### LEAVENWORTH MAIN STREET

2021 YEAR IN REVIEW MARCH 1, 2022

# LEAVENWORTH MAIN STREET BRINGS ALL AGES DOWNTOWN FOR FUN & EXPLORATION! Live Music, Events, Prizes, Shopping & Dining

















## 2021 PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES, A SAMPLING INITIATED, DEVELOPED & HOSTED BY LMS























## COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROJECTS CITY OF LEAVENWORTH PARTNERSHIP

- COMMUNITY BENEFIT PROJECTS:
- ▶ Banner of Honor Program (50 Banners within the Delaware Streetscape Area)
- American Flags on Delaware, Memorial Day Veterans Day (Delaware Streetscape Area)
- Veterans Day VIP Reception A partnership with Exchange Bank (due to COVID, not held in 2021)
- Public Art (Mural Installation on LMS building, First City Passageways, Character Benches designed/ordered/delivered, installation in early 2022.
- CITY OF LEAVENWORTH PARTNERSHIPS:
- 2 City appointed board members
- City Staff participation in economic vitality, design and promotion committees

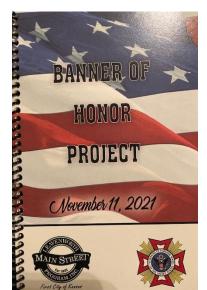
### LMS Destination Based Outside Marketing:

- Fox 4 Zip Trips, Discover Mid America, Leavenworth Times, CVB & Fort Leavenworth, Josephine/St. Joseph Market, Professional Video's, Billboard on 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Specialty opportunities
- Educational Opportunities Quarterly Kansas Main Street trainings, Opportunities & resources from Kansas Main Street and the Department of Commerce

# BANNER OF HONOR, FLAGS ON DELAWARE, PARKING LOT BANNERS

The Banner of Honor Program was in its 6th year in 2021, and features Veterans from all branches of the service, all wars and conflicts. The program begins in July of each year with 1 year renewal if desired, moves on to applications for new banners, photo's and biographies are collected, Young Sign digitizes and formats each banner, Marlee formats the Banner Booklets, Advantage Printing completes a professional, spiral bound Banner Booklet. Cost is \$200, Banner hangs for 1 year within the 50 locations within the Delaware Streetscape. Banners are installed by LMS volunteers.

The flags located in the streetscape area are installed prior to Memorial Day and taken down after Veterans Day by LMS volunteers.











### ECONOMIC IMPACT EVENTS

Economic Impact Events (For City & Merchants) All provide increased sales tax.

- AA5 1st Thursday of Every Month On average, 20 merchants participate monthly, drawing from 60 240 attendees to AA5. Business exposure, sales, repeat customers, word of mouth buzz. This event continues to grow.
- First City Spring Tea In 2021, due to COVID limitations, LMS hosted a Tour of Tea Tables within merchants businesses. Customers could vote on their favorite tea tables and the top 3 businesses received awards.
- Small Business Saturday/The Miracle on Main Street 1,829 tickets = \$45,755 spent within 35 participating businesses. Very successful. As a result of this success, LMS hosts Christmas in July. During each event, \$1,000 is awarded in 10, \$100 bundles of MS Bucks which re-circulate downtown. \$25 purchase provides customer 1 ticket into the drawing in November; \$20 purchase provides customer 1 ticket into the drawing in July.
- **Build a Bouquet** Encourages Mother's Day purchases & builds customer base.
- ▶ **Leavenworth City Market** Partnership with LV Farmers Market on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays.
- Free Summer Concerts Brings community and visitors downtown to listen, explore and enjoy
- Downtown Loft Tour. <u>In 2021 LMS wasn't able to host this event due to COVID limitations</u>. Showcase of upper story spaces, residential & office. Attendees gain perspective of living and working space available downtown. An exciting eye opening experience for many!
- Sidewalk Sales Good for merchants & good for those looking for a bargain, plus builds customer base.
- **Business Happy Hour** <u>Due to COVID limitations, LMS didn't host in 2021</u>, however 2022 is successful. This event provides a great networking opportunity for business owners and professionals to learn about and meet proprietors that hold a liquor license. A compliment to AA5.
- ► Holiday Open House Encourages holiday shopping downtown.

