



# Butts County Chamber News!

November 17, 2022

## Chamber Members,

### Trivia Questions:

1. How many times has UGA beat Kentucky in football?
2. What football coach also coached baseball and basketball at Georgia Tech?
3. What did President Calvin Coolidge famously receive as a Thanksgiving gift?

*(Answers found at the bottom of the newsletter.)*



Nov. 18th - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at The Big Peach Car Wash at 10:00 a.m.

Nov. 19th - Syrup Making Festival at Dauset Trails

**Nov. 19th** - Christmas at the Ranch

Nov. 24th - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

**Nov. 24th** - Love Thy Neighbor Thanksgiving Drive-Thru 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Nov. 26th** - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Mulberry Drugs at 10:00 a.m.

**Nov. 26th** - Breakfast with Santa

**Nov. 26th** - Shop Small Saturday - More info coming about this!

**Nov. 29th** - Holiday Wreath Workshop at Gordon State College

**Nov. 29th** - Learn while you earn with Peterbilt of Atlanta. Join us at SCTC Butts Campus 3:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Dec. 1st** - Texture's Holiday Open House

**Dec. 1st** - Jackson Elementary Winter Wonderland

**Dec. 1st** - Donations due for Butts Co. LET Stocking Stuffers

**Dec. 1st - Dec. 4th** - "**A Christmas Carol**" at Gordon State College

**Dec. 2nd** - Chamber of Commerce hosts the Jackson Christmas Parade beginning at 7:00 p.m.

**Dec. 3rd** - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Rescue Fitness in Jenkinsburg at 10:00 a.m.

**Dec. 3rd & 4th** - Historical Society - Tour of Homes

**Dec. 9th** - Christmas Annual Project Give Back - Faith Works Business Solutions

**Dec. 10th** - Christmas at The Barn

Read about **Southern Crescent Technical College's fall offerings.**

Read about **Gordon State College's art activities Ireland study abroad, and more!**

**Read below for further details about these and other events coming soon.**

## Welcome New Members!

### Core Members:

**Klassy Kats of Butts County** - "Dedicated to providing a s healthy and safe environment for the homeless cats and kittens of Butts Co. Animal Control, while actively seeking loving and permanent homes for all." Phone: 404-626-1598 Email: [klassykatsofbc@gmail.com](mailto:klassykatsofbc@gmail.com)

**Rescue Fitness** - Get into shape at 2131 Hwy 42 North, Jenkinsburg, Georgia 30234. Phone: 770-775-5155. Owner: Heath Routon

**Big Peach Car Wash** - "We provide top quality car wash services to meet your needs. We promise to provide every service with a smile and to your highest level of satisfaction." Monthly memberships available. Located at 583 E. 3rd Street in Jackson. Phone: 470-251-5317.

### Upgraded Members:

#### Enhanced Members:

**CENTURY 21 Crowe Realty** - "At CENTURY 21 Crowe Realty, it is our goal to offer the best and highest level of service found in the Real Estate Industry in Georgia. Our agents not only sell homes, they build relationships, they problem-solve. We believe in empowering our agents to go the extra miles to help the people of our community. We are passionate about providing the extra value that others simply do not, by focusing on the human connection. Fanatical integrity and consistently impressive results is the signature of our service and our collaborative spirit wit hour desire to grow will help us achieve the goals we set." Phone: 770-775-1800. Email: [clint@crowerealtyga.com](mailto:clint@crowerealtyga.com)

**Yahola Creek, LLC** - Located at 1834 Hwy 42 S, Flovilla, Georgia 30216. Dine-in - Outdoor Seating - In-Store pickup. Call 678-774-8602. A great dining experience! Come see us!

## THREE UPCOMING RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONIES!

Join us to see what these new businesses are offering.

# Ribbon Cutting



Join us on Friday, Nov. 18th at 10:00 a.m. Located at 583 East 3rd St. in Jackson.



Join us on Saturday, Nov. 26th at 10:00 a.m. Located at 20 N. Mulberry St. in Jackson.



