



Vicksburg Main Street Program

November 2009 Newsletter

"Enthusiasm makes one strong. It wakes one up, it brings out ones latent powers, keeps up incessant action, and impels one to tasks requiring strength. Pay as little attention to discouragements as possible!"

Vicksburg Main Street Elects New Board Members

The Main Street Nominating Committee did an excellent job getting a great slate of nominees for the members to choose from. A big thank you goes to all the candidates who agreed to be on the slate of nominees. We are very pleased to announce the election results, but before we do so we would like to thank our outgoing board members: Robert Ware and Ginny Tzotzolas. Thank you for a job well done! The newly elected Board Members are Sandra Brasfield, Downtown Resident and Linda Gerache, business owner. Re-elected to serve another 3 year term was Harry Sharp, property and business owner. Other members of the board include Ronnie Bounds, Nancy Bell, Alice Hebler, Jerry Hall, Lauchlin Fields, Norma Massey, and Lamar Horton, City of Vicksburg ex-officio.

Christ Episcopal Church

The Vicksburg Main Street Program would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Christ Episcopal Church on their 170th Anniversary! Congratulations to everyone and we are very honored to have you in our Downtown Area.

Ground Breaking

The Vicksburg District United States Army Corps of Engineers will have the Ground Breaking ceremony for the Lower Mississippi River Museum and Riverfront Interpretive Center Thursday, November 5th at 10:00 a.m. The Ground Breaking will take place at 910 Washington Street.

Get Downtown for our fabulous restaurants:

- Burger Village
- Delta Dogs
- Eddie Monsour at the Biscuit Company
- Eli's Treehouse Restaurant and Sports Grill
- Hot Dog Man
- Juke Joint Restaurant and Blues Exhibit
- LD's Kitchen
- Main Street Market
- Rusty's
- The Ware House Sports Bar and Grill
- Walnut Hills

Veterans' Day Parade

Main Street is asking all the Downtown business to be as red white, and blue as they can be; as Downtown will host the Veterans' Day Parade November 7th. The parade is scheduled to start at 10:00 a.m. at the corner of Belmont and Washington Street and precede to Grove Street. We hope to see everyone coming out and supporting our Veterans'!



Putting THANKS Back into Thanksgiving

The Downtown Merchants will be celebrating putting the thanks back into Thanksgiving Thursday, November 12th from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Come downtown and enjoy a special evening of shopping and visiting with your favorite downtown merchants. This is a great time to get some shopping done before the Holiday rush. Come down, relax, shop, and help us put the THANKS back into Thanksgiving.



2nd Annual Let's Go Walkin' Down Main Street

The Vicksburg Main Street Program is gearing up for the 2nd Annual Let's Go Walkin' Down Main Street! This year we will be teaming up with Shape up Vicksburg for this event. The walk will be one mile or two miles. This is a great time for everyone to get out and get moving. No matter what fitness level you are, we hope you will come out and enjoy the walk and scenery downtown. We all know it is easier to commit to exercise with a group of people, so come down and walk with all of us!

Old Fashioned Christmas Open House

Sunday, November 29th from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., Downtown Vicksburg will be celebrating the beginning of the Holiday Season with an Old Fashioned Christmas Open House. Come downtown and experience the first sights, scents, and sounds of the Holiday's! Poinsettias will be given away to the first 100 customers with a receipt from a Downtown store where they spend \$25 or more!



Christmas Parade of Lights

There is still time to register for the annual Downtown Vicksburg Christmas Parade of Lights which will be held Saturday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m.! This



Local Entertainment

Highway 61 Coffeehouse has live music every Thursday night!

Shooters at The Ware House - Karaoke every Wednesday night from 8 to midnight

Open Mic Night every Thursday beginning at 9:00 p.m.

Eddie Monsour's at the Biscuit Company will have open-mic night every Wednesday night from 8p.m. to 12 a.m.

Eli's Treehouse Restaurant & Sports Grill - Open Mic Night and Amateur Comedy Night every Wednesday and Thursday

LD's Kitchen - Line dancing every second and third Tuesday and Open Mic Night every Wednesday

Vicksburg Main Street Program Sponsorship

We would like to recognize several more businesses who recently partnered with the Main Street Program through their sponsorship dues. A big thank you from all of us for your support goes to:

A Wild Hair Salon, Burger Village, Eli's Treehouse Restaurant, and Riverhills Bank.

If you would like to become a sponsor of the Vicksburg Main Street Program, it is not too late to do so!

year's parade theme is "Christmas through a child's eyes." For more information or for an application visit www.downtownvicksburg.org or call 601-634-4527

Christmas Caroling

The Vicksburg Main Street is still accepting groups to come downtown and carol during the month of December! Little voices and big ones alike, singing about the joy and cheer of Christmas always brings a smile to people's face. The Vicksburg Main Street Program would like to share in this season with you! From the first weekend in December through Christmas Eve we will be having caroling in Historic Downtown Vicksburg. Main Street is inviting your group/school to come celebrate and share a little Christmas spirit with us downtown.



Mission Statement

To create a program that will encourage and promote the economic growth and welfare of the community through planning, beautification, and preservation of our central business district, thus providing a competitive local and regional business market and serving our growing tourism industry.

