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Decatur Main Street's Newsletter

July Edition

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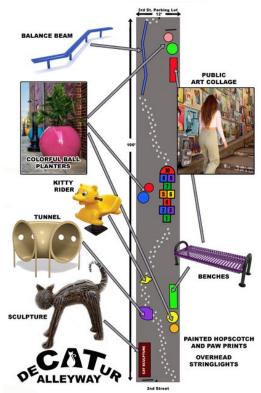
DeCATur Alley Project

We're thrilled to announce that the Decatur City Council has approved our tentative plan for the Alleyway plan - a creative transformation of the alley next to the Sherwin - Williams building in downtown Decatur!

The "DeCATur Alleyway" theme is inspired by the large cat sculpture already on site. Future enhancement will include:

- Colorful benches and planters
- Decorative lighting
- Fun kids' activity equipment
- A public art wall featuring a catthemed college

Stay tuned as this vibrant space comes to life.



Downtown Decatur Day

Thank You for Making Downtown Decatur Day a Success!

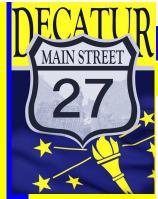
A heartfelt **thank you** to everyone who helped make **Downtown Decatur Day** a day to remember — from our incredible volunteers and sponsors to all who came out to celebrate with us!

Were you there? We'd love your feedback! Please take a moment to complete our short event survey so we can keep improving: Fill out the survey

Save the Date! June 20, 2026



Mark your calendars — the **Third Saturday in June** is your annual date with fun, food, and festivities in **Downtown Decatur**!



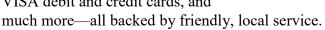
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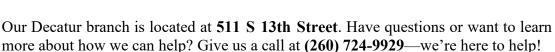
ProFed Federal Credit Union

ProFed Federal Credit Union is a fullservice financial institution proudly serving nine counties across northeast Indiana, with thirteen conveniently located branches to meet your needs.

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From everyday checking accounts and low-rate loans to business banking solutions, mortgages, and online banking services, ProFed is here to support your financial journey. You'll also enjoy the convenience of ATMs, VISA debit and credit cards, and





"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken."

- James Dent

Soul Pig BBQ

Founded in 2018 by Mark Graves and Chad Silva, **Soul Pig BBQ** has quickly become a local favorite in Decatur. This full-service restaurant serves up a mouthwatering BBQ menu perfect for dine-in, carry-out, or catering—plus, they offer a full-service bar to round out your experience.

Stop by Soul Pig BBQ Monday through Saturday from 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM (closed Sundays) and enjoy bold flavors in a welcoming atmosphere. You'll find them at 135 South Second Street, Decatur, IN 46733.

Got questions or want to place an order? Call (260) 301-9800—they'll be happy to help!



Highlights of the Month

Talk on the Street

The Summer is off to a great start in the downtown area!!

The Thursday Night Concert Series is underway with large crowds.

The annual Sculpture Tour installation and unveiling was successfully completed despite the rainy weather that weekend.

This year's Downtown Decatur Day is also in the books. It was a hot day but that did not stop the many that came downtown and participated. We had over 80 vendors in the street. The Kids Zone was very popular and our first "Little Miss Downtown Decatur" was crowned. A Car Show was added this year with great success having 94 cars registering.

I would like to thank all sponsors, participants and volunteers for making it another great event for the downtown. Special thanks goes to the committee for their had work and especially to Keyara Schevenius for leading way. Also thanks to Derek and Emmie Miller and handled the car show.

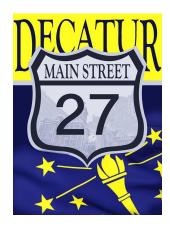
The month was completed with Decatur's first Pride Festival being held on the Madison Street Plaza. The organizers boasting that they had over 1000 participants.

We attended the Decatur City Council meeting on Tuesday, June 17 to ask permission for Main Street to enhance the alley next to the Sherwin Williams building. The Design Committee has been working on a "DeCATur Alleyway" idea that features the large cat sculpture with other kitty oriented fixtures that would be appealing to kids and adults. The plans would include colorful benches, flower pots, lighting, and kids play equipment. The council unanimously approved the plans and allowed us to use monies left from the façade program to fund the project. The Decatur Rotary Club has also graciously secured a grant to help with getting the job completed.

Our Main Street group is continuing our goal to become an Accredited Indiana Main Street. One requirement is that at least one board member must attend one of the community exchanges that the state organizes. On Friday, June 13, I attend the Summer Community Exchange that was held in Warsaw. It was a full day of learning and sharing ideas with representatives from other Indiana Main Streets. It is great to see what other towns are doing and to learn from their experiences as to what works and what at times does not. I made a full list of ideas that I will be sharing with our committees to see if we can incorporate them into our organization

Max A. Miller

President, Decatur Main Street



Highlights of the Month

July 3rd Fireworks

Independence Day Celebration – Riverside Park & Center

Join us for an evening of music, food, remembrance, and fireworks!

