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### COMMUNITY JOINS COUNTY OFFICIALS FOR GRAND OPENING OF SUWANEE BRANCH LIBRARY

(Lawrenceville, Ga., Oct. 30, 2004) – Pick up your reading glasses, load the kids in the car and head on over to Gwinnett County's newest branch library in Suwanee. The county's 12<sup>th</sup> branch library opened today with an official ribbon cutting attended by County officials and community members.

Gwinnett County Public Library Executive Director Jo Ann Pinder provided the welcome and introductions during the ceremony. Speakers were Gwinnett County Public Library Board of Trustees Chairman Dan English, Gwinnett County Commission Chairman F. Wayne Hill, District 1 Commissioner Marcia L. Neaton and Suwanee Mayor Nick Masino.

"This is another great day in Gwinnett County," said Hill. "The Suwanee Library opening has been eagerly anticipated by residents and is a most welcome addition to the city of Suwanee and this fast-growing area of the county."

"We are so excited and proud to be adding another location in the county where residents can access the library," said Pinder.

Lindsay, Pope, Brayfield & Associates designed the new 20,477-square-foot library with the purpose of blending with the Old Town Suwanee Master Plan. Hogan Construction Group, LLC, was the contractor for the building. The voter-approved 2001 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) funded the \$5.4 million project budget.

Regular hours for the Suwanee Branch Library, located at 361 Main Street, will be 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday. The library boasts 57,000 volumes, 23 public access terminals, and four kiddie LAN, and 23 staff members.

This is the Gwinnett County Public Library's 12<sup>th</sup> branch library with other branches in: Buford-Sugar Hill, Centerville, Collins Hill, Duluth, Five Forks, Lawrenceville, Lilburn, Elizabeth H. Williams (Snellville), Mountain Park, Norcross, and Peachtree Corners. For more information about the Gwinnett County Public Library, please visit the Web site at [www.gwinnettpl.org](http://www.gwinnettpl.org) or call (770) 978-5154.

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