Join us on Saturday, Dec. 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at 2131 Hwy 42 North, Jenkinsburg, Georgia 30234.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL



# FESTIVAL



**NOVEMBER 19TH FROM 9-5**

SYRUP MAKING | BLACKSMITHING | LIVE MUSIC | FOOD

360 MT. VERNON CHURCH RD.  
JACKSON, GA 30233

L♥VE THY NEIGHBOR

# THANKS GIVING

DRIVE-THRU

NOV 24TH : SERVING FIRST RESPONDERS  
: AND NEIGHBORS WHO DON'T  
: HAVE HOLIDAY PLANS

11AM - 1PM

CITY LOT AT THE CORNER OF OAK & 1ST

RSVP - TEXT 678.584.3846

## Christmas at the Ranch

Saturday, November 19, 2022

9am-4pm



-ARTS & CRAFTS  
VENDORS

-FREE PICTURES  
WITH SANTA  
(ON YOUR PHONE)

-FOOD VENDORS

-CHILDRENS ACTIVITIES

**TICKETS \$4 PER PERSON AT THE GATE  
CHILDREN UNDER 10 GET IN FREE**

ALL TICKET SALES TO BENEFIT BUTTS MUTTS.  
(ALL PETS MUST BE ON A LEASH)

The Rivers Ranch, 1959 Hwy 42, Jackson  
770-775-1622 [www.theriversranch.com](http://www.theriversranch.com)



The Greater Butts County Lions Club

# Breakfast with Santa



- Hot pancake breakfast served
- Kids activities
- Pictures with Santa
- Vendor Shopping
- 50/50 Raffle with Klassy Kats
- \$10 Raffle tickets available for an Oculus VR Package to be drawn at the event.

Adults \$20  
Kids 12 & under \$10

## 26

**November**  
*2022*

The Rivers Ranch, Inc  
1959 GA 42 N  
Jackson, GA 30233  
[www.theriversranch.com](http://www.theriversranch.com)  
Seating 1 - 8:30am  
Seating 2 - 11:00am

Reservations  
Required



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/breakfast-with-santa-tickets-441922410827>  
 No Tickets sold at the door.

## JOIN THE FUTURE TODAY

### PETERBILT IS HIRING.



PETERBILT OF ATLANTA

NOW HIRING:

✓ Diesel Technician  
Paid Apprenticeship  
**LEARN WHILE YOU EARN!**

in partnership with



November 29, 2022

3:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Southern Crescent Technical College  
Butts County Center  
1578 HWY 16 West  
Jackson, GA 30233

USDOL Registered Apprenticeship Opportunity  
Bring your resume | Dress for success



- On-site interviews with Peterbilt of Atlanta
- If you are looking to begin your career as a Diesel Technician, SCTC staff members will be available to assist you with enrollment, registration, financial aid, and more!







**\$48**

includes all  
materials

HOLIDAY  
WREATH



November 29, 2022



5:30PM - 7:00PM



Smith Hall  
Gordon State College  
419 College Drive  
Barnesville, GA 30204

## WORKSHOP

*Build your own  
holiday wreath with  
Julie Little*

Come and learn to build a beautiful  
holiday wreath.

[bit.ly/2022GSCWreath](https://bit.ly/2022GSCWreath)



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STATE COLLEGE**

CONTINUING AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

[cpe@gordonstate.edu](mailto:cpe@gordonstate.edu)

678.359.5123

**REGISTER NOW**

# Holiday

# Open House

**Dec 1st  
5 - 8 PM**

**Shop  
Local**

**Bring your girlfriends for a fun night of supporting some of our local small businesses. More vendors coming soon.**



A Vintage Flair  
Permanent Jewelry

Hair Tinsel &  
Feathers



326 W 2nd Street, Jackson GA 30233

770-504-9033

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GORDON STATE DINING SERVICES

# SUNDAY BRUNCH

&

# A CHRISTMAS CAROL

*The Play*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 2022

Join us for our community brunch in  
Highlander Hall followed by a play production  
in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

