

City of **AUBURN**

***Auburn Christmas  
Parade of Lights***

**Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm**



We have a new Holiday Event in Auburn this year and we want everyone to be a part of it.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Auburn Christmas Parade of Lights will be held on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 6pm. It will start from Western High School's eastern parking lot and end at the Auburn Park.

It's a festival of Christmas Lights, Sounds and Wonders. All the entries have to be covered with Christmas Lights. With today's LED lights all you

need is a power inverter to plug into your car's power port.

The Auburn Jaycees, the Auburn-Williams Lion's Club and the DDA sponsor the parade.

The holidays are always a great time of giving and showing the love we have for one another & this parade is no exception. There is a \$25 entry fee and all the proceeds from this will be going to the Diaper Alliance. The goal is to collect 2,000 diapers the night of the parade, so please pick up a pack or two and bring them with you.

The parade ends at the park building where Santa will light the City Christmas Tree. There will be treats for the kids too.

Pick up registration forms at city hall or at [www.auburnjaycees.com](http://www.auburnjaycees.com)

See you at the parade!!

**Contact City Hall:**

City Hall Office: 989.662.6761

City Hall Hours: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Mon-Fri

Police/Fire: 911 Police Office: 989.662.6768

**Winter Parking Rules**

Please remember, from November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>, there is NO overnight parking on any city street from 2am to 6am per City Ordinance 70.04. Vehicles will be ticketed.

**Unwanted Newspapers**

Many residents have complained to the City about receiving unwanted newspapers in their yard from the Bay City Times. The number to call to ask for your house to be removed from the delivery list is:  
(989) 671-1201  
or email [customer-care@mlive.com](mailto:customer-care@mlive.com).

**Snow Removal**

City Ordinance 95.082 prohibits the pushing, dumping or depositing of snow or ice on any city street or sidewalk. This makes it harder to keep the streets safe for both cars and people.

While cleaning the snow off your sidewalks, please clear the snow away from the fire hydrant near you

Be safe while shoveling, don't over do it. Shovel smart and stay safe & healthy. Please be a good neighbor and help those who might not be able to shovel themselves.

## Notes from the Mayor

The new park pavilion is looking good. Soon we will be seeing skaters back on the ice enjoying the new facility knowing that even if it snows, the ice should be clear with the new roof covering it. We truly hope that this facility will become the multi-use facility we plan it to be. A place for concerts, art shows, an improved farmers market, special events and so much more. The new meeting room will be available for renting, so will the entire pavilion for large special events like weddings or corporate events. Both the DDA and the City Commission hope that this facility will enhance life in Auburn.

Our search for a new city administrator is proceeding. The City has hired a recruiter to help us in our search. We are receiving applications and hope to have a new administrator hired before year's end. Thank you all for understanding during this time. The City Staff has done a great job, I am proud of them.

The Planning Commission has just finished updating the Auburn Master Plan and the City Commission has approved it. It is a general plan, a blueprint for our city's future layout to help guide the character & future developments here in Auburn. There are changes to the city zoning that should help improve our city. Please visit the city website where you can read the entire plan.

2017, where did you go? Time seems to go past quicker and quicker each year. We never get everything done that we really want to do. Please take the time this upcoming holiday season to spend time with good friends and family members and to remember just what is really important in your lives and be thankful!

*Lee Kilbourn*

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### 2018 Park Rentals

With 2018 around the corner, many of you are starting to plan your events, gatherings, parties, etc. using the Auburn City Park. City Hall will begin to book these reservations starting Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. for residents of the City of Auburn and Williams Township. (Each household is allotted two rentals per calendar year.) Rental fees are due by cash or check at the time the reservation is booked. At this time, reservations will not be held for inquiries over the phone or by email. Non-residents may begin booking their reservations Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

For the current Auburn Park Pavilion the rate is \$125 for residents and \$150 for non-residents. Please be aware that you will also be asked for a \$100 security deposit at the time that the key is

picked up for your event. City Hall will not hold a deposit from the time of reservation. You may also be requested to obtain general liability or other insurance, depending on the nature of your event.

Information is not currently available on the rental of the new spaces at the Farmer's Market Pavilion. As information becomes available it will be added to the City's webpage at [www.auburnmi.org](http://www.auburnmi.org).

The smaller Lions Club Pavilion is still free of charge and available on a first come, first served basis.



## Auburn, MI Rocks!



One seemingly small gesture can make a world of difference in a person's day. This is the theory behind the Kindness Rocks Project. The goal of this project is simple ... promote random acts of kindness that will make someone else smile. People are doing this by painting rocks with inspirational sayings, favorite characters, or other meaningful and thought-provoking images and then leaving them in public areas for others to stumble upon.

