



Mayor Joel Fritzler

Happy Anniversary!!! On November 26th Carbondale will be 160 years old! From our brochure about the Historic Town Square our founding father Daniel Brush "...filed his plat for the new town of Carbondale on November 26, 1852. He named his new town "carbon" for the Mt. Carbon coalfields east of Murphysboro and "dale" for apparent salesmanship, since "dale" means "a small valley," but his new town was actually on a gentle rise." 2012 is also the 150th anniversary of Carbondale's First Christian Church. Next year I'll do my best to confuse most of you when I'll again announce "Happy Anniversary!!!" for Carbondale's 140th anniversary (Carbondale was legally incorporated as a city in 1873).

Get your calendars out as October and November are going to be busy months in Carbondale. The month starts off with the Carbondale Main Street Downtown Art and Wine Fair on October 6th

From the Mayor

and the Southern IL Irish Festival in Turley Park on October 6th & 7th. SIU Homecoming events take place the following weekend with the Homecoming Parade, tailgating and a football game against our rival UNI on October 13th. On October 19th the African American Museum is holding a fundraising event at the Civic Center then come back downtown the next evening where more than a dozen businesses will be exhibiting "Art Around the Square." The Grand Avenue Pumpkin Run takes place on October 29th and of course Trick or Treating takes place on Halloween, October 31st.

November 1st is the first day of the City's Seasonal Leaf Collection Program but I'm hoping the colorful leaves in Carbondale will hang on for another week or so. Honor the Veterans of Southern Illinois by joining us at 11:00 am on November 11th at the Veterans Memorial Plaza for the VFW's Annual Veterans Day Ceremony. The Carbondale Public Library is hosting activities throughout October, November and December for residents of all ages (1 to 100) including Children's Story Times, Poetry Workshops for Kids, Family Vacation Night and Family Movie Night. On November 29th I invite you to participate and support the Southern IL AIDS Walk which will start at 6:00 p.m. at the SIU Student Health Center. Proceeds benefit the Southern Illinois AIDS Holiday Project which serves 150 low-income households impacted by HIV / AIDS in the 19 southern

counties of Illinois.

It is also nearing the time for the voters of Carbondale to select three members of the City Council. The election is in early 2013 but the filing period for signed nominating petitions is November 19-26. Petition packets and instructions are available at the Carbondale City Clerk's office in City Hall. There are going to be some exciting, interesting and challenging changes taking place in Carbondale during the next few years so if you want to be part of the decision-making process I would encourage you to run for a seat on the City Council.

In September the City Council voted 6-1 to become a strong supporter of the Carbondale Park District's new outdoor aquatic center project by contributing a total of \$100,000 from our Hotel/Motel tax funds. I'm hoping that you and other residents will also see the value of this facility for the community and step up to contribute as well.

As I've written previously, Carbondale has some pretty unique restaurants and businesses. A new BBQ restaurant, Bandanas, is opening soon in the former Stadium Grill building. While we wait for it to open I'd encourage you to find your way over to one of the City's other unique restaurants.

I hope that you continue to have a great fall and if you ever have any questions about Carbondale, feel free to contact me at jfritzler@ci.carbondale.il.us or 457-3229.

Joel Fritzler, Mayor

City Council Approves Additional Funding for the Splash Park Aquatics Center Project

The Carbondale City Council has approved funding in the amount of \$100,000 total towards the matching grant the Carbondale Park District received for the Splash Park Aquatic Center project. Mayor Fritzler said that he was inspired by the success of the Park District's recent fundraisers and the encouraging show of support by the community for the aquatic center.

The City Council had previously reallocated \$10,000 to the

project from funds for promoting tourism. The additional \$90,000 will also come from funds dedicated to promote and market the City of Carbondale.

The Carbondale Park District received a \$2.5 million Illinois Department of Natural Resources grant for construction, but the Park District must raise \$900,000 in matching funds to fully fund the \$3.4 million project set to be built adjacent to the Carbondale Superblock. The Park District has

had two very successful fundraisers and special events are planned in the upcoming months.

