



# November Newsletter

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## President's Corner

As we have begun this journey I have been amazed to see the unique skills and abilities that are within the 2018 - 2019 Leadership Aurora Class. I personally am encouraged by how many are genuine and willing to strive to make a strong and meaningful contribution to this great community. As we work to collaborate to make a lasting impact, I want to encourage you to make the effort to develop meaningful friendships. A community is not just made up of structures, organizational charts and city lines, rather it is made up of people willing to pull the best out of one another and support each other as we strive to continually serve Aurora. We must remember our diversity is our strength. Now that we have completed our retreat and community day we have an opportunity to make the most of what we have learned about each other and our city. Prior classes have set the bar high but by bringing our best thoughts ideas and action to this class we will truly be the best class ever. I believe that together we can make a difference and honor those who have paved the way before us.

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## Upcoming Events/Opportunities

- ❖ City of Aurora Day-November 15, 2018
  - Bring a package of new socks, any size, to donate to one of the non-profits from Community Day
- ❖ Social Committee [Calendar](#)
  - November 15-Aurora Chamber Business After Hours - 5p - 7p
    - 6762 Tower Rd, Denver, CO 80249
    - Residence Inn by Marriott Grand Opening.
- ❖ Chamber Calendar-<http://business.aurorachamber.org/events/calendar/>

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## Community Day Highlights

### Photos from Community Day



**Group 1-** visited two wonderful organizations. The first was the Adams County Workforce Center, at 3155 Chamber Rd., Unit C, Aurora, CO 80011. Their role in the community is to help people find employment. Through partnerships with many other outreach programs like Dress for Success, faith-based organizations, and Health Services, the ACW not only helps people find jobs, but provides professional training, attire, shelter, and basic needs for many in the community.

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The second group we visited was the Juvenile Assessment Center. We were provided a tour of their future facility at the Aurora Police Department headquarters, 15001 E Alameda Pkwy, Aurora, CO 80012. JAC is a non-profit organization that works with youth in a variety of ways, including intake and assessment of young people identified by law enforcement officers for behavior or delinquency matters, and early intervention screening and assessment services to school-aged youth identified for concerning behavior. Among their accomplishments last year JAC saved the Aurora Police Department 380 days of labor and referred over 120 youth to Innocence Lost - the FBI's taskforce on human trafficking.

**Group 2-** We visited the Providers Resource Clearinghouse, a non-profit located at 14500 E. 33rd Pl that had several different missions. First of all, they host an office and household furniture showroom that is open to the public. They also have items that are only available to Colorado 501c3 organizations. These items include hygiene items, baby items, being, etc. They also provide furniture and new mattresses to honorably discharged veterans for free. A picture from that trip is included below:

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We then visited the Day Resource Center, located at 13387 E. 19th Pl. Bldg 623. This organization is designed to give a safe, warm place to homeless folks and to provide resources (including food, showers, etc.) during the day.

**Group 4** - We visited the Aurora Community Connection Family Resource Center, and the Second Chance Center.

- Both featured community outreach programs
- Provided assistance to a selected demographic
- Needed volunteers to help with their efforts

**Group 5** visited two organizations, the *Aurora Strong Resilience Center*, and the *Asian Pacific Development Center*. The Aurora Strong Resilience Center was established after the Aurora Theater shooting to support anyone involved in that tragedy. Today, the Center serves as a place of healing to support people in the community whose lives have been affected by any kind of trauma. It offers a number of different services and activities for trauma survivors, and also hosts several other community

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programs, such as Aurora Youth Options and the Aurora Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition. Asian Pacific Development Center was founded in 1980 to serve refugees arriving from Vietnam. It offers mental health services, basic healthcare services, and different supportive services, including English classes, Interpreter services, Youth Leadership services, and a community garden. While it still serves the Asian/Pacific Islander community, its services are open to anyone.

**Group 6-** On Community Day, Group 6 visited Homelessness Services, formerly known as the Project for Assistance in Transitioning from Homelessness (PATH), and Downtown Aurora Visual Arts (DAVA). Homeless Services opened five years ago, and serves as a drop-in facility that offers a safe location, support to find available benefits and case management, coffee and limited food. Homeless Services possesses a high tolerance for substance and alcohol abuse, and accepts clients in their current state, truly encouraging “come as you are.” Homeless Services needs donations in the form of food, hygiene kits, and warm clothing. DAVA offers a free, inspiring artistic development opportunity for children, teaching life skills through the various mediums and offering a safe and creative environment to continue positive youth development when not in school. DAVA recently completed an extensive building renovation, but could greatly benefit from donated sewing machines and continued donations in the form of funding or art supplies.

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## **Class Project Updates**

If you have an idea for the class project that you would like to submit for consideration, please email Kynnie and Kathy your idea on this [form](#). They will get together with the project committee and take all ideas in for consideration. Their emails are [kghansen@yahoo.com](mailto:kghansen@yahoo.com) and [kynnie.martin@xcelenergy.com](mailto:kynnie.martin@xcelenergy.com).

