

What's Happening in Vermilion County this Weekend

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Friday, April 16, 2010

Week of the Young Child Celebration in Vermilion County at Village Mall Center Court – Activities & fun for Pre-School Children and their families, 9:30AM-2:30PM. Register at Center Court before visiting the booths. Come join the fun! Free book to every child! Partially funded through the Early Childhood Block Grant, Danville District #118.

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Moose Lodge 1001 All-you-can-eat Spaghetti dinner – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) Food served 5-7PM. Country Gentlemen band will play 7-9PM. For more info, call 217-442-7339. Open to public.

Kickapoo Landing's Music at the Landing by “Big Creek Guitar Band” – 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.

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“Fashion Show & Financial Fair Extravaganza” (Money Smart Week® Illinois, a financial literacy program sponsored by Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago: Vermilion County Events April 16-23) – “Fashion Show & Financial Fair Extravaganza” at the Danville Mason’s Temple, 7-9PM. Come see clothing from area second-hand stores modeled for 6 different age groups while enjoying smart shopping tips & other activities. Click [here](#) for complete information on times and registration. All events are free of charge.

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.

“The Boat Drunks,” a Jimmy Buffett cover band – Palmer Arena, 7:30PM. Band from Champaign that performs over 90 “Buffett” songs and has 20 “Buffett-style” originals, Seats/\$10. Local duo Mike Ingram & Kayla Brown will be opening for the Boat Drunks – they will also be performing after the concert at Gino's Place in the Day's Hotel for the "Boat Drunks After Party.”

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

Gino’s Place at Days Hotel “Boat Drunks After Party” featuring Mike Ingram & Kayla Brown – (77 N. Gilbert, Danville) Following the performance at the Palmer Arena, 10:30PM

Saturday, April 17, 2010

Veterans of Foreign Wars All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast – (8 Pine Street, Danville) Eggs scrambled or over easy, pancakes, French toast, potatoes, biscuits, white gravy, sausages, coffee, o.j., \$6/person, 7:30-10:30AM. Call 217-442-1227 for more info.

Danville Jaycees Pancake & Sausage Breakfast – at Holy Family School, 7:30AM-1:00PM or until we run out of pancakes & sausage. Adults/\$5; Children 5-12 years/\$3; Children age 4 years and under, Free. For more info, e-mail danvillejaycees@gmail.com.

Elks Lodge 147 Breakfast – (505 E. Main, Danville) All-you-can-eat pancakes, choice of meat, grits, toast, milk, juice, or coffee, 8-11AM, \$6, every Saturday

American Legion Post 210 Rummage Sale – (1600 N. Jackson Street, Danville) 8AM-Noon

Guided Historic Location Free, Non-Competitive Walk Sponsored by the Ridgewalkers Walking Club – Registration at the Danville Public Library from 9:30-10:00AM; Walk starting at 10AM from Library. Buildings to be seen: Carnegie buildings; Federal Courthouse; Woman’s Memorial, Revolutionary War Veteran’s Monument, City Hall, Lincoln Monuments, Public Safety Building, Trinity Lutheran Church, Danville Area Community College, Fire Dept., & more... 6.2 mile walk regardless of weather. Most of trail paved and will accommodate baby strollers. Children under age 12 years must be accompanied by an adult. For more info, call 217-443-8405 or go to www.ava.org.

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Healthy Kids Day at the Danville Family YMCA – (1111 N. Vermilion, Danville) A day for kids of all ages to come out and get active, 10AM-2PM. Activities include: obstacle course, bounce house and slide. Prizes awarded to those who participate in the activities. Healthy Kids Day will also include community awareness booths, musical entertainment and a healthy snack. We will also have family swim from Noon until 2PM. Come join the fun! The event is sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois.

Vermilion County “Community Shred Day” (Money Smart Week® Illinois, a financial literacy program sponsored by Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago: Vermilion County Events April 16-23) – “Community Shred Day” at Executive Plaza (3550 N. Vermilion, Danville), 10AM-2PM. Service for community members to have personal documents shredded for free and be educated on identity theft and how to prevent it. Click [here](#) for complete information on times and registration. All events are free of charge.

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Gutteridge Harley-Davidson Annual Bike Blessing – the local Christian Motorcycle Association returns for their annual Motorcycle Blessing in the parking lot. Visit from 10AM-4PM for a safe riding season.

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Kennekuk Road Runners Mountain Goat Hill Runs/Walk – Kickapoo State Park, 11AM (Race day registration for all events opens at 9:30AM in Pavilion). Back this year is the most challenging 5K walk or 10K or 15K run in the Midwest. Grand Slam Event #3 of the 2010 season. For more info and registration info, please see [the flier](#) or register online at Active.com [here](#). E-mail questions to krr@kennekuk.com.

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

Westville Sportsmen's Club Fish Fry – (17454 Twin Hills Rd., Danville) Fish, fries, coleslaw, baked beans, cornbread, desserts, and lemonade or iced tea, 11AM-3PM

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser at Crossroads Christian Church – (3613 N. Vermilion, Danville) Spaghetti, salad, breadsticks, & home-made desserts, 11AM-5PM. Craft & used book sale. Proceeds to benefit educational trip to Europe for People-to-People Ambassador, Katarina Johnson.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Benefit for Fire Victim Dave Straughn – (8 Pine Street, Danville) Money collected will go toward a home and necessities following a house fire. No cover charge, but a \$5 donation will be accepted for meals. Raffles, 50/50 drawing, and auction throughout the day. Local bands Wild Life, Rafters, Captains 3, Country Gentlemen, Country Classics, Hired Hands, Rhythm Drifters, Bombers and more. Starts at Noon. Call 217-442-1227 for more info.

