
Jacksonville Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

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June 2010

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 11-12 Green Pastures Christian Performing Arts Camp, 9th – 12th grade \$35. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

June 12 4th Annual Wheelathon, to benefit the Jacksonville Area Center for Independent Living. Registration for participants opens at 9 a.m., opening ceremonies begin at 9:50 a.m. Located at Community Park Center in Community Park – includes the Wheelathon, disability awareness activities, food and fun. Call 245-8371 for more information or www.jacil.org .

June 12 Big Boy Toys, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Morgan County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Food, music, entertainment and vendors that appeal especially to men! Sponsored by the Jacksonville Journal-Courier.

June 12 Patriotic Pops a Salute to the Red White & Blue, a benefit for the Underground Railroad Committee of the Morgan County Historical Society. The event will feature a wine-and-cheese reception on the lawn of Barnes House, the residence of Illinois College's President. Reception starts at 6 p.m., the Capital Chamber Singers with guest soloist Joel Tinsley Hall will perform in Rammelkamp Chapel at 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature a medley of patriotic tunes. Tickets are \$30 and may be purchased in advance at the downtown lobby of the Farmers State Bank & Trust Co. and the Jacksonville Area Convention & Visitors Bureau. Additional information is available by calling 245.3248. All proceeds from the benefit will go toward the continuing renovation of historic Woodlawn Farm.

June 13 Passavant Area Hospital Duck Race for Lifeline, Nichols Park, 2 p.m. Also a miniature duck pond with prizes for children will be available.

June 14 Children's Class – Tots Variety, young artists 3-5 years old, join instructor Kirby Drennan in exploring clay, paints, and drawing. Art Association of Jacksonville/David Strawn Art Gallery, 331 West College. Sessions are 6 weeks, Mondays 9 a.m. – 10 a.m., tuition \$35 members, \$40 non-members. Materials provided by the Art Association of Jacksonville. For more information or to register, call Michelle Hinch 243.4875 or www.strawnartgallery.org .

June 14 Children's Class – Kids Express, young artists 6-9 years old, join instructor Kirby Drennan in learning new variations of drawing, painting and ceramics. Art Association of Jacksonville/David Strawn Art Gallery, 331 West College. Sessions are 6 weeks, Mondays 10 a.m. – 11 a.m., tuition \$35 members, \$40 non-members. Materials provided by the Art Association of Jacksonville. For more information or to register, call Michelle Hinch 243.4875 or www.strawnartgallery.org .

June 14 Children's Class – Pottery, young artists 10-12 years old, join instructor Kirby Drennan in exploring basic techniques of hand-building, introduction to the use of the wheel, continuing techniques for the returning student. Art Association of Jacksonville/David Strawn Art Gallery, 331 West College. Sessions are 6 weeks, Mondays 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., tuition \$35 members, \$40 non-members. Materials provided by the Art Association of Jacksonville. For more information or to register, call Michelle Hinch 243.4875 or www.strawnartgallery.org .

June 17 Adult Pottery with Kirby Drennan, beginning and continuing students explore hand building, use of the wheel, glazing and firing. Art Association of Jacksonville/David Strawn Art Gallery, 331 West College. Sessions are 6 weeks, Thursdays 5 – 7 p.m. or 7 – 9 p.m., tuition \$45 members, \$50 non-members. Materials provided by the Art Association of Jacksonville. For more information or to register, call Michelle Hinch 243.4875 or www.strawnartgallery.org .

June 18-20 General Grierson Days & Historic Celebration, Community Park. Largest mounted Civil War reenactment in the Midwest. Step back in time and experience the life of a Civil War soldier. Visit the Confederate and Union camps. Watch the soldiers drill and prepare for battle, prepare meals and practice medicine. Parades, full period dress grand ball, exhibits, food and of course major battle reenactments. Also, tours of historic homes. For more information, please contact Ron Gray 243.4003.

