



Community Yard Sale
Last One for 2019!
Saturday, September 14, 2019
Burel Park—4th Avenue
1st Come-1st Serve spaces

OWLS Monthly Meeting

(Older Wiser Laughing Seniors)
Wednesday, September 18, 2019—11:30 pm
Perry Rainey Center

This monthly gathering is the “don’t miss” event for those age 50 & better. Bring a dish to share!
This Month:
Final Planning for October 24 Trip to see “Wicked” at the Fox—Games and Fun!



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

MONDAYS: September 9, 16, 23, 30 \$40 (4 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 - 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.

GED Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday night from 5:30pm to 8:30pm at the Perry-Rainey Center (16 College St.) next to Auburn Elementary School. GED test scholarships are available. This is a self paced program, with text books, online GED test prep, math tutors, and transition to college provided. The sooner you start, the sooner you graduate. Start today, and bring a friend! 770.531.3361 Call to register for free GED classes.

Classes for English as a Second Language will be held on Monday and Wednesday nights from 5:30 to 8:30 at the Perry-Rainey Center (16 College St. across from the Post Office). **Home country identification accepted.** Call 770.531.3369 to register.

Fall Planting Time is Here!

You can plant or harvest something from your garden almost all year. The two major planting periods, however, are spring (March to May) and fall (mid-July to September). The spring plantings are harvested in June and July, while the fall plantings are harvested from October to December. January and February are prime times for looking at seed catalogs, dreaming of warm spring days, preparing garden plots, and getting ready for a productive season.

- Plant the following no later than the dates indicated below:—**August 30:** Snap beans and Irish potatoes (seed can be sprouted two to three weeks before planting).—**September 15:** Cucumbers and squash; plant varieties resistant to downy mildew.
- In order to calculate the planting date, determine the frost date and count back the number of days to maturity plus 18 days for harvest of the crop. If snap beans mature in 55 days and your frost date is November 15, you should plant on or before September 3.
- Start plants for broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, collards, kale and onions in a half-shaded area for setting out in September.
- Prepare soil for September to October plantings of “cool-season” crops. Apply fertilizer and prepare seeded so rains will settle the rows and make it easier to get seeds to germinate when they are planted.
- If watering is necessary to get a stand, open the furrow for seed, pour in water, plant seed and cover. Use starter solution on the transplanted crops.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15th, 2019
RAIN DATE: SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29th, 2019

AUBURN 5th ANNUAL **LET'S MOVE DAY** 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
FREE AUBURN CITY-WIDE WATERBALLOON FIGHT

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PROGRESS

The Mayor's Corner

September is here and what a summer we have had! The kids are back in school and we are hoping the hot weather will soon be behind us. I am very excited to announce that the Perry Rainey Center renovation is now complete. The ca 1902 building has been completely refurbished and will now serve as an event venue for Auburn citizens and folks from all over northeast Georgia! Since the City purchased the building in 2010, we have been working hard to renovate it and put it to work for Auburn citizens. See the photos below for an example of how far it has come! It was a long road with many bumps but the building is now the talk of the town. We welcomed our local and state legislators, citizens, staff and contractors on 8/16 for the formal ribbon cutting and open house. In all, about 200 people toured the building that day. We are very happy that we were able to not only save this historic structure, but to also make it something our citizens can utilize and enjoy.



Mayor Linda Blechinger

The middle and top floors of the Perry Rainey Center have large meeting rooms that can be used for corporate gatherings, wedding/bridal showers and weddings. We have teamed up with Jennifer and Tonya Sola of La Bell Weddings who will offer wedding planning and hosting services to their clients at the Center.



We are proud to announce that Ellie Ellis is set up to be our resident artist with a studio in the lower level of the Perry Rainey Center. Ellie is a decorative artisan, Master Stencils sculptor, mold-maker and instructor whose in hand-sculpted plaster relief puts her in a rare class of decorative artists. She is a 2-time winner at the prestigious Concrete Décor Show and has been featured in numerous magazines throughout her career as a decorative artist. Ellie's work is fantastic and soon you will be able to view her art on display at the Perry Rainey Center.

