

## Champaign-Urbana Area Events/Meetings

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**Do you live in Champaign County and need to register to vote and/or change your name/address? Contact Carletta Donaldson at [cjdonald713@yahoo.com](mailto:cjdonald713@yahoo.com).  
Upcoming Elections: General Primary Election – March 20, 2012; General Election – November 6, 2012**

### Saturday, December 10

**9:00am- 12noon** – Canaan Baptist Church Bring Every Teen Ministry and Salem Baptist Church Youth Ministry presents **“Protect our Children: What every Youth worker should know about Teen Dating Violence, Bullying and Internet Victimization.”** FREE. Register no later than Thursday December 8 by faxing registration form or by calling Cynthia Williams at 217-356-3214 or Audrey Peppers at 217-493-1438. Workshop to be held at the Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center located at 1401 E. Main St., Urbana. Be there by 8:30am to sign in – workshop starts at 9:00am.\*

**10:00am – 12noon** – Glory Center **Community Coat Drive**. Men, women, and children new, gently used clothing & winter apparel at The Glory Center (606 N.; Country Fair Drive, Ch.) for your donations. For more info, call (217)355-5008.

**10:30am – 3:30pm** – **“Help Portrait”** Event at the University YMCA (located at 1001 S. Wright St., Champaign). They “...don’t want to take your picture, [they] want to give it to you **FREE**. Individuals, families welcome to attend and have their picture taken. For more information, go to [www.help-portrait.com](http://www.help-portrait.com).\*

**12:15pm until** - The Champaign County Convention & Visitors Bureau will host the State Farm Shootout at the Hall, at the Dodds Athletic Center at Parkland College. Premier high school boys’ basketball players from around Illinois will compete head-to-head in seven games. Tickets will only be available at the door and the prices will now be \$8 for adults and \$5 for students. For those who already have tickets purchased, they will still be accepted. In addition, the adult ticket holders will receive a \$4 credit to the concession stand. For more information, call us at (217)351-4133.

Schedule:

**12:15pm Rantoul** vs. Chicago Hope Academy

**2:00pm** Springfield Lanphier vs. Peoria Manual

**3:45pm St. Thomas More** vs. Urbana

**5:30pm Champaign Centennial** vs. Chicago Curie

**7:15pm** Niles Notre Dame vs. Crete-Monee

**1:00pm – Mo’Beta Fall Recital** at Salem Baptist Church’s Old Sanctuary (500 E. Park, Champaign). **Let us support the young people of our community!**

**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.

**2:00pm – For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf**, a **Choreopoem** by Ntozake Shange at the Armory Free Theatre; directed by Lisa Dixon.\*

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**7:00pm** – Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church – **Winter Gala – A Black Tie Affair** at Local 703 Labor Hall, 108 East Anthony Drive, Urbana. Tickets - \$35.00 per person. Gospel Comedian, Ronald Baker Jr. Contact Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church at 356-9633 or [www.pilgrimmb.org](http://www.pilgrimmb.org).

**7:00pm – 8:55pm** – **Champaign Police Chief Candidate Forum – Channel 5 (Comcast)**

**7:30pm** - **For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf**, a **Choreopoem** by Ntozake Shange at the Armory Free Theatre; directed by Lisa Dixon.\*

**11:00pm – 12:55am** - **Champaign Police Chief Candidate Forum – Channel 5 (Comcast)**

**Sunday, December 11**

**11:00am**– St. Luke C.M.E. Church **Men’s Day**

**2:00pm – 3:55pm** - **Champaign Police Chief Candidate Forum – Channel 5 (Comcast)**

**3:00pm** – Bethel A.M.E. Church (401 E. Park St., Champaign) Mass Choir Concert - **“A Festival of Songs: Giving God the Highest Praise.”**

**3:00pm – 5:00pm** - American Legion Post 559 Auxiliary, Post with Rodney Buter and Sons (aka BBB), High Maintenance Divaz S/C and Femme Fatale are hosting the **27<sup>th</sup> Annual Children’s Christmas Party** at 704 N. Hickory, Champaign for youth age 6 months – 12 years old and accompanied by an adult.\*

