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DID YOU KNOW...

Your business can bring 560 flyers to Vermilion Advantage and we will place them into our Inside Vermilion County magazine for distribution? If you would like to utilize this great membership perk please bring your copies to our office by the 25th of each month!

Inside Vermilion County

April Issue

To view this months issues of "Inside Vermilion County" visit our website!

<https://www.vermilionadvantage.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/May-2023.pdf>

Vermilion Advantage EVENTS

VERMILION ADVANTAGE
HUMAN RESOURCES
AND SAFETY
COUNCIL

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& NETWORKING
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VERMILION COUNTY
YOUNG PROFESSIONALS NETWORK

Business
after
HOURS



**DID YOU
KNOW...**

Any employee from your business is welcome to attend our Vermilion Advantage networking events? Please share the information with your staff and invite someone new! We look forward to seeing you!

VERMILION ADVANTAGE

HOURS BUSINESS AFTER



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IROQUOIS FEDERAL

Join Vermilion Advantage for Business After Hours at Iroquois Federal. Enjoy catering by Slotted Spoon and beer & wine from VRBC. Thanks to Iroquois Federal, this will be a free event! RSVP - nvanhyfte@vermilionadvantage.com



MAY 11

5:30PM-7:30PM



Vermilion Advantage

NEWS



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Through the Back to Business (B2B) program, the State of Illinois is offering \$175 million in grants for businesses in industries hit hardest by the pandemic, specifically restaurants, hotels, and businesses in the creative arts industry. Applications are open from April 5—May 10, 2023. Vermilion Advantage is here to support you. This is NOT a first come, first serve grant. All eligible candidates will receive something. More information can be found at www.vermilionadvantage.com or dceo.illinois.gov/smallbizassistance/b2b.html.

To apply, visit <https://ilgrant.communitydevelopmentfund.org/submit>.

If you have any questions, call 217-442-6201 or email Nicole at nvanhyfte@vermilionadvantage.com.

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DID YOU KNOW...

Members with Vermilion Advantage with 50 or less employees, will be able to gain health insurance for their business through their Vermilion Advantage membership at a discounted rate? Contact Nicole VanHyfte for more details! nvanhyfte@vermillionadvantage.com

Jobs

Vermilion Advantage is looking for an Office Assistant - see job details [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

Education

Project Success: Help Save Afterschool Program for 12,000 Students in Illinois - see flyer [here](#)

Illinois Small Business Center at DACC - see upcoming classes & training events [here](#)

DACC Courses & Trainings:

DACC College for Kids Summer 2023 Camp - see news release [here](#)

DACC Adult Educational Summer 2023 Classes - see news release [here](#)

Deadlines to Apply for DACC Summer and Fall 2023 Health Career Programs - see details [here](#)

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

DACC Coordinated Engineering Program - see details [here](#)

Child Care Resource Services would like to encourage people to learn about the Grants and Scholarships that are available for Early Childhood and Education -see Higher Education Navigator Flyer [here](#); see Early Childhood DACC flyer [here](#); see ECACE Scholarship flyer [here](#)

need help to be set up as a user on our Vermilion County Jobs Board page to post job openings, please contact Vermilion Advantage at 217-442-6201.

Honors & Achievements



DANVILLE -- The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting has been awarded to Danville Area Community College by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022 - see news release [here](#)

DACC Celebrates Community College Month IHSA ESports Sectional Tournament - see news release [here](#)

Erich Hannah named Ambucs 90th First Citizen - see news release [here](#)

Healthcare

OSF Healthcare: Healthy Workplace Newsletter - see Spring edition [here](#)

Amanda Thoennes, Behavioral Health APRN Joins OSF Healthcare in Danville - see news release [here](#)

Write Your Story at DACC!
Register Full Time* for Fall Before June 30 and Receive a \$600 Tuition Discount!
*Must register for at least 12 credits to be full-time and receive discount. Some exceptions apply.

dacc.edu/writeyourstory
217.443.3222 (DACC)

Write Your Story at DACC!
Summer is Your Season!
A running head start, playing catch-up, or getting your feet wet...
Summer classes begin May 22 & June 12.

