



Pictured with Mayor Joel Fritzler are Carbondale Council Members Lee Fronabarger, Donald Monty, Corene McDaniel, Jane Adams and Lance Jack at the Groundbreaking Ceremony held on February 1, 2013 for the new Carbondale Fire Station. Photo courtesy of *Carbondale Times*.

FROM THE MAYOR



Mayor Joel Fritzler

my previous articles, you'll remember last summer when I wrote about the purchase of the last section of land needed for a bicycle path along the east side of the railroad tracks from SIU to the Town Square, and about the submission of a grant application that, with the City's green space funds, would help fund the project, and about asking you to stay tuned for further developments. Well, IDOT recently awarded Carbondale \$320,000 for the project so, we'll be starting on that project this spring or summer.

To continue our changing season's theme, it is sad to see a few of our long time restaurants close but, we are also welcoming a few new restaurants to Carbondale. The Pita Alley opened recently in the Murdale Shopping Center at 1711 West Main St. and, as the name suggests, they have pita sandwiches along with gyros, falafel, and other Mediterranean delights. Bandanas will be opening in the former Stadium Grill location and bringing us their famous BBQ. And, sometime this spring, the groundbreaking for a new McAlister's Deli will be held east of Barnes and Noble.

The Winter and Spring Seasons in Carbondale can be just as busy as the summer. This past Friday, I had four different events to attend. There is always something going on in Carbondale so, make sure that you check out The Nightlife or the Southern Illinoisan's Flipside or the SIU Softball website to keep your schedule up to date with all of the activities here in Carbondale and throughout Southern Illinois.

If you are new to Carbondale, Welcome! And, if you ever have any questions about the Cultural Capital of Southern Illinois, feel free to contact me at jfritzler@ci.carbondale.il.us or 457-3229.

Have a great spring,
Joel Fritzler, Mayor

It's that time of the year again. Mother Nature can't decide whether to drop a few inches of snow on us or make us search for our favorite t-shirt. It's also "Municipal Election Season" so, start getting prepared for the April 9th Election Day.

Due to some recent Illinois election laws, there won't be a primary election in Carbondale since there are only 12 candidates running for the three open seats on the Carbondale City Council. That means you, as a responsible voter, must do your homework and learn about the candidates now; rather than after a primary election. These 12 candidates have put their names on the line and have said that they want to spend the next four years of their lives serving the residents of Carbondale and making Carbondale a better place to live, work and play.

I'd like to save you the time of deciding for yourself on whom to cast your votes but, as many of you know, I have a memory gene deficiency and I'm terrible at remembering names so, you're going to have to take the responsibility of looking up the candidate's names and researching their views. I'm hoping that the League of Women Voters and the Chamber of Commerce will host candidate forums as they have done in the past.

For those of you who memorize

Groundbreaking for New Carbondale Fire Station Held on February 1, 2013

A groundbreaking ceremony was held on Friday, February 1, 2013 for the new \$3.1 million Carbondale Fire Station that will be located at 401 N. Glenview Drive. The new facility will be a 12,400 square foot single-story brick building similar in design to the Carbondale City Hall/ Civic Center and the new Public Safety Center.

This facility is designed to meet the present and future needs of the Fire Department with four apparatus bays, seven bunk rooms, living and kitchen space, a workout room, a training room and office space for the Assistant Fire chiefs and Training Officer. There will also be space to relocate the City's Emergency Operations Center and Storm Watch Center from City Hall to this new facility. The building has been designed to be energy efficient and meets or exceeds all relevant energy codes as well as seismic standards. Some design features will include a backup generator capable of powering the entire building, geothermal heating and air-conditioning for the living area and

provisions for the addition of future solar equipment.

In January of 2013, Fager McGee Commercial Construction of Murphysboro was awarded the contract to construct the new facility. The new station will replace the current west side station at the corner of Oakland Avenue and West Walnut Street, which is more than 50 years old. The new station is being relocated to better serve Carbondale's west side.

The new Fire Station has been years in the planning. Design of the facility began in June of 2008 when the City Council approved the firm FGM of O'Fallon, Illinois for the architectural/ engineering design of the new Fire Station. In June of 2009 the property located on the southeast corner of Glenview Drive and Sycamore Avenue was purchased by the City for the development of the new Fire Station. In October of 2011 the City Council approved the bond issue to fund the new station and since that time work proceeded to move the project forward. It is anticipated that construction will be completed in the fall of 2013.

