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NEW ROAD: Georgia Gwinnett College officially opened Lonnie Harvel Boulevard Feb. 16. Shown are Harvel's sister in-law, Susan Aenchbacher, daughters Samantha and Emily Harvel and widow, Martha Aenchbacher-Harvel, GGC President Daniel J. Kaufman, Harvel's sister, Leslie Harvel and brother, Lester Harvel. The street memorializes Harvel, one of the college's charter cabinet members, who passed away in 2010. The new street stretches from University Center Lane near the college's main entrance and connects with Collins Industrial Way near its intersection with Walther Boulevard. A portion of Lonnie Harvel Boulevard was formerly named Tree Creek Boulevard. The street provides a muchneeded route through the northern side of campus from Collins Hill Road to Walther Boulevard. Harvel received his Ph.D. in computer science from Georgia Tech in 2005 and his master's degree in computer science from the University of Georgia in 1990. He graduated from the University of Georgia in 1985 with a bachelor's degree in theater, and always maintained his interest in theatrical arts.

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encaustic paintings.

Artists and groups interested in having a solo show of their own at city hall are encouraged to contact the Snellville art jurors. The application and selection criteria can be found on the city website at www.snellville.org.

# NOTABLE Ongoing public safety focus cuts crime in Gwinnett Place area

Significant decreases in crime continued throughout the Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District (GPCID) in 2012. This decrease has occurred as the GPCID strengthened its working relationship with the Gwinnett Police Department. The GPCID additionally led record cleanup efforts of the District, strengthened code enforcement and contracts with a private security firm to conduct regular vehicle patrols.



The Gwinnett County Police Department Crime Analysis Unit reports that crime in the Gwinnett Place area decreased 23 percent over the last year. Gwinnett Police also report that overall crime incidents in the Gwinnett Place District have decreased by nearly half since 2007.

## Crime 2007 vs. 2012

Robbery: Down 52 percent;

Motor Vehicle Theft: Down 65 percent;

Theft: Down 48 percent;

Burglary (Commercial): Down 24 percent; and Overall crime incidents: Down 49 percent.

The community also saw a reduction in the number of traffic accidents, down 56 percent in 2012 from the GPCID baseline year of 2007. The Gwinnett Place CID contracts with a private security firm to patrol the district to supplement public safety efforts and enforce codes and standards.

# ArtWorks! plans annual Fusion Awards program on Feb. 25

The non-profit arts council serving Gwinnett County, ArtWorks! Gwinnett, will recognize stellar contributions made in the arts in Gwinnett at the second annual "Fusion ArtWorks! Awards" on Monday, February 25, at the Buford Community Center. The awards celebrate the artists, arts administrators, and citizens who support the arts county-wide.



Tickets for the event are \$100, with discounts for ArtWorks! Gwinnett members and Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce members. They can be purchased online at <a href="http://artworksgwinnett.eventbrite.com">http://artworksgwinnett.eventbrite.com</a>.

The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a reception in the Phillip Beard Ballroom and move by 7:45 into the Sylvia Beard Theatre to begin the awards ceremony. The ceremony will feature performances by Gwinnett artists, including the Royal Dance Academy, Herman Pennamon, Advocate Arts, Zephyr Instrumental, and Aurora Theatre.

Awards will given in over a dozen categories, and this year's nominees consist of almost 30 individuals and almost 20 companies and partnerships. Combined, the nominees are from seven municipalities in Gwinnett.

Fusion is the Gwinnett arts awards program and a fundraiser for ArtWorks! Gwinnett, the non-profit, tax-exempt umbrella organization serving Gwinnett County. ArtWorks! promotes and builds support for cultural opportunities to enrich our community. The organization fosters collaborations, presents professional development programs for artists and arts administrators, and markets the arts community to make a positive impact on the economic impact and quality of life in Gwinnett.

### RECOMMENDED