## FOX 4 ZIP TRIP ADVERTISING AS THE WEATHER SPONSOR

A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LEAVENWORTH CVB AND LEAVENWORTH MAIN STREET, FEATURING SPONSORED VIDEOS DURING ZIP TRIPS ALL SUMMER.















# MAIN STREET BUCKS - EXCELLENT INVESTMENT BY USD 453 MERCHANTS RECEIVE THE BENEFITS! CINDY/TEN PENNY; DR ROTH/USD 453; BETH/USD 453 ACCEPTING 625, \$50.00 PACKAGES OF MS BUCKS; JAN/BUTLERS MUFFLERS











## ALIVE AFTER 5! FRIENDS & FUN, MEETING MERCHANTS & EXPLORING DOWNTOWN







# BUILD A BOUQUET, DIY FOR DAD, REINDEER ROMP













### KEEPING DOWNTOWN ALIVE, VITAL & VIBRANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The Leavenworth Main Street Program Staff are busy, providing ongoing personal guidance, opportunities and resources for Downtown growth. The Pandemic continued to pose issues for downtown and small businesses in 2021.

- ENTREPRENEURIAL & SMALL BUSINESS CONTACTS: 62
  - ▶ 19 Businesses secured locations and/or expanded; A few projects are still in the works; some projects are inactive; open communication is consistent
- MAINTAINS AVAILABLE PROPERTY LISTING. A valuable tool that LMS provides frequently.
- MAINTAINS CATEGORIZED LISTING OF ALL DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES.
- PUBLISHES BUSINESS GUIDE, SHOPPING/DINING GUIDES & RESTAURANT GUIDE
- Business Resources Provided: Professional Consultations, Business Mentoring, Funding Opportunities, Design Assistance, Grow Leavenworth County/Network Kansas assistance via Low Interest Loan Opportunities & Other Business Educational Opportunities, LMS loans

### 213-223 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

KARMA - 2021 saw beautiful building exterior painting (including tuck pointing and repairs) **Business Investment** 

### 610 Cherokee

SIS' SWEETS Re-located in 2021 to this location. Business growth.

### 600 Shawnee

Leavenworth Local Hotel opened. <u>Adaptive Re-use of an Existing Building/Building</u> <u>Investment</u>

### 207 B Delaware

Season 7 Boutique opened. New Business.

#### 507 Shawnee

Krab Wingz opened. New Restaurant

#### 510 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Petra's Imbiss Stube' grew from a food truck to a permanent location. Business Growth

### 510 Cherokee

Mrs. Lalla's Cookies opened. New Business.

#### 210 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street

The Shop (fitness); Zuri Monique Boutique; Wholeness opened. New Businesses.

### S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Modern Hue Salon opened. New Business

#### **624 Cherokee**

First City Cheese Market & Kitchen Essentials - Combined 2 storefronts into 1 Business Growth

### **501 Delaware**

Large building purchased and re-developing. Building Investment & Development

### 307 Cherokee

Celtic Holsters purchased the building and re-located from 505 Cherokee. <u>Business Growth & Investment</u>

#### 505 Cherokee

Retained by the owner, offering leased space in the storefront; future plans to open a creative space in the storefront. <u>Building Retention</u>

#### 509 Cherokee

Professional youth choir business. <u>Development</u>

#### 514-B Delaware

First City Quilts is renovating this location recently vacated by Rosalyn's and re-locating in early Spring from 501 Delaware. <u>Business Development & Growth</u>

### 423 Delaware

KND Magic Boutique re-located from an upper story business suite to storefront exposure. Business Growth

### 601 Shawnee

Ramos Pawn re-located. <u>Business Expansion & Building Investment</u>

### 203 B Delaware

Strt 8 Barber Shop re-located. <u>Business Expansion</u>

### 301 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Cheeky Llama Clothier is opening early Spring. Frosting House Boutique closed at the end of 2021. New Business