"This is a win-win project for Carbondale and the Southern Illinois region. Residents have been wanting and asking for an outdoor pool for generations so, I know that they will step up to the plate (or diving board) and write a check," said Mayor Joel Fritzler. For more information about the project, call the Carbondale Park District at 529-4147.

Work Continues on the New Downtown Tax Increment Financing District

In June the Carbondale City Council approved a measure to enter into a contract with Peoria-based Ruyle Hullinger and Associates to study the feasibility of a Tax Increment Financing District for Downtown Carbondale. Tax Increment Financing Districts allow municipalities to capture the tax generated by the increased value of properties located within the specified area. The City and a developer negotiate and enter into a redevelopment agreement which allows the City to reimburse a developer for certain development costs including land acquisition, demolition, building renovation, architectural and engineering costs and any necessary environmental cleanup.

The City is in communication with at least two developers and land owners who are interested in making significant investments in the downtown area, however without additional economic incentives the projects cannot move forward. City staff have researched and determined the tentative boundary for the proposed TIF District. Between now and the end of December, the identified area will be studied to determine whether the properties qualify for inclusion in a TIF District. This study will result in the creation of a Redevelopment Plan which will include historical property valuation data, certification that the area meets State established eligibility criteria, projections of revenues estimates, program costs, plan budget, legal findings and certifications under State law. It is anticipated that the TIF District could be in place before year end.

Excellent sites of various sizes are available for commercial development in Carbondale's existing Tax Increment Financing District located in the City's east-central downtown area and in the proposed new Downtown TIF District. Businesses and real estate developers interested in available properties should contact Gary Williams, Economic Development Coordinator for the City of Carbondale at 457-3286.

Prescription Discount Cards Still Available

The City of Carbondale is participating in the National League of Cities Prescription Discount Card Program. The program, which is administered by CVS Caremark, helps residents cope with the high cost of prescription drugs. This is not a prescription insurance program, it is a discount card program. Residents can save an average of 23% off of the full retail cost of prescription medication that is not covered by an insurance provider. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on the frequency of use. The discount card is accepted at more than 60,000 pharmacies nationwide, including major pharmacy chains and most local independent pharmacies. Currently there are seven pharmacies in Carbondale that are participating in the program.

Discount cards are available at participating pharmacies and at several locations including Carbondale City Hall, the Carbondale Public Library, the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce, Carbondale Main Street, Carbondale Community High School and the SIU Student Center. These cards can be used at any participating pharmacy in the United States, not just in Carbondale.

Additional details about the program can be found on the City of Carbondale website, www.explorecarbndale.com or on the National League of Cities website, www.nlc.org. Information can also be obtained by calling the City of Carbondale at 549-5302.

Pick up a card at one of the participating locations and start saving today!!

Interested in Serving on a City Board or Commission?

The City government has citizen boards and commissions that may benefit from your involvement, including the Planning Commission, the Human Relations Commission, the Library Board of Trustees, the Preservation Commission and many more.

If you are interested in becoming involved in your City government, contact the Office of the Mayor for more details at 457-3229 or stop by City Hall.

CARBONDALE CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER & NOVEMBER MEETING SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 9, 2012
OCTOBER 23, 2012
NOVEMBER 13, 2012
NOVEMBER 27, 2012

All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in City Council Chambers at the Carbondale Civic Center. Any changes to this meeting schedule will be published in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Additional local government meetings are listed on the calendar on the back page of this issue.

Keep informed of City News and Events.
Visit the City of Carbondale website:
www.explorecarbndale.com

Mark your calendars for upcoming events planned to raise funds for the Splash Park Aquatic Center.

