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F^N Hot off the (Caltrans) Press!

Welcome to your online recap of City actions and vital stories for folks who care about Auburn. Found twice monthly at the corner of City Hall and your smartphone, tablet or computer.

The City just received permission from Caltrans to begin advertising for the construction of the Palm Avenue Sidewalk Project. This project includes the construction of 1,350 linear feet of sidewalk and a 4-foot planting strip along the south side of Palm Avenue connecting E. V. Cain Middle School to Nevada Street. Funding for the project comes from a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant from the State of California, a federal "Safe Routes to School" grant and local transportation funds. Advertising for contractors is beginning immediately with bid opening on November 7 and an anticipated contract award by the City Council in November. Construction is expected to take approximately six months to complete at an estimated cost of \$1.5 million.

Upcoming October Dates

Chamber Forum Meeting 1st at 7am

Planning Commission/ HDRC 1st at 6pm

Chamber Forum Meeting 8th at 7am

City Council Meeting 14th at 6pm

F^N Helping Out is Not Only Good Business and Neighborly, it's Good Insurance

Two of the most recent and significant wildfires in Northern California this past month received assistance from the Auburn Fire Department as part of the California Master Mutual Aid System. The City sent an engine and personnel to the American Fire just east of Foresthill, as well as the Rim Fire in Tuolumne County near Yosemite. The contingent was part of a Strike Team- five similar types of engines from five different agencies with a leader. For seven days, the American Fire crew helped reinforce fire lines by putting the fire out at containment lines and conducting back-fire operations so the fire could not advance any further. The day after crews returned to Auburn from the American Fire, the engine and another crew headed south to the Rim Fire. Over another seven days, the crews protected communities such as Twain Harte and Tuolumne City by putting the fire out and creating containment lines. California is the leader in mutual aid, developing a fire service system that quickly mobilizes fire resources to assist each other when the need is the greatest. So, just as Auburn assists other communities, we can be assured that other agencies will quickly assist Auburn in our time of need.

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F^N Project Auburn Returns!

Looks like the Spring of 2014 will see another Project Auburn in the City! An initial project team has been meeting and has decided on three large projects to focus on. First, the construction of the new park at the old Dancing Dog site, second, the renovation of the interior of Old City Hall, and third, the renovation of the East Placer Park. All are great projects that will make a big difference in the downtown area. Keep an eye out for future information as to how you can participate in this all-important day.

F^N Is Public Transit Serving YOUR Mobility Needs?

The Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) wants to hear from you, so they're making it easy for you to learn about what's available and voice your thoughts and concerns about what might be missing. They are holding several workshops all around the County, including one in our very own Auburn City Hall at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 15 upstairs in Room 10. Need to attend sooner? You might be interested in the Roseville Maidu Community Center at 1550 Maidu Drive, Roseville at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 2. All workshops are preparation for the public hearing on Wednesday, October 23 at 9:15 a.m. in the Placer County Administrative Center (Board of Supervisors Chambers) at 175 Fulweiler Avenue in Auburn. If these dates don't fit your schedule and you want to send in your comments or find out where to see the complete list of workshops, contact David Melko at PCTPA, 299 Nevada Street, Auburn, 530-470-5023 or dmelko@pctpa.net.

F^N Bike Safety is Everybody's Responsibility

The Auburn Police Department encourages all road users, including motorists and bicyclists, to respect each other and promote a safer transportation environment. Bicycles on the roadway are, by law, vehicles with the same rights and responsibilities as motorized vehicles.

Did You Know...

- 677 bicycle deaths in 2011 accounted for 2% of all traffic fatalities during the year?
- children under 14 years old made up 9% of those fatalities?
- 69% of the fatalities age 14 and younger were boys?

In an effort to strengthen the public's recognition of the seriousness of bicycle safety and change the statistics for the better, Sacramento legislators have some pending new laws on the horizon. Governor Jerry Brown just signed legislation requiring motorists to give bicyclists at least three feet of space when passing on a California roadway. In addition, Assembly Bill 1371 (Bradford, D-Gardena) requires motorists to slow down if they cannot give room and makes failing to comply with this law an infraction punishable by a base fine of \$35. Spread the word, and do it for the kids!