

What's Happening in Vermilion County this Weekend

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*FYI – the “What’s Happening…” list is also posted weekly on our web site for public access at <http://vermilionadvantage.com/events/vcevents.htm>.

Please feel free to share this information with others!

Friday, April 23, 2010

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First United Methodist Church Beef & Homemade Noodles Dinner – (1400 N. Vermilion, Danville) \$8/adults; \$4/children age 12 years & younger, 4:00-6:30PM

Knights of Columbus Family Dinner– (310 Bryan Ave., Danville) Chicken & Noodles with all the trimmings & dessert, 5:30-7:00PM. Come on down to the Hall and enjoy an evening with your friends and a great meal. The donation is \$7/adults, \$3.50/kids. Open to public.

Kickapoo Landing’s Music at the Landing by “Plain Ol Ed” – 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.

Spring Explosion Demolition Derby – Georgetown Fairgrounds, 6PM (also on Saturday). One of the premier demolition derbies in the U.S. with drivers from all over the country. Admission \$25/adults per day (or \$40 for 2-day all access pass); Kids 12 years and under \$5/day. Fundraiser for the Georgetown Youth Sports Assn., G-RF Youth Football Organization, Destination Imagination, G-RF Soccer Team, & the Georgetown Lions Club.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Jewell Whyte Post 728 Friday Night Dance – (8 Pine Street, Danville) “Hired Hands” country band playing from 7-10PM, (finger food provided; sandwiches & pizza are sold at the bar). Price/\$5. Public invited.

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.

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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) 8:30PM

Fat Man’s Warehouse, D.J. tonight – (138-1/2 N. Vermilion, Danville) 9PM-1AM

Saturday, April 24, 2010

Georgetown Lions Club All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast – Georgetown Fairgrounds, 7-10AM

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

Annual Arbor Day Tree Sale and Illinois Native Plant Society Plant Sale at Forest Glen Maintenance Bldg. – bare root trees and seedlings and Native plant species available at very reasonable prices, 8AM-1PM. Call 217-662-2142 for more info.

3rd Annual Middle Fork River Clean Up – Meet at Kickapoo Landing at 8AM. Sign up for your FREE Canoe ride down the river or on the lake while participating in the clean up. Land crews are needed as well. Lunch provided at noon for all involved.

Trinity United Church of Christ Rummage Sale – (311 E Moses Ave., Westville) 8AM-2PM; Something for Everyone!

Georgetown Community of Christ Youth Group indoor rummage sale, bake sale & breakfast and lunch café – (201 Oak St. in Georgetown (corner of Walnut and Oak). 8AM-2PM. Bake sale will include pies, cakes, cookies and more.

Rummage sale includes various clothing, household items, toys, some small items from the church and more. The cafe will be serving a breakfast choice of biscuits & gravy or pancakes & lunch will be sloppy joe sandwich with sides. All proceeds will go to the youth group activities. Directions: Turn East at the square (East West St.), then south on Walnut (by funeral home), continue south to Oak St.

CROP Walk at Lincoln Park – Registration begins at 8AM; Walk at 9AM. Six-mile walk/participants asked to get pledges/sponsors. 25% of funds raised go to 5 local churches, the rest goes to International agencies for disaster relief and self-help development projects. Call Norma at 217-446-9317 for more info, or go to www.cropwalk.org.

Great American Clean Up at Kennekuk County Park April 24 – Keep Vermilion County Beautiful cleans up at Kennekuk! Volunteers are needed to plant trees, clean up litter, repair trails, paint and clean, work in garden areas, etc. Registration begins at 8:30AM at the Laury Barn in the Bunker Hill Historic Area, with clean up starting at 9AM. After volunteering, a complimentary lunch at the Laury Barn is provided by Danville N. Logan Health Care. For more info, contact Lynn Wolgamot at 217-431-2662 or lwolgamo@vchd.org; or Lara Darling at 217-442-1691 or ldarling@vccd.org. See flier [here](#).

Lincoln Park Monthly Clean Up – meet at the north entrance at 9AM. Picks & bags will be provided.

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Reader's Route Scrabble Tournament at DACC Student Union in Lincoln Hall – Play scrabble and help raise money for Reader's Route scholarships at DACC. Three ways to play! • NASPA Rated Tournament/\$40 entry fee, 9:30AM-6:00PM: 7 rounds – 8 player divisions by ratings – Round robin format. Participants must be members of the North American SCRABBLE Players Association (NASPA). Membership may be obtained on-site. Cash prizes will equal 50% of entry fees. NASPA rules will be used. For further info, call Marty at 217-348-9230 or 217-508-9035. • Competitive Casual Tournament/\$25 entry fee, Noon-6PM: This 4-game tournament is open to unrated players and to players with a Novice level rating (under 1000). Cash and other prizes will be awarded. Modified NASPA rules will be used. For further info, call Marty at 217-348-9230 or 217-508-9035. • Fun Scrabble/\$15 entry fee, 1-4PM: Prizes include Door Prize Drawing and 1st Place, 2nd Place, & Booby Prizes. For further info, call Louise at 217-443-8868 or Ann at 217-443-8782.

