

Manning Matters



June 2016

It's hard to believe that it is now June.

I'm so excited about the City of Manning's new Retail Development Initiative. The purpose of this initiative is to market our area to potential new businesses. It's natural to think that any interested business could simply go to their computer and "Google" us. However, before some businesses may do this, they have to know that we exist. We have decided to introduce our community to the business world.

After introducing this initiative to Council, they approved funds for us to begin the research and pursue the needed training. The City is now a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers. We are working with a company to assist us with retail strategies based on our demographic profile. Our demographic profile includes the information needed for a business to make a decision if an area is a good fit for their company.

Here is a snapshot of our demographic profile.

City of Manning	3 Mile Radius	5 Mile Radius	10 Mile Radius
2015 Estimated Population	6,632	10,436	20,830
Daytime Population	10,342	12,045	18,346
Median HH Income	\$28,461	\$30,169	\$32,248
# Of Households	2,592	3,934	7,931
2015 Estimated Population	5 Minute Drive Time	10 Minute Drive Time	15 Minute Drive Time
Daytime Population	5,534	10,005	15,577
Median HH Income	\$27,512	\$30,131	\$31,516
# Of Households	2,194	3,767	5,819

On May 10th, we had a public meeting to provide more information to interested citizens and property/business owners about this initiative. I would like to thank everyone who was in attendance. If anyone would like to have their building, land (to include agricultural) that is available for rent, lease or to be sold, please call city hall at 803.435.8477 and speak with Scott Tanner.

On another note, please mark your calendar for our 3rd Annual Red, White, and Blue Celebration which is scheduled for Friday, July 1, 2016.

And as always, thank you for all of your efforts to remain true to our city's motto: "Matchless for Beauty and Hospitality".

The People's Mayor,

Julia A. Nelson, MPA



Red, White and Blue Celebration

Friday, July 1, 2016 ~ 7PM

City's Red Barn

This is a patriotic family-oriented event which will include live music, food, and a vibrant firework display which will illuminate the skies over Downtown Manning. It should be a fun and enjoyable night for all to remember. Call City Hall for more information 803-435-8477.

Sponsorships Available:

Light up the Sky - \$1,500 (*Event Sponsor*)

Explosive Class Act - \$1,000

(*Band Sponsor*)

Lock and Load - \$750

Forbidden Dynamite - \$500

Grenade Attack - \$250

Short-fuse Firecracker - \$200



County Election

Remember to vote in the June primary on Tuesday, June 14.

Polls will open at 7 am and

close at 7 pm. You may only vote in the Democratic Primary or the Republican Primary.

Positions that will be on the ballot include: representative, sheriff, probate judge, and county council chair. If you have any questions please contact the Clarendon County Voter Registration at 803-435-8215 .



Manning Farmers Market

The Market will open for the 2016 season on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 8 am. Market hours are 8 am until noon. The market is located at the corner of Boyce and Church Street.



There She is, Miss South Carolina

The City of Manning would like to wish Drue Floyd, Miss Clarendon 2016 and Sara Levitt, Miss Clarendon Teen 2016 good luck as they compete for Miss South Carolina and Miss South Carolina Teen, June 21-25. The final night of the Miss South Carolina competition will be LIVE on WACH Fox from 8 pm until 10:30 pm. For more information or to send them well wishes visit the Miss Clarendon Scholarship Pageant on Facebook. In 1956, Marian McKnight became the first Manning native to win Miss South Carolina.



Popsicles in the Parks

Bellwood – June 7 at 7 pm

Memorial Street – June 14 at 7 pm

Gibbons Street – July 12 at 7 pm

Rex Josey – July 19 at 7 pm

Ice Cream Socials

Gibbons Street – June 9 at 7 pm

Rex Josey – June 16 at 7 pm

Bellwood – July 7 at 7 pm

Memorial Street – July 14 at 7 pm



Movies in the Park - Finding Nemo

Join us for the first movie, Finding Nemo, of the 2016 Movies in the Park Series on Friday, June 10, 2016 at Church Street Park. The movie will be shown once the sun sets. Bring your chairs and blankets, children 18 and under must be accompanied by an adult. If your business would like to sponsor a movie in the park please contact Carrie Trebil at City Hall.