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## >> LAKEVIEW ACADEMY

# GaDOE recognizes LVP as Reward School

**Bailey McCully**  
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This month, the Georgia Department of Education recognized schools deemed as 2023-24 Reward Schools. The Reward School designation recognizes Title I schools "making the most significant

improvements," according to a press release.

According to the press release, Reward Schools are among the greatest-improving 5% of Title I Schoolwide and Title I Targeted Assistance schools when comparing the content mastery scores from the 2021-22 and 2022-23 results of statewide

assessments. Lakeview Primary represented Baldwin County on the list.

"The Title I Distinguished and Reward Schools have made significant efforts to overcome barriers, meet challenges, and produce great gains for their students," State School Superintendent Richard Woods said

in the press release. "Together, these schools prove that with collaboration, innovation, and a commitment to success, all students can achieve their fullest potential."

Lakeview Primary Principal Dr. Tracy Clark said the biggest honor of receiving the title was being able to show the hard work

of the school.

"That hard work goes to our third-grade teachers at Lakeview Academy," said Clark. "That's where our score comes from. Our schools have worked hard to prepare students and being named a Reward School shows

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## >> COUNTY PARKS



COURTESY OF BOC FACEBOOK

The Baldwin County Board of Commissioners shared progress photos of the upcoming water park on Facebook. The park is currently in phase one of construction but decisions for phase two are coming.

# Baldwin County Water Park moves toward phase two

**Ansley Kate Allen**  
The Baldwin Bulletin

Progress continues on construction for the highly anticipated Baldwin County Water Park, and certain areas of the park are expected to be ready by late May.

According to County Manager Carlos Tobar, the project comes from residential feedback that

expressed an interest in having more outdoor recreational activities for young families in Baldwin, and the board of commissioners aimed its focus on providing a new recreational amenity.

Tobar gave an update on the park's construction, and what community members have to look forward to at the park.

"We have received all

documentation that we needed from the granting agency, and that's terrific going forward. Once county commissioners decide on phase two then we will have a better feeling of the opening day," Tobar said. "Part of the park may be ready by Memorial Day, and some parts may need more time."

The water park will have

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## >> GEORGIA COLLEGE

# Online masters programs at GCSU ranked among best

Georgia College & State University's (GCSU) online master's programs were ranked among the top 100 in the country, and among the top five in Georgia, in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2025 rankings.

The university's masters degree in nursing ranked No. 1 in Georgia and tied for No. 17 in the country, among both public and private institutions.

GCSU's online masters degrees in criminal justice and business ranked highly, as well, each earning the distinction of being ranked No. 2 in Georgia in their respective categories. The Master of Business Administration program ranked No. 4 in Georgia, and the masters degree in education tied for the fifth-best program of its kind in the state, along with Kennesaw State University and Georgia Southern University.

"These top rankings in online education reflect Georgia College & State University's unwavering commitment to the student experience," said Georgia College President Cathy Cox. "Through our 32 different graduate programs, our faculty members strive to offer students unique and meaningful learning opportunities that prepare them to step into or advance in dynamic careers. We understand that graduate students often need

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## >> RECREATION

# Construction underway on county pickleball courts

**Jack Gallagher**  
The Baldwin Bulletin

After requests from the community and an explosion in popularity of the sport, Baldwin County will soon welcome 20 brand-new pickleball courts.

The new courts will be open this spring at Walter B. Williams Park.

This project will nearly quadruple the number of public

pickleball courts in Baldwin County, adding to the eight courts already located at the same park. This addition to the park will create 28 total pickleball courts, highlighting the sports rapid rise in popularity.

County Manager Carlos Tobar is excited for what this brings to the Milledgeville and Baldwin County community.

"Back in 2023, during the comprehensive planning phase,

there was a survey of Baldwin County residents, and the number-one request was for more recreational opportunities," Tobar said. "We are very excited to deliver these pickleball courts and other projects and opportunities to our residents."

