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See you all soon!

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Inside Vermilion County is a monthly publication created by Vermilion Advantage to showcase our members and share good news about Vermilion County. Each issue is mailed to all Vermilion Advantage members and over 1,000 copies are distributed throughout Vermilion County.

Congratulations, Jodie Ingram!

Jodie Ingram has a new role at Vermilion Advantage - Community Development Coordinator.

Tell us about your new position.

I assist in tracking issues within communities, developing programs and coordinating events. It will also focus on member retention and growth in the southern parts of the county. We want to ensure all members and communities throughout Vermilion County know we are here to help and support in any way we can!

While this position is not new at Vermilion Advantage, it has been vacant for the past couple of years. Due to our rapid growth in membership and ongoing work in the community, we felt it was a good time to bring the position back.

How long have you been with Vermilion Advantage?

A little over a year

What do you hope to accomplish in your new role?

I want to build strong, lasting relationships with our members and communities.

What do you love most about what you do?

Hands down, helping people/businesses/communities is what I love the most about my job. Aside from that, I love the variety. We cover such a wide array of services that no two days look alike.

What would surprise people most about Vermilion Advantage?

Vermilion Advantage has a huge presence in our community; people would be surprised to know that we are only a team of 5.

How have your past positions helped in your current role?

I started my career at Vermilion Advantage as the Office Manager and was recently promoted to Community Development Coordinator. I have the best mentors in Tim Dudley, Nicole



VanHyfte, and Jo Doggett. I love that I am always included whenever there is a learning opportunity. Each of them takes time out of their day to explain the process and make sure I understand. This has made the transition smooth.

Funny enough, my position at Mike's Chill played a part in preparing me for my current role. People would get ice cream for all sorts of reasons; celebrating a win, cheering up from a loss, going on a first date, healing from a heartbreak ...everyone had a story, and for a moment, I got to be a part of it. This job taught me how to build connections, handle conflict, and provide excellent customer service. I had the honor and privilege of learning

from some of the best people in the business, Oren Cunningham and Vicki Meithie.

What do you enjoy most about Vermilion County?

I enjoy the small-town, family-friendly atmosphere. I love the assortment of activities; we can go to a Dans game one night, hit up a DLO musical the next night and then enjoy some outdoor adventures at Kickapoo. There is always something fun to do!

Tell us about your family.

My husband Richie and I will celebrate 15 years of marriage in August. We have two amazing kiddos that keep us on our toes. We are in the busy phase of life and loving every minute of it!



Vermilion Valley FCA Going Strong

Want to find an organization that ties faith and sports together for coaches and athletes of all ages? Look no further than Vermilion Valley Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). Daniel Chappell, Multi Area Director for North, East, and South-Central Illinois and Brian Carpenter, Area Representative for Vermilion County, lead the organization.

In simplest terms, Sports + Faith=FCA. Since 1954, FCA has sought to serve the world of sport in three dimensions: physically, mentally, and spiritually. The organization describes its mission as a community working to see the world transformed by Jesus Christ through the influence of coaches and athletes. They desire to see every coach and athlete enter a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church.

Vermilion Valley FCA includes Vermilion County. The organization has ongoing ministry programs in Armstrong, Oakwood, Georgetown, Westville, Bismarck, and the Danville Dans baseball team.

FCA has had a staff presence in Vermilion County since the mid-1990s. Chappell began as Area Representative

for a three-county area that included Vermilion County in 2011. "I have been surprised by the sheer number of athletes and coaches across all levels (youth/rec-college-pro) and the strong culture of competitive involvement we have here," says Chappell. "I've also been pleasantly surprised and humbled by the generosity of our people. We are 100% locally funded, and every time we've needed to increase the budget to grow the ministry, our community has risen to the occasion. While we are part of a global organization with headquarters in Kansas City, MO, 100% of our funding for staff and ministry comes from local individuals, businesses, and organizations."

Vermilion Valley FCA organizes small groups, known as huddles, in multiple locations. Currently, there are five multi-sport huddles, two coach huddles and one character coach/team chapel (with the Danville Dans). They also host camps and clinics during the summer. There is a basketball partnership camp with Bismarck Henning Rossville Alvin basketball. FCA hosts a quarterback (QB) clinic with area football coaches, QBs and receivers.