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217.443.3222 (DACC)

Advisement & Counseling Walk-ins
EVERY WEDNESDAY
Lincoln Hall, Room 104

REGISTER NOW!

IN PERSON VIA ZOOM BY PHONE

Call 217-443-8750 or visit www.dacc.edu/aac to schedule an advisement appointment.

New Member Alert!

Welcome to Vermilion Advantage Fair Hope Children's Ministry and Mustard Seed Christian Daycare

FAIR HOPE
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY





I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE

Susan Franklin



“Keep on sowing your seed, for you never know which will grow - perhaps it all will.” - Albert Einstein

Susan Franklin moved to Vermilion County in 1980 after graduating college. She landed her first job as a part time naturalist at Kickapoo State Park. Later she

would find work in various avenues such as Sears, substitute teaching, food marts and finally retiring from the State Department of Corrections.

While employed with the State Department of Corrections, Susan came to realize how cool Danville really was. Her job took her to various cities and communities, but Danville was always home. “The best thing about our community is the people. The people here care about others and are always willing and ready to step up.”

After retirement, Susan was able to focus on her gardening. She explained that gardening has always been her Zen, so she was excited to be able to spend more time doing what she loved. Over the past 11 years, Susan has helped grow our Danville Farmers Market from around 6 vendors to over 30! The market has partnered with both the Crossroads Church of Danville and the First Presbyterian Church of Danville to provide both winter and summer markets. Speaking of summer markets, make sure to check out the first summer market of the season, May 13th at Crossroads Church! The markets are all producer based, meaning all goods have been locally made, baked or grown!

Susan enjoys spending time with her family, reading and volunteering at the Humane Society and Fischer Theatre. She has also deemed herself a “reluctant beekeeper”. The bees are good for her garden, and even though she is reluctant, she knows the importance. This statement is a true testament of Susan: she is always going to put the work in. She is the busy bee behind the scenes ensuring the people of Vermilion County have access to fresh produce in a safe, healthy environment. She has been working endlessly for the past several years to have the Market be able to accept SNAP EBT/Link cards in exchange for tokens to be used at the Danville Farmers Market. This will allow customers to use their EBT/Link Cards for fresh produce, meat, eggs, and baked goods. It is her hope that this option will be available starting May 13th, but please follow their Facebook page for more details.

Susan has planted many seeds in our community, not only in the soil but in the hearts of those who reside here. Thank you, Susan Franklin, for sowing your seed in Vermilion County.

Make sure to visit Susan at the Summer Farmers Market May 13 8:00AM - Noon at 3613 N Vermilion Street in Danville. See YOU at the Market!

By Jodie Ingram

To nominate someone who inspires you, click below!

[Click Here](#)

Announcements & Community



First Presbyterian Church
100 N. Franklin Street
Danville IL 61832
217-442-0541
office@fpcdanville.org

**Is your non-profit organization looking for office space?
We have second floor rooms (large and small) available for rent
in the First Presbyterian Church building.
Call us at 217-442-0541 Monday—Friday from 9am-1pm or
email us at office@fpcdanville.org for more information.**

BIGG Tip of the Week: How to Stop Using a Crutch Word

Create substitutes - think up two or three alternatives. Pull one out when you're about to lean on your crutch. For example, instead of "You know", you might say "You're probably aware of this", "You may find this interesting", or "I bet you can relate to this." Communicate better by getting off your crutches. It leads to BIGG success! For more tips from BIGG Success, click [here](#).

Doug Ireland - Prudential Advisors

It's time to get financially fit. Schedule your complimentary review by contacting me at 217-516-7778 or doug.ireland@prudential.com today!

