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New Speed Detection Device

In the 2005 Citizen Survey, Auburn residents indicated a desire to see increased efforts to stop speeding in neighborhoods. In response to comments received by citizens, the City recently purchased the Sunray™ 115R Radar Display, a new speed detection device aimed at slowing down drivers in residential areas.



The new radar display uses solar power and the latest in light emitting diode (LED) technology to display messages to drivers. The radar will detect a vehicle's speed, record the speed, and display the speed, along with a message reading "Too Fast" or "Slow Down" depending on the vehicle's speed.

Auburn citizens will see the new radar display throughout the City in the coming months. More than fifteen Auburn neighborhoods have requested to have the device on their streets, some of which include: Cary Woods subdivision, Glenhaven subdivision, Heard subdivision, Moore's Mill subdivision, and Willow Creek. Anyone wishing to have the radar display in their neighborhood may make their request to Brandy Ezelle, the City's Traffic Engineer, at 501-3029.

Traffic Light Upgrades Continue

The City of Auburn continues to upgrade intersections throughout the City with Uninterruptible Power Systems (UPS). These systems allow an intersection to continue to operate in the event of a power failure. Currently, ten intersections feature UPS: Opelika Road/East University Drive; Mitcham Avenue/North Gay Street; East Glenn Avenue/East University Drive; Longleaf Drive/South College Street; Mitcham Avenue/North College Street; Samford Avenue/South Gay Street; Thach Avenue/South Gay Street; East Glenn Avenue/North Dean Road; Opelika Road/Ronald Lane; and Shug Jordan Parkway/North Donahue Drive. The City Council has approved an additional seventeen intersections for UPS upgrades this year and another twenty-six next year. For more information on Uninterruptible Power Systems, contact Brandy Ezelle at 501-3029.



Meeting Schedule

City Council – July 5, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.

Tree Commission - July 6, 4:30 PM, City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 Tichenor Avenue.

Board of Zoning Adjustment -July 6, 4:30 PM, Council Chamber.

Water Works Board - July 11, 4:00 PM, Water and Sewer Conference Room, 214 North Donahue Drive.

Greenspace Advisory Board - July 12, 11:30 AM, City Hall Conference Room.

Historic Preservation Commission - July 12, 4:00 PM, Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center.

Planning Commission - July 14, 5:00 PM, Council Chamber.

Board of Education - July 19, 6:00 PM, AHS Multi-Media Room.

City Council - July 19, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.

City Council Budget Work Session - July 26, 5:30 PM, City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 Tichenor Avenue.

Library Board - July 28, 1:15 PM, Library Conference Room.

City Council Budget Work Session - July 28, 5:30 PM, City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 Tichenor Avenue.

Cemetery Advisory Board - August 1, 4:00 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

Park & Recreation Advisory Board - August 2, 5:30 PM, Dean Road Recreation Center.

City Council - August 2, 7:30 PM, Council Chamber.

Tree Commission - August 3, 4:30 PM, City of Auburn Meeting Room, 122 Tichenor Avenue.

Board of Zoning Adjustment - August 3, 4:30 PM, Council Chamber.

- Meeting times and places are subject to change -

Countdown to Dixie Youth World Series

The City of Auburn is set to host the 2005 Dixie Youth 50th World Series, August 7-13 at Duck Samford Baseball Complex. The tournament includes the Triple-A Tournament (ages 9-10) and the Majors (ages 11-12) and will feature eleven state champion teams for each division, as well as two host teams from Auburn. The City is expected to draw several thousand people from across the Southeast for this week-long event. Opening ceremonies will take place on Sunday, August 7 and tournament games will begin on Monday, August 8.



For more information on the Dixie Youth World Series, visit www.auburndyws.com or see next month's feature story in Open Line.

Job Vacancies

The City of Auburn has full-time and part-time positions in a wide range of areas. One of the current regular, full-time job openings is:



- **Civil Engineer(\$3,8411.97-4,587.52/month)**

For updated job opportunities, visit the City's website at www.auburnalabama.org, contact the Alabama State Employment Office, or call the City's job line at 501-7250. The City of Auburn is an equal opportunity employer.