Garbage Pickup

This is just a reminder that Waste Management **can not** pick up florescent light bulbs. Please be careful when you do dispose of them as they will explode on impact!

Economic Update

We are pleased to announce several additions to our downtown area!

Juke Joint Restaurant and Blues Exhibit has opened at 1415 Washington Street. Derrick Davis opened the restaurant and blues exhibit in September. We are very happy to have Derrick and the Juke Joint Restaurant and Blues Exhibit in our area!

Simply fill out the form below, enclose your dues, and mail it in to the Vicksburg Main Street Office at P.O. Box 150 Vicksburg, MS 39181

- \$25 (Individual)
- \$50 (New Business)
- \$100 (1-3 Employees)
- \$200 (4-6 Employees)
- \$300 (7-8 Employees)
- \$400 (10-12 Employees)
- \$500 (12+ Employees)
- Other Contribution

Method of Payment

- Lump Sum
- Semi-Annually
- Quarterly
- Other (Please Specify)

Signed _____
 Business _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____
 Contact Person _____

City of Vicksburg Action Line

If anyone has any needs for city crews, i.e. cleaning sidewalks, street lights that are out or broken, etc. please call the City Action Line at 601-636-3411. They record every call and make sure that the call gets followed up on!

601-636-3411

*Downtown Vicksburg...
 Where everything is
 waiting for you!*

November Events

November 1-8 Christ Episcopal Church 170th Anniversary events throughout the week

November 2 - City of Vicksburg Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Annex Building

November 2 - Warren County Board of Supervisors Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd floor of the new Court House

Final Cut Barber Shop opened on the 1500 Block of Washington Street in September. We would like to welcome them to the area!

The Valley reopened in September. This 100 year old building located at 1423 Washington Street now houses 20 luxury apartments. The Valley Properties has been such a great addition to Downtown.

Eli's Treehouse Restaurant and Sports Grill opened at 1837 Cherry Street in October. Henry McGrew and staff have been doing a wonderful job!

Delta Dogs was opened by Randy and Lisa Ashcraft in the 1200 Block of Washington Street in October. This steamboat is truly one of kind and unique to Downtown Vicksburg!

Sears Quarters Luxury Apartments and Condominiums opened the end of October at 1509 Washington Street. These are the only condominiums in our Downtown area.

Opening Soon: Duff's Tavern and Grille and Upper End at Duff's will be opening soon at 1306 Washington Street. We look forward to having these businesses opened in Downtown!

Along with all of the new additions Downtown has seen over the past few months, the area is also experiencing several renovations:

Rusty's Riverfront Grill at 901 Washington Street has been doing renovations to their building.

Leslie Silver and Daniel Boone at Attic Gallery and Highway 61 Coffeehouse located at 1101 Washington Street have been renovating their third floor into their living space.

The Thomas Building is being renovated into offices and storage spaces.

Andrew Dawson and David Mitchell are renovating a building in the 1200 block of Washington Street.

Lisa and Randy Ashcraft renovated two apartments that face Clay Street.

Burger Village is undergoing renovations

Be sure to stop by and welcome the new businesses and owners to our Downtown Family and let the renovators know how happy we are to have them fixing up some of our beautiful buildings downtown!

As always, if you know of someone wanting to open a new business please let us know so that we can assist them in realizing their dream!

"Think Globally, Shop Locally"

Properties Available Downtown

Have you ever thought about moving your business or home to

November 5 - Ground Breaking for the Lower Mississippi River Museum and Interpretive Center at 910 Washington Street at 10:00 a.m.

November 6 - Warren Central Homecoming Parade Downtown at 4:00 p.m.

November 7 - Veterans' Day Parade Downtown Vicksburg beginning at 10:00 a.m.

November 8 - Ball Room Dance Lessons at SCHC

November 10 - City of Vicksburg Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Annex Building

November 10 - Warren County Board of Supervisors Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd floor of the new Court House

November 11 - Veteran's Day

November 12 - Putting the THANKS back into Thanksgiving. Downtown Vicksburg from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

November 13 - Attic Gallery will host the second Artist in the Living Room with Jean Blue, Kathy Gergo, and Ellen Langford. The exhibit will start at 7:00 p.m. and the discussion will begin around 8:00.

November 14 - 2nd Annual Let's Go Walkin' Down Main Street beginning at River Stage Plaza at 9:00 a.m.

November 15 - Back Porch Music from 1-4 p.m. at the Warren County Welcome Center

November 16 - City of Vicksburg Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Annex Building

November 16 - Warren County Board of Supervisors Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on the 3rd floor of the new Court House

November 16 - Book signing at Lorelei Books at 4:00 p.m.

November 17 - Vicksburg Main Street Board of Directors Meeting in City Hall Annex building at 8:45 a.m.

November 21 - Holiday Art Exhibit at The Attic Gallery

November 22 - Ball Room Dance Lessons at SCHC

November 22 - Masters by candlelight at Holy Trinity Episcopal at 7:30

November 22 - Miss Magnolia State Pageant from 1-6 p.m. at the Vicksburg Auditorium

November 24 - Board of Architectural Review Meeting at 4:00 p.m. in City Hall Annex Building

November 25 - City of Vicksburg