma that surrounds dementia. World Alzheimer's Month was launched in 2012. World Alzheimer's Day is on September 21 each year. Did you know that there are multiple types of dementia, each with their own causes and symptoms? Alzheimer's is the most well-known, but other dementias involve the same degeneration of brain cells that is currently irreversible. Two out of every 3 people globally believe there is little or no understanding of dementia in their countries. The stigmatization and misinformation that surrounds dementia remains a global problem that requires global action.

The City of Auburn is working to become a dementia-friendly community. Teaming up with Barrow County's Senior Citizens Center, the City will be developing an awareness program for professionals and law enforcement. Many people come in contact with someone suffering from dementia and are not aware of the symptoms. Sometimes the symptoms of dementia are not recognized when they develop slowly. If you come into contact with someone who is suffering from dementia, here are some helpful hints. Remember, a person with dementia is easily confused. Try to get the person's attention and speak clearly.

Maintaining eye contact helps them focus on what you are saying. Never give too many options if you are asking a question—one or two choices is ideal. Any more than that and it may be too confusing. Break down activities into a series of steps—give the steps one at a time. If they are agitated, distract and redirect. Lastly, listen with your ears, eyes and hearts! Dementia is a terrifying disease and your care/concern may make a frightening situation easier to deal with. For more information, visit <https://www.alz.org>.



**Every 3 Seconds**

someone in the world develops dementia

To find out more visit: [www.worldalzmonth.org](http://www.worldalzmonth.org)

#WAM2018 #Every3seconds



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# Auburn Messenger



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### The Mayor's Corner

The school bells are ringing again! It can be a magical time for the kids—new clothes, school supplies, new teachers and new classmates. This can also be a stressful time too. Many times there is little extra money in the household budget to go towards all the expenses of a new school year. Teachers also struggle to purchase supplies for their classrooms. Never ones to rest on our laurels, we decided to team up with our local shop owners to help out. Our Whistlestop Shop owners, local businesses and our storybook characters worked together to help fill the needs of our teachers. On Saturday, July 28, our wonderful characters and volunteers planned a fun picnic in Whistlestop Park. For the price of one school supply for teachers, visitors could eat a free lunch with their favorite character, build an ice cream sundae, decorate cupcakes and play on the inflatables. Many thanks



Mayor Linda Blechinger



to all our sponsors for this event: State Representative Terry England, Amy Holstein State Farm, Auburn Downtown Development Authority, Auburn Parks & Leisure, Boise Cascade and Anytime Fitness. Many local businesses stepped up with donations of food, paper products, ice cream, water and so much more. Ingles, Blue Bell Ice Cream, Kroger, Publix and many more donated items to make this a great success! We filled five 30 gallon cans with school supplies and received cash donations as well. Auburn Elementary and Kennedy Elementary School teachers were the beneficiaries of this drive. With some additional donations we received, our local middle school will also be receiving supplies from their list. Want to donate? Contact your local school to see what they need. Post It Notes, Clorox Wipes, Hand Sanitizer, dry erase markers and baggies were high on the list of needs for teachers.



Teachers fulfill a vital role in the lives of our children. They not only teach, they encourage, inspire, and, at times, console. Reaching out to those they know are experiencing challenges, teachers make a huge impact on children. Many times, a decision to stay in school is based on one teacher or one mentor standing beside them. Schools need volunteers. If you can donate time, please reach out to your local school. They are always in need of mentors. For those of you who have children who are struggling, reach out for help from the school. Sometimes, all it takes is an adult in the community to take an interest and encourage them. The school system is set up to help and many times they don't see or understand the struggles your child is having.