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](#)

ECICAA Announces the Start of the Energy Assistance Program
see news release [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>.
Introducing a New Event Center in Vermilion County called Blue Heron Ranch - see flyer [here](#)

Rotary Memorial Way Flag Sales - see details [here](#); see corporate sponsorship form [here](#); see memorial way flag form [here](#)

The City of Danville is pleased to announce the incoming of Sonic Drive-In and separate Jimmy John's - see news release [here](#)

See the latest news on Bresee Tower [here](#)

A Message from Chief Yates - DPD - see [here](#)

City of Danville is excited to continue its efforts to preserve, maintain and replace its roads in 2023 - see news release [here](#)

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

Danville Dans Looking to Give Back to Community - see news release [here](#)

Be a voice from Vermilion County community to discuss Early Childhood service needs - see flyer [here](#)

Vermilion County Conservation District 2023 Camp Programs - see flyer [here](#); see program registration [here](#)

The Vermilion Conservationist Spring 2023 - see [here](#)

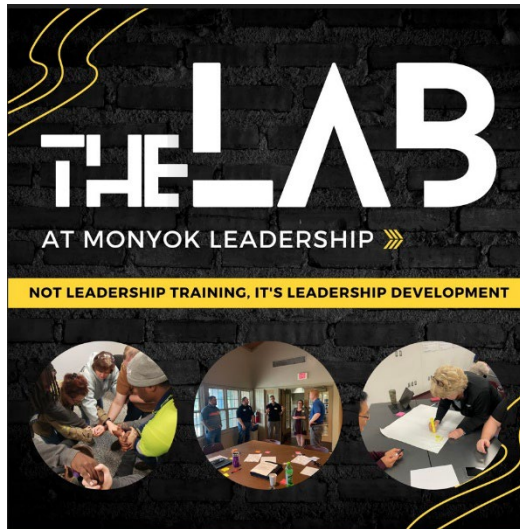
SAVE THE DATE Vermilion Regional Airport is pleased to announce the return of the very popular "Cheeseburger Night" - see news release [here](#)

Need Help Finding & Affording Quality Child Care? Child Care Resource Service is here to help - see flyer [here](#); see who we are and what we do [here](#); see higher educational navigator flyer [here](#)

May is National Photography month and we want to celebrate by showcasing some of our area talent. The Danville Public Library, the Fischer Theatre and a number of downtown businesses are clearing some space to host both amateurs and professionals behind the lens for a month long walking tour.

A printable map will be posted in the event discussion once details are finalized.

Additionally, the Danville Public Library will be getting



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<https://monyokleadership.com/the-lab>

Leadership Tomorrow is seeking sponsors for The Amazing Race - see flyer [here](#)

into spirit with a special photography section of books.

Look for additional pop-up events and opportunities throughout the month. And it's not too late to participate. Interested Business Hosts and Photographers alike can contact Peter Blackmon with the Foundation at 217-477-5220 Ext 114 or by email at peter@danvillelibraryfoundation.org.

Brought to you in part by the Danville Public Library, the Danville Library Foundation and First Fridays in Downtown Danville.

National Small Business week!

Check out the *Illinois Small Business Center at DACC* training sessions and additional Small Business Week information [here](#)

Nominate your Favorite Business for a Small Business Award!!!

Categories:

Entrepreneur of the Year: New innovative business that is different from anything that has been seen before.

Legacy Small Business: A business that has been around for multiple years and still providing excellent services.

Small Business of the Year: The voted best small business in our local area.

Small Business Start-up: A new business that was founded in the year 2022.

Please email your nomination to e.steiner@dacc.edu

Upcoming Member Events

DLO Auditions Coming in May - see details [here](#)

May 4 OSF Presents A Healthy Workplace Event at the Danville Country Club - see flyer [here](#)

May 4 Federal Grant Writing Workshop - see flyer [here](#)

May 5 First Friday Sweets in the Street & Community Yoga - view additional details [here](#)

May 6 "Do You Know Joe" 5K Run & Walk - see flyer [here](#)

- Keep Vermilion County Beautiful will be doing a clean up Wednesday, May 3 from 5-7 before this event. Please meet at the old Goodwill store on the corner of Fairchild and Gilbert. Bring gloves if you can.

