

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN POLK COUNTY

APRIL 2025

WELCOME CENTER

SATURDAY | APRIL 19 | 9AM-12PM

EGG HUNT AT THE WELCOME CENTER



April 19 | 9AM – 12PM
Egg Hunt

Bring your kids to our Egg Hunt at the Welcome Center! We will have 3 hunts for each of the three age groups and fun games and activities for the kids in between. Join us for a fun filled day!



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FESTIVALS & EXPOS

April 1 – 6
SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo
4075 James C Ray Dr., Lakeland

April 5 – 6 | 10AM – 2PM
Bloom @ Bonnet Springs Park
400 Bonnet Springs Blvd. Lakeland

April 12 | 3PM – 9PM
Auburndale CityFest
N Bartow Ave, Auburndale

CAR

April 5 | 4PM
Lake Wales Car Show
20 N Market St, Lake Wales

April 4, 11, & 18 | 5PM – 8:30PM
Lakeland Cruisers Cruise Night
997 E Memorial Blvd, Lakeland

April 19 | 7AM
Bartow Cars and Coffee
5993 Airport Blvd, Bartow

April 30 | 6PM
JEEP Night @ CRAVE
2250 Griffin Rd, Lakeland

ARTS & CULTURE

April 3
Access Art: Special Needs
800 E Palmetto St, Lakeland

April 19 | 10AM – 4PM
863 Art Fest
469 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

SPORTS

April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29
Lakeland Runners Club – Kids Run Club @ Bonnet Springs Park
400 Bonnet Springs Blvd. Lakeland

April 5 | 7AM – 9AM
Carillon Classic 5k presented by AdventHealth @ Bok Tower Gardens
1151 Tower Blvd, Lake Wales

April 5 | 7AM
SUN 'n RUN 5K @ SUN 'N FUN
3900 Don Emerson Dr, Lakeland

April 8 – 13
Central Florida 2025 Hyundai Archery World Cup Stage 1
2701 Lake Myrtle Park Rd, Auburndale

April 28 – May 3
Homeschool World Series
2701 Lake Myrtle Park Rd, Auburndale

FOOD

April 5 | 10AM – 3PM
Spring Fling & BBQ Competition in Downtown Bartow
180 S Central Ave, Bartow, FL 33830

April 6 | 12PM
Songkran Thai Festival & Thai Food Market
302 3rd St SW, Winter Haven

April 19 | 1PM
Taco Festival
3800 US Hwy 98 N, Lakeland

FAMILY FUN

April 12 |
Spring Plant Sale @ Bok Tower Gardens
1151 Tower Blvd, Lake Wales

April 12 | 9AM – 1PM
World of Reading Festival @ Barnett Family Park
730 E. Orange St., Lakeland

April 19 | 11:30AM
Spring Cupcake Decorating @ Bonnet Springs Park
400 Bonnet Springs Blvd. Lakeland

SEASONAL

April 12 | 10AM – 2PM
AUS Senior Living @ Bartow Community Easter Egg Hunt
290 N Idlewood Ave., Bartow

April 12 | 10AM – 12PM
Easterific
72 Lake Morton Dr., Lakeland

April 12 | 10AM
Bartow Ford Easter Egg Hunt
2800 US-98, Bartow

April 19 | 11AM – 1PM
Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt
6950 Eloise Loop Rd, Winter Haven

April 19 | 10AM – 12:30PM
Easter Brunch @ Camp Margaritaville
361 Denton Ave, Auburndale

MUSIC & THEATRE

Tribute Tuesday @ the Ritz Theatre

April 8: Tribute to Jimmy Buffett
April 15: Tribute to Billy Joel
April 22: Tribute to The Rolling Stones

Fine Arts Festival @ Florida Southern

April 4 – 13: The Little Dog Laughed
April 4 – 6: Operatunities: A Scenes Program
April 9: FSC Jazz Program Highlights Vol. 2
April 12: La Musique: Featuring Saint-Saëns Organ Symphony and The Fauré Requiem
April 16: Spring Symphony Band Concert
April 22: Earth Day Concert

March 13 – April 6

Waitress @ Theater Winter Haven
210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven

March 28 – April 16

Vintage Hitchcock: A Live Radio Play @ Lake Wales Little Theater
411 N 3rd St, Lake Wales

April 2 | 6:30PM

At The Drive-IN @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

April 4 – 6

Beyond EDM 2025 @ Westgate River Ranch
3200 River Ranch Boulevard, River Ranch

April 5 | 11:30AM

Peace of Woodstock @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

April 11 | 7:30PM

Artists for Artists Benefit @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

April 11 | 7PM – 10PM

Live Music by B Haven @ Camp Margaritaville
361 Denton Ave, Auburndale

April 12 | 11:30AM

Bands with Horns @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

April 16 | 6:30PM

Steamboat Lillie with Katie Pinder Brown @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

April 18 – 19

Seussical Jr. -The Penguin Project @ Theater Winter Haven
210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven

