



# Carbondale Communiqué

November - December, 2007

City of Carbondale

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The Veterans of Foreign Wars Teeter-Carter-Watson Post 2605 worked with Carbondale Main Street to develop the Veterans Memorial Plaza Wall that designates the Veterans Memorial Plaza located on the southeast quadrant of the Town Square. The Veterans Memorial Plaza Wall was dedicated to the City of Carbondale in July of 2004 and stands in memory of the City's Veterans.

## Haven't You Heard...

### City Council Approved a New Single Family Housing Conversion Grant Program

The City of Carbondale has long held as one of its goals to strengthen and promote neighborhood living. The City has provided several programs including the Mandatory Rental Inspection Program, housing rehabilitation grant programs, first time home buyers low interest loan programs, grants for new owner occupied houses and grants for new owner occupied housing subdivisions. The City's Building and Neighborhood Services Division enforces aggressively the family occupancy ordinance in low density residential zoning districts. The preservation and stabilization of residential neighborhoods along with ensuring that the housing stock in the community is maintained is a priority of the City of Carbondale.

At the regular meeting on October 16, 2007, the Carbondale City Council approved a new program to assist persons looking to purchase a home in Carbondale. This new Single Family Housing Conversion Program is designed to assist home buyers in the purchase and

rehabilitation of single family houses that have been in the rental market and the conversion of those houses to the owner occupied category. The main elements of the proposed program are:

- A \$5,000 grant to the home buyer of a single family house that has been a rental house in excess of two years at the time of purchase.
- A covenant would be placed on the property that would require that the house remain occupied by the owner of record for a minimum of 10 years.
- Single family residential houses in all residential zoning districts within the corporate limits of the City of Carbondale would qualify for the program.
- The City will waive all applicable building permit fees required in the improvement of the house.

For more information about the City of Carbondale Single Family Housing Conversion Program, contact Khristina Vaughn, Housing Program Administrator at 457-3235.

## From the Mayor



Mayor Brad Cole

The annual observance of Veteran's Day is upon us. It is a day on which we take time to recognize the commitment that so many individuals have made to support the ideals of freedom and democracy by service to our nation in one of the military branches. While we often recognize fallen soldiers, sailors and airmen on Memorial Day, we set-aside Veteran's Day as a day for all service veterans those, living and those deceased.

I was recently honored with the opportunity to spend two days on-board the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), one of the U.S. Navy's nuclear-powered, Nimitz-class aircraft carriers. The ship is currently underway in the Atlantic Ocean, taking part in a Joint Task Force Exercise (JTFEX) "Operation Bold Step" with the Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) and the British aircraft carrier Illustrious. Without a doubt, it was an experience

of a lifetime. From the second we landed the Navy C-2 Greyhound airplane on the carrier, during an arrested landing (that's what they call landing with the tailhook that captures a wire and stops the plane within two seconds), until the time we took-off via catapult (just like you see in the movies, being pushed off the deck of the carrier and going from zero to flight speed in less than three seconds), every moment was exciting.

But more impressive than the thrills and excitement of being on-board such a commanding war machine, one of the largest warships in the world, I was thoroughly overwhelmed by the commitment and dedication of the sailors and officers that make up the IKE family. From the newest and youngest sailors all the way up to the ship's captain, it was clear that commitment to service was the call to action. Civilians often forget or don't understand that our military is comprised of a completely volunteer corps, a collection of young men and women who dedicate themselves to the goal of protecting the United States and the people of the world every day. The work that is performed on our behalf - all year round and selflessly - is done with pride, with flawless precision, with a team approach and by the finest active duty military on earth.

With sincere thanks to all veterans and active duty personnel, I wish to also specifically thank the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and the other ships of the Eisenhower Carrier Strike Group for their service to our nation.

Brad Cole, Mayor



A group of educators from Tainai City, Japan (one of Carbondale's Sister Cities) recently visited southern Illinois and are pictured here at City Hall with Mayor Brad Cole.