"Our presence in local public schools must be student-led," says Carpenter. "FCA does not exist on HS campuses unless we have student-athlete leaders willing to take the responsibility to lead."

In 2018, the executive leadership of Global FCA began a shift to FCA 2.0, and a large part of that shift has been to expand the ministry beyond the campus. "We are having a growing influence in Action Sports, All-Ability, Club, League, Motorsports, Outdoors, & Pro/Elite sports," says Chappell. "We are also truly global with staff in over 130 countries!"

The local FCA staff and volunteers have a heart to serve coaches, athletes, and sports administrators who have

different faiths or no faith at all. "While we are committed to the message and cause of Jesus Christ, we want to serve and love everyone," adds Chappell. "We do that through team meals, leadership training, and values-based team character development."

The group recently hosted a QB Clinic with retired NFL QB Shaun Hill on July 11th. Upcoming events include a Golf Classic on September 22nd, Dan's Meals during the summer, and a Spring Victory Dessert with a date yet to be determined.

There are many ways to get involved with FCA. Volunteer options include character coaches, camp volunteers, NJCAA Div II Players' Lounge, Dan's Meals and advisory board members. Financial Partnership opportunities include monthly partners, corporate sponsors (sponsorship packages available) and even grain donations from farmers.

To learn more about FCA locally, contact Brian Carpenter at bcarpenter@fca.org or Daniel Chappell at dchappell@fca.org. More information is available at v2fca.org or on Facebook @v2fca.



Daniel Chappell



Brian Carpenter

Welcome Dana Rowland, Vermilion Advantage's New Office Assistant

Tell us about your new position.

My office duties include greeting visitors, answering phones, taking Board minutes, and handling the mail. I coordinate the weekly Member Announcements and What's Happening, distributed electronically and posted to our website. I coordinate all the flyers and inserts for our monthly magazine, *Inside Vermilion County*. I also create flyers and send invitations for our events, such as our Business and Networking Lunches and Business After Hours, and our members' activities.

Why did you choose to work at Vermilion Advantage?

I love working at a place that makes a difference in the community, whether bringing new business to the area through our Economic Development side or meeting and helping established businesses through the Chamber of Commerce. I've always been very involved in my community, and this was a way to do it from a professional standpoint.

What would surprise people most about what you do?

I was surprised that every day looks different. We get random questions about things in our county and luckily someone in the office usually knows the answer or where to direct them. I'm learning a lot of new things.

What do you see as one of the major benefits of Vermilion Advantage?

From the short time I've worked here, it's clear that Vermilion Advantage wants the best for this community, and they work hard to make that happen. Being part of this group has allowed me to meet many amazing people doing great things for this community.

What positions/jobs did you have prior to Vermilion Advantage?

For the last 18 years, I have been fortunate to be a stay-at-home mom to my two children. Before that, I worked



at State Farm. Now that my kids are grown, I decided to rejoin the workforce. While I was home, I did a lot of volunteer work in our community and our school district. Being at home and involved in volunteering really helped me with organization, scheduling, time management and planning.

What do you enjoy most about Vermilion County?

I enjoy how friendly everyone is in Vermilion County. Everyone greets you when you are out, and it's a very welcoming community. Also, there's so much to do here! Every week when I type up the What's Happening section of our website, I'm amazed at all the

events! I love discovering all the small shops and restaurants that Vermilion County offers. I've joked with my family that I should create a blog called "Dana Discovers Danville" because there's so much here.

Tell us a little about your family.

My husband and I are high school sweethearts and will celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary this fall. He is the welding instructor at Danville Area Community College. We have two children. Our daughter, Libby, is 22 and works at the U of I. Our son, Bobby, is 18 and will attend DACC in the fall. Most of our family lives out of town, so we've made amazing friends here who are like family.

