

## City's population growth means new ward boundaries next year

**Y**ou may not have any plans to move this year, but some Aurora residents may find their home will reside in a different ward starting in 2013.

The City is required every 10 years to review – and possibly redraw – the geographic boundaries to account for population shifts and growth in order to maintain wards with similar size populations. According to the 2010 U.S. Census, Aurora's population growth has shifted east, which necessitated a new ward map.

A special Ward Redistricting Committee, which was composed of appointed City Council members, City staff and residents, held several meetings between January and June as well as three public hearings in April to gather community feedback. The committee was tasked with defining ward boundaries based upon well-established legal factors, including population size (wards should not deviate by more than 10 percent of the ideal size of 19,790 residents), contiguity, compactness and natural boundaries.

### Find your ward

**Online:** Residents can find their ward using the "MyPlace" feature, download a copy of the 2013 Ward Boundary Map and review the FAQs section all on the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

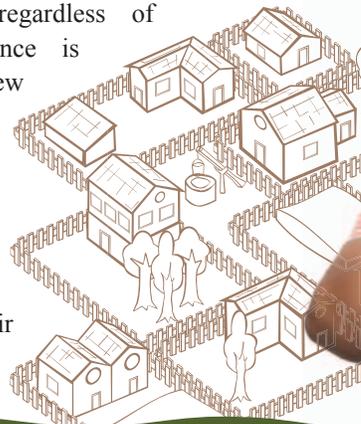
**Print:** Hard copies of the maps are available at the City's Customer Service Center, 3770 McCoy Drive, and all three Aurora Public Library locations, including the Main Library, 1 E. Benton St.; Eola Road Branch, 555 S. Eola Road; and the West Branch, 233 S. Constitution Drive.

### Fast Facts

- Aurora is Illinois' second biggest City with 197,899 residents
- The City is divided into 10 wards
- Each ward will have approximately 19,790 residents
- There are 12 City Council members, including two At-Large aldermen
- Ward boundaries are redrawn every 10 years based off the U.S. Census
- The new boundaries will be used for the 2013 municipal election
- Residents will be represented by their current ward alderman until May 2013

While the City Council adopted the new ward map in June, the new boundaries will not be effective until the General Primary Election set for Feb. 26, 2013. Candidates wishing to file petitions will do so based on the new ward map.

In the meantime, residents who have an issue or question can discuss the matter with their current alderman regardless of where your residence is located under the new ward map. Once the newly elected City Council members officially take their seats in May 2013, residents can direct their concerns to their new alderman.



### INSIDE



**Paramount's Broadway series returns for a second act**  
Page 3

**Aurora at 175: City enters 20th century with civic pride**  
Page 4

**Wilder Promenade full of history, exciting future**  
Page 5

**Take note when the City's free leaf collection starts**  
Page 12





## From the Mayor's Desk

### Aurora Offers Plenty of Fun to All Ages No Matter What the Season

Dear neighbor,

What a summer it has been here in Aurora! More excitement, more events ... and more hot weather than ever before.

The good news is that the drought was less severe here than in most areas of the state. Thanks to the water conservation program Aurora has in place, the higher water demand that resulted from the hot, dry weather remained well within our Water Treatment Plant's production capacity. Without these conservation measures, and given our population growth, we might otherwise have to consider a multi-million dollar expansion of our water production facility. The real credit goes to all of you who are abiding by our City's water conservation policies. You are saving a finite water supply, and you're saving capital dollars, too.

A list of events in our City over the summer included our reliable standbys – the Memorial Day and July 4th Parade and Fireworks that drew great crowds – but also newer events like the Aurora ArtWalk, Louche Puce Market, Two Brothers Hop Juice Festival, Green Fest, the Paddlesports Festival and Art in the Park at Phillips Park, the LaSalle Street Auto Show and, of course, the ever-popular Blues on the Fox and our Downtown Alive! events, the most recent of which drew a full house to party with Charlie Daniels. Whew!

Next year, many of these events will take place at RiverEdge Park on Route 25 along the Fox River. RiverEdge Park includes a high quality, permanent entertainment venue, where visitors will be able to see and hear everything from internationally

known rock-and-roll performers to high school bands. Construction costs of the park are covered by \$15 million in grants from a private foundation and several state and local government agencies.

The new park provides us all with a great central gathering spot and, even more importantly, it will help to spur new mixed-use development as the economy recovers. Gather some friends and sign up today for a "sneak peak" group tour of RiverEdge Park beginning in October!

