



A Word from Mayor Pro Tem Ruth Bruner



If you live near Ridgewood Avenue I'd like to invite you to some very important meetings that will help shape the future of this historic Gainesville neighborhood.

Building on the success of the Fair Street/Chestnut Street Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU), the City's [Department of Planning and Development](#) will be initiating its second NPU in September. The targeted area is in and around Ridgewood Avenue. The initial boundaries of this NPU include Green Street to the east, Academy Street to the south, Ivey Terrace/Wilshire Road to the west and just south of Dixon Drive to the north.

The purpose of the NPU is to perform micro-level planning for the City's in-town neighborhoods. A number of meetings will be held over the next year to identify issues facing the area and ultimately the development and implementation of goals and objectives that are specific to the NPU. Community input is a critical step in this process and we look forward to hearing from you. We will announce the meeting dates very shortly.

If you have any questions about the Ridgewood Avenue NPU email citycouncil@gainesville.org or call me at 770-532-7207.

Longwood Repaving Project

The main parking lot of [Longwood Park](#) at the entrance next to the Rock will close August 11-15 for repaving. This improvement is part of the Longwood Cove Restoration Project currently underway. The small parking lot next to the tennis courts continues to be closed during restoration efforts. The public is urged to park at the Rock or where permitted alongside the West-by-Pass. The Longwood Cove Restoration Project, which began in February, is expected to be complete by fall.



For more information contact [Gainesville Parks and Recreation](#) at 770-532-7207.

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customers will soon be able to use the internet to keep track of their utility bills. A link will be visible on the City of Gainesville's website that will direct users to

[UBPayments.com](#). Customers will be able to view their account history, payments, billings, and current account balance. Customers will also be able to make a payment using their Visa or MasterCard with no convenience fee. The website will also allow customers to set a preference to receive their bills electronically.

For more information call customer service at 770-531-6878.

Touch-a-Truck

Fire engines and police cars take center stage Saturday, August 23 during the annual Touch-a-truck event sponsored by Gainesville Parks and Recreation.

The fun begins at 10:00am at City Park Stadium. Concessions and t-shirts will be on sale. Admission is free.

For more information call [Andi Harmon](#), Recreation Program Manager for Gainesville Parks and Recreation, at 770-297-5451. The rain date is September 6.



Concert of the Year

Tickets are still available for the August 23 concert featuring Country Music Artist [Billy Currington](#) with special guest [Telluride](#). Reserved seats range from \$25-\$32. Currington made his debut on the U. S. Billboard Hot Country Singles and Tracks charts with the Top 10 single "Walk A Little Straighter." You can purchase tickets on line from the [Georgia Mountains Center](#) at the GMC box office. The show begins at 8:00pm.

State Champs!

Congratulations to the Gainesville Parks and Recreation 10-11 year old Little League All Stars who won the State Championship Saturday, July 19 at Murphey Candler Little League in Atlanta. Gainesville defeated Northern



Columbus 6-4 to win the State Championship. Parks and Recreation Athletic Manager, [Beth Morris](#), says this is the first team in her 23 year history in Gainesville to receive a STATE title.

(Front Row L-R) Graham McKinnon, Spencer Ralston, Luke Maddox, Drew Coker, Ryan Whittemore, Reeves Ralston (Back Row L-R) Brett Shepherd, Sam Carpenter, Mikey Gonzalez, Drew Wright, Reed Johnson (Coaches L-R) Cris Carpenter, JP Gonzalez, John Wright, Mitch Ralston

Eye on Gainesville



It's back to school for thousands of students in Gainesville-Hall County. But what about those students who did not graduate or learn to read? In this edition of Eye on Gainesville host Catiel Felts talks with representatives from [Alliance for Literacy](#), [Lanier Technical College](#) and the [Adult Learning Center](#). This show will make you realize...it's never too late to learn. Eye on Gainesville can be seen every Monday, Thursday, and Saturday at 12:30pm, 7:00pm, and 11:30pm on TV18, the Government Channel for Gainesville-Hall County.

And be sure to tune in to TV18 for Good Morning Gainesville August 20-23. Host [Catiel Felts](#) will be broadcasting from the new [Frances Meadows Aquatic and Community Center](#).

Calendar of Events

National Night Out 8.5.08

6:00pm-8:00pm Little Davenport Funeral Home
Including Gainesville Police Department

City Council Meeting 8.5.08

5:30pm Georgia Mountains Center

Back to School 8.7.08

Gainesville City Schools

Friends of Gainesville Parks 8.7.08

5:30pm Civic Center

Free Back to School Rally 8.9.08

Featuring Kyle and Christopher Massey from Disney TV
2:00pm-5:00pm Georgia Mountains Center

Gainesville Parks and Recreation Board Meeting 8.11.08

5:30pm Civic Center Board Room

Planning and Appeals Board Meeting 8.12.08

5:30pm Georgia Mountains Center

City Council Work Session 8.14.08

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

Smoke on the Mountain 8.14-17.08

8:00pm Ga. Mountain Players

City Council Meeting 8.19.08

9:00am Georgia Mountains Center

Touch a Truck 8.23.08

10:00am City Park Stadium

Billy Currington Concert 8.23.08

8:00pm Georgia Mountains Center Arena

City Council Work Session 8.28.08

9:00am 300 Henry Ward Way, Suite 303

City Schools Early Release 8.29.08



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