### **426 Cherokee**

First City Property Group opened. <u>Building Investment, Service</u>

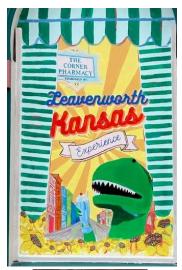
#### 604-606 Cherokee & 610 Cherokee

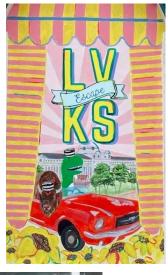
604-606 Cherokee is in the final phase of a major renovation to include a new commercial kitchen to accommodate a restaurant New Business.

### 301 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street

Frosting House Boutique opened. Closed end of 2021.

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## COMMUNITY & MERCHANT AWARENESS EVENTS

- Spring Fling Bingo 2,239 Bingo cards were turned in through the 6 week promotion. 6 weekly winners of Main Street Bucks plus fabulous gift basket winner.
- Summer Concert Series (June, July, August at Haymarket Square)
- Leavenworth City Market (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday mornings, May October)
- Build a Bouquet
- DIY for DAD (a youth oriented activity, well received)
- Sidewalk Sales
- ► Christmas in July 1,596 tickets = \$31,920 within 44 participating businesses.
- PAIR Day (targeted military exposure) FMWR cancelled this in 2021, however LMS actively distributed 1,000 welcome bags to Fort housing, Spouses club, Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), local businesses & hotel distribution
- Stuff Your Stocking (669 tickets = \$75,750), Festival of Trees, Holiday Open House
- DIY Reindeer Romp (a youth oriented activity, great response)
- ▶ Shop Small Saturday/The Miracle on Main Street
- ► LMS Annual Banquet

### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES









### STUFF YOUR STOCKING

NOVEMBER 6 - DECEMBER 22, 6 DRAWINGS + FABULOUS GRAND PRIZE Leave my orth, Kansas











# ALIVE AFTER 5 1<sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH JANUARY CHILI/SOUP MERCHANT COOK-OFF dorMAIL GALLERY/MEREDITH 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE; FROSTING HOUSE/ALESHA 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE; FIRST CITY CHEESE MARKET/RYAN 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE







## The 4 POINT APPROACH TO REVITALIZATION

- LMS CONSISTENTLY FOLLOWS THE NAT'L TRUST & NAT'L Main Street 4 POINT APPROACH TO DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION: Economic Vitality; Design; Promotion; Organization/Investor Relations
- IT'S PROVEN
- IT WORKS
- IT SHOWS
- ► THE 1<sup>ST</sup> CITY OF KS IS EXCITING, FULL OF BUSINESSES & MERCHANTS & A DESTINATION!
- ► REVITALIZATION IS ONGOING, BUSINESSES ARE FLUID & LMS STAYs ENGAGED & CONNECTED!
- LMS creates and hosts events & activities that draw visitors and consumers directly into downtown and oftentimes, directly into businesses.

### **INVESTOR DATA**

	iNVESTORS as of December 31,	, 2021	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	Budgeted
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Business Investors	134	152	150
Friends of Main Street Investors	9	28	25
Not for Profit Investors	2	7	6
Institutional Investors	7	7	6
Governmental Investors (City of LV)	1	1	1

 Reciprocal (CVB, C of C, NCS, LCDC, LV CO Historical Society, KAIR Radio, Richard Allen Cultural Center)

### LMS 2021 Year End BUDGET ANALYSIS

### Figures reflect 2021 Actuals

► City of Leavenworth ROI - 386%

	Financial, Business & Friend Investors (Dues)	33%	\$	45,736.00
	City of Leavenworth investment	20%	\$	32,000.00
•	Program Fundraising	28%	\$	44,595.75
•	Grants, CVB, Donations	12%	\$	20,000.00
	PPP	<b>7</b> %	\$	13,106.25
	Program Income _	100%	\$1	155,438.00
	Program Expense (Events, Adm, Wages)		\$	160,802.00
	Sub Total		\$	-5,364.00
	Net Bldg I & E (rents received, repairs, taxes, loan interest)			2,157.52
<b>•</b>	Ending Balance		\$	-3,206.48