Aurora residents organized more than 50 neighborhood block parties this summer – a real testament to neighborhood energy and unity. I recently attended a neighborhood party at Fox Chase where residents supplied their children with school backpacks filled with supplies. What a great idea!

Finally, although the cold weather will soon be upon us, the fun does not need to end. Aurora's historic Paramount Theatre launches its critically acclaimed Broadway series in September (Page 3). And mark your calendars for the Aurora Festival of Lights at Phillips Park beginning this November (Page 7). Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Aurora, the event will more than double in size this winter, clearly becoming the biggest (and, arguably, the best) light display in the region.

Respectfully,

Tom Weisner  
Mayor, City of Aurora

## Around Town

### Electric bill savings start in fall

Aurora residents should start seeing their 25 percent monthly supply savings on their ComEd electric bills this fall as part of the City's electrical aggregation program.

Residents are reminded they did not have to do anything to take advantage of the City's program, which will save the average household about \$300 annually on their electric bills. Aurora electric customers were sent two opt-out notices this summer if they wanted to join the program. Participating customers will continue to receive a single monthly bill from ComEd, which will maintain power lines and distribute the electricity.

First Energy Solutions is the only electrical supplier currently endorsed by the City. For more information, visit the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org) or call First Energy at 866-636-3749.

### Downer bridges to open in November

Good news on the construction front. The new Downer Place bridges are nearing completion and should be open by November.

When the bridges do open, there will be a new two-way traffic pattern on both Downer Place and Benton Street, the latter of which has been two-way since February as part of the bridge detour route. The Stolp Avenue intersections at Downer and at Benton will feature stop signs as opposed to lights.

The entire project, which will feature rain gardens at Downer Place and Stolp Avenue to help collect storm water and beautify the downtown, will be completed in spring 2013. You can stay on top of the latest bridge updates via our website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

### Grant enhances firefighter training

The City of Aurora and Naperville Fire Departments have joined forces to secure a \$794,000 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant to pay for a video conferencing system to be installed in all fire stations in both cities.

With the City's fiber optic network already in place, the Aurora Fire Department wanted to take its training to the next level. The video conferencing system will reduce emergency response times since the mandatory training previously required firefighters to leave their stations. On the green side, the digital training format will reduce the amount of time ambulances, fire engines and trucks are on the street traveling to training sessions.

The grant covers 80 percent of the video conferencing system, and the cities will split the remaining difference.

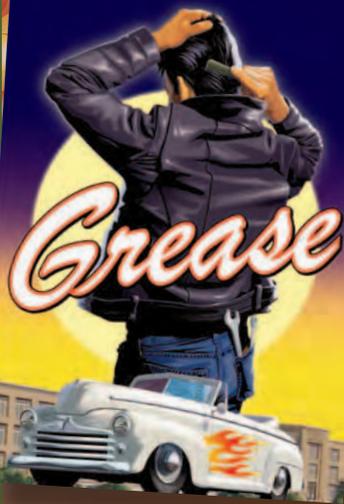
## Get a sneak peek of RiverEdge Park

RiverEdge Park's first show will be in June 2013, but you can get a preview of Aurora's new regional festival park along the Fox River starting in October.

Tours will be available to groups of 15 to 50 people. Registration is required.

To arrange a tour, contact the City of Aurora Planning Division at 630-256-3080.

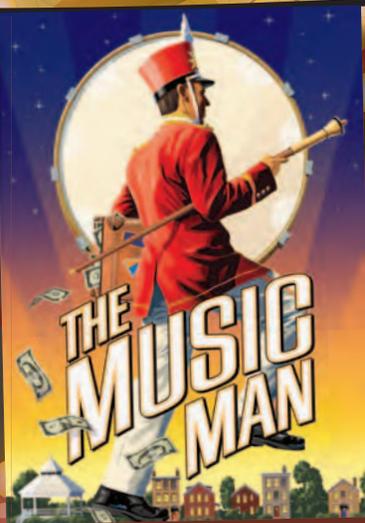




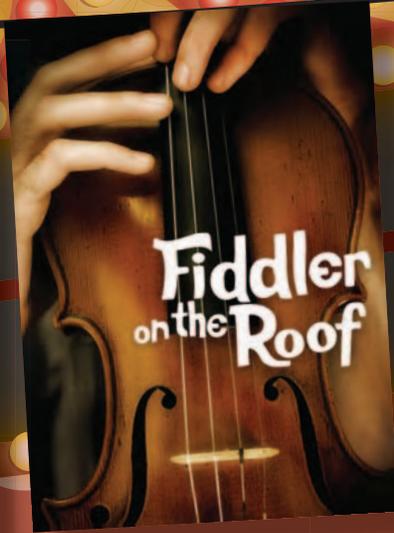
Sept. 12 to Oct. 7



Nov. 21 to Dec. 30



Jan. 16 to Feb. 3



March 6 to March 24

## Paramount's Broadway series returns for an encore

The Paramount Theatre's highly acclaimed Broadway series returns to downtown Aurora for a second season looking to build off last year's success.

