



**Mayor Joel Fritzler**

When I started writing this article, it was five days before summer officially started but, the air conditioning was off at City Hall so, it felt more like August in my office. But, with summer we can look forward to Ice Cream Trucks, Picnics, Cookouts, the McLeod Summer Playhouse, Brown Bag Concerts, Friday Night Fairs, and Sunset Concerts.

On July 4th, the tradition of an Independence Day Fireworks Display continued as the City hosted the display at the Super Block. As I'm now revising this article on July 1st, I'm hoping that it was a great show. A humongous "Thank You" needs to go to Mr. Ellis Mitchell and the Carbondale Lions Club for coordinating the firework display for the previous 40 years. SIUC also deserves a big thanks for having hosted the event but, with the addition of the new track facilities, and the renovation of the baseball field, it was time for a new venue.

The City Council contributed the

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funds that we budgeted for the 2012 and 2013 displays, SIUC generously contributed \$3,000, the Lions Club gave \$1,000, and the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce raised over \$1,100 from area businesses. If you saw and enjoyed the display, and you would like to make a donation for next year's display, you can send a tax deductible donation to: Carbondale Chamber Foundation, 131 S. Illinois Ave., Carbondale, IL 62901.

The summer months bring to Carbondale people offering lawn and tree services. City Staff is working on a process to have these people register at City Hall just as we require roofers and solicitors to do. At the least, if someone offers to work on your property, make sure that they are bonded, ask them for references, and never pay for the work until it has been completed.

Another summer issue that I need to mention is panhandling. First of all, holding up a sign with a statement on it is an act (Freedom of Speech) protected by the U.S. Constitution. In the City's definition, basically, panhandling is verbally asking for money. To the extent that panhandling is a problem in Carbondale depends on one's perspective. Some people from cities smaller than us think panhandling is a major problem, while people from cities much larger than us roll their eyes at me when I ask them if it's a problem. With that said, the City Council recently passed an ordinance banning panhandling in our commercial areas. However,

we don't have the budget to have a police officer on every corner so, the best way to deal with the "problem" is for the residents/visitors to not give money to panhandlers. Yellowstone Park and Boulder, Colorado wouldn't have a problem with bears if people would obey the sign "Don't Feed the Animals."

Summer time also means Construction Season. The groundbreaking for the new Fire Station was a few months ago but, its fall completion is still on schedule. For this year's budget, the Council approved the funding for the Schwartz St. renovations so, although they will be slightly inconvenienced at times, I'm guessing the residents are excited about finally getting a street that is up to the standards of other Carbondale streets. Other activities to watch for include murals from C'dale Middle School going up in the downtown and our "pink" caboose getting a fresh coat of red paint. Ameren will also be out and about painting their metal utility poles.

Summer in Carbondale can be a quiet and relaxing time but, there's always at least one event going on. If you are new to Carbondale, Welcome! And, if you ever have any questions about the city, feel free to contact me at jfritzler@ci.carbondale.il.us or 457-3229.

Have a great summer,  
Joel Fritzler, Mayor

PS. Happy 140th Birthday to the City of Carbondale!!!

## City Water Office Open Extended Hours to Serve SIU Students and New Residents

With new residents and SIUC students beginning to arrive back in town later this month and fall classes starting on Monday, August 19th, the City of Carbondale will again be offering additional services to the public:

- The City's Water Office will offer extended hours and be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning on Wednesday, August 14th through Wednesday, August 28th.
- Free newcomer and visitor information will be available in City Hall along with free bottled water.
- Parking meters will be covered to allow free parking on downtown parking lots between Monday, August 19th and Friday, August 30th.

In an effort to keep the City clean of trash and debris, the Refuse and Recycling Division will conduct City Designated Solid Waste Collection Days and provide daily patrols of the City to collect and dispose of refuse from the curbside. Regular patrols will begin on Friday, August 23rd and continue through Friday, August 30th. Patrols will be performed seven days a week as determined to be necessary by City staff.

