



TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Denis D'Auteuil, Acting City Manager
RE: Weekly Report
DATE: Week Ending November 4, 2016

Auburn Public Library

- Congratulations to Barbara Trafton and Marilyn Simmons on being recognized for their leadership by the YWCA of Central Maine, as their 2016 "Women of Achievement." Barbara received the Priscilla Gendron Legacy Award for her long-standing leadership and service in our community, including spearheading the expansion of the Library. Marilyn Simonds received the Tonie Ramsey Service Award for her many years of service to the community in many different capacities, including our BookReach program. Both Barbara and Marilyn have incredibly strong connections to APL. We are very proud of and grateful for all they do. In addition to Barbara and Marilyn, Lewiston Rep. Peggy Rotundo received the Lee Young Leadership Award. Rep. Rotundo has always worked hard on behalf of libraries in the Maine Legislature. How fitting that these three women who are such strong library supporters were recognized at the same time.
- The Library will be closed on Friday, November 11, for Veteran's day.
- We have sorted out the fraud case that the Library was involved in last week. The camera is going back to the vendor. APD was helpful in sorting out the situation. The media was helpful in getting information about this scheme out to the public. We received a call from a company outside of Bangor who had also been scammed. Their case turned out fine, too, with the merchandise going back to the rightful owner.
- The annual Head Start Family Math Night was a success. The Library was full of energy and we saw many new faces. For some of the families it was the first time they had ever been here. Head Start staff told us that they were very impressed with the Library. We had 122 children and parents plus 30 staff members. All of the kids who attended received a free book and hats and mittens. It was a fun night.
- Upcoming programs include:
 - KIDS! DIY Tweens Make a Dreamcatcher | Wednesday, November 9 | 4:00 – 5:00 PM | Tweens are invited to create a one-of-a-kind dreamcatcher for yourself or someone special. Free, with all materials provided by the library. Please register at www.auburnpubliclibrary.org.
 - Teens! Safe Voices Drop-in Visit | Thursday, November 10 | 3:00 – 4:00 PM | Teens! Stop by the Teen Space and visit with Safe Voices. On the 2nd Thursday of each month, join Safe Voices for some great information and conversation on

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relationships, along with crafts or games to share! This program is just for teens, ages 12-18.

- Real Estate Questions and Answers | Thursday, November 10 | 6:00 – 7:00 PM
|Interested in looking for a home but do not know where to begin? Wondering what your credit score is and what impact that has on your ability to buy a home? Should you put my home on the market in the winter? Join Realtor Janice Jannetty as she hosts a real estate question and answer session.
 - Boon Island: A True Story of Mutiny, Shipwreck, and Cannibalism | Monday, November 14 | 2:00 – 3:00 PM |Author Andrew Vietze will be at the Auburn Public Library to talk about his non-fiction book. Join us for this free program as Vietze details one of the most brutal survival stories in American history. The wreck of the Nottingham Galley on Boon Island and the resultant rumors of insurance fraud, mutiny, treason, and cannibalism was one of the most sensational stories of the early eighteenth century.
 - Tis the Season to Be Jolly, Not Broke | Tuesday, November 15 | 4:00 – 5:00 PM
|Saving for the holidays or trying not to overspend? Come hear about some apps that will keep your budget on track and easily accessible. In addition, we will also look at some shopping apps that may help you save some money.
- Follow the Library on Facebook or link to our website at www.auburnpubliclibrary.org for more information about all of our programs, new books, library news, and online registration.

City Clerk

- We were open on Saturday, October 29th from 8AM to Noon for voter registration and absentee voting. We had approximately 30 people vote in person while others came in to pick up, or return ballots, and register to vote.
- Staff conducted Election Training for Election workers on October 29th from 9AM until 1PM. Approximately 50 workers attended.
- We tested all tabulating machines, ballots, ballot boxes, and the Accessible Voting Equipment.
- An Auburn resident that would like to use one of the Accessible Voting Machines on Election day came in on Tuesday and staff explained how it worked and we ran a test ballot to demonstrate how the machine worked.
- An error was found in the Central Voter Registration System. 33 voters that should have been assigned to Ward 3 when the redistricting went into effect were missed. Corrections were made and the voters were all notified. It had no impact on their State Representative and County Commission Districts.
- Staff prepared and posted the City Council Agenda Packet for the 11/7/2016 Council Meeting.
- Staff conducted Deputy Registrar training on Thursday, November 3rd and on Friday, November 4th (15 attended between both sessions).