## BREAKFAST BITES

*Sausage Patty  
Turkey Bacon  
Scrambled Eggs  
Hard Boiled Eggs  
Biscuits & Gravy  
Breakfast Potatoes*

## MAIN COURSE

*Carved Ham  
Fried & Baked Chicken  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Green Beans  
Tomato Roasted Corn*

ASSORTED DESSERTS  
WILL BE SERVED

**Brunch & a Show: \$16 + tax Brunch 11am -2pm**

**Brunch Only: \$11 + tax | Show Only: \$10**

*For more information, please contact dining services at 678-359-5052.*

# A CHRISTMAS

BY CHARLES DICKENS  
ADAPTED BY SHANNON ROOD  
& THE GSC THEATRE PROGRAM

## CAROL

**A** classic tale of compassion toward other and change of self, "A CHRISTMAS CAROL" by Charles Dickens recounts the story of Ebenezer Scrooge.

Scrooge is an elderly miser who, on Christmas Eve, is visited by the ghost of his former business partner Jacob Marley and the spirits of Christmas Past, Present and Yet to Come. After their visits, Scrooge is a new, kinder, and gentler man.

There's music, dance, creepy puppets and an optional audience sing-a-long.

Convinced, yet?

Enjoy it all, live at the theatre!



GORDON  
STATE COLLEGE

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

Evening Performance — 6:30pm

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

Evening Performance — 6:30pm

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

Evening Performance — 6:30pm

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

Afternoon Performance — 2pm  
with community lunch option before the performance

## TICKETS

Complimentary for GSC students and employees

For the public \$5-10 OR bring packaged food instead

For more information, email [mallareyb@gordonstate.edu](mailto:mallareyb@gordonstate.edu)

JACKSON-ELEMENTARY  
1105 BROWNLEE RD, JACKSON, GA 30233

# Winter Wonderland

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1ST  
5:30-7:30 P.M.

TONS OF WINTER ACTIVITIES  
TO ENJOY

SPECIAL GUEST: SANTA - GAMES -  
VENDORS - FOOD TRUCKS - MUSIC -  
RAFFLE BASKETS -  
INFLATABLES (WRISTBAND \$5.00 AT  
DOOR) - & MANY MORE

VENDOR AND FOOD TRUCK  
APPLICANTS CONTACT: SARAH  
(781)-974-8791 OR EMAIL:  
JESPANDAPTO@GMAIL.COM

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOMED, GIFT BASKET DONATIONS  
NEEDED AS WELL AS BAKED GOOD FOR OUR CAKE WALK.**

**OPENED TO THE COMMUNITY, COME EAT, PLAY  
AND GET ALL OF YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING OUT  
OF THE WAY!**

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO PTO**

BUTTS COUNTY LIFE ENRICHMENT TEAM

If you guys can help me spread the word and talk with businesses specifically, about donating, that would be a HUGE help! I have included all the details below. We need all donations (In kind and monetary) no later than 12/1/22.

This year we will be filling 100 stockings for seniors at our Senior Center. The typical total cost for this project is around \$2000. We are looking for both in kind and monetary sponsorship. For monetary donations, please make checks payable to Butts County LET with senior stockings in the memo line. Checks should be mailed to PO Box 976, Jackson, GA 30233.

These bags contain things such as toiletry items, lotions, chap sticks, umbrellas, Christmas cards, candies, Christmas fun items (decorations, fun necklaces or head bands, etc). We also try each year to provide one item that is specifically requested by our seniors. We are looking for both in kind and monetary sponsorships.

- This year, our seniors have asked for the following items specifically.
  - Fruit
  - Snacks
  - Socks
  - Large print activity books
  - Face masks
  - Hand sanitizers
  - Nail clippers

We have already received socks and a commitment for hand drawn Christmas cards from some of our local elementary school kiddos! In Kind donations can be dropped off at our drop box at any time. It is located on our front porch, right by the door. 151 N Mimosa Ln, Jackson, GA 30233. If you will please let me know what you would like to contribute, I will continue to update our list for everyone else.