June 18-19 Green Pastures Christian Performing Arts Camp, 5th – 12th grade \$35. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

June 19 Haunted Jacksonville Tour, walking tour of Jacksonville's most haunted places and featuring the locations that have made Jacksonville famous as "one of the most haunted towns in Illinois". Tour is approximately 3 hours, departs from the Illinois Theater at 7 p.m., \$20 per person. www.illinoishauntings.com or 1.888.446.7859 .

June 22-24 Away to Africa, Exploring the sounds of Africa, part of summer with the Imagine Foundation! Children will learn traditional songs and how to play percussion instruments of Africa. We will make our own percussion instruments and kick off the Children's Drum Circle. Instructor Joel Tinsley-Hall, 1st – 8th grade, 9 a.m. – noon, \$30 per person, contact Imagine 473.2726 to register. Classes held at the Congregational Church, 520 West College Avenue.

June 23-24 & July 1-2 18th Annual Pepsi/Passavant Team Rehab Basketball Shootouts. Illinois College – Bruner Fitness Center. One of the largest shootouts in the nation, 2008 event hosted 108 teams from Illinois, Missouri & Iowa. For more information, contact Todd Sweatman 217.370.2008.

June 25 Juneteenth Meet & Greet, stop by to see old and new friends, location and time tba. For more information, contact Shirlee Pettit 245.5930.

June 25-26 Morgan County Garden Club Flower Show, Strawn Art Gallery. TBA

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June 25-26 American Cancer Society's Tri-County Relay For Life, 6 p.m. – 6 a.m., Jacksonville High School. Come join us in the fight against cancer. For more information, call 245.9504 ext 19 or vi.hutton@elmcity.org .

June 26 6th Annual Jacksonville Juneteenth Celebration, "Celebrate the Spirit of our Heritage," 10 a.m.- 5 p.m., Community Park. Juneteenth observes the end of the Civil War and freedom of the enslaved

African-Americans. The event will feature food, entertainment, crafts, games and style shows. Juneteenth Dance, Saturday evening, details tba. For more information, contact Shirlee Pettit 245.5930.

June 27 Garden Walk, sponsored by Hope Circle of Centenary United Methodist Women at 3 p.m.

June 29-July 1 Sing Out Loud, part of summer with the Imagine Foundation! Have fun while learning vocal technique that will increase your projection and breath support. Children will sing both solo and ensemble. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to come prepared with at least one song already learned with sheet music. Instructor Joel Tinsley-Hall, 1st – 8th grade, 9 a.m. – noon, \$30 per person, contact Imagine 473.2726 to register. Classes held at the Congregational Church, 520 West College Avenue.

WEEKLY/BI-WEEKLY EVENTS

AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary – Weekly Bingo

Open to the public, 6:45 p.m. Every Monday, 210 E. Court, AMVETS hall

Farmers market on the Square, West Douglas in the old Viles lot east of City Hall

Open Wednesdays, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m., through October, free vendor set-up

Sponsored by Jacksonville Main Street - for information, call 245.6884 or www.jacksonvillemainstreet.com

Governor Joseph Duncan Mansion, #4 Duncan Place, Duncan Park

Open Memorial Day to Labor Day, Wednesdays & Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

Illinois School for The Deaf Alumni Association Museum, Building #11 Thomas Officer Hall

2 floors of displays, Monday-Friday 9a.m.-Noon

Jacksonville Farmers Market, at Lincoln Square

Open Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, through October 7 a.m. – Noon or 'til sold out – www.jaxfresh.org

Woodlawn Farm, Underground Railroad Tours, 1463 Gierke Lane, east of Jacksonville

Saturday & Sunday 12 Noon – 4 p.m., Summer Hours

July 3 JHS Class of 1970 Class Reunion, Gee Whillikers, for more information, contact Jan Schumm.

July 3 4th of July Parade, 10 a.m., through historic downtown Jacksonville. Parade begins at Duncan Park, down State Street to Dunlap Court and back up College Avenue. For more information, call Cathy Jo Littleton-Wahl, 245.7051 or 883.1155, or www.jacksonvillerotary.org .

July 4 4th of July Fireworks begin at dusk in Nichol's Park.

