

News for Neighborhoods

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 information below 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!

Ready to Roll bike and skateboard safety event

Join Gwinnett Parks and Recreation **Saturday, June 11** from **10:00am - 1:00pm** for the free Ready to Roll event at Duncan Creek Park in Dacula.

Learn bike safety, get a helmet fitting at the bike rodeo, and meet representatives from [Gwinnett County Police](#) and [Fire and Emergency Services](#). Safety representatives from [Safe Kids Gwinnett](#) will also be in attendance.

Skateboarders can watch skateboard demos and show off their moves for a chance to win prizes in a skate contest. Participants should bring their own bikes and/or skateboards and helmets. For more information, visit www.gwinnettparks.com.

Watering restrictions

With the arrival of hot weather, Gwinnett County wants to remind residents that outdoor watering is allowed seven days a week but not between the hours of 10:00am and 4:00pm under both state law and county ordinances.

For all other outdoor usage such as filling swimming pools and non-commercial car and power washing, residents must follow the odd/even schedule. Even and un-numbered addresses may use water on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, while odd addresses may use water on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays; no outdoor watering may take place on Fridays.



Applying more than an inch of water to a lawn in a single sprinkling is usually wasteful and most lawn grasses need only an inch per week. Be sure to program your irrigation systems to comply with current watering restrictions and the water needs of turf grasses. You can find information about outdoor watering on the Department of Water Resources' [Watering Restrictions](#) website at www.gwinnettH2O.com. The [Frequently Asked Questions about Outdoor Water Use](#) document provides details on how the current guidelines affect homeowners.

Cruise Cards become Peach Pass in June

In June, Cruise Card customer accounts will become Peach Pass accounts. Existing Cruise Card customers received a new customer agreement and list of frequently asked questions explaining how this account change will give current account holders the flexibility to use both the GA 400 toll road and the new I-85 Express Lanes when they open this summer.

For more information about the Cruise Card to Peach Pass transition, visit www.georgiatolls.com or www.peachpass.com.

Police offers teen driving classes

The [Gwinnett Police Department's](#) crime prevention officers are offering the **P.R.I.D.E. Program** (Parents Reducing Injuries and Driver Error) safe driving classes to assist new drivers and their parents. The *P.R.I.D.E. program* is a **free, national award-winning**, two-hour course designed to educate teen drivers ages 14 - 16. Officers do not conduct any behind the wheel training but instruct parents and teens on what to expect during the 40 hours of supervised practice driving time required by Georgia law and throughout their driving experience.

Upcoming classes are held at 6:30pm. Class dates and contact information to register are listed below. For precinct locations, [click here](#). Please register early; classes fill up fast.

June 20: West Precinct (Norcross), 770.417.2376 ext. 5720

June 23: South Precinct (Lilburn), 770.982.4440 ext. 17

July 26: East Precinct (Dacula), 770.338.7430 ext. 5696

In addition to the *P.R.I.D.E. program*, crime prevention officers also present **Traffic Safety for Teens**. The free, 45-minute class will cover crash dynamics, seat belts, speeding, alcohol, distractions such as texting while driving, road rules, and street signs.

To schedule a *Traffic Safety for Teens* class, contact Officer H. Stafford at 770.338.7430 ext. 5696.

Summer construction projects

RoadWorks 2011 is a program by the [Georgia Department of Transportation](#) to resurface sections of a number of major interstates around Atlanta and throughout the state. This large undertaking of repaving and maintenance along the interstates helps preserve one of Georgia's most valuable assets - our transportation system.

[Click here](#) to view a detailed map of the statewide and metro Atlanta projects to use as you plan your summer vacation route. Don't forget: You can always visit www.511ga.org for real-time traffic information.

Hamilton Mill Library named New Landmark Library

The [Hamilton Mill Library](#) along with nine other libraries with vibrant, innovative architectural designs were recently named New Landmark Libraries by the *Library Journal*. These New Landmark Libraries were chosen as buildings that will influence future library designs.



Library Journal's [New Landmark Libraries](#) project seeks to discover groundbreaking public library buildings and establish a set of standards for library leaders to address as they design and build their community's public library facilities. Chosen from a national pool with submissions from large cities and small communities, the New Landmark Libraries will be used as inspiration for library projects of all sizes.

Air Quality Forecast - Smog Season is here!

The Clean Air Campaign issues [smog alerts](#) on days when the concentration of ozone or pollution is expected to reach unhealthy levels. Smog Season is from **May 1 to September 30**, and you can find your daily Gwinnett smog forecast at www.gwinnettcountry.com.

How can I do my part? As a Gwinnett County resident, when smog levels are forecasted as high, **carpool, ride transit, work from home**, or



use another **commute alternative**. Visit www.cleanaircampaign.org to discover ways you can improve the air quality for metro Atlanta residents.

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