Trips and Tours

Join us on our day trips and tours. We depart from Danville Area Community College and return before dinner. For more information call us at 217-554-1667 or stop by our offices at the Village Mall.

Diamond Tours Biltmore Estate & Asheville, NC
April 6-9, 2020
$425 Double Occupancy
$515 Single Occupancy
Please call 217-554-1667 for more information. Deadline for deposit of $75 is November 30, 2019.
Amount paid in full by January 30, 2020. Checks or money orders only made out to Diamond Tours. Also available, insurance. Available through Mid February.

Lions In Winter Literary Festival
Eastern Illinois University
Festival includes author readings from poetry, fiction, creative non-fiction and more. There will be a book fair, craft talks and breakfast and lunch provided.
Weather Permitting
S, January 25
$60

Penn & Beech Candle Co.
We will be traveling to Indianapolis, IN (weather permitting) where we will make our own unique scented candle from some of the finest oils. You will have time to smell all of the fragrances to make your own glass vessel candle.
Lunch will be on your own at St. Joseph Brewery & Public House
T, February 4
$55

Beef and Boards Saturday Night Live
Capturing the historic flavor of disco-mania in New York City, this energetic musical is based on Nik Cohn’s 1975 New York Magazine article “Tribal Rites of the New Saturday Night” and Norman Wexler’s 1977 film. Powered by the chart-breaking hits of the Bee Gees, the pulsating score includes Stayin’ Alive, If I Can’t Have You, How Deep is Your Love, Boogie Shoes, and Disco Inferno.
W, February 19
$70

Ray Skillman Antique Car Museum
Greenwood, IN
Car dealer Ray Skillman turned his collection of classic cars into a classic car sales showroom and classic car museum that is free and open to the public. The museum contains classic cars, antique bicycles, restored classic neon signs, a carousel and more.
We will stop at the Sassafras Lunch & Tea Room for lunch on your own.
F, February 28
$30

Funks Grove Maple Syrup
Shirley, IL.
Part of Route 66 and the First Maple Syrup Producers with a long-standing family tradition of syrup making among the Funks of Funks Grove. However, the sweet benefits of the maple trees that grow in this native timber were likely enjoyed long before the Funk family settled here. History has it that Native Americans were the first maple syrup producers. They used maple sugar to season their corn and other vegetables and poured maple syrup over their fish and meat. Following is one of the many legends of how maple syrup was first discovered. Lunch on your own at Cracker Barrel.
W, March 4
$45

Lori’s Pins and Needles
Travel with us to Paris, IL, where you will sew your very own pillow case. After the class we will eat at Savoia’s (on your own) and head back home.
T, March 10
$45

Rolling Over to Rockville, IN
We will be headed to Rockville IN for a day of antiquing and Peaches’ Our first stop will be to The Wheel House Donuts and local antique mall. Next we will head to Peaches’ General Store and end the day with a late lunch at Richard’s Nifty Fifties Diner in Hillsboro, IN. Lunch will be on your own.
F, March 13
$35

The American Passion Play
The play takes you on Christ’s journey and is historically accurate, taken from the King James Version.
Saturday, March 14
Lunch buffet before the performance.
$65

Hatfield Hall Terre Haute, IN for Tao: Drumheart
Tuesday evening, March 17 evening event, time TBA
$50 Dinner at Golden Coral on your own.

Mansions In Springfield
We will start at the Dana Thomas House, built in 1902 and the 72nd house built by Frank Lloyd Wright. The home has 35 rooms, three main levels and 16 varying levels. After lunch we will visit the Illinois Governor’s Mansion built in 1855. This mansion is the oldest and most historic governor’s mansions in the United States and has been newly renovated.
Lunch will be on your own.
W, April 1
$65

Red Skelton
You asked and we finally listened. We are going to Vincennes to the Red Skelton Museum featuring a 3,500 square foot, fully interactive exhibit entitled, “Red Skelton: A Legacy of Laughter.”
Lunch on your own.
W, April 15
$30

Candies, Cakes and Cocktails
Greencastle, IN
Heading to Greencastle for sweet treats. First, we will stop at Completely Nuts & Candy Shoppe then we will head over to Almost Home restaurant for a wonderful lunch and cake for dessert and ending our day with a cocktail sampling at the Wasser Brewing Company.
Lunch is on your own.
T, April 21
$25

Myers Dinner Theater
The Marvelous Wonderettes
W, April 29, 2020
$60

Headed to the Races
Enjoy an up-close and personal experience at the Indy Motor Speedway. Get access to key landmarks to see where all the behind-the-scenes takes place on Race Day. This tour takes you to Pagoda Plaza with stops through Gasoline Alley. This tour also includes a self-guided tour of the Museum’s featured exhibits and more.
F, May 1
Lunch on your own.
$40

