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GEORGIA JAYCEES GALA



This year, the state board held a major fundraiser to help provide financial resources for Out of the Darkness, a non-profit focused on battling human trafficking. The Georgia Jaycees Gala 2019 was held in Atlanta and the sponsors of the event allowed us to present a donation of \$21,000.

At the Out of Darkness/Atlanta Dream Center Golf Tournament, representatives from the Georgia Jaycees and Athens Jaycees took the top team. During the event, President Danielle Fields presented the organization with the donation. They were ecstatic to say the least!

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ATHENS JAYCEES



there's also a bike race happening." The men's pro-am criterium is an 80K race around historic downtown Athens, while the women's pro-am criterium measures 40K. The course start-finish line is on Clayton Street at College Avenue.

This is one of the best events in Athens outside of the football season. They are still looking for volunteers to help out throughout the weekend.

For more information or to sign up, visit https://www.bikereg.com/athens-twilight-volunteers?fbclid=IwAR22ha4bR8eGYHxSpKG_szfpxxf05uV7PaW8ik6d6BgZFajlqqgDNUF7K1U

JCI ATLANTA



JCI Atlanta has announced as US-backed partnership with HOBY-Georgia a, an organization helping to develop leadership skills for rising Juniors and Seniors in High School. The organization will host the Georgia Northwest HOBY Seminar – at Oglethorpe University on May 31.

For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/2179118702148791/>



COLUMBUS JAYCEES



The 2019 Home Town Derby organized by the Columbus Jaycees is going to be held on Saturday, May 11. Come spend time browsing through the vendors, grabbing a bite at the food trucks, playing in the green space around Golden Park, or take a swing or two in the Home Run Derby for a chance to win some absolutely great prizes! There will be 2 divisions of play for the Home Run Derby. Ages 13+ will play for 2 Braves tickets* and \$100 cash. Ages 12 & Under will play for a trophy, new bat and new batting helmet. Purchase your balls ahead of time for a \$1 saving per ball.

For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/573638379769236/>

DAHLONEGA JAYCEES



The Gold Rush Festival is held every year on the third weekend of October. From the 2018 festival, the Dahlonega Jaycees are able to present their community with seven to eight scholarships for local high schoolers. All graduating Lumpkin County High School and Mountain Education Charter High School – Lumpkin students who are going to further their education at college or technical school are invited to apply. The deadline to submit applications is April 26. For more information, visit <https://goldrushdaysfestival.com/scholarships/>

GAINESVILLE JAYCEES

The Gainesville Jaycees have proudly presented the “Young Man and Young Woman of the Year Award” annually for more than the past 70 years. The annual banquet honors a Young Man and Woman who have been stewards to the community with their unselfish volunteer efforts and civic service. The services for which they are honored must be performed prior to their 40th birthday. The event includes a presentation of the recipient’s accomplishments for which they are honored, gubernatorial proclamations in their honor, and special guests. The 2019 banquet was held on Thursday, February 21st at the Chattahoochee Country Club. Congratulations to John Simpson & Jenny Floyd for being named the 2018 Young Man & Young Woman of The Year. Also, we’d like to congratulate former Gainesville Jaycees President, Chris Nish, and his wife Shelby on the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Magnolia Mae!