The total budget for the project is \$1,805,191. After initially being rejected for an Economic Development Assistance (EDA) grant, new grants

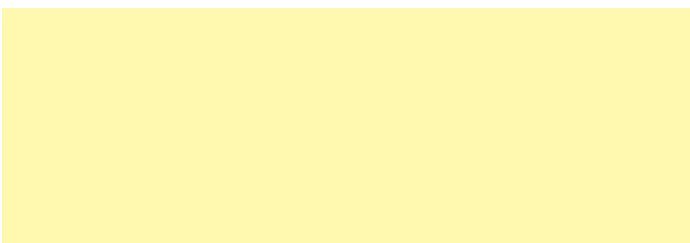
became available. The project is funded by three American Rescue Plan Act Park grants, which are aimed at helping disproportionately impacted communities. The site of the new courts qualified for the assistance.

The pickleball courts will be situated right next to Milledgeville's upcoming water park, another important addition to the park. The new courts will

also house their own pavilion, providing players with event space and seats for relaxation. According to Tobar, construction on the pickleball courts should be completed by late March or early April.

The new pickleball courts are one of eight recreational projects coming to Baldwin County and Milledgeville in 2025.

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### WEATHER

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>> COMMUNITY EVENTS

# GWM names King as keynote speaker for writers' retreat

Robbie King, the new president and CEO of the Eatonton-Putnam Chamber of Commerce, will be one of two keynote speakers at Georgia Writers Museum's Writers Retreat: Write on the Lake. Scheduled for Feb. 21-23, the retreat will take place at the museum, beginning with a 4 p.m. cocktail reception on Friday, and wrapping up early Sunday afternoon.



Robbie King



of their work to train AI systems like ChatGPT. King's keynote speech will focus on the positive side of AI, describing how it may enhance an author's creative process. He will share practical insights on using AI to overcome writer's block, develop chapter outlines, suggest narrative structures, and refine story pacing. He also will discuss how AI can assist with character development, plot twists, and deep research, serving

as a powerful tool for authors at any stage of their journeys. A seasoned business leader and communicator, King holds a B.S. from North Carolina State University. His telecom career spans over 25 years, with leadership roles at Coastal Communications and Comcast Business, where he retired in 2015 as regional director of business services. Following retirement, King launched a successful management

consulting practice specializing in business start-up, strategy, and communication skills. After relocating to Lake Country with his wife, Marsha, King founded and continues to host "Lure of the Lake," a popular podcast highlighting inspiring stories of Lake Country residents. He is also known for presenting engaging workshops on integrating AI into daily tasks, business processes, and creative projects. Instructors for the Writers Retreat will bring cutting-edge techniques and practical suggestions on how to craft and market a book. This event can be the launch pad to becoming a published author, or if

you are already published and eager to extend your reach, this weekend will bring the best advice on ways to become a best-selling author. Register for the full weekend (\$300) and join GWM for your choice of six workshops (with 12 to select from), catered lunches, and two keynote addresses, including King's AI presentation. Registration for one day (\$145) includes workshops, lunch, and a keynote speech, or select sessions a la carte (\$40) for each 75-minute workshop. For more information, a complete schedule, or to register, visit [georgiawritersmuseum.org/2025-writers-retreat](http://georgiawritersmuseum.org/2025-writers-retreat). -Contributed

>> LOCAL ARTS

# The Milledgeville Players present 'You're a Good Man Charlie Brown'

With a production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," The Milledgeville Players (TMP) will launch its 25th season Feb. 7-9 at The Grove on the Central State Hospital Campus. This family-friendly musical play brings Charles Schulz's timeless "Peanuts" characters to life with laughter and

heartwarming lessons for audiences of all ages. Directed by TMP Board Vice President Rebecca Brasher, a music educator with extensive directing experience, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" features a dynamic local cast. Performers from Georgia Military College, Georgia College, and Baldwin High School

showcase the best of the community's theatrical talent. Adding to the vibrant performance will be a live orchestra led by music director Logan Brasher, featuring talented musicians on piano, viola, violin, percussion, clarinet, alto saxophone, and flute. Performances are

scheduled for Friday, Feb. 7 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 8 at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 9 at 2:30 p.m. at The Grove on the Central State Hospital Campus, located at 252 Swint Ave., Milledgeville. Doors open a half hour before show time for each performance. All tickets are general

admission for \$15 (plus a \$1.67 service fee) and can be purchased in advance at [cur8.com/16767/project/128653](http://cur8.com/16767/project/128653). Early ticket purchases are encouraged, as seating is limited. Local community members interested in performing in future productions of The Milledgeville Players

can audition for March's annual murder mystery dinner or any other TMP presentation, including a summer musical, a fall production of "Father of the Bride," or the winter showing of "A Christmas Carol. For audition dates, show dates, and more information, visit [milledgevilleplayers.org](http://milledgevilleplayers.org). -Contributed