Within the guidelines of City Designated Solid Waste Collection Days refuse at curbside will be removed and the property owner of record will be billed based on the time it takes at each location. All collections will be timed and billed to the property owner of record at the City's Extra Solid Waste Collection rate which is \$15.00 plus \$7.50 per minute after the first minute, rounded up to the next whole minute. Under this program collection will include:

- Refuse that is not placed curbside by 8:00 a.m. in an area whose normal refuse collection day is the current day and/or exceeds the residential refuse limit of one cubic yard (200 gallons or six 33 gallon cans).
- Refuse that is placed at the curbside prior to 4:00 p.m. in areas whose normal refuse collection day is the following day and which exceeds the residential refuse limit of one cubic yard (200 gallons or six 33 gallon cans).
- Refuse that is placed at the curbside in areas whose normal collection day is not the following day.
- All refuse that is placed at the curbside at any time where the property address in question is not a regular customer of City refuse collection.
- Please note that landscape waste, white goods (household appliances) and tires will not be collected under this program. These items will be collected on a call-in basis only as a part of the City's existing sticker collection programs by calling the Maintenance and Environmental Services Division at 457-3275.

The City's Designated Solid Waste Collection Days will be augmented by staff from the Building and Neighborhood Services Division making regular patrols throughout the City and issuing citations as needed. Building and Neighborhood Services Division staff will issue citations to the property owner of record for the following violations:

- The property in question is not a regular customer of City refuse collection. (Note: To maintain the cleanliness of the City, any refuse set at curbside on property which is not a regular customer of City refuse collection will be collected and the property owner will be billed for the collection in accordance with program guidelines.)
- The refuse is not properly bagged or neatly stacked for collection at the curbside.

These guidelines have been established in an effort to keep the City free of debris and refuse as well as to prevent the regular City Refuse and Recycling customer from being penalized for setting their refuse out slightly earlier than permitted by City Ordinance which is 6:00 p.m. on the day prior to the customer's regular collection day.

For further information contact the Maintenance and Environmental Services Division at 457-3275.



## McAlister's Deli Breaks Ground in Carbondale

A groundbreaking ceremony for a McAlister's Deli restaurant in Carbondale was recently held at the University Place Shopping Center. "Bringing McAlister's Deli to Carbondale has been a long time coming", said local franchisee Donnie Harris. "Patience pays off," he said. "We have wanted to come to Carbondale since becoming a part of the McAlister's family 10 years ago. Finally, we have found the perfect location and look forward to serving the community

for many years to come." Harris will own and operate the restaurant with partners, John Lichtenegger and Chris Weiss.

Founded in 1989, McAlister's Deli is a fast casual restaurant chain known for its sandwiches, spuds, soups, salads, desserts and McAlister's Famous Sweet Tea. In addition to dine-in and take-out service, McAlister's also offers catering with a selection of sandwich trays, box lunches, desserts, a hot spud bar and more.

With numerous industry accolades, McAlister's Deli has more than 315 restaurants in 23 states. McAlister's Deli will be operated seven days a week: Sunday -Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Carbondale Mayor Joel Fritzler had announced McAlister's Deli would be building a restaurant in Carbondale during his State of the City Address in December. The restaurant is expected to open in August.

## JULY & AUGUST CARBONDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

**July 16, 2013 • 7:00 pm**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**

**August 6, 2013 • 7:00 pm**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**

**August 27, 2013 • 7:00 pm**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**

All regular 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.



## Carbondale Welcomes Its Newest Businesses!

**AAA Missouri**  
1348 E. Main Street

**Tower Loan**  
700 E. Walnut Street

**Locally Important Produce Store**  
201 W. Walnut Street

**Screaming Owl Records**  
715 S. University Avenue

## What Would You Do To Make Carbondale More Beautiful?



Keep Carbondale Beautiful is seeking ideas and partners for projects to improve our visual quality of life. Projects might be related to litter control, waste reduction and recycling, beautification or education. Those are the areas in the organization's mission but any environmental project would be considered.

Keep Carbondale Beautiful celebrated its 25th anniversary last year, noting the accomplishments of this locally-supported affiliate of Keep America Beautiful: thousands of volunteers have picked up tons of litter; tons of phone books have been recycled; dozens of bright spots have been awarded.