## City Received Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 21st Consecutive Year

The City of Carbondale has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its current Fiscal Year 2008 Budget from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting.

This is the 21st consecutive year Carbondale's budget has been recognized by GFOA. Only three cities in Illinois have received more budget awards than the City of Carbondale. In 2006, 53 municipalities and 24 other units of government in Illinois, including counties,

school districts, park districts and special districts, received the GFOA budget award.

Nationwide, Carbondale ranks in the top 10% for municipalities receiving the most consecutive Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards. In the United States, 682 municipalities and 387 other units of government received the GFOA budget award in 2006.

The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award reflects the commitment by the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental

budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the City of Carbondale had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well the budget serves as a Policy Document, a Financial Plan, an Operations Guide, and a Communications Device. The budget must be rated proficient in all four categories to receive the award.

City Manager Jeff Doherty commented, "The receipt of this award illustrates the City's commitment to sound professional financial management. We are very proud

of our budgeting process and the final document that is produced. Our entire organization is involved with formulating the budget, from all levels of staff to the City Council. It is rewarding to have our budget document recognized as one of the best."

GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving 14,000 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

Join  
**Mayor Brad Cole**  
*as he delivers the*  
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**Tuesday,  
 November 13  
 Carbondale  
 Civic Center**

**Doors Open at 11am • Lunch at 11:30am  
 Speech at 12:00pm  
 \$15 • RSVP by November 7  
 618-549-2146**

**Voter Registration Closes on January 8**

Due to a new Illinois law, the Illinois Primary Election has been changed from the third Tuesday in March to the first Tuesday in February. As a result, the 2008 Illinois Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2008.

Voter registration will close on January 8, 2008.

Early voting will be available in the County Clerk's Office in Murphysboro during the period of January 14 through

January 31, 2008. During this early voting period, persons who wish to vote in the primary election may register to vote and vote at the same time.

Persons not wishing to participate in early voting must wait until Thursday, February 7, to register to vote.

Questions regarding voter registration may be addressed to the City Clerk's Office at 457-3281 or the County Clerk's Office at 687-7366.

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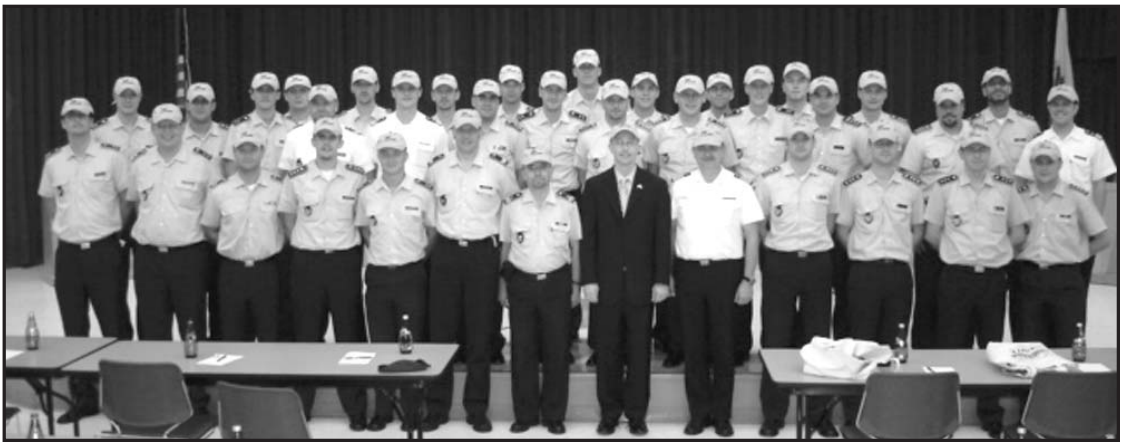
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**Carbondale Civic Center**



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Officers from the German Bundeswehr (national military) visited Carbondale on October 3, 2007, as part of their annual two-week study tour through the United States. Mayor Brad Cole provided a discussion on state and local government and presented each officer with a City of Carbondale baseball cap to commemorate their visit.