## REWARD

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the dedication and commitment to continue to progress and close the achievement gap." Third graders are tested on

reading and math. Primary students do not take the Georgia Milestones test, which is why the recognition is based only on third grade scores. "Our scores have fluctuated from one year to the next and different groups of students. We want to see progress and to

close the achievement gap, but it depends on the students you have each year and where they're starting," said Clark. Lakeview Primary provides professional learning on new standards, collaborative planning, new programs, and support in the classroom

through minimizing numbers, offering assistance in the classroom, and offering early prevention for students to continue to improve scores and prepare students for the next grade. "This designation is great. It gives our teachers the validation they deserve. They work

extremely hard to ensure our students have everything they need to be successful," said Clark. "My teachers and staff are flexible and will do whatever it takes to make students successful. I appreciate all their hard work and I am proud of them."

## GCSU

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flexibility to pursue secondary degrees, and we're dedicated to providing those options through distance learning without sacrificing the personal connections that make this university such a special place to learn." Nationally, the graduate-level criminal justice degree program placed No. 38 out of 96 total programs ranked, while business placed No. 56 out of 205 schools ranked. Of 313 universities ranked in the education category nationwide, GCSU's program placed 85th. Nationally, the Master of Business Administration program placed 135 of 355 total institutions ranked, among both public and private institutions.

### A Period of Growth

This year's rankings reinforce a trend of upward mobility for Georgia College, with several of the recognized programs showing growth over U.S. News & World Report's previous year's findings. The university's nursing program, for instance, jumped 11 spots in this year's report, while criminal justice showed even larger gains, leaping 23 spots over its placement last year. Virtual programs at Georgia College & State University cater exclusively to masters students. Undergraduate course offerings — which contributed to GCSU being ranked as the No. 6 public university in the South by U.S. News & World Report last year, as well as the No. 4 most innovative among all

public and private institutions in the region — are offered only in-person, guaranteeing students hands-on experiential learning opportunities in intimate classroom settings. With a student-to-faculty ratio of 16:1, 51% of Georgia College classes have less than 20 students, while 77% have less than 30 students. U.S. News & World Report bases its rankings on metrics such as student engagement, faculty credentials and training, expert opinion and student services/technology.

### Rankings summary

Georgia College's key rankings for 2025 are listed as follows:

- No. 1 best online master's in nursing degree in Georgia
- No. 17 in the nation, of 198 total institutions

ranked (tied)

- No. 2 best online masters in business degree in Georgia
- No. 2 best online masters in criminal justice

degree in Georgia

- No. 4 best online Master of Business Administration degree in Georgia
- No. 5 best online masters in education

degree in Georgia (tied)

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THE IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL NEWS

DOES LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS MATTER ANYMORE?

A resounding "YES!" is heard from communities all across the country. There are many reasons why community news still matters.

1. **Hyper-local news helps foster a sense of community.** From covering local heroes to High School Sports, and local events, the local news source often is the heartbeat of a town, or region, offering a sense of belonging.
2. **Relevance in the area.** Community news by its nature covers what matters to the citizens and readers. People like to be in the know.
3. **In-Depth Reporting.** Unlike social media, TV, or radio, where you only get the headlines, local news sources provide a deep dive into the whole story, details, and local commentary. The history of journalistic integrity builds trust.
4. **Tradition and Continuity.** Many local news sources have been established in a community for generations as a "trusted keeper of the truth". With a history of serving the community through its many trials and triumphs over the years, a trusted partnership with the community is established.
5. **Provides a local business platform.** Small businesses have a great opportunity to get their messages out via a trusted news source with a legitimate voice. When you mix local business news and other community information, you get a prosperous society.
6. **Local stories with local people.** When spotlighting local people, a continuum of belonging to a particular local culture occurs.
7. **Holding local authority accountable.** Local news sources often serve as the "watch dogs" for local government thereby building trust.
8. **Promoting Civic Engagement.** Educating readers on local issues and events provides new opportunities for more engagements by members of a community.

