



★ EARLY BIRD NEWS ★

The ROTARY CLUB of CARBONDALE-BREAKFAST

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 ★ Governor's Trophy: 1996-97, 2012-13 ★ ★ Bulletin: 1993, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2010 ★ ★ Web Site: 2009 ★
 ★ District Governors: Blanche Carlton Sloan, Jack Langowski ★ Club #26036

EVERY
 ROTARIAN
 EVERY
 YEAR

29 OCTOBER 2013

Service
 ▲ Self

◆ TODAY ◆ Fifth Tuesday Social

RI President **Ron Burton** District Governor **Mike Nowobilski**

DATES TO KNOW

Ongoing Poinsettia Sale
 November Theme: *The Rotary Foundation*
 7 Board Meeting, 11:30 a.m.
 December Theme: *Family of Rotary*
 10 Delivery of poinsettias

November Meetings

Organizers: S Battiste

- 5 The Rotary Foundation: Overview - G. Waring
- 12 Business Meeting
- 19 Rotary Central, DaCdb - J. Langowski
- 26 Projects, Programs, & YOU! - S. Battiste

ERY 2013-14 Goal: 100% participation

REMINDERS

Makeups:

Mon. Noon, Herrin Civic Center
 Wed. 7:30 am, Carterville, Crab Orchard G.C.
 Wed. Noon, Carbondale, Lakeland School
 Th. 7:00 am, Anna-Jonesboro, Union County Hospital
 Th. Noon, Marion, First Methodist Church
 Th. 6:00 pm, Jackson-Williamson Co-Sunset, Crab Orchard G.C.
 Rotaract: 1st & 3rd Mondays, 8 pm, Thebes Rm., St. Center

Contributions: The Rotary Foundation, 14280 Collections Center Drive, Chicago, IL 60693

Recruitment: Ask for packets of information.

Meeting Makeups: Mark "M" in the date block on attendance sheet and clip the makeup card to the clipboard.

Banners: Visiting another club? Take a banner—bring one back.

Inaugural Pumpkin Race

On Saturday, 26 October, the Inaugural (soon-to-be annual) Great Pumpkin Race was conducted in Carbondale by the club and numerous cooperating local agencies, especially Carbondale Main Street and the Tourism bureau. Nearly three dozen local businesses, organizations, and individuals provided sponsorships.

More than 25 pumpkins and would-be pumpkins - decorated and prepared with axles and wheels - rolled down Mill Street leading to the railroad underpass. Some were successful, some were disastrous.

Several hundred spectators, participants, and volunteers witnessed the inaugural event and "oohed" and "aahed" over the often-ingenious, often-colorful, but always entertaining veggie-vehicles.

Participants included a diverse mix of youth (and family), businesses, organizations, and interested and interesting individuals. Costumes were the order of the day.

Special praise to members Marcia Sinnott, Casey Parker, Shane Carsrud, emcee Greg Petrowich, and referee Randy Osborn for their key roles. Twenty club members total assisted with setup, cleanup, logistics, operations, and overall planning and implementation.

Assignments: November 2013

<u>Greeter & Introductions</u>	<u>Moment of Reflection</u>	<u>Rotary Insight (RI) / Classification Talk (CT) / Getting to Know Ourselves</u>
5 T Mathias	D Becque	M Cropper (GKO)
12 T Ojewuyi	F Becque	J Hesketh (RI)
19 C Parker	F Betz	S Heyer (GKO)
26 G Petrowich	J Betz	C Hinde (RI)

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♪ Bird Calls ♪

Last Meeting

- ▶ **Pumpkin Race:** Twenty members volunteered, attended, or participated. Hooray, Marcia!
- 🌸 **Poinsettias:** Ready, **G-o-o-o-o !**
- ★ **November:** Foundation Month.
- 🎵 **October Birthdays:** PDG Jack (6), Kathy (13), Matt (17), Rich (25), John (29).
- **Programs:** November (Foundation Comm.), December (?).
- * **Reminder:** When you contribute to The Rotary Foundation, please notify Foundation chair, **PE Steve**.
- 💰 **Pig!** Missed a meeting? Please make up your contribution.
- ➔ **Roster Updates?** Notify Secretary **Dan**.
- ☐ **Dues:** Jan. 1, Apr. 1, July 1, Oct.1. Treasurer **Shane**.

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**YOUR NOTES** ➡

*Hog Wild Again!*

T Mathias, F Betz, J Betz,  
S Battiste, M Sinnott,  
D Becque, F Becque,  
C Hinde, C Parker,  
G Petrowich, O Weidner,  
S Carsrud, R Osborn,  
G Waring, J Wides,  
R Sarao, M Cropper,  
S Heyer *who's next?*



*Yum! Yum! More, please!*

## Visiting Rotarians & Guests

### Illinois Masonic Children's Home

**November Davison** shared a close-up view of the IMCH - Murphysboro, touching on origins and history, operations, support, programs, activities, and much more. The highly informative PowerPoint presentation elicited a vigorous round of Q&A.

The Masons established the first facility for orphans in Chicago in 1886, then relocated to a nine-acre site in LaGrange in 1911. The need for a downstate home became a reality in 2003-2004, with the opening of the Murphysboro home on the three-acre site, previously a school. The downstate facility features three homes with a cottage-style setting (rather than dormitory) plus an administration building. Both homes are licensed by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

The downstate home is sponsored and supported by many lodges, primarily in Southern Illinois, but also throughout the state. Youth served in the downstate home come mostly from I-70 south.

Youth served are 4 to 18 years old with voluntary placement. They may stay in the facility until high school graduation. They are residents of Illinois and do not suffer from severe behavioral, psychiatric, or substance abuse issues.

The existing homes operate on a \$1.5-million budget. Although the original facility was exclusive to Masons' family members, the current operation is open to any youth needing such care. The two homes are not treatment facilities and do not offer emergency placement.

Among unique characteristics of the IMCH program are no-cost placement, retention of parental rights, diverse youth populations, strong social and academic focus, and a safe, nurturing environment, achieved through a home-like rather than an institutional setting.

President Randy presented a check from the club's proceeds of the **100 Men Who Cook** event.

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