## Meadowood Moments

A Community Newsletter



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### **MNA Board Moment**



Thanks to everyone who joined us at the Community Festival on September 20! Your energy made it a great day, and I loved hearing how much you enjoy reading Meadowood Moments.

Our next general meeting is on Wednesday, October 8, at Meadowood Church, featuring a guest speaker from the City of Aurora on water conservation. It's a great chance to learn and connect with neighbors.

Also, don't miss Dump Day on Saturday, October 11. Check this newsletter for details on what can be dropped off.

We received a lovely Halloween poem from Dan Jetter, but due to space, we can't include it this time. We appreciate his contribution and hope to share it in the future.

Thanks for making Meadowood such a special community. Enjoy the fall season, and we look forward to seeing you at upcoming events!

- Zohra Nacer, MNA Media Officer

## **Calendar of Events**

### MNA 2nd Dump Day 2025:

October 11th, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, Dartmouth Elementary School.

**Trunk or Treat:** Sat., October 25, 5 pm to 7 pm, Meadowood Church

Scouts – Pack & Troop 734: Mondays at 6 pm & 7 pm at Meadowood Church. Boys & Girls from 5 to 18 years old

## Join Us For Our October 8 General Meeting

We are excited to announce our next general meeting on Wednesday, October 8, at 6:30 PM at Meadowood Church. Our special guest, Brendan Smith, Water Conservation Specialist from the City of Aurora, will be sharing insights on the Water Wise Landscape Design Program and GRIP.

### **Meadowood Moment**

## Meadowood's 4th Annual Festival: A Day of Community, Fun, and Feathered Surprises

On Saturday, September 20th, Meadowood Park was once again the heart of our community as neighbors gathered for the 4th Annual Meadowood Festival. With sunny skies, enthusiastic families, and a wide range of activities, this year's celebration brought even more energy, joy, and togetherness to our neighborhood.

Organized in partnership by the Meadowood Neighborhood Association, Meadowood Church, Hero's Pizza, and the American Legion, the festival continued its tradition of being a place where connections are made, kids are free to roam and

play, and local organizations come together for the good of the community.









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### **Meadowood Dump Day**

Saturday, October 11th – 8am to Noon, Dartmouth Elementary Parking Lot Three Waste Connections Trash Trucks and volunteers will be there to help unload vehicles. You may bring items that are too big or inappropriate for your week trash service.

Car/SUV \$15, Pickup \$30, Vehicle & Small Trailer \$50 • CASH or Credit

1. Trash Trucks - Acceptable Items

- General Trash & most large unwanted items
- Couches & Mattresses
- Desks & Furniture
- 2. Trash Trucks Prohibited Items
  - Appliances
  - Batteries
  - Branches longer than 4 feet •
  - Unbundled branches
  - Cement / rocks / dirt
  - Electronics
  - Florescent light bulbs

- Wood
- YARD TRASH-BAGS or 4 ft Bundles ONLY - we are not accepting unbundled branches
- Hazardous & medical waste
- Propane tanks
- Tires / auto parts / oil / gas
- Tube TVs
- Wet paint

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## Festival, continued from front page

A highlight this year came courtesy of HawkQuest, who brought live birds of prey for attendees to admire up close. The majestic birds wowed both kids and adults alike and reminded everyone of the beauty and strength of nature.

We were also treated to a delightful performance from young dancers with Step it Up, a local dance studio. These talented little girls, full of grace and charm, danced with enthusiasm and brought smiles to the crowd as they showcased their skills.

As the festival kicked off, families wandered between attractions that included giant bounce houses, a petting zoo (where kids had the chance to feed the animals!), lawn games, and craft booths. Over at the Pack and Troop 734 table, 3-year-old Jayden was all smiles as he tried his hand at making a kazoo. His joy was contagious, and it was one of many sweet moments we witnessed throughout the day.

Face painting was a hit, as always, with colorful designs transforming kids into tigers, butterflies, and superheroes. Nearby, food trucks served up tasty bites, giving families a chance to refuel in between fun.

The Meadowood Neighborhood Association once again hosted a raffle with gift cards, this time offering entries to anyone who brought a canned food donation for the local food bank. It was a great way to give back while getting a chance at a prize. We spoke with LeeAnn, a Meadowood resident of over 50 years, who shared her appreciation for the event and offered a thoughtful suggestion for the future: "Next year, we could partner with local schools and send flyers home with students to help spread the word even more."

Of course, no festival is without a few hiccups: some vendors weren't able to attend as planned, but that didn't seem to dampen spirits. In fact, many neighbors commented that attendance seemed even higher than last year, a clear sign that the event is becoming a beloved annual tradition.

Opinions differed on the new layout of the festival: while some appreciated how the activities were spread out across the park, others missed the cozier setup from previous years. Regardless, the smiles, laughter, and sense of community were impossible to miss. As the clock struck 3 p.m. and the festival came to a close, families gathered their things. It was clear from the conversations and cheerful goodbyes that Meadowood had once again pulled off a wonderful day; one that neighbors will be talking about until next

Here's to another successful festival, and to an even bigger and better celebration in 2026!

### Dump Day, continued from front page

#### 3. Metal Scrappers - Acceptable Items

- Most miscellaneous metal items
- Aluminum
- Appliances including refrigerators & microwaves
- **Bicycles**
- Car parts
- Copper
- Steel
- **Metal Scrappers Prohibited Items**
- Fire extinguishers & propane tanks
- Paint cans & chain link fences
- Sealed containers such as 55 gallon drums



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## **Aurora Public Library Moments**

### Mission Viejo Library: October Programs

For more information about library programs, call 303-326-8600 or visit auroralibrary.org.