**Carbondale Police Department Survey**

The Carbondale Police Department continuously strives to improve services to the community. By taking a few minutes to complete this survey, you will help the department to meet the goal of providing the highest quality police service possible. The results will be tabulated to help in the establishment of training and service goals.

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

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> I called to report an accident              | <input type="checkbox"/> I was a witness to a crime or incident |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was contacted about a problem/disturbance | <input type="checkbox"/> I was the victim of a crime            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I requested information                     | <input type="checkbox"/> I was involved in a traffic accident   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I was issued a traffic citation             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                                  |

**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	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**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:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**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 the 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     5-10 years
- 1-5 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     Native American
- African-American     White
- Hispanic     Other

**I am a student**  Yes     No    **If yes, at which institution** \_\_\_\_\_

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

Thank you for your time to complete this survey. Please mail the survey to: City of Carbondale Police Department, Attn: Sgt. Hank Banycky, P.O. Box 2047, Carbondale, Illinois 62902, or you may drop the form off at the Carbondale Police Department at 610 East College Street.

## Haven't You Heard...

### Low Interest Loans Available for New & Expanding Businesses

The City of Carbondale offers loans to help start new businesses and expand existing businesses. Low-interest loans are available through the Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). Loan 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 as 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.

If you are interested in making the City of Carbondale's low-interest Revolving Loan Fund program part of your business plan, contact Kevin Baity, Assistant City Manager for Economic Development at City Hall, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, Carbondale, Illinois. Call 457-3226 or e-mail kbaity@ci.carbondale.il.us for detailed information and a loan application.

### Downtown Facade Improvement Loan Funds Available

The City of Carbondale has funds available for businesses in the downtown district to improve and update the look of their store fronts. Improvements to existing facades and the façade portion of additions to existing buildings are defined as that portion of the building facing a public way.

Improvements to the facade include structural and non-structural repairs and maintenance in keeping with the style of the original structure. Eligible facade improvements are installation of canopies and awnings, inclusion of energy efficient windows and doors, and reconstruction and refinishing of all surfaces and other related architectural appurtenances of the facade. The improvements as determined for this program are to be in keeping with the historical continuity of the area. The City will fund up to 100% of the facade improvement at an interest rate set at 3 points below the prime rate with a maximum rate of 7% and a minimum rate of 3%. The interest rate shall be established on the date the loan agreement is signed and shall remain constant through the entire term of the loan which shall not exceed 10 years. The maximum amount of the City loan is based on \$40 per surface square foot of facade or \$20,000.00, whichever is less. The City Manager shall have the authority to approve a loan in excess of these amounts when there is a change in ownership or use of the building, when

there are special circumstances related to the number or size of the facade(s), or an increase improvement cost due to special materials or historic preservation. The City's loan cannot exceed the total facade improvement cost. Loans are secured by the City obtaining a mortgage on the property and a personal guarantee of repayment from the applicant. Loans will be granted on a first come, first served basis within the limits of available resources.

Interested applicants must submit a completed application with facade drawings, cost estimates and financial statements to the City of Carbondale Development Services Department for consideration. Improvements proposed are subject to existing City codes and ordinances and the responsibility for permits and approvals rests with the applicant. Applicants are encouraged to consult with the Preservation Commission for buildings that are listed on the Commission inventory of historic properties.

For more information about the Downtown Facade Improvement Loan Program and to obtain an application, contact the Development Services Department at 457-3248 or stop by their office in City Hall at 200 S. Illinois Avenue. Property owners are also encouraged to contact Carbondale Main Street at 529N8040 for additional incentive programs for facade improvements.

### Holiday Curbside Refuse & Recycling Collection Schedule

The offices of City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 12 in observance of the Veterans Day holiday. All City refuse routes will be pushed back one day that week.

