

## Community Partnerships

*Vulcan's community involvement, socially and economically*

Vulcan has developed community partnerships in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, which include the sponsorship of programs and services that local associations and governments deliver to local residents in order to improve quality of life.

In McCook, Vulcan is proud to support programs that provide seniors with lunches and help offset the costs of local taxi rides. Across our Midwest Division, Vulcan hosts community information lines so that local residents can reach Vulcan and express comments or concerns. Vulcan supports community festivals in Manteno and Francesville because they help attract new businesses and encourage people to spend in the community. Vulcan believes that all community members have a vested interest in working together – that's the nature of the community concept. By working together and partnering at the community level, the entire community benefits.

Vulcan is an active participant in chambers of commerce and local economic development associations. Among other partnerships, Vulcan works closely with the Will County Center for Economic Development, the the Monon Chamber of Commerce and the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation.

One partnership at a time, Vulcan is helping build stronger communities.



## OKTOBERFEST

Thousands annually converge in Manteno for one of the biggest events of the year: Oktoberfest. Working with the Manteno Chamber of Commerce, Vulcan helps bring this great local, family event to the community. With talent shows, carnival rides, bean bag tournaments, garage sale days, a pet parade, a car show, a craft show, a 5k run for education, bingo, burger fest, Guitar Hero contest, food vendors and street merchants, Oktoberfest is the best fall event around. A favorite of young and old alike is the much-anticipated nighttime lighted Oktoberfest parade.

Vulcan's exhibit at Oktoberfest is full of fall family fun, including a kids' corner where children are able to dig for fossils in a sandbox, see the "Extreme Machine" loaders, paint their own hard hat, climb the rock wall, and build their own pet rock. Vulcan invites visitors to take a bus tour of our quarry, making Oktoberfest fun for everyone.