#### **EARLY LITERACY PROGRAMS:**

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Tots Tunes (ages 0-5) Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Baby Storytime (ages 0-2) Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Storytime (ages 0-5) Tue, Oct 28 at 10:30 a.m. Blocks & Play (ages 0-5)

#### **PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN:**

Wed, Oct 1 at 4:30 p.m. Papercraft Club (ages 8-18) Wed, Oct 8 at 4:30 p.m. Shrinky Dinks (ages 8-18) Wed, Oct 15 at 4:30 p.m. Campfire Snack Craft (ages 6-18) Sat, Oct 18 10:30-noon Read to a Therapy Dog (ages 0-12) Wed, Oct 22 at 4:30 p.m. Clay Club (ages 6-18)

Wed, Oct 29 at 4:30 p.m. Glow in the Dark Slime (ages 6-18) **PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES:** 

Thu, Oct 23 at 6:30 p.m. Aurora Rhythms:

Arsenic & Old Lace Radio Play

### PROGRAMS FOR PRE-TEENS AND TEENS (12-18):

Thu, Oct 2 at 4:30 p.m. D&D Monster Mini-Figure **Painting** 

Thu, Oct 9 at 4:30 p.m. **Ghost Art** 

Sat, Oct 11 at 11:00 a.m. Masquerade Murder Mystery Thu, Oct 16 at 4:00 p.m. Betrayal at the House on the Hill

Thu, Oct 30 at 4:30 p.m. Teen Advisory Group

Thu, Oct 30 at 6:00 p.m. Teen Horror Mystery Lock-In

### **PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS:**

Fri, Oct 3 at 11:00 a.m. **Small Pumpkin Painting** Sat, Oct 3 & 25 at 2:00 p.m. DnD

Fri, Oct 10 & 24 at 11:00 a.m. Coffee and Coloring

Sat, Oct 11 at 2:00 p.m. Manor House Murder Mystery Fri, Oct 17 at 11:00 a.m. **DnD Mini-Figure Painting** Fri, Oct 31 at 11:00 a.m. **Pumpkin Spice Candles** 

## **City of Aurora Moments**

## **City of Aurora Business Opportunity Fair**

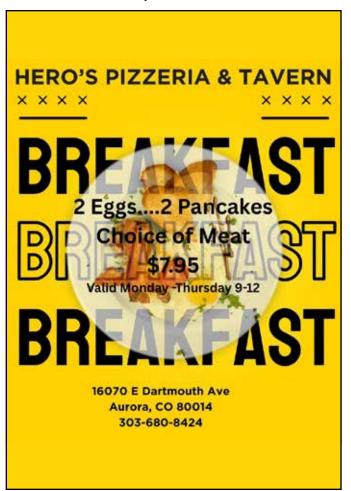
### Thursday, October 23, 9 a.m. to noon

Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway The city of Aurora invites contractors, consultants and vendors to this year's Business Opportunity Fair, which will offer information about upcoming opportunities in design consulting, construction, and operating and maintenance services with the city. Attendees will also learn about

the city's insurance requirements and participate in presentations from various city divisions and organizations, including Colorado APEX Accelerators and the Aurora-South Metro Small Business Development Center (SBDC). For questions, call 303-739-7055 (English) or 720-372-3792 (Spanish).

Registration: AuroraGov.org/BusinessFair

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Danielle truly loves her hometown of Aurora, Colorado. It's where she was born and raised, graduated from Overland High School, graduated from the Community College of Aurora, served our country honorably, started her businesses, and is raising her son.

### 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 budget, make payroll, and grow a business.

#### **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.

During a very dark time in my life, Danielle came through shining bright. I'm fighting for my life in stage 4 cancer. I fight alongside my wife and 3 children. Danielle sent us on

a Disney Cruise and covered it all. She brought the community together and raised thousands for me to continue battling. I wouldn't have otherwise been able to afford my medical treatments. She helped connect me to many people who will potentially all be an intricate part of saving my life. Only time will tell. Danielle is one of the most humble people I know. I'm not endorsing her as a friend. I'm so honored to endorse her as family.

-Dre Lane, Aurora Resident

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## City of Aurora Moments, continued from page 3

## Fall Into Fun Returns With A Day Full Of Autumn Adventures

Celebrate the season at the city of Aurora's annual Fall Into Fun event from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, October 25, on the Great Lawn of the Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway. This amazing FREE festival is packed with fall-themed festivities for the whole family.

This event will have: live entertainment, food trucks, vendors, a large kids' area, a variety of fall-themed activities and more!

Special Features: A pumpkin patch with pumpkin decorating kits, petting farm, food trucks, craft vendors, hay-bale maze, live music, train rides, inflatable axe-throwing, and a trunk or treat.

Trunk of Treat: Want to be part of the fun? Host a trunk at this event. Bring your festive spirit, decorate your vehicle, hand out candy and help us create a family-friendly celebration. All candy will be provided by the city. Business or marketing materials are not permitted to hand out. Additional info will be sent to confirmed participants the week of Oct. 13. Apply today.

Parking/Transportation: Free onsite parking will be available on the premises on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be signage on-site to guide you to the appropriate spaces to park.

Come out to the Arapahoe County Scaregrounds Oct. 18 and 19 for a weekend of trick-or-treating and spooktacular family fun. Enjoy costume contests, haunted maze, spooky sprints, food trucks, live entertainment, and more! Tickets and information at:

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### **Aurora Borealis Festival**

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10 and 11, 4 to 10 p.m. *High Prairie Park, 21448 E. 59th Place* 

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