

# What's Up Downtown Information Exchange To Be Held Tuesday, May 23

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ALTON - Alton Main Street's quarterly information exchange, called "What's Up Downtown", will be held on Tuesday, May 23rd at 5:30 p.m. at Jacoby Arts Center, located at 627 E. Broadway in Alton, IL. The public is invited to learn the latest news regarding developments in Alton's historic downtown district, including updates from new & existing businesses, news on real estate transactions and details of upcoming events and projects.

The evening's featured speakers will be:

- Kieran McGuane & Martha Phillips, the new owners of LuciAnna's Pastries, who will be sharing details of their new hours and menu items including the addition of café style lunch
- Thomas Nealeigh of FreakShow Deluxe, who will share about his family's decision to relocate their nationwide sideshow act company to Alton
- Dorothy McCoy, who will be speaking about developments with her mobile business Mo'z Sweet Treats as well as her plans for a brick & mortar location on Ridge Street
- Lauren Pattan from the Old Bakery Beer Company who will share recent developments with their new line of sparkling tea called Herbarium, and provide samples for the crowd

Residents are encouraged to stay connected with what's happening in the district by attending this casual forum which is free and open to the public. Attendees will be brought up to date by Alton Main Street, City officials, and other stakeholders. After the featured speakers, the floor is opened to anyone who has news to share about what's happening with their business or organization. Attendees will enjoy complimentary refreshments as well as networking with other downtown enthusiasts.

"These quarterly updates have become quite popular for those who enjoy hearing news straight from the movers and shakers of Downtown," said Sara McGibany, Executive Director of Alton Main Street.

If you would like to get involved with the many ways that Alton Main Street volunteers are working to promote the district and improve the quality of life in our community, please contact Executive Director, Sara McGibany, at 618-463-1016 or email [sara@altonmainstreet.org](mailto:sara@altonmainstreet.org). For full details of the organization's beautification projects, special events, networking activities, investment opportunities and more, please visit [www.DowntownAlton.com](http://www.DowntownAlton.com)