

# The Midtown Minute

## Missoula Midtown Association

### See you soon!! > August 26th, 2008

Tuesday, March 26th, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Missoula Midtown Association will hold a general membership meeting. The meeting will be held, tentatively, in the Fine Arts Building on The Western Missoula County Fairgrounds. The MMA Board is eager to meet and discuss the latest news and is-

ssues for Missoula's Midtown. We look forward to discussing the area's beautification efforts and other important issues and opportunities. Current issues of great interest to the membership include the Midtown's identity, Fairgrounds, Long Range Transportation Plan, Central Park, US

93, Downtown Master Plan, etc.

Members feel free to bring someone you feel would be interested in the Midtown Missoula happenings. If you have any questions feel free to call Tim Winger at 406-721-5140 ext. 15. Refreshments and snacks will be served at the meeting.

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**We need you!!!!**  
Please let a board member know if you are interested in serving. 2008 is a great year to make a difference!!!

**MMA presents  
FOUNDER'S  
FEATURES  
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(See inside)

### Missoula Midtown's Future Identity?????

One of the interesting issues the Board has discussed in the last few months is building an identity for Missoula's Midtown. The idea is that "Midtown" would benefit by creating entrance points into the area welcoming our visitors to the area we work everyday to live and succeed. Many suggestions and ideas have been discussed and currently a few board members are developing an identification plan that includes key points of signage/beautification at

the entrances to "Midtown". Over the next few months as the plan emerges we will need help contacting businesses and citizens to help in this effort. Additionally, this is an opportunity for those who are interested in improving the aesthetic qualities of Midtown Missoula to get involved in planning and implementing this important step in building identity to the area. If you are interested in this effort please email Tim Winger at:

twinger@shopsouthgate.com

#### LOGO Design Winner



Jeremy Keene from WGM, created this original logo which will be the basis of MMA creative designs moving into the future. The MMA intends to incorporate a polished version of this logo into future branding initiatives. GOOD WORK JEREMY!!!

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# ONE YEAR AND MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE!!!!!!

We've made it one year and have the beginnings of an important group. Our membership is currently made up of businesses, non-profits, faith-based institutions and neighbor organizations. If you know of a fellow business person or anyone who is interested in having a voice in the mid-town area, direct them to our web site at [www.missoulamidtown.com](http://www.missoulamidtown.com) and encourage them to join. General membership dues are \$100 and there are still Founding Memberships available for \$500! Our current member list is below. For even more information about our members including their web sites and contact information, visit our web site.

## Founding Members

Anderson Zurmuehlen  
Beach Transportation  
City Life Community Center  
Community Bank—Missoula, Inc.  
Community Medical Center  
Family Dental Group  
First Interstate Bank  
First Security Bank  
Flanagan Motors  
Glidewell Insurance & Investment Group  
Matz Family Chiropractic Center  
Midtown Church  
Milodragovich, Dale, Steinbrenner & Nygren  
Montana Ace—Tremper  
Opportunity Resources, Inc.  
Prudential MT Real Estate  
Southgate Mall  
Treasure State Bank

Tremper Shopping Center, Inc.

University Motors

US Bank

Vann's, Inc.

WGM Group

Wireless Connection

**Founding Memberships are still available!**

## General Members

B & H Enterprises

Barbara Pulley & Associates, P.C.

Campbell & Associates, P.C.

Curley's Broiler

Donald F. Tomlinson

Eagle Self Storage, Inc.

First American Title

Historical Museum at Fort Missoula

Missoula Area Economic Development

Missoula Downtown Association

Missoula Organization of Realtors

Missoula Workforce Center

Mountain Line

My Sister's Closet

Southgate Triangle Neighborhood Council

Sterling Savings Bank

The Book Exchange

Towne Mailer

Turner Sign Arts

Wells Fargo Bank

Western Montana Fair

Work Force, Inc.

YMCA

Go to [www.missoulamidtown.com](http://www.missoulamidtown.com) for membership information!!!!

## 2008 Membership Dues

A NOTE FROM TIM WINGER:  
When we started MMA we had some important issues we wanted to address, the Fairgrounds being one. During the last year, the issue was being discussed during the Fair in 2007 and for the many months after. To date we have successfully monitored the situation receiving assurances that MMA would be very involved in the process of community input. We have had many Board members put time into meeting with and

staying in touch with public officials, resulting in substantive communication and interaction with the County & City officials. We continue to be very concerned about the future of the Fair and Fairgrounds and will continue our efforts to be involved. For all of those who have helped in this effort, I personally say thank you and look forward to working for Missoula Midtown's future.

Annual Membership Dues for 2008 will be due August 2008. An invoice will be mailed to the address of record to each member for \$100. Please contact Mike Size, Treasurer, if you have any questions or difficulties in making the required payment.

The Board of the Missoula Midtown would like to thank all of its members for its financial involvement on 2007. Without you, the MMA wouldn't be able to offer its services. Thank you.

