

# Butts County Chamber News!

*February 20, 2024*



Chamber of Commerce,

Leadership Butts attended Butts County Day at the Capitol on Feb. 13, 2024.

Last Friday, there was a meeting about Epic Cons - The Upside Down that will be coming to Jackson Oct. 19 & 20, 2024. About 30 people attended. There will be a follow-up meeting in May (TBA). Be watching out for invitations to this if you would like to attend to find out how your business can benefit from this event.

Feb. 22 - Butts County Historical Society Mtg

Feb. 25 - Rivers Ranch 2024 Bridal Expo

Mar. 6 - Decorate a table for the banquet - no charge to enter the contest. Awards given for top three tables.

Mar. 7 - Annual 19-20 Meeting/Banquet - Awards nominations are being accepted now.

Mar. 9 - St. Patrick's Day Diabetic Dash 5K and 1 mile fun run.

Mar. 9 - Miss Butts County Pageant

Mar. 16 - City of Jackson Clean-Up Day

Mar. 20 & 27 - Introduction to Watercolors painting classes. 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Mar. 21 - New Life Fundraising Banquet for the Butts County Pregnancy Center

Mar. 22 -Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application- Deadline to apply is March 22.

Mar. 23 - Kids Bike Race begins at 2:30 p.m.

Mar. 23 -24 - 2nd Annual Outdoor Capital Classic Bike Race

Apr. 27 - UGA Dawg Dash - Griffin - 9:00 a.m.

May 3, June 3, and Aug. 2nd - City of Jackson's DDA First Fridays.

The City of Jackson DDA is sponsoring the 3rd Street Farmers Market this year. Email [marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com](mailto:marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com) for information.

If you have something you would like us to share in our newsletter, email [Ldurden@buttschamber.com](mailto:Ldurden@buttschamber.com) .

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

### Core Members:

Bird Staffing - Connecting people with the right jobs for them. Phone: (470) 507-4868. Located at Westridge Pkwy, McDonough, GA 30253. Employers and job seekers can email them directly online.

JB Realty Group - Property Management. Located at 4880 Brownlee Road, Unit 6, Jackson, GA. Call Billy Beam at (678) 910-1238.

## **Butts County Chamber of Commerce 2023 Awards Banquet- Nomination**

Please review the awards to be presented at the 2024 Butts County Chamber Awards Banquet. All nominations will be considered by the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. Please submit nominations by email to [ldurden@buttschamber.com](mailto:ldurden@buttschamber.com) or mail to Butts County Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 147, Jackson, Georgia 30233 by Tuesday, February 14, 2024.

Please plan to purchase tickets for the event to be held on Thursday, March 7, 2024, at TICKETS by March 1, 2027.

All nominations shall be formatted as follows:

The nomination should be typed and must include:

- The name of the person/business/nonprofit being nominated and the award for which you are nominating that person/business/nonprofit;
- The nominee's 2023 activities and accomplishments, number of members

participating, how the community benefited, etc.; and  
➤Your name, title, and contact information including email address.

### **2023 Non-Profit of the Year**

This award is presented to a non-profit organization for work performed during the past year that has benefited the community and Butts County.

### **2023 Extra Mile Award**

This award is presented to an individual that has shown commitment to making the Butts County community a better place.

### **2023 Employee of the Year**

This award is presented to the employee who has involved himself in community activities, exemplified outstanding work ethic, and has distinguished himself in his company and within the business community.

### **2023 Business of the Year**

This award is presented to a member of the Butts County Chamber of Commerce that has earned a reputation for integrity, community service, and has positively impacted Butts County as a place to live, work, and operate a business.

### **2023 Public Safety Award**

This award is presented to a Butts County public safety employee who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to provide exemplary service in their area of service in 2023.

### **2023 Bob Ryan – Service Above Self Award**

(Sponsored by the Rotary Club)

This award is presented to an individual who passes the Rotary Club's Four Way Test –

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### **2023 Citizen of the Year**

This award is presented to a citizen for outstanding community service that has brought distinction and honor to Butts County. ***The nominee must be a resident of Butts County.***

### **2023 Butts County Chamber Hall of Fame**

This award will be presented to an individual who has made significant contributions to promoting the Chamber of Commerce and community and dedicated years of service to positively impact Butts County.

