MAJOR EVENTS OF 1989

JANUARY

JACKSON
ARTS & CRAFTS DEMONSTRATIONS, Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum

MERIDIAN
MISSISSIPPI JUNIOR MISS PAGEANT, Temple Theatre

FEBRUARY

BILOXI
MARDI GRAS, Floats and marching bands travel through downtown Biloxi, beach area and Highway 90, in morning and afternoon

JACKSON
DIXIE NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW, Largest livestock show east of the Mississippi, Fairgrounds

JACKSON
DIXIE NATIONAL RODEO, Coliseum

JACKSON
DIXIE NATIONAL WESTERN FESTIVAL, Featuring blue grass music, clogging, barbecue, crafts and games in conjunction with the Rodeo, Mississippi Trademart

JACKSON
MISSISSIPPI GEM & MINERAL SHOW, A&I Building, Fairgrounds

NATCHEZ
MARDI GRAS, Downtown and Convention Center

TUPELO
ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR, Tupelo Mall

MARCH

BILOXI
IRISH HERITAGE WEEK and ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

COLUMBUS
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of 15 antebellum homes

GULF COAST
GULF COAST SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Diamondhead in Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Pass Christian, Gulfport, Biloxi, Ocean Springs, Gulf Hills, Long Beach

NATCHEZ
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of 30 antebellum homes

VICKSBURG
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of 12 antebellum homes

APRIL

ABERDEEN
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tour of antebellum and Victorian homes

AMORY
RAILROAD FESTIVAL, A celebration of town's railroad heritage includes train rides, arts and crafts, live entertainment, Frisco Park

BELZONI
CATFISH FESTIVAL, Arts and crafts, 10K race, tours of catfish ponds, coronation of Catfish Queen, entertainment, catfish eating contest and catfish dinner, around Courthouse

CLINTON
BRICK STREET FESTIVAL, Featuring arts, crafts, entertainment, Jefferson Street, Olde Towne

GREENWOOD
ARTS FESTIVAL, Featuring professional entertainment, arts and crafts, food and Jazz in the Park, Civic Center and Florewood River Plantation State Park

HATTIESBURG
DGB GOLF CLASSIC, Draws top names in golf, Hattiesburg Country Club

HOLLY SPRINGS
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of antebellum homes

KOSCIUSKO
NATCHEZ TRACE FESTIVAL, Arts, crafts, food, entertainment, 10K run, bake off and fiddler's contest, Court Square

KOSCIUSKO
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of Victorian homes and Kosciusko Museum

OCEAN SPRINGS
LANDING OF D'IBERVILLE, Reenactment of the 1699 landing of d'Iberville, parade, street fair, historical ball and pageant, live entertainment, flea market and handicraft exhibit, Downtown

PORT GIBSON
SPRING PILGRIMAGE, Tours of antebellum homes and churches

VICKSBURG
RIVERFEST '89, Featuring street dance, entertainment, food, booths, arts and crafts

YAZOO CITY
DISCOVER YAZOO PILGRIMAGE, Tours of antebellum, Victorian and plantation homes

MAY

CANTON
FLEA MARKET AND ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW, Courthouse Square, Old Jail Museum and on the grounds of Grace Episcopal Church

CLEVELAND
CROSSTIE ARTS FESTIVAL, Courthouse grounds

JACKSON
JUBILEE JAM, Arts and music festival celebrating city's talent and culture

MERIDIAN
JIMMIE RODGERS MEMORIAL FESTIVAL, Honoring the late Jimmie Rodgers, known as the "Father of Country Music," Temple Theatre and City Park

MONTICELLO
ATWOOD MUSIC FESTIVAL, Featuring regional bands and Nashville artists, arts and crafts, Atwood Water Park

TUPELO
GUMTREE FESTIVAL, Arts Festival held at Courthouse Lawn and largest 10K race in State

JUNE

BATESVILLE
ART MART, Juried art show and arts and crafts sale, food, entertainment, Pecan Grove

