



### Community Yard Sale

Saturday, April 8, 2017  
Burel Park—4th Avenue  
1st Come-1st Serve spaces



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

**MONDAYS: April 3, 10, 17, 24** \$40 (4 lessons—Only \$10 per Lesson!)

### April Tennis Program Sessions Available!

with PTR (Professional Tennis Registry) Certified Professional Instructor Josh Honea  
All sessions will be held at the City of Auburn Tennis courts

- 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)

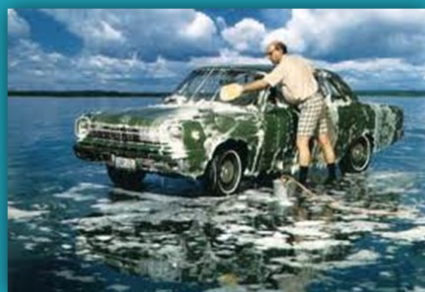
To register for Group Tennis Lessons or to request more information, please contact:  
Josh Honea: tenniswithjosh@gmail.com - 770-547-8647

### Car Washing is a dirty business!

When you're washing your car in the driveway, remember you're not just washing your car in the driveway! Everything that was making your car dirty is now making our streams dirty!

#### The Pollution - Wash Water

- Wash water that flow into the street and storm drains goes directly to the stream
- The average driveway carwash uses 116 gallons of water!
- Most soaps contain phosphates and other chemicals that can be harmful to fish and wildlife



#### The Solution – How You Can Help!

- Take your car to a car wash. Car wash stations recycle the wash water and send the dirty water to the waste water treatment plant
- Wash your car in the grass so that the water can soak into the ground and help your grass grow
- Use less water. Use a bucket and rag instead of a pressure washer and put a spray nozzle on the hose so that it shuts off when not needed

Use soap sparingly and pour out all wash buckets onto grass, not the curb, street or storm drain  
For more information contact the Stormwater Coordinator at (770)963-4002 X 207.



#### RENT THIS SPACE!

Rent this 2" x 2" space  
for 3 months  
Only \$50

Ad must be Camera Ready  
and be submitted as a  
high resolution PDF.

Download the submission  
on the City website.

**Petals BowBoutique**  
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Accessories  
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Shops**  
1369 4<sup>th</sup> Ave  
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678.620.8282

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Auburn, GA 30011

Juggernautcycles.com  
juggernautgarage@gmail.com

#### Fence America



Commercial &  
Residential Fencing

James Brigman  
jabrigman@hotmail.com  
678-698-8926

### OWLS Luncheon

(Older Wiser Laughing Seniors)

Wednesday, April 19, 2017—11:30 am  
JD Withers Building—7 7th Street

This monthly luncheon is the "don't miss" event  
for those age 50 and better. Bring a dish to share!

**This month: Arthritis and You**



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# Auburn Messenger



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### The Mayor's Corner

I love this time of year! It is full of promise and beauty. The flowers are in full bloom now and our downtown area is bustling with events, shops, and visitors. We are thankful for the visitors who shop our businesses and join us in celebrating our community. Don't forget to come out for our Auburn Ever After Event on Saturday, April 8. What a full day we have planned for you! Beginning at 3:00 pm with an Easter Egg Hunt at the Roy E. Parks Children's Park, Auburn Ever After offers kids of all ages a chance to be the prince, princess or ogre of their dreams. Special characters will be here for photo opportunities including Elsa, Anna, Cinderella, Tiana, Shrek, Sleeping Beauty, and so many more! Horse-Drawn Carriage Rides will run from 4:00 until 7:00 pm, this year we have two carriages running. Tickets are required for the carriage ride so be sure to arrive early to get yours! This gives you the opportunity to visit the characters, do free crafts, and get some yummy food while you are waiting for your time to be called. At 5:00 pm we will be celebrating the ribbon cutting and grand opening for our Whistlestop Shops. Auburn loves celebrating our community with safe, family-friendly events.



Mayor Linda  
Blechinger

Family is very important to us at the City of Auburn. We celebrate our family successes together and our sorrows. Many times, though, there is sorrow within a family that is unseen by casual observers. Recent events in Auburn have brought to mind that not everyone has a happy story at home and our thoughts and prayers go to out to the families involved. Domestic violence continues to be an issue in our society. The statistics are staggering:

- 20 people per minute are physical abused by an intimate partner, that means more than 10 million men and women are physically abused in a year in the U.S.
- On a typical day, domestic violence hotlines nationwide receive 20,800 calls
- Presence of a gun in a domestic violence situation increases the risk of homicide by 500%
- Domestic violence is not just against women and children. Men are also victims however, because of the stigma attached, it is very underreported.



I have had the honor of serving on the board for Peace Place and Auburn Police Chief Carl Moulder began stepped up in 2016 when I stepped down. Peace Place is a domestic violence program that covers Banks, Barrow and Jackson County. They offer emergency shelter, transitional housing, rapid rehousing, outreach and legal advocacy, safety planning, educational presentations, and children's services. They also operate a thrift store to help fund the operations of the agency. In 2015-2016 Peace Place received 2,351 hotline calls, 99 clients were served through their outreach program, 91 adults and 58 children were served in the shelter, and they helped file 99 protective orders this past year.