City Council Approved Energy Aggregation Plan to Help Residents and Businesses Save Money on Electricity Costs

On November 6, 2012, the residents of the City of Carbondale voted by referendum to authorize the City of Carbondale to act on their behalf to arrange for the supply of electricity for residential and small commercial retail customers who do not opt out of such a program.

On December 11, 2012, the Carbondale City Council authorized the Mayor to execute an Electric Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance with Select Energy Partners, LLC and an Intergovernmental Agreement between units of government to purchase electricity. The Intergovernmental Agreement joined the cities of Carbondale, Chester, Coulterville, Elkhville, Marion, Sparta, Steeleville, Tamaroa and West Frankfort and Unincorporated Perry County into an Energy Aggregation Consortium. The Consortium was represented by Select Energy Partners, LLC for the purpose of identifying a qualified supplier of electricity to save the communities money on electricity purchases.

On January 8, 2013, the identified suppliers submitted their final proposals to Select Energy Partners. On January 9, 2013, the Energy Aggregation Consortium members reviewed the proposals and selected Homefield Energy as the supplier. The Carbondale City Council approved the supplier that same evening and chose the 100% Green Energy Option Plan.

The contract with Homefield Energy is for a two year period and the consortium of communities is expected to save approximately \$275,000 per month. Carbondale residential savings is estimated to be approximately \$33,500 per month. The residential and small commercial rates for the City's Ameren customers who do not opt out of aggregation will be \$0.0435 per kilowatt hour. This price represents a cost

savings of 23% for residential customers and 34% for small business customers over the current rate charged by Ameren and will remain in effect for the period of the two year contract.

With the signing of the contract with Homefield Energy, the next step in the process is for the supplier to contact each existing Ameren account holder in the City by letter. The letter will explain that as an eligible customer your account will be transitioned to the Electricity Aggregation Program within 30 - 45 days unless you opt out by the specified time in the letter. There are no enrollment or switching fees to participate. Participating customers will continue to receive one monthly bill from Ameren. Other than the price and the supplier, nothing regarding your electricity service will change. Ameren will continue to deliver your electricity, restore power in case of an outage and to be responsible for maintaining the system that delivers power to your home and business.

After your enrollment is finalized, Homefield Energy will send you a letter confirming your enrollment and welcoming you to the Electricity Aggregation Program. Ameren will also send you a letter confirming your selection of Homefield Energy as your new electric supplier. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to rescind your enrollment with adequate notice prior to the scheduled switch. For the customers that choose to participate in the new program, the new supplier and new rates should be in place in March 2013. Residents and small businesses can expect to see savings on their April bill from Ameren.

If you have questions about Energy Aggregation contact Homefield Energy at (866) 694-1262 or www.homefieldenergy.com. Representatives are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

GENERAL ELECTION ON APRIL 9, 2013

On April 9, 2013, the City of Carbondale will hold an election to select three (3) City Council Members for four-year terms. This election is for the City Council seats presently held by elected Council Members Corene McDaniel and Chris Wissmann, and appointed Councilman Lee M. Fronabarger. The seats of Carbondale Mayor Joel Fritzler and City Council Members Donald D. Monty, Jane Adams, and Lance Jack expire in 2015.

During the November filing period, fourteen candidates timely filed their nominating petitions. However, with the withdrawal of two candidates, no primary election will be required. The twelve candidates whose names will appear on the ballot are as follows:

- Blaine Tisdale, 1101 East Grand Avenue, Apartment E-4**
- Brent Ritzel, 810 North Springer Street**
- Carolyn Harvey, 109 South Tower Road**
- Lee M. Fronabarger, 1140 Morningside Drive**
- Jessica C. Bradshaw, 512 North Carico Street, Apartment A**
- Navreet S. Kang, 613 South Terrace Drive**
- William Graham, 403 West Elm #3**
- Jerrold Hennrich, 610 West Sycamore**
- Luke L. Adams Jr., 809 West Walnut, Apartment 4**
- Karim H. Abdullah, 915 East Cindy Street**
- Tony D. Holsey, 1010 N. Almond Street**
- Pepper Holder, 410 East James & Thelma Walker Avenue**

All City Council candidates run on a non-partisan basis, which means they are not affiliated with a specific political party for the municipal election. They are also elected at-large rather than from wards, which entitles them to receive votes from all areas of the City. Once the Council members are elected, they represent the entire City and all its citizens, not just one geographic area or one particular group of people. The new Council Members will take office on May 7, 2013.