- 5:00 9:00 PM Food vendors open at Riverside Center.
- 6:00 PM Live music by Proud Mary CCR at Riverside Center.
- 9:05 PM Jayleena Hill will sing the Nation Anthem followed by American Legion Post 43 Color Guard honors our fallen veterans in a special ceremony.



• Dusk – Fireworks Display at Riverside Park, sponsored by the Decatur Chamber of Commerce and many generous local businesses.

Let's come together to celebrate our freedom and honor those who made it possible. See you there!

Summer Concert

The **Summer Concert Series** is rocking on! The concerts will be on **Madison Street Plaza**, bringing energy to your Thursday evenings all through the Summer. The July 3rd will be held at Riverside Center for the July Celebration.

Enjoy a great lineup of bands, food vendors, and adult beverages — all in the heart of downtown. **Bring your lawn** chairs, gather your friends, and settle in for a fun summer evening!

June Concert Schedule:

- July 3 Proud Mary CCR | 6:00 9:00 PM Sponsored by Phil Summers
- **July 10** Hairbanger Ball | **7:00 9:00 PM** Sponsored by Krueckeberg Auction & Realty, Decatur Dental Services, and Tri Tec Systems
- **July 17** Back & Forth Foo Fighters | 7:00 9:30 PM Sponsored by Decatur Rotary Club, Graber Insurance, and Krueckeberg Auction & Realty
- July 24 E5C4P3(Journey) | 6:00 9:00 PM Sponsored by Midwest America Federal Credit Union and Rueoff Mortgage
- **July 31** Silver Stallion (Hiwaymen) | **7:00 9:00** pm Sponsored by Krueckeberg Auction & Realty ,Tri Tec Systems, Decatur Masonic Lodge 571, Bunge North America

Food and Beverages:

A variety of food vendors will be on-site, along with adult beverages available for guests 21 and over provide by Oasis Pub.

Learn more: https://www.decaturchamber.org/events/summer-concert-series/22

We'll see you there!

Highlights of the Month

Advancing Adams County

We Want Your Input – Help Shape the Future of Adams County!

Your voice matters! Take a moment to complete our quick survey by scanning the QR code and share your ideas, hopes, and vision for Adams County's future.

We're launching the **Adams County Vision Plan** — a comprehensive planning initiative that will unfold over the coming months, with final adoption expected in late 2025. This plan will:

- Set long-term goals for the county
- Guide future policies and decision-making
- Promote sustainable economic development
- Protect our quality of life
- Support smart, inclusive growth in all our communities

Help us create a roadmap that reflects your priorities and values. Your feedback is essential to building a stronger, more connected Adams County.



Free High School Equivalency Classes

Free High School Equivalency Classes Now Available in Decatur

The Literacy Alliance is proud to offer free *Project Graduate* classes right here in Decatur at the MERIT Center. These classes help adults prepare for the high school equivalency exam (HSE/GED)—and we even cover the cost of the test for our students.

Whether you've been out of school for years or just need a little extra support, *Project Graduate* is a powerful resource to help you take the next step toward better job opportunities, higher education, and personal growth.

To learn more, visit literacyalliance.org. Ready to get started? Click "Become a Student" on the homepage to fill out a quick application.

Have questions? Give us a call at (260) 426-7323—we'd love to help!



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Board of Directors Meeting:

-When: Second Thursday at 8:30 am

-Where: Chamber of Commerce

125 E Monroe St

-Who: Board of Directors meetings are

open to the public.

-Committees:

Economic Vitality

Promotional

Organizational

Design

Upcoming Events

July 3

Independence Day Celebration Featuring Proud Mary CCR

Concert will be at Riverside Center from 6 pm - 9 pm. Fireworks will start at dusk.

July 4

Decatur Moose Karaoke with Fat Cats

At Moose ledge 1311 and starting at 7 pm.

July 10

Summer Concert Series: Hairbanger

Concert will be on Madison Street Plaza from 7 pm - 9:15 pm

July 17

Summer Concert Series: Back & Forth Foo Fighters

Concert will be on Madison Street Plaza from 7 pm - 9:15 pm

July 20-24

Adams County 4-H Fair

For more information, click here!

July 24-26

Swiss Days

For more information, click here!

July 24

Summer Concert Series: E5C4P3 (Journey)

Concert will be on Madison Street Plaza from 7 pm - 9:30 pm

July 25

Music Night

At D-town Energy and starts at 6:30 pm.

July 30

Back to School Bash

At Vienna Spa and Spa from 4 pm - 8 pm Haircuts, blowouts, nail painting, craft, giveaways To Contact us: and more! If you would like to donate supplies

please drop them off at Vienna before July 29th Phone: and be entered to win a Vienna Gift Certificate!!!

July 31

Silver Stallion Email: Summer **Concert Series:** (Hiwaymen)

Concert will be on Madison Street Plaza from 7

pm - 9 pm

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