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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

Cooperative Extension 2013 Plant Sale

Now through March 12. Winter is the perfect time to plan your spring garden and the Cooperative Extension Service wants to help by offering locally grown plants at their annual plant sale. So walk your landscape and envision where you could place some delicious blueberries, apples, figs or maybe some beautiful azaleas or gardenias. Orders must be placed by March 12, and the pickup date is March 21 at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds. See a [list](#) of the plants for sale and basic information about each plant. Print an [order form](#) or call 678.377.4010 for more information.

Septic Tank Maintenance Workshop

January 10 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Learn how your septic tank system works, how to prevent problems, and how to determine when a repair is necessary at this free workshop. Participants from unincorporated Gwinnett County or the city of Lilburn can qualify for a maximum 5 percent credit toward their Stormwater Utility Fee for the following year. Spanish translation will be provided. Norcross Human Services Center located at 5030 Georgia Belle Court in Norcross. Pre-register by emailing your name, address, and phone number to dwrswreg@gwinnettcounty.com or calling 678.376.7193 and pressing 5.

Breakfast and BINGO Bash

January 10 from 9:00am to 11:00am. Bring in the New Year with a delicious breakfast and a rousing game of BINGO! Enjoy pancakes and sausage breakfast, play BINGO, and maybe win a prize! Age 50+. \$6/person. Bethesda Park Senior Center, 225 Bethesda Church Road in Lawrenceville. Advanced registration required. Call 678.277.0179 or [register here](#).

Next Week

An Engaging Affair Bridal Show

January 13 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Planning a wedding? Join wedding professionals such as DJs, florists, bakeries, travel agencies, and more at this fantastic bridal show! Enjoy the fashion show and stay for fabulous door prizes! Bring your mom, your entourage, and fiancé and talk with vendors about your special day. Grooms attend free! \$6/person if pre-registered by January 11 or \$7/person at the door. Gwinnett Historic Courthouse, 185 Crogan Street in Lawrenceville. Call 770.822.5450 for more information or [register here](#).

Teens Ride with PRIDE Safe Driving Course

January 14 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. 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 to 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.

Police Department West Precinct, 6160 Crescent Drive in Norcross. Please register early by calling 678.442.6553; classes fill up fast.

AARP Driver Safety Program for Seniors 50+

January 15 from 9:30am to 4:30pm. Learn defensive driving techniques, adjusting to age-related changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time. For seniors 50+, but anyone with valid driver's license welcome. For possible insurance discount, contact provider. Cost: \$12 for AARP members with membership card; \$14 non-members. Centerville Community Center, 3025 Bethany Church Road in Snellville. Call 770.985.4713 to pre-register.

Soil basics for the home landscape

January 17 from noon to 1:00pm. Learn how to improve the quality of soil in your lawn and garden to produce healthier plants. Cooperative Extension Conference Room located on the fourth floor of the Gwinnett County Government Annex Building at 750 South Perry Street, Suite 400 in Lawrenceville. There is no charge, but pre-registration is required by January 15 by contacting Timothy Daly at 678.377.4010 or timothy.daly@gwinnettcountry.com.

Future Events

Prom Fashion Extravaganza!

January 26 at 2:00pm to 4:00pm. Prom is just around the corner and now all your prom fashion needs are in one convenient location. Enjoy a fashion show and meet vendors from accessory boutiques, skin and hair salons, makeup artistry, and jewelry shops for advice on how to pull together the coolest look for prom. \$4/person if pre-registered by January 25 or \$5/person at the door. Gwinnett Historic Courthouse, 185 Crogan Street in Lawrenceville. Call 770.822.5450 or [register here](#).

Self Defense for Women

Mondays: February 4 to 25 from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. Learn to anticipate, recognize, and deal with dangerous situations. Learn to block punches, break loose from holds, and striking techniques. For any age or fitness level. Cost: \$10 per person for four weeks. Centerville Community Center, 3025 Bethany Church Road in Snellville. For more information, call the center at 770.985.4713.

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