

# NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

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Greetings!

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 TV Gwinnett?

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



What you'll see in this episode:

- Live Healthy Gwinnett earns national praise on its fifth birthday
- Gwinnett Police joins neighborhood watch program to fight crime
- Emergency Management hosts meeting to discuss natural disaster plan

View other Eye On Gwinnett episodes on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages or watch them on [www.TVgwinnett.com](http://www.TVgwinnett.com).

## Stay safe while using fireworks this Independence Day

Although fireworks are legal in Georgia, many are dangerous and Fire and Emergency Services urges residents to attend a professional fireworks show instead of staging one at home. For those using personal fireworks, firefighters offer these tips to avoid a potentially life-changing accident:

- Read the directions carefully and inspect the device for any defects
- Keep a bucket of water, garden hose, and fire extinguisher close by
- Never give fireworks to a child and keep children away from any firework area
- Never attempt to fix or re-ignite a malfunctioning device. Instead, discard it safely by soaking it in a bucket of water
- Before going to bed at night, remember to inspect the area where fireworks were used
- Never handle fireworks while impaired by drugs or alcohol
- Don't bring your pet to a fireworks display



For more safety tips from Gwinnett Safety 411, click [here](#).

## Celebrate Park and Recreation Month at local parks

July is **National Park and Recreation Month** and the County's Parks and Recreation team has several events to help get you outdoors for play, relaxation, and rejuvenation.

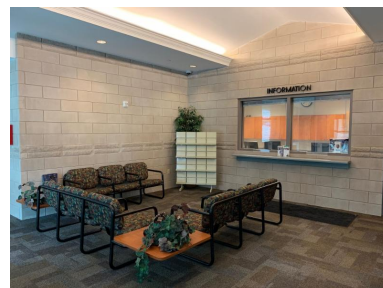


The County's award-winning parks system has 50 recreation areas that offer a wide range of opportunities for enjoying the fresh air, including trails for walking, bicycling, and horseback riding, playgrounds for kids, dog parks for pups, ballfields and courts for the athletically inclined, pools for swimmers and youngsters, senior centers for older people, and recreation centers for everyone. For more information, visit [www.gwinnettparks.com](http://www.gwinnettparks.com).

## Records unit opening at three precincts

Gwinnett County Police Department Records Unit will be reopening at three police precincts in an effort to make records more readily available to the public.

Beginning Monday, **July 1**, Records Unit staff will be available in the lobbies of the West Precinct, South Precinct, and Central Precinct. Visitors may obtain copies of: police reports, accident reports, and criminal histories and begin the application process for record restrictions. Click [here](#) to find the precinct locations and hours of operation.



## Gwinnett Animal Shelter offers July specials, including Free Fridays



Gwinnett Animal Welfare will host IndePETdence Week July 1 through July 6 with \$4 adoption fees. The shelter will be closed Thursday, July 4 and will reopen Friday, July 5 with the return of **Free Fridays**. All adoption fees will be waived on all pets each Friday throughout the month of July.

All pets adopted at the shelter have been vaccinated, neutered, microchipped, and are ready to go to their new home. Dogs typically cost \$45 to adopt, and cats typically cost \$30. The Gwinnett Animal Welfare center is located at **884 Winder Highway** in **Lawrenceville**. For more information including available pets, adoption specials and events, follow us [@GwinnettAnimalShelter](#) on Facebook or visit [www.GwinnettAnimalWelfare.com](http://www.GwinnettAnimalWelfare.com).

## Keep mosquitoes at bay this summer

Don't let mosquitoes drive you indoors. To reduce the mosquito population around your home, the Department of Water Resources, UGA Extension Gwinnett, and the Gwinnett County Health Department recommend:

- Cleaning gutters to eliminate breeding areas
- Removing any standing water in trash can lids, pet feeding bowls, and flowerpot saucers
- Replacing water in birdbaths frequently
- Keeping tight-fitting screens on windows and doors



## Be sure to register early at your child's new school



Our friends at Gwinnett County Public Schools asked us to share a reminder that if you're new to Gwinnett and need to register your child for school or if your child is changing schools due to a move, summer is the best time to register.

All Gwinnett County Public Schools locations will register students from 9:00am to 4:00pm on July 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, and 25. Use "[School Look-up](#)" if you're unsure which school your child will attend. Start [registration online](#), then go to the school to submit required records and information to complete registration on designated days. The school year starts Monday, August 5.

## Emergency Management hosts public meeting

The Gwinnett County Office of Emergency Management invites the community to attend a public meeting Friday, **July 12** to discuss the 2020 Multijurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan update. Attendees will receive an overview of the plan update and the county's identified

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection event scheduled for July 20



Many products in the home are completely safe to use and store until they become waste. When throwing away old batteries, fluorescent bulbs, or pesticides, improper disposal can harm the environment and threaten our water resources. Bring your household hazardous waste to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Saturday, **July 20** at the Gwinnett Fairgrounds from 8:00am to noon. There are many acceptable materials and you can bring up to five containers. This event is hosted by Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful and the Gwinnett County

Department of Water Resources. For a list of acceptable items and quantity limits, click [here](#). **Gwinnett County Fairgrounds** is located at 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville.

## Complete the Census online in 2020

When 2020 Census Day arrives on **April 1** of next year, U.S. residents for the first time will be able to complete their census questionnaire online. Residents can also complete the survey by phone or by mail. Be sure to report each person living in your household. For more information on special cases, such as moving to a new home on Census Day, visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov).



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The Constitution requires a head count of the country every 10 years. Census results are used by government and the private sector for multiple purposes, including redistricting at the national, state, and local levels, distributing billions of dollars in federal and state funds, analyzing local economic and demographic trends, and making business decisions.

## Protect yourself from flood damage

Did you know your homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage?

Only federal flood insurance reimburses you for flood damage to your property. For information regarding the National Flood Insurance Program and flood insurance, please call 1.800.427.4661 or visit [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov).



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