## Valuable Missoula Midtown Information from Missoula Redevelopment Agency

### Current Listings of available real estate in URD III—Midtown Missoula

Availability in URD III - MID-TOWN MISSOULA

Address Building Name Current Use Listing agent: Additional information:

1940 Harve	MARIE'S ART-ERIES	RETAIL	Peter Lambros
2300 Brooks St	SLEEP CITY USA	RETAIL	Peter Lambros
2700 Paxson Plaza	COPPER BEACH	PROFESSIONAL	Loubelle Wissler
2300 Regent #110	New Construction	OFFICE\RETAIL	Jerry Ford
2300 Regent Apt A	New Construction	OFFICE\RETAIL	Jerry Ford
2300 Regent #111	New Construction	OFFICE\RETAIL	Jerry Ford
1852 South Ave	N/A	OFFICE	Russ Schweitzer
1733 South Ave	N/A	RETAIL	Steve Edgar
1209 Mount Ave	N/A	PROFESSIONAL	Larry Westover
2101 Brooks St	QUIZNO'S	RESTAURANT	Loubelle Wissler
2221 South Ave	VIVA MEXICO	RESTAURANT	Janet Rice
2145 South Ave	N/A	OFFICE\RETAIL	Mark McQuirk
2105 South Ave	STAR RENTAL	COMMERCIAL	Tom Jordan
1901 Stephens	BISTRO	RESTAURANT	Brint & Judy Wahlberg
1239 Kensington	N/A	OFFICE	Micheal Bryan
1020 South Ave	N/A	OFFICE	Michael Bryan
3601 Brooks St	CINE 3	THEATRE	Jerry Ford
3100 Brooks St	HASTINGS	RETAIL	Ken Staninger
3425 Schilling	N/A	OFFICE/RETAIL	Perry Deschamps
1925 Brooks St	SMOKER FRIENDLY	RETAIL	Tex Cates
1701 South Ave	REMAX	COMMERCIAL	Brint Wahlberg
1947 South Ave	MATRESS	COMMERCIAL	Bill McQuirk
1805 Regent	BUCK'S CLUB	COMMERCIAL	Team Phil-Good
800 Kensington	KENSINGTON PLAZA	PROFESSIONAL	<b>KEN A. STANINGER</b>
1235 Kensington	N/A	OFFICE	Kelly Paulson

### Current Missoula Redevelopment Agency Projects (Updated August 4th)

2200 Dixon Avenue (Kelly Gregory)  
 Missoula Federal Credit Union (Russell Street Branch)  
 Prudential Real Estate (Russell Street)  
 Streetscape Improvements - Phase III

### Completed Missoula Redevelopment Agency Projects (Updated August 4th)

***The following is a list of representative projects for which MRA provided financial assistance and/or project management.***

3410 South Reserve (Herring) 2005  
 homeWORD Design Competition 2006  
 Jefferson School Traffic Calming 2008  
 City Life Community Center  
 The Dearborn Project (2100 Block of Dearborn Ave)  
 Pruyv Veterinary Clinic 2007  
 Streetscape Improvements Phase I (Brooks/South/Russell) 2005  
 Streetscape Improvements Phase II (South Avenue) 2005  
 Southgate Area Planning 2006

Curious about Missoula Redevelopment Agency News got to <http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/mra/>

## Missoula Midtown Founder Spotlight



### Treasure State Bank: A New Breed of Community Bank

How does the idea of a bank owned not by one or two but hundreds of community-minded individuals sound to you?

Such a bank would ensure that the entire community is represented in the services and products it offers. It would disperse profits widely into the community, doing more good for more people. It would guarantee that customers would bank alongside owners. It would be a true, local banking option.

It sounded like a good idea to the organizers of Treasure State Bank, which is why they went to work forming a publicly traded community bank in 2006.

The bank opened its doors in 2007. In less than two short years, the bank has come a long way from its humble beginnings in a small building on Mullan Road. With a new state of the art facility recently completed, Treasure State Bank seeks to continue its vision of providing superior customer service and to be a true community partner. That includes being responsive to customers by making decisions locally, offering big-bank products within a small-bank atmosphere and the use of local vendors for its business needs, which keeps money in our local community.

Although Treasure State Bank is not located in Midtown, it recognized the importance of the central corridor of Missoula. Treasure State Bank showed support for the Missoula Midtown Association early on by becoming a Founding Member!

## Missoula Midtown Founder Spotlight



### Community Bank of Missoula

Community Bank of Missoula's newest location at 3200 Brooks, in the heart of Midtown Missoula, was one of the early Founder's in the Missoula Midtown Association. They have and continue to support the Association through meaningful membership and active participation. We thank them for all of their support.

Additionally, Community Bank is hosting a Missoula Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours Event on August 12<sup>th</sup> at their Brooks Street location. Check out their new location and meet some of your fellow business people.

# Missoula Midtown Association

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Please forward any information you feel would be useful for your Newsletter. You can submit to:

E-mail: [TWinger@shopsouthgate.com](mailto:TWinger@shopsouthgate.com)

**Your business tag line here.**



## Current Missoula Midtown Board

- President** Tim Winger - University Motors
- Vice-President** Jason Erickson - Treasure State Bank
- Secretary** Jeremy Keene- WGM
- Treasurer** Mike Size - Community Bank
- Board Member** Brent Gyurizca—City Life
- Board Member** Julie Mazza - First Interstate Bank
- Board Member** Brandon Smith— Glidewell Insurance
- Board Member** Jack Chambers—Opportunity ResOurces
- Board Member** Bob McCue—Eagle Self-Storage
- Advisor** Kari Nelson - MRA
- Advisor** Scott Meader—Western Montana Fair
- Advisor** Steve Earle - Mountain Line



## \*\*\*\*\*Want to get involved?\*\*\*\*\*

We in the process of planning a meeting with the newly created Fair Advisory Board. Through your comments and efforts made by many MMA members we have achieved an opportunity to be apart of the process that will determine the future of the Western Montana Fair and the fairgrounds. The County’s Fair Board will meet regularly each Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and they have scheduled a public hearing regarding contracting with a consulting firm Wednesday August 13th at 1:30 p.m., watch for a public announcement to verify time and place!!!!

Finally, the Board is in the process of scheduling a meeting specifically discuss the Fair planning process and some of our ideas in the month of August, if you are interested please let Tim Winger know at [twinger@shopsouthgate.com](mailto:twinger@shopsouthgate.com) or 721-5130.