Kara & Ed Benyas Make a Classical SPLASH for Carbondale

First United Methodist Church
Saturday, November 10th at 7:30 p.m.
Tickets are \$15.00 for adults
and \$5.00 for students and children

NAACP Makes a Blues and Soul SPLASH for Carbondale

Under the Sky at Blue Sky Winery with food,
live music and karaoke
Friday, November 16th at 6:00 p.m.
Tickets are \$25.00 or two for \$40.00

2012 GENERAL ELECTION REGISTRATION & VOTING SCHEDULE

General Election November 6, 2012
Last Day to Register to Vote October 9, 2012
Grace Period Registration & Voting October 10 – November 3, 2012
Early Voting for Election October 22 – November 3, 2012

See Page 3 for General Election Information and Carbondale Polling Place Listing

Input Wanted for Community Improvements

The City of Carbondale has a Five Year Community Investment Program (CIP) Plan that is updated on an annual basis. The City is interested in your suggestions for improvements that can be made to enhance your neighborhood and/or the community as a whole. Projects typically included in the Community Investment Program include construction, reconstruction or replacements of: streets, storm sewers, sidewalks, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, traffic signals, drainage improvements, sanitary sewers, water mains, public buildings, parking lots, and water or wastewater treatment plant improvements or expansions.

City staff will review the projects suggested by residents and formulate recommendations for possible inclusion in the upcoming fiscal year budget to the City Council in November. The City Council will then make determinations as to which projects should be included in the Five Year Community Investment Program Plan. Then, during the City's regular budget preparation process this winter, staff will work to prioritize and match approved projects with available funds.

If you would like to suggest a capital improvement project for consideration and possible inclusion in the FY2014 Five Year Community Investment Program Plan, please complete and submit the form below to the City Manager's Office, P.O. Box 2047, Carbondale, IL 62902-2047. Proposals must include the location of the project and the nature of the project. Deadline for submission of proposals is October 26, 2012.

Community Investment Program Proposal

Name _____

Address _____

Location of Project _____

Nature of Project _____

Return completed form to:

City of Carbondale, Office of the City Manager
200 South Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, Illinois 62902-2047

Reminder: No Burn Ordinance Within City Limits

Pursuant to Carbondale City Code it is unlawful to burn refuse, landscape waste or any other combustible material within the City of Carbondale with the exception of recreational fires, established in the following guidelines.

- The fire is intended for pleasure, religious ceremony, cooking or warmth.
- The fire must be in the rear yard.
- The fire must be no more than three feet in diameter and two feet in height.
- The fire must be at least twenty-five feet from a structure or other combustible material; fifteen feet if in an approved container.
- A method of extinguishment must be readily available; i.e. extinguisher, hose, buckets, etc.
- The fire must not be objectionable because of excessive smoke or odor.
- The fire must be constantly attended at all times.
- The Fire Department may order extinguishment of open fires that create or add to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

For additional information please contact the City of Carbondale Fire Department Administrative Office at 457-3234.

Coleman Lawn Equipment Most Recent Recipient of City Revolving Loan

Coleman Lawn Equipment recently completed a major expansion and renovation of their business located at 210 E. Walnut Street in Carbondale that has added 3,000 square feet of space, including an upgraded interior and showroom. This business was the most recent recipient of the City of Carbondale Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Program. This loan program is an important economic development tool for the City of Carbondale which provides "gap lending" that allows the City of Carbondale to work in conjunction with local banks. When a business owner can only raise a portion of the funds they need, their participating bank can invite the City's participation for the remaining amount of funds they are requesting. Funds can be used for a variety of needs including land or building acquisition, construction, equipment purchases, inventory, and working capital. The only caveats of the RLF are that the total amount the City can loan cannot exceed 50% of the total project costs and at least one full-time equivalent position must be created for every \$15,000 that is borrowed. The interest rate for the Revolving Loan is 3% and is typically amortized over a 7-year period. For more information on the Revolving Loan Fund Program and other loan programs that are available contact Gary Williams, City of Carbondale Economic Development Coordinator at (618) 457-3286.



