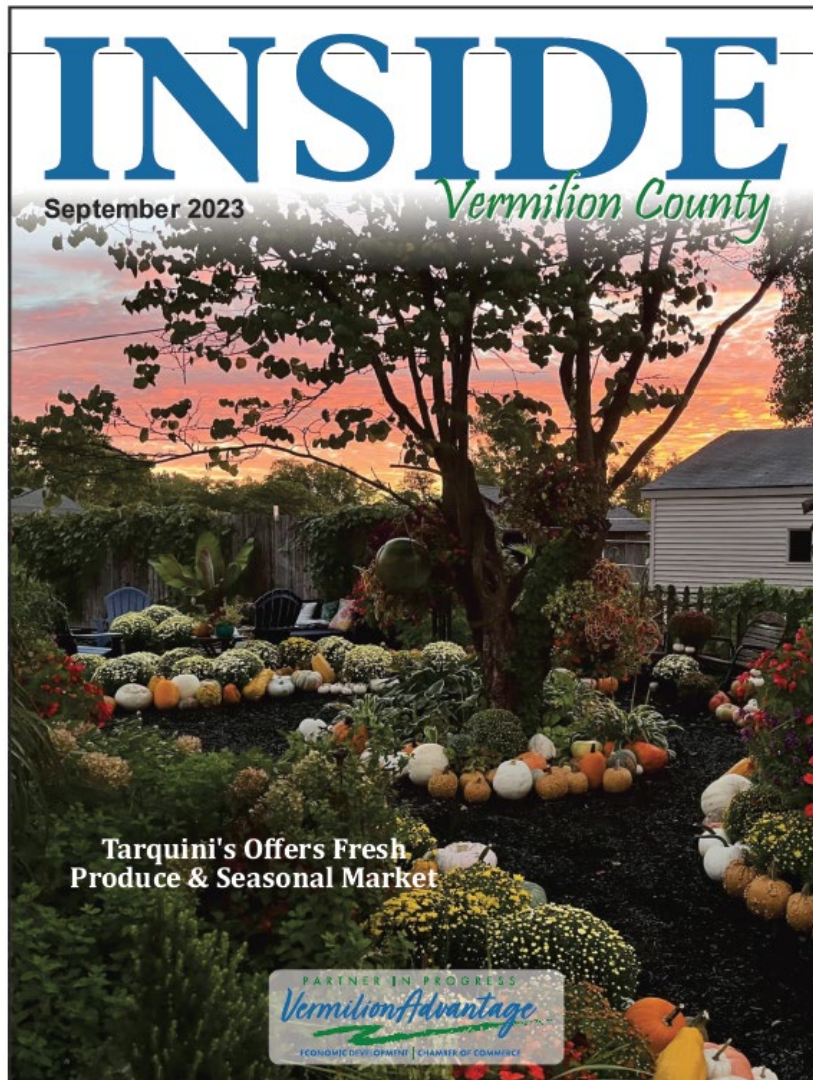


September 13, 2023



Vermilion Advantage
MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

September issue

To view this month's issues of "Inside Vermilion County" visit our website!

[Check out this month's magazine here!](#)

Vermilion Advantage EVENTS

VERMILION ADVANTAGE
HUMAN RESOURCES
AND SAFETY
COUNCIL

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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
HUMAN RESOURCES
AND SAFETY
COUNCIL

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Join us for a Legislative Update

Wednesday, September 13

11:30 to 1:00

Danville Country Club

\$15 meeting fee includes lunch (if RSVPed)

RSVP to Dana Rowland
drowland@vermilionadvantage.com
Due to rising costs, we MUST have an RSVP by
9/8 to guarantee a lunch.
You will receive an email confirmation.





Business

After Hours

at Insurance Providers Group

Join us for

- Networking
- Giveaways
- Appetizers and Beverages

September 14th

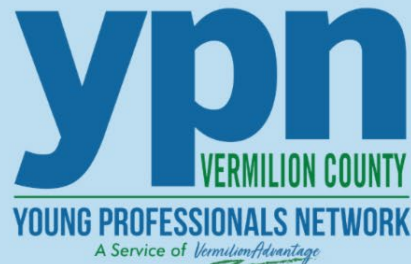
5:00-7:00PM

3609 N. Vermilion St., Suite A
Danville, IL

Please RSVP to drowland@vermilionadvantage.com



Join us for....