Voter registration is currently underway for the Consolidated General Election and ends March 12, 2013. Grace period registration begins March 13, 2013. Early voting will begin on March 25, 2013 and end April 6, 2013. Information regarding polling places, dates and time for early voting and absentee ballots (not available at the time of publication) can be addressed by the Jackson County Clerk and Recorder at 687-7366. Voter registration services are available at Carbondale City Hall in the City Clerk's Office and at the Receptionist's desk.

Keep informed of City News and Events.

Visit the City of Carbondale website: www.explorecarbndale.com

SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Early each spring, generally in March, the City begins the process of hiring its Temporary (Seasonal) Positions which usually include a Weed Control Inspector, four Public Works Seasonal Workers, four Cedar Lake Maintenance Workers, a Head Lifeguard and numerous Lifeguards. Job opening announcements for these and other temporary positions that may become available are posted at City Hall, are available on the City's Web site at www.explorecarbndale.com under Job Opportunities and on CityVision 16 (Mediacom Channel 16). In addition, ads are also run in the Southern Illinoisan newspaper and, for the Lifeguard positions, in the Daily Egyptian.

The City's Application for Employment forms are available at City Hall at the Receptionist's desk and in the Human Resources Office. The application form is also available on the City Web site www.explorecarbndale.com.

Applications are reviewed and candidates are selected for interviews based on their qualifications and interviewed by a team of management personnel. This team makes recommendations for filling these positions to the City Manager who makes the final decision. The City of Carbondale encourages female and minority applicants. The City of Carbondale is an equal opportunity employer. For more information about employment opportunities with the City of Carbondale contact the Human Resources Office at 457-3228.

ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE

In February 2011, the City entered into a contract with Duncan Associates to update the City's Zoning Ordinance. Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance were based on recommendations included in the recently adopted Comprehensive Plan. A copy of the amended Zoning Ordinance and a copy of the Zoning Map can be viewed at City Hall and are also available on the City's website at: <http://ci.carbondale.il.us/node/185#Official>

A public hearing was held before the Planning Commission on January 23rd in the Carbondale Civic Center. Notice of the scheduled hearing was sent to all land owners within the City's zoning jurisdiction and revisions to the Zoning Ordinance are being made based upon the comments received from the community. It is anticipated that the amended Zoning Ordinance will be presented to the City Council for adoption in March or April.

If you were unable to attend the hearing on January 23rd there is still opportunity to provide comment or request further information on the Zoning Ordinance update. Inquiries should be directed to the Planning Services Office at 457-3248.

Glorious galas to cozy gatherings,
your event can come to life.
Whatever the occasion,
we have the space you need.

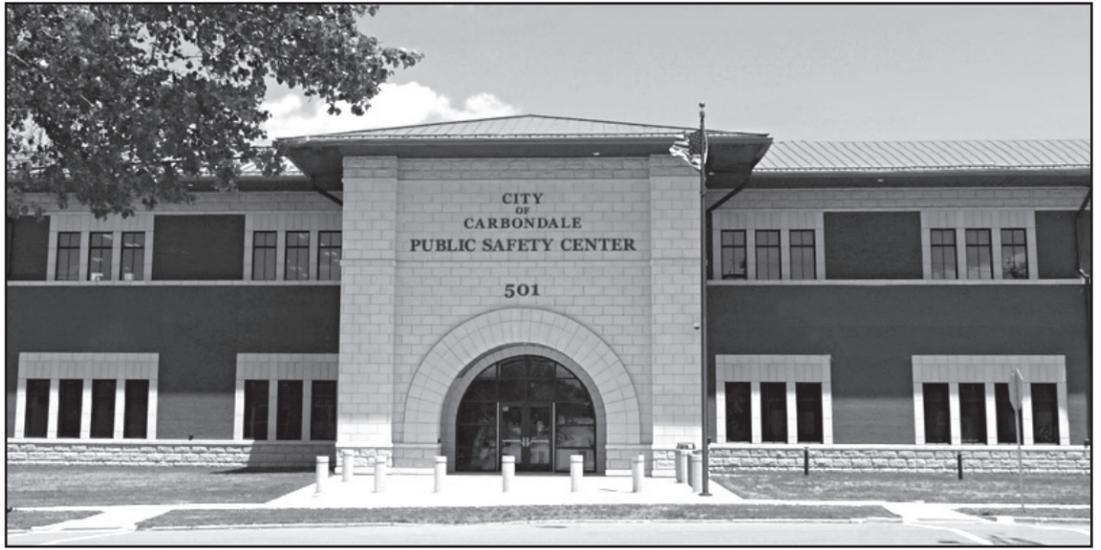
Offering the latest in state-of-the-art services,
allowing you to conduct successful and
efficient meetings, along with elegant
and beautiful receptions.



