Meadowood Moments

A Community Newsletter



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MNA Board Moment



Happy Independence Day Meadowood!

Summer is in full swing, and we hope you are enjoying the warm days and long evenings. As we cel-

ebrate the season, a quick reminder to stay safe, especially around the Fourth: fireworks aren't allowed in the neighborhood. Thanks to everyone who has been keeping their yards looking great and pitching in to make our community shine. Stay cool, and we will see you at our next meeting on Wednesday, July 9. Like always, all ideas are welcome. Let's work together to make Meadowood the greatest neighborhood in Aurora!

- Zohra Nacer, Media Officer

Dump Day: Junk Free Homes

The Meadowood Neighborhood Association hosted another successful Dump Day on Saturday, June 7, from 8 a.m. to noon at Dartmouth Elementary. With around 200 vehicles passing through, residents dropped off everything from trash to yard waste, filling three garbage trucks, metal scrappers, and this year's new addition: a wood chipper for logs and branches.

"This is such a great service for the neighborhood. It saved me a trip to the dump and probably about \$100 in fees. I hope this keeps happening every year!," said resident Mark, as he pulled up to unload. "I love how organized it is. Everyone was friendly and helpful, and I got rid of a truckload of junk with no stress", said Tom. "Dump Day was awesome! Thanks for setting this up!" said Jennifer B. on our Facebook page. A huge thank-you goes out to our incredible volunteers from Scouts Crew 308 who helped keep things running smoothly.

Couldn't make it in June? Don't worry! our next Dump Day is scheduled for October. Keep an eye on Meadowood Moments and our Facebook page for details!

- Zohra Nacer, Media Officer

Meadowood Moment

Meadowood Annual Festival

When? Saturday, September 20th Where? Meadowood Park, Meadowood Church & Hero's Pizzeria Parking Lots

Residents of Meadowood and surrounding neighborhoods are invited to the Meadowood Fall Festival to enjoy a time of play, fun and social time with your friends and neighbors. The festival will include:

- Bouncy Fun and Other Games for kids of all ages.
- Food hamburgers, hotdogs, snacks and an ice cream truck.
- Live Music in Meadowood Park
- Face Painting and Balloon Figure Making for kids of all ages.
- Enter Drawings for the prize of your choice

US Flag Retirement Ceremony – July 7

 T^{roop} 734 will be holding a flag retirement ceremony on Monday, July 7 at 6:30 PM at Meadowood Church. This respectful tradition honors worn or damaged American flags by retiring them properly.

If you have a flag in need of retirement, please bring it with you to the ceremony.

All Meadowood residents are invited to attend and take part in this meaningful event.



Meadowood Neighborhood Association General Meeting

Wed., July 9th, 6:30 PM Meadowood Church

Join us for the Meadowood Neighborhood Association's July General Meeting, a great opportunity to connect, share ideas, and stay informed about what's happening in our community.

We are excited to welcome our guest speaker Director Vicki Reinhard. She & another member of the Aurora Public School Board will be sharing updates and insights about APS and seeking input from our residents as they plan for the future.

Got ideas, questions, or just want to stay involved? Come be part of the conversation. We would love to see you there!

City of Aurora Moment

Celebrate the 4th of July in Aurora!

Friday, July 4, 2025, 6 to 10 p.m. Fireworks starting at 9:30 p.m. Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway

Presented by the city of Aurora.

This event will have: musical performances, free face painting, food trucks, craft vendors and a large fireworks show! Fireworks will begin at approximately 9:30 p.m. and will last 30 minutes.

Performance schedule:

6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Ninety Percent 90s 7:30 to 8 p.m., Starling Circus Acts 8 to 9:30 p.m., Groove 'N Motion

Fireworks

Stay informed before purchasing and discharging fireworks in Aurora

The Aurora Fire Chief has the right to ban the sale, use, possession or discharge of fireworks as conditions dictate. If a fire ban is not issued on June 15, below are guidelines for fireworks in Aurora.