Hoopeston Public Library Offers Books and Much More



The Hoopeston Public Library is not as quiet as visitors might guess. With a director who formerly taught third grade, knows almost everyone in the community, and is rarely quiet, you will often hear Director Tricia Freeland's booming voice throughout the building. The popular space is also rich with connections and activities for adults and youth.

The Hoopeston Public Library, located at 110 N 4th St, seeks to provide and ensure a safe and welcoming environment for everyone who enters. The library provides materials and services to help community residents meet their personal, educational and cultural needs. Books for all ages, magazines, newspapers, audiobooks, and DVD movies are available for checkout with a valid library card. Materials are also available through the Illinois Heartland Library System and beyond. Most items can be checked out for two weeks. The library's Illinois Room contains many historical documents, photos, city directories and school yearbooks. The library also offers

public access to computers and Wi-Fi, online services, meeting rooms, and home delivery.

Popular activities include the Mary Hartwell Catherwood Book Club, which meets the first Monday of each month at 1:30 PM, and adult programming offered through the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service.

Janell Sechriest coordinates the vast array of children's programs, books and services. The Children's Room offers a fun, hands-on learning experience for preschoolers and grade school-age children. In addition to books and DVDs, the library features a variety of educational toys, games, sensory stations and play areas. Children's programs include Littles at the Library, Builders Club, Kids STEAM LAB, and a Summer Reading Program.

A district library card is free to any resident or non-resident property owner of Hoopeston, Rossville, East Lynn, Wellington, Cheneyville, Rankin and Alvin. You will

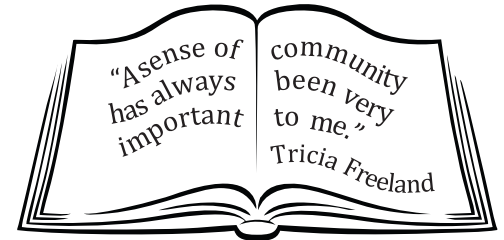
need a valid photo ID, proof of current address (utility or phone bill preferably), and a local reference to obtain a card. Anyone under 18 must have a parent or legal guardian with a valid library card to receive their library card. For those who live outside the district, non-resident cards are available for a yearly fee of \$60 for the entire household.

The Hoopeston Public Library, founded by the Mary Hartwell Catherwood Club in 1898, was initially located in a room of the city building until 1904. After receiving funds from

Andrew Carnegie and the community, the library was built on land donated by Alba Honeywell. A 1975 addition was added with Revenue Sharing Funds made available by the City of Hoopeston. The 2002 addition was made possible with funds from the Charlotte Ann Russell Charitable Trust, Wilson Farwell Bessellieu Estate, private donors, and grants provided by the Illinois State Library. This addition includes a handicapped-accessible entrance with an elevator and a large multipurpose room.

Director Tricia Freeland has been with the library since 2014. Beyond all the paperwork, she spends time daily visiting with patrons, helping with their tasks or finding a good book, and playing with the children that come in. She serves as President of the United Community Fund of Grant Township.

To learn more about the Hoopeston Public Library District, visit hooplib.org or email tricia@hooplib.org. They can also be found by searching Hoopeston Public Library on Facebook and Instagram.








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 at Palmer Arena

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DLO Musical Theatre has been delighting patrons with Broadway-style, memorable performances since the organization's inception in 1956.

The organization is one of the region's oldest continually operating community theaters. It is celebrating the 10th anniversary of its name change from Danville Light Opera to DLO Musical Theatre.

"The board of directors is a working board, pouring tremendous sweat equity into an organization that produces a level of performing arts that Danville can be proud of," says Andrew Peters, Treasurer of the board of directors. "The name change from Danville Light Opera to DLO Musical Theatre emphasizes our commitment to Broadway-style musical theatre productions while still honoring our history."

DLO Musical Theatre puts on three mainstage shows yearly and two in the summer (Children's/Teen productions). It also offers some off-season opportunities.

The Cast and Crew

All DLO performers are nonprofessionals who come together in a spirit of community. Audiences are consistently impressed by the level of talent displayed on the DLO stage.

