



## Auburn

March 3 - **Auburn Chili Cook-Off** - Ag Heritage Park, Auburn - 10:30 am – 3:00 pm - Guests will have a fun day of sampling chili while sponsors will have a fun day competing and team building, all while benefiting Storybook Farms.

March 24 - **Eggcercise Egg Hunt** - Shelton Little Park - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m - Active Auburn will host the first Eggcercise Easter Egg. Egg hunters of all ages will be able to hunt for eggs and receive prizes, but each egg contains an exercise to be performed. FREE to the public. Children ages 8 and older are welcome with parent participation.

March 29 - **East Alabama Vietnam Veterans Welcome Home Ceremony** - Auburn High School, Auburn – 6:00 – 8:00 pm - Join us this upcoming National Vietnam Veterans Day as we celebrate, honor, and reflect on the service and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans in East Alabama. Guest speakers include Medal of Honor recipients Bennie Adkins and James Livingston along with keynote address by Vietnam War reporter Joe Galloway. Participating Vietnam veterans will be presented with the official 50th anniversary lapel pin and certificate. A choral performance will be included along with a light reception and Vietnam-era military vehicles on display. Family members are welcome to join their veteran.

March 31 - **37th Annual Easter Egg Hunt** - Kiesel Park, Auburn - 10:30 am – 1:00 pm - This is one of the biggest Easter egg hunts in the area with more than 35,000 eggs hidden over a four-acre area. Four "hunting grounds" are available for the following age groups: 3 & under, 4-6, 7-9, & 10-12 years of age.

April 7-8 - **Auburn/Opelika Gun & Hunting Show** - Village Event Center, Opelika – 9:00 am – 4:00 pm - The show will be open for general admission on Saturday from 9am-6pm and Sunday from 10am-4pm. General Admission is \$10.

April 4 - **Glowga Party** - Boykin Community Center – 7:00 to 9:00 pm - Wear your best neon and come get your glow on with 90 minutes of relaxing, stretching and fun! The event will include segments of black light yoga and constant music to get you in the zone for Zen. FREE to the public.

April 7 - **Auburn A-Day** - Jordan-Hare Stadium, Auburn – 1:00 pm.

April 21 - **2018 Auburn Bike Bash** - Richland Elementary School – 8:00 am – Noon -Hosted by the City of Auburn, Auburn Bicycle Committee and Auburn City Schools. Bicycle rides of varying distances will be offered, along with great live music, bicycle inspections, helmet fittings, exhibits, activities for children and a cookout. Visit [www.bikebash.org](http://www.bikebash.org) for more information or to become a sponsor. Questions? Contact Gabby Meredith at 334-501-2946.

April 21 - **Alpha Psi Rodeo** - Ingram Farm, Auburn – 8:00 am – 8:00 pm. For over 57 Years, the Alpha Psi Rodeo has been the largest amateur rodeo and annual philanthropic student event in the Southeast. While widely known around the Southeast as the best party in the SEC, the Alpha Psi Alumni Association has been able to donate over \$750,000 to various Auburn charities including Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine, Storybook Farms and Lee County Special Olympics from direct proceeds of the Alpha Psi Rodeo.

April 26 - **14th Annual Auburn CityFest Juried Art Preview Exhibition & Reception** - Kiesel Park - 5:30-7:30 pm - Enjoy a sneak preview of the works that will be on display during Auburn CityFest 2018 at the Historic Nunn-Winston House on the grounds of Kiesel Park. FREE to the public. The Auburn Arts Association will accept submissions for the show through mid-April. Download an application at [auburncityfest.com](http://auburncityfest.com) and submit your piece today!

April 28 - **Auburn CityFest** - Kiesel Park, Auburn – 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Auburn's largest free outdoor festival. Live music, arts & crafts and fine arts vendors, children's activities, food, and more! CityFest is free to the public and is a rain or shine event.

April 28 - **Bo Bikes Bama** - Auburn Arena, Auburn - 7:30 am – 3:00 pm. Bo Bikes Bama is an annual charity bike ride led by two-sport legend and Alabama native Bo Jackson. Every year, Bo Bikes Bama raises money for the Governor's Emergency Relief Fund, which provides crucial disaster preparedness and emergency management resources for the state of Alabama. There will be two routes offered, a 60-mile ride and a 20-mile ride.

April 30 - **Jason Dufner Foundation's Celebrity Golf Classic** - Auburn University Club, Auburn - The Jason Dufner Foundation focuses on ending childhood hunger in Lee County, Alabama through partnerships with local, regional and national organizations. Currently, the foundation provides weekend food for more than 1,000 children throughout the school year, summer feeding assistance, as well as providing resources and programs to impactful Auburn-

area initiatives such as Our House, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Lee County and the Hunger Solutions Institute at Auburn University.

