October Tennis Program Sessions Available at City of Auburn Tennis Courts!

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

**MONDAYS**: October 7, 14, 21, 28 $40 (4 lessons—Only $10 per Lesson!)

**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 test 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 in 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.

**OWLS Monthly Meeting**
(Older Wiser Laughing Seniors)
**Wednesday, October 16, 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:
Halloween Luncheon—costume contest, fun prizes and games.

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

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**The Mayor’s Corner**

Do you believe that October is here already? Soon, we will see the leaves changing, mornings will be getting cooler and the holidays are just around the corner. My mind always turns to holiday planning and coordinating family get togethers. There is so much to do and time just seems to speed up when we get to this time of year. I also start thinking about those in our community who may not be as blessed as our family has been. Each year, we have numerous agencies and organizations who are gearing up to help those in need. Auburn is proud to be part of such a proactive service community. We have services available in our community for any citizens that may need it. There are organizations to help with Alcohol and Substance Abuse; assistance with food, finances, homelessness, clothing, victims of domestic violence and more.

Barrow County Family Connection is an awesome resource for our community. This collaborative effort brings together community partners to develop, implement, and evaluate plans that address the serious challenges that Georgia’s families and children face. Offering programs, services and building partnerships, Family Connection is an important resource to all of our families. Each year, they host the Youth Conference for Middle and High Schoolers that focus on making healthy decisions. They also host the Back to School Bash, providing free back packs and school supplies to families. Their biggest effort by far is the Barrow County Holiday Connection. In 2018, over 2,200 children were served by partnering with community resources, churches, schools, DFACS and Toys 4 Tots. Family Connection provides Christmas for families by finding sponsors for the families or having the parents shop at the Holiday Connection “Store.” For the general community, a very important resource that Family Connection provides is the Barrow County Resource Guide. This 45 page guide provides important contact information for your local government, Post Office, and other community offices. It also has a list of hotlines, volunteer opportunities and resources for health care. You can find this resource guide at http://barrowfamilyconnection.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/2018-Resource-Guide-v2.pdf.

Seniors in our community also have resources available to them. For fellowship and entertainment, the City of Auburn hosts the Auburn OWLS (Older Wiser Laughing Seniors). Meeting the third Wednesday of every month at 11:30AM, the OWLS have a pot luck luncheon with guest speakers and entertainment as well as field trips. Interested in being a part of the OWLS? Contact Michelle at 770-963-4002 ext 204 or Michael at ext 230. Barrow County also has a Senior Citizens Center. It provides many programs for county’s senior adults including exercise classes, legal aid assistance, field trips, bingo, free lunches and various seminars. It is open from 8AM to 4PM Monday through Friday. For more information on the senior citizen center, please contact 770-307-3025. The Athens Community Council on Aging offers many programs including Meals on Wheels, Adult Day Health Center, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Senior Community Service Employment Program, Senior Corps and Transportation. To get information on any of these programs, call 785-425-0718.

Other programs that you might find of interest are the Church of the Month Program—local churches take turns being a financial resource for those in need. To get assistance, please call DFCS at 770-988-4222 to find out which church is the Church of the Month. There are homeless shelter programs, including Northeast Georgia Homeless Veterans Shelter serving our veterans. There are several programs with food assistance including the Barrow County Food 2 Kids program through Barrow County Schools, the Food Bank of NE Georgia and several others. Please take the time to check out the Family Connection Resource Guide at the web address above. Don’t have a computer or internet access? Reach out to Ben McDaniel at Barrow County Family Connection for more information by calling 770-530-0687.

I love our community and part of what makes it so wonderful is the easy access to services we need as well as opportunities to help others in need.

Make a career of humanity…. It will enrich your spirit as nothing else possibly can. It will give you that rare sense of nobility that can only spring from love and selflessly helping your fellow man. You will make a greater person of yourself, a greater nation of your country and a finer world to live in. Martin Luther King Jr.
Auburn Museum Day
Saturday, October 26—11 am to 3 pm
Check out the Auburn Museum at AuburnFest! Museum tours conducted by our wonderful staff of volunteers. 1800 Period Children’s Game and Desserts for sale and Dulcimer music 11-12.
We are still recruiting Museum volunteers for Saturdays based on volunteer availability!

MEETINGS CALENDAR
All meetings are held at the Council Chambers located at 1361 4th Avenue (next to the Police Station) unless otherwise noted—meeting times, locations & dates are subject to change.

10/03 at 5PM: City Council Business Meeting
10/04 at 6PM: Parks & Leisure Commission
10/10 at 5PM: Development Authority
10/16 at 6PM: Planning and Zoning Commission
10/17 at 5PM: City Council Workshop

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 and scrap metal 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!!

Auburn Farmer’s Market is every Wednesday from 6-8PM at the Burel Pavilion on Mt. Moriah

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

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.
October 9—Parks & Leisure Commission—6PM
October 12—Movie in Whistlestop Park—Hocus Pocus
October 16—OWLS Luncheon—Perry Rainey Center—Bring a dish to share

Auburn Library Programs & Events
October 2, 16, 23 at 10AM: Auburn Lapsit Story Time— up to 2 years
October 2, 16, 23 at 11AM: Auburn Toddler Tales
October 3, 17 at 5PM: Teen Night
October 5 at 2PM: Juggernaut Cycles
October 7 at 2PM: Auburn Free Insurance Advice
October 7, 21, 28 at 11AM: Knit and Crochet Club: Bring yarn and knitting needles
October 12 at 12PM: Saturday Crafternoon
October 14: Library Closed Columbus Day
October 16 at 1PM: Write On!
October 18 at 2PM: Auburn Free Insurance Advice
October 19 at 2PM: STEAM Saturday
October 21, 28 at 11:15AM: Ready to Read - Pre-K Story Time
October 21 at 6PM: Auburn Cover to Cover Book Club
October 22 at 6PM: How To Drive New Business with Social Media
October 24 at 5PM: TeenTober Party
October 26: AuburnFest—Library Closed
October 28 at 3PM: EEEK! A Night to Make you Shriek
October 29 at 1PM: Between the Pages: Adult Book Club
October 30 at 11AM: Fairy Tale Parade

We will be collecting:
- Batteries
- Motor Oil
- Wood (no construction)
- Tires – $5 each
- Scrap Metal
- Old Carriers/Radios
- Electronics (only flat panel TVs accepted)
- Freon Free Appliances

Questions? Contact Joe Moravec 770-963-4922 ext. 208 or email jmoravec@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 770-958-9144.
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.

WE CANNOT ACCEPT:
- Paint of Any Type or Paint Thinner
- Household/Municipal Garbage
- No Chemicals
- No Businesses
- No Pesticides