A history of the building is being written and we know that many who are in Auburn worked at the building when it was R&R manufacturing. Did someone in your family attend school in the old Perry Rainey Center Building? Do you have photos or stories to share of the building as a school or the newer use as a manufacturing facility? We would love to hear from you. You can email Michelle at mwalker@cityofauburn-ga.org or call our office at 770-963-4002 ext 204. You can also mail your memories, copies of photos and other memorabilia to City of Auburn, Attention Michelle Walker, P.O. Box 1059, Auburn, GA 30011.

This historic building will now be preserved for generations to come. The Auburn OWLS (Older Wiser Laughing Seniors) have begun holding their regular meetings at the new facility. Our August meeting had 55 OWLS in attendance and they are very excited to be in this larger space. Their next meeting will be held on Wednesday September 18 at 11:30 am and they will be finalizing details for their day trip in October. Our OWLS are a very welcoming group and are talking about other activities outside of the luncheon—such as playing cards and ballroom dancing. Interested in visiting or becoming a member? You can contact Michelle at 770-963-4002 ext. 204 or Michael at ext. 230 or you can just come to the next meeting.

Drop by and visit with Josh at City Hall to get a tour of the new facility and for information on rental rates. You can email him at jcampbell@cityofauburn-ga.org or call 770-963-4002 ext 206 for more information.



Before...



After...

Important Notice! Barrow County Increases Wastewater Rates for Auburn Residents:

The wastewater rates have been increased by Barrow County Board of Commissioners. This will be reflected on your September 2019 billing. An increase for the monthly base rate for sewer will go from \$16.60 to \$17.00 for the first 2000 gallons. The usage rate will go from \$5.07 to \$5.85 per 1000 gallons over the 2000 gal usage.

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Theodore Roosevelt
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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
09/02—City Offices Closed—Happy Labor Day
09/05 at 5PM: City Council Business Meeting
09/11 at 6PM: Parks & Leisure Commission
09/12 at 6PM: Downtown Development Authority
09/18 at 6PM: Planning and Zoning Commission
09/19 at 5PM: City Council Workshop

Auburn Library Programs & Events
September 4, 11, 18, 25 at 11AM: Auburn Lapsit Story Time—up to 2 years
September 5, 12, 19, 26 at 5PM: Teen Nights
September 7 at 2PM: Lego Club
September 9, 16, 23, 30 at 11AM: Knit and Crochet Club: Bring yarn and knitting needles
September 9, 16, 23, 30 at 11:15AM: Ready to Read - Pre K Story Time
September 9 at 6PM: Paying for College
September 14 at 12PM: Saturday Crafternoon
September 14, 18 at 1PM: Auburn Write On!
September 16 at 6PM: Cover to Cover Book Club
September 21 at 2PM: Auburn STEAM
September 24 at 1PM—Between the Pages Adult Book Club
September 28 at 11AM: Family Story Time
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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 11—Parks & Leisure Commission—6PM
September 14—Community Yard Sale—last one for 2019)
September 14—Movie in Whistlestop Park—Trolls
September 18—OWLS Luncheon—Perry Rainey Center—Bring a dish to share
Auburn Farmer's Market is every Wednesday from 6-8PM at the Burel Pavilion on Mt. Moriah



Great American Clean Up set for 10/18 and 10/19
The City of Auburn will be hosting the "Great American Cleanup" October 18th from 8am to 5pm and October 19th 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.
Tires can be dropped off—pricing begins at \$5 Standard Tire and Commercial, Tires w/Rims \$8; and \$8 Tractor Tires.
Helping citizens keep the City of Auburn beautiful!!

City of Auburn Great American Cleanup
Friday Oct. 18th—8:00AM— 5:00PM and
Saturday, Oct. 19th—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

WE CANNOT ACCEPT:
Paint of Any Type or Paint Thinner
Cooking Oil
Construction Material (Wood)
Yard Waste

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

Rivers Alive Is Set for Saturday, October 19
Volunteer registration is now open for Georgia's annual river clean-up initiative, Rivers Alive, October 19, 2019. The clean-up will take place from 9:00am-12:00 pm. 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 can be completed and signed at the event. For more information or to register, contact Joe Moravec at 770-238-9144
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.

