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Sept. 11-17, 2020

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September 11-13 - Greek Fest Express

The Dayton Greek Festival is celebrated annually the weekend after Labor Day. A Greek tradition for both the young and old, our festival brings together people of all backgrounds and cultures to celebrate all things Greek. This year, welcome to a new kind of Opa! YES! - The Dayton Greek Festival will be held in 2020! YES! - It will be different! YES! - Wonderful food! YES! - We will celebrate our 62nd annual Greek Festival in a way that keeps our guests and volunteers safe! Greek Fest Express will accept orders online now through the end of the festival weekend. Pre-order and pre-pay with credit card, then pick up your Greek Festival favorites via drive-thru. For more info or to place an order, visit daytongreekfestival.com.

Also this Week

Sept 11-Nov 30- Exhibit: *Nari Ward - We the People*

[The Contemporary Dayton,](#)
[118 N. Jefferson St.](#)

This fall, The Contemporary Dayton is pleased to present Nari Ward's work, *We The People*. With this nearly 60-foot-wide wall installation, which consists of thousands of shoelaces that hang fringe-like from the gallery wall, Ward recreates the words that start the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution, replicating the font and style of the Constitution's main scribe, Timothy Matlack. In pairing the most quotidian of materials with one of our country's most lofty and enduring ideas, Ward seeks to explore how this living document remains vital as Americans prepare to participate in one of the most crucial elections of our lifetime. [More info.](#)

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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

GRACE LANE BOUTIQUE

Get to know Grace Lane Boutique in our OPEN* Business Spotlight!

In this new series, we'll profile some of the small businesses that make downtown great! We ask a series of questions about each business, letting them tell you about themselves in their own words, including their background, what services they offer, how they're responding to the pandemic challenges, and more.

It's a great way to learn more about your favorite businesses, or discover a new spot you may not be familiar with yet.

In this week's spotlight, hear from Danielle Goodman on how and why she opened her downtown retail shop, **Grace Lane Boutique** -

[Click here to read.](#)



DOWNTOWN EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



Now thru October - Out on 5th

Fifth Street will close to vehicular traffic between Patterson Boulevard and Wayne Avenue on weekends to create a pedestrian mall in the Oregon District with increased service areas for bars, restaurants, and retailers, and increased space for the public to enjoy. Guests can choose to dine at their favorite Fifth Street businesses and receive table service at specially marked tables, or enjoy communal tables placed throughout the street in the increased public area. **Out on 5th** will continue every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through the end of October during this pilot phase. For more information, including street maps, an Oregon District business directory, info on parking and detours, social distancing, and more, click [here](#).

Take a Daycation!

If you're feeling the need to get out and do something, but just don't feel like your normal vacation travel is in the cards this year, consider taking a Daycation! The Dayton Convention & Visitors Bureau has put together several great itineraries, special offers, and other ideas to help you get your creative juices flowing and plan fun Daycation activities. Explore ideas for "Dayton on a Dime," family fun, aviation-themed activities, summer camps, indoor and outdoor recreation, arts, a downtown highlights weekend, girlfriend getaways, and more on the Daycation website at daytoncvb.com/daycations

Thru September 13 - The Pizza Bandit Turns One

The Pizza Bandit is turning one on Sept 12th! To celebrate this milestone we have a whole week of specials, live videos, small business collaborations, pizza giveaways and more happening Sept 8-13. [More info](#).

Thru Sept 13 - Exhibit: Samurai, Ghosts, & Lovers

[Dayton Art Institute](#),
456 Belmonte Park North
The special exhibition *Samurai, Ghosts and Lovers* has been extended through September 13! Don't miss this rare opportunity to view all of the woodblock prints in artist Tsukioka Yoshitoshi's epic series *100 Aspects of the Moon*, plus a selection of works from the DAI's Japanese collection, as well as local and national loans, including rare samurai suits

Thru October 31 - Exhibit: *Illuminate*

[The 48 High Street Gallery](#), 48 High St.
Illuminate is a juried exhibition of lens-based work. The call for art was open to Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana artists. *Illuminate* opens September 4 by appointment. This exhibition is sponsored by [FotoFocus](#). Click here to [book an Appointment to see the Exhibition](#)

September 11-13 - Painting Parties

[Picture Perfect Paint Parties](#),
123 N. Ludlow St
Picture Perfect Paint Parties will host a Paint and Sip event every Friday from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. for \$31.99. They will also host private Zoom paint parties every weekend for \$25.99. For more information or to schedule your party, contact: (937)265-0691, pictureperfectpaintparties@gmail.com, www.pictureperfectpaintparties.com.