This year the organization is looking to the future and inviting the wider community to envision a more beautiful city. A town meeting will be planned in the fall. Meanwhile, to identify projects and partners, Keep Carbondale Beautiful is seeking answers to two questions:

- Q1: What would you do to make Carbondale more beautiful?
- Q2: What do you do to make Carbondale more beautiful?

Send answers to one or both questions to KCB at PO Box 1326, Carbondale, IL 62903 or to [keepcb1326@gmail.com](mailto:keepcb1326@gmail.com) or call 525-5525.

## City Building and Neighborhood Inspectors Assist Students and Residents With Rental Property Issues

The preservation and stabilization of residential neighborhoods, along with ensuring that the housing stock in the community is maintained in a safe, sound and sanitary condition is a priority of the City of Carbondale. The Mandatory Rental Housing Inspection Program has been effective in gradually improving the housing stock of the community, particularly in older neighborhoods where single family houses have been converted for multiple occupancy use.

Through the Mandatory Rental Housing Inspection Program, detailed inspections are conducted on the exterior and interior of rental properties. The scheduled inspections are initiated through the City's Building & Neighborhood Services Division. Violations that are noted are required to be corrected before a certificate of occupancy can be issued.

If you have an issue in a rental dwelling or if you have questions about the Mandatory Rental Housing Inspection Program, contact the Building and Neighborhood Services Division at 457-3237.

## City Awarded Homebuyer Assistance Grant Funds

The City of Carbondale has received a grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Over the next year, the Homebuyer Assistance Program will use these funds to assist lower-income persons with the purchase and rehabilitation of a home located within the Carbondale city limits.

**Assistance Available:** The maximum amount of assistance for the purchase and rehabilitation of a home is \$40,000. The Homebuyer program provides up to \$10,000 for down payment and closing costs with the remaining funds for rehabilitation of the property in order to bring the dwelling up to the City's current housing codes. Based on the amount of assistance, this prorated loan will be forgiven in five or ten years. Home owners must live in the house as their primary residence for the duration their loan. The home purchaser must provide at least \$1,000 towards the down payment, and qualify for and obtain financing from a participating lender.

**Eligible Persons:** Applicants must currently not own a home. The total household income, before taxes, must be less than or equal to 80% of the area median income. Income limits annually set by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development are based on the number of persons in the household.

Currently the income limits are 1 person- \$32,150, 2 people-\$36,750, 3 people-\$41,350, 4 people-\$45,900, 5 people-\$49,600, 6 people-\$53,250, 7 people-\$56,950, and 8 people-\$60,600.

**Private Financing for Home Purchase:** City staff will evaluate information provided by the applicants to see if they meet basic program eligibility criteria. Eligible applicants will be required to attend a Homebuyer counseling program. Upon successful completion of the program, applicants will be able to contact participating local lenders to apply for a home loan. Persons participating in the program will apply separately to participating local lenders for the primary loan for the home purchase. The lenders will use their normal criteria to evaluate the loan applications and decide whether to approve or deny a loan.

**Application Availability and Acceptance:** If you are interested in further program information, please contact Ron Bryant, Housing Rehabilitation Specialist at 549-5302 ext. 317.

The process from application to closing the sale on your new home may take several months. If you are interested in buying a home or are considering it for the future, you are urged to request application materials and submit them as soon as possible.

## Low-Interest Loans Available for Business Start-Up and Expansion

The City of Carbondale offers loans for new business start-up and to assist existing businesses with expansion. Low-interest loans are available through a Revolving Loan Fund and an intermediary loan program.

Through the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), funds may be used to purchase land, construct a building, renovate or expand an existing building, purchase machinery or equipment or provide working capital.

The interest rate on Revolving Loan Fund loans is below market rate. Depending on the project, the rate can be low as 3%. As a matching loan program, RLF loans can account for no more than one-half of the total project cost. Job creation is the Revolving Loan Fund program's primary goal. Program guidelines require that at least one job must be created for each \$15,000 of RLF loan funds. At least 51% of the total jobs created as the result of an RLF loan must be held by persons with a low or moderate income.