So, indeed hyper-local news sources REALLY DO matter to our way of life!

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# CALENDAR

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### BALDWIN

#### FRIDAY, JAN. 31

**What:** Music at the Mill  
**When:** 7-10 p.m.  
**Where:** New City Church at the Mill (224 E. Walton St.)  
**More info:** Listen to a spotlight artist play live on stage. Jam to the music and enjoy this free musical event.

#### FEB. 3-19

**What:** CASA volunteer training  
**When:** 1-4 p.m.  
**Where:** Putnam Administration Building, 117 Putnam Dr., Eatonton  
**More info:** Ocmulgee Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteers serve as advocates for children in foster care, and volunteers are needed from all eight counties of the Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit (Baldwin, Greene, Hancock, Jasper, Jones, Morgan, Putnam, and Wilkinson). For more information, please call 478-452-9170.

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 4

**What:** Faculty Recital  
**When:** 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
**Where:** GCSU, Max Noah Recital Hall, 210 N. Wilkinson St.  
**More info:** Georgia College will host a faculty recital featuring Bryan Emmon Hall on violin and Hue Jang on piano.

#### FEB. 6-27

**What:** Grace Wood Photography Exhibit  
**When:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Allied Arts, 201 N. Wayne St., Milledgeville  
**More info:** GCSU alumna Grace Wood presents a photography exhibit capturing the complexity and raw authenticity of the people, places, and stories of the South. Inspired by Southern Gothic artists like Sally Mann, Flannery O'Connor, and Johnny Cash, Wood combines film and digital images to communicate through her lens a deep and meaningful connection with the region.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 7

**What:** First Friday: Food Trucks & Flannel  
**When:** 5-9 p.m.  
**Where:** Downtown Milledgeville  
**More info:** Cozy up for Milledgeville Main Street's Food Truck and Flannel extravaganza with live music and a multitude of food to choose from.

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 8

**What:** Friends of the Mary Vinson Memorial Library Used Book Sale  
**When:** 6-8 p.m. for Friday; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for Saturday  
**Where:** Baldwin County Recreation Department building  
**More info:** The presale for Friends members will take place on Friday, Feb. 7, and the public sale will be held on Saturday, Feb. 8. Anyone can register to become a Friend of the Library at the Friday night event.

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 9

**What:** Super Museum Sunday  
**When:** 2-4 p.m.  
**Where:** In Milledgeville, Georgia's Old Governor's Mansion, Sallie Ellis Davis House, Brown-Stetson-Stanford House, and Andalusia Farm will be participating in the event.  
**More info:** Super Museum Sunday highlights the anniversary of the founding of the Georgia colony as an opportunity for residents and visitors alike to explore the rich and diverse history in their own backyard. As part of Super Museum Sunday, participating institutions offer free admission.

#### FEB. 12-14

**What:** Life of a Flower Exhibit  
**When:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Allied Arts, 201 N. Wayne St., Milledgeville  
**More info:** This multi-medium exhibit will feature live floral art and beautiful ceramics created by Georgia College & State University art students under the guidance of professor Sandra Trujillo.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 14

**What:** Karen Morgan Comedy Show  
**When:** 7 p.m.  
**Where:** NewDay USA Center of Leadership (220 E. Greene St.)  
**More info:** Join award-winning comedian Karen Morgan for a special evening of clean, clever comedy at the GMC Theatre. Morgan, a former attorney turned comedian, brings her Southern charm and wit to the stage with hilarious observations about family life, marriage, and the everyday moments that make us all laugh. Her appearances on Comedy Central and opening performances for Jerry Seinfeld have delighted audiences nationwide. Tickets are \$35. Call 478-387-4709 for more information.

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 18

**What:** Evenings with History  
**When:** 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 220 S. Wayne St., Milledgeville  
**More info:** Southern author, T. M. Brown, will talk about the "The Last Laird of Sapelo."