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## Featured Classmates

<p><b><u>Caleb Mc Naughton</u></b> <b><u>Class President/Graduation Chair</u></b></p> 	<p><b><u>Kynn timer Martin</u></b> <b><u>Class Project Chair</u></b></p> 
<p>Caleb is a fourth-generation minister and has served in various rolls with Youth Summer Camps, Youth Alive and Adult Ministries. While completing his B.A. in Church Ministries from Southwestern Assemblies of God University, Caleb was hired as a Student Pastor and served in that roll until he left to go plant The Link Church in Boston MA. He served as the Lead Pastor of the Link Church overseeing its inception and steady growth for five years before joining the Highpoint team as the Associate Pastor and a member of the preaching team. He and Morgan McNaughton met while Caleb was preaching at Morgan's college in early 2012. They fell in love, and a year and half later they were married and working in full-time ministry together. They have three little boys Micah, Judah and Levi. They enjoy working out, sports and exploring the</p>	<p>Kynn timer Martin is the Senior Foundation Representative for Xcel Energy, responsible for the coordination of statewide CSR activities to include grant making, sponsorships, United Way campaign, employee engagement programs, and others on behalf of the Xcel Energy Foundation. She joined the company in 2013 to spearhead the company's veteran hiring program. Kynn timer is a U.S. Army veteran, having served five years on active duty as a Military Intelligence officer. She deployed to Iraq 2005-06 as a platoon leader with the 3rd Infantry Division's first Shadow Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Company (drones). She was honorably discharged as a Captain in 2007, and is a recipient of the Bronze Star Medal. Kynn timer earned her Master's Degree in Nonprofit Management from Regis University, and has been recognized by the Denver Business Journal 40</p>

outdoors.

Under 40 Class of 2015 and CivilianJobs.com as a Top 40 Under 40 for Military.

**Alan Golden**  
**Social Committee Chair**



Allen Golden is an assistant director at Pickens Technical College (PTC).

This is Allen's second year at PTC. In the past he has taught, coached, and worked as an administrator, both at the building and district level. Prior to moving to Pickens, Allen worked as the Secondary Curriculum and CTE coordinator for Montrose County School District on the Western Slope of Colorado.

Allen completed a doctorate degree in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Denver last June.

Allen has worked in Career and Technical Education for three years. He enjoys seeing relevant education in action on a daily basis at Pickens. Allen believes that Pickens is a great place to prepare you for a career that you will enjoy.

Pickens Technical College, located at the intersection of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Airport Blvd, has been improving the lives of Aurora residents since 1970. We currently offer 30 CTE programs designed to provide the training and credentials for individuals to be successful in their chosen industry immediately after graduating. For more information about Pickens, please visit our website at: <https://www.pickenstech.org>



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I would also be happy to answer any questions that you have and/or give you a personalized tour. My contact information is listed below:

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## Healthy Tips

No Shave November is this month. For more information, click here-<https://no-shave.org/>



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## Helpful Links/Reminders

Community Explorations must be completed by December 31. Email Rene after completing the Community Exploration.

Community Exploration Opportunities- <https://goo.gl/i6dxoB>

- **Falck Rocky Mountain Ride Along** - If you are interested in doing an ambulance ride along with Falck Rocky Mountain I have attached is the waiver that needs to be completed and sent back to Shannin with a copy of your driver's license. Please send the completed form and copy of your ID to Shannin directly and give her about 3 different days and times that you are interested

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and available and Shannin will get you scheduled. Please contact Shannin Wetzel at [Shannin.wetzel@falck.com](mailto:Shannin.wetzel@falck.com) or on her cell at 720-771-3285.

- **APD Ride Along** —Complete this [form](#). You can turn in the request to Mike Hanifin via email at [mhanifin@auroragov.org](mailto:mhanifin@auroragov.org). Mike is not in the class but he is involved with Leadership Aurora. The form is attached below. Marty Garland has also made himself available to help if you would like to take advantage of this opportunity.
- **The “Leaders are Readers”** — Mandy Young from APS sent along this opportunity. Leaders are readers will be held three times this year, each opportunity being a week long. We hope you will find time during these weeks to spend with our students, reading your favorite children’s book. Time slots will be a half-hour long, scattered throughout each week: November 12-16, 2018, December 10-15, 2018 & March 18-21, 2019. In order to sign up, go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f44a9ab29abfa7-leaders>. Mandy will send you and your partner teacher a calendar request with all the pertinent logistics.
- **Health Inspection:** Anyone interested in going along on a couple of restaurant or child care center inspections with a health department inspector as a community exploration. (The person that was listed on the sheet that Rene sent out is no longer with Tri-County)

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- **Aurora Water Treatment Facility tour:** Our classmate Marshall Brown is the Director of Water with the City of Aurora and can provide tours of one of the water treatment plants. Groups of up to 40 can be accommodated. Please provide at least two weeks notice. Close-toed shoes are required, and depending on the facility, tours may include outdoor portions and take 1.5 - 2 hours to complete, including a 30 minute overview at the start. A potential date of December 7th at 2:00 pm has been suggested. Please reach out if interested.

Marshall Brown



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**Google Drive**-Not sure how to use Google Drive and Docs? Check out this website!

<https://sites.google.com/aurorak12.org/columbiamsco-tech-help/all-things-google?authuser=0>

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## **Fun Stuff and Shout Outs**

**Photos from the Avalanche Game, 10/4/18**

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