Through the intermediary loan program, businesses can borrow up to \$150,000, or 75% of the total project at a 5 percent interest rate. Funds can be used for real estate acquisition, construction, renovation, debt refinancing, inventory or other related uses.

For more information about these programs and other financing opportunities available through the City of Carbondale, contact Gary Williams, Economic Development Coordinator at 457-3286 or email [gwilliams@ci.carbondale.il.us](mailto:gwilliams@ci.carbondale.il.us).

## What's New With CCTB? An Update on the Tourism Bureau

Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau (CCTB) has a new name, fresh look and a motivated staff full of innovative ideas to increase the number of visitors for the upcoming year.

During the past few months, Carbondale Tourism has made strides in its rebranding process. The goal is to better represent Carbondale throughout all promotional efforts, which includes the design of a new logo and refreshed name. Carbondale Tourism has been working closely with the Arthur Agency on the creation of the new brand and the upcoming launch of an advertising campaign that will highlight the diversity, culture, art, recreation and entertainment opportunities that set Carbondale apart from its competitors.

In addition to the new brand, Carbondale Tourism has worked to connect with companies interested in bringing sporting events to the area. Executive Director Cinnamon Smith attended both the Illinois Sports Huddle and the National Association of Sports Commissions Sports Event Symposium, where she had the opportunity to represent Carbondale as a sports destination. Planners who are interested in bringing their events to town are advised to visit the "Submit an RFP" section of the website, where they have the option to fill in their information and have it automatically submitted to Carbondale Tourism staff.

The Tourism Bureau is also working with community businesses to launch a new program called "Only Carbondale Specials." The program will feature discounts for area businesses that are exclusive to visitors, providing even more incentive for planners and travelers to make Carbondale their destination. The program is completely free for all businesses



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and is a great opportunity for them to get their name out to visitors. For those interested in being part of the Only Carbondale Specials Program, please contact the Tourism Bureau at 618-529-4451 or email [admin@cctb.org](mailto:admin@cctb.org).

Along with these efforts, Tourism staff continue to reach out to tourists already planning to visit the area by distributing unique promotional pieces that highlight restaurants and activities, while encouraging them to plan a return visit. Thus far, Carbondale Tourism has printed three unique guides for use at reunions, community events and conventions. In regard to out-of-town inquiries, Carbondale Tourism is proud to report that it has provided more than 850 fulfillment packages to out-of-town visitors and has seen a significant increase in traffic both through social media and website visits.

Tourism staff are proud to say that as they continue to broaden their reach, the tourism numbers in Carbondale will continue to grow and Carbondale will again rise to the frontline as a premiere tourism destination.

If you have suggestions, questions, or would like to be more involved with Carbondale Tourism please call 618-529-4451.

# 2013 Sunset Concerts

Every Thursday @ 7 p.m.  
July 4 Holiday - No Show

**Sponsored by**  
Student Programming Council  
Student Center  
City of Carbondale  
Carbondale Park District

- June 13**  
**Space Capone**  
Shryock Steps - R&B, Funk, Soul
- June 20**  
**Dwayne Dopsie & the Zydeco Hellraisers**  
Turley Park - Zydeco
- June 27**  
**Rico**  
Shryock Steps - Latin Rock
- July 11**  
**The Right Now**  
Shryock Steps - Vintage Soul/R&B
- July 18**  
**The Kopecky Family Band**  
Turley Park - Indie Rock
- July 25**  
**The Ark Band**  
Shryock Steps - Reggae

**NO Solicitation, Pets, Glass Bottles, Kegs, or Underage Drinking**

For more information contact the Student Programming Council at 618-536-3393, follow us on Facebook/SIUStudentCenter, or visit [studentcenter.siu.edu](http://studentcenter.siu.edu)

## CARBONDALE TO HOST PUBLIC BIKE PLANNING MEETING

The Illinois Department of Transportation is developing its first ever state-wide Illinois Bicycle Transportation Plan and will hold a public meeting at the Carbondale Civic Center on August 1 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to receive input from the public. When complete, this long-range plan will guide future policy decisions and infrastructure improvements to make cycling a safer, more convenient and more accessible transportation option for Illinoisans. Topics covered will include bicycle planning and policy, funding, bicycle safety, a regional biking network, guidelines for bike paths and lanes, implementation and prioritization guidelines, education and outreach. Whether you are a strong and fearless cyclist or someone who avoids cycling at all costs, your voice is needed to help make Illinois the top state for cycling in the country! The Carbondale Civic Center is located at 200 S. Illinois Ave. in Carbondale. Contact Gary Williams, City of Carbondale with questions at 618-457-3286.