Pictured are Gary Williams, City of Carbondale Economic Development Coordinator with Mary and Scott Coleman, owners of Coleman Lawn Equipment.

Carbondale Welcomes Its Newest Businesses

- **Cloey's Hair Design**
210 W. Freeman
- **Egyptian Revival Day Spa**
1001 E. Main Street #1
- **Liberty Wealth Management**
2250 Reed Station Road
- **Pita Alley**
1711 W. Main Street
- **Rogers and Hollands Jewelers**
University Mall
- **Subway**
1181 Rendleman
- **The Wedding Events Garden**
1215 E. Walnut Street (Inside Sports Blast)
- **Two13**
213 W. Main Street
- **Veterans Administration Outpatient Clinic**
1130 E. Walnut Street

New Businesses Opening This Fall

- **Bandanas BBQ**
309 E. Main Street
- **Dr. Alam Sleep Clinic**
2731 W. Main Street
- **Family Dollar**
900 W. Main Street
- **Mattress Firm**
1330 E. Main Street
- **Ross Dress for Less**
University Mall
- **Shoe Department Encore**
University Mall

The City of Carbondale Fire Department Encourages Residents to "Have Two Ways Out" During Fire Prevention Week October 7 - 13, 2012

The City of Carbondale Fire Department is teaming up with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) during Fire Prevention Week October 7 - 13, 2012 to urge residents to "Have Two Ways Out". This year's theme focuses on the importance of fire escape planning and practice.

To actively support this campaign the Carbondale Fire Department will kick off National Fire Prevention Week with an Open House at Fire Station #1 located at 600 East College Street from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 6th. Sparky will be present for pictures with children and will again provide free picture buttons. Please stop by the fire station and give us an opportunity to become better acquainted and to inform you of our services. During Fire Prevention Week, the Carbondale Fire Department will conduct fire drills at Parrish, Thomas, Lewis and the Carbondale Middle Schools and will visit the schools for presentations.

The City of Carbondale Fire Department is promoting "Have Two Ways Out!" to better educate citizens about the importance of fire escape planning and practice, as well as the power of prevention. The City of Carbondale Fire Department recommends the following tips for planning your family's escape: Make a map of your home. Mark a door and a window that can be used to get out of every room.

Choose a meeting place outside in front of your home. This is where everyone can meet once they've escaped. Draw a picture of your outside meeting place on your escape plan.

Make sure everyone knows to dial 911 and write

this number on your escape plan.

Sound the smoke alarm and practice your escape drill with everyone living in your home.

Keep your escape plan on the refrigerator and practice the drill twice a year or whenever anyone in your home celebrates a birthday.

To find out more about Fire Prevention Week programs and activities, please contact the City of Carbondale Fire Department Administrative Office at 457-3234. To learn more about "Have Two Ways Out!" visit NFPA's website at www.firepreventionweek.org

Reminder: Change Your Smoke Alarm Battery When You Change Your Clock November 4th

The City of Carbondale Fire Department has once again joined forces with the International Association of Fire Chiefs for the 25th annual "Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery" campaign to save lives and prevent needless injuries. The program urges everyone to adopt a simple, lifesaving habit: change smoke alarm batteries when changing clocks back to standard time, this year on November 4th. The City of Carbondale, with support from the Office the State Fire Marshal, will provide and install a free smoke detector for any disadvantaged person's home in Carbondale. The department will also provide a free battery to citizens that cannot afford to purchase one. Carbondale residents are encouraged to take advantage of this program. For information, please contact the City of Carbondale Fire Department Administrative Office at 457-3234.

NOTICE OF SEASONAL VACUUM LEAF COLLECTION SERVICES

Carbondale's Seasonal Vacuum Leaf Collection Service will be offered during the months of November, December and January. Calls for this service will be accepted from November 1, 2012 thru January 31, 2013. The fee during this Special Program period is \$25.00 for each collection (the regular fee for vacuum leaf collection is \$35.00).

