



MAIN STREET ORION



Spring 2020 Events

DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE

Sunday, April 19th, 5:30 to 7 pm

Orion High School Commons

\$15 per couple.

Admission for each additional daughter is only \$5.

Reservations required and may be made by phoning Main Street Orion at 309-526-8299

Or by emailing director@mainstreetorion.com

"LET'S GO TO THE HOP WITH POP"



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Candice Schultz, Executive Director

ALL-TOWN GARAGE SALE

Saturday, June 13th

- ⇒ Main Street Orion is thrilled that Mary Bizarri is once again heading up this event this year. Last year was her first year.
- ⇒ If you would like to participate, please contact Mary Bizarri at Coulter Insurance Company beginning May 1st.
- ⇒ Register your Garage or Yard Sale for just \$10.
- ⇒ Food vendors may register for \$50.
- ⇒ All pre-registered Garage/Yard Sales and Food Vendors will receive a numbered yard sign and will be listed on our official Main Street Orion Garage Sale Map. If you are selling food you must fill out a form that is available when you sign up.

The Henry County Health Department requires all those selling food to register. Forms available at sign up.

Congratulations!

2019 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR:

MARY BIZARRI

Mary is owner of the Coulter Insurance Company and has been a long-time supporter of Main Street. She was the first to purchase a light pole. Mary is always ready to put up a seasonal display, help with cookie platters, food and financial donations as well as coordinating the Annual Community Garage Sales. We appreciate all she does!

2019 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR:

ORION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Orion United Methodist Church has been a supporter of the Main Street program even prior to this Executive Directors involvement. All entertainment events scheduled have the back up rain location of the church. Since the MAC has been available all the indoor Christmas in Orion events have been held there as well as many other in both the fellowship hall, sanctuary and Mac combined. The church also opens it doors for our monthly board meetings. We appreciate all they do to support Main Street as well as the community events.

MAIN STREET'S FOUR AREAS OF FOCUS

The MAIN STREET AMERICA program has several components which are designed to make our communities the best they can be. Our four areas of focus are:

1. **Economic vitality** by focusing on our community's unique sense of place and its existing historical assets as in order to create an environment that is supportive of commercial businesses.
2. **Design** by making our community more visually appealing. According to Main Street America, "A focus on design supports a community's transformation by enhancing the physical elements of downtown while capitalizing on the unique assets that set our commercial district apart. We want to enhance their appeal to our residents and visitors alike with attention to our public spaces, buildings and structures and businesses."
3. **Promotion** by hosting special events aimed at enhancing positive perceptions of the community and communicating to businesses, residents and investors that Orion is special.
4. **Organization** by bringing together the people, groups and businesses who will continue carrying Orion's torch of greatness into the future. Just over the course of this past year, Main Street Orion has been fortunate to work with a number of community organizations including the National Honor Society, VFW, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, the Orion Fall Festival, the Orion Village Board, Orion High School and various churches and church youth groups.

JOIN MSO!

Even though 2020 is off and running, it's not too late to join Main Street Orion. If you've forgotten to send in your Main Street Orion membership for 2020, we encourage you to do so. Business, Individual or Family Memberships are available. Main Street Orion works in conjunction with our businesses, schools and local organizations to help make our community stronger and add to the quality of life for the people of Orion. Without your financial support we will not be able to offer our Façade Grants or conduct any of the events planned for 2020. If you have not already done so, please renew your support for Main Street Orion today so we can continue to make Orion the kind of town where families love raising their children! To those of you

You can also support Main Street Orion by becoming a volunteer. Whether you pitch in for a few hours or a few weeks, your labor is always welcome and greatly appreciated!

--Candice Schultz

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