July 5-9 Green Pastures Fire in Our Hearts Camp, 5th – 12th grade \$95. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

July 6-8 Painting and Drawing to Music, part of summer with the Imagine Foundation! Learn to draw... learn to paint... learn to do BOTH to music! Instructors Joel Tinsley-Hall and Juan Ramirez, 1st – 8th grade, 9 a.m. – noon, \$30 per person, contact Imagine 473.2726 to register. Classes held at 859 Grove Street.

July 7-11 63rd Annual Morgan County Fair, Morgan County Fairgrounds, 110 N. Westgate, live entertainment, Rodeo with special appearance by yodeler Taylor Ware, live entertainment, carnival, livestock judging and much more. www.themorgancountyfair.com .

July 10 JHS Class of 1985 Class Reunion, Bahan's, for more information, contact Doug Freitag.

July 10 Haunted Jacksonville Tour, walking tour of Jacksonville's most haunted places and featuring the locations that have made Jacksonville famous as "one of the most haunted towns in Illinois". Tour is approximately 3 hours, departs from the Illinois Theater at 7 p.m., \$20 per person. www.illinoishauntings.com or 1.888.446.7859 .

July 13-15 Dance Time! Dancers of all ages and experience levels will enjoy this variety pack of dance. Day 1 – Rhythm, Ripples and Ribbons, Day 2 – Salsa, Day 3 – Line Dance. Instructor Sarah Admire, 1st – 8th grade, 9 a.m. – noon, \$30 per person, contact Imagine 473.2726 to register. Classes held at the Congregational Church, 520 West College Avenue.

July 16-18 Crazy Horse Bluegrass Festival, Crazy Horse Campground, Friday & Saturday performances, Sunday morning gospel show. For more information, call 886.2089 or www.crazyhorsecamp.com .

July 17 Good-Time Cruisers Cruise-in, located at Hardees from 6pm-9pm. Entry free is \$5.00. For more information call 217-320-2459.

July 17 Adult Back to Basics in Drawing, for all levels of students, artist Pat Damsgaard returns teaching techniques in drawing to enhance your skills...an essential for painters and graphite artists. Art Association of Jacksonville/David Strawn Art Gallery, 331 West College. 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., bring a brown bag lunch with drink, tuition \$40 members, \$45 non-members. For more information and supply list or to register, call Michelle Hinchon 243.4875 or www.strawnartgallery.org .

July 18 Wing Fling, hosted by the Junior Irish Football Team. Bogart's, doors open to the public at noon, with a live band starting at 3 p.m. Interested participants can sign-up by calling 492.2703. Proceeds to benefit the Junior Irish Football Team.

July 19-23 Green Pastures Martial Arts Camp, ages 12-19, \$95. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

July 19-23 Green Pastures Science Camp, ages 12-16, \$95. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

July 20-22 The Art and Music of Shakespeare's Time. A festival of music, art, drama and fun, children will learn about Shakespeare's stories and the magic of his time. Instructors Sarah Admire and Joel Tinsley-Hall, 1st – 8th grade, 9 a.m. – noon, \$30 per person, contact Imagine 473.2726 to register. Classes held at 859 Grove Street.

July 22-25 & July 29-Aug 1 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, "Altar Boyz," Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

July 23-24 7th Annual River Country Quilt Show, Jacksonville High School cafeteria, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Quilt displays and demonstrations, vendors and more. Quilters throughout the area are encouraged and invited to exhibit quilts. For more information, contact Sandy Howell 245.2676 or Janet Smith 245.4643.

July 23 Ken Norton Birthday Bash, 6 p.m., Hamilton's 100 N. East, social hour, celebrity appearances, dinner and live auction. The public is invited, advance reservations are required. \$100/person, proceeds will benefit Pathway Services. Sponsored by the Jacksonville Journal-Courier, for more information or reservations, please contact Don Hennessey 217.602.0219.