City offices will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 22, 2007 and Friday, November 23, 2007. Refuse and recycling collection for this week will be collected on your regularly scheduled day except that Thursday's refuse and recycling route will be collected on Friday, November 23, 2007.

Bag and bundle landscape waste will only be collected on Wednesday during Thanksgiving week.

City offices will also be closed at noon on Monday, December 24, 2007 and all day on Tuesday, December 25, 2007 for the Christmas holiday, and Tuesday, January 1, 2008 for the New Year's Day holiday. Refuse and recycling collection for both weeks will be collected as follows:

Monday's refuse collection route will not be affected. There will be no collection on Tuesday. Tuesday through Friday routes will be pushed back one day both of these weeks. Bag and bundle landscape waste will only be collected on Thursday during these weeks.

#### Christmas Tree Recycling Program

The City of Carbondale Forestry Division will

conduct its Curbside Christmas Tree Recycling from January 2, 2008 through January 25, 2008. Residents desiring to participate in this program should place their Christmas trees curbside on their normal refuse and recycling collection day (please note that the actual collection and chipping of the trees will occur the following day).

Any residents wishing to dispose of their Christmas trees on days other than their normal refuse day may take their Christmas trees to one of the following neighborhood drop-off sites:

- The Public Works Complex on North Michaels Street (drop off at main gate).
- The East Recycling Drop-Off Center on East College located in the parking lot west of Stor-N-Lok.
- Parrish Park parking lot on West Sunset Drive (at the east end of the parking lot).
- Attucks Park parking lot on North Wall Street (the south parking lot).

Please discard pine rope, wreaths, garland, and flocked trees with regular refuse.

Questions about this program may be directed to the Maintenance and Environmental Services Office at 457-3275 or to the City Forester at 549-5302 ext. 332.

The regular Landscape Waste Bag and Bundle program will continue as usual during this special collection period.

### Working Street Lights Keep Citizens Safe

If you notice a street light out or malfunctioning on your street or down the block, in town while you are walking, jogging, bicycling to class, or while driving, dining or shopping during the evening hours, don't keep us in the dark.

Contact the City of Carbondale Citizens

Assistance line at 457-3226 or email jporter@ci.carbondale.il.us to report the location. We rely on you letting us know when you are in the dark. The earlier you call us, the earlier we can get the lights back on. Help us keep your neighborhood and the City well illuminated. Working street lights keep citizens safe.

## Important Notice to City of Carbondale Water and Sewer Customers

**Beginning January 1, 2008, a \$5.00 late payment fee will be assessed on each Carbondale Water and/or Sewer bill that is not paid by the due date listed on the original bill.**

**Questions regarding billing statements should be directed to the Customer Service Representatives in the City of Carbondale Water Services Office at 549-5302.**

### Disponible un nuevo Programa de Conversión de Viviendas Unifamiliares

La Ciudad de Carbondale ha mantenido por largo tiempo, como una de sus metas, el promover y reforzar la vivienda en sectores residenciales. La Ciudad ha implementado varios programas, entre los que se incluyen, el Programa de Inspección Obligatoria de Arrendamientos, los programas de subvención para la remodelación de viviendas, los programas de préstamos con bajos intereses para los compradores de su primera vivienda, las subvenciones para nuevos propietarios y las subvenciones para nuevos propietarios de viviendas en urbanizaciones nuevas.

La División de Servicios Residenciales y de Construcción refuerza enérgicamente la ordenanza de ocupación familiar en los distritos zonificados de baja densidad residencial.

La preservación y estabilización de vecindarios residenciales junto con el asegurar que la existencia de viviendas residenciales de la comunidad se mantenga es una prioridad de la Ciudad de Carbondale.

