



MISSION: "Encouraging the economic development, historic preservation, and continuous improvement of downtown Kendallville."

Kendallville Heartbeat

July 23, 2024

Commission Loosens Rear Facade Guidelines

The Kendallville Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) recently voted to loosen the historic guidelines for the rear facades of downtown buildings within the historic district. The reasons behind the change are simple:

- To make it easier and more affordable for downtown property owners to address rear facade issues such as windows, paint and doors
- To encourage property owners to consider making the rear of their building more inviting to customers and the community

Below is a list of the new recommendations. As always, any work done to the exterior of a building within the historic district needs to be reviewed by the HPC before being completed. Without HPC approval, building owners are ineligible for facade grant funding from the Redevelopment Commission.

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### **Rear Elevations**

**(Rear Elevation only; side elevations of a corner building are street-facing and follow the same guidelines as front elevations.)**

**Recommended:**

1. Rear elevations should be kept simple in appearance.
2. Maintain and preserve historic doors at rear entrances.
3. If new doors are required, use single-lite glass-and-wood or other historically appropriate doors.
4. Maintain and preserve historic windows on rear elevation.
5. If new windows are required, replace windows in their original size/type. Rear elevation windows could be vinyl.

6. Durable metal siding may be considered in cases where the brick/mortar are seriously deteriorated.
7. Maintain a simple appearance for rear entrances. Signs and awnings are appropriate for the identification of businesses.
8. Screen HVAC units and service equipment through landscaping or wood and/or brick enclosures, or place units and equipment on roofs out of view from the street.
9. RDC can help with funding for rear elevation paint if colors are chosen from Sherwin Williams pre-approved historic color palette, found here: <https://www.sherwin-williams.com/en-us/color/color-collections/historic-paint-colors>.

**The Historic Preservation Commission does not recommend and generally does not approve:**

1. Covering windows with plywood.
2. Vinyl siding.
3. Replacement of windows in any size/type other than what was originally there.

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For questions about the guidelines, please contact Deb at dparcell@indianalandmarks.org.

For questions about facade grant funding, please contact Loren at llallen5@sbcglobal.net.

Bike Rack Adds Whimsy to Downtown

A new, whimsical bike rack was installed in front of WhatchamaCAKES this week. Shaped like a giant cake whisk, the metal structure was created by Kammerer Welding, and was funded by the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council as a nod to the business and a new amenity for downtown patrons.

Lisa Stuckey, owner of WhatchamaCAKES, is also a member of the Noble County Bicycle Club and is an avid rider. She is pictured below with the new whisk.



Another Building Getting Facelift

The building at 211-213 South Main Street (formerly Paul's Pub) sat vacant for years, showing visible signs of serious blight and neglect. Because of this, Historic Downtown Kendallville, in partnership with Indiana Landmarks, decided to step in and purchase the building to try and save it from further decline.

As you can see below, contractors are in the process of installing new, appropriately sized storefront windows, new doors, a new decorative cornice, and a fresh coat of paint to bring this beauty back to life.

If you have a building downtown that you struggle to maintain, give us a call. We may be able to help.



231 Main is Now Open!

The Kendallville Coworking Space is now open and ready to help you reach your professional goals. We have several workstations available for daily or monthly rental, as well as many other amenities to help you start, launch, or grow your

business. For more information or to schedule a tour, please visit kendallvillecoworking.com.



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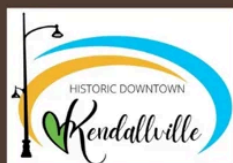
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Cast Your Vote for HDK!

Historic Downtown Kendallville has been nominated for several awards in both the Best in Indiana Awards, as well as the Fort Wayne Reader's Choice

Awards. Please help us by voting for us and other local businesses & attractions who made the list!



Nominations

Fairy Gnome and Troll Festival:

- *Best Festival/Fair*
- *Best Family Fun Entertainment*

Founder's Park:

- *Best City Street Art*

Cast your vote [HERE](#)



Nominations

Fairy Gnome and Troll Festival:

- *Best Community Festival*
- *Best Family-Friendly Event*
- *Best Festival*

Cast your vote [HERE](#)

Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Events

2024 Summer Concerts



Staci Stork

Sat, 6/8 | 5pm-8pm

*This is also a skate night
downtown to benefit
Common Grace*

**Sat, 6/29 | 6pm-8pm
Sat, 8/24 | 6pm-8pm**



Austin Marsh

Sat, 7/20 | 6pm-8pm

*This is also a skate night
downtown to benefit
EN Kiwanis Club*

Sat, 8/10 | 6pm-8pm



JD3

Sat, 8/17 | 6pm-8pm

Founder's Park
in Historic Downtown
Kendallville



FRIDAY, JULY 26TH



Back to School Cookout



Free Lunch to the First 300 People!

FROM 11.00 AM TO 1.00 PM

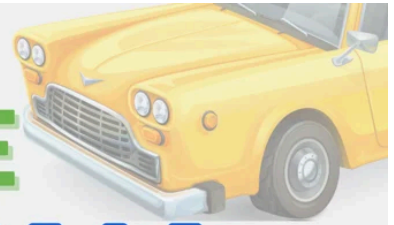
in Founders Park

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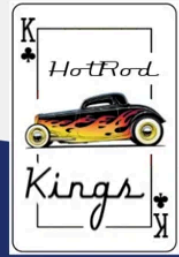


CAR SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2024
NOON-5:00PM (AWARDS AT 4:30PM)
IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN KENDALLVILLE



\$20
REGISTRATION



EVENT IS RAIN OR SHINE

DASH PLAQUES

PROVIDED FOR THE
FIRST 250 CARS

50+ AWARDS

MAYOR'S CHOICE
POLICE CHIEF'S CHOICE
FIRE CHIEF'S CHOICE
RADDEST RATROD
BEST IN SHOW

ENTERTAINMENT

DJ: H2 ENTERTAINMENT
BAND: THE HOTROD KINGS
FOOD AND DRINKS
50/50 DRAWING
LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES
CONEY EATING CONTEST

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://kendallvillemainstreet.com>
or between 12-2pm the day of the event

EVENT SPONSORED BY:

Your Company Name Here

ART AUCTION

231 S Main Street



Thurs, 9/19
5pm - 7pm



Join us for music and appetizers, plus a live auction featuring:

- 13 Unique Art on Main Bistro Sets
- 40+ ENHS Art Student Canvases
- Several Gourmet Desserts

The **Kroger Community Rewards** program makes fundraising easy!

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