"One of the best things about DLO Musical Theatre is the camaraderie that participants experience and the long-term friendships that develop." Ron McDaniel

As a community theatre, DLO hosts open auditions for every production, with no previous performing experience required. Mainstage shows during the regular season (fall, winter, spring) feature mostly adult roles. The 2022-23 season included *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, *Ghost The Musical*, and *Seussical*. A special fund-raiser, *An Evening of Sondheim*, will be staged August 11 and 12 at the Masonic Temple. The youth theater program operates in the summer, with two musicals—one for young children and one for teens. This summer's shows were *The Lion King, Jr.* and *Anything Goes*.

DLO Musical Theatre: Celebrating Decades in Vermilion County

DLO is always seeking people with behind-the-scenes skills, including sewing costumes, building scenery, marketing, graphic design, technical skills, or just lending a helping hand.

"We are always excited for new people to join our theatre family!" says Bailey Thompson, newly elected board member and youth director/workshop instructor. "Whether you're a singer, dancer, builder, or interested in costumes, we want you to be a part of this amazing organization."

Off-Season and Youth Opportunities

In addition to the summer children's production she directs, Thompson recently created the Coffeehouse Series, a once-a-month performance at Mad Goat South with different themed nights. Thompson also organized and instructed several workshops geared toward youth.

DLO Musical Theatre Backstage

A building of its own has been a game changer for the organization since 2020. On February 27 of that year, DLO submitted the winning bid on a downtown Danville building that was renovated and aptly named DLO Musical Theatre Backstage. The building offers approximately 7,700 square feet on each of the two floors. "Under the guidance of the late Gary Lickfett and with funds from grants and generous donors, contractors and volunteers transformed the building into a fabulous facility that is used for all DLO functions except performances—rehearsals, set and costume construction and storage, board meetings, and box office," says Ron McDaniel, DLO Past President, past longtime elected board member, and current historian.

Peters adds, "The large first floor is perfect for building sets and makes it much easier to move those set pieces in and out than our old facility. The second floor has room for costumes, prop storage, and a rehearsal hall. Backstage is where all the behind-the-scenes hard work takes place for months before the performances that our audiences see on stage."

Performance Locations

The Fischer Theatre is a natural fit for DLO as a nonprofit performing arts venue. "Performing in that beautifully renovated space brings together two long-standing Danville institutions," says Peters. "On a practical level, the location of the Fischer just steps away from Backstage makes it so much

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easier for us to move sets and costumes in and out of the theater."

DLO has been performing shows at the Dick Van Dyke Auditorium at Danville High School for decades. The organization looks forward to returning next season now that renovations are complete. The stage size can accommodate large casts and sets, and the fly system above the stage allows for multiple backdrops and for set pieces to be lowered for use and then raised out of sight.

Sponsorship Opportunities

As a nonprofit organization, DLO is always looking for business sponsors and individual donors to help fulfill its mission of providing opportunities for creative and artistic expression to Vermilion County and the surrounding areas. Ticket sales cover about forty percent of the organization's budget. To make a gift online, visit dlomusicaltheatre.com. Businesses can contact info@dlomusicaltheatre.com for more information about opportunities to sponsor shows and advertise in its programs.

A new sponsorship program for the children's show was introduced this summer with *The Lion King, Jr.* Local businesses and community members could sponsor specific characters or children in the cast. The sponsorships helped

kids get high-quality costumes, props, and makeup, as well as educational materials and t-shirts.

About DLO Musical Theatre

DLO Musical Theatre launches its 69th season this year. The group was incorporated in 1956 as Danville Light Opera Company, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. DLO is governed by a board of directors chosen by the organization's members.

DLO has produced more than 200 musicals, including co-productions with Danville Scottish Rite, Laura Lee Fellowship House, Danville Symphony Orchestra, Sunshine II Productions Ltd., and DACC Players.

DLO strives to bring an appreciation and understanding of musical theatre to the diverse communities it serves without regard to age, disability status, economic circumstance, ethnicity, gender, race, religion, or sexual orientation. Everyone is welcome.

To learn more about DLO Musical Theatre, visit dlomusicaltheatre.com. The group can also be found on Facebook, Instagram and TikTok @dlomusicaltheatre. The board of directors can be reached at info@dlomusicaltheatre.com or 217-431-1660.