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- Thursday, November 3rd was the Statewide deadline to request an absentee ballot. The office was open until 7PM to allow voters some additional time to request an absentee ballot and to register to vote. We had 415 in person voters on that day.
- To date, we've received 4,686 absentee ballot request – a record high for Auburn. Of those, 62 were uniformed service men/women and overseas voters that were issued by the State. In 2012, we issued 2,472 (39 of those were uniformed service men/women and overseas voters) and in 2008, we issued 2,962 (35 of those were uniformed service men/women and overseas voters).
- The Tax Clerks have been assisting with issuing marriage licenses and vital records while the Clerk's office has been focused on Absentee Voting and election duties.

Fire

- Crews responded to 4 fire calls during this period including a kitchen fire with civilian injury.
- Staff performed several follow up inspections.
- Crews assisted with the annual fire pump testing of our apparatus.
- Crews continued Fire Prevention Week activities with Fire Drills in the schools and station visits from schools and preschools.
- Staff assisted with the Lewiston-Auburn firefighter recruitment physical agility test held at Bates College.
- Crews attended hands on refresher training in "Rope Rescue".
- Crews attended training on Advanced Airway Management Skills Lab.
- Crews did training on Cardiac Dysrhythmias.
- For the week of October 27th to November 2nd, we responded to 86 calls for service. These include, but are not limited to: 4 fire calls, 62 Emergency Medical calls, 3 Motor Vehicle Accidents - 1 with injury, 2 Hazardous Condition calls, 8 Service calls, and 5 fire alarm calls. We received 0 mutual aid responses during this period and we provided 1 mutual aid responses. We provided 2 Paramedic intercepts during this time and transported 1 patient from Lewiston for UAS.

NSBA

- Ice
 - Men's League
 - Women's League
 - Public Skate
 - Shinny
 - Private Rentals
 - Central Maine Elite League
 - Players Edge
 - Maine Gladiators
 - L/A Seniors
 - Maine Amateur Hockey Association
 - Central Maine Community College

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- Center Street Dental Candy Buy Back
- Marc's Meetings
 - Greendrinks L/A ~ Facility Rental
 - Building Walk Through
 - Maine Adventure Show
 - Breakfast Club
- Partnerships
 - Mt Auburn Dental
 - Big Jab
 - Hebron Academy
 - Napa Auto Parts
- Jason Ops Tasks
 - Limited Schedule
 - Adding Addition to Rink 1 ~ Walk Through

Police

- The department handled 418 calls for service this week.
- Officers conducted 128 motor vehicle stops and 24 field interviews.
- Officers investigated 61 offenses of which, 5 of which were felonies, generating 34 arrests, 22 criminal summonses and 1 juvenile arrest.
- Officers responded to 16 motor vehicle crashes.

Public Services

- South Main Street: Scheduled completion Spring 2017, base course pavement completed. Working on sidewalks and installing granite curb.
- Ash Landfill forced sewer main: Scheduled completion Spring 2017, 75% plans in developed.
- Park Avenue: Scheduled completion Spring 2017, completion date spring/summer 2017. MDOT project.
- Turner Street Sidewalk Project: Scheduled completion Spring 2017, construction has begun starting at Falcon Drive.
- Crews have been assisting Recreation in putting away items for the winter (football sleds) as well as assisting other departments with different requests, from setting up voting booths at schools, tables to Fire, fixing the scoreboard at Hasty.
- Crews continue to Clean Basin Tops on 13,8,3 and 11 runs.
- Crews were out hot patching North River Rd as well as Merrow Road.
- This year's Festival Plaza Christmas Tree donated by the owners of 71 Mary Carroll Street. Transportation to Festival Plaza, the schedule for November 15th. More details will follow at a later date.
- Crews have started and will continue to clean out the flower beds around the City.
- The sign crew was out and about replacing many signs due to accidents as well as updating all old/faded signs.

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- Residents along with the Com Center continue to call to have dead animals picked up as well as large pieces of road debris (propane tanks, TV's, couch, chairs), etc.
- The Engineering Technician/GIS has been working with IT on a geodatabase for the collector application.
- Sign work around the city continues; replacing and or fixing faded and damaged signs by the new regulations.
- Both sand and salt sheds are ready for use.

Recreation

Ongoing Programs:

- L/A Swish Basketball Clinics started on Sundays Oct 9 – Nov 13, we have 16 signed up.
- Senior Walking happens every Tues/Thurs in the Ingersoll Turf Facility from 9am-10am.
- Line Dance drop-in running Sept 9 – Dec 16 on Fridays, two class times being offered 1030-1130am or 6-7pm. Cost is \$3 drop-in at the Hasty Side Room.
- Afterschool Open Gym running Sept 8 – Dec 19 on Mon/Thurs/Fri from 230-4pm for grades 5-12 at the Hasty Gym for \$1 each day. Now offering a year pass for \$20. Averaging around 15 kids a day.
- Pickelball drop-in– every Tues/Thurs from 9am-11am, \$2 for residents \$3 for non-residents. Beginners are welcomed, we have 3 courts running and average around 15-25 per day. Now offering a punch card for frequent users!