City of Carbondale Residents desiring to use this service should first rake their leaves to the curbside or street side (please be sure not to block streets, sidewalks, ditches or gutters); then call the Maintenance and Environmental Services Office at (618) 457-3275 and request a vacuum leaf collection.

Calls for service will be accepted 24 hours a day by leaving a message at the above number. Please be sure to leave your Name, Address, and Telephone

Number and identify your request as "vacuum leaf collection". If you would like to speak to a person directly, please call between the hours of 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday thru Friday.

The City's Landscape Waste Bag & Bundle program will continue as usual with normal pickups on Wednesdays and Fridays. Those desiring collection of bagged leaves and grass, or bundles of brush may continue to place their landscape waste in clear bags or tied bundles and purchase and affix one sticker to each bag or bundle. Once you place the bags or bundles curbside; please call the number listed above and leave your Address along with your request for "Bag and Bundle" or "Landscape Waste Collection" and we will schedule you for the following Wednesday or Friday.

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FEDERAL AND STATE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6TH

The General Election for Federal and State Offices will be held on Tuesday, November 6th. October 9th is the last day to register to vote or process a change of voting address prior to the November 6th General Election.

Voter registration is available at the Reception Desk in Carbondale City Hall, in the Carbondale City Clerk's Office or at the Carbondale Public Library. Persons wishing to register should appear in person and bring two forms of identification, one of which must include the registrant name and current Jackson County address (i.e. driver's license, state ID, checkbook, lease, utility bill, etc.). The second ID need only include the registrant name.

In Jackson County, offices to be voted on at the November 6th General Election include:

- United States President and Vice President
- United States Representative in Congress
- Illinois State Senator of the 58th and 59th Districts
- Illinois Attorney General
- Illinois Representative in the General Assembly from 115th and 118th Districts
- Jackson County Circuit Clerk
- Jackson County State's Attorney
- Jackson County Coroner
- Jackson County Board Members Districts 1 - 7
- 5th Judicial District Appellate Judge
- 1st Judicial Circuit Judge Retention

In addition, there will be Public Questions on the November 6th ballot for consideration by citizens of Carbondale. The first is whether the City of Carbondale should have the authority to arrange for the supply of electricity for its residential and small commercial customers who have not opted out of such programs. Voters will decide whether to grant the City, through the aggregation of its electrical load, the ability to

negotiate the price of power for those residents who choose to "opt in." A "NO" vote is one that does not favor the City having authority to aggregate the electrical load, while a "YES" vote is in favor.

The second Public Question is for the Carbondale Township Advisory Referendum as to whether the Constitution of the United States be amended to reflect that 1) A corporation is not a person and can be regulated; 2) Money is not speech and can be regulated; and 3) Nothing contained in this amendment shall be construed to abridge the freedom of the press. This question is advisory only and a yes or no vote will simply serve to advise the Carbondale Township of the opinion of registered voters on the issues.

Early Voting will be available in the County Clerk's Office during the period of October 22 through November 3, 2012 on regular business days from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Persons wishing to vote during the Early Voting period must already be registered to vote. Early Voting will also be scheduled at the Carbondale Civic Center from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on October 22, 24, 26, 29 and 31st, as well as November 2, and at the SIU Student Center on October 23, 25, 30 and November 1.

Grace Period Voting will be available in the County Clerk's Office in Murphysboro during the period of October 10 through November 3, 2012. During Grace Period Voting, persons who wish to vote in the general election may register to vote and vote at the same time.

Jackson County residents who have not registered by the October 5th deadline and who do not wish to participate in Grace Period Registration and Voting must wait until Thursday, November 8th, to register to vote.

Questions regarding voter registration may be addressed to the City Clerk's Office at 457-3280 or the County Clerk's Office at 687-7366.

