

MAIN STREET AMERICA Coordinating Program

The winter Main Street conference will soon be here! We will be meeting in Frankfort with an off-site work day on Tuesday, weather permitting.

February 10- Regular meeting will begin at 1:00 at the KYTC building at 200 Mero St. You will need to arrive early to go through security as we will begin at 1:00 sharp!

February 11– Off site activity February 12—Legislative Day at the Capitol Visit with your representatives then wish Abe Lincoln a Happy Birthday as we Celebrate Main Street in the Capitol Rotunda from 12-2 and present Main Street Awards at 1:00 pm.

February 12th is also KLC City Day/Night You may register to attend on their web-site, klc.org

Agenda and registration are attached to this week's newsletter so that you may share with others.



Here's another great idea from Murray Main Street to R&D! A Little Free Library in your pocket park!! For more information go online to get your free instructions and get on the map!

Main Street

## KYMS will be on the road this week.

We will be traveling with staff architect, Erick Rawlings to western KY on Tuesday and Wednesday and will visit our MS communities of Cadiz, Guthrie, and Scottsville.

Thursday, SHPO Craig Potts and KYMS will attend the Shelby Main Street annual meeting in Shelbyville.

KYMS will respond as soon as possible to any requests.

Registration is now open for the National Main Street conference that will be held in Dallas, Texas May

The NMSC is celebrating 40 years of Main Street

Early bird registration is available through Feb. 4th!





Jan. 27, 2020



More excitement in downtown Winchester as former Main Street director, Lara Early Thornbury restores another building creating additional upper story apartments on Main Street!



More exciting news for Covington





The two are always look like they are up to something when KYMS takes a photo of them. This photo was taken at the annual Main Street Pineville Gala where KYMS was honored to speak. It is great to see Bell Countians working together supporting their two Main Street programs, Pineville and Middlesboro. If you attend the Sweetheart Show at the Bell Theatre from 7-10 on Feb. 14th you are sure to see these two in person. They have been working hard to support one another in their programs and to celebrate music in KY! We are excited to report that the Janice Mason Art Museum in downtown Cadiz has received a CDBG grant presented by Governor, Andy Beshear for \$340,227! This grant will be used to improve handicapped accessibility to this historic structure. Admission to the museum is free. They are a great Main Street partner and we look forward to working with them on this wonderful project. We will be making a visit here during our visit to western, KY.





Danville's historic commercial district houses much of our significant local history and architecture, and it serves as a regional center of civic, business, and cultural activity. By encouraging economic development within the historic district, the Heart of Danville supports the ongoing preservation of these buildings.

Enter The Quick Fix Challenge! The Quick Fix Challenge will provide a quick "boost" of financial assistance to property or business owners to do a small improvement project that will care for their historic buildings, strengthen their businesses, and enhance the overall appeal of downtown Danville.

Visit <u>https://bit.ly/37ufl3A</u> for the application!





## Thursday, February 6th 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Join us in downtown Winchester for an evening of fun & refreshments as you shop our winter sales. ~Arts on Main ~ Bar 21 ~ Caim~ Cartwright Signs ~Court Street Gifts ~ Created by You ~ Coprake Apothecary ~ Dirty South Pottery ~ Eklektic Alchemy~ Engine House Deli ~ Frames on Main ~ 46 & 2 ~ Harpers Pawn Shop ~ Howards Doors ~ In & Out BBQ ~ La Trattoria ~ ~Leeds Theater ~Lomas~ Mama Ds ~ Mason on Main~ Setzers ~ Strength Fix ~Sugar Belles~ The Paint Bar ~ Weird Owlz~ Wildcat Willys ~

Happy Belated to Dustin Duvall— Danville who celebrated on Jan 16th

And to Minta Trimble Jan. 20th

Casey Parrent—Cadiz is celebrating today!

And Bobbie Gothard—Jan 31st!





Once was not enough! Coming for a repeat performance is Shelby Main Street's Butter, Bacon, and Bourbon! This event was part of the 40th Anniversary of Kentucky Main Street last year and Shelbyville had a fabulous turnout for the competition.

They loved it so much it is happening again on February 13th from 5:00-8:00 pm!

Shelby Main Street is sponsoring this fun, friendly competition located at The Barrel Room, 622 Main Street. Dessert Tasting with a Bourbon Tasting by Bulleit.

Recipes must include bourbon, bacon, and butter and must be a dessert. Register with Eilene Collins eilene.collins@shelbymainstreet.com

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and it's a great time to LOVE your Downtown!



YOU NURTURE COMMUNITY. Local business owners know you, and you know them. Studies have shown that local businesses donate to community causes at more than twice the rate of chains. YOU CREATE MORE CHOICE. Locally owned businesses pick the items and products they sell based on what they know you like and want. Local businesses carry a wider array of unique prodes because they buy for their own individual markets.

YOU INVESTED IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP. Creativity and entrepreneurship are what the American economy is founded upon. Nurturing local business ensures a strong community. YOU MADE YOUR COMMUNITY A DESTINATION. The more interesting and unique your community, the more we will attract new neighbors, visitors and guests. This benefits everyone!





If the kitchen is the heart of the house, downtown is the heart of a city. Dinner with the ones you love is even more special downtown. Make your reservations today for and extraordinary experience on Valentine's Day and any day ! To say that Maysville Main Street had a water problem in 1937 is certainly an understatement!

But not to worry, we are excited by last weeks announcement from Congressman Thomas Massie as he and representatives from Army Corp of Engineers joined city and county officials at the "groundbreaking" for a \$7.3M federal infrastructure investment in the Maysville flood wall.



Here is something new and different happening in Paducah, a Speed Wedding event!

Follow your heart and say "I Do" on Valentine's Day!

Skip the big ceremony (and price tag!). The River Discovery Center is hosting its annual Speed Wedding event, with ceremonies officiated by Judge Jeff Hines and held every 10 minutes! 2-4 pm February 14th! #downtownisforlovers#likealocal



We are sharing this story that is happening in downtown La Grange to make others aware of what can be lost in many of our communities across the Commonwealth. In addition, this will be a topic for discussion at our afternoon networking session during the winter conference to discuss what is the role of the local Main Street organization when these decisions are being made or being considered in a community. This has created a lot of discussion on various social media sites, editorials and throughout the community and state. There may be more to this story in the future.



In a meeting on January 14, 2020, Oldham County officials voted to demolish a circa 1874-75 Renaissance Revival courthouse and replace it with a new one.

Two plans were presented, only one of which would have retained a portion of the current building, which is listed in the <u>National Register of Historic Places - NPS</u> as part of the Central LaGrange Historic District. According to the nomination, "The present appearance of the district is still very much dominated by the courthouse square," with "massive stone piers topped by graceful Victorian light fixtures [serving] as imposing gateways to the community's most important building." The National Register is the federal government's official list of places that should be preserved, but listing does not protect properties from demolition. ONLY local zoning and landmark laws do this. <u>#PreservationMatters</u>