**3:00pm** – Morningstar Freewill Baptist Church **100th Centennial & Historical Choir Anniversary – We’ve Come This Far by Faith (2 Corinthians 5:7): “A Blast from the Past and with the Present Special Musical Service.”\***

**4:30pm** – Rose & Taylor (Legendary Community Landmark) presents a **Community Forum Summit at the Rose & Taylor Barber & Beauty Shop (124 N. First St., C.)** – focusing on **Education, Economics, Community and Accountability** and addressing the issues, concerns, and problems that plague “our”

community...replacing the problems with **SOLUTIONS**, putting them into **ACTION!** **COME WITH SOLUTIONS YOU INTEND TO PUT INTO ACTION.** U of I Educational Policy Studies Associate Professor Chris Span and colleagues will conduct the summits.\*

**6:00pm** – **“The MESSIAH”** will be performed at the Canaan Academy (207 N. Central, Urbana) and directed by W. T. Summerville.\*

**7:00pm – 8:55pm** - **Champaign Police Chief Candidate Forum – Channel 5 (Comcast)**

**Monday, December 12**

**8:00pm – 9:55am** - **Champaign Police Chief Candidate Forum – Channel 5 (Comcast)**

**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, December 13**

**9:00am** – **General Primary Election Ballot placement** – at the Brookens Building (1776 E. Washington, Urbana)

**7:00pm** – Champaign City Council Meeting

**Tuesday, December 13 (cont'd)**

**7:30pm** – Urbana School Board Meeting – Agenda includes **final action** on the subdistrict map (boundaries from which the school district's board members are elected).

**Wednesday, December 14**

**5:30pm** – A University of Illinois Urban Planning class presenting a series of reports/materials about local neighborhood conditions & North 1<sup>st</sup> Street. at the Land of Lincoln Legal Aid Building (302 N. First St., Ch.). A University of Illinois Urban Planning class presenting a series of reports/materials about local neighborhood conditions & North 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

**5:30pm** – Urbana Human Relations Commission

**7:00pm** - "**Children's Christmas Music and Drama**" at the Canaan Academy (207 N. Central, Urbana). Traditional and African American sacred music will be performed by children from grades Pre K – 5 and will be directed by W.T. Summerville, Outreach Coordinator, U of I Department of African American Studies.

**7:00pm** – Independent Television Series & Illinois Public Media's Community Cinema Series film – **Troop 1500** – on WILL-TV Channel 12 (Comcast). For more information, go to [willconnect.org/projects/cinema](http://willconnect.org/projects/cinema). \*

**Saturday, December 17**

**10:00am – 12noon** – St. Luke C.M.E. Church (809 N. Fifth St., Ch.) **Food Pantry**

**1:00pm** – U of I Women's Basketball Game vs. Texas Tech – United Center

**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, December 18**

**3:00pm – 6:00pm** – **FREE Community Christmas Feast** – Douglass Community Center. For more information go to <http://sundayaction.eventbrite.com> or call 217-232-1969. Sponsored by Sunday Action.\*

**5:00pm** – **Christmas Musical** at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church with the Mt. Olive Choir and other guests.

**5:00pm – 8:00pm** – American Legion Post 559 **Members/Guests Annual Christmas Party** 704 N. Hickory, Ch.). **FREE\***

**Monday, December 19**

**DEADLINE** to make reservations (call 217-649-2315 or email [christmasdinner@fcc-online.org](mailto:christmasdinner@fcc-online.org).) for the First Christian Church (3601 S. Staley Rd., Champaign) **FREE** Holiday Turkey Dinner on Christmas Day at 2:00pm . Limited transportation is available Sign up to volunteer at [www.fcc-online.org/#home/christmas-dinner](http://www.fcc-online.org/#home/christmas-dinner).

**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

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**Tuesday, December 20**

**7:00pm** - The Glory Center Annual Christmas Program: Celebrating the True Meaning of Christmas. It's a holiday production, a special TNT service with presentations from our youth, music, and drama ministries.