NEWS ON MAIN STREET

News on Carbondale Main Street Breaks Onto the National Scene

Carbondale Main Street was recently spotlighted in the national publication of the National Trust for Historic Preservation Main Street Now. This publication offers a wealth of information, resources, case studies and news on all aspects of commercial district revitalization. Carbondale's successful program was highlighted for its Curb Appeal Program which assists downtown businesses with façade improvements and for the mix of multi-use buildings that combine historic features with real livability. Specific notice was made of the businesses where office suites, artist's studios and apartments thrive on the upper levels of businesses. The article can be found on the Carbondale Main Street Web site www.carbondalemainstreet.com.

Call to Volunteers

Volunteers are always welcome at Carbondale Main Street so please do not hesitate to contact them if you are interested in helping with any of the community events and beautification efforts for downtown Carbondale. Visit www.carbondalemainstreet.com or call Carbondale Main Street at 529-8040. We'll See You Downtown!!

Trick-or-Treat Downtown

Make plans to participate in the downtown Carbondale Annual Halloween Candy Walk. Families can trick-or-treat in downtown businesses from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 27th. Come to the Carbondale Main Street office located in the Historic Train Depot at 121 S. Illinois Avenue anytime between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to get a map of all participating locations and to make your own trick-or-treat bag. Call 529-8040 for more details.

Visit the Carbondale Main Street Website for a complete listing of all the exciting happenings in the Downtown District!

PRECINCT	POLLING PLACE
1	Carbondale Community High School, 1301 E. Walnut Street
2	Carbondale Middle School, 1150 E. Grand Avenue
4	Housing Authority Community Center, 207 N. Marion Street
5	Eurma C. Hayes Center, 441 E. Willow Street
6	Senior Citizens Center, 409 N. Springer Street
7	Southern Illinois Airport, 665 N. Airport Road
8	Church of Christ, 1805 W. Sycamore Street
9	Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue
10	Senior High Rise, 1425 Old West Main
11	Carbondale Towers, 810 W. Mill Street
12	University Baptist Church, 700 South Oakland
13	Epiphany Lutheran Church, 1501 Chautauqua Road
14,15,16	Grace United Methodist Church, 220 N. Tower Road
18	Carbondale Community High School, 1301 East Walnut Street
19 & 20	Lakeland Baptist Church, 719 S. Giant City Road
21	University Hall, 1101 S. Wall Street
22 & 23	Grinnell Hall (SIU Campus), 275 E. Park Street
24	Dunn-Richmond, 150 E. Pleasant Hill Road
25	Lentz Hall (Thompson Point, SIU Campus), 1275 Point Drive
26	Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue

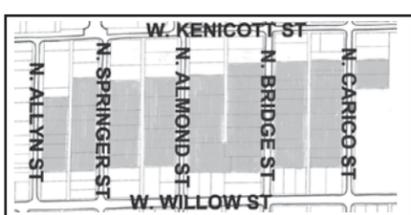
CARBONDALE POLLING PLACES

City of Carbondale Awarded Grant for Rehabilitation of Single Family Owner Occupied Homes in Targeted Area

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has awarded the City of Carbondale grant funds through the Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) for housing rehabilitation. The City of Carbondale will implement the rehabilitation program within a targeted area of northwest Carbondale. The Program can provide repairs to owner-occupied homes in a targeted area of the City of Carbondale. Eligible homes will be brought up to the City's current housing codes. Repairs can include roofing, wiring, plumbing and weatherization. General improvements such as siding, deck repairs and painting may also qualify.

Assistance Available: Housing rehabilitation assistance up to a maximum of \$40,000 per home is available. Work can include structural, plumbing, electrical, weatherization, heating, roofing and general upgrades to meet current codes.

