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Issue

# Pumpkin Dispatch

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**Save the Dates:**  
**52<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Pumpkin Festival  
October 23 – 27,  
2013**

**Festival Commit-  
tee Meetings**  
7:00 p.m.  
Sycamore Center

Use the Somonauk  
Street entrance  
and go down the  
back staircase.

**2013 Meetings:**

**January 16\***

February 20

March 20

April 17

May 15

June 19

July 17

August 21

September 18

October 16

November 20

December 18

**\*Vendor meeting  
& 2013 Board  
elections**

**Mandatory Vendor  
Meeting:**

**September 18,  
2013**

**Deadline for Ven-  
dor Application**

**Vendor & parade  
forms will be  
posted on the PF  
website in July.**

**Sycamore Pumpkin Festival Committee**

**P.O. Box 262 Sycamore, IL 60178**

## **51<sup>st</sup> Annual Pumpkin Festival Celebration!**



Thanks to all of you for making the 51<sup>st</sup> Pumpkin Festival so successful!

*Photo:* PFC members Marianne Vogel, Bill Dombek and Julie Brannon, serving the cake which was once again donated by Browns County Market!

### **DeKalb Rotary takes Silver Spatula Award!**

Congratulations to DeKalb Rotary for winning the “Silver Spatula Award.” Each year Christel Springmire from the DeKalb County Health Department certifies that each food vendor adheres to the rules for proper food temperatures, food prep guidelines, cleaning procedures, etc. and awards one of them this honor.

### **Sycamore Angels Rebekah Lodge Wins Vendor’s “Best Use of Theme”**

Congratulations to the Sycamore Angels Rebekah Lodge for winning the Pumpkin Festival’s award for the best use of theme in decorating their vendor booth.

## **The Pumpkin Festival Needs Your Help!**

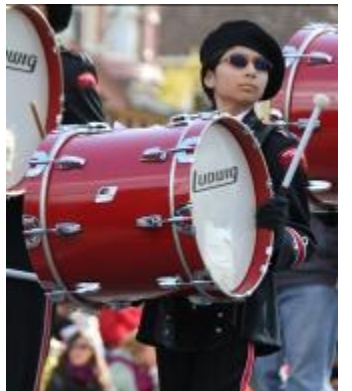
Several of the Pumpkin Festival Committee members’ terms are expiring at the end of 2012 and we need people for next years committee. There are 12 board positions that may be filled by representatives from the vendor organizations. Currently only 8 of the board positions are filled. We really need some new board members from you organizations to fill the **orange vests!**



# Scenes from the 51st Annual Sycamore Pumpkin Festival









## Vendors Remember: The 10% Contribution

If you have not sent in your 10% contribution report and check to Julie Brannon, please send it by the January 16, 2013 meeting.

Thanks in advance!

**The Sycamore Pumpkin Fest address:**

**Sycamore Pumpkin Festival Committee  
P.O. Box 262  
Sycamore, IL 60178**



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Appearance

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Entertainment

## Pumpkin Festival Parade

**Best of Parade:** Ideal Industries

**Best Use of Theme:** Cornerstone Christian Academy

**Crowd Pleaser:** SHS Class of '73

**Neighborhood & Family:** Malmassari Family

**Organization:** Cornerstone Christian Academy Sports  
Boosters

**Commercial:** Ideal Industries

**Non-Commercial:** SHS Class of '73

### Bands, Class 1

1st - DeKalb High School

### Bands, Class 2

1st-Central High School; 2nd-Forreston High School

### Bands, Class 3

1st-Indian Creek High School ; 2nd-Somonauk High School; 3rd-Genoa-Kingston High School

### Bands, Junior High

1st-DeKalb Huntley Middle School ; 2nd-Jr Regiment from Sandwich Middle School; 3rd-Eisenhower Junior High School



### 2012 Board Members

President - Jerry Malmassari  
Vice President - Bart Desch  
Treasurer - Gary Crain  
Recording Secretary - Jennifer Diehl  
Corresponding Secretary - Jerome Perez  
Directors - Julie Brannon, Marianne Vogel, K.O. Johnson  
Legal Advisor - Jim Dombek  
Police Advisor - Mike Anderson

### 2012 Committee Chairs

Banners/Property/Flags - Jerry Malmassari  
Teen Carnival/Kiddie Carnival - Gary Crain  
Historian - Jerry Malmassari  
Information Booth - Jerry Malmassari  
Newsletter - Jerome Perez  
Parade/Bands - K.O. Johnson, Bart Desch, Jerome Perez, & Mike Anderson  
Permits/Health Dept. - Julie Brannon  
Port-a-Potties/Trash/Food Court - Bart Desch  
Brochure - Marianne Vogel  
Theme Contest - Jennifer Diehl