Thursdays in May - **Sundown Concert Series at Town Creek Park** - Bring the family, a picnic, and your lawn chairs and enjoy a free, relaxing evening of entertainment before the dog days of summer set in. Speaking of...don't forget to bring your favorite four-legged friends! Join us every Thursday evening in May! FREE to the public.

May 12 - **Auburn Running Festival** - Toomer's Corner, Auburn - 7:15 am. Also known as Finish on the Fifty, the Auburn Running Festival is a half marathon, 10K, 5K, and fun run. Due to construction in Jordan-Hare, the races will not finish in the stadium in 2018. The courses will still showcase the Loveliest Village on the Plains.

May 12 - **Play in the Park & Bark in the Park** - Kiesel Park - 9 am. - 2 pm. Active Auburn and Auburn Parks & Recreation are teaming up to combine our Play in the Park and their Bark in the Park events! Dogs can enjoy activities like the costume contest, Doggie Olympics and pooch-related vendors, while you will be able to relive your favorite elementary school activities with a field day in the park! Rescue dogs will be available for adoption as well. FREE to the public. Dogs must be leashed at all times (unless within the Kiesel Dog Park fence).

May 13 - **Tri Chewacla Triathlon** - Chewacla State Park, Auburn – 7:00 am. Tri Chewacla offers both a Sprint and Olympic Distance option. Olympic Distance participants will simply be doing 2 loops of each the swim, bike and run courses.

May 19 - **26th Annual Fishing Rodeo** - Auburn Technology Park, Auburn – 7:00 – 11:00 am - The first 150 children will receive a free rod and reel. Bait will be supplied. There will be door prizes as well as awards for the most fish caught overall and the biggest fish caught in each age category. The cost is \$5 per child.

May 19-20 - **Lee County Master Gardeners Tour** - May 19 from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm and May 20 from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Bi annual tour features 9 private gardens and 2 teaching gardens. For more information, please visit [www.leemg.org](http://www.leemg.org).

May 28 – June 3 - **Bluegrass on the Plains** - University Station RV Resort, Auburn - Times vary - Bluegrass fans will be gathering together on the Auburn Plains to hear music, eat from the many food vendors, and celebrate the Memorial Day week. Winner of the 2013 IBMA Momentum Award for New Festival of the Year. The festival will begin on Monday, May 28 from 2-10 p.m. The festival will continue Tuesday, May 29 - Saturday, June 2 from 11:45 a.m.–11:30 p.m. Music on Sunday, June 3 will run from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## Opelika

March 29 - **Flashlight Egg Hunt** – Moore Stadium, Opelika - 7:30 pm - Grade 3rd- 5th

March 31 - **Easter on Square** – Grade 2nd and under

April 14 - **"A Rocket in a Railroad Town"** Documentary Premier - Monkey Park, Opelika - 5 pm - The 45-minute film tells the story of the Rocket's history and the restoration process that brought it back to its current condition.

April 20 - **On The Tracks** - Historic Downtown Opelika – 6:00 – 11:00 pm. This wine trail draws hundreds to downtown Opelika twice a year to enjoy a fun night of food and wine tasting.

April 24 - **6th annual Taste of the Town** - Museum of East Alabama, Opelika – 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm – Enjoy an entertaining evening with fabulous food with 16 of the area's best restaurants and two wineries at the Museum of East Alabama in downtown Opelika. A silent auction will feature a variety of items and packages. Tickets are \$25 and are available at the museum.

May 5 - **Garden in the Park** - Opelika Municipal Park, Opelika – 8:00 am – 3:00 pm. Arts and craft festivals with a variety of vendors, children's activities, and live entertainment will be showcased. All items sold are handmade or homegrown. Children enjoy inflatables, Rocky Brook Rocket rides, planting a tree seedling,

Farmer Brown Party Animals and Home Depot building kits. Live entertainment is provided by local schools and dance groups. Delicious food is sold throughout the day. There is no charge for admissions into Garden in the Park.

May 19 - **44th Annual Old Car Show** - USA Town Center, Opelika – 8:00 am – 3:30 pm. Dash plaques awarded to first 50 entries. Judged classes thru 1998.

## Phenix City

The following events are brought to you by Phenix City Parks and Recreation and Phenix City Russell County Convention and Visitors Bureau.

November 30 - **Christmas Fireworks Show** at The Phenix City Amphitheater – 7:30 pm EST. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. and will conclude with a fabulous fireworks show over the beautiful Chattahoochee River. Admission is free. Located at 508 Dillingham Street.

## Waverly

April 21 - **18th Annual Old 280 Boogie** - Standard Deluxe, Waverly – 11:00 am – 8:00 pm – For more info and tickets, please visit [www.standarddeluxe.com/live-music/](http://www.standarddeluxe.com/live-music/)

If you would like to submit an upcoming event, please send information to [amy@eastalabamaliving.com](mailto:amy@eastalabamaliving.com).