April 25 | 7PM – 10PM

Live Music by the Josh Blevins Band @ Camp Margaritaville
361 Denton Ave, Auburndale

April 26 | 3PM – 8PM

Earth Day Celebration and Concert with Remedy Tree @ Bok Tower Gardens
1151 Tower Blvd, Lake Wales

April 30 | 6:30PM

Soul, Sass, and Brass @ The Ritz Theater
263 W Central Ave, Winter Haven

POLK COUNTY



Avelo has flights from Lakeland (LAL) to many fun and new destinations! You can fly to New Haven, CT; Rochester, NY; Manchester, NH; Wilmington, DE; Concord/Charlotte, NC; San Juan, PR; & Nashville, TN! Flights to Long Island, NY; & Grand Rapids MI start in June.

MARKETS & CRAFTS

Artisan Market: Every 2nd Sunday at Lakeside Village, Lakeland | 12PM – 5PM

Bartow Antique & Collectibles Market: Every 2nd Saturday in Downtown Bartow | 8AM – 1PM

Brew Hub Night Market: Lakeland | Monthly, check site for dates | 6PM

Buena Market: Lakeland pop up market | Check site for more information

Dixieland Night Market: Every 2nd Friday | Union Hall, Lakeland | 6PM – 11PM

International Market World: Every Friday-Sunday in Auburndale | 8AM – 4PM

Lake Wales Farmers Market: Every 2nd and 4th Saturday | 9AM – 1PM

Lake Wales Third Thursday Market: Every 3rd Thursday in Downtown Lake Wales | 4PM – 7PM

Lakeland Farmers' Curb Market: Every Saturday in Munn Park, Downtown Lakeland | 8:30AM – 1PM

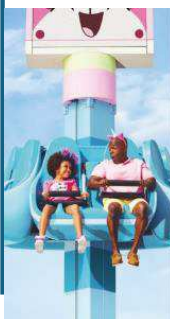
Moonlight Market at Grove Roots Brewing Co.: Winter Haven | 6PM | Check site for dates

Paradise Market at Camp Margaritaville: Auburndale | Select Sundays | 9AM – 2PM

Sunset Market at Balmoral Event Center | Check site for dates.

Winter Haven Farmers Market: Every Saturday in Downtown Winter Haven | 8:30AM – 11AM

Winter Haven Saturday Market: Every 2nd & 4th Saturday in Central Park | 9AM – 3PM



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REOCCURRING EVENTS

TUESDAYS

Story Time: Florida Air Museum | Tuesdays | 10AM

Tasty Tuesdays: Downtown Lakeland | 4:30PM-9PM | Every 3rd Tuesday

Trivia Tuesdays: Grove Roots Brewing Co., Winter Haven | 6:30PM- 8PM | Every Tuesday

WEDNESDAYS

Family Game Night: Bonnet Springs Park Rooftop Bar | 5PM-8PM | FREE | Every 1st Wednesday

THURSDAYS

After Hours at the Museum & Curator Tour: Polk Museum of Art | 4PM-8PM | The museum hosts a curator tour at 6PM | Every 1st Thursday

Cookies & Convos: Florida Air Museum | 6PM-7PM | Speaker on aviation/aerospace | Aimed ages 7-10 | Every 1st Thursday

Lakeland Food Truck Rally: Munn Park, Lakeland | 6PM | Every 2nd Thursday

FRIDAYS

Bartow Friday Fest: Downtown Bartow Main St. | 6PM-9PM | Every 3rd Friday

First Fridays: Munn Park, Lakeland | 6PM-9PM | The 1st Friday of the month

Gallery Perspectives: Ashley Gibson Barnett Museum of Art | 12PM-1PM | An expert gives an in-depth overview a current exhibition. | Every 2nd Friday

Lake Wales Live Series: Music in Downtown Lake Wales | 5PM-8:30PM | Select Fridays

Winter Haven First Friday: Downtown Winter Haven | 6PM | Every 1st Friday

SATURDAYS

Birding on the Boardwalk: Bonnet Springs Park | Every 1st Saturday | 10AM

Caffeine and Gasoline: Bonnet Springs Park | 8AM | Every 1st Saturday

Docent Led Tours: AGB Museum of Art: | 11AM-12PM | Registration is required. | Every 1st & 3rd Saturday

Downtown Lake Wales History Walking Tour: Lake Wales History Museum | 10AM | 90 Minute Tour | Reservations Required | Every 3rd Saturday

Family Nature Walks: Bonnet Springs Park | 9:30AM | Mile long guided hike. | Every 1st Saturday

History Center Architectural Tour: Polk County History Center | 11AM | Every 3rd Saturday

Lake Wales History Bus Tour: Lake Wales History Museum | 10AM | 90 Minute Tour | Reservations Required | Every 1st Saturday

Nuts about Nature: Bonnet Springs Park | 10AM | Every 2nd Saturday

Community Marketplace: 9120 Teacher Lane | Every 2nd Saturday