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Progress In The Pass



Progress continues in Pass Christian — good news, though sometimes it can mean an unexpected detour. Water and sewer work has begun on Second Street and Hiern Avenue. Contractors have attempted to keep at least one lane open on Second Street, though work at intersections may lead to some road closures. The work will progress to the east, with Market Street the next area to be affected. On the east end of town, the re-paving of Espy Avenue is expected to begin on Feb. 8 as sewer work there is completed.



Progress at the Historical Society on Scenic Drive



Progress at Trinity Church, which is expected to be completed in March.



Progress at City Hall. The Municipal Complex — including City Hall, the Municipal Court and the Pass Christian Library — is looking more and more finished every day. Construction is expected to be completed later this spring. Photos by Ron Daley.



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PASS CHRISTIAN NEWS BRIEFS

Brooks To Host Forum For Pass Christian School Board Candidates

Alderwoman-At-Large Renee Brooks will host a town meeting Monday, Feb. 1, at the Boys & Girls Club in Pass Christian at 5:30 p.m., in which she will have the opportunity to speak with residents and hear from candidates regarding the upcoming appointment for the Pass Christian School Board.

The Pass Christian Board of Alderman has been challenged to provide the Mayor with nominees for appointment to the School Board sometime within the month of February.

At the last city council meeting, a motion was approved to discuss and vote on the nominees at the next meeting on Feb. 2. In

advance of that meeting, Alderwoman-At-Large Brooks would like to speak with the candidates and allow the residents to ask questions as well.

“This is the forum for residents and myself to learn more about the school board and the candidates,” said Ms. Brooks. “I am very proud of the school system's successes so far and feel that there is no ceiling for our students. We are only limited by our and their imaginations.”

“I want to make it clear that this is a public forum where citizens can ask questions and be part of the process. It's the parents and teachers who are essential to our public education system here in Pass Christian. Their thoughts and comments are important to me,” she said.

Questions? Contact Alderwoman Brooks at 228-452-9152.

Haiti Community Prayer Service Will Be Feb. 5

Goodwill Missionary Baptist Church will host a community-wide prayer service for the people of Haiti will be held on Feb. 5, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., at the Boys & Girls Club of Pass Christian.

They invite all to join, and also ask you to bring hygiene or first aid items (see a suggested list on page 26), which they will donate to International Relief and Development to distribute in Haiti.

Questions? Please contact Mary Bowser at 228-239-1644.

State Of The City Address Will Be February 10

The 2010 State of the City address by Mayor Chipper McDermott will be on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 8

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that certain building materials and other personal property situated on property South of Josephine Street and between Pine Ave. and Lac Bleu Avenue, Pass Christian, MS, Parcel No. 313F-04-002.000, has previously been declared abandoned and the true owner of the personal property, whose identity is currently unknown after diligent search and inquiry, has failed to make any claim for such property in the time and manner required by law. Therefore,

It is hereby ORDERED that the aforementioned abandoned personal property (and not the land it is situated thereon), which is more particularly described in the list on file in the Office of the City Clerk, 201 Fleitas Avenue, Pass Christian, MS 39571, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash (with the Mayor to conduct the sale) at the meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to be held at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at the Temporary Council Meeting Room (behind Hancock Bank) at Davis Avenue, Pass Christian, MS. Any person desiring to purchase the abandoned personal property must file a sealed bid with the City Clerk at City Hall by Noon on February 10, 2010, with the envelope plainly marked on the outside as “SEALED BID FOR ABANDONED PERSONAL PROPERTY”. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen reserve the right to waive irregularities and informalities and if no bids are received, to otherwise immediately dispose of the abandoned personal property and order its removal from the premises.

This the 26th day of January, 2010.

By: City of Pass Christian, City Clerk

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a.m. at the Boys & Girls Club of Pass Christian-Qatar Center.

Breakfast is \$10; RSVP to emily@MSCoastChamber.com or call 228-604-0014.

