

NEWS

for Neighborhoods

A newsletter for Gwinnett County homeowners

September 11, 2019

Greetings!

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 TV Gwinnett?

Gwinnett County brings you the latest news and happenings about your community through Eye on Gwinnett, our weekly news program.



What you'll see in this episode:

- Gwinnett and State officials break ground on Georgia State Patrol post in Gwinnett County
- Help clean the Yellow River and Lake Lanier
- Free Fridays at Gwinnett Animal Shelter throughout September

View other Eye On Gwinnett episodes on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages or watch them on www.TVGwinnett.com.

September is National Preparedness Month

September is National Preparedness Month and Gwinnett County's Emergency Management team wants to remind people to be ready if disaster strikes. This year, the County and the Federal Emergency Management Agency will focus on the importance of preparing children and teenagers for possible emergencies and disasters with the theme: Prepared, Not Scared.



Take time to check your insurance policies and coverage for the hazards you may face and put together a plan with your family and friends. Also, start or get your kids involved with a youth preparedness learning program to teach them how to react to emergencies.

Go to www.GwinnettCounty.com to learn more about this week's theme, *Make a Plan to Prepare for Disasters*. For more information on this initiative, visit www.ready.gov.

4-H Farm Friends exhibit teaches about animals, farm life at Gwinnett Fair

The 4-H Farm Friends exhibit at the Gwinnett County Fair from **September 12 to 22** provides city folks a chance to watch baby chicks hatch, calves nurse from a bottle, and goats play in their pen.



The 4-H exhibit offers other hands-on opportunities to learn about various aspects of farm life, such as milking our wooden saw horse Daisy, playing barnyard trivia, exploring farm life activities, and petting farm animals. The cost is \$1 per person to enter the big red barn, in addition to the county fair admission price.

Farm Friends is located at the big red barn at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds at 2405 Sugarloaf Parkway in Lawrenceville. For a schedule and more information, visit

www.GwinnettCountyFair.com.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with Gwinnett

Gwinnett County will celebrate contributions by the Hispanic community during Hispanic Heritage Month from **September 15 to October 15** with a Latino and Hispanic cultural display at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center. The festivities will also include a special recognition and reception on **September 24 at 7:00pm** at the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center with guest speakers, entertainment, and cultural cuisine.



Did you know that Hispanic refers to descendants of people from countries where Spanish is the primary language? Latino refers to people from Latin America. They often overlap but not always. People from Brazil, where Portuguese is the primary language, are Latino but not Hispanic, and people from Spain are Hispanic but not Latino.

Are you registered to vote?



Voter Registration Day is a national holiday that celebrates our democracy and seeks to create broad awareness of voter registration opportunities. Held on the fourth Tuesday of September, this year it will take place on **Tuesday, September 26**.

Volunteers and organizations from all over the country will “hit the streets” in a single day to offer and assist millions of citizens who are having difficulties registering.

To see the offices up for election on the 2020 ballot and the election schedule including voter registrations cutoff dates, visit www.GwinnettElections.com. If you think you are registered but unsure of your status, want to make a change to your registration, or register to vote for the first time, visit the Secretary of State's website at www.mvp.sos.ga.gov.

Enjoy free yoga in the parks this month

September is National Yoga Month, so Live Healthy Gwinnett has arranged for free, outdoor yoga sessions at eight Parks and Recreation sites this month. Certified instructors will teach the classes, and all skill levels are welcome. Just bring a mat, towel, water bottle, and a friend. Locations include Vines, Alexander, Ronald Reagan, McDaniel Farm, Simpsonwood, Freeman's Mill, and Little Mulberry parks and the Gwinnett Historic Courthouse. Preregistration is not required. For more details and to view the full month's schedule, click [here](#).



Support parks on National Public Lands Day, September 28



Join volunteers nationwide to show your support for public lands by helping improve, beautify, and celebrate the parks in your community **Saturday, September 28 from 8:00am to 10:00am**.

Public Lands Day offers volunteer opportunities perfect for Boy Scout and Girl Scout projects, corporate groups, and civic organizations. These include helping with tree plantings, trash cleanup, invasive plant removal, and pollinator habitat development.

Register to help out at Tribble Mill Park in Lawrenceville [here](#) or Jones Bridge Park in Peachtree Corners [here](#).

Master Gardener Volunteer Program accepting applications by September 27

The Master Gardener Extension Volunteer program is accepting applications now through **Friday, September 27**. Gain leadership skills in environmental education and enhance your horticultural expertise. The classes run Wednesdays from 9:30am to 3:30pm from January 8 to April 1, 2020. The fee for the program will be \$200 per person. For more information, visit www.GwinnettExtension.com or click [here](#) to apply.



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.



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