Eligible Persons: Applicants must own and live in their home which must be located in the program's targeted areas. The proposed target area includes parts of Northwest Carbondale that are North of West Willow, South of West Kenicott and bounded by North Allyn and North Carico. See Map for specific details. Maximum adjusted gross income cannot exceed the following amounts for the household size:



1 Person - \$32,150	5 People - \$49,600
2 People - \$36,750	6 People - \$53,250
3 People - \$41,350	7 People - \$56,950
4 People - \$45,900	8 People - \$60,600

Application Process: Interested persons must request an application from the Development Services Department at City Hall, 200 South Illinois Avenue, 2nd Floor, or by phone at 457-3233. Once the applications are submitted they will be screened for basic eligibility. The applications will be measured against a set of selection criteria and points will be assigned. The homes will also be examined and housing condition points established. The eligible applications with the most points will be selected for housing rehabilitation if the work can be done within the \$40,000 maximum allowed for each home. Meeting the eligibility requirements does not guarantee participation in the program. For additional information contact the Housing Programs Administrator, Khristina Vaughn at 457-3233, or email kvaughn@ci.carbondale.il.us.

Don't Miss the 22nd Anniversary!

Lights Fantastic Parade!



December 1st, 2012 • 6:00 pm
Along Illinois Avenue

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For More Info: 967-5257 or 529-8040 • lights.fantastic@hotmail.com

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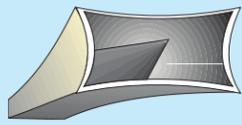


**Tuesday,
December 11
Carbondale
Civic Center**

Doors Open at 11:30am • Program at Noon
Program is Free and Open to the Public

**Lunch is \$15 for Chamber Members who RSVP
\$20 for Non-Members or those who do not RSVP**

Please RSVP by Dec. 7, 2012 to 618-549-2146



Outdoor Warning Sirens Tested Monthly

Outdoor warning sirens are tested on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. During inclement weather, sirens will not be tested. If a siren is sounded other than during a scheduled test, this alarm indicates an actual emergency. Remember that a watch means that conditions are favorable for severe weather to develop and a warning means that severe weather is occurring and you should take shelter immediately.

October

The Following Meetings will be held at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 South Illinois Avenue, and Televised LIVE on CityVision 16

Date	Meeting	Time
Tues/9th & 23rd	Carbondale City Council	7:00 p.m.
Wed/3rd & 17th	Planning Commission	7:00 p.m.
Mon/8th & 29th	Carbondale Park District Board	6:00 p.m.

Other Scheduled Meetings at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 South Illinois Avenue

Mon/1st	Human Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
Mon/15th	Preservation Commission	7:00 p.m.
Thurs/18th	Sustainability Commission	6:00 p.m.
Thurs/4th	Liquor Advisory Board	5:30 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings at Other Locations

Wed/10th	Library Board of Trustees Conference Room, 405 West Main Street	4:30 p.m.
Wed/24th	Carbondale High School District #165 CCHS Cafeteria, 1301 East Walnut Street	7:00 p.m.
Thurs/25th	Carbondale Elementary School District #95 Administration Center, 925 South Giant City Road	7:00 p.m.



The Veterans of Foreign Wars Teeter-Carter-Watson Post 2605 presents the annual Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Plaza located on the southeast quadrant of the Town Square. Join City officials and Carbondale residents as they honor all those that have served and continue to serve our great country at the annual Veterans Day Ceremony that will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m.

Keep Carbondale Beautiful and Green Earth Team Up for One Day Sale of Trees and Shrubs

After the summer drought it may be a good idea to plant some new trees and shrubs. Gardeners can take their pick of a selection of native species at a special one-day sale on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at Murdale Shopping Center from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Keep Carbondale Beautiful, Inc. will be selling trees and Green Earth, Inc. will be selling shrubs and other perennials, all from Forrest Keeling Nursery.

Keep Carbondale Beautiful Executive Director, Sarah Heyer, suggested residents pre-order their trees, "In past years, we have sold nearly 300 trees, but this year, we may be limited to fewer. So, best to pre-order.

We'll have an order form up on our website, but we'll special order anything else that people want."

