



Main Street Monday!

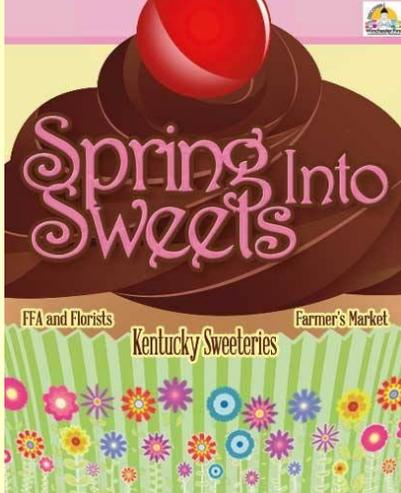
April 7, 2015

Happenings Around the State

WINCHESTER

Visit downtown Winchester for free samples, and family fun!

April 25 12-4pm



Lots from Paducah!

I love their retreat mask art. I can teach you how to do that with your board or I'll come do it with you! I would love to do this at one of our state conferences! Who's game??? Lets do this

The Paducah Main Street Board and Director, Melinda Winchester took a little retreat after their Board Meeting yesterday. They will be part of Char Down's 10th Anniversary Art Show!



“Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.”

Watch this 5 minute Paducah View episode to learn about the various programs through the City available for businesses and building owners in the downtown area. https://youtu.be/5Ft6_GHCqsg



Scenes from the Paducah's Main Street Appreciation Dinner held at [Shandies](#). Main Street folks sure love to eat :)

They're coming to Covington!!! These are the best bikes ever! What a great way to enjoy our wonderful downtown communities! Bellevue may be next. Contact Katie Meyer to see how they did this and how you might get them for your community! I want one for myself!

HOME / COVINGTON



Covington Scores Funding for 5, Maybe 6 Red Bike Stations



STAY AWAY FROM NEGATIVE PEOPLE. THEY HAVE A PROBLEM FOR EVERY SOLUTION.



It's never too early to start thinking about July 2015 and Independent Retailer Month. Make your plans by visiting www.indieretailermonth.com for **FREE** marketing materials plus promotional and event ideas! You can also list the indie retailers in your community in the online shopping guide for FREE. This would be a nice project for your promotions committee! With free info and help :)



Main Street Monday is celebrating its first anniversary! March 31, 2014 the first edition of MSM made it's way to your inbox. It has grown to provide information to many across the state on all the wonderful things our Main Street communities are doing and opportunities for them to become involved. We'd love your thoughts about MSM and always welcome your news, events, photos, etc. to share with our readers! Happy Anniversary MSM.

Toot Your Horn!



Congratulations to Darlene Gooch, Director of Main St Russellville. She was named by the Logan Co. Chamber of Commerce as the Logan Co. Volunteer of the Year!!!





National Main Street Center

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Scenes and information from the National Main Street Conference!



Georgia Coordinator, Billy Peppers & NMSC director, Patrice Frey kicked off the conference after the coordinators meeting.

Oakland is a preserved Victorian Cemetery in downtown Atlanta and the final resting place of Margaret Mitchell, Bobby Jones, and others. It is also a city arboretum. Lots of opulence here also.

Pictured below are all of the coordinators that were in attendance. We had a great two days of meetings. Some may be familiar to you if you have been in MS for a while



- Kentucky Director Attendees included
- Samantha Brady-Bardstow
- Jody Robinson –Bellevue
- Donna Logsdon-Campbellsville
- Sam Burgess-Carrollton
- Katie Meyer-Covington
- Megan Funk-Georgetown
- Julie Wagner– Harrodsburg
- Beth Strawn– Henderson
- Isaac Kremer– Middlesboro
- Lori Puchino-Mt. Washington
- Melinda Winchester-Paducah
- Vicki Goode– Perryville
- Minta Trimble-Pikeville
- Eilene Collins-Shelbyville

We also had 5 to 8 additional KY attendees who were board members, family members or other KY organizations. We were well represented!