Our Nations Mine and Yours Helping People in Need

Glenda Caruthers has a special place in her heart for the people she met in Kenya in 2016. She and her team are looking for businesses and individuals to support their organization, Our Nations Mine and Yours, to further the excellent work that has already started in this East African nation.

Our Nations Mine and Yours primarily aims to reach orphans, widows, and underprivileged families in Kenya. The group's name is based on the word of



God. Caruthers explains, "We can reach out and help people no matter where we are. All because of the love of Christ." The organization offers education, clothing, feeding programs and shelter.

"We also provide full scholarships for all students and members to learn how to live sustainably through education in solar energy, farming, and construction," she says. "We also offer alcohol and drug prevention for the youth."

Caruthers and a committee of committed volunteers have been working since 2016 to achieve their goals in Kenya. Bishop Titus Kiilu serves as the point person in-country.

One example of the focus of the organization's work happened on a recent trip. "Upon my second trip to Kenya, we found three orphans who were sleeping in holes dug in the house," she says. "They had no mattress or blankets and through some donations, we were able to renovate their house and provide bedding."

Caruthers holds an honorary Divinity degree from TECHM Christ Global Bible Institute, Kenya Eastern Region,



an affiliate of TECHM Christ Global Bible US.

The greatest strength of Vermilion County in Illinois, USA is its ability to bring the right people together to help those in need of help," she says. "It is awesome!"

For more information about Our Nations Mine and Yours, call 470-904-5702, email glendacaruthers07@gmail.com or check out their Facebook page @africa846374. A new website is currently under construction.

Donations can be made at the GoFundMe page or cash app at \$5RRROS. Cash donations are also welcome. Volunteers are needed in both the US and Kenya.

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Rossi Photo Studios Creating Visual Media Content for Businesses, Schools and Individuals

Angela Rossi and her team deeply value every one of their individual, school and business clients. The owner/photographer at Rossi Photo Studios (RPS) says, "Our ability to connect with our clients and listen to their needs makes us unique. We want to know our clients' stories and bring their vision to light."

Rossi Photo Studios creates visual media content for businesses and provides premium photography for schools and events. RPS offers volume photography for schools, sports teams, and dance studios.

"Our favorite school ages to capture are the "bookends" - preschoolers and high school seniors!" says Rossi. "We



aim to provide clients with long-lasting relationships and to serve with excellence."

The studio excels at creating memorable, professional headshots.

RPS also helps companies create a visual brand for social media platforms, web use and large print like billboards. "One of our favorite organizations to work with is the City of Danville to really show off the progress that's being made!" says Rossi.

The studio has been in business since 2019 and is located in Tilton at 1701 King Street. Rossi says the company started as "loving a hobby and evolved into loving to serve others with quality images."

The studio includes Rossi and associate photographers Macy Davis and Dante Dellamore, along with studio office manager Kelly Hobbs.

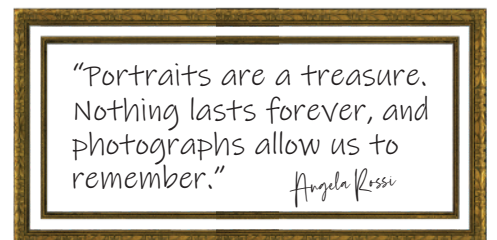
Rossi says the best part about being in Vermilion County is the opportunity to connect with people.

"I am surprised by the endless amount of growing small businesses in Vermilion County and humbled to be a part of it," she says. "The county's greatest strength is its people!"

RPS is currently working on a program for 2024 to integrate a summer intern. Rossi views it as an opportunity to help mentor, guide and teach the photography business to a newly graduated senior or college student.

The best place to stay current with Rossi Photo Studios is on Facebook or Instagram @RossiPhotoStudios. To contact the RPS, email rossiphotostudios@gmail.com or visit RossiPhotoStudios.com.

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Fair Hope Children's Ministry Taking Care of Vermilion County Children

Fair Hope Children's Ministry is a perfect example of Vermilion County's legendary spirit of generosity.