A corn rock, photo above, was found at City Hall in October and it created quite a buzz! That one smile it created when it was found, became many more as the news spread through the office. This chain effect set the mood for the rest of the day. The next day a beautiful mountain scene and a minion were found nearby too. These inspired us to find out more about what was going on and to continue spreading the good vibes.

If you'd like to join in on the fun, here's what you'll need:

- Rocks! Flat and smooth river stones from 3"- 5" big work best. They can be found in craft stores or garden centers. If you are getting rocks from outside in nature, please be sure you are not breaking any laws.

- Non-toxic spray paint. Available at craft or hardware stores. This will help seal your rocks so that they last longer.

- "Rock paint". Oil-based sharpies, Prismacolor Premier non-toxic dual tip markers, or craft acrylic paints work best. Just make sure whatever paint you use is non-toxic and environmentally safe.

- Non-Toxic clear sealant. Usually available at craft or hardware stores. (Modge Podge outdoor sealant works great.) This will help protect your artwork from the elements.

Finally, when leaving your rocks for people to enjoy make sure you are being respectful. Most rocks are left in public spaces, but you may still need to acquire permission. National Forests and Parks have a Leave No Trace Policy, so please don't drop rocks there.

Add a hashtag to the back of your rock and follow it's journey. Try out #AuburnMIRocks!" or #MittenRocksofLove" and follow the groups on Facebook.



## Information Regarding your Utility Bill

Please remember to adjust the date your payment is mailed so it is received by the due date. The City has changed the billing dates so no more Utility Billing at Christmas time. You should expect your bill to be mailed in January, April, July, and October. We hope this change, that many of you suggested to us, in our billing cycle will help you out this Christmas season. Sign up with the City's Auto Pay so your payments are never late.



## 2018 Festival of Banners

The Banners that hang on the light poles are always such a beautiful sight. We are very proud of those who designed them. The 2017 banners will be available to be purchased by the artists that created them for \$25. They will make a great remembrance.



### Do You Know What These Are?

These are bags of lead, 20,160 lbs. of lead that were removed from the city's rifle gun range this summer.

The total value of the lead recovered was \$13,910. Less the cost of removal and processing fees, the City received a check for \$1,051.

The Auburn Gun Range is located north of Auburn on 9 Mile Road. We offer free use of the range during scheduled days. Our local law enforcement agencies use it weekly to improve their skills.

We offer special training sessions during the year like Hunter Safety.

Range Warden Bill Warren and the Auburn - Williams Recreation Association, manage the range.

The 2018 Festival of Banners theme is "Patriotism". Entry forms and rules will be available at City Hall and on the city's website. It costs nothing to enter your design. The Auburn Downtown Development Authority sponsors the Festival of Banners & we thank them.

## Dates to Remember...

Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Happy Thanksgiving**

Nov 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> City Hall

Will be closed.

Nov 28<sup>th</sup> Auburn Library

**Movie & a Craft: Brave**

5:00pm

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> **KC Fish Fry**

2:30-7pm

Dec 5<sup>th</sup> **Live Reindeer** 5:00-

7:00pm

Auburn Library

Dec 9<sup>th</sup> **Ugly Sweater 5k**

Dec 9<sup>th</sup> **Christmas Parade of Lights** 6pm

Dec 12<sup>th</sup> **City Wide Christmas Lighting Contest Judging**

Dec 20<sup>th</sup> **Blood Drive**

1:30-6:30pm

Auburn Library

Dec 25<sup>th</sup>

**Merry Christmas**

Jan 1<sup>st</sup> **Happy New Year!**

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> **KC Fish Fry**

2:30-7pm



## City of Auburn 2018 Trash Calendar

January 2018							April 2018							July 2018							October 2018						
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February 2018							May 2018							August 2018							November 2018						
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**Notes:**  
 Trash days are **bolded** and recycle days are marked with a **box**. Normal trash pickup is every Wednesday. **Highlighted** days are holidays observed by City Hall.

Trash will be collected one day late due to the following Holidays: Memorial Day - May 29, Independence Day - July 4, Labor Day - September 4, Christmas Day - December 25, and New Year's Day - January 1, 2019.

Yard Waste Stickers will no longer be provided by Waste Management. Please mark yard waste containers clearly with a permanent marker or spray paint.

For large item pickup please call Waste Management at 800-796-9696. Christmas trees are collected the first two weeks of January.

2018 Waste Management yard waste collection starts April 4 and ends November 28.

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FALL 2017

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the city website.

[www.auburnmi.org](http://www.auburnmi.org)

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