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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 emails and by talking to your friends and family.



**What's new on TVgwinnett?**



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

**What you'll see in this episode:**

- See highlights of annual MLK parade
- Old Lilburn library will become parks activity building
- Pedestrian upgrades happening along Satellite Boulevard
- Gwinnett parks named best in the state

**Volunteer for Bring one for the Chipper**

Looking for a volunteer opportunity this weekend? Join Gwinnett Clean and Beautiful for the annual Bring One for the Chipper shredding event this Saturday, **January 21 from 8:00am to 11:00am at Bethesda Park, located at 225 Bethesda Church Road in Lawrenceville.**

Volunteers 14 and older are needed to help chip live Christmas trees into mulch. You can volunteer individually or as a group, but be sure to wear work gloves, long pants, and thick, closed-toe shoes.

To sign up, visit [www.gwinnettcba.org](http://www.gwinnettcba.org).

**County Extension Service hosts its annual plant sale**

Go organic and raise your own fruits by ordering blueberries, apples, and other delectables being offered in the Gwinnett County Extension Service annual plant sale.

The Extension Service is offering varieties of blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, figs, apples, pomegranate, goji berry, and pecan trees. (For the uninitiated, goji berries, native to Asia, are related to tomatoes and produce bright, orange-red berries usually cooked before eating.) The sale also includes native azaleas and other landscape plants for beautifying your home.



Orders will be taken through **March 7** by visiting [www.gwinnetttextension.com](http://www.gwinnetttextension.com) or by calling 678.377.4010 to request an order form.

Pickup day is March 16 between 9:00am and 6:00pm at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2406 Sugarloaf Parkway in Lawrenceville. An assortment of landscape plants not on the order sheet will also be available, so bring extra cash or your checkbook. To learn more, visit the [Gwinnett Extension Service's webpage](#).

#### Test your home for cancer-causing radon gas



Radon, an invisible, tasteless, and odorless gas, is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the U.S. and it could be in your home.

Radon comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock, and water and occurs all over the United States. It can be present in any type of building, but greatest exposure often is found in homes. The good news is that it is easy to test for radon and stop it before it becomes a problem.

As part of National Radon Awareness Month, the Gwinnett County Extension Office is offering a test kit for \$10. You can purchase the kits from the Gwinnett Extension Service office, located at 750 South Pery Street in Lawrenceville, or order online from the University of

Georgia's Radon Program website, [www.UGAradon.org](http://www.UGAradon.org), for \$13.

Learn more about detecting radon by visiting the [County Extension Service website](#).

#### Buford Human Services Center closing for renovations; services will be moved temporarily

The Buford Human Services Center, located at 2755 Sawnee Avenue in Buford, will undergo renovations through summer 2017. All services will be **moved to different locations temporarily**, beginning Wednesday, **February 1**. For a list of temporary locations, please visit the [Buford Human Services Center webpage](#).

#### Gwinnett 101 provides an inside view of your county government at work

Have you ever wondered why a fire truck responds to your medical emergency, questioned where the County spends your sales tax dollars, or pondered how the County recycles wastewater? The Gwinnett 101: Citizens Academy can illuminate those questions and more.



Gwinnett County Government is accepting applications for the Spring 2017 class of Gwinnett 101: Citizens Academy, a free 12-week program that provides a firsthand glimpse of how the County works.

Orientation is on Tuesday, **April 11** with regular classes on **Thursdays** from **6:00pm to 9:00pm**. Graduates will be recognized by the Board of Commissioners on Tuesday, **June 27**.

Participants must be at least 18 years old and be a resident and/or business owner in Gwinnett or attend a Gwinnett college or university. Class size is limited to 30 participants who will be chosen by a selection committee.

Applications are available online at [www.gwinnett101.com](http://www.gwinnett101.com) and must be received by **March 3**.

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