

### JUNE & JULY 2023 Jackson County Chamber Happenings

We had a nice July 4th event, albeit a bit foggy and rainy. No one died, the mountain didn't catch on fire, and everyone seemed to have a great time. We have fielded lots of questions this summer from guests who plan to relocate to Jackson County, as well as new residents who are looking for housing. Our apartment/loft list has been very popular, and it has been terrific to hear back from new residents that they did find an apartment and have called or visited again to let us know (and sometimes have more questions about things). It might be interesting for you to know that some of our new neighbors are employed by the hospital, casino, the DOT, local restaurants, school system, assisted care facilities, and WCU. Our Jackson County tote bags were a big hit and we sold out of the first 100 and printed another run of 100. We also have new framed prints of the design available for \$20. The Pinnacle Park log book continues to be popular and while not every hiker wants their photo made and posted on our social media pages, they are all very willing to sign the book. The 107 project continues and our role as Grant Administrator has picked up, with a total of 18 grants disbursed thus far. We are working diligently to update our vacancy list of available rental spaces and provide business owners with opportunities. The Chamber's annual golf tourney is August 30th - thought I would share the Championship Belt that the winning team gets to strut around in.

Phone calls: 516
Guests Served:
1854
Direct Inquiries:
2153

Visitor Guides to Welcome Centers: 1596

VG Local Lodging and businesses: 300

**Fly Fishing Maps-450** 

STIR – August 24th at Innovation Station

Chamber and Hooper
House Paver Project is
happening! We are
celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup>
anniversary – buy a paver!

#### Jackson County Chamber and Visitor Center Inquiry and Analytic Report - 2020

|                       | Jan | Feb  | Mar  | Apr | May  | Jun  | Jul  | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | YTD Totals |
|-----------------------|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Source                |     |      |      |     |      |      |      |     |     |     |     |     |            |
| Facebook              | 54  | 44   | 56   | 33  | 40   | 51   | 41   |     |     |     |     |     | 319        |
| Flyfishingtrail.com   | 70  | 98   | 39   | 67  | 76   | 46   | 90   |     |     |     |     |     | 486        |
| Friend                | 14  | 19   | 8    | 4   | 9    | 11   | 17   |     |     |     |     |     | 82         |
| Google Search         | 40  | 31   | 33   | 25  | 23   | 19   | 31   |     |     |     |     |     | 202        |
| NCTroutCapital.com    | 53  | 63   | 20   | 55  | 42   | 44   | 48   |     |     |     |     |     | 325        |
| discoverjacksonnc.com | 716 | 1096 | 912  | 605 | 784  | 856  | 818  |     |     |     |     |     | 5787       |
| VisitNC.com           | 0   | 0    | 1    | 1   | 0    | 0    | 0    |     |     |     |     |     | 2          |
| WCU                   | 2   | 8    | 3    | 6   | 15   | 16   | 9    |     |     |     |     |     | 59         |
| Blue Ridge Parkway    | 17  | 38   | 37   | 46  | 44   | 26   | 30   |     |     |     |     |     | 238        |
| Blue Ridge Country    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0    |     |     |     |     |     | 0          |
| Monthly Total         | 966 | 1397 | 1109 | 842 | 1033 | 1069 | 1084 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   |     | 7,500      |
| Dining Guide          | 366 | 1962 | 690  | 520 | 675  | 710  | 1050 |     |     |     |     |     | 5,973      |
| Our Town              | 0   | 116  | 515  | 240 | 102  | 145  | 160  |     |     |     |     |     | 1278       |

# The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce invites you to the next





# Thursday Aug. 24 5-6:30 pm

www.mountainlovers.com

## **Hosted by our members at the**

# Rotary Club of Sylva, N.C.

At Innovation Station at 40 Depot Street, Dillsboro, NC



 One complimentary beverage, courtesy of the Rotary Club of Sylva

\* Cash bar afterward

- Complimentary snacks/appetizers
  - Come prepared to learn more about Rotary Club membership
    - Enter to win door prizes
    - Networking with members

### RSVP

by 5 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 21 by calling the chamber at 828-586-2155 or emailing JacksonChamberTeam@gmail.com