

Girard Chamber to sponsor City Wide Garage Sale

The Girard Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a City Wide Garage Sale in conjunction with the Blue Carpet Corridor on Saturday, June 11.

Maureen Nichols is coordinating the City Wide Garage Sale which will include a map of all garage sales going on throughout the city.

Residents wishing to sign up to be listed on the map must do so by Wednesday, May 18. Information needed will be name, address, phone and garage sale description up to 20 words. Contact Maureen Nichols to register by texting to her phone at (217) 414-6543 or emailing at girardgaragesales@gmail.com.

Girard Blue Carpet Corridor coordinators Randy Gray and Darrin Burnett said that there would be music all day in the city park and that the Boy Scouts would be offering their old fashioned rides around the city square. In addition their will be food vendors offering old fashioned treats.

Guest speaker during the Chamber's May meeting was Mark D. Wicklund, Democratic Candidate for the 13th Congressional District.

The Girard Chamber will be giving away a \$500 and a \$250 scholarship to two North Mac seniors on May 18.

Rev. Mary Alice Cunningham said that the North Mac baccalaureate would be hosted at 3 p.m., on Sunday, May 22, at the Virden Methodist Church.

The chamber voted to donate \$100 each to two North

Mac Capital Area Career Center students who will be traveling to compete in National competition.

Darrin Burnett with Pleasant Hill Village, said they were beginning to plan for this fall's fundraiser which will be hosted Oct. 15 at the Virden K.C. Hall.

Bill Giles reported that new signs which will be added to the sign at the 4 way stop along Rt. 4 in Girard. The new signs will include ones for the Blue Carpet Corridor, Girard Festival Days, and Carlinville Area Hospital.

Dr. Jaunita Rule said that a Mark Gifford organ concert will be hosted at the First Christian Church on Friday, June 24. Tickets are \$20 each and all profits will be donated to help build the Girard Community Center located on the south side of the Girard square.

Dr. Todd Babcock said that donations had helped com-

plete the building's heating and air conditioning systems. That improvement cost about \$16,000..

Attending May's meeting were President Victor Angulo, Vice President Darrin Burnett, Secretary Deb Burnett, Treasurer Mike Mauk, Peggy and Bill Giles, Bill Deck, Randy Gray, Bob Ernst, Dawn Horrell, Dave Campbell, Mary Alice Cunningham, John Earley, Phil Garner, Miss Girard Sarah Watson, Mark Wicklund, Dr. Juanita Rule, Millie Burgess Kevin Patrick, Dr. Todd Babcock, Marueen Nichols and Nathan Jones.

Girard Chiropractic, owner Dr. Todd Babcock sponsored the May 11th chamber breakfast which was hosted at Doc's Soda Fountain. The Chamber will next meet on Wednesday, June 8th, at Oak Leaf Country Club. The June chamber breakfast will be sponsored by Summitt Brokerage, agent Tom Stoecker.



Mark D. Wicklund, democratic candidate for the 13th Congressional District, was guest speaker during May's Chamber meeting



Girard Chamber members were invited to Magic Beans Coffee House following their May 11 meeting to welcome the new business into town. Girard Chamber President Victor Angulo congratulates Magic Beans Coffee House owner Dr. Todd Babcock as fellow chamber members look on. In lower photo Dr. Babcock operates the new coffee bean roaster at Magic Beans Coffee House which is located on the west side of the Girard square. Magic Beans Coffee House is open 7:30 to 11 a.m. and from 3:30 to 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday and from 7:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday.