



Downtown St. Johns, Michigan

Mint City USA

Principal Shopping District and Downtown Development Authority

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DISCOVER DOWNTOWN

Spring is coming to beautiful Downtown St. Johns and soon flowers will be blooming and flags waving along Clinton Avenue. As everyone starts to look forward to the warmth and sunshine in the months ahead and scheduling fun family activities, we hope our families, friends and all St. Johns residents will **Discover Downtown** and everything it has to offer.

The St. Johns Principal Shopping District presents numerous events each year in Downtown St. Johns. Our events are designed to encourage people to explore and enjoy the Downtown Central Business District. Downtown St. Johns is not only a place to live, work, shop and dine; it is a great place to gather as a community!

Here is a list of our main events and their dates for 2013:

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BOAT-BIKE-RV SHOW



SATURDAY May 18 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity will be holding a fund raising event in Downtown St. Johns at the Rotary Park Pavilion and Train Depot grounds called "Blessing of the Bikers" involving hundreds of motorcycles and featuring the ever popular "slow" motorcycle races.

The Downtown Principal Shopping District will also be featuring boats, motor homes and recreational vehicles on Clinton Avenue from State (M21) to Railroad Street. Come visit the numerous vendors as they display these fun family vehicles and get a head start planning for your summer recreation!



OPEN EVERY SATURDAY

JUNE 15 - OCTOBER 26 from 8:00 a.m. until Noon

The St. Johns Farmers Market was created over 50 years ago to promote the sale of fresh local farm products, and to give growers of Michigan agricultural commodities and other farm-related products



the opportunity to share directly with consumers. The public is invited to attend each Saturday to purchase home-grown, home-baked and home-made goods from local gardens, farms, home kitchens and vendors. The Market is open every Saturday, from June 15 through October 26, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. until noon on Maple Street west of the Courthouse in Downtown St. Johns.

Bring your own bag to stock up on the farm-fresh produce (fruits, vegetables, herbs, mushrooms, nuts, dried fruits, honey, flowers, meats, poultry, eggs and dairy products) along with home prepared foods and baked goods (pies, cakes, cupcakes, cookies, bread, confections, granola, jerky, jam, jelly marmalade, maple syrup). The Farmers Market also offers a wide variety of goods from artisans, crafters and growers. These include landscaping plants and potted flowers, cutting boards, small wooden furniture, stained glass, aprons and tote bags, hooked rugs, dyed wool, crochet dish cloths and throws, woodcut paintings and lawn ornaments, hand poured candles, beaded earrings, necklaces, bracelets, pendants, pins and other jewelry, wooden toys, birdhouses, etc.

If you are a farmer or vendor interested in providing locally grown produce, prepared foods or quality products at the Downtown St. Johns Farmers Market, we would love to talk to you about how you can get involved! Contact our Farmers Market Manager Shirley Davis by calling (989) 224-7863 or the St. Johns Principal Shopping District office at (989) 227-1717 or email Info@DowntownStJohns.org.

SUMMERFEST BATTLE of the BANDS!

Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 7:00pm to 12 Midnight

The St. Johns Principal Shopping District Board will be hosting a "**BATTLE of the BANDS**" competition on Saturday, June 22nd in the Rotary Park Pavilion at the St. Johns Railroad Depot at 107 E. Railroad Street in historic Downtown St. Johns. Four bands will be

competing for \$1,000 in prize money and bragging rights in this popular musical competition.

Each band will entertain for 45 minutes in our Downtown on Tap **BEER TENT** and voting will be conducted by secret ballot amongst a group of music industry professionals. Come enjoy a fun evening of cold drinks and classic rock... and cheer on your favorite band!

SUMMERFEST
Battle of the Bands
Saturday, June 22, 2013
from 7 00 p.m. to Midnight
Rotary Park Pavilion at
Downtown St. Johns Train Depot

BEER TENT
MUSIC and FUN

4 Fantastic Bands
Competing for 1K
in Prize Money

Come Cheer on
your Favorite!

Proceeds from this event will benefit the St. Johns Principal Shopping District,
a non-profit business organization promoting Downtown St. Johns



August 9 & 10, 2013 from 7:00 p.m. until Midnight

MINT CITY USA - St. Johns, Michigan is celebrating the growing of the green – mint green that is – during the 29th annual Mint Festival. The celebration of more than 100 years of Mint Farming continues after hours in Downtown St. Johns at the Rotary Park Pavilion at the St. Johns Train Depot. The **"Mint Festival Down at the Depot"** takes place on Friday and Saturday, August 9 and August 10, 2013 from 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 Midnight.