July 24 1st Annual Illinois Wounded Veteran Benefit, by Leatherneck Veteran Riders of America. Meet at The Pulse, Poker Run open to all vehicles, self-guided, 50/50 drawing, silent auction. Sign-up at 10 a.m. – Return by 4 p.m., band: Captain Geech & the Shrimp Shack Shooters, 8:30 p.m.
www.leatherneckscentralillinois.org .

July 24 JHS Class of 1980 Class Reunion, Pulse Nite Club, for more information, contact Sheryl Hogan.

July 25 3rd Annual Guns-n-Hoses Basketball Games, to benefit the Crisis Center Foundation, Illinois College Bruner Fitness Center.

July 29-30 Robbie McEvers Memorial Golf Tournament, The Links – Nichols Park. This free tournament for junior golfers attracts over 350 players each year.

July 31 South Jacksonville Celebration, at Dewey Park, parade, Little Miss pageant, music, food & entertainment. For more information call 245.4803.

Aug 2 17th Annual McGruff Golf Outing, call 243.1241 for more information or to sign-up your team.

Aug 5 DAR Annual Ice Cream Social, on the lawn of the Governor Duncan Mansion, presented by the Reverend James Caldwell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Suggested donation of \$4 includes cake, ice cream and beverage. All proceeds to benefit the Governor Duncan Mansion, rain date 8/12. For more information, call Loretta 243.2001.

Aug 13-14 Chapin Big Country Days, downtown Chapin, games live entertainment, food, vendors & more.

Aug 13-22 Illinois State Fair, Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, www.agr.state.il.us/isf/

Aug 14 Good-Time Cruisers Cruise-in, located at Sonic Drive-In from 6pm-9pm. Entry free is \$5.00. For more information call 217-320-2459.

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Aug 28 Annual Lawn Party of the Art Association of Jacksonville. Benefits go to the preservation and upkeep of the David Strawn Art Gallery. www.strawnartgallery.org .

Sept 3-6 12th Annual Prairieland Chautauqua, this years theme "American Originals". Presentations by reenactors, musical entertainment and nightly communal suppers highlight this educational and fun event. For more information, contact Dr. Wolf Fuhrig 243.2423.

Sept 4 JHS Class of 1950 Class Reunion, Elks Club, for more information, contact Larry Meyer or Pat Hughes Fay.

Sept 10-11 Green Pastures Rise of the Fall, 5th grade – college, \$20. Registration forms online at www.greenpasturesretreatcenter.org .

Sept 11 Governor Duncan's Neighborhood Walking Tour. Visit historically and architecturally significant home in Jacksonville's Historic District. More information tba.

Sept 11 South Jacksonville Concert Celebration, a large concert featuring a nationally known Country/Western artist to be announced.

Sept 11 JHS Class of 1945 Class Reunion, Hamilton's, for more information, contact Bob Duncan.

Sept 18 Illinois College Family Day, for more information www.ic.edu or call 245.3030.

Sept 18 Be Aware Wellness Fair, 10 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Community Park, promoting health and wellness to the community. 245-2174.

Sept 18 JHS Class of 1955 Class Reunion, Jacksonville Country Club, for more information, contact Sharon Dowland Rice, John Hill or Norma Whitacre.

Sept 24-26 41st Annual Prairie Land Heritage Museum Steam Show & Fall Festival Days. Admission \$5 for the whole weekend, food, old-time demonstrations, HUGE flea market, lots of family fun! For more information, contact Hank Pool 217.245.4905.

Sept 25-26 26th Annual Jacksonville Cruise Weekend Cruise Nite and Car Show, one of the largest cruise nights in Illinois. Watch the cruise on Saturday night and enjoy the large car show on Sunday morning. This event brings in classic and antique autos for a weekend of fun for young and old alike. For more information, call Steve Pahlmann 243.1975.

Sept 28 3rd Annual Celebrating Great Taste Cooking Show, sponsored by the Journal-Courier, Hamilton's 110 N. East. Vendors from West Central Illinois will be sampling, showcasing and selling their products, VIP and general admission tickets available.

