

What's Happening in Vermilion County this Weekend

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Friday, April 9, 2010

Sleepy Creek Vineyards – Winery open 10AM-6PM. Art show: 4th annual Sow's Ear Challenge on display April 3-June 10 – the theme is Plastic containment devices. The challenge was to take used and discarded plastic bottles and other plastic containers.

Moose Lodge 1001 Family Night – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) Food served 5PM. Karaoke 7-10PM. For more info, call 217-442-7339. Open to public.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry – (310 Bryan Ave., Danville) 5:30-7:00PM, Blue gill dinner. The price is \$7/adults, \$3.50/kids. Open to public.

Kickapoo Landing's Music at the Landing by "Grass Roots Revival" – 5:30-7:30PM

Gao Grotto "Cheeseburgers at the Grotto"– (2400 Denmark Road) 5:30-7:30PM. Cheeseburger, French fries, and baked beans for \$5. Public invited.

American Legion Post 210 Dinner – (1600 N. Jackson Street, Danville) Fish, hamburgers or steak, 5:30-8:00PM, price varies according to choice. Public invited.

New Harmonies "Celebrating American Roots Music" Overture Preview Night – (116 N. Gilbert, Danville) a special traveling exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute, presented in cooperation with the Illinois Humanities Council, will be on display from April 10-May 23. Exhibition, Dinner, Musical Entertainment, \$25/person, 6-9PM. Many wonderful FREE programs are being offered to the general public. Please go to the Museum's web site at www.vermilioncountymuseum.org for a complete listing.

Open Ice Skate – Palmer Arena, 6-9PM

DHS, South View & North Ridge Show Choirs at DHS Foundation Night "Evening of Singing & Dancing" – DHS Auditorium, 7PM. Admission \$5. Excellence in Teaching Award Winners will also be recognized.

Alley Gallery Opening Reception for "Anatomically Correct" Figure Drawings by Jacob Crose (former Danville resident) – One-of-a-kind drawings of men and women in pencil, charcoal & ink. Refreshments served, 7-9PM

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – "Family Night," 7-10PM. Admission \$7.25 +skate rental; if needed, Family Night Special: Up to 6 persons for \$29.95 (one adult must be present and all kids must be in your family). Putt-putt golf, batting cages and Laser tag also available.

Red Mask Players present "The Replacement" – Kathryn Randolph Theatre, 8PM. Dark Comedy; Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$10 for students. To make reservations, call the box office at 217-442-5858.

JJ's 610 Tap "D-n-A Karaoke" – (610 N. Vermilion, Danville) Karaoke every Friday night, 8PM-Midnight

Gino's Place at Days Hotel "M.C. Karaoke" – (77 N. Gilbert, Danville) 8:30

Fatman's Warehouse Presents "Caleb Cook and The Glass House Carpenters" – (138½ N. Vermilion, Danville) They play a wide variety of covers and also a lot of originals. Entertainment starts at 9PM-1AM.

Saturday, April 10, 2010

Elks Lodge 147 Breakfast – (505 E. Main, Danville) 7-11AM, \$6, every Saturday

WEATHER RESCHEDULE: The Great Easter Egg Hunt at WDAN – (1501 Washington, Danville) Crawlers to age 10; 4 different age categories and over 16,000 candy & prize filled eggs. At 9AM, the egg hunt begins. Stick around after the egg hunt and have your picture taken with the Easter Bunny for FREE.

Two very special guests will be appearing in the Children's Dept. at the Danville Public Library – they are syndicated cartoonist Guy Gilchrist and Rin Tin Tin. Guy is the international multi-award winning writer and cartoonist of 48 children's books, the comic strips "Nancy," "Today's Dog," "Jim Henson's MUPPETS," and "Your Angels Speak," as well as

the character designer for Tom and Jerry, The Pink Panther, Looney Tunes and Disney. Rin Tin Tin is a descendant of the television star from 1954-1959 who was considered to be one of the most famous German Shepherds of all time, 10-11AM. All proceeds from the event will be used to support the literacy programs and community outreach efforts of the Danville Public Library.