### NETWORK OF RESOURCES

- National Main Street & Main Street America
- ► Kansas Main Street & Department of Commerce
- Kansas State Historic Society
- City of Leavenworth & CVB
- Network Kansas & Grow Leavenworth County Development
- KU Small Business Development Center
- Leavenworth County Development Corp

Opportunities become available from these and other resources, we take action, apply and oftentimes receive funding and related awards.

### LARGE BUILDINGS

#### 600 Cherokee

Owned by the City of Leavenworth's Land Bank. Developers being sought via RFP to bring this building into income producing retail and residential.

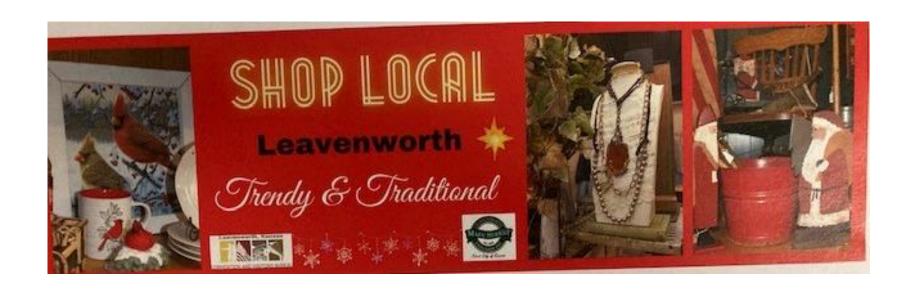
### NW Corner of 5th & Cherokee

BUILDING KNOWN AS LEE'S FURNITURE - The Ettenson Building is a historic and beautiful building, adding character and definition to downtown. However due to current ownership, historic and structural elements have been removed and the sheer size of the open interior space poses issues. LMS continues to contact developers in the regional area to develop this building into a viable and useful anchor building with mixed use in mind.

#### **523 Delaware**

Formerly Sadtk's Furniture, a quick transition to new ownership in 2021 with great plans to support downtown.

# BILLBOARD COOP ADVERTISING LMS & CVB, 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS LOST DOWNTOWN IN 2021

- Wildflower Bakery Closed (now Petra's Embiss Stube')
- Kansas Embroidery moved to home based in LV County (now Celtic Holsters)
- First City Dental Care moved to 4<sup>th</sup> Street (Heritage Center expanded)
- Petite Fleur Business purchased (now Little Story's Boutique)
- Ginny's Antiques closed/retired

 Additional small & large projects have been facilitated by LMS as we consistently connect building owners, tenants & entrepreneurs

### UPPER STORY DEVELOPMENT

- LMS has identified & is currently working with building owners that desire to renovate & utilize their upper stories. This is an excellent opportunity to increase Mixed Use Development Downtown!
- Mixed Use Development is a Win/Win for everyone. More residents living downtown, coop/shared space for small businesses, more customers, more foot traffic, more night life, more success for everyone. LMS is listening to City discussions on codes, updates and enforcement while offering information and ideas to increase upper story development.
- ► The City, County & State all benefit via increased property & sales taxes, plus the added benefit of a vibrant Downtown, the heart and soul of the community.

## INCENTIVES WITHOUT WALLS (IWW) A Kansas Department of Commerce Program

- Main Street Programs in Kansas have utilized the IWW revolving loan program since 1985. Developed through the Kansas Department of Commerce in conjunction with Kansas Main Street, it provides "gap" funding for downtown projects to move forward. We maintain an annual Memo of Agreement with the Dept. of Commerce/Kansas Main Street to continue to utilize the IWW revolving loan funds that we've built up, \$52,794. It is a great program that allows LMS to invest in downtown buildings and businesses.
- LMS records indicate IWW loans/grants started with our program in 2002.
- Since 1995 when LMS was implemented, it has loaned \$273,780 (30 loans) & granted \$103,349 (11 grants) for a total of \$377,129.00 in downtown investment.
- Currently, the LMS revolving loan fund (we no longer grant) has 6 active loans that total \$80,000; Monthly repayments currently total \$2,043.50 or annually \$24,522. This program is a 3:1 match meaning 3 parts private investment, 1 part public investment.
- IWW funds have been used to support business start up's, roofs, sewers, brick repair, business growth/expansion to include building purchase, façade & interior renovations, affixed fixtures.