September 12 - A Celebration from Carillon Historical Park

Dayton Performing Arts Alliance (DPAA) is excited to announce the premiere of a new virtual event. This streamed performance is a continuation of the DPAA's popular Summer Streams program. **A Celebration from Carillon Historical Park** showcases the power of all three DPAA art forms - Dayton Opera, Dayton Ballet, and the Dayton Philharmonic - as they perform from select locations throughout the 65-acre open-air history museum. [Click Here to Register for "Celebration from Carillon Historical Park"](#)

September 12 - SWERK & Sip on 5th

Join Space Three gym this Saturday, September 12th at Noon for a high energy SWERK class during Out on 5th in the Oregon District. We will be set up around Blind Bob's. Tickets are \$20 and include class and a mimosa from Lily's Bistro. *Spaces are limited and will be marked to ensure appropriate social distancing. Please wear a mask until you arrive at your designated spot* *You will need your ID to claim your drink*

September 15 - Paella Tuesdays at Salar

Pre-order Chef Margot's back-patio paella for dine-in or carryout every Tuesday! Chef Margot's back-patio Paella Valencianna is a rice cooked with shrimp, mussels, scallops, calamari, chicken, pork tenderloin, chorizo, onions, red peppers, saffron, jerez, lemon and garlic. Cost is \$29/per person. Pre-orders for both dine-in and carryout must be placed by the Monday night (7pm) prior. Place your order by calling the carryout number: 937-321-4384. A pick-up time for carryout orders will be given once your order is placed,

September 17 - PNC Tiny Thursdays... at Home

[Dayton Art Institute](#),
456 Belmonte Park North
Want to enjoy Tiny Thursdays at home? Explore a DAI artwork, watch a virtual read-aloud story and then follow along with project instructions found [here!](#)

September 17 - Levitt YOUR Lawn Series: Dayton Salsa Project

As part of the 2020 Eichelberger Concert Season join us for the next concert in the [#levittonYOURlawn](#) virtual concert series. Dayton Salsa Project is a partnership of local musicians and salsa music enthusiasts. Their group comes as a result of the vibrant, growing Hispanic population of Dayton and the great interest of Daytonians in Salsa music and dance. This video will be streamed on the Levitt Pavilion Dayton Facebook page, the Levitt Dayton YouTube channel and shared in this event!

Support Our Local Small Businesses When They Need You the Most!

The pandemic has been hard on all of us. So much of what we consider normal has changed, and we've all had to find ways to adapt. In downtown Dayton, the pandemic has been especially difficult for our great collection of independent small businesses who provide the products and services we love. We encourage you to continue to support these local businesses during this difficult time in any way you can. They're the backbone of our community, and they need our support more than ever.

- If you miss your favorite local, independent businesses, check out our lists of what's OPEN*. We've put together a list of downtown [restaurants](#) with **carry out**, **curbside pickup**, or **delivery** services, as well as those open **outdoor or indoor**. Many of our [retail and service businesses](#) also have found creative ways to continue doing what they do. Check out virtual experiences and other ways to stay busy and have fun with our [OPEN* - Things to Do](#) page!

Now, more than ever, it's a great time to support local businesses and Be Downtown.



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Meeting is next Tuesday, September 15th at 9:30 via MS Teams. Gwen will send invitation.

Speakers:

- Agility Prime Program - Elaine Bryant, Dayton Development Coalition
- Buy Local Campaign – Toni Bankston, City of Dayton

Thanks!



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Upcoming Classes

September 16 - Assertiveness: Communicating with Impact

September 22 - Leading Change at the First Level

September 22 - Strengths-Based Leadership

September 23-24 - Project Management Essentials I & II

September 29 - Making a Positive Impact on Customer Relationships

For a complete schedule and course descriptions, visit: **[Professional Development](#)**

Contact April Mescher at 937-229-2664 or amescher1@udayton.edu to take advantage of these individualized programs.





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MEDIA TRAINING WEBINAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 AT 1 P.M.

Learn best practices for **mastering a conversation** with a journalist, gain an **overview of the modern newsroom**, experience **simulated interviews** with on-the-spot feedback and more!