## Safety Information from the Mosquito Abatement District

The formation of the Carbondale Mosquito Abatement District was initiated by the Carbondale Lions Club in 1927. The District is one of twenty-one mosquito abatement districts found in the State of Illinois. It is a special purpose unit of local government.

The district works to educate residents, check and treat standing water for mosquito larvae, and spray for adult mosquitoes within the district boundaries. All field personnel are licensed by the State of Illinois and all chemicals used are registered and approved by the E.P.A. for mosquito control.

The West-Nile virus was found within our district boundaries in prior years and has remained active each year in the State of Illinois, as well as across the nation. This virus is carried by female Culex mosquitoes. In Illinois, the Culex mosquito, which feeds in the early morning and evening hours has been identified as the primary transmitter of the virus. To help protect your family, yourself, and your neighbors you should:

- Take precautions when going outside (wear long sleeve shirts and pants) and use a mosquito repellent containing DEET.
- Empty any standing water out of containers found in and around your yard.

- Clean out your gutters and properly dispose of any old tires.

The district also collects mosquitoes with Dyna Traps within the district boundaries. Floodwater mosquitoes which can and do travel long distances are the most dominant mosquitoes found in the district. These nuisance mosquitoes, Aedes Vexan, are not vectors that are associated with transmitting diseases. However, in recent years the Asian Tiger mosquito, an early morning and late afternoon feeder has been found in the district. The larvae of the Albopictus mosquito has been found and treated most often in our district in abandoned and discarded tires.

The district uses field observations, citizen complaints, and trapping data in determining when to conduct periodic adult sprayings within the district boundaries. The district kills the adult mosquitoes with a synergized pyrethrin through U.L.V. (ultra low volume) machines.

If you have a known medical allergy, asthma, or lung condition and any contact with pesticides might be harmful to your health, please contact the District at 549-2150 to be placed on a pre-notification call list before spraying is done in your area.

## Ordinance Requires Maintenance of Tall Grass and Weeds

The City of Carbondale Code declares grass and weeds over eight (8) inches in height to be a nuisance and requires their removal. The provision of the City Code pertaining to mowing grasses and weeds over eight inches in height does not apply to land zoned as "Forestry" or "Agriculture" which is used for agricultural purposes as long as a 20-foot perimeter adjacent to any right-of-way and/or residentially zoned property is mowed and maintained so as not to exceed the eight inch height. Owners and tenants are reminded that they are also required to keep adjoining public right-of-way mowed to the back of the curb, the edge of the street pavement and the alley.

Most property owners and tenants comply with the City of Carbondale's standards for the maintenance of tall grass and weeds. However, some property owners/tenants do not mow their property until the City posts

the property in violation of the tall grass and weed ordinance. Therefore, upon finding the same property in violation more than once during the same growth season, a Court Citation will be issued to all owners and occupants of the property at the time of the second posting and for each subsequent posting that may be necessary during the balance of the growth season. If the tall grass and weeds have not been mowed within seven days after the posting, the City's mowing contractor will mow the property and the property owner will be billed for the mowing by the City.

For more information about this ordinance contact the Building and Neighborhood Services Division at 547-3237. To see if a property has been posted you may visit the City of Carbondale Web site [explore.carbondale.com](http://explore.carbondale.com). A weed posting report can be viewed under the Government section.