Vermilion County Museum Society Workshop for Children, “Make Your Own Music” – Children will construct musical instruments out of everyday items, 9:30AM AND 1:30PM at the museum. Ages 7-10 years, Free.

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Church of Holy Trinity Episcopal Collecting Non-Perishable Food for Haiti at Rodman Business Center – (3819 N. Vermilion St., Danville) 10AM-Noon

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Georgetown United Methodist Church Community Luncheon – (400 N. Main, Georgetown) at the church, 11AM-1PM. Lasagna, garlic bread, salad, fruit & dessert. Everyone welcome, meal is free. Call 217-662-8162 for more info.

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

DACC Softball vs. Springfield – Winterview Park, 1PM

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Keep Vermilion County Beautiful Annual Car & Landscape Raffle – Carmack Car Capitol is now offering 2 free oil changes at their new NAPA AutoCare Service Center located at Carmack to anyone who purchases 2 raffle tickets. Grand Prize: 2010 HONDA INSIGHT or \$20,000; 2nd-4th Prize: Three \$500 Gift Cards - Berry's Garden Center, Danville Gardens & Sully Schultz Nurseries; 5th-7th Prize: Three \$300 Gift Cards; 8th-17th Prize: Ten \$200 Gift Cards; 18th prize: TROY BILT Leaf Blower; Tickets: \$50. Drawing: Laury Barn, 1:30PM, Saturday, April 24. ONLY 600 Tickets will be sold; the 1st Place Winner will get cash—taxes. Credit cards welcome. Vehicle on display at Carmack Car Capitol, 3724 N. Vermilion, Danville. Click [here](#) for flier.

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United Church of Tilton Country Rhodes Fish Fry – (520 West 5th Street, Tilton) All-you-can-eat Walleye, Catfish, Shrimp, Chicken Strips, Hushpuppies, Sides, Dessert & Drink, 4-7PM. Adults \$8/Kids 6-12 years/\$6. Details phone 217-446-2766.

Jonah Fish Fry at the American Legion Post 210 Sponsored by Holiday Hills Free Methodist Church – (1600 N. Jackson Street, Danville) 4-7PM, Tickets \$8 at the door. For more info, call 217-446-2766.

Batestown United Methodist Church Chicken & Noodles Supper – (2224 Batestown Rd., Danville) 4-7PM

Ashton Norwell Benefit at Bismarck High School/New Cafeteria: Chili Dinner – Ashton is a 7th grader at Bismarck currently in the hospital in Wisconsin waiting on a heart transplant. The benefit runs 4-8PM, \$5/person. Silent Auction 4-7PM, Raffle, 50/50. Details phone 217759-3501.

Benefit for Sidell resident Martha Emerick at the Jamaica High School Cafeteria – Silent Auction & Roast Pork Dinner, 4-8PM. Martha recently underwent brain tumor surgery and is currently undergoing chemotherapy.

Moose Lodge 1001 Ribs or Chicken Dinner – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) 5-7PM, \$7/person

Fun Night at the Varsity Room/DHS Girls' Soccer Team Fundraiser – A percentage of the profits from 5-9PM will go to the DHS Girls' Soccer Team to raise funds to go to Chicago to watch a professional soccer game.

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 "Tribute to John Denver" with Steve Rodman singing, Alan Wait on bass guitar, and Dave Schroeder on piano, \$17/person. Call 217-477-1100 for reservations.

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

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Fat Man's Warehouse presents "The Piano Man," Shay Thiele – (138½ N. Vermilion, Danville) A wide genre of covers and he really knows how to keep to good times rolling! So bring some friends and come on down, 9PM-1AM – he's a crowd favorite... As always, no cover charge.

Sunday, April 25, 2010

Boys & Girls Club 1st Annual Pancake Day – 8AM-3PM hosted at the Club (850 N. Griffin Street, Danville), \$5/person, Children under 3 Free with paid adult. Meal includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, orange juice, milk & coffee. Call 217-446-4315 for more info.

46th Annual Twins Convention Returns to Danville April 25 – The Illinois State Twins Association will hold their annual convention in Danville, returning to the area after nearly 20 years. This year's theme is "Twins go Fifties." The event will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 310 Bryan Street in Danville from 10AM-5PM. A luncheon will be served at Noon. The cost for the luncheon will be \$11 for adults and \$5 for children. Reservations are required. Judging of the Twins and Multiples contest will begin at 1:30PM. Area twins and multiples are invited to attend and to participate. A

silent auction will be held and a photographer will be available for twin and multiple photos. The public is invited at no cost for admittance.

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

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