Join us in our Downtown on Tap **BEER TENT** for the largest "Hometown Reunion" of the year! Live music and great fun will be enjoyed by all.

For additional information about **"Mint Festival Down at the Depot"**, telephone the St. Johns Principal Shopping District office at (989) 227-1717 or email Info@DowntownStJohns.org.

So come, enjoy and relax as you visit with friends and family at this Mint City tradition **"Mint Festival Down at the Depot"**.

Mint City USA Car Show

Saturday, August 10th from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Downtown St. Johns on Clinton Avenue from

State (M21) to Railroad Street

(Beer Tent from 7:00 p.m. until Midnight)



mint city **USA**
ST. JOHNS
CAR SHOW

2pm-6pm

8-10-13 SATURDAY

•Registration starts at 1pm
•Entry fee \$10

No Rain Date

Best of Show - Top 20 - Top 3 Rat Rod Class

Presented by: Downtown St. Johns Principal Shopping District and Downtown Development Authority

Lots of Door Prizes - Drawings Every Hour
Live Music - Beer Tent Opens at 7pm

www.DowntownStJohns.org

Historic US 27 Motor Tour

Downtown St. Johns will take a step back in time on Thursday, August 22, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. as the "Historic US 27 Motor Tour" stops in St. Johns. Hundreds of classic cars are expected to participate in this six day, eleven city motor tour along nostalgic old US 27. The cars will be on display while parked on Clinton Avenue from State Street (M21) to Railroad Street.

Participants of the US 27 Motor Tour begin in Indiana on August 20 and then travel through Michigan from Coldwater to Alpena over the next six days. The tour meets for breakfast in Downtown St. Johns on Thursday August 22nd, and those classic cars will be on exhibit until 11:00 a.m. For additional information about the tour, visit www.Old27Tour.com.



Historic US27 Motor Tour Stop in Downtown St. Johns

Thursday, August 22, 2013
from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Hundreds of Classic Cars lining
Clinton Avenue with Oldies Music,
breakfast specials and more!



“SANTA PARADE OF LIGHTS”

This event helps to bring our community together to celebrate the holidays.

Join us in Historic Downtown St. Johns on Friday December 6, 2013 to watch the Annual “**Santa Parade of Lights**”. Each entry is beautifully decorated with colorful holiday lights and also features SANTA CLAUS! After the Parade, enjoy the official lighting of the annual St. Johns Christmas Tree and the presentation of the Key to the City to Santa Claus by St. Johns Mayor Dana Beaman. This magical key opens every door in St. Johns, and enables Santa Claus to visit every boy and girl on Christmas Eve!

Families, neighbors, co-workers, local school groups, marching bands, civic organizations, church groups, dance troupes, musical groups and businesses are all welcome to participate in the parade and add to the pageantry of the St. Johns Tree Lighting Ceremony. A total of **\$500 in cash prizes will be awarded this year for the best decorated entries**, so we anticipate our biggest crowd yet! This event helps to bring our community together to celebrate the holidays.

The parade begins at the Clinton County Courthouse on State Street and travels north down Clinton Avenue to the Train Depot Lawn at 107 E. Railroad Street. Parade goers will gather on the Depot Lawn as St. Johns City Major Dana Beaman officially welcomes Santa to the community and presents him with a Key to our Mint Festival City. Santa and the mayor will then assist our own “Little Miss Mint” as she lights the St. Johns community Christmas Tree on the Depot Lawn to open the holiday season. Come to Downtown St. Johns on Friday December 6th for this lighted, magical event!

Organizations, businesses and individuals wishing to participate in the Santa Parade of Lights may download parade entry forms by clicking on the PDF document icon below. For additional information, telephone the St. Johns Principal Shopping District Board at 989-227-1717 or email Info@DowntownStJohns.org.



Events, Times and Dates Subject to Change Without Notice.

For Farmers Market information, please call (989) 224-7863.

For Parade or any other information, call the St. Johns Principal Shopping District office at (989) 227-1717 or email Info@DowntownStJohns.org.



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