### **Butts County Hall of Fame Recipients**

1991- Mr. Rufus Adams  
1991- Mr. C.B. Brown Jr  
1991- Mr. Samuel Johnson  
1991- Mr. David Ridgeway  
1991- Mrs. Mildred Weaver  
1991- Mrs. Kathryn Haisten  
1993- Dr. Jack Newman

1994- Mr. Mark Kapiloff  
1995- Mr. Pete Malone  
1996- Mrs. Elena Carter  
1997- Mrs. Mary Lee Martin  
1998- Mr. Ernest Biles  
1999- Mr. Robert V. Ryan  
2000- Dr. Roy Hardy  
2001- Mrs. Sheri Hudson  
2002- Honorable Sheriff Gene Pope  
2003- Ms. Frankie Willis  
2004- Honorable Congressman Mac Collins  
2005- Mrs. Kathleen Pinckney  
2005- Mr. John Sherrell  
2005- Mr. Richard W. Watkins, Jr.  
2006- Mr. Herman Cawthon  
2007- Mr. Walter Carmichael  
2007- Mr. Harvey Norris  
2008- Mr. Bruce Bartholomew  
2009- Mr. Luke Weaver  
2009- Mr. Danny Hoard  
2010- Mr. Larry Smith  
2010- Mr. Charles "Charlie" J. Brown  
2011- Mr. George Weaver  
2012- Mr. Bill Jones  
2013- Mr. Ralph Wilson  
2014- Mr. Byrd Garland  
2015- Mr. Arthur White  
2016- Mr. Jim Westbury  
2017- Mr. Jim Herbert  
2018- Mr. Johnny Carter  
2019 - Mr. Scott Coleman  
2020 – Rep. Susan Holmes  
2021 – Don Earnhart  
2021 - Kay Pippin  
2022 - David Haisten  
2022 - Fred Head  
2022 - Rudy Mangham  
2022 - Jesse Duffey



## DECORATE A TABLE

**Theme: Rockin' to Success**

**Showcase your business or organization by decorating a table at the banquet. No cost to decorate. Awards given for top 3 tables. Click here for more details and to sign up to decorate: [TABLE](#)**

## 2024 Chamber Scholarships

Application Deadline March 22, 2024

Click here to apply: **SCHOLAR**



LENA JANE  
*+ company*

# UPCOMING EVENTS

INAUGURAL  
BOOK CLUB

7 PM

FEB  
22

SOCIAL  
SATURDAY

10-5 PM

FEB  
24

SPRING  
FLING

10-5 PM

MAR  
02

COOKIE  
DECORATING  
CLASS

10-11:30 AM

MAR  
09

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# 2024 COMMUNITY CLEAN UP DAYS

- February 10th
- March 16th
- April 20th
- June 15th
- August 17th ( Neiron Ball Day)
- September 14th
- October 26th
- December 7th ( Parade Clean Up)



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*Creations* ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

PRESENTS



## Miss Butts County

(open to all Georgia residents)

Semi-Glitz Beauty

Free Optionals:

- Best Dressed
- Prettiest Smile
- Most Photogenic

\$25 Deposit

\$100 Entry Fee

(Sibling Discount)

March 9th, 2024

Jackson, GA @ 10am

Location: To Be Announced

0-19 years old  
Beginner Friendly

3 Grand  
Supreme Queens!

Gorgeous Crowns  
Sparkling Sashes  
T-Shirts

Email [crownedcreationstm@gmail.com](mailto:crownedcreationstm@gmail.com) for Registration Packet

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THE GREATER BUTTS COUNTY LIONS CLUB

*ST PATRICK'S DAY*

**DIABETIC DASH**

# 5K & 1 MILE FUN RUN

IN MEMORY OF TYLER PRINE

DATE / VENUE **MARCH 9, 2024**

**RED DEVIL HILL ATHLETIC COMPLEX**  
400 Franklin St, Jackson GA 30233

REGISTRATION 7AM. FUN RUN 8AM. 5K 8:30AM

COME OUT TO RED DEVIL HILL IN YOUR BEST ST  
PATRICKS DAY GET UP AND HELP THE GREATER BUTTS  
COUNTY LIONS CLUB RAISE MONEY FOR DIABETES IN  
BUTTS COUNTY. 5K \$30 BEFORE 3/2 THEN \$40. 1  
MILE FUN RUN \$20 BEFORE 3/2 THEN \$25.

INFO CHECK THIS LINK

[WWW.GREATERBUTTSCOUNTYLIONS5K.COM](http://WWW.GREATERBUTTSCOUNTYLIONS5K.COM)

# ENTER TO WIN

ROUND-TRIP RIDE (FOR 3) FROM  
DOWNTOWN HAWKINS  
TO HAWKINS HIGH SCHOOL  
IN HOPPER'S POLICE CHIEF BLAZER!