DACC Softball vs. Lincoln – Winterview Park, 1PM

Big Brothers Big Sisters fundraising event, Bowl For Kids' Sake, April 17 in Hoopeston, Shift times: 1:00, 2:30, & 4:00 PM – Doug Wagoner joins us again this year as the host of our Hoopeston event at Fast Lanes. He has donated the bowling alley, bowling shoes, and yes, even the bowling balls. There will be pizza, prizes, raffles and silent auction items donated by individuals and businesses. Whether you bowl or not you can go to www.firstgiving.com/bbbsvc and give. We have chosen a western theme, so pull out those bandanas, boots and cowboy hats and join us. Thank you for your support!

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DACC Baseball vs. Shawnee – Danville Stadium, 2PM

Free Self-Defense Class Presented by the Vermilion County Rape Crisis Center at Red Dragon Academy – (440 N. Walnut, Danville) 2PM: Space is limited and registration required. Call 217-446-1337 to reserve a spot.

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Union Corner United Methodist Church Annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner – (14158 Perrysville Rd., Danville) Menu includes: Chicken & Noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, rolls, homemade pie, 4-7PM. For further info, phone 442-5759.

Taco and Bingo for ALL AGES Night hosted by Potomac Community Foundation – at Potomac Grade School, 4-8PM (Bingo starts at 5PM). Bingo prizes include gift certificates from Fazoli's, Arby's, Montana Mikes, Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken, Pizza Hut, Casey's General Store, Terry's Restaurant, and more... \$ 1.00 raffle for 32" LCD HD/ TV DVD. Bingo \$.25 per card. 1 Taco for \$1.50 or 4 Tacos for \$5.00 (includes drink) - Desserts sold separately. Sponsored by: The Potomac Comm. Foundation and featured supporters Hoopston Hospital & Danville YMCA. Call 217-474-5725 for more info.

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

Dinner Theater at the Boat Club RetroAct Products presents "Once is Enough" (Rated PG) – \$30/person ticket price includes dinner and play, 6PM. Dinner menu: Tossed Spring mix salad, Chicken Parmesan with Fettuccini Primavera, Dinner rolls and butter, Chocolate Cherry Truffle Parfait. Traveling troupe play (Comedy): German-born Authoress Erika Linden is writing a manual on man-snatching. Erika's secretary, unwilling to expose her fiancée to Erika's charms, finds substitute Brian Merrick to aid Erika in her research. Brian is actually from Immigration, sent to check up on a would-be American, Erika's character. Erika finds she's falling in love with Brian, but she is too honorable to snatch him away from his supposed fiancée.

Her dilemma and gloom prevent her from finishing the book her publisher is anxiously awaiting. Misunderstandings, twists, some tender scenes, and Erika's strong desire for American citizenship make for a thoroughly entertaining night of theater. Reservations Required. Go online at www.danvilleboatclub.com for more info or to register, or call 217-442-4021.

Gutteridge Harley-Davidson Annual Hog Prom at the Gao Grotto – event starts at 6PM, food starts at 7PM. Steak Dinner, Dance, Games – Great time by all!

Sleepy Creek Winery Birthday Celebration & Music – A birthday celebration starts at 6PM for Joe with free hot dogs, popcorn, cake and music by Laura Meyer begins at 7 PM (Acoustic Folk Rock (Free). No reservations needed – first come, first served.

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IL-Central Singles & Danville Super Singles Sock Hop – American Legion Post 210 (1600 N. Jackson Street, Danville) Single couples and singles welcome. 50's dress is optional. Bring food or snack to share. Featuring "Mike's D.J. Karaoke." Door prizes. 7-11PM, Cover charge is \$5.

Gino's Place at Days Hotel, "George Martin Presents The Beatles," Beatles Tribute Show – (77 N. Gilbert, Danville) 9PM

Sunday, April 18, 2010

Knights of Columbus Breakfast – (310 Bryan Ave., Danville) 8AM-Noon All-you-can-eat breakfast including eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, French toast, biscuits and gravy, fried potatoes, OJ, coffee, and milk. \$6/adults, \$3/children. Great food and a great time to meet with your friends and neighbors. This event is open to the public.

American Legion Post 210 Breakfast– (210 N. Jackson Street, Danville) 9:00-11:30AM. Price determined by what is ordered off menu. Public invited.

Blood Drive by Parish Nurses of St. Mary's Church held at the school gym – Community Blood Services of Illinois will be collecting blood from 9AM-1PM.

Danville Foodstock monthly free Sunday Dinner – Tilton Public Use Building at Tilton Ball Park, 11:30AM-2:30PM (doors open at 11AM). Sponsored by numerous local businesses. Its mission is to serve the community by serving food and hope to those in need, but is open to anyone. All donations go directly to feeding people. For more info or to volunteer, call 217-431-5324 or visit www.danvillefoodstock.com.

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

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