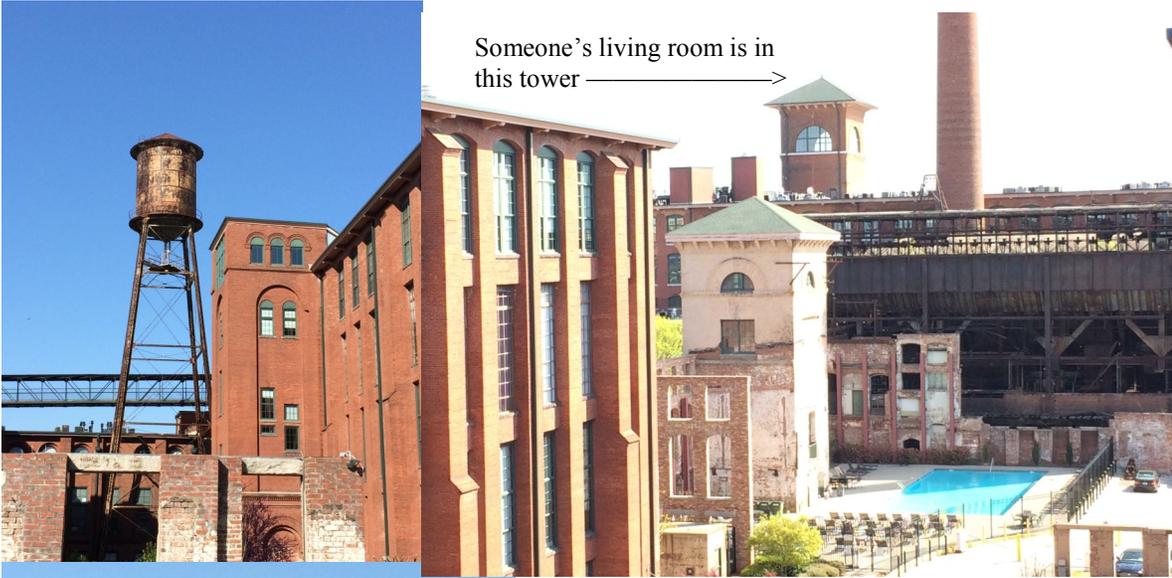


Samantha Brady-Bardstow & Vicki Goode-Perryville prepare for the day!



It was a packed house for a session on Tactical Urbanism presented by Isaac Kremer-Middlesboro

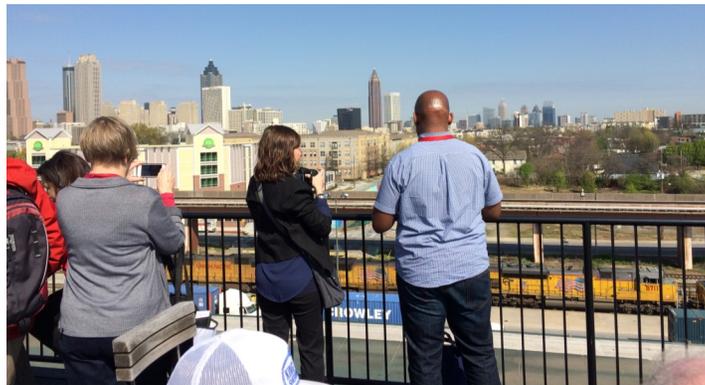
On Tuesday I toured a redevelopment of the Fulton Cotton Mill. It is amazing! I could see this tower and building from my Sunday afternoon visit to the cemetery and had no idea that it was a development. They maintained the industrial items, original beams & floors, etc. The building contains 80-90 different floor plans and everyone from young entrepreneurs to families and well seasoned adults live here. It is in the Cabbagetown district of downtown Atlanta.