Green Earth has a selection on its website at greenearthinc.org. When asked about the emphasis on native plants, Stephanie Eichholz, Executive Director of Green Earth stated, "There are so many reasons why native plants are important. We'll have informational displays and literature to hand out on how this benefits our local ecology."

The number to call for Keep Carbondale Beautiful is (618) 525-5525. The number for Green Earth is (618) 201-3774.

November

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Wed/7th & 21st	Planning Commission	7:00 p.m.
Tues/13th	Carbondale Park District Board <i>Meeting at Hickory Ridge, not City Hall</i>	6:00 p.m.

Other Scheduled Meetings at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 South Illinois Avenue

Mon/5th	Human Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
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City Hall will be closed Monday, November 12 for Veteran's Day as well as Thursday and Friday November 22 and 23 for Thanksgiving.

Are You Prepared for Disasters or Emergencies? Recent Storms and Power Outages are a Reminder of How Important it is to be Prepared

Disaster can strike quickly and with little warning. It can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home. Families can and do cope with disaster by preparing in advance and working together as a team. Follow these steps to create your disaster plan and a disaster supplies kit. Knowing what to do is your best protection.

FIVE STEPS TO SAFETY

1. Find out What Could Happen to You

- Contact your local emergency management and American Red Cross chapter to learn the types of disasters that are most likely to happen in your area.
- Learn about your community's warning signals.
- Ask about animal care after a disaster.
- Find out how to assist elderly or disabled persons.
- Find out about the disaster plans at your workplace, your children's school or daycare center and other places where your family spends time.

2. Create a Disaster Plan

- Meet with your family to discuss the types of disasters most likely to happen.
- Identify an out-of-state friend to be your "family contact".
- Identify a location to meet should you be separated from your family during a disaster.
- Discuss what to do in an evacuation and plan how to take care of your pets.

3. Complete a Checklist

- Some important items on the checklist include:
- Post emergency telephone numbers by each phone.
- Teach children how to call 911 or the local Emergency Medical Services number for emergency help.
- Show each family member how and when to turn off the water, gas, and electricity at the main switches.
- Teach each family member how to use the fire extinguisher and show them where it is kept.
- Install smoke detectors on each level of your home.
- Conduct a home hazard hunt locating ordinary objects that can cause injury or damage by moving, falling, breaking or causing a fire.
- Take a first aid and CPR class.
- Determine the best escape routes from your home.
- Find the safe spots in your home for each type of disaster.

4. Stock Emergency Supplies and Assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit

A disaster supplies kit should include the following:

- A three day supply of water (one gallon per person per day) and non-perishable foods that don't require heating and won't spoil, a hand-operated can opener, paper plates and utensils
- One change of clothing and footwear per person, sanitation supplies and one blanket or sleeping bag per person
- A first aid kit that includes your family's prescription medications and instructions for dosage.
- Emergency tools including a battery-powered radio, flashlight, plenty of extra batteries, screwdriver, scissors, duct tape, waterproof matches and household bleach
- An extra set of car keys and a credit card, cash or traveler's checks
- Special items for infant, elderly or family members with special needs.
- An extra pair of glasses
- Emergency telephone numbers
- Important family documents in a waterproof container.

Just as you create a disaster supplies kit for your family, it is important to assemble one for your pets as well to be kept with your kit. Your pet kit should include:

- Several days supply of pet food and water and food containers
 - Fresh litter, clean newspaper or other items for pet needs
 - A crate or carrier for each pet
 - Leashes, collars and tags for each pet
 - Medications needed by your pet
- #### 5. Practice and Maintain Your Plan
- Revisit your plan at minimum every six months with everyone in your household.
 - Conduct fire and emergency evacuation drills.
 - Replace stored water every three months and stored food every six months.
 - Test and recharge your fire extinguishers according to manufacturer's instructions.
 - Test your smoke detectors monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.



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