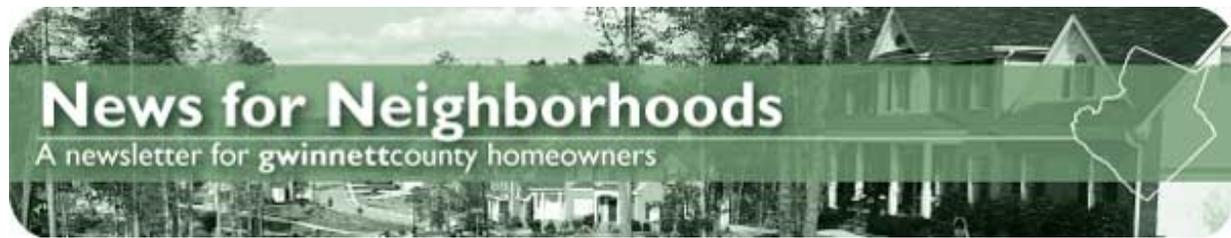


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Dear Homeowner,

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:

- Cooperative Extension Service shares tips for reducing mosquitoes in your yard
- SPLOST funds Park and Rec improvements
- Assistant Police Chief attends counter terrorism training

Commissioners call for SPLOST vote in November

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners have officially called for a referendum to be placed on the November 8 general election ballot. The referendum will renew the one-cent special purpose local option sales tax, or SPLOST. The current SPLOST program, which ends on March 31, 2017, is expected to generate about \$453 million.

The County and all 16 Gwinnett cities have again agreed to share the proceeds, as they have since 2001. The new program could raise an estimated \$950 million over six years to be used for transportation improvements along with public safety, parks and recreation, library relocations and renovations, civic center expansion, senior service facilities, and city administrative, parking, and cultural facilities plus city water and sewer capital improvements.



Time is running out to apply for Gwinnett 101



Don't forget to submit your application for the next session of Gwinnett 101: Citizens Academy. Applications are available online at www.gwinnett101.com and must be received by **Friday, July 22** in order to be considered for the fall 2016 class.

The fall 2016 session begins Thursday, August 30 and continues for 10 weeks. Class members will get a firsthand glimpse of how their County government works and build a network with others who live, work, and learn in Gwinnett County. Candidates who are interested in participating in the program must be at least 18 years old and be a current

resident or business owner in Gwinnett or attend a Gwinnett college or university. Class size is limited to 30 members who will be chosen by an independent selection committee. For more information about Gwinnett 101, visit www.gwinnett101.com.

Last day for General Primary election runoff: Jul 22

Friday, July 22 is the last day for registered voters who voted a Republican or Nonpartisan ballot in the May 24 General Primary election at Precinct 38 - Stripling Elementary School to cast a ballot in advance for the July 26 General Primary runoff Election.

Voters eligible to cast a ballot in this election may request an absentee ballot online at www.gwinnettelelections.com or vote in-person from **8:00am** to **5:00pm** at the Elections Office, located at 455 Grayson Highway in Lawrenceville.

Please note that **no voting will take place on Saturday, July 23 or Monday, May 25**, so if you do not vote advance or absentee, you will need to cast your ballot at Stripling Elementary School. The General Primary/Nonpartisan General Election runoff will take place Tuesday, July 26 from **7:00am** to **7:00pm** at Precinct 38 - Stripling Elementary School.



The General Primary/Nonpartisan General Election runoff results will be posted online on the Georgia Secretary of State's website. A link to the elections results will be posted on www.gwinnettcountry.com after the polls close.

Beat the heat this summer

Summer in Georgia is a time for camping trips, cookouts, and afternoons by the pool. However, it's also a time to be aware of the dangers soaring temperatures can bring. Extreme heat is the **number one weather-related killer in the U.S.**, claiming more than 650 lives across the nation each year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. **Follow these tips** from Gwinnett County Emergency Management and Georgia Emergency Management Agency's Ready Georgia to beat the heat this summer:

- Never leave children or pets alone in closed vehicles, even for a minute.
- Fluids are lost through perspiration, so it's important to stay well hydrated. Drink plenty of water, even when you're not thirsty.
- Stay indoors in air-conditioned spaces as much as possible and limit exposure to the sun.
- Dress in loose-fitting, lightweight, and light-colored clothes that cover as much skin as possible.
- Avoid strenuous work during the warmest part of the day. Drink two to four cups of water every hour when you are working outside.
- Check on elderly neighbors and family and friends who do not have air conditioning.

For more tips on how to stay safe in summer heat, visit www.gwinnettsafety411.com or www.ready.ga.gov.

Transportation wants your input on future plans

Gwinnett County is seeking public input on transportation projects that could be funded by the sales tax renewal that will go before voters in a referendum on November 8 of this year. Residents who are interested in participating on the Citizens Project Selection Committee are invited to attend an

organizational meeting that will take place on **August 15** from **6:30pm** to **9:00pm** in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center auditorium, located at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville.

Participants will split into groups and select representatives among themselves. To be considered for selection, you must be a Gwinnett County resident and provide photo documentation.

For more information about the upcoming meeting, visit www.gwinnettSPLOST.com or call the Gwinnett Department of Transportation at 770. 822.7400.

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