AT THE HEART OF CARBONDALE

THE CARBONDALE CIVIC CENTER

618.457.3209
200 South Illinois Avenue, Carbondale
www.explorecarbndale.com



Pictured is the Carbondale Public Safety Center located at 501 South Washington Street.

CARBONDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT SURVEY

Dear Carbondale Resident,

The City of Carbondale Police Department is asking for your assistance. In an effort to provide the best police service to the residents of the City of Carbondale, we would like to know your level of satisfaction with the police service you have received. By completing this short survey, you will help us meet our goal of providing the best service possible.



Sincerely,
Jody O'Guinn
Chief of Police

What was the nature of your most recent contact with the Carbondale Police?

- I called to report an accident.
- I was contacted about a problem/disturbance
- I requested information
- I was issued a traffic citation
- I was a witness to a crime or incident
- I was the victim of a crime
- I was involved in a traffic accident
- Other (Please Specify): _____

Please check the Carbondale Police Department employee(s) with whom you had contact with:

- Police Officer
- Crime Prevention Officer
- DARE Officer
- Investigator/Detective
- School Resource Officer
- Telecommunicator
- Supervisor
- Records Clerk
- Community Service Officer

Based on your most recent contact, please rate the performance of the officer or staff member.

| | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | No Opinion |
|----------------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|------------|
| Courtesy | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Knowledge | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Professionalism | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Attitude | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Response Time | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Fairness | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Appearance | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Cultural Sensitivity | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Competence | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

What is your perception of crime, community wide, in Carbondale?

- Major Problem
- Somewhat of a problem
- Minor problem
- No problem

The following apply specifically to your neighborhood:

| | Always | Usually | Never |
|--|--------|---------|-------|
| Do you feel safe in your home? | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Are you comfortable walking in the day time? | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| Are you comfortable walking at night? | _____ | _____ | _____ |

Please identify three main problems/concerns in your neighborhood:

- _____
- _____
- _____

How can we improve the quality of our service in the future?

In which portion of the city do you live?

(Use Main Street & the railroad tracks as divider.
South is South Illinois, south of Pleasant Hill Road)

- Northeast
- Southeast
- Northwest
- Southwest
- South
- Non-resident

How long have you lived in Carbondale?

- Less than One year
- 1-5 years
- 5-10 years
- More than 10 years

What is your age?

- 18-25
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-65
- Over 65

I am Male Female

My race is:

- Asian
- African-American
- Hispanic
- Native American
- White
- Other

I am a student Yes No

If yes, at which institution _____

Have you ever been a victim of a crime in Carbondale? Yes No

Thank you for your time to complete this survey. The results will be tabulated to help us establish training and service goals. Please mail your survey to: City of Carbondale Police Department, Attn: Support Services Bureau, P.O. Box 2047, Carbondale, Illinois 62902, or you may drop the form off at the Police Department at 501 South Washington Street or the Carbondale City Hall at 200 S. Illinois Avenue.

Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2014 City Budget April 2, 2013

The City has begun the process of preparing its FY 2014 Budget (May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014). The process began with the City Council reviewing the proposed tax levy truth in taxation determination on November 27, 2012. On December 18, 2012, the City Council adopted the tax levy.

In January the City Council reviewed the City's community goals and the Community Investment Program (CIP) Checklist Items for Proposed New Projects. During January, City Departments began preparing budgets for their operations.

During February, the City Manager will review the budgets submitted by the Department Directors and the Community Investment Program will be prepared.

