

# VANGUARD



March 2008



## Business Spotlight Integrity Insurance

**By Kayla Reigle** Integrity Insurance is a small business that has made a big difference in Vanceleave. Located just off Highway 57, Integrity is the only independent insurance company in Vanceleave but serves customers all over the Gulf Coast.

Owner Mark Strickland and business partner Tammy Wages started offering insurance two years ago after Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast. Strickland worked in the freight business for eleven years before studying insurance. He spent a year working in Mobile for Intrust Automotive Insurance where he helped develop two insurance agencies.

Wages spent eleven years working for another insurance company in Gulfport. After Katrina, she decided to work from home and began brainstorming with Strickland about starting an insurance business closer to home. Both Strickland and Wages are very pleased with the reaction from Vanceleave.

With the broad range of insurance Integrity offers- business, group, medical, automotive, life insurance, etc.- Integrity can help their customers with all their financial needs without having to travel too far from home. Although a fairly new company, Integrity is expected to have a million dollar premium before the middle of the year. The rapid growth of Vanceleave has added to their success.

Integrity Insurance is a sign and a driving force of Vanceleave taking a few extra steps to becoming a bigger and better community

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## Important Dates & Upcoming Events

- **March 13** – VMA Quarterly General Meeting – 6PM HUD Building
- **March 28 & 29** – SMMHA 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mule Pull & Rodeo, Vanceleave Covered Arena, Ballpark Rd.
- **May 10** – Vanceleave Pebble Bluff Creek Antique Car Show & Fireman Appreciation, 10 am – 2 pm, contact Perry Meyers - 826-5792, Deanna Cole Bickham – 826-5121 or J. P. Fero – 826-1990

## News & Notes....

### Quarterly General Meeting Agenda

**Sign In (Light refreshments available) 5:30 pm**

**Call to Order 6:00 pm**

Post Colors / Pledge of Allegiance – Boy Scouts

Invocation/Welcome from President

Reading of Minutes

Recognition of New Members

Guest Speakers: (5 minutes each)

- Tom Wade - Vanceleave Fire Department
- Sheila Baragar – Central MS Little Britches Rodeo
- Bea Harrison – The Encore Group

Financial report

Committee Reports

- Car Show
- Trick or Treat
- Ribbon Cutting
- After Hours
- Quarterly Meeting
- Fall Festival/Christmas Parade

Old Business

New Business

- Officer Election

Current Events/Announcements

Benediction/Adjournment

**Thank you to Allen Williams for coordinating this Meeting.**

### 2007-2008 VMA Board

**President** Dr. Jeffery Morrison, Morrison Animal Clinic

**Vice President** J.P. Fero, Vanceleave Family Medical Clinic

**Treasurer** Lester Mitchell, Hancock Bank

**Secretary** Deanna Cole, Cole's Service Center & Coles Drive-In

#### Board Members

Sue Bennett, Florist At Heart & Burnhams

Mark Strickland, Integrity Insurance Providers

Gene Edwards, Agape Termite Services

Visit these Vanleave Merchants Association Members for all your personal and business needs!

**AUTOMOTIVE**

Advance Auto Parts 826-3900  
 Coles Service Center 826-5121  
 Dahl's NAPA Auto Parts 826-5762  
 Meyer's Auto Salvage 826-5792  
 Professional Auto Collision 826-2387  
 Vanleave Body Shop 826-4280

**CHURCHES**

First Pentecostal Church of Vanleave

**CONSTRUCTION, SERVICES & HARDWARE**

BMT Electric 826-1133  
 Coast Water Well Services 826-9275  
 Guarliardo Marble & Granite 826-3179  
 Jesse's Concrete 826-2721  
 King's Custom Cabinets 826-0454  
 Lane Construction 872-2414  
 Metro Concrete 872-2028  
 Shane Langfitt Construction 826-2364  
 Stormy Hurricane Shutters 238-3298  
 Vanleave Glass 826-1540  
 Vanleave Lumber 826-4211  
 Vanleave Old Place Hardware & Bldg Supply 826-5100  
 Vanleave Plumbing 826-1700

**DINING**

Mohler's Donut Hut 826-9138  
 Subway 826-0020  
 BNB Video & Pizza 826-0022

**DRY CLEANING & LAUNDRY SERVICES**

Vanleave Dry Cleaners 826-5768

**FINANCIAL**

Century Bank 826-9906  
 First Federal  
 Hancock Bank 934-4348  
 Navigator Credit Union 762-3542  
 Noblitt & Associates, Inc 826-3600  
 Wachovia Bank 826-5911

**GOVERNMENT**

Jackson County Chancery Clerk 769-3499

**HEALTH & BEAUTY**

Burnham Drugs #4 826-4747  
 Sav-Rex Drugs 826-4403

**INSURANCE**

Integrity Insurance Providers 826-3530  
 Nationwide 826-3591

**MEDICAL**

Dr. Edward J Banas DDS 826-3811  
 Johnson Chiropractic Clinic 826-2724  
 Vanleave Chiropractic 826-9977  
 Vanleave Family Medical Clinic 826-1990

**PEST CONTROL**

Agape Termite Services 826-3123

**REAL ESTATE**

Helen Cramer, Realtor 990-0133  
 Vanleave Real Estate 826-1999

**RECREATION**

Bluff Creek Campground 826-3958

**RETAIL / RENTAL STORES**

Bibleway Bargain Center 826-5651  
 Bluff Creek Equipment Rental 826-1414  
 Discount Pawn 826-4556  
 Florist At Heart - Sues 826-4421  
 H.P. Davis Grocery 826-5275

**SPECIALTIES**

Adam's Place Boys & Girls Camp 826-1500  
 AllWill Management 826-3434  
 Arbonne 826-2443  
 Batson & Brown Engineering 522-6353  
 Blossman Gas & Appliance 826-5997  
 Boggy Creek Vineyard 769-1940  
 Digital Security Systems 218-9988  
 Eagle 2 Graphics 826-9457  
 GCIS 826-5832  
 Joleen's Starz Performing Arts Studio 826-3722  
 Kelli's Step School of Dance 388-1616  
 O'Bryant - O'Keefe Funeral Home 826-4311  
 Rennie Knolls, Stampin Up! Demonstrator 826-9099  
 RSP Graphics 826-1277  
 Sound Escapes 217-2627  
 Southern Lift, Inc 826-5257  
 The Sod Outlet 826-5555

**VETERINARIANS**

Morrison Animal Clinic 826-4833

**Important contact numbers for Jackson County Residents**

**DRIVERS LICENSE** – Must apply within 60 days

Biloxi/D'Iberville 392-1183  
 Pascagoula 769-3266

**AUTO REGISTRATION** – Must apply within 30 days

Ocean Springs 872-8179  
 Pascagoula 769-3074  
 West Jackson County (St. Martin) 872-8178

**TAX COLLECTOR**

769-3074  
 769-3200

**VANLEAVE SCHOOLS**

Elementary (K-2) 826-5982  
 Upper Elementary (3-5) 826-4581  
 Middle School (6-8) 826-5902  
 High School (9-12) 826-4701  
 Jackson County School District Admin 826-1757

**HOSPITALS**

Ocean Springs Hospital 818-1111  
 Singing River Hospital 809-5000  
 Biloxi Regional Hospital 432-1571  
 Poison Control 800-222-1222