.....at Gao Grotto

September 20th

11:30 to 1:00

Learn more about Gao Grotto
while relaxing on the patio!

Lunch will be provided by Gao Grotto!

A background image showing a scenic view of a lake with a wooden pier extending into the water. The sky is clear and blue, and the surrounding area is lush with green trees and grass. In the foreground, a white post with a rope is visible, suggesting a patio or walkway.

We must have an RSVP by Friday,
9/15 to guarantee a lunch.
Please RSVP to
drowland@vemilionadvantage.com



BUSINESS NETWORKING LUNCH

Sponsored by U of I Community Credit Union
Join us to learn more about their Partnership Program

September 27, 2023

11:30 to 1:00

David S. Palmer Arena

Lunch catered by Wolf Creek

RSVP TO:

- Dana Rowland @ drowland@vermilionadvantage.com
- We **MUST** have your RSVP by Monday, 9/11 to guarantee a lunch



Vermilion Advantage

NEWS

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 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

Education

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

DACC Corporate Education Courses & Trainings: see flyer [here](#)

DACC offers Mix Masters Bartending Course - see flyer [here](#)

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

DACC-Franklin University 3+1 Bachelor's program just got more affordable - see press release [here](#)

Dr. Wade's Connection, Coffee & Conversation at DACC: Male Depression, Substance Abuse, and Suicide: Understanding and Breaking Down Stigma - see flyer [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](#)

DACC hosts Illinois Department of Corrections Officer Screening - see flyer [here](#)

here. If you 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

DACC releases President's List of Honor Students - see list [here](#)

Carle Health Certified as Great Place To Work for 6th Straight Years - see news release [here](#)

Salvation Army's Emergency Disaster Response Training completed by 16 volunteers - see news release [here](#)

Watchfire Named AVIXA Certified Technology Specialist (CTS) Renewal Unit Provider - see news release [here](#)

Witzel Family McDonalds are please to announce their July Employees of the month. See press release [here](#)

New Members

Welcome to our New Members!



Learn about DACC's Leadership Inspired for Tomorrow training [here](#)

Danville Public School Foundation News - see June issue [here](#)

Healthcare

Aunt Martha's Health and Wellness is working with public health agencies across Illinois to get people the health care they need. To do that, we need a better idea of why people might not seek out healthcare or medical treatment in your area. We are looking to hear directly from you. We can assist in many ways, especially by attending an outreach event that you may host as a community or any outreach event that you know of in your community. We are looking to make partnerships and collaborations; we are striving to educate the community on the importance of the vaccine and receive feedback from the community.

We help those that are insured and uninsured. Our team comes prepared to any event in the community, with flyers, promo bags, and giveaways, and more importantly, fully equipped to make appointments on the spot for any healthcare needs. We also are able to bring our COVID mobile unit and set up a table at your event to provide COVID VACCINES for those in need and willing to receive the Vaccine.

OSF Healthcare reopening Danville birthing center in September - see news release [here](#)

Vermilion County Mental Health Board is offering Mental Health First Aid Training. For more information, see dates [here](#)

708 Mental Health Board with Gateway Family Services of Illinois and the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation



bring *Rising Tide* back to Danville. See flyer [here](#), see press release [here](#) with Keynote Speaker, Ben Zorbist - see flyer [here](#)



I AM, YOU ARE, WE ARE

Lacy Miller



Lacy Miller is one of those people who makes everyone feel safe, heard, and seen. Establishing *New Moon Salon* in downtown Danville and being a founding member of the VC Pride Coalition, it is easy to see that Lacy is a strong force in making a community where everyone feels welcomed. While interviewing her, it was obvious that she is someone who truly cares about the wellbeing of others.

Lacy was born and raised in Tilton and went to Danville High School. She moved out of the area to find her place in the world but found that Danville was her place after all. She came back because her family was here to help her with raising her children but stays for many reasons. To quote Lacy, “I am the parent to four amazing human beings.” Savanna is 21, next is Olivia (who nominated Lacy for this article), and she is 18, then Jackson (15), and the youngest is Eris (13). Lacy is so incredibly proud of how confident and authentic her children are. Her kids are proud of Lacy stating, “She has always worked so hard and sets a great example for us.” Lacy says, “I always push my kids to be themselves. I want them to know that I will support them 100% no matter what.” Lacy could have spoken all day about how proud her kids make her.

