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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:

- Elections needs poll workers
- Visit Farm Friends at the Fair
- JA BizTown opens in Lawrenceville
- Observe school bus stop safety
- Check out the Public Safety Fall Festival

Parks and Recreation wants your input

Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation is in the process of updating the 2016 Capital Improvement Plan and wants your input. Join Parks and Recreation staff for a series of public meetings held in October at various locations around Gwinnett where residents can provide their ideas for the provision and maintenance of new park facilities along with their personal recreational desires. To find out more about these meetings, including a list of scheduled dates and locations, visit www.gwinnettparks.com.

Visit the 4-H Farm Friends exhibit at the Gwinnett County Fair



Don't forget to join the Extension Service at the Gwinnett County Fair for a 4-H farm experience at the big red barn. [Gwinnett 4-H Clubs](#) are presenting their 25th Farm Friends exhibit this year with barnyard trivia, the new Bunny Alley, and fresh milk from Mayfield Dairy. Kids can meet baby animals, celebrate Ellie Mae the donkey's fifth birthday, and milk Daisy, the saw horse cow. The Gwinnett County Fair runs September 17 - 27 at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds, located at 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway in Lawrenceville.

Upcoming workshop helps residents care for backyard streams

The Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources and the Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage Center are hosting a free workshop that will cover the basics of caring for water bodies in residential backyards. Topics will include nonpoint source pollution prevention, invasive plant species, rainwater harvesting, erosion control techniques, healthy riparian and buffer zones, stream monitoring, and more. Attendees from unincorporated Gwinnett County, the city of Lilburn, or the city of Peachtree Corners may qualify for a maximum 5 percent credit toward their stormwater utility fee for the following year. The workshop will be held on September 27 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm on the Gwinnett Environmental and Heritage campus, located at 2020 Clean Water Drive in Buford. For more information, visit www.gwinnetth2o.com.

Want to be more involved in your community? Be an elections poll official

Poll officials are still needed for upcoming elections in 2015 and 2016. Successful poll officials demonstrate patience, enjoy working with people, take direction well, possess basic computer skills, and are detail-oriented. To apply, visit www.gwinnettcountryjobs.com and select the Elections Poll Official position.

Gwinnett Fire and Police host annual Public Safety Fall Festival

The sixth annual Public Safety Fall Festival is coming soon, so make plans to attend this year's event. Gwinnett County Police and Fire and Emergency Services will host the festival October 3 from 10:00am to 3:00pm at Coolray Field, home of the Gwinnett Braves. Come out for displays of fire trucks and police vehicles, safety training demonstrations, kids' activities, pet adoptions, lots of giveaways, and a softball face-off between police officers and firefighters. You won't want to miss out on all the fun!

For more information about the festival, please contact the Gwinnett Police Crime Prevention Unit at 770.513.5119 or Gwinnett Fire Community Risk Reduction - Education Section at 678.518.4845.



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