Barrow County has a high graduation rate of 82.6% - higher than the average in Georgia of 80.6%. This is in great part because of the great teachers and administrators in our system. Barrow County Schools work closely with the Technical College System of Georgia and local industry to train a strong work-force. Not all children will go to college so Barrow County Schools have taken innovative steps to ensure student success after high school. The Sims Academy opened in the fall of 2014 and has a focus of developing work-force ready students who can walk into high-paying industries such as robotics, culinary arts, broadcast video, and marketing while building an entrepreneurship foundation. Through a partnership with the University of Georgia and the South Korean-based company Roborobo, teachers are participating in workshops and receive training on how to best integrate robotics education into their classrooms as early as elementary school. Students are learning about robotics, showcasing their own robotics creations, and even engaging in robotics competitions at the Robotics Education Center located at Sims Academy ([www.barrow.k12.ga.us](http://www.barrow.k12.ga.us)).

There are so many shining possibilities in our students. Let's work together to build bright futures. "While we try to teach our children all about life, Our children teach us what life is all about." Angela Schwindt, home schooling mom.

**Important Notice! Barrow County Increases both Wastewater and Water Rates for Auburn Residents:**

The wastewater rates have been increased by Barrow County Board of Commissioners. This will be reflected on your September 2018 billing. An increase for the monthly base rate for sewer will go from \$15.90 to \$16.60 for the first 2000 gallons. The usage rate will go from \$4.47 to \$5.07 per 1000 gallons over the 2000 gal usage.

Barrow County has also raised the water rates for the City. This \$2 per 1000 gallons increase will also be reflected on your September bill. The rates are based on usage and are reflected below

From	To	Rate per 1,000 gallons
0	1000	\$7.26
1001	2000	\$7.55
2001	3000	\$7.85
3001	4000	\$8.13
4001	5000	\$8.42
5001	6000	\$8.84
6001	7000	\$9.12
7001	8000	\$9.40
8001	9000	\$9.71

**Stormwater Inspections in Auburn**

The City of Auburn is currently doing stormwater inspections. Homeowners that have a culvert pipe on their property may be asked to maintain the pipe outfall. Having a clear view of the pipe and no obstructions is very important for the City and the State to complete inspections. This will apply to pipe outlets outside of the right of way.

When there is no granted easements, right-of-entry, rights-of-use, or other form of dedication thereof to the city for maintenance, the property owner is responsible for the maintenance. Letters will be mailed out to those properties that need attention. Auburn, GA Code of Ordinances 18.14.040. B Any questions please call Joe Moravec , Storm water Coordinator (770)238-9144 or jmoravec@cityofauburn-ga.org

**FREE** ESTIMATES ON NEW EQUIPMENT INSTALLS

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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 are subject to change

09/03—City Offices Closed—Happy Labor Day  
09/06 at 6PM: City Council Business Meeting  
09/12 at 6PM: Parks & Leisure Commission  
09/13 at 6PM: Downtown Development Authority  
09/19 at 6PM: Planning and Zoning Commission  
09/20 at 6PM: City Council Workshop

**Auburn Library Programs & Events**

September 3—Library closed for Labor Day  
September 5, 12, 19, 26 at 11:30AM: Auburn Lapsit Story Time— up to 2 years  
September 6 at 11:30AM: Between the Pages Adult Book Club  
September 6, 13, 20, 27 at 5PM: Auburn Teen Nights  
September 6 at 5:30PM: Auburn Coding Club  
September 8 at 12PM: Saturday Crafternoon  
September 10, 17, 24 at 11AM: Stitch, Knit and Crochet Club: Bring yarn and knitting needles  
September 10, 17, 24 at 11:15AM: Ready to Read - Pre K Story Time  
September 12, 26 at 1PM: Memoir Class  
September 12 at 6PM: Cover to Cover Book Club  
September 17 at 5PM: Friends of the Auburn Library  
September 22 at 11AM: Family Storytime  
September 22 at 3PM: Auburn STEAM Saturday  
September 27 at 7PM: Well Red Book Club  
September 28 at 4:30PM: Movie and a Book Club

**Auburn Public Library**  
24 Fifth Street, Auburn, GA  
770-513-2925 www.prlib.org

**Older Wiser Laughing Seniors (OWLS) Cookbook Coming Soon!**

Do you have a delicious recipe that everyone tells you is the best they ever had? Are you the keeper of the family recipe cards with Great Grandma Sadie's apple butter recipe? The Auburn OWLS need you!