## Safety Precautions When a Heat Advisory is Issued

In Illinois a heat warning is issued for a daytime maximum heat index of 115 with a minimum of 80. Know the terms used by the National Weather Service during these periods:

- Heat Watch - Excessive heat is possible in the next day or two.
- Head Advisory - High and potentially dangerous values of heat index are occurring, imminent, or highly likely. Prolonged exposure to heat and/or strenuous activity may result in heat-related illness. In Illinois, heat advisories are issued for a daytime maximum heat index of 105 and nighttime minimum of 80.
- Heat Warning - Life threatening heat is occurring, imminent or highly likely. Take precautions.

Know the illnesses heat can produce and how to treat each one:

- Heat Cramps - Painful spasms usually in muscles of legs and abdomen due to heavy exertion and heavy sweating. Treatment - Stop activity and rest in a cool place. Lightly stretch or gently massage muscle to relieve spasms. Give sips of cool water.
- Heat Exhaustion - Heavy sweating. Skin cool, pale and clammy. Pulse fast and weak. Breathing fast and shallow. Normal temperature. Fainting, vomiting, dizziness, nausea. Treatment - Get victim to a cool place. Lay down and loosen clothing. Apply cool wet cloths. Give sips of cool water.
- Heat Stroke - High body temperature of 103 to as high as 106. Hot, red, dry skin. No sweating. Rapid pulse. Breathing fast and shallow. Headache, nausea, dizziness, confusion. Possible unconsciousness. Treatment - Heat stroke is a severe medical emergency. Summon emergency medical assistance or get the victim to a hospital immediately. Delay can be fatal. Move the victim to a cooler environment. Reduce the body temperature with a cool bath or sponging. Use air

conditioning or fans. Do not give fluids.

*During the heat warning common sense is the best defense:*

- Spend some time in air conditioning, if possible. Even just two hours a day in air conditioning can significantly reduce the risk of heat-related illness.
- Drink plenty of water and natural juices, even if you don't feel thirsty.
- Slow down. Avoid strenuous activity.
- Wear loose-fitting, lightweight, light-colored clothing.
- If you must be out in the sun, use sun screen and wear a wide-brimmed hat.
- Keep shades drawn and blinds closed, but windows open slightly.
- Keep lights down low or turned off.
- Take cool baths or showers periodically, use cool wet towels.
- Eat small meals and eat more often. Avoid foods that are high in protein, which increase metabolic heat.
- Avoid using the oven.
- Avoid alcoholic beverages and beverages with caffeine such as coffee, tea and cola.
- Avoid using salt tablets unless directed to do so by a physician.
- Do not leave children or pets in a closed vehicle even for a few minutes. Temperatures inside a closed vehicle can reach 140 to 190 within 30 minutes on a hot day.
- Schools should restrict strenuous outdoor athletic activity when a heat advisory is in effect. All physical education and athletic activity should be canceled when a heat warning is in effect.
- Stay informed about the heat wave by listening to NOAA Weather Radio, or commercial radio and television for the latest heat warnings and advisories.

## NEWS ON MAIN STREET The Friday Night Fair Takes a Break in July



The Carbondale Community Friday Night Fairs will continue every Friday in August and September. The concert series which also features a food court, farmer's market, local vendors and kid's activities is skipping the dog days of summer in July.

\*Note - The Brown Bag Concert Series will also take a break from the heat, and will resume in September. Complete information about both series can be found at [www.carbondalemainstreet.com](http://www.carbondalemainstreet.com).

## 10th Anniversary for Downtown Student Welcome - Carbondale Main Street presents Collegefest

For the past nine years, Carbondale Main Street has hosted "Meet Me On Main", a student welcome that familiarizes new students with downtown Carbondale businesses and resources. This year, we will continue welcoming students to downtown, but under a new name.

On Saturday, August 24, from 6-8pm, new and returning students can come downtown for a DJ party with root beer kegs, free food and giveaways, and lots of information from downtown businesses. "Collegefest" will be held in the Old National customer parking lot. Carbondale Main Street will also have a presence on campus, and will provide transportation from the dorms to the event. Interested in participating...or just coming to the party? More information will be available soon at [www.carbondalemainstreet.com](http://www.carbondalemainstreet.com) or call Alexis Giroit in the office at 618-529-8040. We'll see you downtown!

