



News on Main Street



Main Street Portsmouth Assists Owners of Historical Buildings with Plaques from the National Register



Main Street Portsmouth is in its second year of assisting property owners in securing official plaques to identify their buildings as being listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Phase I of the program

was aimed at business and religious structures.

Phase II is aimed at additional business and large structures as well as individually owned homes.

To assist these owners, MSP is offering to share a portion of the cost of the plaques and to do the research and ordering of the plaques.

Owners are given recommendations for the placement of plaques, as well as installation instructions.

Phase I plaques were

purchased by owners of the following structures:

- Bigelow Church at 415 Washington Street
- Eli Kinney House at 317 Court Street
- Portsmouth Foundry and Machine Works at 401 Third Street
- St. Mary Catholic Church at Fifth & Market Streets
- All Saints' Episcopal Church at Fourth & Court Streets
- Simon Labold House & Garden at 633 Fourth Street
- Eldon House at 634

Fourth Street

- George H. Gharky House at 638 Fourth Street

The first four plaques of Phase II are on order for the following buildings:

- IOOF Temple at 500-502 Court Street
- Streich Apartments at 716-722 Washington Street
- Portsmouth Fire House #1 at 642 Seventh Street
- Dole-Darrell House at

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Networking Breakfast Brings Local Businesses Together

Many people took advantage of the opportunity to have breakfast, network with other business owners and employees, and enhance their skills in managing conflict in the workplace at the Portsmouth Welcome Center on April 30th.

Tammy Moore, of Accomplish Moore

Enterprises, spoke on Resolving Conflict in the workplace.

Attendees learned about conflict resolution tactics and how and when to use them to effectively resolve conflict and enhance productivity and morale.

"We really appreciate the participation of the many businesses that

joined our Networking Breakfast to learn and share ideas with other businesses," said Brenda Covert, chair of the Economic Restructuring Committee. "We hope to see everyone at our next breakfast on July 9th."

For more information contact Brenda at (740) 357-5901.



Tammy Moore talks about resolving Conflict in the workplace at the Networking Breakfast on April 30.

Networking



Networking Breakfast was a big hit!



What a spread!

Many people attended the Networking Breakfast in April



Sue Burke, Roy Gibson and Ellen Vetter



Main Street Portsmouth Boards and Committees Meetings

June

- 3 - Chair Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office
- 4 - Design Committee, 3 p.m. MSP Office
- 5 - Organization Committee, 9 a.m. MSP Office
- 5 - Boneyfiddle Live at 5
- 8 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 9 - Executive Board Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office
- 13 - Preservation Committee, 11 a.m. Market Street Café
- 15 - Design Review Board, 11 a.m. City Engineer Dept.
- 17 - Organization Communication Task Committee, 9:30 a.m. MSP Office
- 17 - Economic Restructuring Committee, Noon, MSP Office
- 18 - Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. Welcome Center

- 18 - Business After Hours, River Bend House, Wheelersburg
- 21 - Father's Day
- 22 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 25 - Promotions Committee, 5 p.m. MSP Office

July

- 1 - Chair Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office,
- 2 - Design Committee, 3 p.m. MSP Office
- 3 - Organization Committee, 9 a.m. MSP Office
- 4 - Independence Day - Ribs on the River, downtown Portsmouth
- 7 - Executive Board Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office
- 9 - Networking Breakfast, 8-10 a.m. Welcome Center
- 11 - Preservation Committee, 11

- a.m. Market Street Café
- 13 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 15 - Organization Communication Task Committee, 9:30 a.m. MSP Office
- 15 - Economic Restructuring Committee, Noon, MSP Office
- 16 - Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. Welcome Center
- 20 - Design Review Board, 11 a.m. City Engineer Dept.
- 23 - Business After Hours, Genesis, New Boston
- 27 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 30 - Promotions Committee, 5 p.m. MSP Office

August

- 5 - Chair Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office,
- 6 - Design Committee, 3 p.m.