Store all gas powered equipment, gas cans, paint solvents, and other combustible liquids in a building away from your house, and provide proper ventilation where these items are stored.

Board Vacancies

The following vacancies will be announced at the July 5 City Council meeting and are expected to be filled at the August 2 meeting:

- One vacancy on the **Greenspace Advisory Board**. The incumbent has served one term.
- One vacancy on the **Planning Commission**. The incumbent has served one partial term.



Citizens interested in serving are encouraged to contact one of their City Council members or notify the City Manager's Office.

The Finance Department and City Revenue Office will close at noon Friday, July 22 for staff development and reopen Monday, July 25 at 8:00am.

Summer Camps and Programs

The City of Auburn offers a number of camps and programs throughout the summer months for youth of all ages. Enrollment is limited and pre-registration is required. A few of the camps and programs remaining this summer are listed below, along with related registration and payment information. To find out more about summer camp offerings, visit www.auburnalabama.org/leisure/.

AACT's Musical Theatre Camp

Ages: 8 - 16 years

The American musical provides a wonderful avenue for young actors to explore movement, expression, voice, projection, and teamwork. With a show stopping performance at the end of the week, this is an opportunity young actors won't want to miss.

When: Monday – Friday; July 18 – 22; 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Matinee Performance: Saturday, July 23; 10:00 a.m.

Location: Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center

Instructor: Tricia Oliver · 704-0270

Fee: \$120/\$10 t-shirt fee; payable to Instructor

Visual Art Workshops for Young Children

Ages: 7 years & older

These workshops are organized by Professor ChiChi Lovett, the Auburn University Department of Art, and area artists and art educators. Enrollment is limited. Pre-registration is required. To register, call 501-2963. For more information call the Auburn Arts Association at 887-2832 or the Arts Center at 501-2963.

When: Monday – Friday; 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

• Session III: July 11 - 15

• Session IV: July 25 - 29

Location: Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center

Coordinator: ChiChi Lovett / Auburn Arts Association

Fee: \$40 per week, per child; payable to The Auburn Arts Association

Art for Young Children

Ages: 4, 5, & 6 years

Pre-school children will explore a variety of age appropriate art materials such as clay, paint, and fabric. For information, call the Auburn Arts Association at 887-2832 or the Arts Center at 501-2963. Call 501-2963 to pre-register.

When: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday; July 18, 20, & 22; 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Location: Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center

Coordinator: ChiChi Lovett / Auburn Arts Association

Fee: \$30; payable to the Auburn Arts Association

Young Artist Atelier

Ages: 12 - 15 years

This new program will offer museum and studio experiences to young artists and is a collaborative art program provided by the Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art, The City of Auburn/Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center, and the Auburn Arts Association. Experiences at the museum may include, but are not limited to, age appropriate lectures, videos, slides, gallery talks and art activities utilizing the museum collection. Studio experiences will be held at Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center and will be taught by Auburn University professors, local artists, and art educators. Enrollment is limited. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, call 501-2963.

When: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday; 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

• Session III: July 19 - 21

• Session IV: August 2 - 4

Location: Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center/Jule Collins Smith Museum of Art

Coordinator: ChiChi Lovett

Fee: \$40; payable to the Auburn Arts Association

Camp Kaleidoscope

Ages: 6-12 years

Join the fun this summer in day camp. Each camp week will be filled with games, activities, special guests, and field trips.

When: Monday - Friday

• Session D: July 11 - 15

• Session E: July 18 - 22

• Session F: July 25 - 29

• Session G: August 1 - 5

Time: Morning Session: 8:00 a.m. - noon

Afternoon Session: 1:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Location: Auburn Junior High

Coordinator: Melissa Weldon - 501-2946

Fee: \$45.00 (Full-week, Morning Session);

\$45.00 (Full-week, Afternoon Session);

\$80.00 (Full-week, All day);

payable to City of Auburn

*Must be registered for Camp on Friday prior to session you wish to attend.

Small Fry Camp

Ages: 3-5 years

This camp is designed especially for preschoolers. Children will enjoy hands-on activities, music in song and dance, and many other age-related activities. Field trips may be offered.

