

There are lots of exciting happenings going on in downtown Vicksburg. New residential developments are adding to the vibrant community living in the area. New businesses are setting up shop and investing in the downtown. Events, festivals and concerts are filling the streets and venues with energy and excitement!

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#### Get connected!

Downtown Vicksburg
Main Street





#### Summertime is a fun time in downtown Vicksburg!

There have been so many great things that have happened during the summer and so many more things to look forward to! We have had beauty queens parade down our streets, jazz music at Catfish Row, local musicians playing at Riverstage, fireworks lighting up the sky, SBA Administrator Maria Contreras—Sweet joined us for a walking tour, and our own board members joined us for a walking board meeting. It is a great feeling to know our community is a great place to live, work, play and, most importantly, love!

## This is how we ...





### SBA Administrator- Maria Contreras-Sweet stops in Vicksburg for a visit, SBA Main Street Road Tour!

It's an exciting time in downtown Vicksburg. We are growing and it is not going unnoticed! SBA Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet has embarked on a SBA Main Street Road Tour across the nation. Along her journey she made right here in downtown Vicksburg where she did a quick walking tour on Washington Street and met with several different stores along the tour. She was presented a Key to the City and Mayor Flaggs was presented with a certificate to show gratitude for their support for our small businesses- the backbone of our community!



# Vicksburg Main Street

## Monthly Newsletter

#### Get Downtown for our fabulous restaurants:

10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill

The Mad Bakery

The Brick Sports Grill & Billiards

The Wine House

Eddie Monsour's at the Biscuit Company

Hot Dog Man

KJ's Rivertown Grille

LD's Kitchen

Main Street Market

Rusty's

Walnut Hills

#### Lorelei Books makes Mississippi Magazine "Best of 2016"

Lorelei Books is not your regular book store, in fact it was voted as one of the Best Bookstores in Mississippi in "Best of 2016" for Mississippi Magazine! Lorelei Books has many different events, from book signings to storytime for children there is always something fun going on at this quaint bookstore.

#### Main Street accredited for another year

Vicksburg Main Street has been designated an accredited National Main Street Program for meeting the commercial district revitalization performance standards set by the National Trust Main Street Center. Each year, the National Trust and its coordinating program partners announce the list of accredited Main Street programs that have built strong revitalization organizations that have demonstrated their ability to follow the Main Street methodology.

The National Trust Main Street Center works in partnership with Coordinating Main Street Programs throughout the nation to identify the local programs that meet the National Trust's 10 basic performance standards. These standards set the benchmarks for measuring an individual Main Street Program's application to the Main Street Four Point Approach to commercial district revitalization. Evaluation criteria determines the communities that are building a comprehensive and sustainable revitalization efforts and include standards such as developing a mission, fostering strong public-private partnerships, securing an operating budget, tracking economic progress, and preserving historic buildings. For more information on the National Program accreditation program, visit www.mainstreet.org/nationalprograms.

### Old Man River Quilt Fest coming to Vicksburg this August

Mark your calendars, the Old Man River Quilt Fest will be coming to Vicksburg August 16-20! This is a great event and we are delighted to welcome it to Vicksburg! The actual event will take place in the Convention Center. There is expected to be over 200 students registered as well as teachers and speakers that will be there. Downtown is looking forward to showing all of the quilters our southern hospitality!

#### Upcoming Meetings July

July

18th, & 25th

- City of Vicksburg Board of Mayor and Alderman Meeting

10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Annex Building.

July 18th

- Warren County Board of Supervisors Meeting on the 3rd Floor of the Courthouse at

9:00 a.m.

July21st

-Vicksburg Main Street Board Meeting in City Hall Annex at 8:45 a.m.

July 26th

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

Have you signed up to receive the weekly Downtown Highlights? See if your business will be featured this week!

Recent Business Highlights:

B'nai B'rith Club Miss Mississippi Pageant You Choose Upscale Consignment Shop Lorelei Books Walnut Hills

Small businesses are the heart and soul of our towns, neighborhoods and cities. They are more than "just" a building, or a shop, they are someone's life who loves what they do.

Owners like this aren't in it just for the moneythey do it because they ARE the community and part of the community is in them.

Don't wait. Invest in your independents now.

