

# NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

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Greetings!

As a resident of Gwinnett County, you know there is always a lot going on in the community.

[Gwinnett County Government](#) would appreciate your help keeping your neighbors informed by sharing the following information through your homeowner association newsletter, website, and emails and by talking to your friends and family.

## What's new on TV Gwinnett?

Gwinnett County brings you the latest news and happenings about your community through Eye on Gwinnett, our weekly news program.



What you'll see in this episode:

- Gwinnett, Georgia DOT seeking public input for improving I-85
- Gwinnett libraries shelf Dewey Decimal System
- Sign up for the Citizens Police Academy for behind-the-scenes peek of law enforcement

View other Eye on Gwinnett episodes on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages, or watch them on [TVGwinnett.com](#).

## Gwinnett Recorder's Court offering evening sessions

To better accommodate residents' schedules, Gwinnett Recorder's Court will offer evening court sessions starting in March.

The nighttime sessions will be held at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center once a month at 6:00pm on the third Thursday of each month beginning **March 26**. The sessions will be limited to minor traffic infractions. The number of sessions and the docket could expand depending on community response.



Recorder's Court currently holds sessions weekday mornings and afternoons, but night court will enable residents to attend court after typical working hours. Often residents must take time off work for court appearances due to minor offenses such as traffic tickets and other code violations.

The number of cases to be heard is limited. To be placed on the docket, call the Clerk of Recorder's Court at 770.619.6100.

## Georgia DOT, Gwinnett County studying improvements to I-85

Tell us about your I-85 commute! Georgia DOT and Gwinnett County are partnering to conduct a Comprehensive Corridor Study along I-85. The study will propose solutions to reduce congestion, enhance traffic operations, and improve safety in this area.

Public feedback is an important part of the study, so the I-85 study team is conducting a series of public meetings **February 4** from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Best Friend Park in Norcross, **February 8** from 9:00am to 11:00am at George Pierce Park in Suwanee, and **February 11** from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Lilburn Activity Building in Lilburn. They also created a survey so you can tell them what you think and help them better understand issues that are important to you. [Click here](#) to take the survey and share your ideas for improving I-85.

## Celebrate Valentine's Day with wedding ceremonies



You can say I do, "or even" I still do," as Chief Magistrate Kristina Hammer Blum and Probate Court Judge Christopher Ballar perform free Valentine's Day wedding ceremonies **February 14** from 10:00am to 3:30pm at the historic Isaac Adair House in Lawrenceville.

Couples getting married must have a valid marriage license with them on February 14. Contact Probate Court at 770.822.8350 for information about obtaining a marriage license. Couples renewing their wedding vows need not bring a copy of their license. To make a reservation, please

call 770.822.8081.

## Give back to your community by becoming a poll official

Gwinnett County is hiring poll officials to staff 156 polling locations plus eight advance voting locations for the 2020 election season. The Voter Registration and Elections Division is looking for citizens of all backgrounds, including bilingual poll officials.

Workers can gain valuable work experience and get paid! Currently, positions pay up to a \$120 stipend. Learn more and apply at [GwinnettCountyJobs.com](http://GwinnettCountyJobs.com).



## Register by February 24 to vote in the Presidential Preference Primary

**February 24** is the deadline to register to vote in the upcoming Presidential Preference Primary set for March 24. Be sure to check that your registration is up to date.

The presidential primary is the first of many elections and runoffs scheduled for 2020. Here's the lineup:

- Presidential Preference Primary: March 24
- General Primary/Nonpartisan Election: May 19
- General Primary/Nonpartisan Election Runoff: July 21
- General Election: November 3
- State General Election Runoff: December 1
- Federal General Election Runoff: January 5

Visit [GwinnettElections.com](http://GwinnettElections.com) for advance and absentee voting information. Visit [mvp.sos.ga.gov](http://mvp.sos.ga.gov) to check your status, register online, locate your polling place, and view sample ballots.

## Extension Office annual plant sale features fruits, landscaping plants



The UGA Extension Gwinnett office is offering blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, figs, apples, pomegranates, muscadines, and landscape plants in its annual sale. Order your plants by **March 6** in person or by mail at the Extension Office in Lawrenceville. Pick up your prepaid order on **March 19** at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds in Lawrenceville. No orders are shipped. For order forms and plant sale information, visit [GwinnettExtension.com](http://GwinnettExtension.com), or call 678.377.4010 to request a form.

## U.S. Census Bureau gearing up for 2020 count

In mid-March, the Census Bureau will begin sending invitations to take the census to every household in America. For the first time, you can take the census online, or you can take it by phone, or by mail. In May, census takers will visit homes that haven't responded, and in December 2020,

the bureau will issue a report to Congress and the president. Learn more about the upcoming census at [2020Census.gov](https://2020Census.gov).

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