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A newsletter for gwinnettcounty homeowners

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Dear Homeowner:

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 e-mails and by talking to your friends and family. Click on *forward this e-mail to a friend* below to share this newsletter!

Celebrate Older Americans Month

Join Gwinnett County in celebrating Older Americans Month! The entire month of May is dedicated to honor and recognize older Americans for their influences on our community. The theme for this year is *Never Too Old to Play* and encourages all seniors to get active in their own lives and in their communities.

A variety of events are being held throughout the month, including the Senior Art Showcase, which features art by local senior artists at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center, located at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville. The showcase will be available Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm through May 31. A Seasoned with Thyme cookbook sale will also take place throughout the month at Parks and Recreation Community Recreation Centers. Be sure to stop in and purchase a cookbook filled with delicious recipes submitted by local seniors!



For more information on Older Americans Month and a [list of all the events](#), contact Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation at 770.822.8840 or visit www.gwinnettparks.com.

Burn ban in Gwinnett through September 30

The Gwinnett County Department of Fire and Emergency Services will observe a total burn ban on all outdoor burning from May 1 to September 30 in Gwinnett County. All types of outdoor or open burning are prohibited during this time period, including the burning of trees, limbs, or any other yard waste, and the use of air curtain destructors for land clearing. For unincorporated residents, please contact [your solid waste hauler](#) to ask about adding yard waste service.

For more information about the burn ban, please contact the Gwinnett Fire and Emergency Services Community Risk Reduction Division at 678.518.4980 or visit www.gwinnettfiremarshal.com.

Water Resources hosts Clean Water Festival | May 12

The Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources is hosting a Clean Water Festival this Saturday, May 12, from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Shoal Creek Water Production Facility, located at 1755 Buford Dam Road in Buford.

In celebration of the 38th Anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the festival will have fun kids' activities, arts and crafts, a plant sale, complimentary lunch, and a tour that shows first-hand how the drinking water is processed at the Shoal Creek Water Production Facility.



For more information about the event, contact Dana Garland at 770.904.3200.

Memorial Day Ceremony | May 28

The public is invited to Gwinnett County's Memorial Day ceremony on May 28 at 1:00pm at the Fallen Heroes Memorial in Lawrenceville. This event is held each year to celebrate and honor our county's military heroes and public service personnel.

This ceremony will mark the ninth anniversary of the dedication of the Fallen Heroes Memorial in Gwinnett County, and members of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and honor guard units from the Gwinnett County Corrections, Fire and Emergency Services, Police Department, Sheriff's Office, and the Lawrenceville Police Department will take part in this event.

The Fallen Heroes Memorial is located on the grounds of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center, 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville.

For more information about the Gwinnett Fallen Heroes Memorial, visit www.gwinnettfallenheroes.com.



Veterans Retraining Assistance Program

The Veterans Retraining Assistance Program is reaching out to unemployed veterans who are 35 to 60 years old to provide education benefits. This limited opportunity will benefit up to 45,000 veterans through the end of September 2012. Applications will be accepted beginning May 15, 2012.

For more information, visit www.benefits.va.gov/VOW.

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