



January, 2025

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JACKSON COUNTY

For members of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, N.C.



Chamber's March Madness Open House

The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce's annual March Madness Open House will be from noon to 4 p.m., on Thursday & Friday, March 20-21, 2025. Please join us for free Pepsi, popcorn and NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament first round action on TV. Come tour the chamber, meet the staff & pickup your annual member packets.



Friends Night Out is March 27, 2025

The chamber's annual Friends Night Out event is Thursday, March 27, 2025. This event promotes shopping locally throughout the day. Bring your receipts to the chamber for a chance to win over \$300 in donated gift certificates. We'll provide much more information soon. Mark your calendar!



Super STIR is Feb. 27 at Comfort Inn

The chamber's next Super STIR Business After Hours event is from 5-6:30 p.m., on Thursday, Feb. 27 at the Comfort Inn in Sylva. Come join us for this "speed dating" style format of networking with fellow chamber member businesses. More soon!



Save the date for Biz Appreciation

The Jackson County Economic Development staff wants you to save the date of Monday, March 24 at 5:30 p.m. at Peacock Reserve in Whittier for Jackson County's inaugural Business Appreciation Event. Stay tuned for more to come on this event! Click [HERE](#) for the Save the Date flyer.

Fill out Business Retention Survey for JCEDC

Your feedback is the key to driving positive change. The Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) survey is your opportunity to highlight what your business needs to grow and thrive in Jackson County. By sharing your challenges and priorities, you help the Jackson County Economic Development office create targeted programs, attract resources,



and remove barriers that directly impact your success. It's a small investment of your time with the potential to make a big difference for your business and the broader community. Let's work together to ensure your business has what it needs to succeed. Click [HERE](#) for the link to the survey.

Happenings & Opportunities

- **Greening Up the Mountains:** Greening Up The Mountains vendor registration is open on the GUTM website [HERE](#). This year's festival, to be held on April 26, 2025. They are seeking artisans and crafters selling their own handmade products. Vendors from the expanded Appalachian area are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is March 15, 2025, but they have reached capacity in early February the last two years so do not delay.
- **WCU Basketball season is underway:** Don't forget that our Catamount men's and women's basketball teams are hitting the hardwood through March. Click [HERE](#) for tickets, schedules and more!

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