



City of Pascagoula Chamber Report

September 2016



Housing & Commercial Development:

During July and August 2016, the City of Pascagoula has granted 4 new business licenses.

- ◆ During these months in 2015, the City granted 8 new business licenses.
- ◆ During these months in 2014, the City granted 9 new business licenses.

Special Projects:

The City of Pascagoula has several projects underway to enhance the City in support of our economic development and quality of life initiatives.

- ◆ Work has begun on Phase II of the Beachfront Promenade. The construction has an 18 month contract with completion anticipated by the end of 2017.
- ◆ The B.B. Jennings Park Improvements Project is underway. This project includes boardwalk replacement, ADA parking upgrades, and a new nature overlook.
- ◆ Work continues on Ingalls Avenue from Roswell Street to Hester Street with a \$2.18 million drainage improvements project along Ingalls Avenue, Holland Street, Miller Street, and Lambert Court.
- ◆ The City is currently in the design phase of the Market Street Improvements Project. Staff continues to meet with Market Street business and property owners to solicit feedback on the conceptual designs.
- ◆ Desoto Street at the bridge just North of Ingalls Avenue was closed July 11th to allow the removal and installation of a new bridge. The bridge will be open to traffic by September 21st.
- ◆ The Round Island Lighthouse ADA Improvements Project continues with the impending installation of a Lighthouse kiosk with videos, cameras at the top of the Lighthouse, a tactile sign with the history of the Lighthouse, and a tactile statute of the Lighthouse.
- ◆ The City of Pascagoula is excited to continue a new FREE monthly event: Third Fridays. The event brought crowds to the downtown area on August and September's third Friday. We are looking forward to October's Third Fridays: Galactic Adventures on October 21st. Activities include live music, vendors, kid activities, community partner booths, and extended store and restaurant hours.

- ◆ Anchor Square is accepting applications to fill vacancies of five single unit retail cottages and one double unit restaurant cottage. Applications and details are available at www.anchorssquare.com. In the last month, Anchor Square has graduated three retail businesses: Susie's Boutique, Maternal Instincts, and C. Blue Photography. Visit and support these businesses in their permanent locations!

Special Events and Activities:

- October**
- 1 38th Annual Zonta Festival / Downtown Pascagoula / 9am-5pm
 - 1 Fall Brawl Doubles Disc Golf Tournament / IG Levy Park
 - 2 3rd Annual 'Goula Cruise / Beach Park / 11:30am-5:30pm
 - 8 2nd Saturday Bike Ride / Beach Park / 8am
 - 9 Movie Night Under the Stars/ Beach Park / 8:15pm / Hotel Transylvania 2
 - 9 Teen Paddle Night / Beach Park Pier / 6pm-8pm
 - 10-11 Fall Break Mini Camp / Pascagoula Recreation Center
 - 15 Coastal Cleanup / 8am-11am
 - 15 Nature Discovery / Scranton Nature Center / 10:30am-12:30pm
 - 21 Third Fridays: Galactic Adventures / Downtown Pascagoula / 5pm—8pm
 - 21 The Great Haunted Halloween Bicycle Tour / Delmas Ave/Magnolia St / 6pm
 - 22 PGSD Super Saturday / Aaron Jones Interactive Center
 - 27 Greenwood Cemetery Tour / Greenwood Cemetery / 5:30
 - 28-29, 31 Haunted House / Pascagoula Recreation Center
 - 31 Light the Night / Church on the Rock
- November**
- 11 Veteran's Day
 - 11 Movie Night Under the Stars/ Beach Park / 8:15pm / Hotel Transylvania 2
 - 12 2nd Saturday Bike Ride / Beach Park / 8am
 - 22 PGSD Super Saturday / Aaron Jones Interactive Center
 - 24 Thanksgiving Day
 - 26 Small Business Saturday
- December**
- 1 Christmas in the Park / Beach Park
 - 2 Downtown for the Holidays & Parade / Downtown Pascagoula
 - 3 Battle on Buffett Beach / Buffett Beach / 8am-5pm
 - 9 Movie Night Under the Stars/ Beach Park / 8:15pm / Arthur Christmas
 - 10 2nd Saturday Bike Ride / Beach Park / 8am
 - 16 Tour of Lights Christmas Bicycle Ride / Pascagoula Recreation Center / 5:30pm
 - 24 Christmas Eve
 - 25 Christmas
 - 27-30 Christmas Camp
 - 28-30 Baseball Camp
 - 31 New Year's Eve