The City of Auburn Police Department is committed to the safety of all citizens and has a strong partnership with Peace Place. Trained to recognize the signs of domestic violence, officers assess situations and offer information and referrals to those they suspect of being victims (including a booklet that the department produced internally on how to make an escape plan.) Auburn Police officers are there not only to enforce the laws but to protect those in need. Speak up. You are not alone.

Domestic Violence is something that should never be ignored. It should be recognized and addressed. Know the signs. Offer help if you can. There is no excuse and this can't be considered "family business." Don't let someone become a statistic. Contact Peace Place at 770.307.3633 to see how you can help or if you need more information on resources available to victims of domestic violence.

### Emergency Notification System

Auburn citizens can sign up to receive alerts by text, phone calls and/or email through the Everbridge system. **This system will operate together with Auburn's outdoor emergency siren systems.** These alerts will come from local public safety and municipalities to help keep our citizens informed of emergencies as well as road closures, and water/power outages. You can to choose the way you receive the notifications and which notifications you want to receive. Visit [www.cityofauburn-ga.org](http://www.cityofauburn-ga.org), and click "Citizen Alert Program" to personalize your choices.

## 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

04/06 at 6PM: City Council Business Meeting

04/12 at 6:30PM: Parks & Leisure Commission

04/13 at 6PM: Downtown Development Authority

04/19 at 6PM: Planning & Zoning Commission

04/20 at 6PM: City Council Workshop

## Auburn Library Programs & Events

April 1 at 3PM: Lego Club  
 April 3, 10, 17, 24 at 11:15AM: Ready to Read - Pre K Story Time  
 April 3, 10, 17, 24 at 1PM: Stitch, Knit and Crochet Club: Bring yarn and knitting needles  
 April 5, 12, 19, 26 at 11:30AM: Auburn Lapsit Story Time— up to 2 years  
 April 6 at 11:30AM: Between the Pages Adult Book Club  
 April 8 at 12PM: Saturday Crafternoon  
 April 8 at 3PM: Easter Egg Hunt  
 April 10 at 6PM: Adult Coloring Night  
 April 10 at 6:30PM: Auburn Cover to Cover Book Club  
 April 11, 25 at 5PM: Teen Writing Club  
 April 17 at 6:30PM: Friends of Auburn Library  
 April 22 at 11:30AM: Family Storytime  
 April 22 at 4:00PM: Bookworms Book Club for Tweens  
 April 24 at 4PM: Auburn Library

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



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## Earth Day Clean Up

Friday, April 21—8:00 am to 4:30 pm  
 Saturday, April 22—8:00 am to 2:00 pm

New Location: Mary Carter Road Ballfields

We will be collecting:

- Batteries
- Eye Glasses
- Motor/Cooking Oil
- Cell Phones
- Oil Filters
- Ink Cartridges
- Antifreeze
- Electronics
- Scrap Metal
- Junk

Loose trash must be bagged  
 Tires \$2-\$5 ea depending on size)

We Cannot Accept:

- Paint or Paint Thinner
- Construction Material (wood)
- Yard Waste

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



## A Living Last Supper

Da Vinci in the 21st Century

Saturday April 15th, 11 AM. 14 County Line-Auburn Rd



## Auburn Parks & Leisure Commission

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

April 8—Community Yard Sale, Easter Egg Hunt, Auburn Ever After & Movie In Whistlestop Disney's "Frozen"

April 12—Parks & Leisure Meeting—6:30 pm City Hall

April 19—OWLS Luncheon —JD Withers Building 11:30 am

Auburn Volunteer Corps  
 is Forming Now!

The City of Auburn is looking for volunteers to join their Volunteer Corps. Do you have an interest in helping out in your community? Consider joining the Auburn Volunteer Corps to help out with community and charitable events, festivals, and more!

Contact Michelle Walker at  
 770-963-4002 ext 204 or  
 mwalker@cityofauburn-ga.org



### Notice: Water Consumption Rate Increase

The water consumption rate increase that was passed on June 6, 2013 by Mayor and Council for the New Increases with Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) effective on March 1<sup>st</sup> of each year will go into effect on Water Bills Due by April 15, 2017 with an increase of 2.1% to an index level of 241.432 (1982-84=100).

The 2.1 % increase will be a \$.11 to .16 per 1000 gallons increase for City residents. A City customer using 5,000 gallons a month would be billed from \$43.02 to \$43.61.



Saturday, April 8 at 5PM—join us as we cut the ribbons for the Whistlestop Shops in Downtown Auburn.

**Auburn Ever After**  
 4-7:30 pm: Free Princess Carriage Rides, Crafts & Activities  
 Visits with Elsa, Anna, Shrek, Cinderella, Tiana, Belle, Beauty, Beast and more!  
 5 pm: Whistlestop Shops Ribbon Cutting  
 At Dark—Movie In Whistlestop Disney's "Frozen"  
 Saturday April 8 at 4 pm

Easter Egg Hunt  
 Saturday, April 8—3:00 pm  
 Roy E. Parks Children's Park  
 5th Street in Auburn  
 Sponsored by:  
 Auburn Public Library  
 &  
 Auburn Parks & Leisure Department