The historic theatre drew rave reviews from audiences and critics alike during its inaugural run producing its own musicals in-house. The 2012-13 show lineup boasts four more classics starting this month with "Grease" followed by "Annie," "Music Man" and "Fiddler on the Roof." All four shows will feature a full musical orchestra to accompany the productions. Subscriptions can be purchased for \$70 to \$94 for the entire four-show Broadway series. Individual show tickets are \$35 to \$47.

To order tickets, visit the Paramount Theatre at 23 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora. The box office hours are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. You can also call 630-896-6666 or purchase tickets online at [www.paramountaurora.com](http://www.paramountaurora.com).

## SPREAD SOME HOLIDAY CHEER TO LOCAL VETERANS

Let's make sure all our local heroes know that we care about them always, but especially around the holidays. The City will honor Aurora residents serving in the military by sending a one-pound gift box of mixed nuts along with a holiday greeting card from the community.

Families need to provide the following information to send a gift:

- Active service member's name
- Rank
- Complete military address as it should appear line-by-line
- A home address in Aurora.

The submission deadline is Friday, Nov. 16.

To send a gift, call the Community Services Department at 630-256-3400 or contact Sara Townsend via email at [stownsend@aurora-il.org](mailto:stownsend@aurora-il.org).



## Get rid of those old electronics

Easy as



Twice monthly collection at the Customer Service Center and Central Garage facility



Schedule a home collection. Call Vintage Tech Recyclers 630-305-0922. Max 10 items



Drop-off (Wed-Sat) at Habitat for Humanity ReStore, 4100 Fox Valley Drive

More details: [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org) or call 630-256-INFO

# AURORA at 175

## A look back at the City's history

*Editor's note: As Aurora celebrates its 175th anniversary in 2012, the Aurora Borealis will take a look back on key moments that shaped the City's history. The third in this four-part series focuses on an era full of boosterism and civic pride in the early 20th century.*

**A**s Aurora entered the 20th century, there were generations of residents that were born and bred here because they thought the City was a great place to live. Civic leaders and business owners capitalized on the positive spirit and wanted to build upon the past success to create a better future.

The first electric street lights installed in the 1880s were upgraded and expanded from 26 lamps to more than 400 in 1907. The following year, the spirited downtown merchants on River Street and Broadway Avenue paid for a new system of decorative light posts throughout the downtown. The new lights were a great success, and at that time, Aurora began using the "City of Lights" slogan in earnest.

In 1909, thousands of Civil War veterans from around the state converged here as Aurora hosted the 43rd statewide encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, an organization for those who served in the Union Army. The City rolled out the red carpet for 20,000 visitors by holding special receptions, a grand parade and constructing a temporary arch featuring hundreds of electric lights.

Aurora marched into the new decade with a huge Fourth of July celebration in 1910, including a Wright Brothers flying plane demonstration. The business community once again banded together to front the \$5,000 fee for the plane flight to keep admission costs low for residents at 50 cents. The Wright Brothers plane lifted off from the Aurora Driving Park for 55 minutes – delighting the crowd of 6,000 people – becoming the first flight in Illinois.

About that same time, some were calling Aurora "The City of Busy Factories." A 1914 promotional flyer lists dozens of industries and more than 200 "Made in Aurora" products from automatic tools, agricultural implements, steel, clothing, motorcycles, automobiles and everything else from pianos to beer.

The 1920s and early 1930s saw a boom in commercial development for some of Aurora's most famous landmarks including the Leland Hotel, Old Second National Bank and the Paramount Theatre.

While the Great Depression marked the end of this era, those first 30 years set the tone for civic pride that envelopes Aurora to this day.

## Battling the beetle



Aurora street crews have been working six days a week this spring and summer to continue the fight against the Emerald Ash Borer.

First spotted on the City's Far East side in 2008, the bug has spread throughout Aurora the last several years. City crews have responded to customer requests regarding dying parkway ash trees and have been busy proactively removing infested trees along major streets. Trees that are healthy are not being removed at this point.

The City anticipates removing 2,000 ash trees this year and replacing them with about 800 new trees. In 2011, the City was able to remove 885 ash trees but planted 1,234 new trees thanks in part to a \$40,000 federal grant.

