

# 2012 Calendar of Events

**Thomaston-Upson  
Chamber of Commerce**  
110 West Main Street  
P.O. Box 827  
Thomaston, GA 30286  
706-647-9686

**Abbreviations Used:** DAC-Downtown Action Committee;  
TUBA-Thomaston-Upson Business Association; TUAC-  
Thomaston/Upson Arts Council; TUA- Thomaston/Upson  
Archives; T-U COC-Thomaston/Upson Chamber of Commerce;  
ULHS -Upson Lee High School; ULMS-Upson Lee Middle  
School; UHS-Upson Historical Society; URM-Upson Regional  
Medical Center  
*All phone numbers listed are in 706 area code, unless otherwise  
noted. All activities take place in Thomaston unless noted.*

## ON-GOING EVENTS

### Upson County Extension Service /647-8989

\*Farmers Market- *Locally grown Produce*

(Mid June - Mid Oct.)

**T-U Archives /646-2437** \*Local Tours *Self-guided driving*

*Tours Self-guided walking tours* (downtown)

### Hightower Memorial Library /647-8649

\*Pre-School Story time (Wednesdays 10:30a.m.)

\*Vacation Reading Club (summer break)

### Historical Society/646-2437

\*Meeting and Program

4<sup>th</sup> Monday Jan-May; Sept.-Dec.

7:00 p.m. T-U Archives

### Yatesville Library /472-3048

\*Family Story Time

\*Summer Vacation Reading Program

*Performers, entertainment, activities*

## JANUARY

- 5 **Elvis Presley: Tribute to the King**  
Ritz Theatre 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15  
647-5372 or 647-1605 or tuac.com
- 16 **Martin Luther King Day Celebration**  
11:00 a.m. Memorial Service-Courthouse Square  
12 p.m. Keynote Speaker-ULMS Gym
- 12 **Relay for Life Kick-Off**  
URMC Auditorium 7:00 p.m.
- 23 **Upson Doctor John Walter Suggs (1829-1907)**  
By: Robert McGowan Suggs III  
T-U Archives Conference room 7:00 p.m.  
Free Program
- 26 **ULHS Prom Fashion Show**  
R.E. Lee Auditorium 7 pm
- 27-28 **Middle Georgia Steer and Heifer Show**  
**West Georgia Steer and Heifer Show**  
Vo-Ag Barn, ULHS 647-8989
- 29 **TUAC Atlanta Brass**  
2 pm R.E. Lee Auditorium

## FEBRUARY

- 4 **Kiwanis Club Pancake Day**  
ULMS Commons Area 7:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.  
Tickets \$3 (available at the door) 647-6211
- 11 **Miss Upson-Lee Pageant – ULHS**  
R.E. Lee Auditorium 647-9621
- 20-21 **Winter Break (Schools Closed)**

## FEBRUARY

- 22 **Sun's Up Breakfast**  
Guest Speaker: Todd Long with GDOT  
Topic: TSPLOST, URM Auditorium 7:30 am
- 27 **UHS Program 7 pm Free Program**  
T-U Archives

## MARCH

- 1 **ULMS & ULHS Bands Concert**  
6:30 pm ULHS Commons Area
- 17 **SCTC Foundation Gala**  
202 Park Lane 6:00 p.m. \$200 per couple
- 17 **TUA Glenwood Cemetery Community  
Workshop and Tour**  
Free with sign-up
- 20 **Business After Hours**  
Hosted by Workforce Development  
104 North Center Street, Thomaston  
5 – 6:30 pm
- 19-23 **Kindergarten Registration for 2012-2013**  
26-27 (Appointment Required)
- 26 **UHS Program 7 pm Free Program**  
T-U Archives
- 28 **Business Open Golf Tournament – Raintree**  
Golf Course / T-U Chamber of Commerce  
10:30 a.m. Chipping and Putting Contest  
11:00 a.m. Tee Time  
647-9686
- TBA **Thomaston Upson Jr. Miss Program**  
Civic Center 7:00 p.m.  
Admission: \$8 (available at the door) 975-7543

## APRIL

- 2-6 **Spring Break (Schools Closed)**
- 6-7 **5<sup>th</sup> Annual BBQ and Bluegrass Festival**  
“Smoke on The Water” Bickley’s Lake  
Gates open: Fri. 4:00 p.m. / Sat. 11 a.m.  
[www.sotwfestival.com](http://www.sotwfestival.com)
- 7 **Spring Cleaning Yard Sale – DAC**  
Greatest Generation Memorial Park  
6:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 647-4242
- 9 Drawing for Big Green Egg
- 11 **Sun's Up Breakfast**  
Guest Speaker: Depart. Of Labor Commissioner  
Noon, URM Auditorium
- 20-21 **Relay for Life**  
Location: Greatest Generation Park  
7:00 p.m. – 7:00 a.m.  
Debbie Lord – 706-646-2382
- 21 **ULHS Prom Civic Center 647-9621**
- 23 **UHS Program 7 pm Free Program**  
T-U Archives
- TBA **Annual Cancer Survivors' Reception**  
URMC Auditorium 6:30 p.m.  
647-8111
- TBA **Easter Eggstravaganza** The Rock Ranch  
Free egg hunt 647-6374 or  
[www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)
- TBA **Egg Hunt – DTBA/TUAC**  
Greatest Generation Memorial Park  
(Time TBA) 647-1605