- MSP Office
- 7 - Organization Committee, 9 a.m. MSP Office
- 7 - Boneyfiddle Live at 5
- 8 - Preservation Committee, 11 a.m. Market Street Café
- 10 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 11 - Executive Board Meeting, 10 a.m. MSP Office
- 17 - Design Review Board, 11 a.m. City Engineer Dept.
- 19 - Organization Communication Task Committee, 9:30 a.m. MSP Office
- 19 - Economic Restructuring Committee, Noon, MSP Office
- 20 - Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. Welcome Center
- 24 - City Council, 6 p.m. City Building
- 27 - Promotions Committee, 5 p.m. MSP Office
- 27 - Business After Hours, on the River

Main Street Portsmouth working with Shawnee State Cyber Center

Main Street Portsmouth is collaborating with the Shawnee State University Cyber Center to provide professional development opportunities to local students.

There are three Cyber Centers in the State of Ohio, Ohio University, Kent State University and Shawnee State University.

The Cyber Center is responsible for pro-

viding professional and technical support for the Ohio Economic Development Region 7 which includes Portsmouth.

Dr. Brenda Covert, Main Street Portsmouth Economic Restructuring Chair and Cyber Center project director, is currently working with students in providing educational projects where students can build their business knowledge, skills and

abilities while working with the community.

Main Street Portsmouth projects include developing a professional Web site, developing a customer contact management database system, increasing Main Streets presence with social media initiatives and surveying downtown businesses for retention and recruitment.

About Main Street Portsmouth ...

Main Street Portsmouth (MSP) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization seeking to revitalize downtown Portsmouth and historic Boneyfiddle. MSP uses the approach begun by the National Main Street program in 1977.

The program is community-driven economic development program created by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Main Street focus is to revitalize traditional downtown business districts and renovate and preserve historic commercial buildings.

The Main Street approach has successfully revitalized downtowns in over 1,600 communities nationwide, generating over 16 billion dollars of re-investment in those communities.

Volunteer committees of Main Street Portsmouth work on each of these aspects. Using annual work plans, the Committees seek to accomplish their goals.

Partners:

City of Portsmouth
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 Scioto County Visitor's Bureau
 • Scioto County
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 Medical Center • business
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Ribs on the River

July 4th, 2009
 Court & Second Streets
 4:00 - 8:00
 Fireworks at 10:00

Tickets: \$15
Ribs, cole slaw, OK potato salad, baked beans, roll (children under 10: one hot dog, for \$1) with one adult meal ticket). Drinks not included.

Tickets Available:
 American Savings Bank
 (Main Office, Wheelersburg, So. Shore)
 Ye Ole Lantern
 Scioto County Welcome Center

Inflatables

Live Music

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 Main Street Portsmouth
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 Portsmouth-Scioto Co. Visitor's Bureau

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 shop locally for your gifts!"

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Craig DeAtley and Kevin Johnson at Paul Johnson's Memorial. A Memorial Fund was set up for downtown beautification.



Sue Burke, Design Committee Chair, Kevin Johnson, Zoe Richards and Ellen Vetter, co-chair.

Plaques

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322 Market Street

There are approximately 25 structures listed on the Register in the historic district; unfortunately, some are no longer in existence.

A complete listing can be found on the NRHP Web site at: www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/oh/Scioto/

state.html.

As seen in the example, the plaques identify the official name that appears on the NRHP, the address, and the approximate or exact year of construction.

Most of these buildings were constructed in the early to mid-1800's.

The goal is to eventually have all these structures identified with a plaque.

Two property owners had previously identified their historic buildings in this district, First Presbyterian Church at 221 Court Street and Purdum-Tracy House at 626 Fourth Street.

Any historic building owner who has yet to be contacted and wishes to participate in this program can contact Ernie Bouyack, Plaque

Coordinator, at (740) 353-8292 or kbouyack@roadrunner.com for more information.

A future goal of Main Street Portsmouth is to establish a walking tour of the historic district with information about the history of each building.

The plaques will serve as the identification of each historic structure on the tour.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

2008 Membership Levels:

- Friend of MSP - - - \$35
- Family - - - \$55
- Student - - - \$20
- Business - 10 or fewer employees \$100
- Business - more than 10 employees \$200

- Yes, I would love to Volunteer

Name: _____

Street: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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