Someone's living room is in this tower →



← One of my favorite features was this wall. It is the backdrop for the outdoor pool



The view from the rooftop patio →



This is a 2 bedroom, 1,250 square foot apartment. It rents for \$1650 a month, and a view of downtown Atlanta out those windows.

Another redevelopment in Monroe, GA was amazing. It featured a restaurant/event venue downstairs and a keyless boutique hotel upstairs. This idea would be great in our downtowns. Visitors have an entry code to enter the hotel and they have access to a small kitchen that is shared at the end of this hallway and the rooms are on the right of the large hallway. . They too repurposed a lot of the original fixtures.



What to do with the remnants of an old bank on Main Street after a fire? Make a pocket park of course! That is the bank vault that remained.



Keep your eyes peeled for this! I love it and want one! Seriously! This was in Swallow Hill B&B where we had lunch, another restored property & event space in Monroe.



Another event space in Monroe. This building also houses several antique shops. Monroe is the antique capital of Georgia and all because a few redevelopment projects took place and as they say, one thing led to another. One antique mall shop opened which led to another shop and another and so it goes. (but no Scarlett lamp to be had) of course we did not spend much time in shops, but in this wonderful spaces with the owners.



Kentucky was well represented at Monday afternoon's opening plenary held in the beautiful Fox theatre! We were joined by Les Roll & Nicole Justian from MACED, one of our partners in Eastern KY.



Tuesday: Donna Logsdon-Campbellville, Sam Burgess-Carrollton, & Eilene Collins-Shelbyville, enjoy some time at the Expo Reception and we found our friend, Julie Turnipseed who is now in Missouri.

On Tuesday we enjoyed our state dinner at the Juke Joint! Great food and live music!



After dinner many of us went to the World of Coke museum where Eilene and I made a new friend!



The conference was held at the Omni CNN center. We tried hard to get there to talk about how great Main Street is, but alas we could not get past security.

Just a few more photos on page 8. We did go to a lot of classes, but those photos aren't near as exciting.

More to love in the Cov. Scenes taken during NKY Restoration week-end in downtown Covington. Public art is a wonderful thing!

Sometimes you just find things that are too cool not to share!

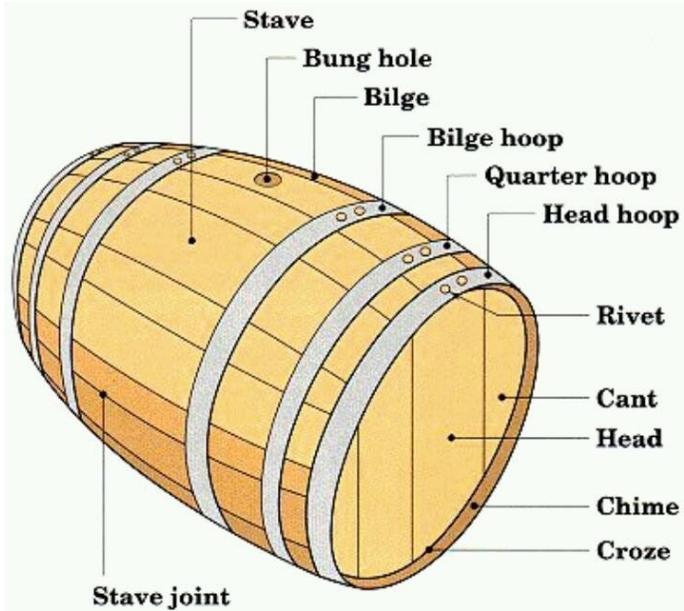


IT'S NOT A BIRD. I could not resist sharing it. This parrot is in fact a female model who posed for Johannes Stötter, a fine art body painter. Using breathable paint, he spent hours painstakingly turning this woman into the image of a parrot, brushstroke by brushstroke. The model's arm forms the parrot's head and beak, and her legs form the wing and tail feathers.

Remember: always take a closer look as things aren't always what they appear to be. Once you see her, the bird disappears



If someone tries to rain on your parade, poke them with your umbrella!



