



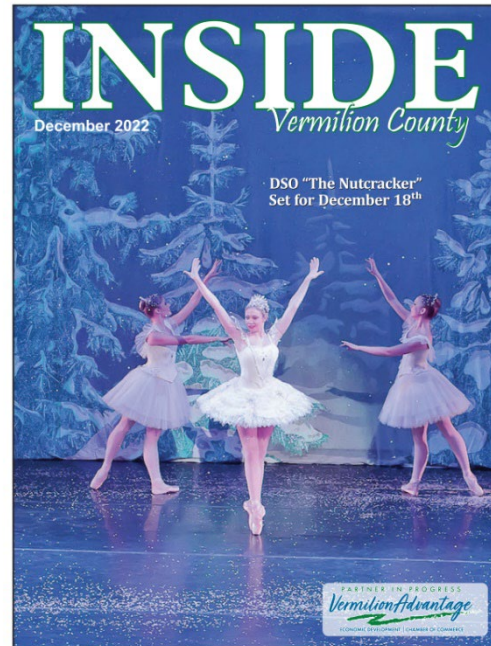
Member Announcements
December 7, 2022

"Inside Vermilion County"

<https://www.vermilionadvantage.com/category/inside-vermilion-county-magazine/>

Flyer Inserts

If you would like to place a flyer insert into our January issue of *Inside Vermilion County*, please bring **550 copies** to Vermilion Advantage. Due to the holidays the **cutoff date will be December 22, 2022**



Vermilion Advantage Events

**BUSINESS
& NETWORKING
LUNCHEON**
A Service of Vermilion Advantage

Holiday Party
Wednesday, December 21, 2022
11:30AM-1:00PM—David S. Palmer Arena
Free Event for Members
Catering by JOCKO'S

the joy of

giving

Executive Director, Jonathan Gibson will be speaking on Habitat for Humanity ReStore and the impact of their recent fire.
Donations will be accepted to help restore
The ReStore.
RSVP to Nicole Van Hyfte @ nvanhyfte@vermilionadvantage.com

I Am, You Are, We Are!

Tom Hightower

Click [here](#) to nominate someone who inspires you.



Tom Hightower is sending ripples through the community and beyond with his leadership and initiative of acceptance, no matter where you are at in life. Tom is a 59-year-old Danville native who resides here with his wife and their 8 children. According to him, he has hundreds of kids because it does not require blood for you to provide a fathering role to people who need it.

This Thanksgiving, his congregation fed about 300 people with the help of the community. This was a joint effort, but he proclaims the true credit goes to God. "I just wanted to have the largest Thanksgiving ever and just do what I can do to help," Tom says. When it is not a holiday, you can find him offering career and education mentoring, participating in youth outreach, hosting groups at his church, catering lunch on Sundays to the congregation, and shopping local to give back to his community.

The Hightower Family Fellowship Center opened in June and is thriving and serving the community in a multitude of ways. They are currently taking donations for their next event on December 17, which will include hot cocoa with Santa and as many gifts as they can secure so that each child leaves with something. Tom "loves everything about Danville," and appreciates the neighboring aspect of it. This certainly shows in the way he dedicates his life to serving others, expecting nothing in return.

Tom moves with gratitude and emphasizes not taking anything for granted. Aside from Hightower Family Fellowship Center, he also runs

Hightower Auto Detailing and has been operating the business for 22 years. Tom certainly leads by example and welcomes anybody to come as they are to their congregation. Communities are built by leaders with a kind heart and a vision, and Tom is just that.

Vermilion Advantage News

NOW BOOKING **EVENTS FOR** **2023**

Vermilion Advantage is pleased to announce that we have the following openings for our members in 2023:



Locations: We need hosts for our popular Business After Hours events.



Caterers: We need businesses willing to cater our Business and Networking luncheons.

Exhibitors: Prestigious advertising space.



Locations: To host our event.

Caterers: To feed our event.

Speakers: To inform us about their business.

Please contact Nicole Van Hyfte for more information or to sign-up for an event.

nvanhyfte@vermilionadvantage.com



NEW MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT

Small Business Insurance

Vermilion Advantage is excited to announce that members of Vermilion Advantage, **with 50 or less employees**, will be able to gain health insurance for their business through their V.A. membership at a discounted rate. This is all in thanks to our association with Health Alliance.

CARE YOU CAN AFFORD

The association between Health Alliance and Vermilion Advantage aims to save employers and their employees money, while giving them more options with their healthcare choices.

VALUABLE PERKS

To help your employees be their best, all association health plans come packed with helpful extras at no additional cost:

- Active&Fit Direct™ fitness program. - 24-hour Nurse Advice Line. - Disease management programs. - Fitness Allowance Program. - Treatment Cost Calculator to compare prices.
- Travel coverage through Assist America®.

For more information Please Contact Nicole Van Hyfte at Vermilion Advantage.

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Vermilion Advantage News

BIGG Tip

Who Owns Your Life?

Circumstances? Other people? Don't settle for that. Take control! Run your life like an enterprise, with you as the owner in charge. Define your vision, mission, and values. Set strategic goals to create that future. Gather the resources necessary to propel you down the path to your goals. Put the needed structure in place to achieve your dreams. It leads to BIGG success! Get more tips from BIGG Success [here](#).

