

Champaign-Urbana Area Events/Meetings – Happy 2012

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Do you live in Champaign County, need to register to vote and/or change your name/address? Email to carlettadonaldson0713@gmail.com. Upcoming 2012 Elections: Primary Election – March 20; General Election – November 6.

Monday, January 2, 2012

1:00pm – U of I Women's Basketball vs. Purdue – Assembly Hall*

6:00pm – Monday Night Football at the American Legion Post 559 (704 N. Hickory, Champaign) until the game ends.*

Tuesday, January 3

6:00pm – Illinois Public Media/WILL/TV/Radio - Community Cinema Series Film screening – “Daisy Bates: the First Lady of Little Rock” at the Champaign Public Library. Panelists: Erma Bridgewater, 98+ year resident of Champaign; Rev. Dr. Claude E. Shelby, President of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Advocacy for Justice Committee and Pastor of Salem Baptist Church; and Pastor Rickey Parks, Arkansas native and Pastor of Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church. Panel/audience discussion after the film screening.*

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, January 5

7:00pm – 9:00pm - Gospel Skate Night at Skateland in Savoy, sponsored by the New Generation Christian Fellowship Youth Department. Door prizes, gospel music; bring baby food for The Crisis Nursery to be entered into a drawing for cool prizes! Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact Cessily Wilson at 217-390-5106.*

Friday, January 6

ALL DAY – First Friday Receipt Day only at the **Dairy Queen** located at **3602 N. Mattis Ave., Champaign**. Purchase items on this day (**January 6**), save your receipt, bring it back **on or before January 31** and receive **everything** on that receipt **FREE**.

Saturday, January 7

2:00pm – Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Community Celebration Choir Rehearsal at Salem Baptist Church (500 E. Park St., Champaign). The **Community Celebration will be at 5:00pm on January 15, 2012** at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts located at 500 S. Goodwin, Urbana.

Sunday, January 8

2:00pm – U of I Women's Basketball vs. Wisconsin – Assembly Hall*

Monday, January 9

6:00pm – Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

6:00pm – **Monday Night Football** at the American Legion Post 559 (704 N. Hickory, Champaign) until the game ends.*

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 10

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, January 11

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Friday, January 13

4:00pm – 6:00pm - The Cities of Champaign and Urbana, the Champaign County Board, Parkland College and the University of Illinois invite citizens to attend the **11th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Countywide Celebration** at the Hilton Garden Inn (1501 S. Neil St., Champaign).

6:00pm – 9:00pm – Watch the **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Speech** at the Douglass Community Center. Discussion of its influence after the speech. All ages. **FREE**

Saturday, January 14

2:00pm – **Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Community Celebration Choir Rehearsal** at Salem Baptist Church (500 E. Park St., Champaign). The **Community Celebration will be at 5:00pm on January 15, 2012** at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts located at 500 S. Goodwin, Urbana. **FREE**

Sunday, January 15 – **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther Jr.'s Birthday**

5:00pm – **Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Celebration** at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts – **FREE**

Monday, January 16 – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Holiday – “A Day on, not a Day Off”

8:30am – 10:30am - **Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast** – Vineyard Church (1500 N. Lincoln Ave., Urbana). **FREE**

6:00pm – **Monday Night Football** at the American Legion Post 559 (704 N. Hickory, Champaign) until the game ends.*

Tuesday, January 17

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Thursday, January 19

7:00pm - **U of I Women's Basketball vs. Penn State** – Assembly Hall*

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Saturday, January 21

10:00am – 1:00pm – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Culminating Community Event - MLK Writing Contest and presentation of winners at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, 500 South Goodwin Avenue, Urbana. For more information, contact the event chair: Sam Smith at smsmith3@illinois.edu. **FREE**

Monday, January 23

6:00pm – Champaign Unit 4 Special Board Meeting

6:00pm – **Monday Night Football** at the American Legion Post 559 (704 N. Hickory, Champaign) until the game ends.*

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 24

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Friday, January 27

10:00pm – 1:00am – Youth Ministry Annual Midnight Musical at Church of the Apostolic Authority (formerly Alpha & Omega located at 400 W. Bradley, Champaign). Contact Elder Jerrod Henderson at jahender@illinois.edu or Lisa Young amyyoung1@illinois.edu to participate in the program.

Saturday, January 28

7:00pm – 1:30am – Dehrizz Entertainments presents the 2nd Annual “A Night of Elegance” at 88 Broadway, Urbana (south end of Lincoln Square), catering to ages 30 & up. Massage, shoe shine, manicure, and stepper’s class available from **7pm – 9pm**; photographer available; guest chefs and vendors. Cost: \$15 (but only a limited number of tickets available). For tickets/information, call Ed at 217-419-5392, Carla at 217-766-6939, 217-553-5081. Website: www.dehrizz.com.*

Sunday, January 29

12noon – **PACK THE HALL - U of I Women’s Basketball vs. Nebraska** at the Assembly Hall. **FREE***

Monday, January 30

6:00pm – **Monday Night Football** at the American Legion Post 559 (704 N. Hickory, Champaign) until the game ends.*

Tuesday, January 31

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, February 1 – Saturday, February 4

TBA – **Youth Explosion** at The Church of the Apostolic Authority (400 W. Bradley, Champaign).

