Welcome!

2024 Annual Meeting

Mission Statement: To promote and support Downtown businesses and events to market the Downtown District as a destination and to ultimately enhance the quality of life Downtown.



2023 Board Members

- President: Bre Staal
- Vice President: Chuck Wilder
- Treasurer: Kaitlyn Heupel
- Debbie Richter
- Kari Hauge
- Leah Windnagle
- Rochelle Villa
- Schelle Thomas/Sport About
- Angela Skogen
- Lacey Dixon
- Amy Krueger (non-voting)

2024 WDA Board Candidates

Brandon Delvo - American State Bank & Trust

Kristy Huschka & Susie Hansen - Crocus N Flair

Bradley Mabeus - KimberElite









2023 Financial Review

TOTAL INCOME \$163,041.45

MEMBERSHIPS \$9200

NET INCOME AFTER EXPENSES \$11,145.13 **\$139.208.90**

OTHER REVENUE \$14,632.55

2023 Accomplishments

- Hired an Event Coordinator
- Moved into an office in the Downtown Plaza
- Revived the WDA Newsletter
- Updated Membership Benefits
- Facebook: 905 more followers within the year, and most of our other metrics sourced exponentially
- Outsourced Marketing: Rebell Media
- Summer Nights on Main Won Best Summer Event at the Best of the Bakken 2023



2023 Event Recap

- Art & Wine Walk
- Crazy Days
- Summer Nights on Main
- Main Street Market
- Trail of Treats
- Holiday Stroll



Art & Wine Walk

Our first event to kick of 2023 was a huge success! It drew lots of people to businesses for a night exploring different downtown businesses while enjoying a variety of wines, appetizers, and art!

13
Businesses
Hosted Artists

152 Tickets Sold 18+
Artists'
work was
displayed



CRAZY DAYS

- Day one featured a full street closure with over 20 downtown businesses, pop-up businesses, Jer Bears Sno Shack, the Williston Community Library Bookmobile, and activities for the kids
- Day two highlighted our downtown businesses with a small street closure by Hedderich's Lot
- Kids activities were available along the street and at participating businesses.
- Pageant Weekend brought a lot of out of town traffic downtown
- Most pop-up shops had decent sales and brick-and-mortar stores reported similar or better sales than previous years!

SUMMER NIGHTS ON MAIN

- It was another great summer with 9 weeks of Downtown Thursday Night Fun!
- The weather was terrific and Sponsors offered fun, games and giveaways to those in attendance.
- We had 12+ Vendors offer a great variety of food and activities every week!
- Our band variety brought in familiar favorites, with new additions that were crowd pleasers

We are looking forward to another great season in 2024!





Main Street Market

- Lowered the price from \$20 to \$12/week and saw a lot of gratitude from vendors
- Attendance was very consistent for the majority of the summer
- DMJ Productions having music from 9:30-12PM helped extend the life of the market
- Different market activity sponsors including the Police Department, Chamber of Commerce, and Giggle Kidz Daycare brought fun activities to the market to draw in kids
- The addition of the two Kid's Markets drew in lot's of youth vendors, brought lots of families down, and will become a monthly market staple going forward!

Trail of Treats

Trail of Treats was the coldest event of 2023, but that did not stop people from coming downtown to enjoy the trick-or-treating event!



60+ Businesses



20+ Teal Pumpkin Stops



2500 Kids





WILLISTON DOWNTOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Holiday Stroll

DECEMBER 8TH
5-8PM
DOWNTOWN WILLISTON



Holiday Stroll

- Given the weather, there were still a lot of people Downtown
- Ranger S'mores Kits were a huge hit again
- Hot Cocoa Contest: 7 businesses competed, and we saw almost 200 votes from the evening!
- Activites: Santa pictures, cookie tasting, gift wrapping at select stores, carolers, cocoa kits

Committees

Summer Nights on Main



Retail + 1







Community + 1







Proposed 2024 Calendar

Crazy Days



Friday, June 7th Saturday, June 8th

Art & Wine Walk



Thursday, June 20th

Summer Nights on Main



Tuesday, July 2nd Thursdays: July 11th-August 29th

Proposed 2024 Calendar

Main Street Market



Saturdays: July 12th -September 28th

Trail of Treats



Thursday, October 31st

Holiday Stroll



Friday, December 13th

2024 Goals



- Secure Grants for Projects:
 - Speakers
 - Barricades
 - Downtown Christmas Tree

 One New Income Generating Event

• \$10,000 in Memberships

Hire Summer Intern(s)





Thank you for attending!

Questions, comments, concerns...

Email us at WillistonDowntowners@gmail.com

OR

Call or Text (701) 580-9343