Community Tours

We can help with your Professional Recruitment and/or Short- or Long-Term

Jobs

Illinois Angel Investment Tax Credit - see news release [here](#)

Vermilion Advantage Job Board - For current, local job opportunities posted directly by employers, please see the Vermilion County Jobs Board at www.vermillionadvantage.com/job-board - Vermilion Advantage is Vermilion County, Illinois' electronic resource for career and occupational opportunities, employer profiles, career information, K-16 education programs and partnerships in our area. Learn more about local training through Danville Area Community College and other local training resources. It's all here. If you need help to be set up as a

Rental Needs - Vermilion Advantage can help our members with professional recruitment by taking your new employees or employment candidates on a (free) Community Tour. We can also help your current or new employees with rental referrals - we keep a word-of-mouth list of available home and apartment rentals, also including some furnished short-term corporate rentals, that the public may not be aware of through other channels. In addition, we have some lovely extended-stay hotel suite options. And, if you have professional rental properties coming available, make sure Nicole has your property on her list! Questions? Call Nicole at 217-442-6201 or email her at nvanhyfte@vermilionadvantage.com.

APPI Energy

Data-Driven Procurement and Consulting

For 23 years, APPI Energy has remained a trusted name as the preferred provider of energy consulting services for 158 trade associations and chambers of commerce including Vermilion Advantage. We provide our clients with recommendations designed to save time, reduce expenses, and create budget certainty during the energy procurement process. Find out more at www.appienergy.com.

user on our Vermilion County Jobs Board page to post job openings, please contact Vermilion Advantage at 217-442-6201.

All A's/Achievements

Share Your Stories & "All A's" - These Member Announcements & the Inside Vermilion County magazine are here to help you share your stories & your "Awards, Achievements, and Accolades" for your business or your employees. Everyone has a story - successes, challenges, great employees, there are good stories about every one of your businesses that you can share with the community. Please tell us your story by email at contact@vermilionadvantage.com or contact us at 217-442-6201.

Leadership Tomorrow Class 33 Graduation - see news release [here](#)

The Bismarck Lions Club performed vision screenings at Bismarck-Henning Elementary School - see news release [here](#)

The Haas Corporation builds the CNC machines used at Danville Area Community College for teaching manufacturing students and has provided more than \$56,000 in scholarship support since 2017. This year's "Big Check" donation from Haas will help pay for the tuition, fees, books, and tools for three students studying to be CNC technologists. The Haas Foundation funds the scholarships through the DACC Foundation under Tonya Hill. DACC Professors Todd Flessner and Doug Hunter and Dean Terri Cummings lead the DACC manufacturing programs.

Education Announcements

Health Care Announcements

DACC Corporate Education 2022-2023 Training Opportunities - see flyer [here](#)

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee is now accepting applications until December 9th for the MLK Scholarship - see news release [here](#)

Crosspoint Human Services Offers Mental Health & Psychiatric Services - see news release [here](#)

Rosecrance "On You Radar" Podcast - See "Our Stressors and How They Affect Us" episode [here](#)

Vermilion County Mental Health 708 Board is offering Mental Health First Aid Trainings

Training schedule [here](#)

Adult Mental Health First Aid flyer [here](#)

Youth Mental Health First Aid flyer [here](#)

Announcements & Community

Doug Ireland - Prudential Advisor

The end of the year always brings great memories but, also, great stress for both holiday planning and your finances. Schedule an appointment for a financial review to make sure your money is doing what it needs to do for you. Call 217-516-7778 or email doug.ireland@prudential.com today.

Downtown Danville Parking for the Holiday Season - see news release [here](#)

City of Danville CDBG-CV Small Business Assistance Grant Program - see news release [here](#)

Land of Lincoln-Legal Aid Partners with East Central Illinois Community Action Agency - see flyer [here](#)

You can help break the cycle. You can give a child hope for a better future. You can be a CASA - see training flyer [here](#)

The Citizens Police Academy is a free opportunity to take a unique look at your Police Department - see news release [here](#)

Illinois Housing Development Association's Court-Based Rental Assistance Program (CBRAP) is a court-based rental assistance program for people who are facing eviction and are in court proceeding - see program information [here](#)

The Salvation Army is in need of Volunteer Bell Ringers - see flyer [here](#)

A successful Christmas Season is vital to The Salvation Army - see flyer [here](#)

The Salvation Army of Vermilion County Partners with Burlington & Delivering Good - see news release [here](#)

Red Mask Players 2022-2023 Sponsorship Opportunities - see flyer [here](#)

DLO Invites you to become a 2022-2023 Season Member - see flyer [here](#)

DLO would like your support - see support opportunities [here](#); see ad flyer [here](#)

DSO 2022-2023 Concert Season Program Ad Opportunity - see flyer [here](#)

DSO Beautiful Season of Music - see flyer [here](#)

ECICAA Announces the Start of the Energy Assistance Program

see news release [here](#)

ECICAA Voices of Community Action December Newsletter - see newsletter [here](#)

MidWest America Federal Credit Union Share Certificate Special

see flyer [here](#)

Mimi's Kitchen & Catering Menu Options

see buffet pricing [here](#)

see appetizer menu [here](#)

see entrée menu [here](#)

see dessert menu [here](#)

Healthy Eating Options menu [here](#).

