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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:

- March 1 Presidential Preference Primary
- Heart Health Month
- Gwinnett 101 applications due
- Medical Examiner building groundbreaking

#### Vote in advance of the March 1 election

The Presidential Preference Primary will take place **Tuesday, March 1** at your regular voting precinct. To find your voting precinct or view a sample ballot, visit the Georgia Secretary of State's [My Voter Page](#).

Registered voters may [request an absentee ballot](#) by mail or cast their ballot in person until **February 26**, Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm at the Gwinnett County Elections Office, located at 455 Grayson Highway in Lawrenceville.

There are several other options to cast your ballot in advance for the March 1 election:

Saturday voting: **February 20** at the Elections Office from **8:00am to 5:00pm**

Satellite voting: **Saturday, February 20** from **8:00am to 5:00pm** and **Monday through Friday, February 22 - 26** from **9:00am to 7:00pm**; visit the [satellite voting webpage](#) for locations.



### Poll workers still needed for upcoming elections

The Voter Registrations and Elections Division needs dedicated citizens to serve as paid poll officials for the 2016 elections. Successful poll officials demonstrate patience, enjoy working with people, take direction well, and are detail oriented. Applicants must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of Gwinnett County, at least 16 years old, and able to read, write, and speak English. Those who were convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude or judicially determined to be mentally incompetent are not eligible to serve as a poll official.

To apply, visit [www.gwinnettcountryjobs.com](http://www.gwinnettcountryjobs.com).

### County offers free storm spotter class

Weather forecasts are great, but when severe weather moves into our area, the National Weather Service relies on trained weather spotters to help keep them abreast of developing trends and situations. Weather radar is an excellent tool, but it only tells part of the storm's story. Combining radar data with observations from trained observers gives the best possible picture of severe storms.

The National Weather Service and Gwinnett's Emergency Management office will host a Storm Spotter class **Thursday, February 25 at 7:00pm** in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center auditorium located at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville. This informative class will focus on how to spot dangerous weather, particularly tornadoes and severe thunderstorm conditions.

The class will be taught by David Nadler, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service, and is open to anyone who wants to learn how storms work and about the visual used to identify storms in their area. Space is limited, so register by phone at 770.513.5600 or by email at [ema@gwinnettcountry.com](mailto:ema@gwinnettcountry.com).

### Lawn care workshop helps homeowners treat for pests

The Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources is hosting a workshop on lawn care with integrated pest management on **March 10 at 7:00pm** in the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center auditorium. Learn and identify plant problems and pesticide solutions, and learn how your lawn reacts to beneficial and harmful insects. The workshop is presented by Robert Brannen of the Gwinnett County Extension Service. If you live in unincorporated Gwinnett County, city of Lilburn, or city of Peachtree Corners, you may qualify for a maximum 5 percent credit on your stormwater utility fee for the following year. Space is limited, so register in advance by providing your name, address, and phone number to [dwrswreg@gwinnettcountry.com](mailto:dwrswreg@gwinnettcountry.com) with your name, address, and phone number or call 678.376.7193. The Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center is located at 75 Langley Drive in Lawrenceville.

### Gwinnett 101 applications due March 1

Have you ever wondered why a fire truck responds to your medical emergency? Or why the County has a SPLOST program? Or how clean water gets to your house? The **Gwinnett 101: Citizens Academy** can help answer those questions and more.

Spots are still available for the Gwinnett 101's spring class. **It's a free, 10 week program** that seeks



to develop and nurture informed and engaged residents, students, and business owners in Gwinnett. Class members will get a first-hand glimpse of how county government operates and get a chance to build a network with others who live, work, and learn in Gwinnett County.

Applications are available online at [www.gwinnett101.com](http://www.gwinnett101.com) and must be received by Tuesday, **March 1** in order to participate in the spring 2016 session.

For more information, visit [www.gwinnett101.com](http://www.gwinnett101.com) or contact Nicole Love Hendrickson at [nicole.hendrickson@gwinnettcountry.com](mailto:nicole.hendrickson@gwinnettcountry.com).

### Extension hosts annual plant sale

Don't forget to place your orders for Gwinnett Extension's annual plant sale. Plants for sale include blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, figs, apples, goji berry, native azaleas, and other landscape plants. Place your order through March 8 and pick it up on March 17 from 9:00am to 6:00pm at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway in Lawrenceville (Sugarloaf Parkway entrance). Visit [www.gwinnetttextension.com](http://www.gwinnetttextension.com) or call 678.377.4010 to request an order form.

### Follow Police and Animal Shelter on social media

Gwinnett County Police and the animal shelter have gone social! You can follow police on Twitter [@GwinnettPD](https://twitter.com/GwinnettPD) for the latest news and updates. In addition, check out the Gwinnett Animal Welfare and Enforcement Center on Facebook. Like [Gwinnett Animal Shelter](https://www.facebook.com/GwinnettAnimalShelter) to see adoptable pets, receive PAWsome news, learn about upcoming promotions, and read helpful tips for caring for your furry, scaly, or feathery friends.



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