

REDISCOVER *historic* MARTINSVILLE

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NEWSLETTER

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RHM NEWS

In a recent WRBI Radio News article Shae Kmicikewycz, Program Manager for the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, talked of the Main Street Program, that there were four points for success: passion, partnership, plans and perseverance, and of their approach; promotion, organization, design and economic restructuring (*the four committees*).

She said they (*Main Street*) have communities with fewer than 100 populations to Indianapolis, a city of 750,000, as part of the program. "Some will say nothing ever happens downtown...I always tell people you have to keep moving forward, one person makes a difference, and saving one building makes a difference."

I have observed in the short time that Rediscover Historic Martinsville has been in existence, a willingness to persevere in the spirit of our members, a won't give up attitude that "legend" communities are made of. Communities like Madison, Frankfort and Ft. Wayne. These are communities that make policy, accomplish dreams that others copy. This attitude has brought Martinsville many accomplishments so far; from the huge influx of people attending the downtown events to the City Council partnering with Rediscover to get the job done.

We're off to a good start, 2009 has been a good year, and though 2010 will be filled with challenges, I think we're up to them. Many more volunteers will be needed, whether setting up chairs and tables at events, working in the make-it-take-it booth or sitting on the standing committees making the policies and dreaming the dreams others will be copying. Are you ready for the challenges?

Well, you don't have to wait long for one. Halloween on the Square is coming October 31st and your help is needed. Please volunteer! Your contact for this event is Pam Badger at 765-318-9621.

Remember the four points Shea made regarding having a successful program? Passion, partnership, plans and perseverance; these are qualities that you bring to Rediscover Historic Martinsville; qualities that will make our organization successful.

Del Chafey



HALLOWEEN ON THE SQUARE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 31, 2009

DOWNTOWN MARTINSVILLE

Join us on the square

The fun starts at 4:00 pm

4:00 Pumpkin-carving Contest: Have your pre-carved pumpkin at the War Memorial inside the square. This is Open to all ages.

4:15 Jr and Sr High Tree Decorating Contest:

Sign up early - there's only 19 teams. Teams of no more than four. Bring your own decorations. Decorations must stay up until 9:00 p.m.

4:30 Scare Crow Building Contest: Clothes will be available for use, bring anything else you might need. Start take down at 8:30.

4:45 Seed Spitting Contest: On the sidewalk, inside the square on Washington Street

5:00 Spook Poop Scoop: Grade School or younger. Under the trees, behind the War Memorial inside the square.

5:30 Costume Contest: Line up at the Gazebo.

6:00 Trunk-a-Treat: Cars will hand out candy from decorated trunks.



Questions or to sign up call Pam (765) 318-9621

See boo there, on the square



PROMOTIONS DOWNTOWN

EVENTS TO BE HELD ON THE DOWNTOWN SQUARE

2009

Come join the fun

2010

September 19 4:00 pm
Apple Fest & Dance
Square, Hip Hop, Swing,
Ballroom

SUCCESS!!!

October 31 4:00 pm
Halloween on the Square

November 14th 10:00 am
Holiday Open House

December 12th 10:00 am
Country Christmas

March 17 St Patty's Day

April 3 Easter Egg Hunt

May 1 Picking Petals/prizes

June 5 Summer Fest

July 3 Independence

***August 14**
Wellspring Blue Grass BBQ

September 18 Apple Fest &
Dance Square, Hip Hop,
Ball Room, Swing

***October 7 -10** Fall Foliage

October 30 Halloween on Sq

November 13
Holiday Open House

December 11
Country Christmas

***denotes on the square but not
a Rediscover event**

4 Concert dates TBA

SEE YOU THERE, ON THE SQUARE!

Thanks to the folks in the orange jackets for
another successful



We're looking forward to another 50 years of fun, food and fellowship

from the Organization Committee

Please Support These Martinsville Businesses who support the renewal of our economic and cultural community and the efforts of Rediscover Historic Martinsville.

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BOARD MEETING NEWS

Rediscover Historic Martinsville's Official Board of Directors –

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Del Chafey	Resident, Board President	765 342 6082

Each board member has committed to serving Rediscover Historic Martinsville , the mission, the vision, and the membership. Don't let your questions or problems go unanswered; rely on your leadership for answers.

The Official Board of Rediscover Historic Martinsville Welcomes our Newest Board Member

Terri Barnes	Office Manager, Fall Foliage Festival, Organization Committee	765.342.0332 - Work
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Notes from the September 24th Board Meeting;

- The Organization Committee reported work on an "Adopt-A-Block" program for 2010. Organizations around town would volunteer to pick up and clean up our downtown by adopting an area for a year. If you would be interested contact Del Chafey at 342-6082.
- John Badger reported that Apple Fest went very well and a profit was made. These promotions are great times for store owners to be open for business.
- The Express News will be featuring Rediscover Historic Martinsville several times in upcoming issues. Our promotional events will go out to over 10,000 readers in 3 counties.

Notes from the October 15th Board Meeting;

- A date has been reached for the Annual Meeting. January 21st , the 3rd Thursday , will be a time of celebration, good food, fellowship and a little business. Tentative plans call for chili and the traditional Martinsville side, cinnamon rolls. There will be more details in later newsletters.
- A motto was brought to the meeting for adoption – "Martinsville Matters" was suggested by the Organization Committee and Art Brill added the phrase "come and see why".
- It was mentioned by the Economic Restructuring Committee that the Community Focus Fund Grant should be forthcoming by the end of the year. That means \$50,000 will be available for a detailed study of our downtown and some exciting plans to pursue for 2010.

OTHER NOTES

BE SAFE TRICK OR TREATING !

The days getting shorter, so children will be trick or treating in the dark when it is harder for drivers to see them, and the excitement of the holiday can make everyone less cautious. To keep kids safe, parents should remind them about walking safely and ensure that they will be seen by drivers this Halloween.

Cross streets safely. Cross at a corner, using traffic signals and crosswalks. Try to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them. Look left, right and left again when crossing, and keep looking as you cross. Walk, don't run, across the street.

Walk on well lit sidewalks or paths. If there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic as far to the left as possible. Children should walk in familiar areas with minimal street crossings.

Be a safe pedestrian around cars. Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

Tips for Drivers

Drivers need to do their part to keep trick-or-treaters safe from harm. Safe Kids also reminds motorists to be extra careful this Halloween and recommends that drivers:

Be especially alert. Remember that popular trick-or-treating hours are during the typical rush-hour period, between 5:30-9:30 p.m.

Drive more slowly. Slow down and anticipate heavier than usual pedestrian traffic.

Lights on. Be sure to drive with your full headlights on so you can spot children from greater distances.

Although pedestrian safety is a main concern on Halloween, parents also need to keep in mind that there are other hazards for their children on this holiday. Parents must check treats for signs of tampering before children are allowed to eat them. Finally, Safe Kids suggests that parents look for non-flammable costumes and non-toxic designations when choosing Halloween makeup.

For More Information

<http://www.usa.safekids.org/wtw/halloween2009.html>

LINKS:

<http://www.americantowns.com/in/martinsville>

<http://www.martinsvillechamber.com/>

<http://www.in.gov/ocra/>

<http://www.preservationnation.org/main-street/>

<http://www.martinsville.in.gov/>

Monthly Meetings:

Promotions Committee – 1st Thursday of the month @ 6:30

Organization Committee - 2nd Thursday of the month 7:00

Official Board – 3rd Thursday @ 7:00

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