GRAY JAYCEES

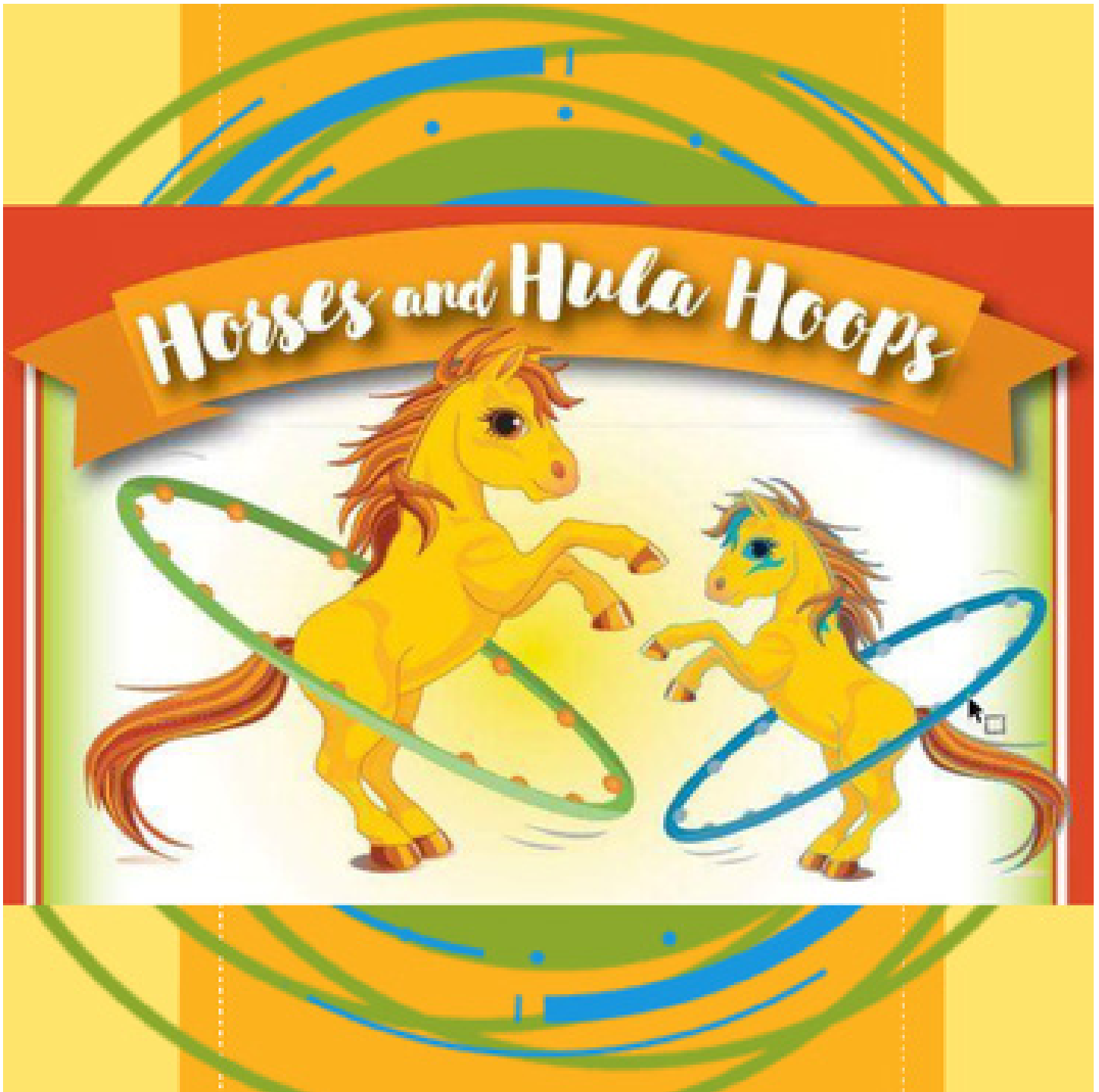
The Gray Jaycees hosted their annual Drive-In Movie, a family showing of Disney’s Toy Story. This event helps fund the Community Easter Egg hunt along with other events throughout the year. The Tiny Tom Egg Hunt was held on Saturday, April 13. Each year, they have inflatables, music, an Easter Bunny and fun activities for kids, which include an Easter Egg hunt divided by age groups.

For more information, visit

<https://www.facebook.com/events/245464276390724/>



MILLEDGEVILLE JAYCEES



The Milledgeville Jaycees announce the Horses & Hula Hoops event will be held on May 11. This event is hosted in partnership with Camp Dream to provide the experience of a day at Summer Camp to local communities. This free event features activities and games for persons with moderate to severe physical and mental disabilities, as well as their families. It is especially ideal for those parents who aren't quite ready to let their little ones go off on their own. For more information, visit <https://www.milledgevillejaycees.com/horses-and-hula-hoops.html>

Also, Milledgeville will hold the 4th annual Splash and Dash on July 15th. More information coming soon!

SAVANNAH JAYCEES

The Savannah Jaycees hosted an Oyster Roast with the Exchange Club of Savannah. The Savannah Jaycees, Camp Buddy, Easter Seals, and Pegasus Riding Academy are partnering together to host the first “Camp Out” in Savannah on Saturday, April 27th. A fun day of rides, games, food, and activities for children with disabilities and their families. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/savannah.jaycees>

STATESBORO JAYCEES



New Orleans and Mardi Gras are coming to Statesboro! D & R Intensive Car Care, in collaboration with the Statesboro Jaycees, is proud to present the Inaugural Bourbon Street Casino Night, benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of Bulloch County.

Guests will enjoy an evening of fun at a complimentary casino with games including Black Jack, Texas Hold'em, Craps, Roulette, Wheel of Fortune, and Chuck A Luck. Heavy hors d'oeuvres with a New Orleans twist will be served, 2 full cash bars, the GSU jazz combo will be performing, and a photographer to capture all the fun. Cocktail attire recommended.

Bourbon Street Casino Night will take place at Georgia Southern University's Nessmith-Lane Conference Center, Friday April 19th from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. Event tickets are \$85 per person which includes \$25,000 in 'play money' and the opportunity to exchange winnings for raffle tickets to enter for prizes at the end of the night.

All proceeds will be donated to the Boys and Girls Club of Bulloch County.

Tickets may be purchased online at <http://bgcbulloch.org/bourbon-street-casino-night/> or by visiting TCC Verizon on 11 E Kennedy St, Statesboro, GA.