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# Butts County Historical Society's

## *Holiday Extravaganza*

**Dec 3 and 4, 2022**

*Tour of Homes 1pm - 5pm*

Many historic Homes and Historic Sites (circa 1823-1913)  
**PLUS**, amazingly decorated newer homes added!!

**Tickets only \$25**

**Bring Your whole family! Enjoy the shops,  
café, gardens, and museums!  
Visit Dauset Trails and Indian Springs State Park!**

Saturday Only:

Butts County School kids perform at Amphitheater 11am  
Santa is at Keeler's Kubbyhole 1-5 and "Lighting of the Lights" at 5:30



**All shops decorated and have big sales!  
See map for event and site locations!**



*Tickets & maps available in  
advance or 'day of' from any  
Historical Society member or at:*

**The Big Chief Country Store**  
1834 Hwy 42 South  
Flovilla, GA 30216  
770-775-5350

Phone us and we will hold tickets & map at "Will Call"!

[www.TheVillageAtIndianSprings.com](http://www.TheVillageAtIndianSprings.com)

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# CHRISTMAS

## ANNUAL PROJECT GIVE BACK

DEADLINE DECEMBER 9TH 10AM-3PM

BRING A MONETARY DONATION OR WRAPPED TOY

ANYTIME BETWEEN Nov.1ST-DEC. 9TH

233 EAST 3RD ST. JACKSON, GA 30233



FACEBOOK/FOREVERMYSISTERSKEEPER



MYSISTERSKEEPER3076@GMAIL.COM

<https://giv.li/ewv6lo>

Christmas  
at  
The Barn

December 10, 2022



55 Craig Rd  
Forsyth Ga  
4 miles South of Indian Springs  
9-4  
Lots of food and craft vendors

**Holiday Treat Decorating  
with Santa & Mrs. Claus!**

Saturday, December 10th, 2022  
@ 10am

Highlander Dining Hall

\$20 each, register online

Holiday fun for the whole family!  
Each person will decorate festive treats  
and cookies to take home and enjoy hot  
cocoa with Santa and Mrs. Claus!

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**Black Tie Event!**



**Private Violin Lessons**

Virtual or Tuesday/Wednesdays from 10am-5pm

Ages 5 to adult

\$100-\$125 per month (10 minutes 15 per week)

Lessons are individualized, taught in either Suzuki or traditional method by Mary Chapman, who has over 20 years teaching experience. Each lesson is 30 minutes long. The trial and group lessons will be scheduled at appropriate levels. Instruments are not included.

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**Monday Night Pottery**

Mondays October 10 - November 28

7:00 - 9:00 PM

\$135 (includes clay, glazes & firing)

In this creative class taught by Bob Detamore, you will study techniques of throwing pottery forms on the wheel, centering the ball, pulling cylinders, and hand building. More advanced students will work on more complex projects. There will be time for firing and glazing that will allow plenty of time for Christmas décor and gifts your family will love!

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Violin Lessons  
Tuesdays/Wednesdays



February 4, 2023

COCKTAIL RECEPTION 6:00 p.m. DINNER & PROGRAM 7:00 p.m. MIX, MINGLE & MUSIC Until 10:00 p.m.

ATTIRE: BLACK TIE



Gordon State College will be hosting their inaugural gala in partnership with United Bank on February 4, 2023. The gala will raise funds for the college to provide student support...

PRESENTED BY UnitedBank

TICKET \$250 | TABLE \$2,000

For more information or to reserve your ticket or table, call (770) 229-3729 or email [advance@gordonstate.edu](mailto:advance@gordonstate.edu)

Gordon State College

Monday Night Pottery  
Oct. 10 - Nov. 28  
Gordon State College



## SIX SIGMA BLACK BELT TRAINING

The Black Belt Program teaches participants what they need to know to be a practicing organizational quality resource. Built upon the foundation of the Six Sigma Green Belt training, participants explore the use of statistical techniques in process improvement, project leadership, group dynamics, and advanced techniques and tools for the challenges of making the organization more competitive. This class consists of two weeks of training separated by a month, a qualified project that has direct impact on the organization, and how to eliminate waste and inefficiency from the organization.