**Friday, December 23**

**8:00pm** – CU on Broadway – Steppin' into Christmas - Start your holiday weekend off with good people and good music!

**Sunday, December 25 – “Jesus is the Reason for the Season” – Merry Christmas**

**6:00am** – Sunrise Service at New Freewill Missionary Baptist Church – (601 E. Grove St., C.)

**9:00am – 10:00am** – The Glory Center's Special Christmas Day Service

Come to The Glory Center for a one hour of power-packed celebration on Christmas Morning. Let us not forget to celebrate the greatest gift this Christmas - **Jesus Christ!**

**2:00pm** – First Christian Church (3601 S. Staley Rd., Champaign) serving a **FREE** Holiday Turkey Dinner. Limited transportation is available – dinner served regardless of the weather. Reservations are required **no later than December 19** – call 217-649-2315 or email [christmasdinner@fcc-online.org](mailto:christmasdinner@fcc-online.org). Sign up to volunteer at [www.fcc-online.org/#home/christmas-dinner](http://www.fcc-online.org/#home/christmas-dinner).

**Monday, December 26**

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

**Wednesday, December 28**

**6:00pm – 7:00pm** – Gal Up Discussion Hour –Women coming together in a safe space to discuss their lives and to socialize at the Up Center of the Champaign County Independent Media Center (200 S. Broadway, Urbana – south end of Lincoln Square)

**7:00pm** – U of I Women's Basketball Game vs. Alabama A & M – Assembly Hall

**Friday, December 30**

**7:30pm** – U of I Women's Basketball Game vs. Michigan – Assembly Hall

**Saturday, December 31**

**7:00pm** – Bryan McMullan's New Year's Eve Party 2011 at the Round Barn Banquet Centre. Call Bryan at 217-637-4240 or facebook for discounted tickets.

**10:00pm** – Night Watch Service - New Freewill Baptist Church (601 E. Grove St., Ch.)

**10:30pm** – Bethel A.M.E. Church & St. Luke C.M.E. Church **Joint Night Watch Service** at Bethel A.M.E. Church (401 E. Park St., Champaign).

**SAVE THE DATES – 2012 EVENTS/MEETINGS**

**Sunday, January 1, 2012**

**GO TO CHURCH – START THE YEAR OUT IN FELLOWSHIP**

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**Monday, January 2**

**12noon/2pm – 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. Discussion to follow after the film.\*

**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**

**Friday, January 13**

**4:00pm – 5:00pm – 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).

**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.

**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”**

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

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**Thursday, January 19**

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

**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

**Friday, January 27**

**10:00pm – 1:00am** – **Annual Midnight Musical** at Church of the Apostolic Authority (formerly Alpha & Omega located at 400 W. Bradley, Champaign). **PLEASE SAVE THE DATE!** Come fellowship with the youth ministry of CAA as we lift of the name of Jesus. Please contact Elder Jerrod Henderson ([jahender@illinois.edu](mailto:jahender@illinois.edu)) at or Lisa Young ([amyyoung1@illinois.edu](mailto:amyyoung1@illinois.edu)) if you would like to participate on the program. Please spread the word.

**Sunday, January 29**

**12noon - U of I Women's Basketball vs. Nebraska – Assembly Hall**

**Monday, January 30**

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

**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 will be presenting **“Will You Be Ready?”**

**Thursday, February 2**

**Carlos & Willeta Donaldson celebrating 52<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

**7:30pm - U of I Women's Basketball vs. Minnesota – Assembly Hall**

**Friday, February 3**

**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**

**5:00pm** – **NFL Super Bowl**

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**Thursday, February 9**

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

**Sunday, February 14 – VALENTINE'S DAY**

**Monday, February 20 – President's Day**

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

**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.\*

**Saturday, March 17**

**TBA – Champaign Park District Douglass Seniors** will be hosting a “Tom Thumb Wedding.” Tickets are **\$5.00** in advance.

**Tuesday, March 20**

**6:00am – 7:00pm – General Primary Elections**

**Friday, April 13**

**7:00pm – 10:00pm - Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Cotillion Ball Celebration** at the I-Hotel and Conference Center. Semi-Formal Attire. More information to follow.

**Saturday, April 14**

**6:00pm - Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's 2012 Cotillion Ball (40<sup>th</sup> Annual)**

**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\*