## Carbondale Main Street Curb Appeal Project Restoration of Virginia Building

Carbondale Main Street (CMS) is embarking on another renovation in downtown Carbondale. Originally built in the 1800's, the Virginia Building at 116 N. Illinois Avenue has quite a bit of history to preserve. Utilizing its Curb Appeal Program which is designed to enhance the look or "curb appeal" of local businesses, CMS has approved the Virginia Building for their next project. The Curb Appeal Program has been used in other downtown renovations including Harbaugh's and Thai Taste, and CMS expects the Virginia Building to soon be included on the list of downtown success stories.

The idea behind the Virginia Building restoration is to continue the historic theme that exists on the 100 block of North Illinois Avenue which includes refurbished doctors' offices and Carbondale Trophy. The scope of work for the project includes new storefront glass, masonry repairs, restoration of the original copper and alabaster stone, new signage, and most importantly the preservation of glass tiles on the front façade. The glass tiles were designed in 1887 by Frank Lloyd Wright and although the tiles were known about prior to the renovation, the fact that the designs were made and patented by Wright was a surprise. CMS expects these treasures will create a lot of attention when the project is complete.

The overall restoration should be completed by this Fall. Although CMS will contribute to the project financially, the building's owner, Reggie Walker, will invest around \$60,000 and plans to take advantage of City tax incentives that are now available. With the creation of the Illinois-University TIF District in 2012, Walker will be able to seek reimbursement for his renovation costs and be repaid through future tax abatements. In addition, all materials will be purchased tax-free thanks to the Jackson County Enterprise Zone. The Virginia Building will be the 4th project utilizing the new TIF incentives since they were made available last December.

When this project is complete and with the help of the Wright discovery, CMS and Walker Rentals plan to get this property listed on the National Register for Historic Properties. For more information about this project, or about the Curb Appeal program in general, contact Carbondale Main Street at 618-529-8040 or [info@carbondalemainstreet.com](mailto:info@carbondalemainstreet.com).

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Carbondale Community  
**FRIDAY NIGHT  
FAIR 6:00-9:00pm**  
Town Square Pavilion **FREE**

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER BAND SCHEDULE:

<b>Aug 2</b> Giant City Slickers (Western Swing)	<b>Aug 23</b> Secondary Modern (Rock)	<b>Sept 13</b> Hobo Knife (Americana)
<b>Aug 9</b> Mr. Swamp Fox (Rock)	<b>Aug 30</b> Coulter, Goot & Wall (Jazz)	<b>Sept 20</b> Swamp Tigers (Rockabilly)
<b>Aug 16</b> Well Well Wells (Blues)	<b>Sept 6</b> Carbondale Music Coalition sponsoring band:T.B.A.	<b>Sept 27</b> Soul Glo (Soul)

LEARN MORE AT [CARBONDALEMAINSTREET.COM](http://CARBONDALEMAINSTREET.COM) OR CALL 529-8040

## City Seeking Additional Contractors to Work in the Housing Rehabilitation Program

The City of Carbondale is seeking additional contractors to work in the Housing Rehabilitation Program. Currently, the City administers grants for the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) grant and an Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), Single Family Owner Occupied Rehabilitation (SFOOR) grant. We have received a new HOMEbuyer program which should start in the next few months. We are currently applying for a new Emergency Loan Assistance Program.

Contractors experienced in building and renovating homes are encouraged to contact the Housing Rehab Specialist, Ron Bryant, at 549-5302 x 317. The City is an equal opportunity employer and encourages minority and women owned businesses to consider this contracting opportunity. The City also is seeking contractors who are licensed by the State of Illinois to perform lead-based paint mitigation in homes being rehabilitated.



## 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.

### July

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

Date	Meeting	Time
Mon/8th & 29th	Carbondale Park District Board	6:00 p.m.
Tues/16th	Carbondale City Council	7:00 p.m.
Wed/17th	Planning Commission	7:00 p.m.