#### Going to the Farmers' Market is a great way to give back to our locals!

Take a fresh start to your weekend by stopping by our local Farmers' Market. This year has had record breaking attendants as well as a good variety of vendors! You can expect to see anything from watermelons, peaches, jams & jellies, canned goods, popcorn, pastas, and of course, a familiar face. The Farmers' Market is open every Wednesday from 3-6 pm and every Saturday from 8-11 am located on the corner of Jackson & Washington Street.





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#### Live music all throughout downtown

Summer in downtown Vicksburg offers an endless array of music, food, arts, family, and outdoor activities for the perfect summer vacation. Enjoy live music at many of our restaurants such as Walnut Hills, KJ's Rivertown Grille, Monsour's at the Biscuit Company, LD's Kitchen and 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill. You can also see free music concerts at Riverstage during Downtown at Dusk, make plans now to attend the next Downtown at Dusk July 28<sup>th</sup>!





#### Are you getting ready to take on the 7th Annual Bricks & Spokes?

Save the date, October 1st will be the 7th Annual Bricks & Spokes! Vicksburg Main Street is excited to host the 7th Annual Bricks & Spokes! Enjoy riding your bike throughout Vicksburg and across the Old Mississippi Bridge. There will be a 10, 30, 50, & 62 mile routes to choose from all crossing the Old Mississippi Bridge. This is a great day to bring the family out and enjoy a bike ride through our beautiful city. For more information please visit bricksandspokes.racesonline.com or email <a href="mailto:kimh@vicksburg.org">kimh@vicksburg.org</a>.

#### **Economic Development**

Main Street would like to welcome the new businesses that have opened within the downtown district and we are looking forward to all the upcoming businesses that will open in downtown Vicksburg!

- 1415 Washington Street building sold!
- Hookah by the River- 1417 Washington Street- now open!
  - 1507 Washington Street building sold!
- Construction on upper floor of 1205 Washington Street continues.
- You Choose Upscale Consignment-1300 Washington Street painted façade of building and did repairs to their roof.
- Main Street Board of Directors hit the streets of downtown and took a look at several buildings and streets of downtown to see what improvements and changes could be made.
- Bazsinsky House, 1022 Washington Street, replaced windows and making wonderful updates to their house.
- Up the Ante by Lipstick and Labels- 1208 Washington Street now open & hiring! Looking for MUA, Photographer, Hairstylist, Nail Technicians, Wax specialist, & esthetician.
  - Merle Norman coming to 1221 Washington Street.
- Vicksburg Convention & Visitors Bureau executive offices moved to 1619
   Walnut Street.









#### **Boat Schedule:**

 All boats will dock and depar at the city riverfront

**July 20-America**- arrival at 8:00 a.m. and depart at 5:00 p.m.



### Business Leader's Promotion for new teams

Buy 5 tickets for your team and get 1 free

plus you will receive

- \* A private breakout room for your team
- \* Refreshments provided in the breakout room \* On-site lunch option available for your group
- To take advantage of this promotion call 601-636-2596

Promotion expires on July 12, 2016

visit www.vicksburgleaders.com





#### Weekly Events:

**Beginner's Yoga every Wednesday Night**- 6:30P.M. at the Vicksburg, 801 Clay St in the Coral Room, for more information call 601-868-0871

Challenge Entertainment Trivia every Thursday Night-7:00 p.m., at KJ's River Town Bar & Grille, 1306 Washington Street. For more information call 601-501-4030.

**Story Time at the Public Library every Wednesday**-Story time begins at 10:30 am at the Warren County Public Library, 700 Veto Street. For more information please call 601-636-6411. This is open to the public.

Story Time at the Public Library every Tuesday & Thursday-Story time begins at 10:30 am at the Warren County Public Library, 700 Veto Street. For more information please call 601-636-6411. Storytime is by appointment only on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Free Crossfit Class every Saturday-Classes will be at 10:00 am at Crossfit Bayou Bluffs, 900 Clay Street. For more information please call (601)-213-7450.

Vicksburg Farmers Market every Wednesday and Saturday- the Vicksburg Farmers Market is every Wednesday from 3-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 8-11 a.m. For more information please call 601-801-3513.