En la reunión general del 16 de octubre de 2007, el Concejo de la Ciudad de Carbondale aprobó un nuevo programa para ayudar a las personas que deseen adquirir una vivienda en Carbondale. Este nuevo

Programa de Conversión de Viviendas Unifamiliares está diseñado para ayudar a los compradores de casas con la compra y remodelación de viviendas unifamiliares que hayan estado el mercado de arrendamientos y convertirlas a la categoría de residencias ocupadas por sus propietarios. Los principales elementos del programa propuesto son:

Una subvención de \$5,000 para el comprador de una casa unifamiliar que haya sido una vivienda rentada por más de dos años en el momento de la compra.

Se pondrá una cláusula en la propiedad que requerirá que la casa permanezca ocupada por su propietario registrado por un mínimo de 10 años.

Califican para este programa todas las viviendas unifamiliares de cualquier distrito zonificado residencial dentro de los límites municipales de la Ciudad de Carbondale.

La Ciudad dará una extensión de todos los cargos por permisos de construcción necesarios que se necesiten para el mejoramiento de la casa.

Para mayor información sobre el Programa de Conversión de Viviendas Unifamiliares de la Ciudad de Carbondale, llamar a Khristina Vaughn, Administradora del Programa de Vivienda, al 457-3235.

### Notice of Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Firefighter Exam

A written examination and physical fitness assessment for the position of Entry-level Firefighter will be given in the Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois, Carbondale, at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 14, 2008. Candidates receiving a passing grade on the written exam will be eligible to take the physical fitness assessment at 2:00 p.m. that afternoon. To be eligible to take the written exam, an application must be on file in the City Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 28, 2007. Applications are available at the City Clerk's Office, 200 S. Illinois Avenue, or call 457-3280 or email jvaught@ci.carbondale.il.us to obtain an application through the mail. The application, pre-employment agreement and information on the testing process may also be downloaded from the City of Carbondale's website at ci.carbondale.il.us.

*The City of Carbondale encourages minority and female applicants  
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# Carbondale City Calendar

## November

Date	Meeting	Time
<b>The Following Meetings Are Televised LIVE On CityVision 16</b>		
Tuesday - 6th & 20th	City Council	7:00 pm
Wednesday - 7th & 21st	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
Thursday - 15th	Park District Board	6:00 pm

### Other Scheduled Meetings At The Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue

Monday - 5th	Human Relations Commission	6:30 pm
Monday - 19th	Preservation Commission	7:00 pm

### Scheduled Meetings At Other Locations

Wednesday - 7th	Library Board, Conference Room 405 West Main St.	4:30 pm
Thursday - 15th	Carbondale High School Dist. #165 Carbondale High School Cafeteria 1301 E. Walnut	7:00 pm
Tuesday - 13th	Elementary School District #95 Lakeland Multi-Purpose Room, 925 S. Giant City Road	7:00 pm

**THE OFFICES OF CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED ON:** Monday, November 12th, in observance of the Veterans Day holiday. All City refuse collection routes will be pushed back one day that week. City Hall Offices will also be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. The City's Thursday refuse collection route will be collected on Friday.

## December

Date	Meeting	Time
<b>The Following Meetings Are Televised LIVE On CityVision 16</b>		
Tuesday - 4th & 18th	City Council	7:00 pm
Wednesday - 5th & 19th	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
Monday - 10th	Park District Board	6:00 pm

### Other Scheduled Meetings At the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue

Monday - 3rd	Human Relations Commission	6:30 pm
Thursday - 20th	Energy & Environmental Advisory Commission	7:00 pm

### Scheduled Meetings At Other Locations

Wednesday - 13th	Library Board, Conference Room 405 West Main St.	4:30 pm
Thursday - 20th	Carbondale High School Dist. #165 Carbondale High School Cafeteria 1301 E. Walnut	7:00 pm
Thursday - 25th	Elementary School District #95 Thomas School, 1025 N. Wall Street	7:00 pm

**THE OFFICES OF CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED AT:** Noon on Monday, December 24th, and all day on Tuesday, December 25th, for the Christmas holiday. Tuesday through Friday refuse collection routes will be pushed back one day that week. The Monday refuse collection route will not be affected. City Hall Offices will also be closed on Tuesday, January 1st, for the New Years Day holiday. Tuesday through Friday refuse collection routes will be pushed back one day that week. The Monday refuse collection route will not be affected.



