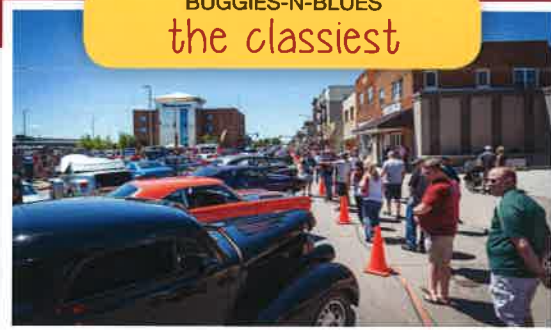


TOUCH A TRUCK
the most fun



BUGGIES-N-BLUES
the classiest



MANDAN RODEO DAYS
the oldest

WORKING TOGETHER IS THE MPO'S FOUNDATION

The vision of the MPO is also communicated and coordinated with the organizations like the Bismarck-Mandan Chamber EDC, Bismarck-Mandan Convention and Visitors Bureau and the North Dakota tourism office along with local service and civic clubs and groups.

Today the Mandan Progress Organization boasts a membership of businesses and citizens and coordinates such events as "Touch a Truck", Buggies-n-Blues, Mandan Rodeo Days, Art in the Park Festival, July 4th Parade, the "Main Event Chew & Brew, Oktoberfest, Santa's arrival and Small Business Saturday along with business socials and Community Cleanup Day.

THE MAIN EVENT CHEW & BREW
the newest



MPO ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Monthly Membership Meetings
- Community Cleanup Day
- City of Mandan Grant Program
- Touch a Truck offers children an up-close opportunity to explore heavy machinery, safety vehicles and other cool trucks and ask questions of the people who operate them. (In May)
- Buggies-n-Blues featuring classic cars, live music, food and business vendors. (In June)
- Mandan Rodeo Days featuring the Mandan PRCA rodeo, Art in the Park Festival, July 4th parade and fireworks display. (In July)
- The "Main Event Chew & Brew" featuring food trucks and local eateries, along with live music, kid's activities, Craft and Art Show and beer gardens with craft beers. (in August)
- Oktoberfest featuring our German Heritage with polka music, German food vendors, kids and adult activities along with craft beer tasting. (In September)
- Santa's Arrival and Shop Small Business featuring Santa's arrival in Mandan to kick off the Holiday season. (In November)
- MPO Annual Dinner Meeting recognizing the Volunteer and Business of the Year (held in January)

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- Opportunities for Event Sponsorships
- Providing Programs & Services
- Networking with Business Members
- Host a Business Social
- Business Ambassadors Welcoming New Businesses
- Community Involvement

MANDAN BUCKS ENCOURAGE LOCAL SHOPPING

Mandan Bucks are gift certificates redeemable for services or products at any Mandan Business willing to accept them. Mandan Bucks may be purchased at the Mandan Progress Organization office and make a great gift idea.

OKTOBERFEST
the coolest



Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP:

\$100 Business/ \$30 Individual

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HOW DID THE MPO GET STARTED?

In 1993, a group of businesses worked with the city of Mandan to hire a consulting firm, Economic Research Associates. ERA studied the surrounding area's economic climate, development possibilities and other potential growth areas of the city.

Their studies showed that Mandan has great potential to become a tourist city complete with specialty stores, festivals and civic events. The study suggested tapping into local talents, at businesses and from residents, to create a new vision for Mandan.

The excitement generated from the study prompted business owners to contact more business people and residents to form committees crucial to developing Mandan. The Mandan Progress Organization was born.

A component to the plan was the hiring of an executive director. MPO leaders selected Del Wetsch, a long time business owner and Mandan resident. Through his many contacts, Wetsch continues working to implement the MPO goals by coordinating with members who volunteer their time and talents.

These volunteers are committed to this vision of Mandan. The Bismarck Mandan metro area, with Bismarck serving as a large retail center and Mandan as a specialty/tourist city, will do well to work in partnership to support each other in this plan.



MISSION

**The Mandan Progress Organization
Is A Group Of Volunteers Made Up Of
Area Businesses And Residents Whose
Goal Is To Create And Promote Public Events
That Enhance Mandan's Business Climate
And Generate Community Pride.**

make a difference and join

THE MANDAN PROGRESS ORGANIZATION

With Mandan's steady growth and changing economics it is more important today to get involved to help shape the future of Mandan. Become a part of a proactive solution to make Mandan a better place to live, work and play.

Join the Mandan Progress Organization for only an annual membership cost of \$100 for a business and \$30 for an individual "Friends of Mandan " member. Invest now in your community and make a difference.

For more information, contact the **Mandan Progress Organization** at **701-751-2983** or visit us at www.mandanprogress.org



MANDAN PROGRESS ORGANIZATION LOCATION

The Mandan Progress Organization office headquarters is at the historic NP Beanery Building at 411 West Main Street.

The office is stocked with schedules and information about activities in Mandan.

The MPO also has merchandise and memorabilia from community events available for sale to the public.

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