



May 8, 2017

Main Street Monday!

CONGRATULATIONS !



Go here to see the video about Covington that was shared at the conference.

<https://vimeo.com/noticepictures/review/214555096/476d249599>

There was a huge interest in Covington after the award ceremony with many people expressing that they would love to visit. They just might get their wish if Covington is selected to host the 2019 National Conference. We will know in a few weeks and if so it will be all hands on deck for all of us in KYMS!!!

I am so excited to announce that Covington is a GAMSА winner!!!!

You may have seen the news release, but what a thrill it was to hear them call their name! It is such a great honor for them and for the Kentucky Main Street program. You will certainly be seeing and hearing more in the future about this. Congratulation to Katie Meyer and her amazing board of directors for their wonderful innovative work and their amazing dedication to their community. WOO HOO!!!! I can now tell you that Katie and I are great secret keepers. We have known this for several months, but wanted all of the directors to be surprised :) All of KYMS and KHC are excited and stand behind the amazing work of Covington, both figuratively and latterly as seen in the photo below!





The 2016 Main Street Reinvestment statistics really tell the story of why the work you and your board do everyday is so very important!

What other organization can have such a huge impact on the communities of our nation than Main Street.

Main Street creates economic vitality in towns across KY and the US!

This morning I read an article in the Lexington Herald about the new Summit development. They called it an experiential retail center.

Dining, shopping, living, working, and playing. They essentially built a new Main Street community. Wish they had driven just a bit further south and created it in a real Main Street.

Main Street– We are what the customer is looking for.

UPCOMING WEBINARS:

Building Healthy Communities through Collaborative Solutions

Speaker [Tom Wolff](#) - Tom Wolff, Ph.D. is a nationally recognized consultant on coalition building and community development, with over 30 years' experience training and consulting with individuals, organizations and communities across North America. He is passionate about looking at issues from a community perspective and empowering local communities to solve their own problems.

Tuesday, May 23rd, 2017 10 am - noon EDT

GoTo Webinar <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4195674081361127937>

Developing healthy downtowns and communities is something that not only Kentucky Main Street, but NMSC and other state Main Streets across the nation are working on. We are right up at the top with partnering with our sister agencies and promoting health initiatives in our KY Main Streets. There were several workshops/sessions on health at the National Conference and KYMS will be a guest speaker at a conference later this summer in Denver, Colorado. If you find other opportunities please share with fellow directors.



Preservation Kentucky will be having a series of webinars

How to apply for a Ky Fund - <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6338371555829048833>

Why we preserve - <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7815573124327861249>

Why historic preservation is important for economic development - <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1189886368535887361>



*Happy
Mother's
Day
Everyone!*

Happy Belated Birthday:

April 28th Katie Meyer—Covington

April 30th Tony Pence—Morehead

Happy Birthday:

May 11th Jody Robinson

A few sites from the conference!



Pittsburgh, where the Ohio River begins at this very point.



Donna Logsdon-Campbellsville & Nell Haydon—Springfield

Donna was also a presenter at the conference.



Julie Wagner-Harrodsburg checking in. Thanks to her crafting talents we all had great KY shirts for the opening!

Jacob roan— Pineville, Lisanna Byrd-Bardstown, Nick Wade—Danville, and David Burch, Scottsville were attending their first NMSC conference. Other first time attendees were Abby Dixon-Henderson and Rachel Alexander-Winchester.



Jacob helped get KY to their seats for the opening plenary.



Cynthiana board chair, Bonnie Skinner & director, Stephanie Burden picking out their sessions for the day.



Sam Burgess-Carrolton and Eilene Collins— Shelbyville enjoying some tacos.



Katie and crew celebrating the great win over dinner!



It's great to see old friends and new. Jody Robinson-Bellevue, catching up with former Henderson director, Julie Turnipseed (now in Missouri) & Minta Trimble-



Katie also had a birthday on April 28th !



Who is that masked man, why it's Nick Wade. The Big Bash was held at the Heinz History museum with more sports memorabilia than I've seen in some time.



An amazing public art installation in a pocket park. The two Magnolia trees are made of metal and all hand painted. It was early spring in PA and you had to look twice to realize they were not real.



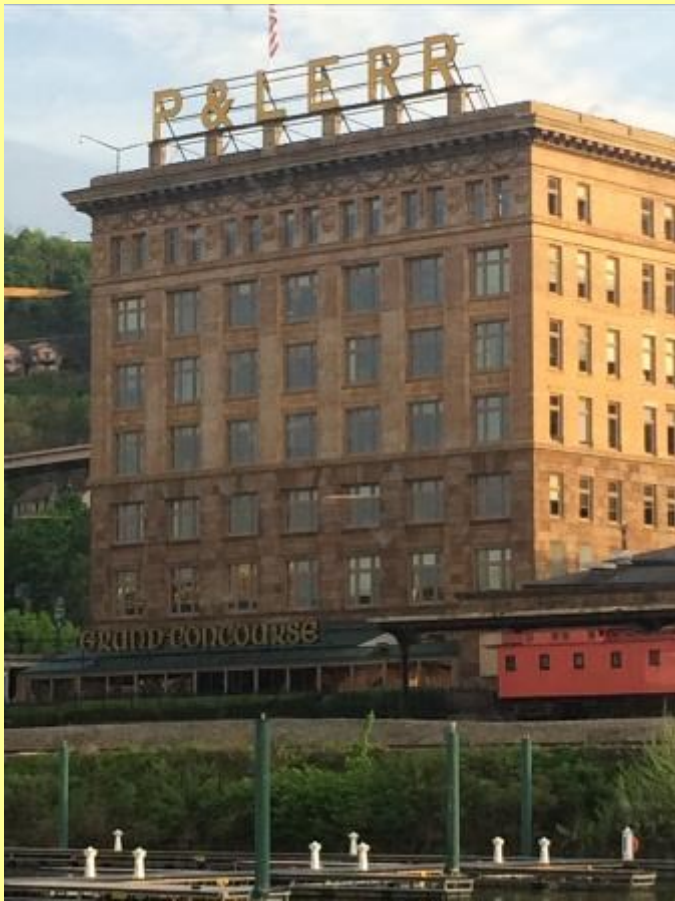
Wish every town had these because cigarette butts drive me crazy!



Ice cream anyone? I don't have a photo of the incline up, but we didn't have ice cream, everything is cash only.

A few cool bike racks. The small bridge replicates an actual yellow bridge in downtown Pittsburgh.





Our state dinner was held in this amazing building! It is the former Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad station.

It was slated for demolition back in the day and fortunately saved. Everything about the evening was wonderful. Great company, great food, great space! Love getting KYMS directors together.



Not everyone was able to join us. We are missing Rachel, Abby, and Katie.

L to R Tracy Robinson-Guthrie, Minta Trimble-Pikeville, Stephanie Burden-Cynthiana, Donna Logsdon-Campbellsville, Nell Haydon-Springfield,

Row 2 Jacob Roan-Pineville, Nick Wade-Danville, Eilene Collins-Shelbyville, Lisanna Byrd-Bardstown,

Row 3 David Burch-Scottsville, Kitty Dougoud-state KYMS coordinator, Sam Burgess-Carrollton.