"We are planting a diversified stock of trees to prevent any one disease from significantly impacting the City's tree inventory," said William Pauley, the City's Forestry Supervisor and an International Society of Arboriculture certified arborist.

The infestation has been compared to the Dutch elm disease of the 1960s that resulted in the loss of most of the elm trees throughout the region. The City has conducted chemical studies but has not found any treatment that will ensure the long-term survival of the ash tree. The cost of treatment over a 10-year period is more than the removal and replacement for trees less than 18 inches in diameter.

Given the drought that swept across the Aurora area this summer, which causes stress to dying trees, residents can pitch in by periodically watering parkway trees to keep them healthy.

If residents suspect a parkway ash tree may be infested, they can call the City's Customer Service Center at 630-256-INFO. Trees that have been confirmed to be infested will be added to the list for future removal by the City free of charge.

It is the owners' responsibility to remove infested ash trees located on private property.

### Signs of EAB infestation

- Thinning of the canopy at the top
- "D" shaped exit holes
- Splitting of the bark on the trunk
- Woodpecker damage since the birds feed on the larvae that tunnel into the bark

## Aurora Celebrates National Night Out



Aurora residents spent some time getting to know their neighbors Aug. 7 during six National Night Out ceremonies across the City. These photos are from the Georgetown Relief Efforts Neighborhood Organization (GRENO) event, which featured music, food and entertainment at Georgetown School.

# Aurora honors Wilder Family with new promenade

**A**s the 175th anniversary celebration continues throughout the year, it seemed only fitting to honor some of Aurora's earliest pioneers with the dedication of Wilder Promenade this summer.

Roswell and Clark Wilder arrived in the Aurora area in 1837. The two brothers opened one of Aurora's first hotels along the stage coach line at New York and River streets, helped build the first school in West Aurora in 1839 and donated land for the First Episcopal Church, West Aurora Cemetery and finally a one-block tract parcel at 350 N. River St. to the City as a park in 1857.

More than 100 years later, Aurora needed a new police department, and the family agreed to let the City build the new headquarters on the park as long as the area was returned to natural green space if the police force ever vacated the property. The City honored that commitment after police moved to their new headquarters on 1200 E. Indian Trail Road and demolished the old facility earlier this year.

"We are celebrating our 175th anniversary this year and it is appropriate that we recognize the Wilder Family and their ancestors for being one of our earliest pioneers and helping form the cornerstone of our great City," Mayor Tom Weisner said.

Alderman Mike Saville, a lifelong Aurora resident, said it is amazing to see the park's transformation throughout the years. "Wilder Promenade is a great addition not only to the 6th Ward but to the City of Aurora in keeping with our master plan for our beautiful Fox River," he said.

Wilder Promenade will provide open park space along the Fox River, but this is only the first phase of other exciting changes coming down the road. Future plans include a concession building and a pedestrian-friendly area once a portion of River Street is vacated. Once fully completed, the Promenade will serve as a western gateway into RiverEdge Park when a pedestrian bridge spanning the Fox River is built. The bridge also will benefit West side commuters by providing convenient access to the Aurora Transportation Center.

## What's next?

Follow the progress of RiverEdge Park with monthly updates and photos on the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).



Mayor Tom Weisner (center holding scissors), City and civic leaders and descendents of the Wilder Family officially dedicate Wilder Promenade, which will serve as the western gateway to RiverEdge Park. Also pictured are (from left) 2nd Ward Alderman Juany Garza, 6th Ward Alderman Mike Saville, 10th Ward Alderman Lynda Elmore, and 8th Ward Alderman Rick Mervine (back row, to the right of the Mayor).



## Senior Focus: Garbage bags and fees

**T**rash day often is considered one of life's necessary evils, but the City of Aurora lightens the financial burden for senior citizens when it comes to garbage disposal.

For the last 10 years, the City has offered seniors the opportunity to purchase smaller 14-gallon bags that do not require a refuse sticker. The program was implemented because many seniors are often empty-nesters and do not generate as much trash as the average family. Seniors also realize additional benefits since the smaller bags prevent odor issues from garbage sitting around for weeks waiting for the bag to be full, and the weight of the bag is much more manageable to carry outside, especially in inclement weather.

The orange senior bags cost a \$1.34 per bag and are more cost effective than stickers. Senior bags can be purchased in rolls of

20 from local grocery and hardware stores.

