



Rockville Downtown News

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RDA Summer Music Concert Series Keeps Downtown Rockville Rockin'n'Rollin'

Two performances this month highlighted the Rockville Downtown Association's Summer Music Concert Series. With the June concert cancelled due to rain, July saw two scheduled concerts to make up for the missed event last month. On July 13, the Patty Tuite Band delivered their formidable repertoire of standard rhythm & blues hits to an appreciative crowd at Central Park. Led by Patty's strong guitar and vocals, the group delivered such classics as 'Mustang Sally', 'Route 66', 'Something to Talk About', and many more during their hour and a half performance. The group was originally established in 1999 and over the years have garnered numerous awards for both their standard music and original compositions. Then, on July 20, The Tirebiter Band returned to downtown Rockville for their second year as part of the concert series. The group has won the Hartford Advocate Reader's Poll for "Best Band" and "Best Classic Rock Band" and their stage presence was evident in Rockville. Their wide repertoire included songs from the Swing era, classic Rock 'n Roll, contemporary artist standards and original songs developed by the group. A sudden lightening storm cut the program short but the audience gave a standing ovation with the hopes of seeing the band return to Rockville again next year. There will not be a concert in August this year due to planned renovations by the Town of Central Park. RDA will look to continue the summer music concert series again next season.



The Patty Tuite Band



The Tirebiter Band



Farmers' Market On Sundays

The Rockville Farmers' Market is open every Sunday until September 24. Visit between the hours of 10:00am to 1:00pm for fresh-picked fruits and vegetables in Court House Plaza on Route 74 (East Main Street).



Employees of Rose's Berry Farm in Glastonbury set up their table at the Rockville Farmers' Market



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of the Family Practice Department at Rockville General Hospital and was assistant clinical professor in the Department of Family Practice at the University of CT Medical School. Board certified in Family Practice, Dr. Bey received his medical degree from the University of Maryland School of Medicine.



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- contact RDA for assistance in locating your business downtown
- attend our community events or ask how to sponsor an event
- join us as a member — even out-of-town members welcomed
- contact us to receive our monthly newsletters and e-mail updates

Individuals, Organizations, and Businesses have found being a member of RDA is good for them and good for the community. Discover what RDA can do for you. Visit our website or call for information today!

www.rdact.com (860) 875-7439

“Thank You” from the Rockville Downtown Association to the many volunteers and members who helped make this year’s July In The Sky A Success!

A special note of “thanks” to those individuals who assisted with the Push, Pull, Pedal Patriotic Parade:

from Rockville Bank

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from the Executive Director's Desk . . .

As I approach one year of serving the Rockville Downtown Association as Executive Director, it is safe to say Rockville is a unique community. People outside of Rockville really do not know the warmth, vibrancy and spirit of the citizens of Rockville. They see our architecture, historic buildings, trails, parks and buildings, but they infrequently get to know the people who live and work here. They miss out on knowing how many people volunteer for countless organizations in town, how many people contribute time and energy in numerous ways to improve the conditions of those in need within the community. Outsiders also rarely get to see the challenges faced each and every day by our businesses, municipal employees, non-profit organizations, parents and children in struggling to bring about a revitalized community. It is a community that has a rich history in this State but suffered the consequences of a declining economy years ago and urban renewal projects that decimated many of the key areas of the city. Working for the Rockville Downtown Association, however, has afforded me the opportunity to meet children, adults and seniors who share in our vision of preserving and promoting Rockville to enhance the community and prosper in the years ahead. Our Board of Directors has formulated plans and programs meant to bring new businesses into the area, to rehabilitate the residential and business structures in town, to provide community events that create a better sense of place, to recognize and promote the art and cultural talents within our community, and to instill creative long-range planning vision meant to sustain positive economic development within our region. RDA remains outside the political debates that prevail in the community – debates which often are counterproductive to community development. Instead, we focus our efforts on working with all political parties, business, organizations and citizens in striving to bring constant improvements to our community as a whole. The track record of the RDA is sound and our commitment to the community is solid. I am proud to serve a Board of Directors who have the vision and resourcefulness to continue the role RDA has played over the years in seeking to improve the quality of life in historic downtown Rockville. I am optimistic the year ahead will see many new projects and programs enacted upon which will have positive long-term benefits for the community. I appeal to our existing members and prospective members to get more involved and to stay involved in the RDA – participate in helping to continue the downtown revitalization efforts that pave the way for a more prosperous and healthful community.

– **Randy Anagnostis**, Executive Director

Feel free to contact the RDA office at 875-7439 if you would like to become more involved in our programs and events.

The Rockville Downtown Association, Inc. Membership Pledge Form

(simply return this form and RDA will contact you or enclose a check)

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 () Downtown Events, Concerts & Festivals \$ _____
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The RDA Mission Statement:

The RDA is a grassroots, non-profit organization whose mission is to *Preserve, Promote and Enhance* Rockville's Historic Downtown and to create partnerships that stimulate economic activity and action for a renewed sense of pride and community.

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