May 6 Vermilion Voles Vintage Base Ball Club Season Opener - see news release [here](#)

May 6 Hoops Against Violence - see flyer [here](#)

May 6 Cannabis Friendtor Day - see flyer [here](#)

May 10 Vermilion County Health Department to host FREE Narcan Training - see flyer [here](#)

May 13 Free Electronics Collection Event - see flyer [here](#)

May 13 Community Shred Day - see flyer [here](#)

May 15 Free May Adult Craft: Painted Gnome Planter - see flyer [here](#)

May 19, 20, & 21 DLO Performs, Seussical, at The Fischer Theater - see details [here](#)
Local Sponsors Needed - DLO Musical Theatre production of Seussical the Musical is hoping to do another giveaway full of local goodies. We love supporting small businesses in the area and are looking for donations for a big gift basket

May 20 STEP into Spring Event - see flyer [here](#)

May 23 Open House: Advance Your Career In Early Childhood Education - see flyer [here](#)

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

Hoopeston Public Library - see May Newsletter [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

American Legion Post 210:

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

Big Thorn Farm & Brewery:

- Bar Hours: Friday 3:00-9:00PM, Saturday Noon-9:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM-4:00PM

Boxcar Books & Vinyl:

- We have a club for that! The Donut Club grades 5-8, The Coffee Club grades 8-12 and the Adult Book Club.
- Check out our Rail Mail Book Subscription Boxes. Choose your genre and the number of months you'd like to subscribe and we will ship you a new release book and bookish gifts each month!
- For more details visit our website [here](#)

Danville Boat Club: (15750 Boat Club Road)

- Big Burger Tuesday Members & Invited Guest- Doors Open at 5 orders taken starting at 5:30PM: Several burger, shrimp, and chicken options.

Fischer Theatre:

- May 6 7:30PM Danville Symphony Orchestra Presents, Sims Sings Broadway
- May 11 DHS Music Workshop - Shawn Maxwell Tour
- May 13 Terms of Endearment showing at 7:00PM
- May 19-21 DLO Present Seussical The Musical
- May 25 Pride & Prejudice showing at 7:00PM
- May 26 A Man Called Otto showing at 7:00PM
- Visit atthefischer.com for ticket information

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
- Wednesday: 12:00PM-7:00PM For a limited time, Wine Down ALL DAY Wednesday. \$5 any glass of wine, small slushy, or small sangria. Take a mid-week break to relax and unwind!

- Fridays: Wieners & Wine Friday 5:00PM-8:00PM
- May 5 6:30PM-8:30PM Live music with Mid-October
- May 7 3:00PM-5:00PM Live Music Series with Black Velvet
- 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 Golf Club:

- 2023 Turtle Run Golf Events [here](#)
- 2023 Couples Golf Events [here](#)
- May 3 - August 9 Wednesday Night Golf League - see flyer [here](#)
- May 11 - August 24 Thursday Night Ladies League - see flyer [here](#)
- May 26 BHRA 4 Person Golf Scramble - see flyer [here](#)
- For membership information and golf rates, please visit our website at <https://turtlerungolfclub.com/>

Vermilion River Beer Company

- May 3 This is Howie Wednesday - Join us every Wednesday at 6:00PM for David Howie all request Happy Hour.
- May 3 at 4:00PM Charity on Tap: Danville Dans. Join us Wednesday, May 3, as we officially recognize our Danville Dans Baseball Team as our charity of the month, featuring Joyful Bubbles Pilsner and guest bartenders from the Danville Dans!
- May 8 Manic Monday: New Product Roll-Out
- May 9 Tapsy Tuesday - \$1 off all drafts
- May 9 Tuesday Trivia 7:00PM-9:00PM

VFW Post 728: (8 Pine Street, Danville)

- Fridays: fish fillet dinners and Bill's seafood chowder will be served from 5:00PM-8:00PM/ Dine in and carry-outs available
- Sundays: Family bingo every Sunday promptly at 2:00PM. Children are welcome, but be 18 years of age to play. A Sunday lunch special and a variety of sandwiches and snack foods are available.

Westville American Legion Post 51:

- Wednesdays: Queen of Hearts Drawing at 7:00PM. Tickets \$1.00.
- Thursday Night Dinners with Bob Schifo - see menu [here](#)

Discover Vermilion County Illinois Video
#discovervc



[Watch Video Here](#)

Please use this video to recruit, to be proud of your community, and to show other communities how incredible Vermilion County is.

Special thank you to the Danville Area Visitors Bureau and Center Street Productions.
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