The Derby is fast approaching and visitors will be flocking to the state to see not only fine horses and beautiful hats but to partake in the elixir of the Commonwealth. So to help you be knowledgeable of those barrels that we prefer to put summer flowers in here's a little diagram to help you know the parts of the barrel. You can also visit Lebanon, KY to see them manufactured and take in several distilleries, but some great Kentucky Main Street communities!

WEBINARS: [Tomorrow, Wednesday, April 8th](#) Ohio Heritage will present a webinar expert [Melinda Huntley](#) on Top 10 Tourism Tips at 1:00

Next week they will have a special webinar on "USING CDBG FUNDING FOR SMALL TOWN HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS" [Wednesday, April 15, 2015 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm](#)



Where are you from and where do you live now? [Taylorsville](#)

How long have you been a Coordinator [I'm a brand new director, but I've been involved with the City of Taylorsville and Main Street for a number of years.](#)

How did you get involved with the Main Street movement? [In 1996 I purchase a building located at 32 East Main St. I have always wanted to be a part of the GREAT things happening.](#)

Which of the Four Points is your favorite? [Promotion](#)

What project is consuming most of your time right now? [It was certification](#)

Do you have any favorite activities or hobbies? [Being with family and friends](#)

What is your favorite author or book? [The "Harry Potter" books by J.K. Rowling. I love her unbelievable imagination.](#)

What is your favorite movie? [The Man from Snowy River](#)

What is your favorite song or band? [The soundtrack from "Dirty Dancing"](#)

What is your favorite sports team? [My family is divided between the Big Blue Cat and that Red Bird](#)

Which actor/actress would you choose to play you in a movie? [Meryl Streep](#)

Name something you can't live without. [The love of family and friends](#)

If you had an alternative career, what would it be? [Farming—an old almost gone great way of life](#)

What's the most adventurous thing you've done recently [Being with my grandchildren is always an adventure](#)

If you won \$20 million in the lottery, what would you do with it [Buy all the buildings on Main St. turning it into a full service historic community](#)

Somewhere you would like to visit [Alaska](#)

Something no one in Main Street knows about you [I love to dance!](#)

Something else you need to know that she didn't add. [Beverly is also the proud owner of the Red Scooter on Main St. in Taylorsville a cute antique shop and she is a Taylorsville City Commissioner.](#)

May 6, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CDT

Henderson City Hall

**Kentucky League of City
Ecotourism Workshop - May 6 in Henderson**
*Elaine Wilson, Executive Director of the
Kentucky Office of Adventure Tourism, just
added as a speaker!*

Speakers:

Dr. Stephanie McSpirit, Professor at ECU

Elaine Wilson, Exec. Director, Office of Adventure Tourism, Kentucky Cabinet for Tourism, Arts & Heritage

Kentucky is known worldwide for its natural beauty and outdoor amenities. Ecotourism is one of Kentucky's fastest emerging tourism sectors, attracting people of all ages, business and attention. **Come to this workshop, located in the heart one of Kentucky's most popular ecotourism destinations, where you'll be surrounded by caves, trails and water.** Learn how your city can leverage its natural assets and find funding to do it.



We gathered for the closing plenary to listen to Mike Lydon, Street Plans Collaborative, along with some of the girls from the NMSC. At the end we were all smiles after a great conference! The other photos are from the "Bash" which is the annual closing event for the conference. Start planning now to attend the 2016 National Main Street conference that will be held at the end of May in Milwaukee!! Think about doing a session there!!



Katie Meyer & Jim Guthrie - Covington presented two sessions on Pop Ups and how they can work for your community. I heard great comments about all of our Kentucky presenters! They made us proud!!!



Isaac and Eilene found something interesting during the Bash. It is a great ending to a conference and a time for networking and final good-byes until next time.....

The Sams with Laura Peck and Beth Strawn—Henderson!

