



## In the know:

October 15 - Stroke Awareness

November 19 - Opioid Crisis & Narcan Training

December 10 - Annual Holiday Luncheon

## An All Volunteer - Nonprofit Organization

*Heroes aren't born. They volunteer!*

### FUN FACT

- The word hurricane comes from the Taino Native American word, hurucane, meaning evil spirit of the wind.

### QUICK LINKS:

- [National Hurricane Center](#)
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## AUGUST MEETING AT GWINNETT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OPERATION CENTER



Great morning spent with **Greg Swanson CEM®**, *Director of Emergency Management for Gwinnett County* at our August meeting on the 27th. It was a very insightful discussion on their emergency operation center (EOC) with mitigation, preparedness and recovery. He also went over a brief description of the Incident Command Structure (ICS).

## DID YOU KNOW?



### The Community Foundation of Northeast Georgia

Helped create Gwinnett's healthcare roundtable. This brought partners in the healthcare community together to issues. Navigate Recovery Gwinnett, Obria Medical Clinics, Northside Hospital Healthcare and View Point Health. [Listen to Dr. Audrey Arona speak about the roundtable and the four different nonprofits.](#)

### OCTOBER SPEAKER

Patricia Donnelly, RN, BSN, SCRNP, CNRN, with Northside Hospital Gwinnett is an Interim Stroke Program Coordinator. She'll be speaking to us on topics such as stroke symptoms, stroke causes, etc.

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## A Legend and Leader In our Community

[\(read her interview\)](#)



**Louise Radloff** served on the Gwinnett County Board of Education for 47 years starting in 1972. In 2012, she received an elite award, National Mother of Achievement for American Mothers, which was only awarded to five women, and held in Washington, DC. The Georgia General Assembly in 1994 bestowed May 25, "Louis Radloff Day". Mrs. Radloff is currently the Board Chair for the Gwinnett County Health Department. Several scholarships, societies and accolades are named for her.

## Management Team and Partners Spend the Weekend Training

On Saturday and Sunday, September 24 and 25 some of the MRC GEM management and the team leaders along with our GNR partners attended a training weekend on Google sheets to best help understand and build upon for our future emergency responses. Google was instrumental in both our Covid and Monkeypox response when keeping up with training, schedules, volunteers, and much more...We were able to share data across multiple partners so we were all on the same page.



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**Melody Osborne** believes being a volunteer with MRC GEM is such a rewarding feeling. Attending the monthly MRC training and summits has given her the knowledge and confidence to assist in emergency situations when needed.



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