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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

UGA Extension Gwinnett Annual Plant Sale

Through March 21. The UGA Extension Gwinnett office has named the blueberry as the Gwinnett Bicentennial Plant and they're selling them at their famous annual plant sale. The extension office also is offering a host of fruit shrubs and trees. You can buy blackberries, raspberries, figs, apples, pomegranates, Goji berries, azaleas, pecan trees, and other landscape plants in its annual sale. Order your plants by March 21. Pick up your order on March 29 at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds in Lawrenceville. No orders will be shipped. For order forms and plant sale information, visit www.ugaextension.org/gwinnett or by calling 678.377.4010 to request a form.

Coffee with a Cop

March 21 from 9:00am to 11:00am. Meet with some of Gwinnett's finest at Coffee with a Cop. Ask questions, swap stories, and build relationships with those sworn to serve and protect. Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce, third floor, 6500 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth.

Planting a Bee-Friendly Garden Workshop | FREE!

March 22 at 6:30pm. UGA Extension Master Gardener Wes Nettleton will teach you how to design your landscapes and gardens to be more bee friendly, which plants are best for attracting bees, and what types of pesticides to use. Snellville Branch of the Gwinnett County Public Library, 2740 Lenora Church Road, Snellville.

Color Me Egg-celent!

March 24 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Design and dye hardboiled eggs, and enjoy story time and light refreshments in a festive atmosphere. Appropriate for all ages. Cost: \$6 per person. Preregister at www.gwinnettparks.com with code GPP11403 or by calling 678.277.0910.

Vaccination Station at the Atlanta Pet Expo

March 24 from 10:00am to 5:00pm and March 25 from 11:00am to 4:00pm. Gwinnett County Animal Welfare and Enforcement and partners will be offering free one-year rabies shots with the purchase of another vaccine for \$10 or a microchip for \$25. Only cash will be accepted. Partners include Animal Alliance of Georgia, Canine Pet Rescue, and Society of Human Friends of Georgia. Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville.

Next Week

Toddler Trek Tuesday

March 27 from 10:30am to 11:30am. Children from 18 months to 3 years old can explore the secret lives of Georgia's rabbits through song and interactive exploration. Each session includes a short discovery walk geared toward young children and their parents. Cost: \$10 per person with one adult free with each paid child. Preregister at www.gwinnettEHC.com. Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center, 2020 Clean Water Drive, Buford.

Friday Night Lines Skateboard Contest | FREE!

March 30 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Test your skills in a jam-style skateboarding contest. This event is open to all ages. Prizes will be awarded to the top three three-trick or longer lines. Register at www.gwinnettparks.com with code GPP11404 or by calling 770.945.9969 or 678.277.0910. J.B. Williams Park, 4935 Five Forks-Trickum Road, Lilburn.

Underwater Egg Hunt and Bunny Bonanza

March 31 from 9:00am to noon. Take the kids to Bogan Park to hunt for eggs in the pool, then head to the community recreation center for photos with the Easter Bunny. Afterward, they can enjoy a snack and make a craft. Appropriate for all ages, but children younger than 6 years old must be accompanied in the water by an adult. Cost: \$15 per person. Preregister by March 28 at www.gwinnettparks.com or by calling 678.277.0850 or 678.277.0853. Bogan Park, 2723 North Bogan Road, Buford. Also at **Bethesda Park Aquatic Center** from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Cost: \$12 per person (one free adult admission). Bethesda Park Aquatic Center, 225 Bethesda Church Road, Lawrenceville.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

March 31 from 8:30am to 10:30am. Join us for a favorite spring event in the Superior Court Ballroom at the historic courthouse. It includes hot breakfast, game, keepsake photo, and a spring craft. Register by March 23 by visiting www.gwinnettparks.com. Cost: \$15 per person; infants up to 12 months are free with paid adult. Gwinnett Historic Courthouse, 185 West Crogan Street, Lawrenceville.

Future Events

Reduce your tax bill by applying for homestead exemptions

Through April 1. The best way to reduce your property tax bill is to apply for homestead exemptions. The application deadline is April 1. You must own and occupy the property as your primary residence as of January 1 of the tax year for which application is being made. No exemptions are granted automatically; however, once an exemption is granted, there is no need to apply each year. Visit www.GwinnettTaxCommissioner.com to apply online and upload supporting documentation, check your application status, or view exemption requirements. For questions about homestead exemptions, email tax@gwinnettcountry.com or call 770.822.8800.

Gwinnett County Elections Poll Worker Hiring Events

April 10 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Gwinnett citizens who want to serve the community and be engaged in the electoral process are encouraged to attend Gwinnett County's poll official hiring events on **April 10** in Duluth and **April 12** in Buford. The Gwinnett County Voter Registrations and Elections Division is looking for citizens of all backgrounds, but has an urgent need for bilingual poll workers, particularly Spanish speakers. Visit www.gwinnettcountry.com for more information. Shorty Howell Park Activity Building, 2750 Pleasant Hill Road. **April 12** from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. OneStop Buford, 2755 Sawnee Avenue, Buford.

Multicultural Festival and County Government Day | FREE!

April 14 from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Explore other cultures and learn about all the different services provided by your County government at the 2018 Multicultural Festival, hosted by the Gwinnett County Police Department. Local groups will perform folkloric and traditional dances and songs, and food trucks will sell culinary treats. For kids, there will be bounce houses, face painting, and more. Residents can meet police officers and see their equipment, including a helicopter and specialty vehicles. Shorty Howell Park, 2750 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth.

Gwinnett 2040 Unified Plan

Through May 31. Help us by taking a brief [online survey](#) as we craft a plan to guide growth and development in Gwinnett County through 2040. The 2040 Unified Plan, called a comprehensive plan in other jurisdictions, combines many different plans into a coherent, working blueprint to help shape future County policies. Public feedback helps to produce a broad, long-term vision for the future as well as a short-term list of projects and programs.

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