Fair Hope is a faith-based ministry created to assist the children of Danville and the surrounding communities. The organization hopes that families will feel the love of Christ through their efforts—reaching out to the community one child at a time.

The organization provides clothing for newborns to 18 years, including coats, hats, gloves, shoes, pajamas, and new underwear and socks. Layettes for newborns are shared with families. They also provide play yards, convertible car seats, booster seats, and umbrella strollers.

Fair Hope works with county school social workers to provide backpacks and school supplies for students at the

schools where they work. They also support the community through a wide variety of events.

All items are given at no cost.

Clients are referred to Fair Hope by local social service agencies, churches, and schools.

Fair Hope Children's Ministry is located at 1225 East Voorhees Street in Danville, Illinois. The ministry assists clients on Mondays from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm and Thursdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Fair Hope has been in existence for 19 years and is entirely staffed by volunteers.

In 2022, Fair Hope provided clothing for 1,412 children. We shared 6,549 pairs of new socks and 5,456 pairs of new underwear. Also given were 35 play yards, providing a safe place for an infant to sleep, and 20 car seats.

“We are proud that we can serve the children of Danville and the surrounding communities,” says Karel Volpert, Chairman of the Board. “Our mission is very well organized and is a pleasant place for clients to select clothing for their children and grandchildren.”

“Fair Hope is very grateful to the residents, churches, clubs, agencies, foundations, and businesses of Vermilion County. Their support allows us to continue serving the children in our area.” Karel Volpert

Volunteers to assist clients and organize clothing are always welcome.

“We do accept donations of gently used clothing for children-newborn through high school age,” says Volpert. “Donations can be brought to the mission during the hours that we are open. Our ministry is also grateful for monetary donations.”

For more information about volunteering at Fair Hope Children's Ministry, call 217-497-7616.

For general information, visit fairhopedanville.org, find them on Facebook or call 217-497-1571 or 217-497-7616.



Harrison Steel Castings Company

Harrison Steel Castings Company is a global leader in producing precision-engineered steel casting solutions. "We believe our work is a craft at its core," says Director of Human Resources Jason Beck. "Craftsmanship is revealed through the process and validated by time. For over 100 years, premier companies worldwide have entrusted us with delivering exactly what they need: an exceptional steel casting that lasts."

The company employs about 450 people in Attica, Indiana. The U.S. physical plant encompasses 700,000 square feet and can produce castings ranging from 400 to 18,000 pounds net casting weight.

Beck says the secret ingredient in Harrison Steel's high-quality castings is the company's Zero Defect Culture. "It's woven into every step of the process to ensure a flawless finished product we're proud to give our customers," he says. "In our experience, a hurried process leads to mistakes and oversights, which can ultimately lead to part failure down the road. By paying attention to detail, watching your casting like a hawk throughout its creation, using x-ray

quality control, and tracking every part, we can produce what we're after—perfection."

More than 100 years ago, J.W. Harrison established the National Car Coupler Company in Attica, Indiana. Today, that company is Harrison Steel Castings Company, a world leader in the production of highly engineered carbon and low/medium alloy steel castings. Over the last few years, the company has invested over 11 million dollars into new equipment designed to increase efficiency and quality and continue its culture of zero defects.

People are what make the Indiana-Illinois area great, according to Beck. "The local citizens are fantastic. They have worked with us in good times and bad. Working with and for the wonderful folks who live in these communities for 100+ years can be easily seen in us being a leading supplier of highly engineered quality castings."

Beck says the main thing to know about Harrison Steel is that it's a family-run, community-minded employer that values relationships and believes teamwork leads to success.

Harrison Steel is looking for over 40 new employees in jobs that range from entry-level to experienced individuals. These positions include welders, line operators, maintenance, fork truck operators, engineers, electricians, and various areas of supervision. Job openings are posted on the website, Indeed, Billboards, radio ads, and our Facebook Page.

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All golf outing information is shown on the registration form, please refer to it for any details. If you have any further questions please contact Jo at (217) 442-6201 or jdoggett@vermillionadvantage.com

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