- Fireworks can be purchased and used in Aurora only from June 15 to July 4.
- Fireworks that DO NOT leave the ground or explode are allowed. Examples of legal fireworks are fountains, wheels, sparklers, snakes and ground spinners. Examples of prohibited fireworks are firecrackers, bottle rockets, lady fingers, mortars and roman candles.
- You must be 16 or older to possess or use fireworks, unless supervised by someone 21 or older.
- Even legal fireworks can make loud noises that may be startling to those suffering from anxiety or PTSD and to pets. Be courteous and respectful of those around you, and keep pets indoors in a safe, quiet place. To view the fireworks ordinance, go to AuroraGov.org/Fire. Please follow @AuroraGov or @ AuroraFireDpt on Facebook, Instagram or X for fire ban alerts or other important information to ensure you have a fun and safe Independence Day.

Jobs Available For Recent High **School Graduates**

o you have a recent high school graduate in your household who is looking for a job? The city of Aurora offers a world of career opportunities with excellent benefits and meaningful work. Whether they're seeking a full-time, part-time or seasonal job, we can help!

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Visit AuroraGov.org/Jobs to explore the latest job openings. Questions? Email careers@auroragov.org or call 303.739.7225.



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Meadowood Neighborhood Aurora⇒

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Rebel Marketplace At Hoffman Heights Library

Wednesdays, July 9, Aug. 6 and Sept. 10, 6 to 8 p.m.

Support a local farmers market at your local library. Along with community businesses offering their goods, Hoffman Heights Library will host a variety of programs at each farmers market, including storytimes at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m., a kids play area at 6 and 7 p.m. and a teen game space from 6 to 8 p.m.

Hoffman Heights Library, 1298 Peoria St. More information: AuroraLibrary.org

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Aurora Public Library Moments July Programs

LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENTS:

Sat, July 12, 11:00 a.m. Colorado Cryptids Lecture

EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS:

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Tots Tunes (ages 0-5) Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Storytime (ages 0-6)

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN:

Wed, July 2 at 4:30 p.m. Pinwheel Craft (ages 6-18) Wed, July 9 at 4:30 p.m. Doodle Bags (ages 6-18) Wed, July 16 at 4:30 p.m. Scratch Art (ages 6-18)

Sat, July 19, 10:30-noon Read to a Therapy Dog (ages 0-12)

Wed, July 23 at 4:30 p.m. Clay Club (ages 6-18) Wed, July 30 at 4:30 p.m. Perler Bead Club (ages 6-18)

PROGRAMS FOR PRE-TEENS AND TEENS:

Thu, July 3 at 4:30 p.m. Reverse Coloring Hangout

(ages 12-18)

Thu, July 10 at 4:30 p.m. Beach Bear Snack Craft

(ages 12-18)

Thu, July 17 at 4:30 p.m. Anime Club (ages 12-18)

Thu, July 24 at 4:30 p.m. Teen Advisory Group (ages 12-18) Thu, July 31 at 4:30 p.m. Teen Game Hangout (ages 12-18)

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS:

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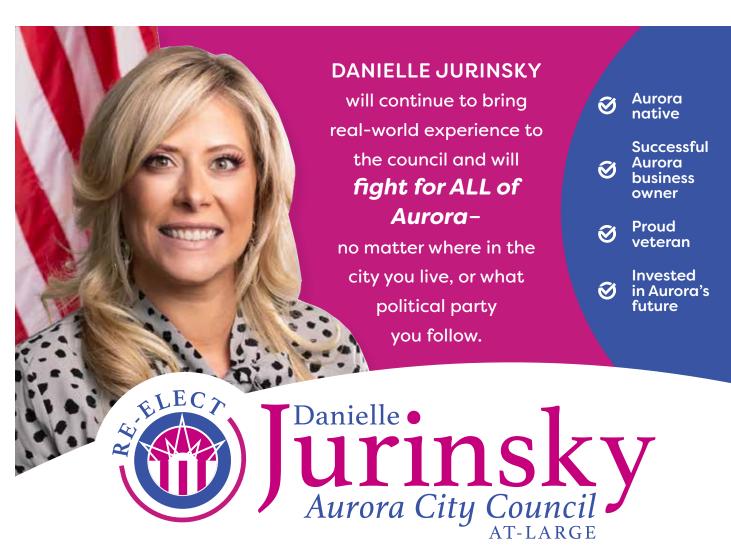
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Focusing on what's important to Aurora...

