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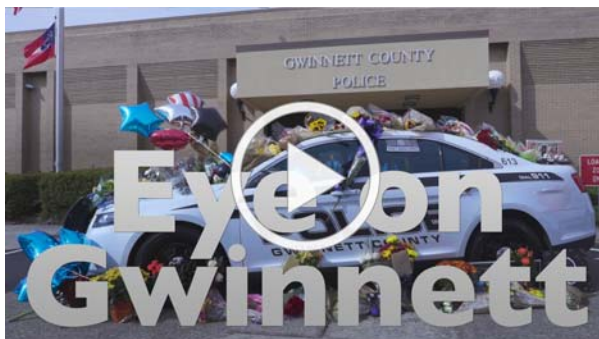
As a resident of Gwinnett County, you know there is always a lot going on in the community.

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:

- County to relocate historic Hudson-Nash house
- Gwinnett buying OFS site near Norcross
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See the 2018 General Election results online

To view the results of the November 6 General Election, visit www.gwinnettcountry.com.

Gwinnett County to honor military personnel at Veterans Day ceremony

Gwinnett County will show appreciation to our soldiers, sailors, and airmen at its annual Veterans Day ceremony at **1:30pm** on **Sunday, November 11** at the Fallen Heroes Memorial located at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center.

With granite slabs bearing the names of the honored dead as a backdrop, the ceremony will include an honor guard, speakers, including Col. Rick White, co-director and chairman of the Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame, a 3-volley salute, and bugler playing Taps.

The Fallen Heroes Memorial is located at 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville.



Get rid of hard-to-dispose-of stuff at America Recycles Day on November 17



Gwinnett residents can responsibly dispose of old electronics and other clutter at Coolray Field on November 17 from 9:00am to noon at the County's annual America Recycles Day celebration. In addition to electronics, you can recycle tires, paint, ink cartridges, sneakers, clothing, and more.

The event features free activities, including touch-a-truck for kids, a chance to meet your haulers, and refreshments and giveaways while supplies last. Paper shredding is available for up to five copier paper boxes. Paint is limited to 10 gallons and tires to eight per vehicle - dealer tires are not accepted. Electronics recycling is free except for TVs and monitors, which cost \$10, and printers, which cost \$5. For more information, call Solid Waste Management at 770.822.7141. If you're interested in volunteering at this event, visit volunteergwinnett.net to register.

Gwinnett animal shelter offers senior pets for free in November

Gwinnett Animal Welfare and Enforcement is celebrating Adopt a Senior Dog Month during November with free adoptions for pets 7 years old or older.

In the month of November, senior dogs and cats are free all month. Adoption fees for senior canines are usually \$20.

The animal shelter has large, small, mixed-breed and purebred dogs that are older, homeless, and waiting for their new family. Senior dogs can be more social, calm, and easier to integrate into the family. They're already trained, aren't going through a chewing phase, and love unconditionally. They don't ask for much: just a warm place to sleep, good meals, and plenty of love.



All pets are free on Fridays. All pets adopted at Gwinnett Animal Welfare are vaccinated, neutered, and microchipped before they go to their new home. The shelter is located at 844 Winder Highway, Lawrenceville. Visit www.gwinnettanimalwelfare.com for updates on available pets and activities.

Gwinnett bicentennial celebration closes with day of family friendly events, evening gala



Gwinnett County will close out a yearlong celebration of its bicentennial on December 15, the anniversary of its creation in 1818, with a family-friendly party and an evening gala, all at the Infinite Energy Center.

Festivities will feature kids' activities highlighting the county's diversity from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Hudgens Center for Art & Learning and the Performing Arts Center. The free event is a cultural birthday celebration with different rooms representing different continents. In each themed room, youngsters can do crafts from the continent and get their bicentennial passport stamped. Guests will see cultural performances from across the globe.

There also will be a kids' group art project that will be put on exhibit. Other activities include storytelling and meet-and-greets with historical characters from Gwinnett's past.

Visitors can also learn about the history of Gwinnett by viewing documentaries shown throughout the day and by exploring the Gwinnett history exhibit. They can also take in an art exhibit featuring

Gwinnett artists.

Outdoors, visitors will find food trucks representing a variety of cultures, make s'mores over fire pits, and watch an artist make an ice carving of the bicentennial logo.

Then, the public can celebrate the county's rich history and pay tribute to its vibrant community and diverse cultures at a gala in the Infinite Energy Center ballroom. The cocktail party begins at 6:00pm and dinner begins at 7:30pm. Tickets cost \$125 per person. Cocktail attire is appropriate.

Visit www.gwinnett200birthday.com/events to buy tickets for the evening gala and to learn more about the free daytime event. To find out more about Gwinnett's bicentennial celebration, visit www.Gwinnett200.com.

Gwinnett County Transit testing new program for door-to-door bus service in Snellville

Gwinnett County Transit is trying out a new program in Snellville that provides free door-to-door bus service through the spring.

Called microtransit, the on-demand service uses seven 12-passenger buses operating Monday through Saturday. Riders can use an app to request service and see the bus's location and estimated arrival time. The service is accessible to all and can be used for appointments, shopping, visits, and connecting with GRTA buses going to downtown Atlanta. For more information, visit www.gctransit.com.



After the trial period is over, Gwinnett County Transit officials will review the operations of the microtransit test and fine-tune it before rolling it out incrementally to other areas of the county.

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.

Gwinnett County Bicentennial Moment - Gwinnett cities and their names



Gwinnett County was named after Button Gwinnett, one of the three Georgians who signed the Declaration of Independence. The names of some of Gwinnett's cities and towns have their own special history.

Here's a rundown on some of the County's 16 cities and how they got their names, courtesy of Elliott E. Brack's "Gwinnett County: a Little Above Atlanta."

Lilburn was originally called McDaniel for one of the early settlers. Around 1900, its name changed to Lilburn after Lilburn Trigg Myers, the general superintendent for the

Seaboard Air Line Railroad, which ran through the town. It ceased to be an incorporated city in 1937 but reincorporated in 1955.

Loganville got its name from James Harvie Logan, who moved there from Tennessee in 1842. It was incorporated in 1887.

Norcross was named after the second mayor of Atlanta, Jonathan Norcross. Founded in 1870, it was the second town chartered in Gwinnett.

Rest Haven was incorporated in 1938. This tiny community sought to give up its status as an unincorporated municipality in 2001, but abandoned the effort it lost a lawsuit over the matter.

Snellville was settled in the 1880s but wasn't incorporated into a city until 1923. It is named after Tom Snell, an Englishman who opened a general mercantile store with a man named James Sawyer. They intended to name it New London, but a post master named it after Snell.

Sugar Hill supposedly got its name from a large quantity of sugar that spilled when a wagon lost a wheel on a large hill. It was known as the hill where the sugar spilled and later condensed to Sugar Hill. It was chartered as a city in 1939.

Suwanee may be a variation of Shawnee, an Algonquin Indian word for "Southerner." The Shawnee tribe lived along the banks of the Chattahoochee River, the farthest south of the Algonquin nation.

To learn more about Gwinnett history, visit www.gwinnett200.com.

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