Wednesday, February 1

7:00pm - Church of the Apostolic Authority (400 W. Bradley) presenting a play about **The Rapture** written by Tanesha King titled “**Will You Be Ready?**”

Thursday, February 2

Carlos & Willeta Donaldson celebrating their 52nd Wedding Anniversary
7:30pm - U of I Women's Basketball vs. Minnesota – Assembly Hall*

Friday, February 3

ALL DAY – First Friday Receipt Day only at the Dairy Queen located at 3602 N. Mattis Ave., Champaign. Purchase items on this day (**February 3**), save your receipt, bring it back **on or before February 29**) and receive everything on that receipt free.
TBA – Save the Date - Champaign County NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet at the I-Hotel and Conference Center.*

Saturday, February 4

6:00pm – Church of the Apostolic Authority Youth Explosion Musical Concert at 400 W. Bradley, Champaign.

Sunday, February 5

3:00pm – African American Read-In at Bethel A.M.E. Church. Bring a short passage to read which **must be written by** an African American Author.

5:00pm – NFL Super Bowl

Monday, February 6

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 7

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Wednesday, February 8

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Thursday, February 9

7:00pm - U of I Women's Basketball vs. Ohio State – Assembly Hall*

Saturday, February 11

7:00pm – 11:00pm – Douglass Valentine “Old School” Steppers’ Set for ages 21 and over at the Douglass Community Center. **Fee \$6.00.**

Monday, February 13

6:00pm – Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 14 – VALENTINE’S DAY

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Thursday, February 16

6:00pm – 8:00pm – Family African American Read-In Night at Douglass Annex.
Bring a **short passage** to read **written by** an African American. **FREE**

Monday, February 20 – President's Day

6:30pm - U of I Women's Basketball vs. Northwestern – Assembly Hall*

Tuesday, February 21 – Last Day for Deputy Registrars to Register Voters

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Thursday, February 23

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Monday, February 27 – First Day for Early Voting (for March 20 primary)

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 28

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, February 29 – LEAP YEAR

COMING TO CHAMPAIGN-URBANA IN THE MONTH OF MARCH - It's About Time For a Miracle" play written by LaShae Hughes McCray. **FREE – Time and place to be determined soon. FREE***

Thursday, March 1

DEADLINE to purchase \$20.00 tickets for the Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's event celebrating the **Cotillion Ball's 40th Year with a Debutante Reunion** at the I-Hotel and Conference Center on Friday, April 13. Semi-Formal Attire. Submit payment in form of check or money order made out to Gamma Upsilon Psi Society, P.O. Box 566, Champaign, IL 61824-0566. Indicate that payment is for the Debutante Reunion and include the year that you were in the Cotillion. **After today, March 1, the cost will be \$25.00 (cash only)** at the door. For questions/information, contact Gamma President Katrina Kindle.

Saturday, March 3

TBA – Empty Tomb, Inc. Mega Work-A-Thon. Contact Empty Tomb at 301 N. Fourth St., P.O. Box 2404, Champaign, IL 61825-2404 for more information.*

2:00pm – 6:00pm – “Stomp for Excellence” Step Show at the Douglass Community Center. All ages. The fee is \$6.00.

Monday, March 5

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Commission Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 6

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Monday, March 12

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 13

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, March 14

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Thursday, March 15

Last Day to early vote for March 20 primary at permanent early voting locations

Saturday, March 17

3:00pm – Champaign Park District Douglass Seniors will be hosting a “**Tom Thumb Wedding**” at the Douglass Community Center with youth age 5- 17. Tickets are **\$5.00** in advance and includes the reception.

Monday, March 19

Last Day to early vote for March 20 primary at the Brookens Building

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 20 – REMEMBER TO VOTE!!!

6:00am – 7:00pm – **General Primary Elections – REMEMBER TO VOTE!!!**

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

Thursday, March 22

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Monday, March 26

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 27

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Monday, April 2

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Commission Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 3

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Monday, April 9

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 10

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, April 11

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Friday, April 13

7:00pm – 10:00pm - Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's celebrates the **Cotillion Ball's 40th Year with a Debutante Reunion** at the I-Hotel and Conference Center. Semi-Formal Attire. Tickets are \$20.00 per person until March 1, 2012. Submit payment in form of check or money order made out to Gamma Upsilon Psi Society, P.O. Box 566, Champaign, IL 61824-0566. Indicate that payment is for the Debutante Reunion and include the year that you were in the Cotillion. After March 1, the cost will be \$25.00 (**cash only**) at the door. For questions/information, contact Gamma President Katrina Kindle.

Saturday, April 14

6:00pm - Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's **40th Annual Cotillion Ball** at the I-Hotel and Conference Center. Tickets \$40.00. Contact any debutante or Gamma member for more information or to purchase tickets.

Monday, April 16

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 17

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Thursday, April 19

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Friday, April 20

6:00pm – 10:00pm – **Bid Whiz Tournament** at Douglass Annex for those aged 50 and older. Cost \$10 per team. Prizes awarded to the top 4 teams. Call 217-398-2572 for more information.

Monday, April 23

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 24

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Tuesday, May 1

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, May 3 – Saturday, May 5

Baptist General State Convention of Illinois' Pearl Beatrice Singleton Woman's Auxiliary Retreat – **“Women of Faith Moving Forward”** at the Crowne Plaza Hotels & Resorts in Springfield, IL*

Monday, May 7

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 8

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, May 9

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Monday, May 14

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 15

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Monday, May 21

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 22

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Thursday, May 24

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Sunday, May 27

3:00pm – Urbana High School Class of 2012 Graduation – Assembly Hall

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day – We Shall Not Forget!

Tuesday, May 29

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Monday, June 4

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 5

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Monday, June 10

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Monday, June 11

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 12

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, June 13

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Monday, June 18

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 19

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, June 21

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Monday, June 25

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 26

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Friday, July 13

GUESS WHO IS TURNING 50? “Praise God From Whom ALL Blessings Flow!”