

What's Happening in Vermilion County this Weekend

Please feel free to share this information with others in your company!

Friday, July 10, 2009

Vermilion County Fair – see www.vermilioncountyfair.com for list of events

Vermilion County McDonald's 10th Anniversary Celebration – Don & Deanna Witzel, owner & operators of the Vermilion County McDonald's have announced plans for their 10th anniversary celebration. The annual Customer Appreciation Week will be held, July 6th to the 11th at each of the 5 Vermilion County McDonald's restaurants. FREE McPack the Place tickets are available at all Vermilion County McDonald's for the Dans game Saturday evening. Ronald McDonald will be making a special appearance at Danville Stadium on Saturday, July 11th. This year's event will hold special meaning for the Witzel's who have created a fund-raising program to benefit the Provena Cancer Center. A \$1 Cancer Ribbon Patch is being sold in each of the restaurants through July 11th. The Witzel's will be providing a match up to \$10,000 of all donations made now through July 11th. All of the money collected will be donated to Dr. Labayog & the Cancer Center through the Provena USMC Foundation (check being presented at Saturday's Dan's game during 7th inning stretch).

Municipal Pool & AMBUCS spray park (Garfield Park) Open – Monday thru Friday 11AM-7PM; Saturday & Sunday Noon-5PM

Café on the Lawn at Center for Children's Services (702 N. Logan Avenue) – 11AM-2PM, Jamaican Jerk Chicken & Pork & Tennessee Pork Loin with Nashville Sweet Barbecue Sauce. Meals are served with "Louisiana Dirty Rice" & grilled vegetables. Cool your palate with a serving of pineapple sherbet.

"Insects" presented by Gary Wilford, Vermilion County Conservation District – Danville Public Library, 2PM

Sleepy Creek Vineyards "Wieners & Wine" – (regular winery hours 10AM-8PM on Friday) you buy the wine & Sleepy Creek provides the hot dog & the stick to roast it over our outdoor fire pit, 5-8PM

Moose Lodge 1001 Family Night Dinner/Karaoke – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) Dinner 5-7PM: Hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs & French fries are \$2 each for adults & \$1 for children; Karaoke 7-10PM

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 728 Summer Steak Fry & Dance – (8 Pine Street, Danville) Ribeye Steaks grilled to order with baked potato/salad/desserts. Dinner from 5-7PM for \$8. Dance to the music of "HWY 341" Band from 6:30-9:30PM. The dinner & dance is \$12. The dance only is \$6.

Music at The Landing "Strings Attached"– Kickapoo Landing, 5:30-7:30PM

GAO Grotto – (2400 Denmark Road) Cheeseburgers at the Grotto from 5:30-7:30PM. Menu consists of a cheeseburger, French fries & baked beans for \$5. Public invited.

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

H2O Outreach presents "Living Water," a Christian concert for the whole family – Palmer Arena, performances by: The New Life Christian Center Praise Team, "Engaged Worship" from the Rock Church, The Saint James Praise Team, "Doc Ashton & the Root Canals," & The New Life Church of Faith Praise Team. 6-9PM. \$7/person or \$18/family. Call 217-431-0018 for more info.

Downtown Danville Summer Sounds presented by Cellular One, "The Blues Deacons" Band (tight blues machine while retaining a raw, soulful edge) – Temple Plaza, 6-9PM; food & beverages available for purchase; Bring a lawn chair! FREE

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – 7-10PM, \$7.25 + skate rental; -or- Family Night Special: Up to 6 persons for \$29.95 (one adult must be present & all kids must be in your family)

Parade of Ponds – Enjoy a self-guided tour around the Vermilion & Champaign Counties of many beautiful water features, pondless waterfalls, ponds, fish & flowers. Friday, July 10 is a Twilight Pond walk (7:30-9:30PM) & Saturday, July 11 from 9AM-5PM & Sunday, July 12 from 11AM-4PM. Tickets are \$8 & are available at Illini FS (Urbana), Prairie Gardens (Champaign), Sailfin Pet Store (Champaign), Pet World of Danville, Old Homer Hardware (Homer) or by calling 217-896-2225.

Family Movie In The Park-(bring your own lawn chair/blanket) – Douglas Park, dusk, call 217-431-2272 for more info
"Cuzin Eddie" Band at Gino's Place at Days Hotel – 9PM

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Downtown Danville Farmers' Market – 7:30AM-1:30PM through October 3rd, 2009, corner of North Vermilion & North streets at Temple Plaza

Ridge Farm Farmer's Market – the Village of Ridge Farm's Park Board is hosting our 1st annual Farmers Market. This event will be held on the 2nd & 4th Saturday's in June & every Saturday in July & August from 8AM-Noon at the municipal parking lot located on the corner of Route 1 & Woodyard Ave. (across from Doughbelly's Pizza). For more info, please contact Deadra at 217-251-4914 or Shannon at 217-247-2209

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 728 Summer Bazaar/Flea Market – (8 Pine Street, Danville) 8AM-1PM

Danville Giants Youth Football organization is hosting "Walk it Out" for Diabetes – there will be entertainment, vendors, a 2-mile walk, & many other things to do. 9AM-6PM at Lincoln Park.