The City also offers additional financial assistance to senior citizens with a discount on the environmental refuse disposal fee paid on their water bills every two months. The fee is for recycling and the collection of leaves, unbundled brush and holiday trees. Residents pay \$6.90 for these services, but seniors pay \$4.90 per bill.

To be eligible for the discounted disposal rate, residents must be 65 years old and must live at the Aurora property being billed.

Residents can sign up for the disposal rate discount by calling the City's Water Billing Division at 630-256-3600. They also can fill out a form at Water Billing, located on the first floor of City Hall; or print off a form from our website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org) and mail it to City of Aurora, Water Billing, 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60507.



TEAR OUT AND SAVE!

# Aurora Fall Events!

## SEPTEMBER

**Through Nov. 30**

### Dreams and Mirrors: Latin American Artists

Noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday to Friday  
David L. Pierce Art and History Center, 20 E. Downer Place

The Aurora Public Art Commission's newest exhibit features paintings, photographs and installations by 10 established and emerging Latin American artists. Admission to the gallery is free, and parking is available in the Stolp Avenue parking deck located across the street. For more information, visit [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

### Friday to Sunday, Sept. 14 to 16

#### Fiestas Patrias

6 to 10 p.m. Sept. 14; noon to 10 p.m. Sept. 15; 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 16  
North River Street Park, Cedar and River streets

The three-day music festival celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month and Hispanic Culture in Aurora. Fiestas Patrias is a family-friendly event filled with vendors, food booths, traditional dances, a carnival and a parade, which is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Sept. 16 in the downtown. The festival is sponsored by the Aurora Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Aurora Hispanic Advisory Board. For more information, visit [www.ahcc-il.com](http://www.ahcc-il.com).

### Please do not feed the coyotes!

Coyotes are leery of humans, but pose a threat to small pets. With coyote sightings on the rise, learn important tips to discourage these wild animals from your property by:

- Visiting the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org)
- Calling Aurora Animal Control at 630-256-3630



### Saturday, Sept. 15

#### Farmers Market

7:30 a.m. to noon  
Wilder Promenade, 350 N. River St.

### Saturday, Sept. 22

#### Farmers Market

7:30 a.m. to noon  
North River Street Park, Cedar and River streets

### Electronics Recycling

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Central Garage Facility, 720 N. Broadway Ave.

Take advantage of the free electronics recycling program, this time in downtown Aurora. For a complete list of accepted items and future collection dates, call 630-256-INFO or visit the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org). Residents with ground-level floors also can schedule a front-door collection appointment (maximum 10 items) by calling the City's vendor, Vintage Tech Recyclers, at 630-305-0922.

## OCTOBER

### Friday, Oct. 5

#### Aurora ArtWalk

7 to 10 p.m.

Broadway Avenue from New York Street to the Aurora Transportation Center

Grab some friends and head to downtown Aurora, which will be transformed into a virtual art gallery. Cultural Creatives will be showcasing local artistic talent ranging from ceramics, authors, musicians, singers and more. The free event will be hosted in multiple venues on Broadway Avenue and will feature light refreshments. For more information, visit [www.auroraartwalk.org](http://www.auroraartwalk.org).

### Saturdays through Oct. 27

#### Farmers Market

7:30 a.m. to noon  
North River Street Park, Cedar and River streets

### Electronics Recycling

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Customer Service Center, 3770 McCoy Drive

Need to get rid of old electronics? No problem. The City offers twice monthly collection sites for you to conveniently dispose of unwanted electronics, this time on the Far East side. For a complete list of accepted items and future collection dates, call 630-256-INFO or visit the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

### Saturday, Oct. 20

#### Electronics Recycling

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Central Garage Facility, 720 N. Broadway Ave.



### Get a fresh start to your weekend

Saturdays through Oct. 27  
7:30 a.m. to noon  
North River Street Park, River and Cedar streets

Choose from farm-fresh produce, gourmet food, bread, wines, flowers and more

[www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org)

Celebrating 100 years!

TEAR OUT AND SAVE!





## NOVEMBER

**Saturday, Nov. 3**

**Electronics Recycling**

Electronics recycling

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Customer Service Center,  
3770 McCoy Drive

**Sunday, Nov. 11**

**Veterans Day Processional and Remembrance Ceremony**

10:15 a.m.

**Illinois Avenue bridge over the Fox River**

The City will honor those who have fought for our country's freedom starting with a processional that steps off at the Prisco Community Center, 150 W. Illinois Ave. The processional will head east on Illinois toward Veterans Island. A ceremony honoring local veteran organizations will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Veterans Island and will be concluded with a military rifle salute. For more information, visit [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

**Friday, Nov. 16**

**Winter Lights and Holiday Walk**

5 to 7:30 p.m.