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**CARBONDALE COMMUNIQUE**

*Haven't You Heard...*

17th Annual  
**Lights Fantastic Parade**

**Saturday, December 1, 2007**  
**Carbondale, Illinois**  
**6:00 pm**  
(Please note change in start time)

**Parade will begin at Mill Street and South Illinois Avenue.**

This year Grand Avenue will remain open to through traffic.

## Seasonal Leaf Collection Program Offered Through Jan. 18

Carbondale's Seasonal Leaf Collection Program will be offered during the months of November, December and one-half of January. Calls for service will be accepted through January 18, 2008. Participating residents should first rake their leaves to curbside or street side and then call the Environmental Services Office for scheduling. Please do not block sidewalks or rake leaves into ditches or gutters.

The fee during this special Seasonal Leaf Collection Program period is \$17.00 for each collection. The regular fee outside the program

period remains at \$27.00.

- Call 457-3275 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday to schedule service.
- Leave both name & address w/recorded message and identify as requesting loose leaf collection.

The Landscape Waste Bag & Bundle program will continue as usual. Those desiring collection of bagged leaves and grass, bundles or brush may continue to call the number listed above and identify as requesting bag and bundle service.

## 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 contained in an approved device designed for

such purpose. Fires on the ground, in "fire pits" or open containers are not allowed.

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

## Ordinance Promotes Pedestrian Safety During Winter Weather

Snow, sleet, and ice on sidewalks can be hazardous to pedestrians, particularly those who are elderly or disabled. Carbondale is also home to a large number of student residents who walk to and from school. In order to help promote safe travel for pedestrians, City Ordinance requires that owners and occupants of properties adjoining public sidewalks to keep those sidewalks clear of snow, sleet or ice accumulation. This Ordinance requires that a path of at least 30 inches wide be cleared on sidewalks within 48 hours after the end of a snow or other freezing precipitation event.

Occasionally snow, ice, sleet, or freezing rain

on a sidewalk becomes so hard that it cannot be reasonably removed without damaging the sidewalk. In these situations, a sufficient amount of sand or some other abrasive material should be placed on the sidewalk to make travel as safe as possible until the frozen material can be removed. Being proactive and removing snow, sleet, or ice from the sidewalk soon after the freezing precipitation has ended usually makes the removal and clearing process much easier.

If you have any questions about the City's snow and ice removal requirements, please contact the City of Carbondale's Building and Neighborhood Services Division at 457-3237.

## Reminder to Move Vehicles During Snow, Sleet or Ice

Parking is prohibited on Emergency Snow Routes during a snow emergency. A snow emergency is automatically declared when an accumulation of snow and/or ice exceeds two inches. When this occurs, parking on any portion of an Emergency Snow Route street is prohibited, and vehicles will be towed so the snow plows can safely clear the streets.

Permanent signs are posted on each street that is designated as an Emergency Snow Route. These streets are given primary attention during snow, sleet, and ice removal operations. When snow or other freezing precipitation is forecasted,

please make arrangements to move your vehicle(s) to the driveway or garage so that you may avoid having your vehicles towed and or blocked in by piles of compacted snow.

As the streets designated as Emergency Snow Routes become substantially clear of snow, sleet and ice (clear from edge to edge, for the length of an entire block) the "no parking" snow emergency is terminated and parking is again allowed on the street.

If you have questions, please contact the City of Carbondale's Maintenance and Environmental Services Division at 457-3275.

## Interested in serving on a City Board or Commission?

The City government has many 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.

## Eurma C. Hayes Child Care Center

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