



Main Street News

March, April 2009

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Chanutemainstreet.com

Calendar of Events

July 24th	Crusin 4 Bargains
Sept. 11th & 12th	Mexican Fiesta
Sept. 26th	Artist Alley Festival
October 30th	Trick or Treat on Main Street
December 3rd	“Parade of Lights”

Chanute Expo April 25th at NCCC

Main Street Chanute represented the downtown merchants and promoted the organization at the 2009 “Chanute Expo,” April 25th, at Neosho County Community College. We gave out goodie bags filled with coupons and other surprises to 250 people. By visiting 12 downtown merchants and getting their card punched by each business, a person could win a “free” sub sandwich at “Grandma’s Yogurt and Subs” in downtown Chanute.

“Thanks” to Terri Orozco, Martha McCoy, Alice Robinson, Jamie Fickel, Sam Ward, Wanda Parish and Jeff Foster for helping with the setting up of the Main Street booth.



St Patrick's School Choir Performing at the Chanute Expo



Visual Merchandising

The Design committee is busy again decorating windows for our downtown businesses. Using golf as the theme and “things stuffed away in your garage” made a very attractive unique window display. Pictures of golfers from the past were donated by Ann Johnson and Clark Boone. “Go take a look”.

New Chicago upstairs
Windows” before”

New Chicago upstairs
windows “after”



Five new windows have been replaced upstairs on the East side of 6 East Main facing the Tioga. “What a difference it makes.

HULL'S
PLACE



Orville Breiner purchased the building at 21 West Main and reopened Hull's Place after 39 years. There is a lot of history and a lot of stories to be told in the building that was a barbershop back in 1909. Orville is taking evening appointments at 431-6237 (from 6 to whenever) for Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and he will be working some Saturdays (8a.m. to noon).

*A TASTE OF DOWNTOWN
MAY 12TH 5 TO 7 P.M.
NEW CHICAGO ROOM
6 EAST MAIN*

Courtesy of these fine Main Street Restaurants

Benchwarmers

Blessing Cup Café

Good 2 Go Café & Catering

Grandma's Yogurt & Subs

Main Street Restaurant

Opie's Pizza & Grill

Sponsored by: New Chicago Room

Open to the Public



St Patrick's Celebration!!!!!!

The St. Patrick's Celebration that was held March 21st was an effort of the following wonderful volunteers: Gary Johnson and his crew at Cedar Lodge #103, Mike Sutcliffe of KINZ Radio, George Culbertson and Mike Bright with the American Legion Riders #107 and Jodi Lucke singing the National Anthem. Other volunteers were Dianna Litzel, Andrea Evans, Ken Matney, Debbie Shields, Jamie Fickel, Wanda Parish and Martha McCoy.

Main Street also wants to "Thank" those businesses who donated in some way to the St. Patrick's Celebration: State Farm, Jennifer Dietsch, Agent, Bank of Commerce, Community National Bank, Sonic, McDonalds, Farm Bureau, Cardinal Drug, Otterbein United Methodist Church and Gary Johnson, The Chanutte Tribune and KINZ for all the news stories. We also appreciate the many "Green Parade" entries who were having a lot of fun.

I hope you noticed all the "shamrocks" and "leprechaun" pictures in the windows of downtown businesses. The students at the St. Patrick's Catholic School designed them. A big "Thanks" to all those students.

The winner for the best entry in the "Green Parade" was Tri-Valley Developmental. Winners for the bicycle contest were: 1st place, Talan Haynes; 2nd place, Nate Rodriguez and 3rd place, Kevin Chandler. The best hand in the poker walk was Sean McReynolds and the worst hand was Sally Hall. Congratulation to all those folks.



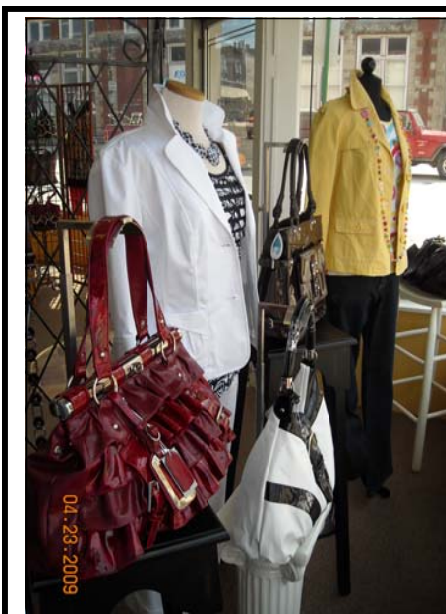
Gary Johnson and his crew cooking sausage and pancakes for the "Blarney Breakfast"



"BEST PARADE ENTRY"
TRI-VALLEY DEVELOPMENT CENTER



"Friends having fun"



Who Are We???

Store owners, Cassie Cleaver with "Tres Chic" and Tracy Fritch with "The Boutique" have combined their businesses to better serve their customers. They are located on the corner of Main and Lincoln at 101 E. Main.

The store will carry women and ladies sizes 0 to 24. "Tres Chic" is carrying the brand name "Tribal". They also carry a line of maternity, jewelry, scarves and purses.

Hours will be 10am till 5pm Monday thru Friday and Saturday 10am till 3pm.





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Our Mission

Main Street Chanute is to revitalize downtown by involving the community to determine and implement strategies that integrate historic preservation principles with sound economic development strategies.

Volunteer Training

Twenty volunteers enjoyed “Margueritas” and a little fun at the “Volunteer Training” at “Main Street 101,” April 20th, at the Main Street office. Thanks to Alice Robinson and Martha McCoy for organizing the event. Also, a big “Thank You” to those who donated door-prizes: Good 2 Go Café, Benchwarmers, Grandma’s Yogurt & Subs, Opie’s and Bracelets Are Us. Lets hope they all came away knowing a little more about what each committee’s responsibilities are.



Incentives

Main Street has several incentives available to anyone wanting to open a business, buy a building or rehabilitate a building located in the downtown designated area of Main Street. This incentive would be an interest-free loan with applications available in February and August. We also offer the Downtown Redevelopment Program, which is an application process in which property owner must invest at least 25% of the appraised value of the property before they can qualify. They can receive a rebate of City real estate property taxes on a diminishing scale for 10 years.

Main Street Chanute is also a resource partner for the “Start Up Kansas” program.

Your Main Street program has designated \$3,500 each year out of our general budget to grant building owners to improve the “façade” of their buildings. Call the Main Street office at 431-0056 for more information.

“Buy Local” to support your community