### 2021 LMS AWARDS

- EACH YEAR THE LMS BOARD & COMMITTEES RECOGNIZE VOLUNTEERS AND OTHERS THAT ARE INSTRUMENTAL IN THE PROGRAM. The Annual Banquet was welcomed & well attended!
- VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR SCOTT O'NEILL & FAMILY, CELTIC HOLSTERS. ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS SUPPORTING PROMOTIONS AND DESIGN PROJECTS
- PROMOTION COMMITTEE DESIGN COMMITTEE MARLEE MARSHAL/ASSISTANT DIRECTOR. GOING ABOVE & BEYOND HER OFFICE DUTIES, INITIATING NEW ACTIVITIES.
- ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMITTEE RENEE & JOHN LEMONS/KARMA. BOARD MEMBER, ACTIVE BUSINESS PARTICIPATION, BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS
- ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE DR. ROTH AND SCHOOL BOARD/USD 453. DEDICATION TO COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE, EXCELLENT MAIN STREET BUCKS SUPPORT
- ▶ DESIGN COMMITTEE LEIGH COFFMAN, MURALIST. CONSISTENTLY PARTICIPATING IN LMS ART PROJECTS

### SOCIAL MEDIA

- Website, Active & Maintained
- Many posts are shared from businesses, entities, organizations daily
- Facebook End of 2021
- Page Likes 5,447
  - ► Followers 5,814
  - ▶ LMS Facebook ranks between the City of Leavenworth and CVB

## TRIED & TRUE MERCHANTS VALUED & STEADFAST

- We often talk about new businesses, however retaining existing businesses is the Key to Success Downtown. It's proven that retaining existing businesses is less costly and more effective than recruiting new businesses
- ► There are approximately 200 businesses downtown. The merchants are friendly, very knowledgeable and a wealth of great information! We encourage each of you to make it a priority to stop by and say "hi" frequently, tell them they are valued in the community, make purchases frequently and spread the positive word about what Downtown Leavenworth has to offer the most amazing, talented, creative, innovative and dedicated merchants anywhere!
- ▶ WE NEED THEM, THEY NEED US

### **GOING STRONG SINCE 1995**

The Leavenworth Main Street Program, Inc. became a designated Main Street in 1995, a fully accredited program for the majority of those years within the professional standards and framework of the National Trust and National Main Street.

#### **MISSION**

Leavenworth Main Street Program, Inc., through community awareness and involvement, works to energize and preserve the downtown through economic development and historic preservation to cultivate a viable, attractive and prosperous area for the benefit of the entire community.

#### **VISION**

Businesses, residents, consumers, and government are working together to improve the quality of living, working, and playing in the downtown district.

Community members and visitors utilize and enjoy historic downtown Leavenworth as a unique destination for eclectic shops, historic buildings, cultural activities, education, entertainment, living, and dining.

Downtown Leavenworth is the social and economic center of the community, known for diverse retail and service businesses, comfortable and convenient living, and its atmosphere of vibrancy and pride.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP & INVESTMENT IN THE MAIN STREET PROGRAM

- A historic downtown, in today's world, must be targeted & marketed, positively embraced and showcased consistently via many avenues to retain its character and relevance.
- It takes consistent personal contact, familiarity with the owners and their products, consistent promotional activities to draw visitors and customers to and into their businesses. That's a huge part of what LMS does.
- New hotels are greatly appreciated and enhance and build downtown vibrancy. Continued development of upper story and residential development is exciting and increases mixed-use opportunities.