Visit www.mimiskitchen-catering.com

Motley Food Menu Options

see menu [here](#). Visit <https://www.facebook.com/MotleyFoodDanville/>.

Upcoming Member Events

December 9 & 10 City of Danville Holiday Bazaar - see flyer [here](#)

December 9 & 10 Glo Bingo - see flyer [here](#)

December 10 Santa Claus is Coming to Town - Visit the Oakwood Library for a fun filled day of Candy Land - see Candy Land flyer [here](#) ; see Santa flyer [here](#)

December 11 The Vermilion County Museum Society will be hosting a Candlelight Walk through the Fithian Home - see news release [here](#)

December 11 Roxy's House at Blue Heron Ranch Present a Magical Country Christmas - see flyer [here](#), see sponsorship opportunities [here](#)

December 16 Ugly Sweater Party at Turtle Run - see flyer [here](#)

December 18 DSO Present *The Nutcracker* - see flyer [here](#)

The University of Illinois Extension Office in Vermilion County will offer Online Master Gardener Training Classes at end of January 2023 - see training information [here](#)

Danville Public Library - see upcoming events [here](#)

112 Wine and Coffee Shoppe:

- Shoppe Hours: Monday-Thursday: 6:00AM-10:00PM; Friday & Saturday: 6:00AM-11:00pm & Sunday: 8:00AM-2:00PM

Big Thorn Farm & Brewery:

- Bar Hours: Friday 3:00-9:00PM, Saturday Noon-9:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM-4:00PM
- December 16-17: 3:00PM-9:00PM Join us for our annual Winter Solstice celebration, Winter Welcome! We'll be releasing farm-only draft and bottles of our hefty Winter warmer, named for the occasion. Hot soup, mulled cider, and a special surprise, THREE YEARS IN THE MAKING. A vertical tasting of three Winter Welcome vintages that we've been patiently aging in our cellar: 2019, 2021, and 2022. Taste them side-by-side and decide which is your favorite!

Danville Boat Club:

- Tuesdays: Members & Invited Guests Big Burger Tuesdays, Doors open at 5:00PM, Food orders begin at 5:30PM. Big burgers with fries \$10 several burger, shrimp and chicken options. Burger with chips \$9.
- Thursday Lunch: Hot bar \$10 Beef Stew, Salad & Biscuit. Big Burger with fries \$10 or Burger with Chips \$9

Danville Farmer's Market: (First Presbyterian Church 100 N. Franklin, Danville)

- February 4
- March 4
- April 1
- Hours are 10:00AM-2:00PM

Danville V.F.W. Post #728:

- Sundays: Bingo at 2:00PM.

Fischer Theatre:

- December 8: The Muppet Christmas Carol at 7:00PM
- December 9: Elf at 7:00PM
- December 10: Pitch Meeting Christmas Concert at 7:00PM
- December 11: White Christmas at 2:00PM
- December 15: National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation at 7:00PM
- December 16&17: It's A Wonderful Life at 2:00PM & 7:00PM
- December 18: The Polar Express at 2:00PM
- Visit atthefischer.com for ticket information

Gao Grotto:

- Friday Night Cook: Cheeseburgers/hamburgers, chicken strips, pork fritters, and hot dogs. All meals come with 2 sides: fries, onion rings, coleslaw, and beans.
- Service Time is 5:30PM to 7:30PM

Sleepy Creek Vineyards:

- Mondays: Yoga & Wine with Linda every Monday; Doors open at 5:30PM Class begins at 6:00PM, Cost is \$10
- Tuesdays: Yoga & Wine with Mandy every Tuesday; Doors open at 5:30PM Class begins at 6:00PM, Cost is \$10.
- December 9: Aces N Rhythms "Lets Unwind" 6:30PM
- December 12: Just Jammin' with John 3:00PM-5:00PM
- December 17: North Pole Naughtiness - Murder Mystery Dinner 6:00PM
- Sundays: Winey Mary Bar Every Sunday Noon-6:00PM
- Sleepy Creek Hours: Sunday-Tuesday Noon-6:00PM; Wednesday-Thursday-Saturday Noon-7:00PM & Friday Noon-9:00PM. Please visit our Facebook page at Sleepy Creek Vineyards or online at www.sleepycreekvineyards.com for updates

Turtle Run:

- Wednesdays: Queen of Hearts Drawing - see info [here](#) & see the winning pot each week on Facebook.
- December 16: Ugly Sweater Party

Westville American Legion Post 51:

- Wednesdays: Queen of Hearts Drawing at 7:00PM. Tickets \$1.00.
- Thursdays: Tacos/Nachos with Bob Schifo from 5:30-7:30PM

American Legion Post 210:

- Friday Dinner served 5:00PM-7:00PM with options of beer battered fish, shrimp, and a variety of sandwiches