In mid-March, the proposed City Budget and Community Investment Program will be distributed to the City Council and made available for public review at the Carbondale Public Library, the Finance Department and the City Clerks Office. The public hearing on the proposed budget is scheduled for April 2, 2013. City Council action on the proposed Budget and Five Year Community Investment Program is scheduled for April 16, 2013.

Preparation of the City Budget takes a significant amount of staff and City Council time each year. This is an important process for the City of Carbondale because the budget becomes the blueprint for City operations for the entire year.

City Council Approves Two New Tax Increment Financing Districts for Carbondale

The City of Carbondale now has two new economic development tools to attract additional business growth and redevelopment in the community. In late December the City Council approved a new Downtown Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District located along the Illinois and University Avenue Corridor, and an Oakland - Sycamore TIF District around the intersection of North Oakland Avenue and Sycamore Street on the City's northwest side.

Tax Increment Financing helps municipal governments stimulate redevelopment in designated areas. Using this financing tool, the City can reimburse developers for certain expenses using the property tax revenue that new development in the TIF District generates. Expenses eligible for reimbursement include:

- Architectural, engineering, legal, environmental, financial, planning and other services
- Property assembly costs, including acquisition of land, demolition of buildings and site preparation
- Costs of rehabilitation, reconstruction or repair or remodeling of existing buildings, fixtures and leasehold improvements
- A portion of the interest cost incurred by a developer related to the construction, renovation or rehabilitation of a redevelopment project

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 these development costs through an annual rebate on property tax.

Excellent sites of various sizes are available for commercial development in Carbondale's Tax Increment Financing Districts. Businesses and real estate developers interested in available properties should contact Gary Williams, Economic Development Coordinator for the City of Carbondale at 457-3286.

The City of Carbondale Announces New Business Development Incentives

The City of Carbondale is offering an exciting new incentive for real estate developers. As a result of the newly adopted Illinois-University Corridor TIF-#2 interest in City-owned property is increasing. In an effort to promote and revitalize its downtown the City would like to initiate and encourage development of its property at 518 S. Illinois Avenue to a local investor that is willing to present their development idea. The City is looking for an investor that is willing to develop a public/private partnership that will lead to future development opportunities. To qualify for this incentive proposed plans must include the following:

- Mixed-use design that includes commercial and residential uses
- Minimum 2-story design
- Design in accordance with current BPR zoning
- Preference will be given to designs that incorporate recommendations from the City's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance update
- Submission should include conceptual floor plan and elevation

Following submission of your ideas the City will review design concepts and choose one developer that will be awarded the following:

- Land will be conveyed at a negotiated price
- Tap fees will be waived
- Building Permit fee waived
- Two free parking passes per residential and commercial unit that will be renewed annually, at no cost
- TIF and Enterprise Zone incentives

To qualify for this incentive interested investors must reside in or have an office located in Jackson County. The City of Carbondale will review proposals and make its award selection based on how well the design meets the standards recommended by the Carbondale Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance update and the following requirements:

- Intended use of the property with any necessary documentation including business plan, resume, portfolio etc.
- Front, side and rear elevations. Renderings can be conceptual and do not need to be stamped by an architect
- Estimate of entire cost of development
- Estimate of construction timeline. The City requires that construction begin at least 180 days after transfer of deed and construction must be completed within 18 months
- Proof of financial ability to complete the project. Proof can be in the form of a letter of credit, loan commitment, proof of cash on hand or other proof of financial ability to complete the project

If interested make your submission by April 1, 2013 to Gary Williams, Economic Development Coordinator, City of Carbondale, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, Illinois 62902. Questions regarding the new economic development incentive and other economic development programs of the City of Carbondale should be directed to Gary Williams at (618) 457-3286 or email gwilliams@ci.carbondale.il.us.

A complete package of property photos, utility information, traffic counts, and incentive programs is available online at <http://ci.carbondale.il.us/node/81>.

City Council Passed Ordinance to Reduce Panhandling

The City Council recently added an ordinance to the books that puts panhandlers on notice that aggressive behavior towards customers and owners or employees of businesses will no longer be tolerated. The ordinance changes approved by the City Council will make it illegal to panhandle on any public property and any property zoned as primary business, secondary business, planned business, professional administrative office, professional administrative office residential, business redevelopment or wholesale automotive. Those classifications cover most businesses located

along Rt. 51 and Rt. 13 within the City.