Six Sigma Black Belt Training prepares participants for:

- project team leadership and management
- collaboration with organizational leaders
- serve as an organizational continuous improvement resource

Students must have the Six Sigma Green Belt.

Southern Crescent Technical College is a Unit of the Technical College System of Georgia and an Equal Opportunity Institution

## Class Details

November 7 - 11 and  
December 5 - 9, 2022

8:30am - 4:00pm each day

\$2800/person

Class is held at the Economic Development Center at Ellis Crossing in Griffin

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

**Economic Development**

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# FROM START TO FINISH EQUITY

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### MISSION

The Equity From Start to Finish program is designed to support the underrepresented population of African American male students in postsecondary education. Through targeted recruitment efforts, the program promotes equity and access in postsecondary opportunities, provides ongoing support for students to ensure they are retained and graduate, and expands program offerings that lead to workforce opportunities in high demand growing industries such as Industrial Systems Technology, Machine Tool Technology and Welding and Joining Technology.

### PURPOSE

- Increase African American male students' recruitment into postsecondary education.
- Increase African American male participation in high demand growing programs.
- Increase retention and completion rates for African American males through the improvement of student success resources and programs designed to improve academic success.

### SERVICES

- ✓ Guided Admission Support
- ✓ Tutoring & Mentoring Services
- ✓ Assigned Career & Academic Planning Coach
- ✓ Campus Resource Referrals
- ✓ Outreach Services
- ✓ Financial Assistance
- ✓ Graduation Coaching

### CAREERS

- INDUSTRIAL SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY**  
Industrial Systems Technician/Electrician,  
Industrial Engineering Technologists and Technicians  
Estimated Median Annual Salary | \$55,195
- MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY**  
Industrial/Mechanical Maintenance Technicians,  
Machinists, Millwrights and Robotics Technicians  
Estimated Median Annual Salary | \$44,360
- WELDING & JOINING TECHNOLOGY**  
Welders, Cutters, Solderers and Brazers  
Estimated Median Annual Salary | \$41,251

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO JOIN THIS PROGRAM, CONTACT:

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The Georgia Chamber of Commerce has teamed up with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Anthem) to offer you the Georgia Chamber SMART Plan. It lets you:

- Participate in a larger, alternative-funded pool.
- Join with other groups to share in the overall claims risk, with financial protection backed by Anthem.
- Receive fixed, predictable monthly payments.
- Choose from a variety of plan designs.

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**Local** — Serving millions of members in Georgia for more than 80 years.

**Established** — Drawing on a long history of partnerships with Georgia businesses.

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Developing unique solutions that help your employees, and your business, stay in good health.

Make the SMART choice. Contact your local Georgia Chamber of Commerce for a referral to a participating broker.

## ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS AT THE TOP OF THIS NEWSLETTER:

1. How many times has UGA beat Kentucky in football? *The Bulldogs lead the all-time series 59-12-2 against the Wildcats.*
2. What football coach also coached baseball and basketball at Georgia Tech? *John Heisman.*
3. What did President Calvin Coolidge famously receive as a Thanksgiving gift? *In November 1926, Vinnie Joyce of Nitta Yuma, Mississippi, sent the 30th President of the United States a live raccoon to be served as Thanksgiving dinner. However, the President became so smitten with the furry animal that he pardoned it and adopted it as a pet. He named it Rebecca.*

## Thank you, Elite Members!



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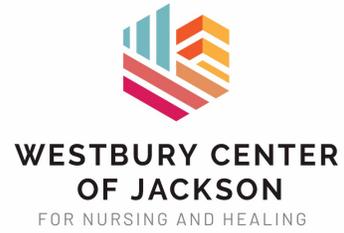
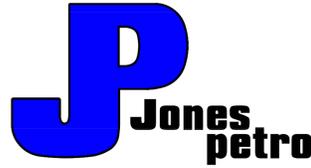
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**THANK YOU!**

**We would LOVE for you to join us!**

Visit our Website

I WANT TO JOIN!

Great Things are Happening! Connect with Us!



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