While Lacy works hard, she plays harder. She is a member of the Twin City Roller Derby in Champaign. It is hard to make it over there often, yet she still finds some time to travel and spend time with her team. Lacy says, “I have been doing it on and off for fourteen years.” Lacy has made many connections that have lasted through the years. Her small salon that she runs downtown has its own family that goes by “The Moonies.” These are people that have connected with Lacy and have made a chosen and tight-knit family through the New Moon Salon.

This is exactly what Lacy wanted when she came back to Danville. She says, “I want to be someone that people look at and see a safe haven and can come to and be 100% themselves with.” Through her role with VC Pride Coalition, she gives queer people a place to exist without the fear of being judged. Lacy says, “It is hard to find other LGBTQ people in such a small community and I wanted to help create community that is a safe, judgment free, and healthy for all people.” One of Lacy’s biggest goals for the VC Pride Coalition is to create a multi-county youth group that brings queer youth together to create a safe community, helping all feel welcome with a sense of belonging.

When asked why she does what she does for this community, Lacy said that “I wish I could have seen a cool queer adult growing up. It would have been amazing to have a role model that was like me.” A great start to this was the first Pride event held in Downtown Danville in June of 2023, which Lacy was a part of. We thank you, Lacy Miller, for the incredible example you are setting and for the safe and loving community you are creating in the Danville and Vermilion County areas.

By Erin Gregory

To nominate someone who inspires you, click below!

[Click Here](#)

Announcements & Community

BIGG Tip of the Week: The Simple Secret to Getting Your Work Done

Think like a TV producer, says Jeremy Dean in *Making Habits, Breaking Habits*. Producers love the dreadful words we hate: "to be continued." Research shows we don't like unfinished work either. How can you avoid a task hanging over you like a cliffhanger? Just get started and you'll be driven to get the project done. Then you can say, "it's a wrap!" That's BIGG success! Get more tips from BIGG Success [here](#).

Doug Ireland - Prudential Advisors

Seismic changes in the economic landscape have made it more challenging for married couples to ensure a secure retirement - tougher still for widows and widowers. Find out how to provide for a surviving spouse in retirement: [Providing for a Surviving Spouse in Retirement](#)
Contact me at 217-516-7778 or doug.ireland@prudential.com

East Central Illinois Community Action Agency announces the start of the Energy Assistance Program - see press release [here](#)

Ameren Illinois Energy Efficiency Program is offering a Staffing Grant for non-residential customers facing staffing challenges - see grant [here](#)

Vermilion River Fall Festival Sponsorship Opportunity - see flyer [here](#)

Vermilion County Federation of Labor AFL-CIO will host 2023 Labor Day Parade - see press release [here](#) and registration packet [here](#)

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

Vermilion County Conservationist Fall Newsletter - see newsletter [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](#)

Eastern Illinois Foodbank has volunteer opportunities! Learn more [here](#)

Monyok Leadership Newsletter

Check out the newsletter [here](#)

Monyok Leadership Introduces ***The Lab***: The Lab is an exclusive monthly leadership innovation experience for organizations serious about inspiring and innovating with their leaders.

Apply to bring The Lab to your team today! [The Lab](#)

East Central Illinois Community Action Agency VOCA Newsletter - see September Newsletter [here](#)

Rosecrance: On Your Radar - Building a Healthier Society - learn more and download the podcast [here](#)

The Danville Noon Rotary - see meeting schedule and speakers [here](#)

CDI Head Start serving Vermilion, Iroquois, and Ford Counties is looking for donations of new or gently used clothing for the upcoming program year. If you would like to donate any clothing items for children from aged 6 weeks to 5 years, donations can be dropped at the administrative office at 1001 E. Voorhees and all clothing will be distributed between the centers. When dropping off donations, we ask that donors fill out a



form for our records in order to keep track of items received.

Join us at the Citizens Police Academy for a unique look at your Police Department. Find more information [here](#)

Danville Symphony Orchestra will have two new Maestros for the 2023-24 season. See press release [here](#).

Save the Date Data Share - Workforce Development review and discussion virtual meeting - see invitation [here](#)

Upcoming Member Events

Golden Nugget Casino Opens - check out their current hours [here](#)

Danville Farmers Market is now EVERY Saturday from 8:00AM-Noon at Crossroads Church in Danville. Now accepting LINK cards in trade for tokens with free triple match vouchers for fruit and vegetables.