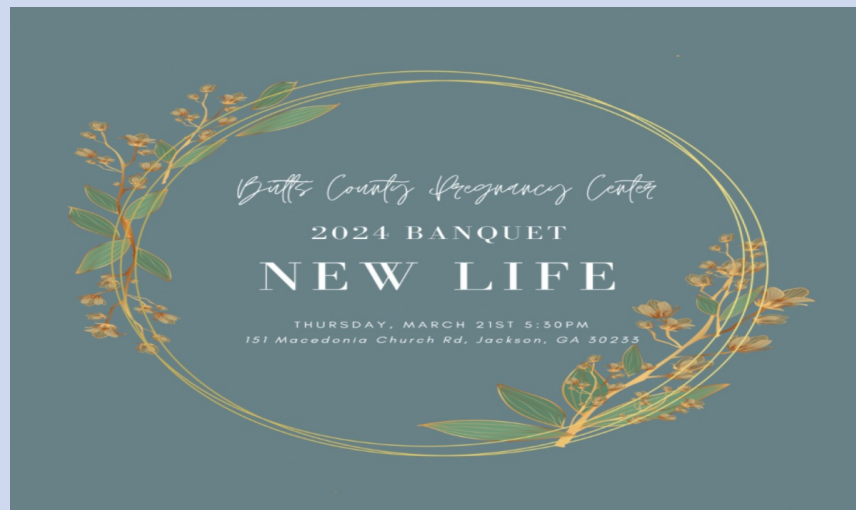
RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE  
[www.JacksonGaEscapeGames.com](http://www.JacksonGaEscapeGames.com)

One Ticket - \$5

Five Tickets - \$20

Drawing will be held on  
Wednesday, February 21st

**JACKSON**  
**ESCAPE GAMES**





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## INTRODUCTION TO WATERCOLORS

### Series of 2 PAINTING CLASSES

Wednesday, March 20 and Wednesday, March 27

1 to 2:30 pm

in The Art Center at the Historic Courthouse

Jackson Square

**Instructor: Carolyn Fuller**

**Registration Fee \$25 (covers 2 classes)**

**Minimal additional supplies needed**

*Class is filling up quickly, and is limited in size. Register today by calling Stuart Jordan at 770-356-6849, or send email to [sturtjordan@yahoo.com](mailto:sturtjordan@yahoo.com). Don't miss out on this fun opportunity!*

*sponsored by The Jackson-Butts County Council for the Arts*



## KIDS BIKE RACE

Saturday, March 23rd, 2024  
Free Registration starting at  
Second & Mimosa St.  
Race begins @ 2:30pm

Ages 10- and up  
(5th through 12th grade)  
will get to experience  
one lap on the sanction  
bike course.

Ages 5-10  
(1st through 4th grade)  
will participate in the biker dash  
on 2nd St.  
Training wheels welcome



THE CITY OF JACKSON PRESENTS  
**THE 2ND ANNUAL  
OUTDOOR CAPITAL CLASSIC  
BIKE RACE**



**MARCH 23-24, 2024**

Saturday- March 23rd **\*\*High Falls Circuit Race\*\***  
8:00am-10:35am

Saturday- March 23rd **\*\*Jackson Criterium\*\***  
1:00pm-6:00pm

Sunday - March 24th **\*\*Butts County Road Race\*\***  
8:00am-10:40am



# DAWG DASH 2024

5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN/WALK



**April 27**



**9 a.m.**



**UGA Griffin**

1109 Experiment Street  
Griffin, GA

It's time for the Dawg Dash! Registration open for the 5k race or one-mile fun run/walk on the beautiful UGA Griffin Campus. Sign up now for early bird price and to be guaranteed a t-shirt. Sponsorship opportunities available!

**To register:**

<https://bit.ly/UGAGriffinCampusDawgDash2024>

**Questions?**

Email Beth Horne at [bhorne@uga.edu](mailto:bhorne@uga.edu)



# First Friday

Kids Corner

Art Vendors

Food Trucks

**Mark Your Calendars!**

**Now Accepting Art Vendor Applications**

**May 3rd**

**June 7th**

**Aug. 2nd**



CITY OF JACKSON, GEORGIA  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Applications available at  
City Hall 134 S. Oak St.

[marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com](mailto:marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com)



CITY OF JACKSON, GEORGIA  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY



**Third Street Market Is Back! Now  
Accepting Applications for Vendors**



**Applications located at  
City Hall 134 S. Oak St.**

**For more info: [marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com](mailto:marjorie.stansell@cityofjacksonga.com)  
770-775-7535**

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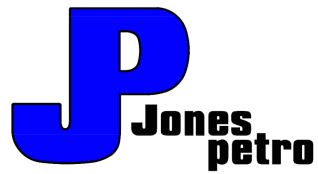
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OF JACKSON**  
FOR NURSING AND HEALING



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