**Downtown Aurora**

Bring the family to celebrate the start of the holiday season. Join us for our inaugural holiday walk starting at the David L. Pierce Art and History Center, 20 E. Downer Place. Patrons will be warmly greeted by carolers, find artwork and holiday crafts from Cultural Creatives and be treated to light refreshments and warm cocoa.

The Miss Merry Christmas and Jack Frost winners will join Santa and Mayor Tom Weisner in lighting the City's official holiday tree at 6 p.m. For more information, visit [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org).

**Saturday, Nov. 17**  
**Electronics Recycling**

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Central Garage Facility,  
720 N. Broadway Ave.

### DID YOU KNOW?

In 1896, the Aurora Zouaves brought our City worldwide fame. This rapid-step, close-order drill team dressed in fancy uniforms and won the title of "Champions of the World." They took to touring, first with Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show from 1897-98 and later with the famous Forepaugh & Sells Brothers Circus from 1902-05. In between, they toured Europe on their own from 1901-02, performing before thousands including royalty.



## Bigger, brighter and better than ever... The Festival of Lights is ready to shine!

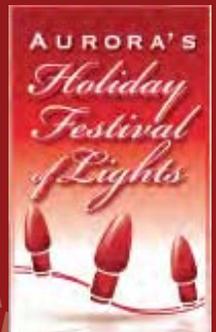
Bring your family and friends for more than one mile of light displays featuring all your holiday favorites.

Nov. 23 to Dec. 26 at Phillips Park, 1000 Ray Moses Drive  
5 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 5 to 9 p.m. Sunday to Thursday

**Festival is free, but donations welcome**

[www.aurorafestivaloflights.com](http://www.aurorafestivaloflights.com)

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Aurora and the City of Aurora



Rediscover your hearing  
at a delightful price!



**AE200 (Basic)**

- WhistleBlock Basic
- NoiseBlock Basic

**\$600.00 OFF**

ANY SIZE AE200 100%  
DIGITAL HEARING SYSTEM  
\$300 Off Each Aid.  
OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/12

**AE300 (Standard)**

- Soundflow Standard
- WhistleBlock
- NoiseBlock Standard
- SoundRecover

**\$750.00 OFF**

ANY SIZE AE300 100%  
DIGITAL HEARING SYSTEM  
\$375 Off Each Aid.  
OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/12

**AE400 (Advanced)**

- Soundflow Advanced
- SelfLearning
- WhistleBlock
- NoiseBlock Advanced
- SoundRecover
- WindBlock
- SoundRelax

**\$1,000.00 OFF**

ANY SIZE AE400 100%  
DIGITAL HEARING SYSTEM  
\$500 Off Each Aid.  
OFFER EXPIRES 10/31/12



**Professional  
Hearing & Audiology  
Clinics**

**Call us for a FREE hearing examination**

**Lincolnway Plaza**  
**111 S. Lincolnway • N. Aurora, IL**  
"3/4 Mile North of I88 on Rte. 31"  
**1-630-844-6800**

©2012 PH&AC All Rights Reserved

**SINCE 1952**



**LaPlant Foot & Ankle  
Clinic**

- Custom Orthotics
- Heel Pain
- Ingrown Toenails
- Ankle Sprains
- Fungal Nails
- Warts
- Bunions
- Hammer Toes
- Biomechanical Exams



**Call Today! 630.800.1374**

One Block West of Fox Valley Mall on East New York Street in the Medcom Building  
3535 E. New York St., Suite 116 • Aurora, IL 60504

[www.laplantfootclinic.comcastbiz.net](http://www.laplantfootclinic.comcastbiz.net)

**MedCom Center**

**3535 E. New York Street, Aurora IL 60504**



**Visit Our Health Care Professionals**

- Dr. LaPlant Foot & Ankle Clinic
- UHS Service
- Fox Valley Immediate Care
- Curewell Physical Therapy
- Fox Valley Sleep Center
- Dr. Wurglitz

Don't Wait in Line at busy ER's/Trauma Centers...  
Just Walk In!

**FOX VALLEY WALK-IN**  
**IMMEDIATE CARE**

*for the care you need*

**All Insurances Accepted!**

We provide the following services for all age groups at Fox Valley Immediate Care:

- Treatment for All Common illnesses, injuries and lacerations
- On-site X-Ray Services
- Sports Physicals & Treatment of common sport injuries
- Immunizations such as tetanus, flu and meningitis shots
- Annual & Employment Physicals

**We're Kid Friendly!**



3535 E. New York St.  
Suite 115 • Aurora, IL 60504  
**(630) 499-1900**  
[foxvalleyimmediatecare.com](http://foxvalleyimmediatecare.com)

**Open Daily**  
Mon.-Fri. 9am-10pm  
Sat. & Sun. 10am-8pm

**Flat Rate  
Office Visit  
\$95**

\*For those with no insurance coverage. Others will be billed to the health insurance provider.