This issue gained momentum last year when leadership at the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce polled member businesses and found that panhandling was a top concern among owners. In October of 2012 the Carbondale Chamber Board of Directors voted to send a letter to the City recommending changes to the City's code. Business owners, residents and visitors to the community are encouraged to contact the City Manager's Office at 457-3226 if they continue to experience situations regarding panhandling within Carbondale.

NEWS ON MAIN STREET

Main Street Upcoming Community Events

Carbondale Main Street is proud to continue to promote and improve the downtown district. In addition to the landscaping, development planning and promotional work that they do, they continue to bring many events to downtown Carbondale. For more information, visit www.carbondalemainstreet.com.

Coming Soon:

- **Main Street's Night Out: March 7, 2013**
- **The Carbondale Classic: March 23, 2013**
- **Downtown Planting Day: April 20, 2013**
- **Downtown Art & Wine Fair: May 18, 2013**
- **The 23rd Annual Brown Bag Concert Series: May through September 2013**
- **The 3rd Annual Friday Night Fair Series: May through June and Fall 2013**

Get Involved with Beautification

Do you have a green thumb? Carbondale Main Street is looking for volunteers. Carbondale Main Street is in year one of a five-year plan to expand their current landscaping services over most of their district. This is an exciting project and one that will require creativity, partnership with the City of Carbondale, IDOT, landscapers and volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please call Carbondale Main Street at 529-8040 and say "I have a green thumb"!

Pep Rally on Main Street!



Carbondale Main Street's Annual Night Out

Date: March 7, 2013

Time: 5:00-8:00pm

SCHEDULE

5:00 pm: Cocktail Hour

6:00 pm: Dinner

7:00 pm: Awards

SAVE THE DATE

Winter Farmer's Market

Saturdays
December 1st through March 23rd
9am-1pm

Indoors! At the Thomas School
1025 N. Wall Street, Carbondale



Support your local growers and artisans throughout the winter as they continue to bring fresh produce, preserved and prepared foods, culinary tools, crafts and more!

Vendors & Volunteers needed! Be in touch:
carbondalewintermarket@gmail.com
[facebook.com/carbondalewintermarket](https://www.facebook.com/carbondalewintermarket)
carbondalewintermarket.blogspot.com



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.



This illustration by FGM Architects shows what the new Carbondale Fire Station will look like from its entrance at 401 North Glenview Drive. Construction will be completed in Fall 2013.

February

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/12th | Carbondale City Council | 7:00 p.m. |
| Mon/11th | Carbondale Park District Board | 6:00 p.m. |
| Wed/20th | Planning Commission | 7:00 p.m. |

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

| | | |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Mon/4th | Human Relations Commission | 6:30 p.m. |
| Mon/11th | Preservation Commission | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thurs/21st | Sustainability Commission | 6:00 p.m. |
| Thurs/7th | Liquor Advisory Board | 5:30 p.m. |

Scheduled Meetings at Other Locations

| | | |
|------------|---|-----------|
| Wed/20th | Library Board of Trustees Conference Room, 405 West Main Street | 4:30 p.m. |
| Thurs/21st | Carbondale High School District #165 CCHS Cafeteria, 1301 East Walnut Street | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thurs/28th | Carbondale Elementary School District #95 Carbondale Elementary School Administrative Center | |

City Hall offices will be closed Monday, February 18, 2013 in observance of Presidents Day.

March

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/5th & 19th | Carbondale City Council | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wed/6th & 20th | Planning Commission | 7:00 p.m. |
| Mon/11th | Carbondale Park District Board | 6:00 p.m. |

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

| | | |
|------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Mon/4th | Human Relations Commission | 6:30 p.m. |
| Thurs/21st | Sustainability Commission | 6:00 p.m. |
| Thurs/7th | Liquor Advisory Board | 5:30 p.m. |

Scheduled Meetings at Other Locations

| | | |
|------------|---|-----------|
| Wed/13th | Library Board of Trustees Conference Room, 405 West Main Street | 4:30 p.m. |
| Thurs/21st | Carbondale High School District #165 CCHS Cafeteria, 1301 East Walnut Street | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thurs/28th | Carbondale Elementary School District #95 Carbondale Elementary School Administrative Center | 7:00 p.m. |

Historic Preservation Award Nominations Due March 8, 2013

The City of Carbondale Preservation Commission is honored to be sponsoring the 8th Annual Historic Preservation Awards. Any property located within the Carbondale city limits is eligible for a Historic Preservation Award. Carbondale residents are invited to submit nominations for any property that they feel is deserving of an award.