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From breaking news stories to ongoing developments, the media landscape is unpredictable —and 2020 is no exception. We understand that your business or organization has a story to share, and we're determined to arm you with the tools to have it heard.

In partnership with BusinessFirst!, Montgomery County Economic Development will host a media training webinar on Thursday, September 24 at 1 p.m. In this interactive workshop, business and community leaders will learn best practices for speaking with a journalist, gain an overview of the modern newsroom, analyze recent news coverage and gain on-the-spot interview feedback.

This opportunity is available to our growing BusinessFirst! network in the Dayton Region. To learn more about this virtual event, contact Dan Bish at bishd@mcoho.org for more information.

VIRTUAL CONFERENCE



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Dayton Regional Green and partners are excited to have you join us at this year's PIVOT virtual conference. This year's conference will focus on PEOPLE, RESILIENCY and PERFORMANCE.

The schedule for the day will include a Keynote Panel, two Educational Sessions with a choice of two tracks and will end with Discussion Forum. Continuing Education credits will be available for AIA, GBCI and PDHs.

[View agenda here](#)

At 10:00 am morning session, DRG panel of speakers will present on a "**New world built on resilience, sustainability and equity**". As we struggle to deal with this pandemic and in the middle of uncertainties, history show us how choices made during crises can shape the world for decades to come. Join our speakers as they

explore economic, agricultural, community, and educational models for a greener Dayton.

Carlton Eley, Regional Equity Initiative Manager, MVRPC

Carlton Eley is an environmentalist, urban planner, and sociologist who specializes in the advancement of equitable development. He is an accomplished expert on the topic. Carlton has coordinated national competitions that recognize communities for encouraging equitable development, and he has published multiple articles on the subject. His article, “Equitable Development: Untangling the Web of Urban Development through Collaborative Problem Solving,” is the lead article in the 2010 Fall/Winter Edition of *Sustain – A Journal of Environmental and Sustainability Issues*. Carlton has extensive experience collaborating with foreign and domestic services, high profile federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, and academic institutions. He's an accomplished researcher and policy analyst in the fields of smart growth, equitable development, green workforce development, and environmental sociology.

Susan Jennings, Executive Director, The Arthur Morgan Institute for Community Solutions (AMICS)

Susan led Community Solutions in the 2017 purchase of Agraria, a 128-acre farm on the outskirts of Yellow Springs which is being developed into a Center for Regenerative Practice. She serves on the Board of the Greater Dayton Conservation Fund, and on the national Council for Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching on behalf of Central State University. She also facilitates a Community Climate Resilience class for the University of Dayton's lifelong learning institute. She previously served as the founding Director of UMass Dartmouth's Office of Campus and Community Sustainability.

Ben McCall, Executive Director of Hanley Sustainability Institute, University of Dayton

Ben is the inaugural Executive Director of the Hanley Sustainability Institute. His work at HSI includes improving the sustainability of campus operations (in collaboration with Facilities Management), advancing sustainability education (in collaboration with the Sustainability Program), promoting sustainability research and scholarship, and engaging the broader Dayton community in conversations about sustainability and resilience planning.

When: September 30, 9:30 am - 2:15 pm

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Green Business Certification

DP&L ENHANCED REBATES

In partnership with DP&L, green certified businesses that are also DP&L customers, have access to enhanced rebates (50% additional value), but **must submit their rebate applications to DP&L by September 30th** as mandated energy efficiency programs in the State of Ohio will terminate by the end of 2020 due to the passing of HB6!

Approved measures must be applied for, should be purchased, and installed after the Green Business Certification date and within a year of the original green certification date.

Rebates will be paid on a first-come first-serve basis. A rebate cannot be paid until all required documentation for the application is received by DP&L, regardless of when the application was submitted.

As you apply for your rebates, simply attach your green certificate (see below on where to find it) to receive the enhanced value.

Email EnergyEfficiency@dplinc.com for any questions related to the rebate application process

Email DRG3@mcoho.org for any questions related to the green business certification process, or call Lamees Mubaslat at (937)654-2650

ENERGY AUDIT REQUIREMENT

As we all struggle to deal with COVID -19 pandemic and in the middle of uncertainties, we have decided to put a **freeze on the energy audit requirement** for green certification until further notice!

GREEN CERTIFICATION DURING COVID-19:

For as long as this freeze is in place, you can receive your green certification by complying with the green checklist requirements.