Brooks To Host Forum on Crime & Prevention On February 22

Alderwoman-At-Large Renee Brooks will hold a town meeting with Police Chief John Dubuisson on Monday, Feb. 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the Boys & Girls Club. It will be a forum to learn more about the crimes that have occurred in Pass Christian and preventative measures that citizens can take to protect themselves, their families and their property.

“Crime is increasing throughout our coastal community,” Ms. Brooks said. “As a community we need to work together to combat that. Please lend your time to hear Chief John Dubuisson and his officers and to learn what the crime patterns are and how to outsmart thieves and other criminals.

She added: “This is a timely and important issue. We are seeing more criminals from outside our area, and we all need to protect ourselves and our families. Chief Dubuisson and I invite you to attend this forum, and please tell your neighbors.”

Chili Willie's Targets March 1 Opening

Chili Willie's Pizzeria is aiming for a March 1 opening date for its Pass Chris-

Celebrate Arbor Day With Free Trees Tomorrow

The Mississippi Urban Council, the Pass Christian Garden Club and the City of Pass Christian are partnering to bring an Arbor Day celebration tree seedling giveaway on Saturday, Jan. 30, in War Memorial Park.

The giveaway will be at the Pass Market, on the corner of Fleitas Avenue and Scenic Drive, beginning at 10 a.m. This giveaway is open to Pass Christian residents

and will feature native species, including Leyland cypress, swamp chestnut oak, shumard oak, willow oak and nutall oak varieties.

Come out tomorrow to get native tree seedlings to plant for Arbor Day! Help restore our tree canopy and create a greener Pass. Questions? Contact Alderwoman Renee Brooks at 228-342-2366 or email green-thepass@aol.com.

Board Meets On Expansion Issue

The Pass Christian Board of Aldermen met briefly this week to discuss a fringe study about possible annexation of surrounding areas. The workshop was held in executive session since the matter involves possible litigation. No action was taken, but the Board is expected to make a decision on the matter in February.

At the previous Board of Aldermen meeting, a number of items were approved that we didn't have room to publish in our last issue. These include:

— The Board approved an


amended contract for the Navy's harbor lease. The Navy is adding two more slips to its existing lease.

— The Board also ratified the non-compensated agent contract between the city and the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics and accepted a letter of resignation from police officer Robert R. Lewis. They also added Danny Miller to the fire department's part-time call out list, at the fire chief's recommendation.

— The Board tabled a number of items, including the adoption of an employee handbook, three harbor-related items and an executive session matter, and approved more than two dozen project-related invoices, pay applications and related items.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen is Tuesday, Feb. 2. The Board will also hold a special meeting on Feb. 9, at 1 p.m. to pick a contractor for the Hwy 90 lighting project.

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Pass Christian Firefighters Graduate From Fire Academy

They Help Battle Blaze On Demourelle Just A Few Weeks Later

Congratulations to the following Pass Christian firefighters, who recently graduated from the Mississippi Fire Academy and are now certified firefighters: Gerald Gordon, Cameron Harris, David O'Neal, Roger Swartz and Brian Webb. Austin Graham, a D'Iberville firefighter and a member of the PC Volunteer Fire Department, also graduated in December.

The new firefighters got a

real world test shortly after graduation, when the Pass Christian Fire Department was first on the scene of a major house fire on Demourelle Road.

The home, which is located outside the city limits since it is on the north side of Demourelle, caught fire around 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 17, said Fire Chief Dwight Gordon. The PCFD was the first to arrive and began to battle the blaze, quickly

joined by the Cuevas Volunteer Fire Department. The home was destroyed. The homeowner was injured, but was treated and released.

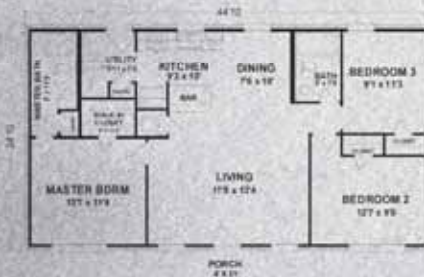


Demourelle home destroyed by fire on Jan. 17



From left, newly certified firefighters Austin Graham, Roger Swartz, Gerald Gordon, David O'Neal, Cameron Harris and Brian Webb.

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