

amestown THE DOWNTOWNER

Nov/Dec 2023



Holiday Dazzle Parade

Friday,

November 24th

7:00 PM

Santa is coming to Town!!

Parade & Float

Registration

Info Inside



PROGRESS:

FORMER WOOLWORTHS/HAROLDSON/JUNK IN THE TRUNK BUILDING RENOVATION

Co-owners Matt McPherson and Dave Witzig are pushing for a mid-December opening of our newest pub. The Flint Building at 107 1st Avenue South was the original home of the H.C. Flint Furniture and Funeral Home in 1904. In 1932 it housed the F.W. Woolworth store until it was sold in 1958 to I.O Haroldson and became home to Haroldson Office Supply and B & O Drug. It's most recent tenant was Junk in the Trunk, an antiques and upcycled furniture store who has since moved around the corner to 120 1st Street East. Matt and Dave want to honor the history of the building while offering a unique experience for their patrons. Keep your eye on this one!



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MOVERS AND SHAKERS

ARTS CENTER REACHES FUNDRAISER MILESTONE IN CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Arts Center is truly "Raising the Bar for the Arts" here in Jamestown. Executive Director Mindi Schmitz announced they have reached their halfway goal of \$1 million dollars raised for their expansion project. They recently took possession of the former Wonder Bar building next door and are now looking forward to a massive renovation in the spring to transform the space into more classrooms. This will allow them to add more Arts After School programming as well as community and culinary classes. You can check out their amazing plans for the building and the expanded class programming at Jamestownarts.com

INNOVATIVE OFFICE SUPPLY CLOSES

From Patti Rondesvedt's Facebook post:

I would like to take this Opportunity to THANK THE COMMUNITY OF JAMESTOWN FOR the Many Years of Support I have Experienced along with my Co-Workers in Support of the Office Supply on main. (Office land ---- Brown and Saenger---and now Innovative). Corporate has made the decision to close our doors as of Friday. NOV 3RD. MANY TEARS ALREADY SHARED MORE TO COME. We consider you ALL FRIENDS not Customers. HOPE TOO SEE YOU ALL OUT AN ABOUT. HERES TO THE NEW JOURNEY. GREAT COMMUNITY WE LIVE IN. Love you All.



A letter from the President

WHAT IS THE DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION AND WHAT DOES IT DO?

Recently I had a meeting with the most lovely group of small business owners and as we talked, I realized they had some misconceptions about the JDA and that I have not done a good job of communicating what we are about.

Let me start first with what we are NOT:

- We are NOT a part of the City or Chamber, though we do collaborate with them
- We do NOT receive funding from either of the above organizations
- We do NOT have a staff

What we ARE:

- We ARE a group of dedicated volunteers who work to see our downtown corridor thrive
- We ARE a non-profit association, but not a 501 C 3
- We ARE focused on downtown, primarily the core area of 1st Ave, in ways to enhance the downtown experience for residents, businesses and visitors.

What we DO:

- Through donations from businesses and citizens (see adjacent page) we order, water and maintain the summer Flower Baskets
- Organize and/or promote downtown events: Rods and Hogs, 4th of July Kids Bike Parade, Block Party and Holiday Dazzle Parade
- Responsible for maintenance and/or replacement of flowers, trees, and banners along 1st Ave
- Promote, educate and encourage use of the Renaissance Zone tax credit program
- Offer Window/Signage matching grant to qualifying member property owners
- Maintain a data base and history on nearly every building in a 10 block area of downtown.
- Collaborate with and serve as a resource for the City of Jamestown, Jamestown Stutsman Development Corporation, Jamestown Area Chamber of Commerce, Great Plains Housing Authority and the State of ND to encourage and develop "downtownfriendly" policy and programs.

We do much more, of course, as our town is ever changing, but we will take every chance we get to advocate for programs that enable a robust downtown. If anyone EVER has a question about JDA, please call me at 701-320-7217 and I will happily talk your ear off about anything and everything downtown!

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The Jamestown Downtown Association is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide service, support, leadership, and advocacy for the vitalization of downtown.

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