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IT TAKES A COMMUNITY: Volunteer with MainStreet Libertyville

MainStreet Libertyville is powered by people who care deeply about our downtown and our community. From signature events and seasonal celebrations to beautification efforts and business support, volunteers are at the heart of everything we do.

As we look ahead to a full year of programming, we're inviting community members to get involved in ways that match their interests, skills, and availability. We're seeking heavy lifters and greeters at our community events, planners who enjoy organizing details behind the scenes, creative minds who can help bring ideas to life, and ambassadors who love connecting with neighbors and visitors. Whether you can give a few hours a year or serve more regularly, there is a place for you on our team.

“Our goal is to have more residents take part in our events and programs through volunteering,” said Board Chair Kate Vittore. “When neighbors step up to serve, they’re not only supporting MainStreet Libertyville — they’re strengthening our entire community. Their time, energy, and ideas help create the vibrant, welcoming downtown experience we all value.”

Volunteering with MainStreet Libertyville is more than lending a hand — it’s an opportunity to strengthen local businesses, build meaningful connections, and help shape the experience of downtown Libertyville for residents and visitors alike.



If you have a heart for service and want to make a tangible impact in our community, we'd love to hear from you. Contact us at 847-680-0336 or introduce yourself at mainstreetlibertyville.org/volunteer/

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Inside... Summer Events!

A Message From Board Chair Kate Vittore

As we welcome spring in downtown Libertyville, I'm reminded of what truly makes our community special – the people who show up, pitch in, and care deeply about this place we call home.

This issue of The Gazette highlights one of those stories in our cover feature. It's a powerful reminder that even a single act of involvement can grow into something meaningful – for both our volunteers and our community as a whole.

Inside, you'll also find a look at our 2026 calendar of events – an exciting lineup that reflects the vibrancy of our downtown – along with a recap of our Annual Meeting, updates on new business members, and an introduction to our Interim Executive Director, Kelley Crimmins. Each of these pieces represents the continued momentum of MainStreet Libertyville and the collective effort behind it.

At the heart of everything we do are the individuals and families who choose to get involved – whether by volunteering their time or supporting us as residential members. These contributions make it possible for us to host beloved events, support our local businesses, and enhance the experience of downtown Libertyville for all.

If you've ever considered getting more involved, I encourage you to take that first step. Join us as a volunteer, become a residential member, or simply connect with us to learn more. There is a place for everyone in MainStreet Libertyville.

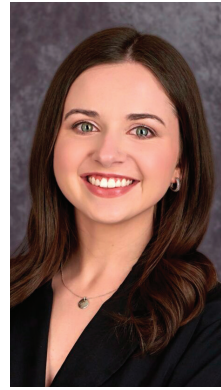
Thank You For Being Part Of Our Community And For Helping Us Continue To Build Something Truly Special – Together.

Crimmins Named Interim Executive Director

MainStreet Libertyville is pleased to announce the appointment of Kelley Crimmins as Interim Executive Director. Kelley joined the organization in September 2025 as Program & Marketing Assistant and quickly became a valued leader within the organization and the downtown community.

In her interim role, Kelley will oversee day-to-day operations while continuing to advance programs and initiatives that support and promote downtown Libertyville. She has more than 20 years of experience in marketing and outreach, with a background rooted in journalism and public service.

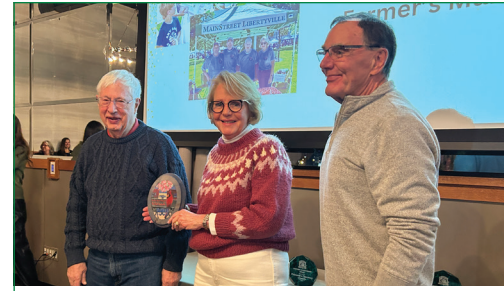
Since joining MainStreet, Kelley has played a key role in enhancing the organization's digital presence and strengthening connections with local businesses. "Kelley has brought strong enthusiasm and expertise to our organization and has become a trusted partner to our business community," Board Chair Kate Vittore said. "We are confident she will bring fresh energy to this role as we continue to grow and serve downtown Libertyville."