Properties can be nominated in one of four categories:

Preservation - This includes buildings that have been kept in their original architectural style and are being used for their original purpose.

Restoration - Properties that have been restored to their original style or appearance.

Sympathetic Addition - Construction of an addition to an existing structure that is consistent with the original architectural style of the structure.

Compatible New Construction - Any new structure that is consistent with the original architectural style of the neighborhood or that utilizes historic building materials and techniques.

Anyone can nominate a property, however owners are encouraged to nominate their own property. The award winners will be recognized at a City Council meeting in May in association with National Preservation Month. Nomination forms are available in the Planning Services Division Office in City Hall or can be found online at www.explorecarbndale.com. Please submit all applications by 5:00 p.m. on March 8, 2013.

For further information on the Historic Preservation Awards or any other activities of the City of Carbondale Preservation Commission contact the Planning Services Division at 457-3248.

Carbondale Received Illinois Transportation Enhancement Grant for Downtown Bicycle and Pedestrian Path

Mayor Joel Fritzler announced that Carbondale is the recipient of an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant in the amount of \$329,950. The grant for Carbondale was part of \$50 million in federal funds awarded through the State of Illinois for 54 projects. The ITEP is designed to assist communities to develop alternative transportation options including bicycle and pedestrian travel, along with streetscape beautification.

This grant will be used for the first phase of construction of the planned downtown bicycle and pedestrian pathway. The path will run from the SIU campus, just south of Grand Avenue, along the east side of the Canadian National Railway tracks to the Town Square, just north of Main Street. Funds from this grant are designated for the main section of the pathway from Mill Street to Main Street.

Mayor Fritzler stated, "I want to thank Governor

Quinn and the Illinois Department of Transportation for seeing the value of this project. Once completed, this new pathway will be a great addition to the downtown for the residents and visitors of Carbondale. The development of this bike path linking the SIU campus to downtown businesses and neighborhoods will improve the accessibility of both Carbondale's residents and SIU's students. In addition, this new pathway will encourage physical activity and healthy lifestyles by providing a safe place to walk, jog, and bike within the center of town. It is our vision that this new pathway will set the standard and be the hub for future interconnecting pathways throughout the City."

The Illinois Department of Transportation received applications for 328 projects. Carbondale was the only community to receive a grant from IDOT's District 9 which encompasses the 16 southernmost counties of Southern Illinois.

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

Splash of Talent

The Carbondale Park District is proud to present a "Splash of Talent" on Saturday, February 16th from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the Carbondale Community High School Auditorium located at 1301 East Walnut Street. All proceeds will benefit the Super Splash Park Capital Campaign. A reception will be held immediately following the talent show.

If you are interested in performing there is still time to get involved. The Park District is asking you to put your talent to work to help bring the new outdoor aquatic center to Carbondale. Performances may include but are not limited to: dance, song, poetry, comedy, tumbling and music. All performances must be family-friendly. Performances will be limited to three to five minutes and participants under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older. Registration is required and applications must be returned by February 8th. Applications are available at the Life Community Center.



DINNER & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
A Fundraiser for the Super Splash Park | Aquatic Center Capital Campaign

RUSTLE HILL WINERY (8595 New Highway 51 North | Cobden, IL 62920)

04.27.13 6 PM TO 10 PM Tickets: \$40 per person
How to buy tickets: SuperSplashPark.org

Learn more about the Super Splash Park project. Visit cpkd.org/makeasplash.html
All Donations are Tax Deductible

Carbondale Park District

1187



CITY OF CARBONDALE
200 South Illinois Avenue
P.O. Box 2047
Carbondale, Illinois 62902-2047
(618) 549-5302

Joel Fritzler, Mayor

Corene McDaniel, Councilwoman

Chris Wissmann, Councilman

Donald Monty, Councilman

Jane Adams, Councilwoman

Lance Jack, Councilman

Lee Fronabarger, Councilman

Kevin Baity, City Manager

Carbondale Communique' is written by the City of Carbondale to provide residents and businesses with municipal news.

Janice Hampton, Editor

For More Information on City Government:
www.explorecarbndale.com
AM Radio 1620, Cable TV Channel 16