Vermilion County Museum Society is hosting the Smithsonian traveling exhibit “New Harmonies: Celebrating American Roots Music” – (116 Gilbert St., Danville) Hours are 10AM-4PM. On display from April 10-May 23. Many wonderful FREE programs are being offered to the general public. Please go to the Museum's web site at www.vermilioncountymuseum.org for a complete listing.

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Aquafina Major League Baseball Pitch, Hit & Run Competition for Area Youth – Danville Stadium, 11AM. Official skills competition, free of charge, recognizing individual excellence in core baseball/softball skills. Four age groups: 7/8 years, 9/10 years, 11/12 years, & 13/14 years. Awards given and advancement to sectional level of competition. All participants must bring a birth certificate and fill out a registration/waiver form prior to the start of the competition. For questions, call 217-431-2272.

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – 11AM-1PM, \$5.25 + skate rental. Putt-putt golf, batting cages and Laser tag also available.

Open Ice Skate – Palmer Arena, 11AM-2PM

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – 1-5PM, \$6.25 + skate rental (or 1-3PM for \$5.25 + skate rental; or 3-5PM for \$5.25 + skate). Putt-putt golf, batting cages and Laser tag also available.

Moose Lodge 1001 NASCAR Party – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) Food & activities starting at 3PM. For more info, call 217-442-7339. Open to public.

Potomac's Harry Carpenter American Legion Fish & Chicken Fry – (101 N. Grant St., Potomac) 4:30-7:00PM

Hoopston United Methodist Church Spaghetti Dinner – spaghetti, salad, bread & desserts for free-will donation, 5-7PM at the church. Proceeds go to support youth work in Appalachia.

Bingo at Holy Family School – (502 E. Main St., Danville) 5:30PM. Proceeds benefit the school – call 217-431-5108 for more info.

Ridge Farm Community Church Gospel Jam Session at the Wayne Blakeney Community Center – Music featuring the Mitchell Family of Ridge Farm. If you play an instrument or sing, come and share your talent! A spaghetti dinner with salad, garlic bread, cookies & drinks will be served & door prizes given away. Everyone welcome!

Schlarman Early Bird Spring Raffle at Turtle Run Golf & Banquet Center – (332 E. Liberty Lane, Danville) 6PM

Annual Learn To Skate Recital “Skating Down Broadway” – Palmer Arena; Performances by area skating students; also a performance by the University of Illinois Collegiate Synchronized Skating Team, \$5/person, 6-9PM

Mustard's Last Stand Italian Night – (1.5 miles west of Gilbert Street on Rt. 150) 6:30-9:00PM. Enjoy a 7-course meal, BYOB, enjoy a “Beatles Tribute” with Steve Rodman singing, Alan Wait on bass guitar, and Dave Schroeder on piano, \$17/person. Call 217-477-1100 for reservations.

Alley Gallery “Meet the Artist” for “Anatomically Correct” Figure Drawings by Jacob Crose (former Danville resident) – One-of-a-kind drawings of men and women in pencil, charcoal & ink, 7-9PM

