



## Aurora Colony Upcoming Events

### Aurora Concerts in the Park

*Presented by: The Kennedy Team of Re/Max equity group*

Food, beer and wine will be available for purchase during the concerts

Aurora City Park Amphitheater — 7pm Wednesdays in July & August

July 11<sup>th</sup> -Dance Hall Days

July 18<sup>th</sup> - Caleb Klauder

July 25<sup>th</sup> - Gospel Hooligans

Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - Michele Van Kleef

www.auroracolony.org

### AURORA COLONY DAYS—AUGUST 10-12 from 7:30am-10pm

#### 2012 THEME: “Little Town goes BIG!!

**Artists Reception:** Open to the Public. Friday night at the Aurora American Legion Hall.— 6pm

**Breakfast at American Legion Hall:** Aug. 11th —7-11am-\$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12

**1k/5k Run/Walk:** Saturday, August 11, 5k 7:30 a.m./1k 8:30 a.m. ( register online at racenorthwest.com)

**Outdoor Antiques Faire:** Saturday, August 11, 8 a.m.-4 p.m

**Art Show & Sale:** Saturday and Sunday, August 11-12, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Parade:** Saturday, August 11, 11 a.m.—Theme: Little Town Goes Big

**Celebration in the Park:** August 11, 5-10 p.m. Food, beer & wine, bake sale & live music by Big Night Out

**Old Aurora Colony Museum:** August 11, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Free admission, “Ring of Fire” wheelwright demonstration, living history hands-on activities, yard sale (starts at 8 a.m.). Open August 12, 11 am-4 pm

**Public contact information:** [www.auroracolony.com](http://www.auroracolony.com) or 503-939-0312

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**[www.ci.aurora.or.us](http://www.ci.aurora.or.us)**



Established in 1856

“National Historic District”

## ALL WELCOME City Meetings July/Aug 2012

*All Meetings at the City  
Council Chambers at 7:00  
pm*

- **Planning Commission**  
July 3rd & Aug 7th
- **City Council**  
July 10th & Aug 14th
- **Park Committee**  
July 17th & Aug 21st
- **Traffic/Safety Comm.**  
July 25th & Aug 22nd
- **Historic Review Board**  
July 26th & Aug 23rd

**Please confirm dates and  
times with City Hall**

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July/August 2012

# The Aurora Colony Times

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### Attention

Some of you may have noticed that you have received a colored water bill this month. City Council and City Hall staff wanted to find a simple and easy way to inform our water customers that they are living within the Aurora Historic District. From now, on if you live in the Aurora Historic District, you will be receiving a colored water bill. Aurora Historic District has a number of guidelines which you would be compelled to follow so that we can keep Aurora's unique and historical value.

If you have any questions about the guidelines, or would like a copy of the guidelines, please call [Aurora City Hall at \(503\) 678-1283](tel:5036781283) or stop by Monday-Friday between 9am-5pm

If you are interested in learning more about Aurora's Historic District— the Historic Review Board meets every 4th Thursday of the month at 7pm at the Aurora City Hall Council Chambers. Stop on by and check it out!

**The Aurora City streets will be cleaned by the street sweeper on August 7th 2012. If at all possible, please have your vehicles parked off city streets by 6am on this day. Thank you!**

### Planning Commission & Historic Review Board Vacancies

#### GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

*Come check out the meetings— Historic Review Board meets every 4th Thursday of the month and Planning Commission meets every 1st Tuesday of the month.*

The City of Aurora has the following vacancies:

- **1 Planning Commission seat—4 year term**
- **2 Historic Review Board seat—3 year term**

If you are interested in serving on one of these boards, please submit a letter of interest along with your qualifications for the position to Aurora City Hall, Attn: Kelly Richardson, City Recorder or email to [recorder@ci.aurora.or.us](mailto:recorder@ci.aurora.or.us)

For more information please visit the City of Aurora Website - [www.ci.aurora.or.us](http://www.ci.aurora.or.us)

**\*Please be aware that your water bill due date has changed and is now due on the 10th of this month!\***

**Late Fees shall be assessed after the 10th as follows**

- **Courtesy Notice—\$15.00**
- **Door Hanger/Shut off—\$45.00**

***City Hall Will Be Closed on July 4th in Observance of Independence Day***

## Housing Rehabilitation Grants

A Housing rehabilitation program, last used in the City of Aurora in early 2000, is being revitalized.

The City of Aurora has funding for single family homeowners who meet income guidelines to apply for the low interest loans for various housing rehabilitation repairs and upgrades. Eligible projects include basic structural repairs like roofs and gutters, plumbing, heating system, and/or weatherization.

The loan program is available to homeowners within the city limits with low-to-moderate incomes as defined by the county's median income. For example, one-person household income could not have exceeded \$33,600 in 2011 and 1 two-person household income could not have exceeded \$38,400 in 2011.

