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Downtown Business Notices & Specials

Mountain Woods Fall Clearance Event

Mountain Woods Furniture will be starting our fall clearance sale this week and it will run thorough October.

- All in stock merchandise 10%-50% off.
- All new orders 10% off. All new orders over \$5,000 15% off.
- Our new line of "Weathered Wood" furniture at an introductory 15% off.

Dear Jane

There's a lot going on downtown this month -- please read on and mark your calendars!

Thank you for subscribing to the monthly Laramie Main Street Program e-newsletter -- as always, please call (742-2212) or email (mainstreet@laramiewy.org) if you have news for the November newsletter.

Second Plaza Workshop Tonight - Oct. 8

The second of two public workshops will be taking place tonight -- Wednesday, Oct. 8th -- at 7pm at the Railroad Depot (1st and Kearney). Snacks will be provided.

A lot of great ideas came out of the first public workshop. Tonight, alternative designs will be presented and discussed; a final design will be developed based on the input gathered tonight. The final designs for the plaza planned for the corner of 1st and Grand will be presented to the Main Street Board and the city council at a work session on Oct. 28th. Come and let your voice be heard at tonight's workshop!

Free, Register Now: Small Business Expert Tom Shay in Laramie Oct. 16, 6:30pm

Small business consultant Tom Shay, who works primarily with businesses in Main Street communities, will be speaking on October 16th at 6:30pm at the Alice Hardie Stevens Center (at 6th and University, to the rear of the Laramie Plains Museum). Admission is free; contact Laramie Main Street to register.

Tom will be speak on the topic "Small Businesses Don't Die, They Just Commit Suicide". The presentation will focus on

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the inactions and incorrect actions that cause small businesses to fail. This seminar is ideal for owners, managers, and all the industries that love and need small businesses for their very own existence. Earlier in the day, Tom will be meeting with individual business owners.

Tom's visit is brought to you by Wyoming Main Street, Laramie Main Street, and the Downtown Business Association. Tom has earned the Certified Speaking Professional distinction, an honor that has been earned by fewer than 8% of public speakers worldwide. We are thrilled to have a speaker of Tom's caliber come to Laramie. He will also be speaking at the Main Street 101/201 training on a different topic.

Come by and hear this extraordinary speaker who should be an outstanding resource for independent busiessses!

This program is open to all. While admission is free, seating is limited; to register, email mainstreet@laramiewy.org or call 742-2212.

Wyoming Main Street Training Will Be Held in Laramie! Oct. 14-16

The Wyoming Main Street program is holding a statewide *Main Street 101/201* training in Laramie next week on October 14-16th -- approximately 50 people from around the state are expected to attend.

This 2.5-day Main Street conference will include introductory and intermediate training sessions on preservation-based downtown revitalization. Please save the date, and visit the [Wyoming Main Street website](#) for more information. Be sure to take advantage of this training while it's here in Laramie!

Laramie Main Street will reimburse you for half your registration fee if you are affiliated with Main Street (are you a volunteer? a downtown business owner?) Call 742-2212 to find out more.

Downtown Gallery Walks - Oct. 10

On October 10th, we would like to invite everyone to the Art Events co-sponsored by NorthernFront. Participating in the Gallery Walk are the following:

-KEAG Gallery, featuring the work of Bill Stump, Amy Irish and Bruce Allemani. 414 Grand Ave.

-The Copper Kettle, featuring the photography of Deborah Kratzer-Reid, Doreen Granke, and Melissa Gray. 209 S. 2nd.

-The Jewler, featuring the artwork of Terry R. Reid,

world. May we move towards grace, may we move towards peace, and may we move towards love, and may we all continue to blossom and grow. We look forward to being a part of the journey."

Big Hollow Food Co-op Organic Produce Order



We are once again offering a special order through Ela Family Farms on organic produce. For more info on this farm, visit www.elafamilyfarms.com.

To place an order, please call or stop by Big Hollow Food Co-op NO LATER THAN 5pm on Sunday, Oct. 12th.

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Cowgirl Yarn Offering New Classes

- Beginning Knitting for Adults 4 sessions \$50 + supplies Session 1 Thursday, Oct. 9th from 6-8pm.
- Beginning Knitting for Children Age 8 and Up 4 sessions \$35 + supplies Session 2 Saturday, Nov. 1st from 9-10am.
- Do As You Please Ongoing \$12 per class Every first Wednesday of the month 6-8pm.

Raymond L. Jordan, Ginnie Madsen, and Jon Madsen. 213 S. 3rd.

Gallery Walks support art as a vital part of our community. If you show original works of art in your gallery, shop, office, or restaurant and would like to be involved in the First Friday Gallery Walks, please contact Sarah with KEAG Gallery (keaggallery@gmail.com).

Upstairs Downtown Tour a Smashing Success!

Laramie Main Street would like to thank all the volunteers and generous downtown residents who graciously opened their residences for the *Upstairs Downtown* tour held this past Sept. 19th. The tour would not have happened without your help -- thank you very much.

Because of all your hard work and generosity, the tour proved a smashing success: we plan to make this an annual event. Contact us here at Laramie Main Street if you would like to volunteer or open your residence for the public to view at next year's *Upstairs Downtown* tour!

Downtown Trick-or-Treat - Oct. 25

The Downtown Laramie Business Association is proud to sponsor a Downtown Trick-or-Treat for youngsters on Oct 25th from 10-12am. Participating businesses will have flyers posted in their windows.

This is a safe and fun way for children to enjoy this unique holiday -- bring your young ones downtown on that Saturday to trick-or-treat at participating downtown stores.

Holiday Dates to Remember

The holidays are coming soon! Come downtown to celebrate! Here are some dates to put on your calendar:

- The Downtown Laramie Business Association will present the annual Christmas Parade on Dec. 6th at 6pm.
- The annual Christmas Tree Lighting, sponsored by DLBA, will take place on Dec. 6th at 5:30 pm, immediately followed by the parade.
- There will be two days of Photos With Santa this year: Dec. 6th from 3:30pm and Dec. 13th from 10-12am. The photos will be taken at 213 E Grand Ave.
- The Hometown Holiday Hurrah drawings, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, are scheduled Saturdays between Thanksgiving and Christmas, beginning Nov. 29. To learn more, contact the Chamber at 745-

Many more classes are available, stop by or call to find out more. Cowgirl Yarn 115 Ivinson Ave Laramie, WY 82070 Tel: (307)755-YARN Email: info@cowgirlyarn.com.

Cheese-making classes offered

The Copper Kettle and Big Hollow Food Co-op are working together to offer a class on making fresh cow and goat milk cheeses! More economical than store bought cheese spreads and better for you. Classes will be held at the Copper Kettle using Morning Fresh milks from Big Hollow Food Coop.

This class is \$10.00 and is offered on two different dates and times:

Wed. Oct. 15th from 5:30-6:15
Sat. Oct. 18th from 4-4:45

Contact the Copper Kettle at 742-1800, or 209 S. 2nd to register.

Visit www.mycopperkettle.com to find more cooking classes.

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Come downtown to capture the holiday spirit!

Sincerely,
The Laramie Main Street Program Team

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