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Mark your calendar!

Gwinnett County Government hosts many events, classes, and workshops for its residents. See these great events and more at www.gwinnettcountyevents.com.

This Week

Celebrate Independence Day

Many exciting, family-friendly Independence Day celebrations are going on in and around Gwinnett this year. Just a few events include a Gwinnett Braves game at Coolray Field, Duluth Celebrates America, and Star Spangled Snellville. You can plan out your entire Independence Day weekend with a full listing of events on the [Gwinnett County website](#). Be sure to periodically check the event websites for information on cancellations or rescheduling due to the weather forecast.

Citizenship

Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:40pm to 8:40pm. This class provides information about the citizenship interview process, the questions asked, and the vocabulary. Participants will also learn history and other current information about the U.S. This program follows the ESL schedule. Instruction provided by the Asian American Resource Center. [Norcross Human Services Center](#), 5030 Georgia Belle Court in Norcross. For more information, email education@aacr-atlanta.org or call 770.270.0663. Call 770.638.5661 for registration dates.

Brown Bag Concert

Friday, July 5 from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Celebrate the summer with the upbeat music of Havana Son! Pack a lunch, bring a blanket, and enjoy the beautiful grounds on the square as we celebrate summer with music, crafts, face painting, and more! Vendors can showcase their business, goods, or sacks at this fun family event but must provide their own tent and proof of insurance. Items for sale must be approved. Cost: \$86/vendor for a 10x10 space, one table, and two chairs. Gwinnett Historic Courthouse, 185 West Crogan Street in Lawrenceville. Call 770.822.5450 to register.

Money Management and Life Skills

Saturdays from 10:00am to 11:30am. Ages 12 to 24 years. Class size is limited. Help youth succeed in every area of their lives by giving them the skills they need. Cost: \$5. Program provided by Bridging the Gap Independent Living and Resource Center, 678.467.0159. Register in person at the [Norcross Human Services Center](#). For more information, call 770.638.5661.

Next Week

radKIDS: Child Self-Empowerment Program

July 8 to July 12 from 9:00am to 11:00am or 1:30pm to 3:30pm. The Gwinnett County Police Department's crime prevention officers are offering the radKIDS Child Personal Empowerment Safety Education Program. The radKIDS program is a free, nationally recognized program designed to provide education that enhances the ability of children, parents, and families to use knowledge, skills, and power to protect themselves from violence and harm. The class is a five-day course that combines classroom education with physical skill building. Classes for ages 5 to 7 and ages 8 to 12 are taught simultaneously to allow families to attend at the same time. Students and their parents

are required to attend all of the daily sessions. The class is limited to the first 20 registrants in each age group. Sugar Hill Church, 5091 Nelson Brogdon Boulevard in Sugar Hill. To register, contact Officer W. Eric Rooks at william.rooks@gwinnettcounty.com or 770.513.5119.

Traditions: Celebrating the Cultures of the World

Monday to Friday, July 8 to 12 from noon to 3:00pm. This summer the world is coming to your child! Each week campers will learn and celebrate different cultures from around the world through virtual tours, arts and crafts, food preparation and sampling, music, and more! Parents are welcome to view art creations and enjoy food sampling on the last day. Cost: Money orders only, \$40 per week (\$5 sibling discount or \$5 discount for any returning camper of 2012). Camp limited to 16 children. For more information, contact Sylvia Wright with The Little Red Math and Grammar School at 404.826.6818. For registration information, contact [Centerville Community Center](http://www.centervillecommunitycenter.com), 770.985.4713. Children ages 8 to 16 with learning disabilities are welcome.

Understanding your County Government Property Taxes

July 9 at 6:30pm. The County government portion of your property tax bill will look different this year. Learn more about the County's new service districts and the associated millage rates at an informational session/public hearing where the Board of Commissioners invites you to provide comments. Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center auditorium, located at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville. Commissioners also welcome online public comments about the proposed 2013 millage rates. Visit www.gwinnettcounty.com to share your thoughts. For more information about the service districts, including a brief video, and the 2013 proposed property tax rates, visit www.gwinnettservicedistricts.com. The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners will consider the property tax rates on Tuesday, July 16, 2013, at 2:00pm.

Demonstration on Canning and Preserving Fruits and Vegetables

Friday, July 12 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Learn the correct way to preserve fruits and vegetables, proper freezing and storing techniques, and a seasonal recipe. Class includes a live demonstration and handouts. Cost: \$1 cash in exact change. The program will be held at [Centerville Community Center](http://www.centervillecommunitycenter.com), 3025 Bethany Church Road, Snellville, GA 30039. For curriculum information, contact Ines Beltran at inesb@uga.edu. To reserve your seat, you must receive confirmation from the community center at 770.985.4713.

Future Events

Hatha Yoga

Mondays and Thursdays, July 15 to August 22 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Sessions place an emphasis on fitness, flexibility, strength, proper breathing, and relaxation. Appropriate for all ages, shapes, and sizes (minors must be accompanied by a registered adult). Cost: \$36 for six weeks. For information, please email pattycugnasca@gmail.com. For pre-registration, call the [Centerville Community Center](http://www.centervillecommunitycenter.com) at 770.985.4713.

Dog Day at the Park

Saturday, July 20 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Come celebrate National Park and Recreation Month and National Hot Dog Day at Lenora Park in Snellville. Bring the whole family, dogs included, for this fun free event! There will be music, concessions, inflatables, crafts and more! For more information contact Robin Hinesley, Sheila Fowler, or Naz Weck at 770.822.8833.

Gwinnett Multicultural Advisory Committee

Tuesday, July 23 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. GMAC collaborates and networks with other organizations to provide resources and education to benefit the diverse communities of Gwinnett County. Your input is welcome as GMAC continues its effort to understand, value, and incorporate various cultures. The committee meets at the [Norcross Human Services Center](http://www.norcrosshumanresources.com), 5030 Georgia Belle Court in Norcross. Call 770.638.5661 for more information.

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