

amestown THE DOWNTOWNER

July 2021

4th of July Kids Bike Parade

The Jamestown Downtown Association will once again host the 4th of July Kids Bike Parade on Saturday July 3rd. Due to road construction and open business traffic, we will use 2nd Avenue this year. Please gather at 9:30 at the parking lot by the railoard tracks on 1st Street E, the Schuberts side. Make sure all the kids get registered there for the boys and girls bikes we will give away at the end. Kids and families are encouraged to dress in their best red, white and blues as we will



give away cash prizes to the top 3 costumes! We will start the parade at 10 am with a police escort to McElroy Park, ending with root beer floats in the Sertoma shelter. Much thanks to the following for their contributions: Walmart, Dairy Queen, and the Jamestown Sertoma Club!



We had one of our best ever crowds for the opening night of Chalkfest and the first Downtown Arts Market of the summer on June 24th. Up next:

July 1st: OPEN MIC NIGHT With: Kroshus & Krew

July 8th: BOLDER SHADES OF BLUE & SPACE

DOGS With: Local acoustic duo

July 15th: DEB JENKINS BAND With: Heather Rae

July 22nd: MATT HODEK & DAKOTA DUTCHMEN

With: Buffalo City Church

July 29th: OPEN MIC NIGHT

Join us Thursdays at 5:30 at the Hansen Arts Park, on the corner of 1st Ave and 2nd St. For Artist descriptions and more information visit www.jamestownarts.com



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Winners from the 6th Annual Rods & Hogs:

The Best Bike Trophy and \$200 Cash, sponsored by the Stutsman Harley Davidson went to Shawn Erdahl with his 2005 Harley Davidson Electra Glide. 2nd place and \$100 cash went to Darin Hust and 3rd place and \$50 cash to Jon Greenstein.

The Best Truck Trophy and \$200 Cash, sponsored by Wilhelm Chevy, Buick, GMC and S & R Truck Plaza, was awarded to Keith Veil and his 1953 Ford F100. 2nd place and \$100 cash to Aaron and Amy Nogosek and 3rd place and \$50 went to Kent Simonson

The Best Car Trophy and \$200 Cash, sponsored by Dales Auto Mall and More was presented to Neal Klein with his 1930 Ford Model A Sedan. 2nd place and \$100 cash went to Gordon and Susan Lucht and 3rd place and \$50 to Craig Headland

The Best Rat Rod Trophy and \$200 Cash, sponsored by West End Hide, Fur and Metal and Kleins Collision Center was judged to Terry Hook and his 1938 Ford Pickup. 2nd place and \$100 cash went to Mike Oster and 3rd place and \$50 to JR Lange

Finally, the Dick Dauer Memorial People's Choice Award, sponsored by RM Stoudt Ford, Lincoln, Dodge, Jeep and the Jamestown Classic Car Club was awarded to Jaidyn Edinger and her 1970 VW Beetle (Herbie). Photos on Facebook/Jamestown Downtown Association

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Featured Member of the Month

Lifestyle Appliance Center

Lifestyle Appliance Center, one of our many JDA members is in the spotlight this month.

Lifestyle Appliance Center was purchased by LeRoy and Leanne Wegenast in 1977 from Milt Snow. As a young man, Colin worked for his parents, learning all he could. He and his wife Toni purchased the business in its entirety from LeRoy and Leann on July 1, 2012. Colin and Toni have 2 grown sons.

Lifestyle Appliance Center carries a wide variety of name brand appliances, Nordic hot tubs, and Big Green Egg grills. They also now carry Amazing Rest mattresses. They have free local delivery and financing is available. Lifestyle has 8 full time employees, including 4 full time service techs.

Colin and Toni feel that locally owned businesses need to support one another as a team and feel that even though their business is not downtown, we are all part of the same community and supporting one another is important.

Lifestyle Appliance Center is just finishing up a large remodeling project and look forward to having the community see what has changed. One thing that has not changed is their commitment to providing high quality merchandise and exceptional customer service.

Watch for information on the remodel and thank you to the Wegenasts for being long time Jamestown Downtown association members.



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As road diet work continues along 1st Avenue in Jamestown, pedestrian safety has come more into focus for the Jamestown Police Department. Police Chief Scott Edinger says as the project takes shape, some concerns have been brought up that he says the department and City are looking into. "All of those crosswalks, whether they have lights or not, they are crosswalks, and you have to yield to pedestrians in those crosswalks."

He added that some of the issues they're seeing can also be helped by members of the public. Now that flashing beacons are installed at intersections along main street, motorists need to start watching for pedestrians who are looking to cross. This includes intersections that don't have beacons.

Chief Edinger says average speeds might be higher than normal, but they are seeing significant decreases along 1st Avenue now with the project with many traveling between 22 to 23 mph.

As far as enforcement, Chief Edinger says they're looking at special enforcement details that will help with traffic and pedestrian crossings down main street. He added they would possibly include enforcement at other "problem" pedestrian crossings in the city.

Failure to yield to pedestrians at crosswalks will result in a \$50 fine and points on your driver's license. If it involves distracted driving, the points and fine go up significantly after that.

Chief Edinger says pedestrians can also take precautions when crossing streets in the city, "those (the beacons) definitely help, those definitely gather peoples attention, just be cautious, gradually step out, watch where you're going, don't be on your phone when you're trying to cross the street. I really do think that the bumpouts are going to help with pedestrian safety, but they aren't a 100% fix. So you always have to walk defensively just like you need to drive defensively.

You can read the full story with more audio quotes from Chief Edinger at www.newsdakota.com

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