When: Monday, Wednesday & Friday; 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

• Session E: July 11 - 15

• Session F: July 18 - 22

• Session G: July 25 - 29

Location: Frank Brown Recreation Center

Coordinator: Melissa Weldon - 501-2946

Fee: \$25.00; payable to City of Auburn

Summer Soccer Camps

The Auburn Soccer Association summer camps are designed to offer players four days of professional soccer training in a fun environment with a curriculum aimed at promoting soccer development. Players will train and play games within their specific age group. Every player attending soccer camp will receive a 2005 Auburn Soccer Association camp t-shirt and a soccer ball. Shin guards are mandatory for all campers. All camps will be held at the Auburn Soccer Complex on Wire Road. Camp fees are payable to the Auburn Soccer Association. A \$20 late fee will be assessed for registration received after the corresponding camp deadline. For more information or to register, visit www.auburnalabama.org/soccer or contact Louis Richard at 501-2943.

Advanced Soccer Camp

Ages: 10-18

Time: 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Camp: August 1 - 4, Registration Deadline: July 22

Fee: \$95

Goalkeeper Soccer Camp

Ages: 10-18

Time: 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Camp: August 1 - 4, Registration Deadline: July 22

Fee: \$95

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Happy 4th of July

Celebrate Independence Day at the City's Annual Fourth of July Celebration, sponsored by Briggs & Stratton, on Monday, July 4, behind the home side of Duck Samford Stadium. Enjoy fireworks, great food from Country's Barbecue, live music, and balloon and magic entertainment for children from dRMagic. Gates open at 6:00 p.m. and the entertainment begins at 7:00 p.m. The fireworks show will follow at 9:00 p.m. Admission is free. The rain date is set for Tuesday, July 5. For more information, contact Alison Hall at 501-2940



The **Parks and Recreation Summer Quarterly Brochure** is currently available at various City facilities and on the Parks & Recreation web site at www.auburnalabama.org/parks. Pick up a copy to learn about classes, programs, day camps, and special events offered this summer. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at 501-2930.

Earth/Sky/Water, an invitational photography exhibition featuring works by Jennifer Alam, Mike Kenney, James Purves, and Olivia Lee Shafter, is open through July 29 at the Jan Dempsey Community Arts Center. The exhibit is free and open to the public Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For more information, call 501-2963.

Join the **summer reading program** at the Auburn Public Library. The theme for preschool-5th grade students is "FUNtastic Summer" and 6th-12 grade students have a "READiculous" theme. Registration for the reading programs ends July 6. All materials should be turned in by August 6. There will be an end of summer party on Friday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m. For more information, contact Youth Services at 501-3196.

The Auburn Public Library will present **Jazz Story — African Roots, American Branches** with Charles Suhor, PhD on July 14 at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Suhor will trace the development of early jazz from its African roots to the American scene. Suhor uses non-technical language to bring the sense and sound of early jazz into the 21st century. For more information, contact Jennifer Brenton at 501-3190.

The **library book club** will meet on July 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library. This month the book club will discuss Founding Mothers: The Women Who Raised Our Nation by Cokie Roberts. For more information, contact Jennifer Brenton at 501-3190.

The Auburn Public Library presents **classical guitarist** Peter Fletcher July 31 at 3:00 p.m. at the Auburn Public Library. Fletcher has performed at various venues across the country and has been featured on several live television and radio broadcasts. For more information, contact Jennifer Brenton at 501-3190.

Auburn City Pools

Summer Pool Schedule through September 5

RECREATION SWIM Monday-Friday, 1:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RECREATION MORNING SWIM Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-noon July 19 - July 22 (Samford Pool)

LAP SWIM (ALL AGES) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday; 6:00 a.m.-7:15 a.m.
Closed Wednesday due to cleaning

ADULT LAP SWIM (19 OR OLDER) Monday – Sunday, Noon – 1:00 p.m. Monday – Friday, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

*This schedule is subject to change.

Samford Pool: 328 Samford Avenue (Behind Samford Middle School)

Drake Pool: 653 Spencer Avenue (Behind Drake Middle School)

Fee: \$2.00 per person (Children 1 & under free)

Season Passes: On sale at Dean Road Recreation Center.

\$50.00 Individual; \$100.00 Family (Parents & Children)