Loans are typically set at a 3% for 3 years and repaid when house is sold, the title transferred, or the use changes. The home must be insured in order to qualify, the owner must live in the home, and maximum loans are set at \$25,000.

If you are interested in the program or have questions on whether you qualify, contact Charlie Amberson at the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments at 503.588.6177

We have applications available for you to fill out at Aurora City Hall - 21420 Main St, Aurora, OR 97002.



## ELECTION 2012

Have an interest in local city government? Run for OFFICE!!

Positions for November 6, 2012 General Election

2 Council seats—4 year term

Mayor position—2 year term

Candidacy may be declared by any city resident (6 month residency minimum). If you are interested, please pick up an elections filing packet, between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm at Aurora City Hall, 21420 Main Street, NE.

Deadline for submissions is **Friday, August 18, 2012 by 4:30 pm.**

## North Marion Community Library Association

We are a group of book lovers who have joined together with the intention of building a library for the North Marion area.

We are starting small, but with a greater plan in mind. We have done the necessary preliminary work. We have by-laws in place, have achieved non-profit status and are legally ready to roll.

We would like for you to get on board with us and make it happen! We can do it, but we need YOUR HELP AND COMMITMENT!

### RUMMAGE SALE

A Fundraiser to Benefit a Future Library  
Serving the North Marion Community  
August 10-11 2012  
(Aurora Colony Days)  
Aurora Presbyterian Church



We will be collecting items for the Rummage sale at the North Marion High School parking lot on the following dates:

Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am-2pm

Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm

Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm

WE NEED VOUNTEERS!!! (For collection/pick up AND the Rummage Sale)

Contact us! Email [nmarion@gmail.com](mailto:nmarion@gmail.com) – [www.northmarioncommunitylibraryassociation.com](http://www.northmarioncommunitylibraryassociation.com)

## BIG HUGE THANK YOU!



Each year, during Aurora Colony Days, we take time to say thank you to special members of our community that have shared time and effort to foster goodness in our community.

Please join us in congratulating our esteemed Aurora Colony Days Dignitaries:

### Aurora Colony Days Queen & King: Jan & Dick Peel

Aurora residents for 7 years and owners of Home Again Antiques for 10 years, Jan & Dick have served relentlessly as ambassadors of our community and coordinating the Aurora Colony Days Antique Faire. Thank you Jan & Dick!

### Aurora Colony Days Parade Grand Marshals: Larry & Karen Townsend

Stewards of the new sidewalk project, volunteers for Historic Review Board and the Museum, supporters of all good things Aurora, our neighbors of 30+ years, Karen (Time After Time Antiques) & Larry (ACVA website & ACD Art Show) rightly serve with zest and zeal as this year's Parade Grand Marshals, Thank you Larry & Karen!

### City of Aurora, Volunteer of the Year 2011: Jonathan Gibson

Having donated countless hours in the last year to bring the City's public communication means into the 21st century, we have our neighbor Jonathan to thank for the new and improved City's website (and its upkeep). His work affords all of us reliable and updated means to share information and communicate to a larger world. (And we appreciate his help during Little Miss Pioneer too!)

You'll see these wonderful folks in the parade and around town, so be sure to give a wave and extend your thanks!

Follow us on Facebook at "I LOVE AURORA!" or at [auroraor.blogspot.com](http://auroraor.blogspot.com)



## Message from the Aurora Fire Department

### Bike & Pedestrian Safety

In 2007 there were more than 236,000 reported bicycle-related injuries. Head injury is the leading cause of death in bicycle crashes.

Please take the time to review these safety tips with all friends and family members. These are some quick simple tips to help ensure that your summertime walking and bicycle riding adventures are fun and safe!

Children under 10 should ride on sidewalks or safe areas only like a bike path. Teens may ride in the street, riding with traffic, after they learn the rules of the road.

Teach children to always come to a complete stop before entering a driveway, path or sidewalk. Look left, right, and left again for other bikes, cars, or pedestrians.

Children should walk, not ride a bike across the street, and cross only with a grown-up. Grown-ups and older children should be role models and set a positive example by practicing safe street-crossing rules.

## The Aurora Colony Museum Presents:

July 12-15: Follow the "Willie Wagon" to the Marion County Fair! The famous wagon that led the Aurora Colonists through the Oregon Trail will be on display at the Marion County Fair from Thursday, July 12 through Sunday, July 15 in the "Heritage" area of the fair. Drop by the Aurora Colony Museum booth next to the wagon — say hi and enjoy the living history demonstrations! Fair admission required.

July 21— 11am-4pm: The Aurora Colony Handspinners' Dye Day— the Aurora Colony Handspinners will be on hand in the museum courtyard demonstrating spinning techniques and dying of fibers. There will be a natural dye demonstration at 2:00 PM. Museum admission includes entry to Dye Day.