

The Downtowner

A Newsletter of the Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership

Calendar of Events

Thursday, May 4th

☼ First Thursday Art Walk, Downtown Kennewick 6pm

Friday, May 5th

☼ General Membership Meeting, Clover Island Inn 8am

Tuesday, May 9th

☼ Organization Committee, TEC 7:30am

Wednesday, May 10th

☼ ER Committee, TEC 7:30am

Friday, May 12th

☼ Classy Chassy Show & Shine, Overturf Motors 4pm

Saturday, May 13th

☼ Classy Chassy Show & Shine, Downtown 10am

Sunday, May 14th

☼ Mothers Day

Wednesday, May 17th

☼ Design Committee, TEC 5:30pm

Tuesday, May 23rd

☼ Downtowner Banquet, Clover Island Inn 5:30pm

Friday, May 26th

☼ Board of Directors Meeting, TEC 7:35am

Monday, May 29th

☼ Memorial Day

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HDKP Meeting to Present Economic Restructuring Committee Survey Results

The Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership Economic Restructuring Committee has been working on a series of surveys on different populations of shoppers in downtown. Two of these surveys involved employees of the City of Kennewick and Kennewick General Hospital and the third involved participants at a First Thursday Art Walk. The results of these three surveys will be presented by Bob Kelly, Chair of the Economic Restructuring Committee

Friday, May 5, 2006

8:00 a.m.

Clover Island Inn

Kennewick Dedicated Centennial Art Piece

The City of Kennewick's Centennial committee held a dedication ceremony on April 20th at the corner of Cascade and Kennewick Avenue to commemorate the city's one hundred years of incorporation. The art piece called "Blue Trinity" symbolizes the city's strength to meet its future challenges. The Centennial Art committee consists of Barb Carter, Chair, Deb Watkins, Leslie Smith, Arlene Silliman, Alan Kowalski and Nancy Parks.

The committee also sponsored the creation of a series of ten historic markers that have been placed throughout the downtown area. The committee for this project included Ken Silliman, Tom Moak, Arlene Silliman, Helen La Douceur, Earlene Mokler, and Corene Hulse. The markers downtown are located at the Kennewick General Hospital, the First United Methodist Church, Billie Jane Lampson Clock Plaza, Welch's, the northwest corner of Columbia Drive & Washington, East Benton County Historical Museum, Cable Bridge View area, Clover Island entrance to walking trail, West end of Columbia Park Golf Course, Auburn St. & Canal Drive (Old Stag Saloon).



The Mission of the Historic Downtown Kennewick partnership is to enhance the prosperity of the downtown and preserve its History

New Member Profiles



Hooper's, Inc.

582-0850

Hooper's, Inc., plumbing contractors, have been in business

since 1952. Current owner, John Hooper, is the founder's (Charles) son. They moved from Clearwater Avenue in 2000 to 918 W. Canal Drive. Hooper's provides residential as well as commercial and industrial plumbing needs. John is a KeHS graduate and old enough to remember the old Benton Theater on Kennewick Avenue.

JD's Time Center

585-8650

JD's Time Center recently moved to

105 W. Kennewick Ave., and the Downtown Partnership is extremely happy to have them as new members. James and Merrienne Door have owned and operated JD's going on 22 years. They carry a complete line of *Rhythm* and *Seiko* clocks, *Citizen* watches, and specialty gifts as well as providing watch repair. Welcome to Downtown!



Basin Department Store

586-6309

Basin Department Store has been an anchor business in the area for more than 40 years and the Downtown Partnership

is extremely happy to have them back involved as new members. Stuart Logg is the second generation of Loggs' to run the department store following in his father's foot steps. He carries a complete line of western and work apparel for men, women and kids.



The Boys & Girls Club Celebrate Earth Day with Downtown Projects

The Boys & Girls Club mentor program decided to celebrate Earth Day by getting the kids involved in the downtown area cleanup. The mentor program headed by Jessica Gamache brought a group of ten kids to the downtown to assist with replanting spring flowers at the Billie Jane Lampson Clock Plaza and to pull suckers off the downtown trees. The boys and girls were assisted by couple of mentors from the Kennewick Irrigation District. The Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership would like to thank everyone who helped out with these projects.



National Homebrew Day/Big Brew 2006

Come join the fun and learn about homebrewing by celebrating Brew 2006 Saturday, May 6, 2006, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Ice Harbor Brewery in honor of the 17th Anniversary of National Homebrew Day and the 25th Year of the American Homebrews Association. The local homebrew club, Mid-Columbia Zymurgy Association, will be participating in a synchronized brew with homebrewers across the nation. We'll also be participating in a World Wide synchronized "Big Brew Toast" at 10 am PDT. In 2005 7,347 gallons of homebrew was brewed worldwide at 210 Big Brew sites by 2,956 participants.



Friday Afternoon

Registration 4 – 6pm at Overturf Motors 1016 W. Columbia Drive
 Poker Run starting at 6pm ending at Burger Ranch

Saturday

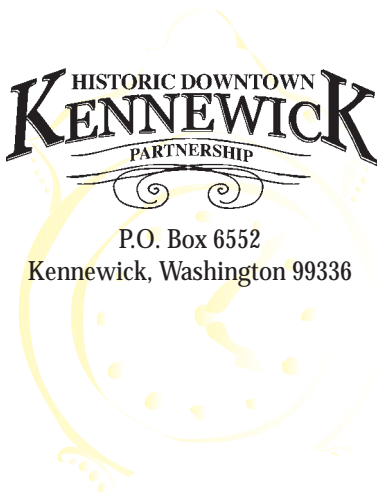
Show & Shine starting at 10am Kennewick Ave.
 between Washington and Dayton

Live Music featuring “Retread” in Flag Plaza starting at noon
 Awards Ceremony in Flag Plaza at 4pm

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Downtowner Banquet Set for May 23rd

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, May 23rd, 2006 for the Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership's Down-towner Banquet. This year's banquet, sponsored by Key Bank, will be held at the Clover Island Inn starting at 5:30pm.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and congratulate the newest recipient of the "Downtowner of the Year" award. In addition, the City of Kennewick's Community Development Block Grant Committee will honor its 2005 Revitalization Award winners.

This year's Key note Speaker will be Mr. Ken Robertson, Editor of the Tri-City Herald. Mr. Robertson will discuss the Downtown Revitalization and the Herald involvement in that process.

If you would like to make reservations or sponsor a table, please contact Timothy Dalton at 582-7221. Tickets are \$30 and can be paid for at the door, but reservations must be made by May 19th.

HDPK to Reopen the 2006 Facade Improvement Grant Applications

The Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership has reopened the Facade Improvement Program starting May 1st through the 15th. The Facade Improvement Program is funded through the Community Development Block Grant committee which has allocated \$120,000 to the HDKP for 2006 projects.

The following is an outline of the application process for the 2006 Facade Improvement Grant program:

- The applicant can apply for up to 70% of the amount the construction project, and must fund a minimum of 30% of the project cost.
- Applicants will make presentations to the Design Committee in May 17, 2006.
- Applicants will not be limited to a one time only application, but priority will be given to community impact, economic impact and historic preservation.

If there are any questions on the Facade Improvement Program, please call HDKP Office at 582-7221.