# An award winning garden center

Right in your own backyard!  
Thousands of quality plant choices  
Hundreds of inspiring ideas  
Helpful, accurate advice  
Design and installation services  
Fun events, Informative talks

**Fall Fest**, September 22 and 23

**Pumpkin Palooza**, October 6 and 7

See giant pumpkins decorated for charity and many things pumpkin!

Sales throughout Fall

Fresh greens, decorations and gifts for the Holidays in our landmarked Historic House



Aurora location... 2000 Montgomery Rd.  
Just north of Copley Hospital (Ogden Ave.)  
630-820-8088... [www.thegrowingplace.com](http://www.thegrowingplace.com)

## The Growing Place

# Fall back into shape!

Are you ready?



# GNC

EOLA ROAD - AURORA

1137 North Eola Road - Aurora, IL 60502 (630) 585-8200

# GNC

EOLA ROAD - AURORA

# \$5

off \$25 or more!

Offer may not be combined with any other discounts or coupons including Gold Card. Only valid at GNC EOLA ROAD. Expires 12/31/12

# GNC

EOLA ROAD - AURORA

# 25% Off!

A purchase of \$50 or more!

Offer may not be combined with any other discounts or coupons including Gold Card. Only valid at GNC EOLA ROAD. Expires 12/31/12

# GAME DAY SPECIAL

Any Large Pizza - Up to 7 Toppings  
or Any Specialty Pizza



Better Ingredients.  
Better Pizza.

Se habla Español

**\$10**

Two large pizzas  
with one topping for

**\$18<sup>97</sup>**

valid for phone orders only

**Papa John's**

With this coupon. Extra cheese, 3 cheese &  
2 cheese extra. No double toppings. Not valid with  
other offers. Offer expires 12/25/12.

One Extra Large  
pizza with upto 3  
toppings for

**\$13<sup>97</sup>**

valid for phone orders only

**Papa John's**

With this coupon. Extra cheese, 3 cheese &  
2 cheese extra. No double toppings. Not valid with  
other offers. Offer expires 12/25/12.

## Aurora

3015 East New York Street  
(At New York & Eola Road)

(630) 851-0707

## Aurora/N. Aurora/Sugar Grove

2150 W. Galena Blvd. #A2

(630) 896-7272

# VNA Senior Health & Wellness Fair

*Feria de Salud VNA para el Adulto Mayor*

**Friday, September 21**

*Viernes, 21 de septiembre*

**9 am – 12 pm**

VNA Health Center:

400 N. Highland Avenue, Aurora  
(630) 978-2532



- Flu Shots
- Free Testing and Screening
- Learn about VNA Home Health, Hospice & HouseCalls®
- Drug Interaction Review
- And Much More!

- Vacunas contra la gripe
- Pruebas gratis y exámenes de detección
- Aprenda acerca de VNA Salud en el Hogar, Hospicio y visitas en el hogar
- Interacción de medicamentos
- Y mucho más!



**VNA Health Care**

Professional Care by Caring Professionals.



Question: "Do you have a business card?"  
 Answer: "Yes I do and here it is..."  
**ONE CARD,  
 67,000  
 Households**

1137 N. Eola Road - Aurora, IL 60502  
 (630) 585-8200

**Free**  
 28 ct. Multi-Vitamin!

\$10 minimum purchase. One Free Vitamin per customer. No cash value. Only valid at GNC EOLA ROAD. Expires 12/31/12

**Fall Festivities ... Fun!**

Celebrate Fall  
 Fall Fest... Sept 22 & 23  
 Pumpkin Palooza... Oct 6 & 7

Find unique things for the Holidays at...