Ending Programs:

- Fall Soccer pictures are in – parents can stop by the office during normal hours to pick them up. Or call to make other arrangements.
- Fall Youth Football season is over, we are holding end of season banquets this week and next.
- Fright Festival was a great success, we had over 125 kiddos throughout the evening stop by and enjoy games, bounce house, arts and crafts, face painting, and refreshments.
- Facebook challenge – we have officially reached 1000 likes after having 27 shares and 30 likes in 3 days!

Special Projects/Events:

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board held a meeting for interested residents to be a part of the Senior Sub Committee. We had 5 come and show interest.
- Holiday Parade will be held on Sat. November 26th at 6pm. Committee meetings are in full swing.
- Winterfest will be held on January 27, 28, and 29. List of confirmed events will be posted to the website in the following weeks.

Upcoming Programs:

Youth Programs –

- Youth Basketball will run from Nov 21 – Feb 13, teams will practice at varies times during the week with weekend games. Evaluations will be held Nov 21 and 22, there is no evaluations for grades 1-2. Cost will be \$60 (grades 1-8) and \$70 (grades 9-12)). There is a need for volunteer coaches!

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- Pre-K and Kinder Basketball Skills and Drills for ages 4-6 years old on Sundays at the Hasty Community Center. Session 1 will run from Nov 27 – Dec 10 (\$30) and session 2 will run from Jan 22 – Feb 12 (\$35).
- December Vacation Camp from Dec 26 – 30 for ages 5-13 at the Hasty Community Center. Cost will be \$75 for the week from 730am-530pm.
- Youth Ski Lessons with Lost Valley will run from Jan 2 – Feb 6 on Mon ages 7-9 from 415-530pm. Thursday ages 10+ from 415-530pm. Transportation is on your own, cost \$135 (includes 1 hour lesson and ski pass until 9pm for 6 weeks). If you need rentals it will be an additional \$65.
- After School Ski Club will be combined with the Merrick Ski Program! Must register in person at the Hasty Community Center to sign the waiver.

Senior Programs

- Thanksgiving Feast at Rolly's Diner will be Tues Nov 8 (updated) from 11am-2pm with a cost of \$15 per person. This meal will be held at Rolly's Diner in New Auburn.
- Christmas Tree Shops and Olive Garden on Thurs Nov 17 from 10am-4pm. Cost is \$5 for transportation, lunch and purchases are on your own!
- Saturday, December 10th – Casco Bay Wind Symphony Christmas Concert 11-6pm. Lunch at Ocean Gardens Restaurant and Tavern (on your own), Cost \$12.
- Christmas Luncheon – Thurs Dec 15 at the Hasty Community Center from 11am-2pm for \$15 per person.

Family Programs

- Breakfast with Santa on Sunday Dec 4 (updated) from 8-10am for \$5 per person at the Hasty Community Center.
- Drop and Shop Night will be held Sat. Dec 10 from 3-9pm for \$15 per child (dinner is included) at the Hasty Community Center.
- Bruins Trip – Saturday Dec 10th, 7pm game vs. the Maple Leafs. Cost will be \$150 per person which includes ticket and round trip transportation from Portland to Boston.
- Celtics Trip – Friday Dec 30th, 730pm game vs. Miami Heat. Cost will be \$100 per person includes balcony seats and transportation round trip from Portland to Boston.

Adult Programs –Women's Bball meeting Thurs Nov 17th at 6pm at Hasty.

- Men's A Basketball League – Men's A league will be held on Sundays Nov 27 – early March, \$800 per team. Rosters are 18+ and must have 51% auburn residents or will be subject to a \$75 non-resident fee.
- Men's B Basketball League – Men's B league will be held on Mon/Tues Nov 28 – early March, \$750 per team. Rosters are 25+ and must have 51% auburn residents or will be subject to a \$75 non-resident fee. This is a slow down no press league.
- Men's C Basketball League – Men's C league will be held on Wed Nov 29 – early March, \$750 per team. Rosters are 35+ and must have 51% auburn residents or will be subject to a \$75 non-resident fee. This is a slow down no press league.
- Women's League – Women's league will be played on Thurs evenings Dec 1 – early March from 630-10pm (various game times). \$750 per team with no fast breaks or pressing allowed.