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 21

**What:** Learning in Retirement  
**When:** 11:15 a.m.  
**Where:** Freedom Church, 500 Underwood Rd., Milledgeville  
**More info:** Meetings for seniors the third Friday of each month include an informative speaker and a catered lunch. The meal is optional and typically costs \$15. Periodic area tours via walking, carpool, or bus. The group offers a blend of educational and social activities with fellow members. Learn more at [cpe.gcsu.edu](http://cpe.gcsu.edu) or contact Jocelyn Brownlow at 770-833-1217.

#### MARCH 6-27

**What:** Paige Griffin "Obscura" Exhibit  
**When:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Allied Arts, 201 N. Wayne St., Milledgeville  
**More info:** "Obscura" will showcase Paige Griffin's unique take on this centuries-old photographic technique, in which light and shadow create captivating images through the simple, yet powerful, method of a pinhole camera.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 18

**What:** Evenings with History  
**When:** 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 220 S. Wayne St., Milledgeville  
**More info:** This month's presentation will focus on The Lafayette program.

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### PUTNAM

#### SUNDAY, FEB. 2

**What:** The LeFevre Quartet  
**When:** 6 p.m.  
**Where:** Crossroads Baptist Church, 106 S. Wesley Chapel Rd., Eatonton  
**More info:** A guiding force in the realm of gospel music, the all-male LeFevre Quartet has earned gospel music acclamations and numerous awards since 2005. Enjoy a dynamic performance by these ambassadors of faith through song in this free concert.

#### FEB. 3-19

**What:** Ocmulgee Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteer training  
**When:** 1-4 p.m.  
**Where:** Putnam Administration Building, 117 Putnam Dr. in Eatonton  
**More info:** CASA volunteers serve as advocates for children in foster care, and volunteers are needed from all eight counties of the Ocmulgee Judicial Circuit (Baldwin, Greene, Hancock, Jasper, Jones, Morgan, Putnam, and Wilkinson). For more information, please call 478-452-9170.

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 4

**What:** Lake Oconee Quilt Guild Monthly Meeting  
**When:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Where:** Lake Oconee Lutheran Church, 1089 Lake Oconee Parkway, Eatonton  
**More info:** This month's meeting will feature several guild members who will share their expertise on various topics. The guild meets the first Tuesday of each month and dues are \$30 annually.

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 6

**What:** Pop-up Valentine Market  
**When:** 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
**Where:** Barrel 118, 118 N. Jefferson Ave., Eatonton  
**More info:** Full day of shopping, sweets, music, and signature cocktails. Find new items at the Mixology Market to heat up your Valentine's Day. Special guest pop-up shop Rustic Attitude will be selling unique jewelry and boho-chic clothing, along with a few other small local businesses, including Seeking Slow, Taylor Flowers and Gifts, The Artisans Village, and Merci Cakes. Happy Hour starts at 5 p.m. in the Backstage Lounge with signature craft cocktails and live music. Find more details at [barrel118.com](http://barrel118.com).

#### SATURDAY, FEB. 8

**What:** Reach 2 Teach Blood Drive  
**When:** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
**Where:** New Life Outreach Christian Ctr., 206 Agnes Dr., Eatonton  
**More info:** The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community. Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every few seconds and most people will need blood at some point in their lifetime. Local Blood Program leader Mariah Carter. Thank you for supporting the American Red Cross blood program.

#### What: Couples Valentine Painting Class & Cocktails

**When:** 3-5 p.m.  
**Where:** Barrel 118, 118 N. Jefferson Ave., Eatonton  
**More info:** Beginner-friendly, couples paint event. Create a beautiful keepsake diptych – an artwork consisting of two pieces or panels that together create a single art piece. Also enjoy a short demo and cocktail samples from the Barrel 118 mixologist. Cocktails, beer, and wine are available for purchase. Cost \$100 per couple for a creative date experience to remember! Register online at [theartisansvillage.org](http://theartisansvillage.org).

