

Meet the Neighbors: Clothing Stores

Start the holidays with a new look or select something special for someone on your gift list. Here are some of our amazing Downtown clothiers who are ready to provide you with quality apparel and excellent customer service.

Make sure to visit each location when they “Unwrap” their holiday windows on Thursday, Nov. 3 at 4 pm.



Emma Downtown
422 1st Ave W • (541) 926-1717
Mon-Sat 11am-5pm

Mandy Forney and her mother Peggy Udolf are the owners of Emma Downtown. They recently celebrated their 22nd year in business in Downtown Albany and have now brought in a third generation to the business.

The store has a selection of casual crisp and comfy clothing plus jewelry, bags and shoes and endless gifts. Their baby section includes crib wear, plush toys and books.



1st Hand Seconds Unique Boutique
411 2nd Ave SW • (541) 928-6909
Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-5:30pm

1st Hand Seconds Unique Boutique is an upscale resale clothing boutique. In 2010 Mercy House was founded and 1st Hand Seconds Unique Boutique was opened with a vision to serve women, especially those affected by domestic abuse.

Lux + Lu Boutique
313 1st Ave W • (541) 704-0190
Mon - Sat 11am-5pm, Sun 12-3pm



LuAnn Rhodes opened Lux + Lu on 1st Avenue in 2020 to complement her other stores. She brought her flair to Downtown and broadened Downtown Albany's clothing options with ladies, plus sizes and fun little girls outfits.

The Natty Dresser
124 Broadalbin St SW • (541) 248-3561
Mon-Sat 10am-5pm



Tamalynne and Oscar Hult and their team roll out the red carpet for customers every day. They opened the Natty Dresser in 2014 on 1st Avenue moving to their current location in 2020.

“A classic menswear shop from hats to shoes, and everything in between, making you look great!”

Reds Boutique
222 1st Ave W • (712) 520-0160
Wed-Sat 11am-5:30pm

In October, Brandy Harvell moved her business to the Flinn Block in Downtown Albany and is making it home. You'll find ladies' attire and accessories plus “Little Reds” on the mezzanine featured baby clothing and gift items.



“Reds Boutique is a clothing and accessory boutique designed with you and your desire for fashion in mind. From fashion tops and bottoms to great accessories, this is a stylish yet affordable one-stop shop that will have you picking out your next must-have.”



Bids Open for Wells Fargo Demolition

The fate of the former Downtown Albany Wells Fargo Bank appears to be sealed. An invitation to bid for the demolition of the 10,948 square-foot structure at 300 West First Street, the adjacent carport, drive-through area, and related work was issued by the City of Albany on October 17, 2022.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting and site visit was held on October 25. Over a dozen contractors attended.

The due date for bids is Tuesday, November 15. Once the bids are in, the Albany Revitalization Agency will meet on Nov 16 and likely award a contract.

The invitation states the project is to be complete by June 30, 2023. The ARA looks forward to when this lot can be repurposed into an active use for the community and fitting with downtown.

Volunteers Needed for Downtown Christmas Parade

Families will gather together in Historic Downtown Albany to make memories at the Downtown Twice Around Christmas Parade & Community Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, Dec 4.

We need volunteers to help with parade flow and with traffic control for attendees.

- Main Street Committees**
On-going opportunities to help make Downtown Albany a great place to Eat Shop Play include:
- Economic Vitality Committee
 - Design Committee
 - Outreach Committee
 - 1st Friday sub-committee
 - Promotion Committee

Please RSVP to volunteer by emailing director@albanydowntown.com or calling (541) 928-2469.

Downtown Events - November & December

Saturdays thru Nov 19 - Albany Farmers' Market
Each week head to the Albany Farmers' Market for fresh local produce, meats, baked goods, seafood, plants, flowers and more. Hours: 9 am-1 pm in the Albany City Hall parking lot (corner of 4th & Ellsworth). www.locallygrown.com

Thru Nov 12 - ACT presents Murder on the Orient Express
Albany Civic Theater presents this Agatha Christie classic. Remaining performances: Nov. 3, 4, 5, 6(m), 10, 11, 12. Tickets online at www.albanycivic.org.

Thurs-Sat, Nov 3-6 - Downtown Unwrapped & Holiday Open House
Save Thursday, Nov 3 for local shoppers' favorite holiday season kick-off event, Downtown Unwrapped. Vote for your favorite holiday window, enjoy treats and some sweet deals. The voting and specials continue through the weekend. *See story on page 1.*

Friday, Nov 4 - 1st Friday in Historic Downtown Albany
Bring your friends Downtown for some 1st Friday fun! For the first Friday of November, we are celebrating Small Businesses! Join us for extended hours, food & drinks, promotions & sales, music, prizes, and much more! This month's prize is part of Downtown Unwrapped. Make sure to vote for your favorite holiday window before midnight on Sunday, November 6th and you might win a prize. [See more on Facebook.](https://www.facebook.com)

November 8-14 - Veterans' Uniforms on Display
A wonderful annual tradition of sharing our history. Take time to view the 20 uniforms located in 18 businesses and restaurants in Downtown Albany. *See story on page 1.*

Friday, Nov. 11 - Veterans Day Parade
Downtown Albany is proud to be the home of the largest Veterans Day Parade west of the Mississippi. The flags will be out and thousands of visitors will be in Downtown.