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

Mon/1st	Human Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs/11th	Liquor Advisory Board	5:30 p.m.
Mon/15th	Preservation Commission	7:00 p.m.
Thurs/18th	Sustainability Commission	6:00 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings at Other Locations

Wed/10th	Library Board of Trustees Conference Room, 405 West Main Street	4:30 p.m.
Thurs/18th	Carbondale High School District #165 CCHS Cafeteria, 1301 East Walnut Street	7:00 p.m.
Thurs/25th	Carbondale Elementary School District #95 Carbondale Elementary School Administrative Center	7:00 p.m.

Carbondale City Hall offices will be closed Thursday, July 4, 2013 for Independence Day.

### August

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/6th & 27th	Carbondale City Council	7:00 p.m.
Mon/12th	Carbondale Park District Board	6:00 p.m.
Wed/14th	Planning Commission	7:00 p.m.

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

Thurs/1st	Liquor Advisory Board	5:30 p.m.
Mon/5th	Human Relations Commission	6:30 p.m.
Thurs/15th	Sustainability Commission	6:00 p.m.
Mon/19th	Preservation Commission	7:00 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings at Other Locations

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Thurs/15th	Carbondale High School District #165 CCHS Cafeteria, 1301 East Walnut Street	7:00 p.m.
Fri/22nd	Carbondale Elementary School District #95 Carbondale Elementary School Administrative Center	7:00 p.m.



## Make Plans to Visit Poplar Camp Beach at Cedar Lake this Summer

If the heat and humidity is getting to you this summer, try cooling off in the refreshing water of Cedar Lake at Poplar Camp Beach. Located a few miles south of Carbondale, the sandy waterfront of the beach leads to a swim and play area, an area for floating on rafts, plus a swim lap lane. Certified Red Cross lifeguards are on duty during beach hours from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays and 9:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on weekends and holidays. Cedar Lake personnel and the Carbondale Police patrol the area. Restrooms, picnic tables and a concession stand are also available.

The beach is open seven days a week throughout the summer until the start of the school year for most area schools. After August 18th, the beach will be open on weekends only through Labor Day, the last day of operation for 2013. The fee for a single admission is \$2.00 and children five (5) years of age

and younger are admitted free. Ten (10) visit passes are available for \$15.00 and twenty (20) visit passes are available for \$25.00. Passes bought are good for the entire 2013 beach season and can be used by anyone at anytime. Children twelve years old and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

To reach Poplar Camp Beach from Carbondale, travel south on U.S. Highway 51 to the second traffic light south of Pleasant Hill Road. Turn right on old Hwy. 51 and drive ½ mile to Cedar Creek Road. Turn right onto Cedar Creek Road and follow to Poplar Camp Road, on the left. Turn on Poplar Camp Road which ends at the beach parking lot. The City of Carbondale owns Cedar Lake as its water source and operates Poplar Camp Beach along with the City's boat ramp and access area. The boat ramp is located at the west end of Cedar Creek Road. For more information call 549-8441.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NOTIFICATION

The City recently adopted a new Zoning Ordinance that includes a provision that allows residents to register with the City to receive information on upcoming development related items. Any community organization or person may now register for notifications through the Neighborhood Notification Program. Registered contacts will receive notification of all upcoming public hearings and development related items that will be considered before the Planning

Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Preservation Commission, or the City Council. Notification shall be given within 5 days of the receipt of any application or submittal that requires public review. Each notification will include the date, time, and location of any public meeting for which an item will be considered. Persons desiring to register for the program should email Chris Wallace, the City's Development Services Director, at cwallace@ci.carbondale.il.us.

## Carbondale Fire Department Participates in "Chill Out In The Park" Events

The City of Carbondale Fire Department has participated in a program sponsored by the Carbondale Park District for several years called "Chill Out In The Park". This program is designed to provide a free and safe activity for kids to participate in during these hot summer months. The Fire Department will provide a water spray for children to play in at City parks on the following Wednesdays in July and August.

Wednesday, July 10	Attucks Park	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, July 24	Parrish Park	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 7	Turley Park	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Children of all ages are invited to come join the fun at one of the Carbondale parks. For more information, contact the Carbondale Park District at 549-4222.



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