

# NEWS & EVENTS



in District 3 with  
Commissioner Watkins

May 2023



Greetings!

It's May! Prepare for temperatures to heat up, kids to wrap up the school year, and summer vacations to kick off.

During the busy summer season, I hope you'll take time to engage with your neighbors and community. From celebrating our vibrant and diverse population to honoring our fallen heroes, read more about opportunities to stay engaged below.

## Happening Around Gwinnett

### Save the date for the 2023 Multicultural Festival!

The Gwinnett Multicultural Festival and County Government Open House is back with cultural performances, face painting, touch-a-truck with public safety vehicles, games, music, and fun for the whole family! This year's event will also feature a naturalization ceremony for some of Gwinnett's newest citizens.

Join us **Saturday, May 13 from 10:00am to 2:00pm** at Gwinnett Place Mall in Duluth to celebrate the vibrant cultures that make up our community. The event is free. We can't wait to see you there!



ANNUAL NOTICE OF  
ASSESSMENT

### Understanding your Annual Notice of Assessment

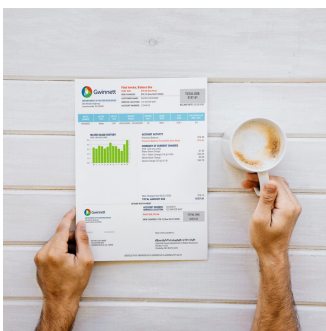
The Gwinnett County Board of Assessors mailed approximately 304,000 Annual Notices of Assessment to residential and commercial property owners in April.

An [Annual Notice of Assessment](#) is not a tax bill. The notice informs you of the value assessed on your residential or commercial real estate as of January 1, 2023.

Watch the video above to learn more about reading your Annual Notice of Assessment. Property owners may appeal the assessed value within 45 days of the date of the notice by submitting a completed PT-311A State Appeal Form to the Tax Assessors' Office or by visiting [Gwinnett-Assessor.com](http://Gwinnett-Assessor.com).

### Outdoor pools to open Memorial Day

Mark your calendar for the Memorial Day reopening of our outdoor seasonal pools at Dacula Park, Lenora Park, and Rhodes Jordan Park, which will be in operation through Labor Day. Our state-of-the-art [aquatic facilities](#) and highly-trained lifeguards are one of the reasons Gwinnett Parks and Recreation is a world class leader! You can also have a splash playing at our river channels that are now open in Dacula at



### Water bill payment address has changed

As of Monday, May 1, residents have a new mailing address to pay their water bills. Water Resources will accept payments by mail at P.O. Box 105023, Atlanta, GA 30348-5023.

Other options for paying your bill include by phone at 678.376.6800, online at [Gwinnetth2o.com](http://Gwinnetth2o.com), or in person at 648 Winder Highway in Lawrenceville. These payment methods will not be impacted by the change in mailing address.

## What's New in District 3

### Join us to honor our fallen heroes

On **Monday, May 29**, we'll gather to honor the fallen military and public service heroes who gave their lives to protect and serve our country and community.

Join us at **1:00pm** at the [Fallen Heroes Memorial](#) on the grounds of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center to hear remarks from me and my fellow commissioners as well as our keynote speaker, Executive Director for Field Operations and Appeals for the Georgia Department of Veterans Service Shelly-Ann Simpson. I hope to see you there.



### Gwinnett Entrepreneur Center kicks off workshop series for Small Business Week

Ready to take your small business to the next level? The Gwinnett Entrepreneur Center is hosting a small business workshop series during Small Business Week from **Monday, May 1 to Thursday, May 4**. From industry insights to marketing strategies, the workshops are tailor-made for small business owners of all types. The classes will take place both in-person at 405 North Perry Street in Lawrenceville and virtually.

Visit [GwinnettCounty.com/SmallBusinessWeek](http://GwinnettCounty.com/SmallBusinessWeek) to learn

more or to register.

### Summer camp slots still available

Parents, there's still time to sign your kids up for [summer camp](#)! Full-day Adventure Camp is offered at Dacula Park in Dacula and Rhodes Jordan Park in Lawrenceville, with split sessions for ages 5 to 6 and 7 to 13, from June 5 to July 28. Lenora Park in Snellville is hosting full-day Kidspllosion Camp, with split sessions for ages 5 to 6 and 7 to 13 from May 30 to July 28. Rhodes Jordan Park also hosts: Head Start Band Camp (ages 12 to 14), May 30 to June 2; Silverbacks Basketball Clinic (ages 8 to 15) with three June sessions; and Art Camp for Kids (ages 4 to 8) with three sessions between May 30 to June 30.



### Gwinnett Police offer firearm safety and security classes

Gwinnett residents will soon have an opportunity to learn guidelines and best practices for safe gun handling from local law enforcement personnel. Gwinnett Police will offer firearm



safety and security classes to the community on **Wednesday, May 10 at 6:30pm** at the Gwinnett County Police Training Center located at 854 Winder Highway in Lawrenceville.

Classes will highlight firearm security, terminology, and how to properly store firearms to keep children safe. Youth who plan to attend must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Residents are prohibited from bringing their own firearms to class. Register online at [GwinnettCounty.com/FirearmSafety](https://GwinnettCounty.com/FirearmSafety).

## Special Events and Happenings

Visit [GwinnettCountyEvents.com](https://GwinnettCountyEvents.com) or follow the County's social media channels to learn about more upcoming events.

### Hot Dogs and Horseshoes

**Friday, May 5 from 11:00am to 1:00pm**

Active adults ages 50 and up are invited to enjoy a picnic lunch and lawn games. Fee: \$5 per person. [Register online](#). Dacula Park, 2735 Old Auburn Avenue, Dacula.

### Gardening 101 Volunteer Workday

**Thursday, May 18 from 9:00am to noon**

Free! Let's get growing! This volunteer workday features a presentation led by UGA Extension Gwinnett on vermiculture and hands-on gardening activities. [Register online](#). Lawrenceville Community Garden at Rhodes Jordan Park, 100 East Crogan Street, Lawrenceville.

### Train Day

**Saturday, May 20 from 9:00am to noon**

Make tracks to Vines Park, featuring Georgia's only G-scale garden railroad, plus crafts and activities. [Register online](#). Vines Park, 3500 Oak Grove Road, Loganville.

### Kids Fishing Derby

**Saturday, May 27 from 9:00am to noon**

Reel in some lakeside fun! This free catch-and-release event is open to all ages. [Register online](#). Lenora Park, 4515 Lenora Church Road, Snellville.

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