BILOXI
BLESSING OF THE FLEET, SHRIMP FESTIVAL AND FAIS DO DO, Gaily decorated boats are blessed by a priest, fresh seafood, street dance

DENNIS
BEAR CREEK FESTIVAL, Features native arts and crafts

RALEIGH
NATIONAL TOBACCO SPITTING CONTEST, Crumpton Farm West of Raleigh

JULY

GULFPORT
DEEP SEA FISHING RODEO, Small Craft Harbor

MIZE
WATERMELON FESTIVAL, Featuring watermelon eating contest, selection of queen, arts and crafts, Sullivan's Hollow

PHILADELPHIA
CHOCTAW INDIAN FAIR, The Choctaw Indians present cultural programs demonstrating native arts, crafts, foods and games

PHILADELPHIA
NESHOBA COUNTY FAIR, Only remaining permanent campground fair in U.S., crafts, harness racing, music and political speaking

AUGUST

BROOKHAVEN
OLE BROOK FESTIVAL, Whitworth College

GREENWOOD
CROP DAY, Arts and crafts, tour of cotton row and barbecue, Cotton Row

SMITHFIELD (AMORY)
ROD BRASFIELD FESTIVAL, Festival honors the Grand Ole Opry Star each year on his birthday, music, entertainment, arts and crafts, contact—651-4456

SEPTEMBER

GREENVILLE
DELTA BLUES FESTIVAL, Featuring blues artist

INDIANOLA
INDIAN BAYOU ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL, Downtown

PASCAGOULA
FLAGSHIP FESTIVAL, Featuring "anything that floats but a boat race," Riverfront Park

WASHINGTON
COPPER MAGNOLIA FESTIVAL, Features native crafts demonstrations, square dancing, carriage rides, food and entertainment, Jefferson College grounds

WEST POINT
PRAIRIE ARTS FESTIVAL, Arts and crafts, Sallie Kate Winter Park

OCTOBER

CANTON
FLEA MARKET, Courthouse Square

JACKSON
MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR, Featuring nightly entertainment, livestock show, domestic art exhibits and midway, Fairgrounds

JACKSON
MISTLETOE MARKET, Featuring Christmas bazaar novelties from many shops in surrounding area, tearoom with gourmet food, Trademart

NATCHEZ
FALL PILGRIMAGE, Tour of antebellum homes

NOVEMBER

BILOXI
SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES FESTIVAL, Featuring authenic Scottish games, food and entertainment, Hiller Park

NATCHEZ
ANTIQUE FORUM, Features antique experts who hold seminars on decorative art

OCEAN SPRINGS
PETER ANDERSON ART FESTIVAL, Features carefully selected exhibitors, musical entertainment and international food show

STARKVILLE
OCTOC, Featuring country store, an old-fashioned bazaar with handcrafted items, homebaked goods and Brunswick Stew

DECEMBER

GREENWOOD
DELTA BAND FESTIVAL, Bands from Delta area compete, event is highlighted with a winter carnival parade