## H. C. Porter Original Commissions By Request

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Memories As

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#### 2016 Annual Membership

#### **Mission Statement**

The Vicksburg Main Street Program promotes the economic growth and welfare of the community through planning, beautification, and preservation of out central business district, thus providing a competitive, local and regional business market while continuing to serve our growing tourism industry.

#### Purpose

The program is an incremental approach designed to stimulate downtown economic development through organization-encouraging cooperation and building leadership in the business community; promotion-creating a positive image for downtown by marketing the downtown; and economic restructuring-recruitment of new business, both retail and non-retail.

	Membership Categories (Check one)	
\$25.00 Individual Family	\$50.00 New Business	\$100.00 Contributing Member (1-3) Employees
\$200.00 Contributing Member (4-6) Employees	\$300.00 Contributing Member (7-9) Employees	\$400.00 Contributing Member (10- 12) Employees
\$500.00 Contributing Member (12+) Employees	Other Contribution	

#### **Method of Payment**

(Check one)
\_\_\_Check enclosed for full amoun
Other (please specify)

Please return this invoice to the Vicksburg Main Street Program P.O. Box 150

Signature:

#### **Business**

Addres

#### **Daytime Phone**

Contact Person:

Your Vicksburg Main Street Program is working hard for you through organization, design, promotion, and economic restructuring for the betterment of our Downtown Central Business District. Together, we are making a difference.

We could not do all that we do without your generou support.

Kim Hopkins, Executive Director





#### **Brickscape Project**

The brick orders are rolling in! We appreciate everyone that has purchased a brick and can't wait to get the next set laid! We need a few more bricks to make our next order so get yours in today! The bricks will be laid in our beautiful walkway at the Old Depot Building on the Grove and Levee Street side. This fundraiser will help us increase funds for our promotions and day to day operations to keep downtown alive. If you would like to purchase a brick please call the Main Street Office at 601-634-4527.

#### **Downtown Museums**

Biedenharn Cola-Cola Museum

1107 Washington St. 601-638-6514

Lower Mississippi River Museum & Interpretive Site

910 Washington St. 601-638-9900

The Old Depot Museum

1010 Levee St. 601-638-6500

Yesterday's Children Antique Doll & Toy Museum

1104 Washington St. 601-638-0650

Old Court House Museum

1008 Cherry St. 601-636-0741

**Main Street Board of Directors** 

Daryl Hollingsworth - Chairman,

Joyce Clingan- Vice Chairman,

Dean Anderson - Secretary,

Alice Hebler - Treasurer,

Skipper Guizerix, Norma Massey,

Jay Parmegiani, Harry Sharp,

Linda Fondren, Samantha Blount, Shanon

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& Walter Osborne – City of Vicksburg Ex-

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Your main street is not only valuable

to your business—it's essential



## Vicksburg Main Street July Events

**July 16-** Juleps in July- Juleps in July will be from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm at McRaven Tour Home, 1445 Harrison Street. Reservations are required. For more information call 601-501-1336.

July 16- Nick Secoy live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

**July 16-** Les Cowboys- the movie will be showing at the Strand Theatre, 717 Clay Street, beginning at 7 p.m. \$5 advance tickets available at Highway 61 Coffeehouse / \$7 at the door

**July 20-** America – America will dock at the City Riverfront at 8:00 am and depart at 5:00 pm.

July 20- Dustin Moulder live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

**July 21-** Ritz on the River- This event will feature a dinner and concert. Dinner will begin at 6:30 pm and the concert will begin at 8:00 pm at Vicksburg Convention Center, 1600 Mulberry Street. For more information call 601-630-2929 or visit online at www.vicksburgccevents.com.

July 22- Josh Journey live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

July 23- Watermelon Slim live at KJ's, 1306 Washington Street

July 23- Nick Secoy live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

**July 24-** Turnandot Onscreen Opera- The opera will begin at 2 p.m. at the Strand Theatre, 717 Clay Street, \$15 advance tickets available at Highway 61 Coffeehouse / \$18 at the door

July 27- Dustin Moulder live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

**July 28-** Downtown at Dusk- this free outdoor concert with be held that evening at Riverstage plaza, bring your lawn chair and get ready for an evening of good music and good times!

July 28- Arron Coker live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

July 29- Bed Lewis live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street

July 30- Nick Secoy live at 10 South Rooftop Bar & Grill, 1301 Washington Street





