



November Newsletter

Old-Fashioned Christmas Walk



Holiday shopping! Santa Parade! Visits with Santa! Carriage and Trolley rides! Dance Performances and lots more!! Check out more details and stay up to date at the link below!

[Learn More](#)

Deadline for downtown businesses to participate in the Old-Fashioned Christmas Walk and the Window Decorating Contest is November 16th! Visit the link below for the participation form and Window Decorating Contest information!

[Participation Form](#)

Small Business Saturday!

'Tis the season to ShopSmall on Small Business Saturday, Nov 26 and all season long! Visit ShopSmall.com to learn more!



SAVE THE DATE

SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY IS NOV 26



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Get Your Thanksgiving orders in!



Don & Nancy's Cafe

Get your pie orders in by Friday, 18th for pick up Wednesday, 23rd. Also get your cookies and donuts!
Call: 309-435-3517

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Princess Creations

Get your orders in by Friday, 18th for pick up Wednesday, 23rd. New this year Pumpkin Pie Cookie Platter! Also get your pies and cupcakes!
Call: 309-998-2253

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The Sweet Shoppe

Pies and more from The Sweet Shoppe! Get your orders in!
Call: 309-647-7320

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Congratulations Kobolds & Kabinets!



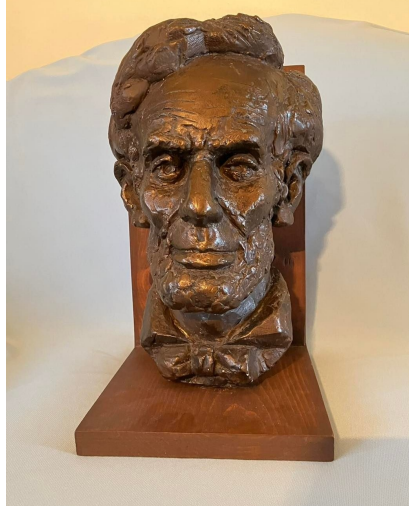
Congratulations to Kobolds & Kabinets, recipient of \$1,500 Canton Main Street Micro-Grant! Kobolds & Kabinets opened in November of 2021 at 15 E Side Square. Pictured above are owners Drake Crumb & Jenna Howard with CMS President Dana Smith & SRPED Marketing & Tourism Director/CMS Liaison Amanda Sampson. Kobolds & Kabinets offers trading cards, board games, DND minitures, store credit for trade-ins, and much more. They will be using the micro-grant to expand their merchandise and prepare for the Holiday season.

They will be having a Holiday Sale of 10% off all board games and DND minatures on Black

Friday, the 25th!

Facebook Page

Heritage Center's Annual Meeting



The Canton Area Heritage Center will be holding their annual meeting on November 10th, 6:30pm at the Donaldson Center. This annual meeting is open to the public. They will be reporting on the progress on preserving history at the museum and will be hosting a presenter, who will portray May Todd Lincoln in an entertaining and educational program titled, "Mrs. Lincoln in Love."

Board members are also planning a display of Lincoln artifacts, including photographs, medallion and bust of Lincoln, as well as other historic Lincoln memorabilia.

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Downtown Business Survey

Canton Main Street is part of a national grass-roots effort across the country

to help downtowns in small communities to thrive—through economic development, historic preservation and support for local businesses. Our goal is to help local businesses in the downtown area to succeed and prosper, and to make the downtown a hub for residents, visitors and the area at large.

Over the years, Canton Main Street has hosted the Art on Main Fine Arts Festival, Kid's Fest, Farmer's Market, and the Old-Fashioned Christmas Walk. We have contributed to installing way-finding signage, new streetlights, and signage for free city parking in the downtown. We have also provided micro-grants to new businesses in the downtown area, and existing businesses with new ownership.

We want to re-align our efforts and focus on programs and issues that matter most to you. To that end, we have created a brief survey, which we hope you will take a few minutes to complete at the link below.

Thank you!

[Fill Out Survey Here](#)

Become a member of Canton Main Street today!



MEMBERSHIP...

Become a business, organization, or individual member!

Become a board member or serve on one of our committees!



DEVELOPMENT...

Starting a new business? We have the resources and connections to help you get started!



EVENTS...

Sponsor one, some or all of our events; receive advertising in return!

Volunteer through planning or working at one of our events!

[CMS Membership Form](#)

Congratulations to Cole McDaniel & Chris Jump!



Congratulations to Cole McDaniel, Executive Director with the Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development (SRPED) and Chris Jump, attorney with Davis & Campbell, LLC, who also serves as the Attorney for the City of Canton and is a board member for SRPED. These two local gentlemen were chosen winners of the 40 Leaders Under 40 Award. 40 Leaders Under 40 is an annual

celebration of emerging leaders in Greater Peoria. Through nominations submitted by the community, the region's rising young stars are honored each year at a prestigious community reception. The award reception happened on October 27th at the Scottish Rite Theatre in Peoria.

Pictured above are Cole and Chris with Canton's Mayor, Kent McDowell. We are all very proud of these young professionals. Thank you for all you are doing in your professions and for the community at large! Visit the link below to learn more about the 40 Leaders Under 40 Class of 2022!

40 Leaders Under 40 Class of 2022

A Message from the Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development (SRPED)...



The current economic crisis in the United States requires a renewed commitment to investing in rural communities in order to ensure that they have a prominent place in this country's future. Given the changing nature of the rural economy, the lack of upward mobility in many rural communities, and the persistent gap in unemployment and poverty rates between metro and nonmetro counties, we need to overhaul the current approach to rural development and create a new framework that builds resilient rural communities. This new framework must call for a complete change in mindset about what constitutes rural America, the assets within these diverse communities, and the struggles they face. Rethinking rural development policy will also require investing in these communities from the bottom up instead of the top down, empowering them to identify and leverage their

existing assets and knowledge and to promote homegrown economic opportunities.

We have seen these homegrown economic opportunities growing consistently in Canton over the last 2 years. As the new year approaches, one of our main goals will be to continue providing new resources, and business guidance. The SRPED 2022 Annual Report will be out in early January, and we can't wait to recap all the exciting projects, initiatives and opportunities in Canton and Fulton County from 2022.



SRPED is dedicated to serving as a catalyst for economic and community development. Our mission is to create community partnerships, business opportunities, and implement programs and projects that foster growth and development.

[SRPED Website](#)



President: Dana Smith; **Vice President & Organization Chair:** Eric Duffield, **Secretary:** Jodi Wilcoxon; **Treasurer:** Ryan Spangler, **Promotions Chair:** Carol Kohler, **Board Members:** Kevin Stephenson and Steve Mason. **Staff Members:** Cole McDaniel and Amanda Woodruff

Canton Main Street is committed to the revitalization and preservation of Canton's historic downtown by promoting a positive community image, fostering downtown business growth and development, and encouraging ongoing efforts to improve the heart of our community.

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