Oodles of Celebrity Doodles will be Auctioned to Support Literacy – Oodles and oodles of celebrity doodles will be on display for silent and live auction as the Danville Library Foundation hosts Danville's first ever Celebrity Doodle Art Auction and Gala to support literacy in the Danville area. The community is invited to enjoy a fantastic evening of fun and excitement at Danville Country Club from 7-9PM. Tickets are on sale now for this black tie optional event at a cost of \$100 per couple or \$65 per single. Hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, beer and soft drinks will be included in the cost of the evening. The major sponsor of the event is the Julius W. Hegeler II Foundation. The event will feature over 70 pieces of celebrity doodle art ranging from actors such as Alan Alda, Anthony Hopkins, Candice Bergen, Tatum O'Neal, and Jim Belushi to sports figures such as Yogi Berra, Nolan Ryan, Nate “BoBo” Smalls, Tony LaRussa, Mario Andretti, Al Unser, Bonnie Blair and Mark Spitz. In addition to national celebrities such as Jay Leno, Bob Eubanks, Vanna White, Donald Trump and Bob Barker, the auction will feature doodle art of local celebrities including Doug Quick, Judy Fraser, Jennifer Roscoe, Dave Benton, Jennifer Ketchmark and Jeremy Swerling. To view all of the doodle artwork for auction, visit the Danville Library Foundation website at www.danville.lib.il.us/foundation.htm. For more info about the event and ticket sales, contact Cathy Reardon, Executive Director of the Foundation at 217-477-5220 ext. 114 or by email at

creardon@danville.lib.il.us. All proceeds from the event will be used to support the literacy programs and community outreach efforts of the Danville Public Library.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Jewell Whyte Post 728 Steak Fry & Dance – (8 Pine Street, Danville) Grilled to order rib eye steaks, baked potatoes, desserts served from 7-9PM, \$8/person. Dance with “Country Classic Band” country band playing from 7-10PM. Dinner & Dance \$12/person; Dance only \$6/person. Public invited.

Hoopston Fire Dept. Annual Fireman’s Ball – McFerren Park Civic Center. Doors open at 7:30PM; dancing from 8:30PM-12:30AM. Music by “90 Proof” band. Admission \$5/person. Must be 21 years or older to enter.

Sleepy Creek Vineyards – [Christabel and the Jons](#), \$12/seat. A curious and pleasant mix of old time swing, speakeasy jazz, modern pop and upbeat country, we are excited to present these performers to you, 8PM. Reservations recommended at 217-733-0330.

Red Mask Players present “The Replacement” – Kathryn Randolph Theatre, 8PM. Dark Comedy; Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$10 for students. To make reservations, call the box office at 217-442-5858.

Gino’s Place at Days Hotel, “The Bombers” Rock & Roll – (77 N. Gilbert, Danville) 9PM

Sunday, April 11, 2010

Sleepy Creek Vineyards – every Sunday from Noon-5PM through April: The coffee is on us! Come enjoy Raven's Brew coffee at the winery. This is great coffee and you can't go wrong. And it's time again for the 4th annual Sow's Ear Challenge Art Show on display April 3-June 10 – the theme is Plastic containment devices. The challenge was to take used and discarded plastic bottles and other plastic containers headed to the landfill and re-fashion them into something artistic, beautiful and/or functional. People's Choice Award winner receives \$100.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournament at Danville Lutheran School – Mixed gender, Two Divisions (14 & under; 12 and under), 1PM. Open to public. See http://www.danvillelutheransports.com/3_on_3_tournament.htm.

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – 1-5PM, \$6.25 + skate rental (Or 1-3PM for \$5.25 + skate rental; or 3-5PM for \$5.25 + skate rental). Putt-putt golf, batting cages and Laser tag also available.

DACC Baseball vs. Lewis & Clark – Danville Stadium, 2PM

Moose Lodge 1001 Benefit for Alyssa Morgan – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) Serving Italian Beef, taco plates, & barbecue, starting at 2PM. Face painting and a bounce house, a magic show, a 50/50 drawing, and a silent auction. The Susan Williams Band will perform. All proceeds go directly for purchase of a headstone.

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Vermilion County Speedway Illiana 40 – (17525 N. 1180 East Rd. between Oakwood & Danville on Rt. 150) 40-lap Super Late Model feature. The Modifieds, Street Stocks & KidModz will also be in action. Gate admission: \$15/adults; Kids 6-12 years/\$5; Kids 5 & under Free. Pit admission/\$30; Kids under 12 years in pits/\$15. Gates open at 3PM; Hot laps at 5:30PM; Qualifying at 6PM.

Please let me know of any upcoming events that I might be unaware of!

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