Oct 1-2 JHS Class of 1947 Class Reunion, Friday night mixer at the Elks, 6:30 p.m. – appetizers, cash bar. Saturday night social hour at the Elks, cash bar, 6-7 p.m., banquet 7 p.m., \$20 per person. For more information contact: billzell@msn.com .

Oct 2 JHS Class of 1960 Class Reunion, Jacksonville Country Club, for more information, contact Kay & Harry Coop, Jim Robson or Nancy Painter Negus.

Oct 2 "Seasoning Opening Concert," Jacksonville Symphony Society 2010-2011, Illinois College – Rammelkamp Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

Oct 6 Fall Salad Luncheon, Bazaar and Bake Sale from 11a.m.-1p.m., sponsored by Centenary United Methodist Women.

Oct 14-17 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, Neil Simon's "Rumors," Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

Oct 16 Illinois College Homecoming. For more information, visit www.ic.edu or call 245.3030.

Oct 22-24 MacMurray College Homecoming Weekend. For more information, visit www.mac.edu or call the Alumni Office at 479-7030.

Oct 28 WJVO Safe Halloween for Kids, 5-8 p.m. For more details call WJVO 245-5119.

Nov 5 Masquerade Ball, a fun, formal night out sponsored by Jacksonville Main Street. For more information, call 245.6884.

Nov 6 Veterans Day Parade, 11 a.m. at Dewey Park in South Jacksonville. Parade will travel to Community Park.

Nov 13 “Pops Concert,” Jacksonville Symphony Society 2010-2011 Season, Illinois College – Rammelkamp Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

Nov 13 Festa Jaciliana, at Bogart’s, fundraiser benefitting the Jacksonville Area Center for Independent Living. Call 245-8371 for more information.

Nov 13 Jacksonville Holiday Shopping Tour, for more details call WJVO 245-5119.

Dec 1 Governor Duncan Association “Sing A-Long” Located at Hamilton’s Banquet Hall, more information TBA.

Dec 4-5 Pilot Club 27th Annual Holiday Home Walk & Tea. Visit beautifully decorated homes, sponsored by the International Pilot Club of Jacksonville. Various locations throughout Jacksonville, for tickets contact any Pilot Club member, Festival Foods, Family Gardens or Jacksonville Area Chamber of Commerce.

Dec 4 “Christmas Concert,” Jacksonville Symphony Society 2010-2011 Season, Illinois College – Rammelkamp Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

Dec 9-12 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, Irving Berlin’s holiday classic “White Christmas,” Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

2011 Dates

Feb 1 Youth Concerts, Jacksonville Symphony Society, MacMurray College – Annie Merner College, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. For more information call, 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

Feb 17-20 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, Hans Christian Anderson tale “The Emperor’s New Clothes,” Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

March 19 “Spring Concert,” Jacksonville Symphony Society 2010-2011 Season, Illinois College – Rammelkamp Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

March 25-26 Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids’ Sake 2011. Bowl Inn, call 243.3821 to sign-up your team!

April 8 Jacksonville Symphony Jazz Benefit Classic, 7 p.m., Hamilton’s, 110 N. East. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit www.jaxsym.com .

April 28-May 1 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

April 29 Jacksonville Symphony Jazz Benefit Classic. Tickets are available at Festival Foods or by calling 245.1114.

April 30 54th Annual Beaux Arts Ball, major fundraiser for the Art Association of Jacksonville followed by a reception at the David Strawn Art Gallery and dancing at the Jacksonville Country Club.
www.strawnartgallery.org .

May 7 MacMurray College Baccalaureate and Commencement, for more information, www.mac.edu or call 479.7014.

May 7 “Season Finale Concert,” Jacksonville Symphony Society 2010-2011 Season, Illinois College – Rammelkamp Chapel, 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 245.1181 or visit our web site www.jaxsym.com .

May 15 Illinois College Baccalaureate and Commencement, for more information, www.ic.edu or call 245.3030.

June 9-12 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, “Fee, Fi, Fo, Fum,” Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

July 28-31 Jacksonville Theatre Guild, “Footloose,” Sophie Leschin Theatre. For information, show times and tickets, call JTG 245.1402 or www.jaxtg.com .

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