

June 2013  
Issue

# Pumpkin Dispatch

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

Festival Committee  
Meetings  
7:00 p.m.  
Sycamore Center

Use the Somonauk  
Street entrance and go  
down the back stair-  
case.

### 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:

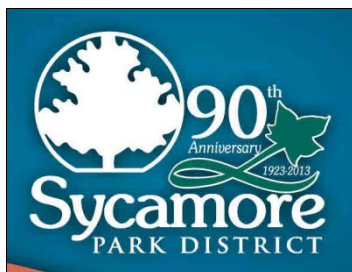
September 18, 2013

**Deadline for Vendor  
Application**

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

Sycamore Pumpkin Festival Committee

P.O. Box 262 Sycamore, IL 60178



## Friend of the Festival Announced

It is with a great deal of pleasure that the Sycamore Pumpkin Festival Committee announces its 2013 "Friend of the Festival," The Sycamore Park District. Established in 1923 by the voters of Sycamore, the Sycamore Park District has grown from having just a golf course-established in 1924- to over 400 acres in

16 parks throughout Sycamore. The park district is proud of its history, and the contribution it makes to the Quality of Life of our citizens. The Community Center, the Sports Complex and the Swimming Pool allow for a wide variety of recreation activities and opportunities, and make the City of Sycamore an attractive place for people to live, and for business to locate. Governed by an elected board of five Commissioners – Ted Strack, Michelle Schulz, Ann Tucker, Daryl Graves, and Bill Kroeger – the park district is in the midst of planning for its future.

## 2013 Theme Contest Winners

The theme for the 2013 Sycamore Pumpkin Festival is "Pumpkin Adventures." The 2013 Pumpkin Festival Theme was submitted by Savanna Dean, a 1st grader at North Grove School in Sycamore. Honorable Mentions went to Maxim Breidenbach, a 3rd grader at South Prairie, and Sophia Teran, a 3rd grader at South East, for their entries. Congratulations to all of the 2013 finalists, pictured below.



## The 2013 Vendor and Parade applications are now available.

To the Pumpkin Festival Not-for-Profit Vendors and Parade participants.

The vendor and parade applications are now available on the web site.

[sycamorepumpkinfestival.com](http://sycamorepumpkinfestival.com)

**All applications should be returned to the Sycamore Pumpkin Festival PO Box.**

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## Help Wanted

The Sycamore Pumpkin Festival Committee is still looking to fill two vacant board positions. Non-Profit participants of the festival may nominate someone from their organization to serve on the board. The terms are for 3 years.

The festival does not run itself, and without adequate staffing on the PFC board some activities may have to be curtailed due to the lack of staff to organize and run them. Please inquire within your organizations to see if any members would be willing to serve on the Pumpkin Festival Board.

Won't **YOU** please consider joining us? Contact one of the current committee members to find out more if you are interested.

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### **2013 Board Members**

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

### **2013 Committee Chairs**

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