Monday-Friday, Nov 15-19 - Festival of Wreaths Auction
Albany Historic Carousel & Museum invites you to “attend” their Annual Festival of Wreaths Auction. Stay in, curl up with some cocoa – or wine – and do some bidding with their trusted online auction platform, 32 Auctions. Bidding begins on November 14th at 9 pm and closes November 18th at 7 pm. View pictures and descriptions of each item online or stop by the carousel Wednesday - Friday during the auction from 11 am-4 pm to view the auction items in person. Learn more at www.albanycarousel.com

Saturday, Nov. 26 - Small Business Saturday - Shop Small
Shoppers and diners are invited to come to Downtown Albany to Shop Small & Dine Small.

Friday, Dec 2 - 1st Friday in Historic Downtown Albany
Saturday, Dec 3 - ACT: Land of Misfit Toys - family event and fundraiser
Sunday, Dec 4 - Downtown Twice Around Christmas Parade & Community Tree Lighting
Sunday, Dec 11 - Christmas Parlour Tour
Saturday, Dec 24 - Whitespires Sing-a-long

For info on these and other events, visit AlbanyDowntown.com



Parking Update

Leave Room for Birds, Bikes & Trucks

Recently, we had a person riding a Bird-style scooter hit by a car. The rider was using the bike lane. A car was parked partially in the bike lane causing the rider to veer around it and a passing car overtook the scooter and hit them. Everyone is ok, just some bruises. It could have been so much worse.

Please take an extra minute to check that your car is correctly in your space.

For parallel parking, that means your car's tires need to be within 12" of the curb. This allows bikes and scooters and cars and trucks to operate safely in their own lanes.

Each month ParkWise awards a month of free parking to a leased space or employee permit holder.

Our November parking winner is...

Marcy Shelton
Resident



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Downtown Halloween Draws Hundreds of Costumed Visitors

The sidewalks were filled with fun and scary characters for Downtown's annual Trick or Treat. Many stopped by to enter our annual 2022 Downtown Halloween Costume Contest.

The winners by age group are:

Age 0-2: Oliver, 20 mo., Pilot
2nd: Andrew, 17 mo., Charlie Brown

Age 3-5: Annie, 5, Sunflower
2nd: George, 3, Iron man

Age 6-8: Stephen, 6, Spider-Man
2nd: Ryder & Justin, 6, Blue & Red wolf

Age 9-11: Nora, 10, Steampunk Butterfly
2nd: Abby 11 Mary Poppins

Age 12-14: Montanna, 13, Mushroom
2nd: Mia, 12, Hippy Chick

Age 15+: Zhaine, 15, Queen Bee
2nd: Micky, Pac-Man

Group: Bloodgood Family, Vikings
2nd: Johnson Family, Steampunk

The winner in each age group receives a Downtown Kid Meal, an Albany Carousel token and a ticket to The Pix Theatre. The runner-up receives a movie ticket. The 15+ winner will receive \$25 in Downtown Dollars. The group/family receives a Downtown gift basket.

The winners are selected by the public and are the contestants whose photos receive the most likes and shares on Facebook.

Small Business Saturday Is November 26

During these challenging times, small businesses and locally owned restaurants need your support. We invite you to Shop Small and Dine Small in Downtown Albany on Saturday, November 26 and throughout the holiday season.



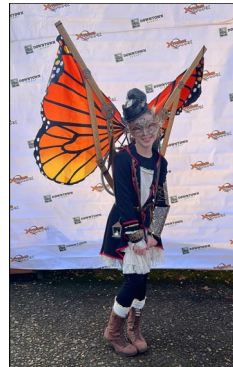
ADA is proud to support our many local, independent retailers that truly serve their customers and offer unique products not found at big box stores. Look for specials and sales while enjoying the superior service Downtown is known for.

A list of shops and restaurants participating in Small Business Saturday will be on Albany Downtown Association's Shop Small handout, posted on our Facebook event and our website at www.albanydowntown.com.

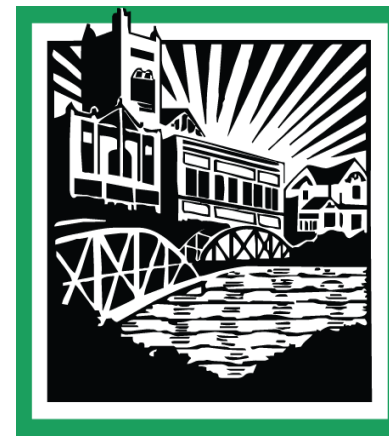
We had so many cute and creative costumes this year. Thank you to everyone who came down to participate. To view all the photos, visit our Facebook page.