21st Annual Danville Open Horseshoe Tournament – Douglas Park, Round Robin Play beginning at 9AM with top pitchers playing at 5:30PM (some of the top horseshoe pitchers in the world). Concessions/Free Admission

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Spinners & Weavers Day at Forest Glen Gannett Center – Fiber artists of all types demonstrate their craft & share their knowledge of spinning, weaving, tatting, quilting & more. Free, 10AM-3PM

Sleepy Creek Vineyards – Winery open 10AM-8PM

Village of Potomac Independence Day Celebration – Parade starts at 11AM at Potomac Grade School & follows U.S. Rt. 136 ending at Millie Curtis Park. Grilled hot dogs & hamburgers/chips/drink from 11AM-2PM in Community building for freewill donation; Bluegrass music by JR Country from 11AM-1:30PM at Park Pavilion; For children, free events all day at park: bounce house, obstacle course & more! Old-fashioned children's games from 1:00-1:30PM; dunk tank; wrestling 2-5PM, Vendors, bingo from 1-5PM. Co-ed softball tourney Sat. & Sunday at Park. "Past Due" Band 6-9PM at grade school & fireworks following. After fireworks, a DJ will play favorite tunes in the MainSource Bank parking lot.

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H2O Outreach presents H2O Community Party 2009! – Palmer Arena. The Hearts to Hands Outreach Ministry will hold H2O Community Party 2009 from 11AM-4PM. Groceries & personal hygiene items will be given away & there will be drawings for brand new bicycles & other prizes for the entire family! Various service organizations will be onsite. A free hotdog lunch will be provided. Join us for inspirational music, entertainment, & messages, with lots of games & inflatables for the kids! The doors at the Arena will open at 10:30AM for registration for the drawings. Contact New Life Christian Center for information concerning the event by calling 217-431-0018 or e-mail info@newlifedanville.com. Free admission.

11th Annual Danville Firefighter & The Friendly Tap Ride – Join the Danville Fire Dept. at the Friendly Tavern. Pre-registration 10AM-Noon. Ride leaves at Noon. Raise money for the Danville Food Pantry. Participants will visit four sites & then return to the Friendly for the fifth card in the hand. The rider with the best hand will win \$500. Riders may pre-register at the Friendly from July 6 through 10. Entry fee is \$15 (which includes meal) with additional card hands available for \$5 each. Any vehicle legal for transportation may participate – the event is not limited to motorcycles.

Other fundraisers during the event include a raffle drawing for two \$100 gift certificates to Gutteridge Harley-Davidson & other prizes. You can receive a chance to win the "Friendly Firefighter's Fun Package," which includes wine & cheese tasting at Sleepy Creek Vineyard for four, a dinner at the Possum Trot & limousine ride to & from the locations by KC Express, for every nonperishable food item brought to the event or dropped off at Carmack Hyundai, 3724 N. Vermilion St., All Source, U.S. 150 west of Danville, or Big R Rent All Center, 217 S. Bowman Ave. Following the Poker Run, the band "Kilbourn Alley" will play in the parking lot at the Friendly Tavern.

Danville Public Library Read-a-thon Character Costume Workshop – Dress up as your favorite storybook character & come to the Library on Read-A-Thon & have a chance at winning \$25! Costume must be a character from a book.

*Contestant must bring the book the character is taken from. One winning character costume will be chosen from contestants in grades Kindergarten to 5th grade

& one from grades 6 to 12. The winners in each of these 2 age groups will receive a \$25 award. Costume workshops will be held at the Library in the Big Conference Room from 12-4PM.

Book signing at Waldenbooks – Danville's Shirley Lambert will sign copies of "Tales of Beaver Hollow: The Magic Flute" on Saturday at Waldenbooks in the Village Mall. Waldenbooks will have a limited

number of books available, 1-3PM

Kennekuk County Park Historic Buildings – Five historic buildings open on Sundays to tour through Labor Day, 1-4PM, staffed by volunteers, free. Call 217-442-1691 for more info

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Potomac Legion Fish/Chicken Fry – (101 N. Grant St.) The Harry Carpenter American Legion Post 428, will sponsor a fish & chicken fry, from 4:30-7:00PM at the Legion

Vermilion County Speedway – a great night of racing including, The Turbines, Inc. Sprints, The Toyota of Danville Modifieds, The Wright Motor Company Late Models, The Vermilionchevrolet.com Street Stocks & The Route 1 Auto Repair Pure Stocks. Gates open at 5PM & racing starts at 7PM. Admission is \$15/adults & free for children under 10

Moose Lodge 1001 Dinner/Dance – (U.S. Route 150 at Interstate 74) T-bone steak dinner prior to the band for \$10; "Hired Hands" band 8-11PM. Cover charge \$3 for band. Call 217-442-7339 for more info

Baseball/Danville Dans vs. Hannibal– Danville Stadium, 6:30PM. "McPack the Place Night," with check being presented during 7th inning stretch by Don & Deanna Witzel, owners of Vermilion County's McDonalds', to Dr. Jo-Mel Labayog of Provena USMC's Cancer Center

Open Roller Skating at Illini Skateland – 7-11PM, \$8.25 + skate rental (Or 9-11PM, \$5.25 + skate rental)

"Eva Hunter" Band at Gino's Place at Days Hotel – 9PM

Fat Man's Warehouse – Karaoke, 9PM-1AM

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Veterans of Foreign Wars Jewell Whyte Post 728 – (8 Pine Street, Danville) Family Bingo, \$500 jackpot, 2PM

16th Annual Community Day – Lincoln Park, free food & beverages, including chicken, pork butt sandwiches & ice cream, & lots of entertainment. The event is sponsored by the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Committee & the City of Danville’s Human Relations Commission, Children’s Activities; Entertainment including The France Family, members of First Presbyterian Church; Carter Metropolitan CME Church Choir; The Danza Matachines; Danville Barbershop Chorus; & Homeward Bound, a gospel group, 2:30-5:00PM, Open to public, Free

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Municipal Band Concert – Lincoln Park, 7:30PM

Coming Events:

July 17 Business After Hours at the Danville Boat Club, 5-7PM, click [here](#) for more info

Vermilion Advantage will hold its 18th annual fundraiser golf outing on July 24th at the Danville Country Club. Click [here](#) for more info.

Feel free to let me know of any upcoming events that I might be unaware of!

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