



Welcome to Main Street August 2012

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Monticello Main Street is under new direction. Courtney Groves took over as our Program Director on June 15. We are very pleased to have her on board. Courtney has worked with Main Street in the past as an assistant director. She is currently attending Parkland College majoring in Political Science and would like to get her bachelor's degree in Public Administration. Courtney is also working part time for the City of Monticello. She will be in the Main Street office Monday through Friday afternoons. Stop in soon and say hello! She will be available for any questions or concerns you might have or you may contact any of our Main Street board members: Ruthanne Burgard, President; Keddy Hutson, Vice President; Steve Mitze, Treasurer; Carol Hawkins, Past President; Quentin Rund; Heather Torrens; Brad Peters; Pat Gleason; Aaron Thais; Merry Lanker



Friday

- 6-11 Beer Garden
- 6-8
- 8-11 "Two Ton Heavy Thing"

Saturday

- 9:30 Pet Parade
- 10-4 Kid's Corner Games & Activities
- 11-4 FFA/Farm Bureau Pedal Pull
- 10-4 Market Vendors
- 2-4
- 4-6 "Outlast Rock"
- 6-11 Beer Garden
- 6-8 "Bad Medicine"
- 8-11 "RYAN IDEUS and the Feudin' Hillbillies"

Call for more info or if you would like to volunteer. There are still lots of volunteer opportunities available - don't miss out

What's Happening on Main Street?

Farmer's Market every Thursday from 3 - 6 pm



Monticello Main Street's 2012 Farmer's Market has been a huge hit with the local residents. Starting in the middle of June, the Market has grown in vendors and in return, the amount of shoppers that visit has increased as well. The Market offers fresh vegetables and delicious and sweet fruits of all varieties, baked goods including breads and sweet treats, jams of all flavors, and a multitude of other items. Come visit the Farmer's Market on Thursdays from 3pm to 6pm. Main Street is greatly appreciative for Renee Fruendt and all of the hard work and dedication that she has put into the Market over the years. Thanks Renee!

Upcoming Events

Oct. 5th - "Pumpkins, Goblins & Brew" (downtown beer tasting event 5-9 pm)

Nov. 30 - "Reds of Christmas" (downtown red wine tasting event 5-9pm)

Welcome New Members

Miller Tracy Braun Funk & Miller
Animal Hospital of Monticello
Monticello Drugs
Ziemer Gallery
Pizza Hut
Green Media Services
New to You
Traditions on the Square
Shonkwiler & Ayers
El Toro
Kirby Medical Center
Fleener Advertising Specialties
Studio 114
Robert & Michelle Ross
Bill & Pat Mitze
Jack & June McGregor
Mark & Dawn Poling
Roger & Edy Ewald

Thank you for your investment in Main Street and downtown Monticello!

Main Street Events

February - June

Chocolate Fantasy Feb. 10th, 2012



Over 200 tickets were sold for our annual Chocolate Fantasy event. It was a chilly evening, but everyone seemed to enjoy the evening and their chocolate goodies. There were 18 participating businesses this year. Thanks to everyone for making this a fun event. Our gift basket winners were: David Peyton, Tina Thomas and Becky Blacker all of Monticello.

May Market was held on May 5th

This year's May Home and Garden Market took place on May 5th and was sponsored by Kirby Medical Center. The downtown shops and restaurants were open and offered specials for the May Market attendees. This year the vendors offered plants and herbs as well as garden containers, accessories and some advice on how to keep your garden vibrant and lush.

175th Anniversary Celebration

The 175th Anniversary Celebration for Monticello which took place downtown on Saturday, June 30th, was a large success with a great deal of thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and the City of Monticello's own Callie Jo McFarland, as well as volunteers from all the groups. With the combined efforts of all that participated, the Celebration offered a walking tour of historic North State Street, an antique tractor show, a parade around the downtown area, stagecoach rides, various contests for all ages and Main Street's sponsored Rib Cook-off. The cook-off began at noon and ended at 5 pm with past mayors James Ayers, Phil Blankenburg and Bill Mitze judging the ribs. There were five participants in the Cook-off with Them Damn Gilberts taking home the grand prize of \$25 and the satisfaction of having "The Best Ribs in Monticello."