Lots of families joined our **Halloween Downtown Scavenger Hunt** finding posters in as many as 40 Downtown member businesses. Each poster found gave participants one chance to win.

Our winner, selected by a random drawing out of 953 chances, was Cohen S.



She receives a \$25 gift certificate to enjoy a movie and treats with her family at The Pix Theatre. Alexander B was the winner of the second chance drawing from those who colored their entry. Chloe's Choice went to Valerie O. They will each receive two carousel tokens.



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November 2022

Albany brings home Oregon Main Street Awards



Hannah Darling, Volunteer of the Year



Oscar & Tamalynne Hult, Bricks & Mortar

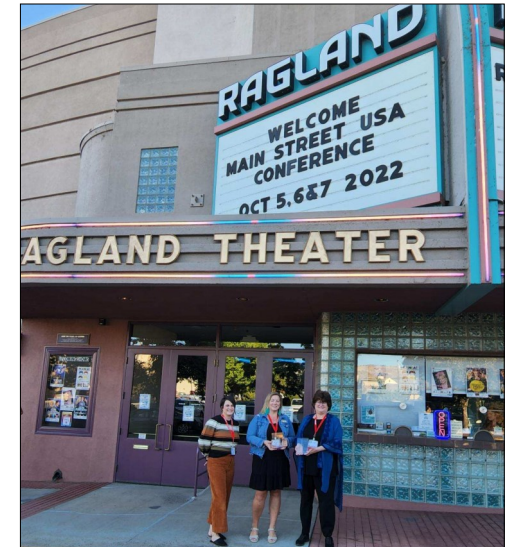
Oregon Main Street, which is part of Oregon Heritage office of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, announced its 2022 "Excellence on Main" award winners during the annual Main Street conference on October 5th in Klamath Falls.

Albany Downtown Association members were two of the 12 partners, projects, activities and businesses honored.

- Bricks and Mortar Award: The Natty Dresser.
- Volunteer of the Year: Hannah Darling.

In addition, Peggy Udolf, Emma Downtown, was one of two individuals acknowledged with a Volunteers on Main certificate for their "above and beyond contributions to their communities."

Created in 2010, the annual Excellence on Main awards honor outstanding accomplishments, activities and people making a difference in historic downtowns and traditional commercial neighborhoods across the state. ADA is proud to have members recognized year after year.



Videos of the award winners can be viewed at <https://www.oregon.gov/oprd/OH/pages/awards.aspx#two>

Veterans Parade Returns to Downtown Albany

The 2022 Linn County Veterans Day Parade returns Friday, Nov 11, beginning its march through the streets of Downtown Albany at 11 am.

Don't miss this hometown tradition and a chance to say thank you to all our veterans who have given their time and often their lives to protect our freedom.

To learn more about this year's event visit their Facebook page or website www.linncountyveteransdayparade.org



Veteran Uniforms to Grace Windows in Downtown

Each year Downtown Albany has a tradition of sharing our history by displaying Veteran's Uniforms. The uniforms are sponsored by individual member businesses and provided by the VFW 661 - Uniform Display Museum.

The uniforms can be viewed starting in the afternoon on Tuesday, Nov. 8 thru Monday, Nov. 14. Pay your respects to the women and men who have fought for our country by visiting each location.

The 2022 display includes 18 uniforms from various branches of the military and different campaigns and will be at these locations:

- 1st Hand Seconds Unique Boutique
- Albany Chamber of Commerce
- Albany Downtown Association
- Albany Historic Carousel & Museum
- Albany Visitors Association
- Cronies Antiques
- Edward Jones - Ryan Hanson
- Embrace Kindness Bodyworks

- Fidelity National Title
- The Flower Tree
- Home Instead
- The Natty Dresser
- People's Bank
- The Quilt Loft
- Reds Boutique
- Spearit Beads
- Sybaris Bistro
- Windermere Real Estate



Downtown Unwrapped Starts Thursday, Nov. 3

Save the date for Downtown Unwrapped when Downtown Albany kicks off the season! It starts on Thursday, Nov. 3rd, and continues through the weekend.



Hundreds of friends and families will head to Downtown Albany to shop and see the fun and beautiful holiday windows "unwrapped" at 4 pm on Thursday. Voting continues through Sunday.

There will be fun entertainment by the Enchanted Willow Dancers and holiday music by Glenn's Mobile DJ.

The event will mark the start of a four-day Holiday Open House for many Downtown merchants. Adding to the fun, watch for special holiday beverages and desserts at Downtown restaurants.