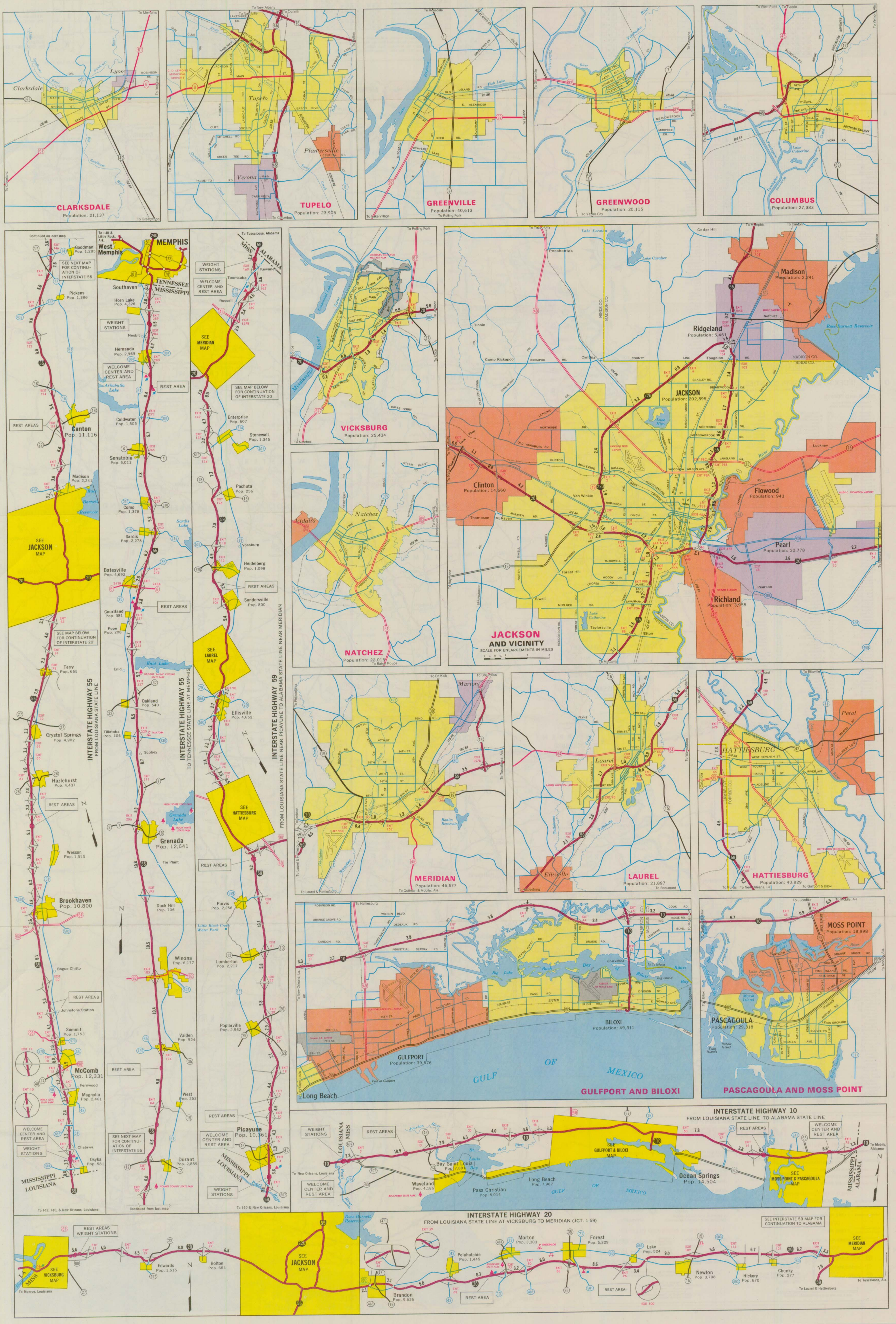
INVERNESS
LUMINARIA ON THE BAYOU, Spectacular display of minilights and candles placed along Lake Bradley, Memorial Park and surrounding area

JACKSON
CHIMNEYVILLE CRAFTS FESTIVAL, Visual and performing arts are displayed at the Trademart

JACKSON
CHRISTMAS AT THE OLD CAPITOL, Concerts, puppet shows, films, display of antique toys, period Christmas trees, hugh decorated tree in the rotunda

JACKSON
SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE, Belhaven College Bowl

LELAND
CHRISTMAS ON DEER CREEK, Decorated floats and trees travel along the creek bringing Santa to officially open the Christmas Season, Deer Creek

MERIDIAN
TREES OF CHRISTMAS, Merrehope and the Williams home are decorated for Christmas. In each room are trees decorated in different themes of other countries

NATCHEZ
CHRISTMAS IN NATCHEZ, throughout the month the city is decorated and will be celebrating the Christmas season in the old southern tradition. Antebellum mansions will be decorated and tours to these homes available every day except Dec. 25. Carolers perform each day at noon downtown