2000 Montgomery Rd.  
 2 blocks north of Ogden Ave.  
 630-820-8088  
 www.thegrowingplace.com

**The Growing Place**

**Professional Hearing & Audiology Clinics**

Lincolnway Plaza  
 111 S. Lincolnway • N. Aurora, IL  
 "3/4 Mile North of 188 on Rte. 31"  
**1-630-844-6800**

**SEE OUR AD INSIDE FOR COUPON SAVINGS**

**Harvey A. Goodwin, LUICF**  
 Agency Owner  
 Staff: Tony, Summer, Jennifer

**Allstate Insurance Company**  
 1649 Montgomery Rd #10  
 Aurora, IL 60504  
 Office 630-585-7077  
 Cell 630-404-7077  
 harveygoodwin@allstate.com

24-Hour Customer Service

**BROWNYS Dog Waste Management**

**Happy 175th Birthday Aurora!**  
 Brownys is celebrating by offering  
**2 weeks of Free scooping**  
 to the first **175 Residents!**  
**LIMITED TIME OFFER**  
 Initial cleaning charge may apply. Call for more details.

1 Dog \$10/week  
 2 Dogs \$14/week  
 3 Dogs \$18/week

Get Your **2 Free Weeks Today!**

855-BROWNYS (855 276-9697)  
 www.BrownysOnline.com

A Local Business Serving Aurora/Naperville. Licensed & Insured

**Better Health through Chiropractic, Acupuncture & Neurodiagnostics**

Dr. H.A. Metcalf

Dr. Handel Metcalf II

**Using Neurology we Find the Cause of Your Problem**

- Numbness / Tingling
- Work Injuries
- Carpal Tunnel
- Car Accidents

**Aurora Family Health Clinic**  
 458 North Lake Street  
 Aurora, IL 60506  
 (630) 844-1900

**Neuro-Musculo-Skeletal Clinic**  
 54 North Ottawa Street, Suite 110  
 Joliet, IL 60432  
 (815) 723-0066



**Retirement Living at Provena Fox Knoll**

Call (630) 844-0380 today to schedule your tour.

- Prime location in downtown Aurora
- Active social community
- 1 and 2 bedroom apartments
- Meal packages available

**PROVENA Fox Knoll**  
 421 N. Lake Street  
 Aurora, IL 60506  
 www.provena.org/foxknoll

Call to Learn about our Summer Move-in Specials!

## Your Elected Officials

### Mayor Thomas J. Weisner

630-256-3010

mayoroffice@aurora-il.org

### Aldermen's Office

630-256-3020

At-Large: Robert O'Connor

At-Large: Richard Irvin

Ward 1: Abby Schuler

Ward 2: Juany Garza

Ward 3: Stephanie Kifowit

Ward 4: Rick Lawrence

Ward 5: John "Whitey" Peters

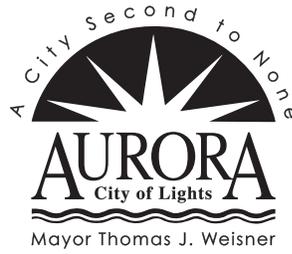
Ward 6: Mike Saville

Ward 7: Scheketa Hart-Burns

Ward 8: Rick Mervine

Ward 9: Allan Lewandowski

Ward 10: Lynda Elmore



44 E. Downer Place

Aurora, IL 60507

PRESORT STD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
AURORA, IL  
PERMIT NO. 2

Aurora Borealis is published four times a year through the City of Aurora's Public Information Division.

Address correspondence to:

Newsletter Editor - City of Aurora

44 E. Downer Place

Aurora, IL 60507-2067

or publicinfo@aurora-il.org

City Web site: www.aurora-il.org

Aurora Community Television: Comcast Channel 10

or AT&T U-Verse Channel 99

## Postal Customer

## Fall Reminders

### Yard Waste

Yard waste up to 60 pounds must be placed in a 30-gallon Kraft paper bag.

Yard waste mixed with garbage or yard waste put in a garbage can or plastic bag will not be accepted.

Yard waste will be collected on the same day as your garbage and must be at the curb by 6 a.m.

Garbage sticker needed? **Yes**  
**Ends Friday, Dec. 7**

### Leaf Collection

Leaves must be placed in a 30-gallon Kraft paper bag but cannot be mixed with yard waste. The annual free fall leaf collection program will begin Monday, Oct. 15 but is weather dependent.

An exact date will be posted on the City's website at [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org), this fall. Bags should be placed at the curb on your regularly scheduled garbage date.

Garbage sticker needed? **No**  
**Ends Friday, Dec. 7**

### Unbundled brush

Branches and limbs ½ to 4 inches in diameter and 2 to 4 feet in length can be placed at the curb. Brush must be in neat, manageable piles with the cut side of the limbs facing the street. Brush that is in unmanageable piles will not be collected. Brush that results from contracted services will not be picked up and is the responsibility of the contractor. Brush less than a ½ inch in diameter is considered yard waste.

Garbage sticker needed? **No**  
**Ends Friday, Nov. 2**