

SPRING BREAK EDITION

Good afternoon all...

Thursday, April 11, 2019

The spring breakers begin rolling in today and will roll out, for the most part, Sunday afternoon.

Some pointers/reminders...

- ❖ Always follow directions/directives given by a police officer.
- ❖ Avoid west Biloxi, if you can, from the lighthouse west to DeBuys Road (which divides Biloxi and Gulfport).
- ❖ Do not move or go around officially placed barricades.
- ❖ Biloxi Police Department implements traffic plans for major public events. [See the Spring Break Traffic Plan](#)
- ❖ When traffic gets heavy on Highway 90, police will close the east and west bound lanes closest to the median to all vehicles except first responders (fire, police, ambulance).

For residents of Maison d'Orleans, Grande View apartments and Briarfield subdivision only...

- ❖ There is no "Neighborhood Pass" this year. Based on last year's experience, Biloxi Police officials note that the passes have become more of a hindrance than a help.
- ❖ The "coliseum shortcut" will be open, allowing access to Beauvoir Road; there will be a law enforcement presence at the Pine Grove gate during peak hours of traffic through that gate.
- ❖ The traffic plan this year is the same as last year's traffic plan, so barricades should be up, with an officer present at Pine Grove and Briarfield Avenues.

A word of encouragement...

B-Alert is a FREE, real-time, on-the-go messaging system to advise residents and visitors of traffic information and other advisories directly to your cell phone. **On your cell phone**, text BILOXI to 888777. You will receive a follow-up message asking for your ZIP code in the event the city transmits a geo-targeted message. If you decide at any time you don't want to receive B-Alert messages, just reply with STOP. You can re-sign up at any time. [Click here to see sample advisories via B-Alert](#)

Read more about Spring Break from local media sources...

- ❖ [City Desk Podcast: Major news: Spring Break, air show and more \(City of Biloxi\)](#)
- ❖ [Orange cones, venting: What to know about traffic, parking during black spring break \(Sun Herald\)](#)
- ❖ [CTA, Keesler adjust schedules for Spring Break weekend \(Keith Wilson, facebook\)](#)
- ❖ [Spring breakers on why they come back \(Sun Herald\)](#)
- ❖ [Workers labor to make the beach squeaky clean for Spring Break \(WLOX\)](#)
- ❖ [Spring Break promoter talks attendance numbers, traffic issues, and police presence \(WLOX\)](#)
- ❖ [Biloxi prepares for Spring Break traffic \(WXXV\)](#)
- ❖ [Biloxi police preparing for Spring Break weekend \(WXXV\)](#)

A final note... The city has contracted with a number of additional law enforcement staff in south Mississippi for this event. If you happen to see one of these officers, thank them for helping us out!

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