

# CHAMBER CHATTER

Waycross - Ware County Chamber of Commerce's Monthly Newsletter



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## About us

### Our Mission

We support the Waycross and Ware County business community as strong advocates for job creation by providing quality networking, meaningful services and business insight to help grow your business and our economy.

### Our Vision

Our vision is to serve as a champion of free enterprise, a catalyst for economic prosperity and a convener for community and business development.



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# MAY CHAMBER EVENTS



Friday, May 5, 2023

Ribbon Cutting | Uncle Wayne's Steak & Barbecue Shack | 485 Augusta Avenue



Tuesday, May 19, 2023

Rise and Shine | Southeastern Credit Union | 1912-F Memorial Drive



Thursday, May 11, 2023

Ribbon Cutting | Second Chance Market | 402 Harrison Street



# MAY CHAMBER EVENTS



Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Ribbon Cutting | Auviously Glam & Tan, LLC | 2505 Plant Avenue, Suite C



Wednesday, May 19, 2023

Ribbon Cutting | Southern Forest World's Mural Project | 1440 N Augusta Avenue



Thursday, May 18, 2023

Business After Hours | Okefenokee Heritage Center | 1460 N Augusta Avenue



# POST LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON

Tuesday, May 23, 2023



The Legislative Luncheon was held with Representative James Burchett, Senator Mark Hodges and Senator Russ Goodman in attendance. We were able to gather information that was shared with us from our legislators on what happened in this past session and how they've been advocating for Rural Georgia. We want to thank our legislators that were able to make it to the event and those that were not able to make it for the outstanding work they are doing for what we call HOME. Special thanks to the Chamber's Governmental Affairs Committee Chair, Trey Shields and the committee for hosting another successful Legislative Luncheon and Incoming Chamber Chairman, Bryan Hartley, for moderating the event.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**JUNE 8 | 11:30 AM**

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

Waycross Bank & Trust Interactive Teller Machine  
501 Tebeau Street | Waycross, GA 31501

**JUNE 9 | 11:00 AM**

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

Sweet Peeks Ultrasound Studio  
960 S City Boulevard, Suite D | Waycross, GA 31501

**JUNE 13 | 7:45 AM**

**Rise and Shine**

Truist  
1807 Knight Avenue | Waycross, GA 31501

**JUNE 15 | 5:00 PM**

**Business After Hours**

Ganas Pecan Company  
1638 Plant Avenue | Waycross, GA 31501

**JUNE 16 | 4:30 PM**

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

Gold Key Auto  
503 Memorial Drive | Waycross, GA 31501

# COMMUNITY EVENT SPOTLIGHT

## Hospice Satilla's 2nd Annual Cowboys for Kids

Saturday, May 27, 2023



Hospice Satilla Junior Board of Directors helped put on the 2nd Annual Cowboys for Kids. There were food vendors, arts & crafts vendors, entertainment, and plenty of activities and games for the kids. The event was held to help raise money for Camp Hope and future events that help out families in our community.

# LEADERSHIP WAYCROSS

## Agriculture Day

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Huge thanks to Bennett Fresh Pak, Sinnal Farms, Aldridge Farms, Ware County High School FFA, AgSouth Farm Credit, and Georgia Forestry Commission for taking the time to speak to Leadership Waycross Class of 2023 and expand their knowledge of the agriculture right here in our community!



# GOLD STAR

## State of the City Address

Friday, May 12, 2023



We have a lot to be proud of in Waycross and much of that pride is due to the leadership of our Mayor and City Commissioners. Under their leadership, we have seen a surge of new businesses entering the city, creating new jobs and opportunities for our citizens. Their tireless efforts to make Waycross a welcoming and supportive place for business have been instrumental in our success, and we are grateful for their partnership and leadership.

## CHAIRMAN'S CLUB MEMBERS



# MAY CHAMBER WRAPPED

## FACEBOOK REACH

53,337 —

## INSTAGRAM REACH

740 —

## FACEBOOK PAGE VISITS

3,615 —

## INSTAGRAM PROFILE VISITS

80 —

## NEW FACEBOOK PAGE LIKES

25 —

## NEW INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS

7 —

## NEW CHAMBER MEMBERS

3 —




## Executive Director's NOTE

by Paige Taylor

The Chamber Staff is actively working on a Chamber App that can be easily accessible to all. This app will list ALL active Chamber Members, contact information, location, etc. We hope to launch this user friendly app next month, so be on the lookout.

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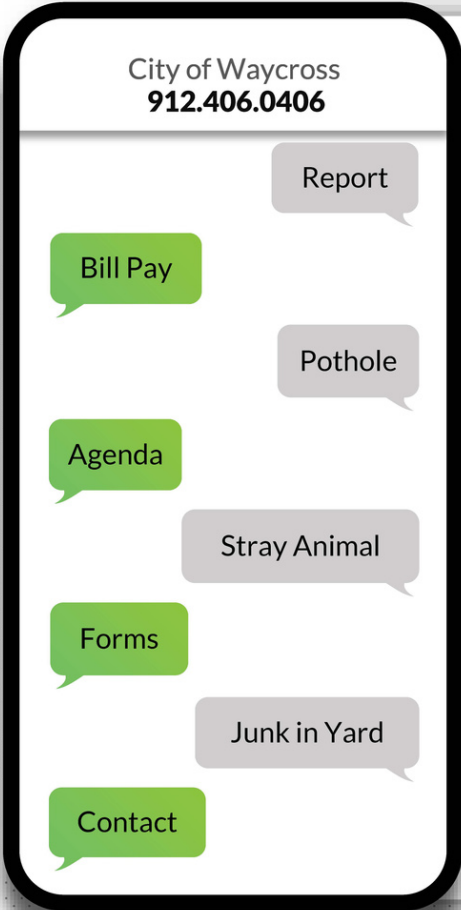
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Get Fast Assistance

# Text the City of Waycross



## Find Information & Report Issues

Skip a phone call and use your mobile phone's text messaging service to quickly access information and report issues.

Simply text the word **Hi** to the city's smart texting number or send a message containing keywords relevant to your request, such as: **TICKET, BUSINESS LICENSE, AUDITORIUM, ALCOHOL LICENSE, CODE VIOLATIONS, WATER LEAK, BARKING DOG, or STREET LIGHT OUTAGE.**

## 24/7 Texting Service

Smart texting technology identifies keywords texted in to provide immediate assistance. It can relay information back to you or guide you through a few steps to submit a report.

## Get Started

Text **Hi** to the City of Waycross at:

# 912.406.0406

Save our number to your phone and text **HI** anytime you need it.

Get updates delivered directly to your phone

[Additional service option](#)

## Sign up to receive city-wide text alerts!

Text **WAYCROSS** to **91896**

### What to Expect:

- After the initial keyword is sent to join the text message notification list, you will receive a confirmation message asking you to reply **YES** to verify opt-in.
- You may receive up to 6 text alert notifications a month. Notifications may include: **Upcoming Events, Meeting Reminders, Road Closures, and Water Leak Information.**
- You can text **STOP** at any time to remove yourself from the notification list.



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