SWAINSBORO JAYCEES



The Swainsboro Jaycees are gearing up for the Pine Tree Festival and Southeast Timber Expo, Emanuel County's oldest and most well-known festival. Each May, thousands of people from across the southeast flock to Swainsboro to attend the four days of activities. Highlights of the event include pageants, auto races, a golf tournament, arts & crafts vendors, wildlife exhibits, forestry exhibits, musical

entertainment, antique car displays, living history demonstrations, and more. Recent performers at the Pine Tree Festival include Brantley Gilbert, Bucky Covington, Jimmy Wayne, and the Swinging Medallions. Each festival also features various shows for the entertainment of the crowd, including such programs as the Fred Scheer Lumberjack Show, the Great Little Bear Show, and the Fearless Flores Thrill Show. Also featured in the downtown area is the Pine Tree Festival Parade, WXRS Battle of the Bands, a grill-off, aerobatic plane flyovers, children's activities, and more. Founded in 1946, the Pine Tree Festival is a week-long event paying tribute to this area's vast forestry resources.

For more information on the Pine Tree Festival and Timber Expo call 478-237-6426 or <http://www.pine-treefestival.org/>

JESUP JAYCEES

The Jesup Jaycees are getting ready for their Fair April 16th-20th. This is their biggest event of the year.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT

Spring is finally here! As everything begins to come to life again, your executive committee is beyond thrilled with the growth from the first quarter. Congratulations to Savannah, Athens, Statesboro, Gray, Columbus, Milledgeville, Atlanta and Swainsboro for recruiting new members. You all are proving that you are “Going the Distance” in your communities every day.

As we look to the second quarter, please renew members during the month of April. This gives us all two months to focus on recruiting. We are excited to welcome a new chapter to the state! The Alpharetta Jaycees will be joining us officially in April. Anthony Cammarata and Katie Kalajian reached out to us at the end of January and have done an amazing job of gathering a core group of young professionals who are eager to create positive changes in the North Fulton community. I am looking forward to watching this chapter as they begin their Jaycee journey.

I wanted to let you all know that we were able to present a check to Out of Darkness/Atlanta Dream Center for \$21,000 as a result of the fundraising that we did for the Georgia Jaycees Gala. We are happy to be able to partner with an organization that is getting into the trenches to rescue women from human trafficking in Georgia. Out of Darkness has chapters in Atlanta and Macon and are in need of additional volunteers. Please consider reaching out to see how you or your chapter can aid in their mission.

Our Georgia Outdoors Raffle is going well and drawing a lot of attention around the state. We are currently looking for weekly sponsors for the raffle. If your employer or business would be interested in sponsoring a state-wide raffle, we now have a packet available. In return, we will mention the business during the raffle drawing on FB Live and display the sponsor for each week on our website. We also have one Title Level Sponsor available. If you would like the packet, please email us at georgiajayceescommunication@gmail.com.

Have you booked your stay for Jekyll Island? Our Mid-Year convention is just around the corner and we would like all of our chapters represented. The theme is Na-cho Average Convention and we have a weekend of fun planned. Sunday will culminate with our second Board of Directors meeting of the year. Each chapter has at least three delegate positions for voting. We will be voting on a bylaws update and on our location for State Year-End Convention 2020. Please plan to attend and get your room at the Villas booked fast!

Finally, we are in the process of trying to launch several new chapters this year. We are looking for contacts in Dublin, Brunswick, Macon, Gilmer County and Augusta. If you have friends who may be interested, please let someone on the Executive Committee know.

THANK YOU...every single one of you! You are doing great things in your communities and I know it can be a thankless role. We are proud of what you are doing to create positive change and I cannot wait to see the impact that we make in the State of Georgia this year.

Many thanks,

Danielle Fields
89th State President

VP OF MEMBERSHIP

Going the Distance is the theme for this year, and we need your help to do that! As you may have heard from convention, our focus this year is retaining and recruiting members. We have several strategies to help you all accomplish success in this area. Please complete all renewals and new member applications as soon as possible. We have several incentives for both the Chapter who recruits the most members and the individual member who recruits the most members. Ask me for more information!

VP OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

How are you all doing with selling the Georgia Outdoor Raffle tickets?! Each raffle ticket provides you with 52 opportunities to win our amazing prizes throughout the year. Not only are there great prizes up for grabs, but \$10 from each ticket sold will benefit your local chapter! Learn more here: <https://go.rallyup.com/georgiajaycees>

Has your chapter started your Civic Leadership Certification? Civic Leadership Certification (CLC) provides the National Organization and the respective State Organization with an assessment of the services that each chapter provides its members. Chapters who follow the CLC guidelines are healthy chapters that will prosper and grow by offering a variety of programs. All chapters achieving certification will be recognized at the Annual Convention for the State Level and the Annual Meeting for the National Level. Ask me about how to get involved! Also, please make sure your Facebook and calendars are up to date with your events. That way all the chapters are aware of everyone's events.

VP OF COMMUNICATIONS

Many of you have been contacted by our state executive committee members. We will continue to reach out to all of you about event dates and membership incentives. Right now, we are updating our Google Calendar to show everyone's chapter meeting dates, but we are also hoping to show everyone's events on Facebook as well. This would allow everyone to be able to go straight to the GA Jaycees Facebook page and see what everyone around the state has planned, and it would allow everything to be updated as soon as your events go live. In order to accomplish this, we will need everyone to make the Georgia Jaycees page a co-host. Please let us know your thoughts on this. We will be reaching out to everyone's communications team shortly.

We are working on updating our website and launching the Best Work App; we will be reaching out to each of you about the developments there as well.

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