The OWLS are collecting recipes for a cookbook to be published this fall. Recipes can be mailed to City of Auburn, PO Box 1059, Auburn, GA 30011 (attn: Michelle) or emailed to mwalker@cityofauburn-ga.org.

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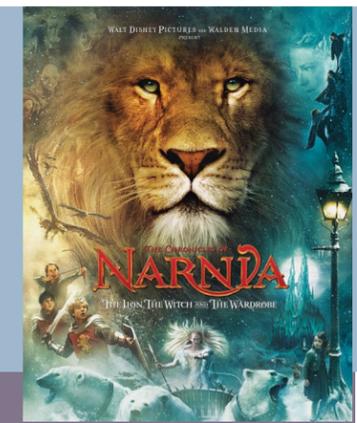
**It is only through labor and painful effort, by grim energy and resolute courage, that we move on to better things.**  
Theodore Roosevelt  
**HAPPY LABOR DAY!**

North Georgia School of Dance

**Auburn Parks & Leisure Commission**

is devoted to bringing the best in leisure programming to Auburn. From Auburn Youth Athletics Programs and the Tennis program to the Auburn OWLS (Older Wiser Laughing Seniors) to green space parks—there is something for everyone.

September 12—Parks & Leisure Commission—6PM  
September 8—Community Yard Sale—last one for 2018!  
September 8—Movie in Whistlestop Park—Chronicles of Narnia  
September 12—OWLS Game Day—2:30 pm—JD Withers Building—win prizes! Bring a snack to share



**Great American Clean Up set for 10/12 and 10/13**

The City of Auburn will be hosting the “Great American Cleanup” October 12th from 8am to 5pm and October 13th from 8am to 12pm. During this time, any resident (no businesses please) wishing to bring recyclables, scrap metal, and tires (limit four) to the City of Auburn will be able to do so without charge.

One big change to this year’s Clean Up is that it is open only to Auburn residents. State issued ID will be required to show residency in the city limits of Auburn. This means that if you pay City of Auburn property taxes you qualify. You MUST be a City resident. If you have any questions regarding this, please give us a call at 770-963-4002 to avoid any problems. Also, 4 Standard Tires can be dropped off free of charge. Over four tires, the new pricing is \$5 Standard Tire and Commercial, Tires w/Rims \$8; and \$8 Tractor Tires.

The Great American Cleanup will help Auburn citizens keep the City of Auburn beautiful!!

**City of Auburn**  
**Great American Cleanup**  
Friday Oct. 12th—8:00AM— 5:00PM and  
Saturday, Oct. 13th—8:00AM—12:00PM  
Mary Carter Ballfield Parking Lot

**We will be collecting:**

- Batteries
- Eye Glasses (for Lion’s Club)
- Motor Oil
- Cell Phones
- Junk – junk includes anything you don’t want whether usable or not
- Tires – see above
- Ink Cartridges
- Scrap Metal
- Old Cameras/Radios
- Electronics

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



**WE CANNOT ACCEPT:**  
Paint of Any Type or Paint Thinner  
Cooking Oil  
Construction Material (Wood)  
Yard Waste  
Loose materials on trailers (needs to be bagged)

**It’s That Time of Year—Auburn Farmer’s Market and Craft Fair**

The Auburn Farmer’s Market has resumed at the Burel Park Pavilion. The Farmer’s Market will run every Wednesday from 1:00 to 6:00 pm from June through October.

Have a garden this year that provided a bountiful harvest? Come out and set up a table to sell your excess. This would be a great time to think about getting a plot at our Community Garden behind City Hall. We are so excited that this year’s market is also featuring pottery and original art! Check it out!

Not a gardener? Looking to buy some homegrown fruits and vegetables? The Farmer’s Market will offer locally produced fruits and vegetables. You can find the best jellies and salsa. Do you love homemade Ice Cream?

If you are interested in becoming a vendor at the Farmer’s Market, please contact parksdirector@cityofauburn-ga.org for an application.