KATE VITTORE



KELLEY CRIMMINS



MainStreet, Volunteers & Business Owners Celebrated at Annual Meeting

Downtown leaders, volunteers, and business owners gathered in February for an evening of connection and celebration at MainStreet Libertyville's annual meeting at Mickey Finn's Brewery.

The night was a meaningful opportunity to reflect on the past year, recognize outstanding contributions, and thank the many donors, supporters, businesses, and volunteers who help keep downtown Libertyville vibrant and welcoming.

We were proud to honor our 2025 award recipients:

- **Downtown Business of the Year** – Rolland's Jewelers
- **Associate Business of the Year** – Grand Appliance and TV
- **Pride of Downtown** – About Time Bookstore
- **Downtown Spirit** – The Bootery Boutique
- **Lifetime Achievement** – Petranek's Pharmacy
- **Volunteer of the Year** – Robin O'Connor
- **Service Award (5 Years)** – Jennifer Johnson
- **Chairman's Award** – MSL Economic Vitality Committee
- **Illinois Main Street Promotion Approach Recognition** – Libertyville Farmer's Market

Each honoree represents the commitment, creativity, and community spirit that define downtown Libertyville.

Thank you to everyone who attended and to all who support our mission year-round. Together, we continue building a thriving downtown for businesses, residents and visitors alike. Enjoy this photo recap from a truly special evening!

Stronger Together: Downtown Businesses Connect, Collaborate, & Grow

Thank you to all the downtown business owners who joined us in March for our quarterly MainStreet Libertyville Business Owner Meeting at Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory! Led by members of our Economic Vitality Committee, the purpose of these meetings is to create a valuable space to connect, collaborate, and exchange ideas that help strengthen our downtown district. It's always great to see our business community come together to share insights, discuss opportunities, and support one another.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 24 at The Joyful Gourmet. If you would like to receive notices related to our business owner meetings, please email Kelley Crimmins at kelly@mainstreetlibertyville.org.

We appreciate everyone who can take time out of their busy schedules to attend and contribute to the conversation. Your engagement helps keep downtown Libertyville vibrant and thriving!

MainStreet Libertyville Calendar of Events 2026



> FIRST FRIDAY

June 5, July 3, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4

> CAR FUN ON 21

May 20, June 24, July 15, Aug. 19, Sept. 16

> FARMERS MARKET

Thursdays, May 28-Oct. 15
NO MARKET JUNE 18

> LUNCH IN THE PARK

June 12 & 26, July 10 & 24, Aug. 7

> MAINSTREET GOLF OUTING

Monday, June 29

> SIDEWALK SALES

Friday, July 17 & Saturday, July 18

> MAINSTREET DESSERT WALK

Saturday, August 1





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~ MainStreet Libertyville Mission ~

The purpose of the MainStreet Libertyville Program is to enhance the community identity and heritage, to foster a center of activity and to ensure economic stability for the heart of Libertyville through concentrated efforts of education, design, promotion, organization, and economic revitalization. MainStreet is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

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New Downtown Business Members

> TOY COURT

Toy Court is Libertyville's newest boutique destination for toys, games, and collectibles, specializing in LEGO sets and minifigures. Toy Court offers a hands-on experience where kids can build at the bulk LEGO station or enjoy games while parents shop.

> FLEET FEET

Committed to growing the local running and walking community, Fleet Feet offers expert guidance, educational resources, and training opportunities to help you reach your fitness goals – all with the care of a locally owned and operated team.

> LA VILLA LOFTS/ LOVINGER PROPERTIES

Lovinger Partners is a fourth-generation real estate group specializing in residential and commercial brokerage, real estate investments, renovations, and new construction. Among its standout projects is La Villa Lofts – Libertyville's newest and only luxury loft apartments – located in the heart of downtown.

Shop Local All Season Long!

#ShopLibertyville

New Associate Business Members



Join Our MainStreet Community Today!

YES! I Would Like Join Mainstreet Libertyville

YES! I Would Like To Volunteer, Please Contact Me!

- New Membership
- Renewal Membership
- Upgrade Membership
- Legacy - \$1000
- Platinum - \$500
- Gold - \$250
- Silver - \$100
- Bronze - \$50
- Green - \$25

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