## MAY

- 1 **Underclassman Honors Night**  
ULHS Gym 7 pm

## MAY

- 2 **Senior Honors Night**  
ULHS Gym 7 pm
- 4-5 **R.U.S.H Weekend Youth Conference**  
The Rock Ranch  
[www.rushministries.com](http://www.rushministries.com)
- 12 **Dance Recital**- Armstrong School of Dance  
Civic Center Tickets \$3 (available at the door)  
647-2725
- 19 **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Canoe & Kayak Poker Float**  
T-U Chamber of Commerce  
Sprewell Bluff Outdoor Recreation Area  
647-9686
- 19 **ULHS Chorus Concert**  
ULHS
- 25 **Students' Last Day of School**
- 25 **ULHS Graduation** Matthews Field  
8:00 p.m. 647-9621
- 26 **Emancipation Proclamation Day**  
11:00 a.m. Lincoln Park Speaker Grounds  
Parade\*Entertainment\*Crafts\*Food Vendors  
770-584-0064

## JUNE

- 12 **Business After Hours**  
Armstrong School of Dance, Potting Shed &  
Ransom Note & Gifts – 5-6:30 pm
- 23 **Celebrate America** The Rock Ranch  
[www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com) 647-6374
- (TBA) **Summer Art Camp TUAC**  
Thomaston-Upson Civic Center  
647-1605 tuac.com

## JULY

- 3-29 **Fun in the Summertime** The Rock Ranch  
(Tues.-Sat.) 647-6374  
[www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)
- TBA **Summer Theatre Camp**  
R.E. Lee Auditorium  
647-1605 [www.tuac.com](http://www.tuac.com)

## AUGUST

- 22 Tentative Date for Legislative Luncheon
- TBA **2011 Boobie Ball**  
S.U.P.P.O.R.T.'s (cancer patients fund)  
4:00 p.m. –midnight Tickets: \$10

## SEPTEMBER

- 6 **2011 Business Expo**  
T-U COC, Civic Center 3 -6:00 p.m.  
647-9686
- 24 **UHS Program 7 pm Free Program**  
T-U Archives
- 27 **Business After Hours**  
Hosted by Tidal Wave & SS Blackstock  
5-6:30 pm
- 29 **Boss Hog BBQ Cook Off & Car Show**  
DAC - Greatest Generation Memorial Park  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- TBA **Prostate Screening** URM  
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. 647-8111
- TBA **Fall Family Fun Days** The Rock Ranch  
[www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)647-6374
- TBA **Solstice Fall Event TUAC**  
647-1605

## OCTOBER

- 22 **UHS Program 7 pm Free Program**  
T-U Archives
- 27-28 **Chitlin' Hoedown Festival**  
Parade\*Arts/Crafts\*Food Vendors  
Yatesville 706-472-3210
- 27 **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Smoke on the Water Chili Cook-off** - Bickley's Lake
- TBA **Fall Family Fun Days** The Rock Ranch  
647-6374 [www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)
- TBA **Rob Bennett Memorial Golf Tournament**  
Sertoma Club 656-9700

## NOVEMBER

- 1 **66<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner and Awards Banquet**  
T-U Chamber of Commerce 647-9686  
Civic Center
- 3 **Upson County Health Fair**  
Civic Center
- 10 **Veterans' Day Program** NJROTC  
11:00 a.m. Courthouse Square
- 20 **Silent Cake Auction** Rotary Club  
URMC Auditorium (*tentative*)  
Debra Daniel 647-5426
- 22 **Santa on the Square** TUBA  
6:00 p.m. - until everyone has seen Santa
- 24 **Christmas Parade** DTBA  
Downtown (begins at dark)
- 29 **Victorian Christmas**  
Downtown Thomaston
- TBA **Sun's Up on Upson Business Breakfast**  
Upson Farm Bureau, Ag South, The Rock Ranch  
T-U Chamber of Commerce 647-9686
- TBA **Upson READ Trivia Bee**  
SCTC Adult Education Dept  
Melissa Gordon 646-6162
- TBA **Fall Family Fun Days The Rock Ranch**  
647-6374 [www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)

## DECEMBER

- 1 **Holiday Lights**  
*Christmas Lane Opens*  
"R" Street Lights Open At Dark
- 2 **Christmas Tour of Homes**  
Sertoma Women of Thomaston  
Tickets \$20 1– 6:00p.m. 975-9437
- 8-31 **A Country Christmas in Lights**  
*Christmas Lights Drive-Through*  
647-6374 [www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)
- 8 **Christmas Dance Recital** Armstrong School of  
Dance - Civic Center 647-2725
- TBA **Business After Hours** – Hosted by URM  
EMS facility - 5-6:30 p.m.
- TBA **Journey to the Manger** The Rock Ranch  
FREE event 647-6374 [www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)
- TBA **Victorian Christmas and Open House**  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Courthouse Square
- TBA **Breakfast with Santa** The Rock Ranch  
647-6374 [www.therockranch.com](http://www.therockranch.com)

If you are a Chamber Member and you have events that you would like to post on our community calendar, please contact Lori Smith at 706-647-9686.