September 15 CASA Annual Golf Outing - see flyer [here](#)

September 15 United Day for United Way - see flyer [here](#)

September 15 Danville Boat Club Bingo - see flyer [here](#)

September 15-17 48th Annual Vermilion River Fall Festival - see flyer [here](#)

September 16 STEP Recovery "End the Stigma" Event - see flyer [here](#)

September 16 Keep Vermilion County Beautiful Fall Festival Cleanup - see flyer [here](#)

September 17 Vermilion River Fall Festival "KIDS DAY" - see flyer [here](#)

September 23 Hoopeston Area Women Making a Difference Vendor Fair - see flyer [here](#)

September 23 Mission K9 Warrior Fundraiser at Georgetown Fairgrounds - see flyer [here](#)

September 23 Barbie in the Barn at Roxy's House - see flyer [here](#) and sponsorship information [here](#)

October 1 Danville Boat Club 2023 Golf Outing - see flyer [here](#)

October 8 Two Roads Wellness Clinic Danville Open House - see flyer [here](#)

October 14 Vermilion County Conservation District Fall Paddle - see flyer [here](#)

October 14 Hoopston Multi Agency Senior Citizen Dance - see flyer [here](#)

October 14 Free Electronics Collection Event - see flyer [here](#)

November 11 STEP Recovery Sleepout for the Homeless - see flyer [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
- Warm weather brings endless dining options at 112 Wine and Coffee Shoppe! Enjoy breakfast, lunch, dinner, or sweet snacks on the patio, in the game room, or in our beautiful dining room! You can also use the Joe app to place carry out or curbside orders. Our full menu is available all day long! Make some fun summer memories with your people at 112

Big Thorn Farm & Brewery:

- Bar Hours: Friday 3:00-9:00PM, Saturday Noon-9:00PM, Sunday 10:00AM-4:00PM
- Check out this 15 acre farm, brewery and food truck in Vermilion County

Boxcar Books & Vinyl:

- 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:

- Thursday lunch is open to the public from 11:00AM-2:00PM
- September 15 BINGO Doors open at 4:30, Games start at 6:30, Bonus games, 50/50 Drawing, Food and Bar
- September 28 Annual Meeting Potluck
- October 1 Annual Golf Outing at Turtle Run Golf Course - Tee off at noon

Gao Grotto:

- Friday Night Steak Night: 5:30-7:30 Steak Dinner \$20, Butterflied Pork Chop Dinner \$15. Both include: salad, baked potato and Texas toast.

Georgetown American Legion Post #203

- Saturday 10:00AM Middle Fork Jeep Fest for Mission K9 Warrior

- Join us for Jeep fun, kids games, vendors, food trucks and more
- Cost is \$20 per Jeep driver, \$10 per additional adults and kids over 15.
- September 23rd Annual Fundraiser at the Georgetown Fairgrounds

Hoopeston Public Library:

- Reconnect with your library in September. Find more information [here](#)
- Hoopeston Library is now offering EVERYTHING in their book sale for FREE!
- Donations are still graciously accepted, but not required
- Check out the Free September Adult Craft [here](#)

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
- Friday: 6:00PM-9:00PM Wieners & Wine, Music by Dream Catchers
- Sunday: Enjoy the Winey Mary Bar and wine slushies
- Sleepy Creek Hours: Sunday-Tuesday Noon-6:00PM; Wednesday-Thursday-Saturday Noon-7:00PM & Friday Noon-9:00PM.

Turtle Run Golf Club:

- 2023 Turtle Run Golf Events [here](#)
- For membership information and golf rates, please visit our website at <https://turtlerungolfclub.com/>

Vermilion River Beer Company

- September 14 5:30PM-7:30PM Live music with Polly Launay
- September 17 11:00AM-2:00PM Thirday Thunday Jazzth Brunch with Todd Gallagher Jazz Combo

Vermilion County Conservation District

- September 23rd from 10:00AM-4:30PM, September 24th 10:00AM-3:30PM
- Revolutionary War Reenactment and Pioneer Craft Day at Forest Glen Preserve
- Camps will be open to tour, drills, and demonstrations. Demonstrations include axe throwing, cooking over fire, period weaponry and more
- Sunday only will include Pioneer Craft Day

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
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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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