



Downtown News

We wait all year for the heart of the summer and it is here, so grab your family and head to downtown to enjoy our history, nature, recreation and the arts this summer as well as some great restaurants and specialty shops. Recent additions to downtown include **Ona's** on the Avenue at 3 S. Batavia Ave., a wonderful Swedish deli/restaurant and **Special Occasions Anytime**, an accessories store at 235 W. Wilson St. on the west side and **Style Me 2**, a new family hair salon at 330 E. Wilson St. Stop in soon and let them know you are glad they are downtown! Also new is the **Batavia Community Garden** at the corner of S. Water St. and Main St. next to Chase Bank. Volunteers are needed, so stop by the garden Saturdays from 9 am to Noon to find out what's growing!

Speaking of gardens, Batavia MainStreet and market sponsors Harris, N.A. and Gerald Nissan Subaru of North Aurora invite you to the **15th Annual Batavia Farmers' Market**, now open Saturdays from 8 am–Noon through October 16 on S. Water St.

between Wilson and First Street. Free yoga returns to the Market the second week in July at 10 am. Community groups can each receive one free Market space per year and should contact Sue Fricano at suefricano@comcast.net or 630-761-3528 or check online at downtownbatavia.com to reserve a date and space.

July features the annual family favorite summer carnival at the Riverwalk, **Windmill City Fest** the weekend of July 9–11. The unique **Batavia Quilt Show** returns to the Eastside Community Center the weekend of July 16–18. **Eclectibles** now features a bimonthly **Flea Market** at 3 Webster St. outside their store the first and third Saturdays of the month from 9 am–3 pm.

July and August also focus on Batavia's artistic side with the **6th Annual Art in Your Eye Fine Art Festival** on August 14–15 with great information at artinyoureye.com.

Shakespeare on Clark returns to the island the last weekend in July and first week in August and **River Rhapsody** concerts wrap up on Wednesday, Aug. 11 at the new Peg Bond Center Pavilion. More event information is always available at downtownbatavia.com.



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Keep "up" with downtown by joining our "downtown Batavia" Facebook page or by joining our E-News—just go to our Web site and click the "Join E-News" on our home page at downtownbatavia.com. Summer's here, so spend it downtown where there is always something going on around here.

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JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Coming up, the **4th Annual Batavia House Walk** is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 26 from 11 am–4 pm. Tickets are available in August at Sue's Family Hair Co., K. Hollis Jewelers, Batavia MainStreet or Gibby's Wine Den (Geneva). Contact Coordinator Jan Gibson at info@gibbys-wine.com or call 630-761-3528 for more information or to volunteer.



3RD ANNUAL DOWNTOWN BLOCK PARTY RETURNS!

Plan to stay home over Labor Day to help us celebrate the annual **Downtown Block Party** (formerly the Bridge Bash) on Sunday Sept. 5th from 5–9 pm. N. River St. will be closed in celebration and transformed into a stage to host bands and performing artists as well as a street dance. Where's Bob? Participating downtown restaurants again feature a "Best of Batavia" (B.O.B.) by preparing \$2.00 tasting of their signature dishes for us to enjoy, so plan to come with an empty stomach!