View the green checklist
Start a new application (click on LOGIN)

WHERE TO FIND YOUR GREEN CERTIFICATE

- Login to your account

- Once you're logged in, make sure to select your building from the drop down menu (grey arrow) as shown below:

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The screenshot shows the 'BRING YOUR GREEN!' dashboard for Montgomery County. The main header displays 'DASHBOARD | MONTGOMERY COUNTY' and 'MADISON LAKES LEARNING AND CONFERENCE CENTER'. The dashboard is divided into several sections: 'Building Information' showing 2,095 PTS and an overall ranking of 13th; 'Resource Tracking' with tabs for Electric, Gas, Waste, and Water; and a 'Green Challenge Summary' showing 0 / 17,105 total points. A dropdown menu is open on the right, listing various buildings and testing centers. A red arrow points to the 'MADISON LAKES LEARNING AND CONFERENCE CENTER' option in the dropdown.

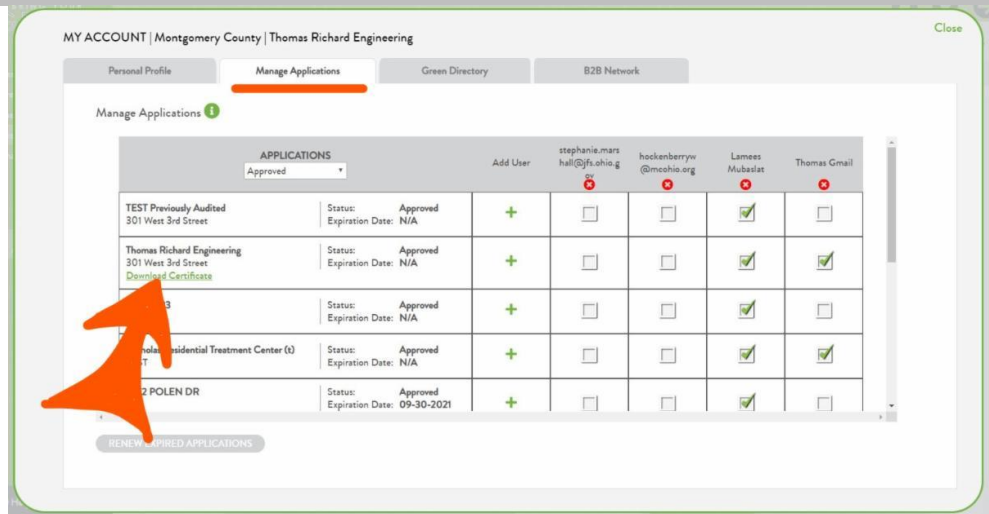
- Click on the person's image for My Account information:

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This screenshot is identical to the one above, showing the 'BRING YOUR GREEN!' dashboard for Montgomery County. However, a red arrow points to the user profile icon in the top right corner of the dashboard, indicating the next step in the process.

- Select "Manage Applications" tab and download your Green Certificate:

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NEW FEATURES ADDED

We are thrilled to release the latest update for the Green Business Certification/ Bring Your Green challenge platform. New features include:

- ability to add several meters to track your gas and electric usage;
- waste calculators with different dumpster size, type and percentage full entry fields;
- monthly and yearly electric progress analysis;
- monthly and yearly waste progress analysis;
- and much more!

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New Program

JobsOhio Inclusion Grant

This summer, JobsOhio launched the JobsOhio Inclusion Grant program to provide financial support for eligible projects in designated distressed communities and/or for businesses owned by underrepresented populations across the state.

Grant decisions are based on a number of project factors, including but not limited to company location, company ownership, jobs created and/or retained, and project fixed asset investment. Support is generally intended for small to medium-sized companies with eligible projects. Click [here](#) for more information

Reminders

Submit your projects for Site Selection's Governor's Cup!

The Dayton Region won first place in 2019 Site Selection's Governor's Cup, and has been in the top 10 for 14 years! Help us keep our spot at the top of the list and submit your projects [here](#). **This year's submission deadline is November 23, 2020.**

Submit your Business Retention and Expansion Visits!

The Dayton Region leads the state in our efforts to connect with businesses, and these visits are more important as our community works to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Help us capture these visits and any critical

information [here](#).

In the news

Ohio earns high marks in Business Facilities' state business rankings

The state of Ohio captured nine top 10's in Business Facilities rankings for states with Dayton ranking 3rd overall in manufacturing.

[Read more](#)



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