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12

**What:** Galentine's Day - Sprinkles & Spirits  
**When:** 6-8 p.m.  
**Where:** Barrel 118, 118 N. Jefferson Ave., Eatonton  
**More info:** Ladies Night at Barrel 118 with hosts Reva Alexander-Hawk from Merci Cakes and Melanie the Mixologist from Barrel 118. Featuring hands-on cookie decorating demos and signature cocktails. Class includes a flight of delicious drinks and sweets, fun '80s love songs, and cute photo ops. \$75 per person. Register online, space is limited! Details at [barrel118.com](http://barrel118.com).

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 18

**What:** Southern Circuit Film Series: Home is a Hotel  
**When:** 7 p.m.  
**Where:** The Plaza Arts Center, 305 N. Madison Ave., Eatonton  
**More info:** Free movie night featuring "Home is a Hotel," a documentary filmed over five years that looks at housing inequality in San Francisco. It tracks five residents as they fight to remain housed through a reliance on a system of single-room occupancy hotels. This event is free to attend, but The Plaza asks attendees to sign up online at [plazacenter.org](http://plazacenter.org) before arrival.

#### FEB. 21-23

**What:** GWM's 4th annual Write By The Lake  
**When:** 4 p.m. start Friday; 2 p.m. end Sunday  
**Where:** Georgia Writers Museum, 109 S. Jefferson Ave., Eatonton  
**More info:** Write by the Lake, GWM's fourth annual writers' retreat, brings together more than 15 renowned authors to present two keynote addresses and 12 workshops and panels, plus valuable networking opportunities. This is a rare chance for aspiring and experienced authors to refine their craft. Price is \$300 for the full conference. Visit [georgiawritersmuseum.org](http://georgiawritersmuseum.org) for details and registration.

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 27

**What:** Lake Country Photography Club  
**When:** 7-8:30 p.m.  
**Where:** The Peoples Bank Community Room, Harmony Crossing, Eatonton  
**More info:** Monthly club meeting for member education and skills development. The club welcomes photographers of all levels of expertise and experience from Lake Country and beyond. Send email to [lcpc01234@gmail.com](mailto:lcpc01234@gmail.com) for more information.

### GREENE

#### FRIDAY, JAN. 31

**What:** LOHS Town Hall Meeting  
**When:** 11 a.m.  
**Where:** Lakeside Church, 5800 Lake Oconee Pkwy., Greensboro  
**More info:** Let's work together to make a positive impact. Enter through main entrance. Call 706-454-1508 or visit [lohspets.org](http://lohspets.org) for more information.

#### UNTIL FEB. 3

**What:** Say Yes to the Dress Donation Drive  
**When:** School hours  
**Where:** Drop off at Greene County High School  
**More info:** The Greene County School System Wraparound Services Team is collecting formal dresses and gowns. Students will be invited to choose a dress at no cost at Wraparound's Yes to the Dress event Feb. 10 and 11.

#### TUESDAY, FEB. 4

**What:** Greensboro Writers' Guild Meeting  
**When:** 1 p.m., Zoom meeting Feb. 25 at 1 p.m.  
**Where:** Lake Oconee Church of Christ, 4700 Carey Station Rd., Greensboro  
**More info:** For information call Barb Griffiths at 404-693-4045, Kathy Wright at 706-817-0345, or Betty Liedtke at 706-991-5387.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEB. 5

**What:** Contemplative Celtic Communion  
**When:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 303 N. Main St., Greensboro  
**More info:** Seeking a no-strings, no pre- or post-conditions church experience? Visit the first Wednesday of each month for a candlelit Christian service with gentle live music played on a piano, cello, or other "soft" instruments. Intentionally introspective, with periodic silences for meditation, reflection, and prayer. For more information call 707-453-7171 or email [revbillcombs@gmail.com](mailto:revbillcombs@gmail.com).

#### THURSDAY, FEB. 6

**What:** Composting Done Right!  
**When:** 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
**Where:** Greene County Extension Office, 1180 C. Weldon Smith Dr., Suite 110, Greensboro  
**More info:** Cost is \$15, with lunch included. Speaker will be C. Monte Stephens, Greene County's agriculture and natural resource agent. Topics will include benefits of composting, learning how to compost, what you can and cannot compost, parameters of composting, building a composting pile, and composting facilities. Please contact the Greene County Extension Office (706-453-2083) no later than Friday, Jan. 31, at 4 p.m. to reserve a seat.

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