Jobs & the Economy

As a successful small business owner and entrepreneur, Danielle knows firsthand what it takes to live within a

Public Safety

Danielle will continue to fight for a stronger, safer Aurora while bridging the gap between Aurora citizens and our local Aurora law enforcement.

Taxes & Fees

Danielle isn't a politician, she's a job creator and a single mom who works hard to live within her budget and believes government should do the same.

Development

Danielle will continue to ensure Aurora is one of the most business-friendly cities in the state and will continue to eliminate bureaucratic red tape and burdensome government regulations.

Revitalizing Neighborhoods

Local Aurora residents know what's best for their neighborhood and unlike politicians, Danielle will listen to those needs and respond.

"The Aurora Police Association proudly endorses Danielle Jurinsky for Aurora City Council. Her unwavering support for law enforcement in Aurora has been crucial for us to do our jobs, protect the public, and rebuild relationships in the community. Danielle is not only an Aurora resident, be she is a business owner in the City. This puts her in a unique position to understand the many aspects and challenges Aurora is facing today. Danielle has the knowledge and energy to drive this city back to a safe and prosperous place to live and raise our families. Danielle supports all first responders and we look forward to continuing our relationship with her in the City of Aurora."

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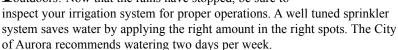
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Garden Moment

It's summer and you live in Colorado!! Time to enjoy the outdoors! Now that the rains have stopped, be sure to



- Be vigilant about removing weeds or the weeds will soon overtake your garden beds. Weeds flourish in the July heat.
- Continue to remove suckers from indeterminate tomato plants and support plants either with stakes or tomato cages.
- Be on guard for Infestations of insects including but not limited to thrips, aphids, squash vine borer, tomato hornworm, spider mites, chinch bugs, scale, snails, and slugs.
- Inspect plants for Japanese beetles on roses, gourds, pumpkins, and squash.
- Fertilize your flowers such as coleus, hibiscus, Melampodium, Pentas, plumbago, moss rose, and zinnias. Don't forget to apply a light fertilizer to your containerized plants.
- Harvest ripe vegetables regularly to improve yields. Zucchini plants, for example, will keep bearing throughout the summer if you harvest the young fruits on a regular basis.
- Pick blueberries before the birds eat them. To avoid having to be so
 vigilant, practice sound bird control. The most common way gardeners
 protect blueberries from birds is by covering the plants with bird netting.
- Inspect fruit trees for suckering water sprouts and prune to remove them. Water sprouts will steal energy from fruiting branches.

- Kim Wisdom, Landscape Architect

Pets' Moment

Your Pets and Fireworks

While fireworks are enjoyed by a lot of people, they can be terrifying and overwhelming for pets — and possibly hazardous. On the Fourth of July, many pets become so frightened by the noise and commotion of fireworks that they run from otherwise familiar environments and people, and sadly become lost.

How to calm pets during fireworks

- Walk them during daylight hours to avoid times when fire works are likely to be set off and to help burn off extra energy.
- Make sure their ID tag is up to date: Stressed pets might look for any opportunity to escape the noise, and having updated identification can ensure they will get home safely if they run away.
- Close windows and curtains to muffle the sound of fireworks.
- Put on some music or tv to mask the firework sounds
- Create a quiet space where your dog can feel in control.
- Create some hiding places around your home.
- Pets might look to humans to see how we are reacting and, thus, could be influenced by our behavior, so remain calm during fireworks.
 Try not to react too strongly to your pets' distress.

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Cooking Moment Strawberry Pie

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups fresh strawberries, sliced
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 1/2 cups water
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 (3 ounces) package strawberry flavored gelatin
- 1 baked pie crust
- Frozen whipped topping mix

Mix sugar, cornstarch, salt and water in saucepan. Cook until thickens and clears slightly. Add strawberry gelatin and stir until dissolved. Set aside until thickens slightly, place layer of gelatin mixture over bottom of pie crust. place berries on mixture, pour remaining mixture over, sealing in berries. Refrigerate at least two hours before serving, put small amount of frozen topping mix on each slice.



~Stats As Of 6/12/2025~

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