# MAIN STREET WADSWORTH NEWS





March 2022





Our Mission: to create an unmatched downtown experience

# **Upcoming Downtown Events**

March First Friday: March for Art Friday, March 4 5:30-8:30 p.m.



April First Friday: All Things British! Friday, April 1 5:30-8:30 p.m.



May First Friday: Out of This World Friday, May 6 5:30-8:30 p.m.



# Shop, Dine, and Have Fun in Downtown Wadsworth!

### **Downtown Wadsworth News**

- A big announcement is coming soon about live entertainment in downtown!
   Follow us on Facebook for updates! facebook.com/MainStreetWadsworth
- 15 applications have been received for the City of Wadsworth's Downtown Improvement Grant, Round 2. \$35,781 of \$50,000 has been committed for approved projects. If you are interested in grant funding to improve the back of your downtown building, e-mail adrianne@mainstreetwadsworth.org for more information. Visit: www.mainstreetwadsworth.org/grants.
- Check out Main Street Wadsworth's new 2021 Annual Report by visiting www.mainstreetwadsworth.org/annual-report.
- Read all about MSW news in the Medina Gazette! (medina-gazette.com)
  - February 16: MSW's Art Mural Project
  - February 19: MSW's 5 New Board Members
  - March 1: MSW's 2021 Annual Report
  - March 2: MSW's March First Friday: March for Art
  - March 4: Wadsworth Joining National Register of Historic Districts
- Tom Stugmyer and Teri Peters performed to Lou Bega's Mambo #5 and received FIRST PLACE in Dancing with the Medina Stars on Feb. 25!
- The Downtown Wadsworth Ohio Merchants Coalition held their Galentine's Day event on Saturday, February 12 and plan to offer more fun events to the community on Saturdays! We appreciate their partnership!
- Keep an eye on "The Corner," the new business coming to the space formerly housing Spectrum at the corner of High and College Streets. Another business has also signed a lease for the Bicksler Electric space, 114 High St.
- April First Friday will feature a British cover band at Gazebo Island! Sponsors include Rexroad Insurance and Todd Baughman, CPA.
- May First Friday will feature free rides on the Euclid Beach Rocket Cars, generously sponsored by Serpentini of Medina.
- February's Restaurant Week was a success, with Dining Passports reflecting 44+ visits to downtown restaurants! The winning name drawn received \$100 in gift cards from Blue Tip BBQ, Sub Station, Rise & Grind, and Alexandris!

#### A Note from Main Street Wadsworth Executive Director Adrianne Patrick

I am so very excited to share with you our five-year cumulative revitalization data for Main Street Wadsworth 2017-2021 from our just-published 2021 Annual Report!:

- Over 30 new businesses have opened downtown since 2017
- Over 150 new jobs have been created
- Over \$500,000 in grants have been distributed for downtown buildings
- Over 60 building renovation projects have been completed downtown
- Over 125 free community events have been provided (50+ First Fridays!)
- 9 art murals have been commissioned
- Over 15,000 volunteer hours have been donated by our community

Congratulations to my "partners in crime"
Tom Stugmyer (MSW Past President) and
Teri Peters (MSW Project Coordinator) for
representing Wadsworth and winning
Dancing with the Medina Stars!



See you in downtown Wadsworth,





DOWNTOWN WADSWORTH HISTORY WITH DR. PAESAR PARRINO

DID YOU KNOW?...

Have you ever heard about Wadsworth's Brickyard? Perhaps the earliest bricks were formed in Wadsworth in about 1816 or so, when the oldest house still standing in Wadsworth was built. The house stands slightly north of Hartman Road on the south side of Broad Street and has been called the Falk House for as long as anyone can remember since it is on the Falk Farm. It is the present site of Wadsworth High School, Wadsworth Middle School and soon, Wadsworth Central Intermediate School. Wadsworth bricks also grace the campuses of Kent State University, Oberlin College, Heidelberg College, The University of Akron, and the Goodrich and Goodyear plants.





Wadsworth Brick & Tile Company

The Johnson House Museum

The Wadsworth Area Historical Society at the Johnson House Museum, the "Yellow House" located at 161 High Street near City Hall, is an organization committed to preserving the history of Wadsworth and surrounding areas. wadsworthareahistoricalsociety.org www.facebook.com/WadsworthAreaHS wadsworthareahistoricalsociety@gmail.com

## MSW Volunteer of the Month! Jon Yurchiak





## **Downtown Business Spotlight**







### **lazzercise Wadsworth**

**Owner: Wendy Becerra** 134 College Street, Suite A

**Jazzercise Wadsworth Fitness Center** offers group fitness classes for all levels. Their classes incorporate HIIT cardio dance moves with strength training for the ultimate full-body workout that can slay your wellness goals!

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### 6 Ways You Can Support Downtown Wadśworth's Revitalization in 2022!

- 1. Support our downtown services, restaurants, and retailers. 70+ to choose from! Spend locally.
- 2. Volunteer for our events! Send an e-mail to: teri@mainstreetwadsworth.org.
- 3. Attend our monthly meetings, held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at City Hall at 6:15 p.m. E-mail adrianne@mainstreetwadsworth.org.
- 4. Become a "Friend of MSW" via this blue QR Code or by visiting www.mainstreetwadsworth.org!



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