

The Downtowner

A Newsletter of the Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership

Calendar of Events

Tuesday, June 5th

- ☉ Organization Committee, TEC 7:30am

Wednesday, June 6th

- ☉ Downtown Social Meeting, Clover Island Inn 5 – 7pm

Thursday, June 7th

- ☉ Farmers Market, Auburn & Kenn. Ave 4-8pm
- ☉ First Thursday Art Walk, Downtown Kennewick 6pm

Wednesday, June 13th

- ☉ ER Committee, TEC 7:30am

Thursday, June 14th

- ☉ Flag Day

Sunday, June 18th

- ☉ Father's Day

Wednesday, June 20th

- ☉ Design Committee, TEC 5:30pm

Friday, June 29th

- ☉ Board of Directors Meeting, TEC 7:35am

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

HDKP's Monthly Social Meeting

The Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership monthly Social Meeting will be held at the Clover Inland Inn located at 435 Clover Island Dr on Wednesday June 6th, 2007 from 5pm to 7pm.

This will include drawings, refreshments, and relaxing conversation, so bring your business cards and join the fun with your neighbors. These monthly networking events are a great way to meet other downtown business and community members.

Ann Steiger-McClelland Named "2006 Downtowner of the Year"



Ann Steiger-McClelland

The Historic Downtown Kennewick Partnership with the help of Washington Trust Bank held its annual Downtowner Banquet on Tuesday May 22nd at the Clover Island Inn. About 100 people were on hand to see Ann Steiger-McClelland honored as the 18th recipient of the "Downtowner of the Year" Award. Barb Carter, last year's recipient, presented Ann with this year's award.

The "Downtowner of the Year" award honors a person who has been instrumental in promoting the improvement of the downtown area over a number of years. Ann

Steiger-McClelland has been involved in the downtown revitalization for a number of years starting with the restoration of the PJ Murphy Building at 101 W Kennewick the home of the Roxy Antiques and Gifts and Coffee at the Roxy. Ann has been involved in a number of promotions in the downtown area. Ann operates the Kennewick Avenue Farmers Market.

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Gary Hall

2006 Downtowner of the Year (continued)

Other honors during the evening included naming Gary Hall as the 2006 recipient of the “Ralph and Jo Benton Volunteer of the Year” Award for his of service and dedication to downtown efforts. This award recognizes the contributions of an individual through the course of a year. In 2006, Gary served as President of the Board for the past year and a half assisting in a number of projects during that time. Gary has been vital in the implementation of Directional Signage for Historic Downtown Kennewick.

The City of Kennewick’s Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee presented two awards at the banquet recognizing excellence in downtown’s revitalization. Doug Overturf received the 2006 Revitalization Award for his remodel of Overturf Motors at 1016 W Columbia Drive. Doug’s restoration inside and out at a cost of over \$1.6 million of private investment



Overturf Motors

The second award for restoration went to Vic Albertson and Chuck Scribner of Players Sports Bar & Grill for the facade improvement and the interior restoration. Vic Albertson and Chuck Scribner, with the assistance of HDKP Facade Improvement Program, revived the worst bar on Kennewick Avenue to create a neighborhood friendly sports bar.



Players Sports Bar

Other banquet sponsors were donors of the beautiful centerpieces at each table, and include: Bank of the West, Farmers Exchange, My Jo’s Espresso, Clover Island Inn, Kennewick Irrigation District, Washington Trust Bank, Harvey Faurholt, Port of Kennewick, Key Bank, Esprit Graphic Communication, Tri-City Herald, and Lampson

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*Cleve Mooers and Laura Mills
of HPM Corporation*

2006 Downtowner of the Year (continued)

International.

The Partnership also honored at the banquet Cleve Mooers of HPM Corporation and Dr. H. Matt Smith for their contribution to the downtown revitalization process through the Main Street tax Credit bill.



Dr. Matt Smith

Downtown Shines with Classy Chassy's

The 8th Annual Classy Chassy Show & Shine was held May 11th & 12th, in Downtown Kennewick. The Downtown area was treated to over 170 car owners turning out to display their treasured automotive classics. This year included everything from classics, super modified Hot Rods, sport compacts, bikes and trucks. This year's event again included Overturf Volkswagen on Columbia Drive with a Friday Night Registration and a Poker Run, which was a big success ending at Kennewick Burger Ranch.

Thanks to all the sponsors who made this event possible: Affordable Windshields and more • Atomic Screen Print • Bettendorf Printing • Bunch-Finnigan • Burger Ranch • Charlie's Automotive • Clover Island Inn • Columbia River Trading Co. • Diesel Performance Unlimited. • Genesis Auto Repair • Hall Engineering • Harrington Home Care • Kennewick Auto Body • J. Storm, Inc • John's Auto Mart • Les Schwab Tires • Meyers Auto Tech • Overturf Motors • Players Sport Bar and Grill • Sandstone Cafe • Steve's Tire Factory • Sportspace Bar and Grill • Sunshine Polishing • The Beach • Tri-City Sign and Barricade • Washington Hardware

Special thanks to all the volunteers from the Kennewick Kiwanis who helped keep everything running smoothly and Debra Pritchard from the Tri-City Work Release. And, of course, the Promotions Committee for the outstanding planning and promoting. We hope to see everyone again next year.





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Downtown Kennewick Farmers Market Grand Opening for the 2007 Season

It's time for the Grand Opening of Downtown Kennewick's Farmer Market 2007 Season. The market is operated by Ann Steiger, owner of the Roxy Theatre Antiques and Gifts and "Coffee at the Rox". The downtown farmers market is set to open Thursday, June 7th, with hours from 4 to 8pm and run every Thursday through the end of October. The Market is located at the corner of Auburn and Kennewick Avenue in Key Bank Parking lot. Ann said she expects the market to start with about 10 regular farmers selling their goods. Last year the market average about 20 to 25 vendor per week and Ann is expecting the same this year. The market will include:

- Fresh Farm Products produced in Washington State – fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs, nuts, honey, dairy products, eggs, poultry, meats and fish.
- Value-added products – baked goods, dried vegetables, flowers, gourds, herbal products, jams, jellies, preserves, juices, pastas, nursery stock, vinegar, popcorn, and more.
- Artisans and handcrafted items – a jury selection process will establish a fine assortment of artwork and handicrafts produced by the artists themselves.
- Prepared foods – hot or cold foods prepared on site, freshly made for the public.
- Not-for-profit/educational organizations – space will be made available for educational purposes. Each space will be encouraged to provide an entertaining and interactive activity.
- Entertainment including local street performers i.e. musicians, jugglers, etc.
- Performers and artists – creating interactive art activities.

Come join us as we celebrate our region's own agriculture products and shop downtown Kennewick's retail stores. For more information contact Ann Steiger at 585-2301