Spend the Day with us at Hatfield Hall and the Oakridge Boys
Live and in Concert on Saturday May 9. We will leave DACC and head to brunch at Sunrise Family Restaurant in Terre Haute, IN then enjoy the Oak Ridge Boys at the amazing Hatfield Hall. We will stop at Mugger’s Restaurant and Pub for an early dinner. Seats are limited, register early. All food is on your own.
Saturday Evening, May 9, 2020
$65 Covers your concert ticket and transportation
Heading to Mayberry
Join us for a trip to Mayberry and the annual Hendricks County tradition, the 7th Annual Mayberry in the Midwest Festival in Danville, Indiana. Walk around the mall enjoying characters dressed as those from the Andy Griffith Show after a lunch in the Mayberry Café.
F, May 15
$20 Lunch is on your own.

Beef and Boards The Sound of Music
This beloved Rodgers & Hammerstein musical is based on the true story of Maria, a high-spirited novice nun, who is sent to be the governess for the seven children of Captain Georg Von Trapp. The famous score includes “My Favorite Things,” “The Hill are Alive,” “Do-Re-Mi,” “Climb Every Mountain,” and the title tune.
W, May 20
$65

Benton County, Indiana
You see them in the distance, but have you ever wondered about all those wind turbines? We are traveling to Benton County, Indiana to learn about those big pin-wheels in the sky. Our tour will include a video presentation followed by question and answer session. After lunch we will travel to the RDM Shrimp Farm where we will learn about the shrimp farming business. We will have coolers on the buses so you can purchase fresh shrimp.
W, June 3
Lunch on your own.
$35

The Little Theatre on the Square
The King & Marilyn direct from the 2018 production of Million Dollar Quartet as Elvis Presley (Daniel Durston) and Marilyn perform together hits like, Hound Dog, Diamonds Are A Girls Best Friend and Love Me Tender recreating the electrifying music of the 1950’s.
T, June 9
Lunch on your own.
$50

Wine Tour
Join us for our annual wine tour starting at Sunsinger Restaurant and Winery for a wonderful lunch and wine tasting. Then we will head to Wyldewood Cellars Winery in St. Joe for a wine tasting and visit to the local shops.
Th, June 11
$50

Lunch & Learn
Held on the campus of DACC in the Bremer Conference Center Theater. Cost for lunch and the presentation is $12. Catered by the DACC Culinary Arts Department. Lunch begins at 11:15 and the program begins at Noon. Presented by Shirley Splittstoesser.

Wednesday, February 12
Mexico’s Byways – Monarch Reserve to Copper Canyon
Monarch butterflies leave the US in the fall to overwinter high in the mountains near Mexico City. Travel with us to see thousands of them in their temporary home in Mexico. Marvel at the huge groupings that cluster among the trees. Copper Canyon is Mexico’s Grand Canyon. Along the byways, see rattlesnake skins for sale; the charming city of Taxco known for its scenery and silverworks; Morelia with buildings made from local pink stone; and finally, Monterey, the former Disneyland for spring breakers.

Tuesday, March 17
Aruba, Cartagena, San Blas Islands, Panama Canal, Costa Rica, Acapulco, and Cabo San Lucas
Tourists love Aruba’s reliably dry and warm climate. Cartagena, Columbia retains, founded 1533 by the Spanish retains its old world charm. San Blas Islanders meet our ship in their dug out canoes. Take a trip through the Panama Canal and learn about its engineering marvels. Costa Rica is a nature lovers paradise. See the Cliff Divers of Acapulco. Cabo San Lucas is a rapidly developing tourist location.

Thursday, April 16
Alaska
Alaska is huge and varied. Take Alaska’s Inside Passage to see glaciers, mush on a dog sled ride, see the start of the Iditarod Sled Race, pan for gold in Anchorage, fly north above the Arctic Circle to the oil fields around Dead Horse on Prudhoe Bay; follow the Alaska Pipeline for 300 miles; travel on the Yukon River, and end at Mt. McKinley (Denali) National Park.

Monday, May 11
Portugal
Portugal is a small European country famous for its explorers of the 1400’s and 1500’s. Henry the Navigator, Vasco Da Gama, and Pedro Cabal contributed much to exploring beyond Europe. Portugal has long produced cork for wine bottle stoppers and crafty items. Visit a cork farm and wine distillery. We will see the old world elegance of the Palaco de Marfra and visit the residence of the last king of Portugal. In Fatima, we see the tombstones of the three children who saw the Marian Apparition in 1917. Travel to Cape St. Vincente, which is the western most point of Continental Europe.

With Purpose Lunch and Learn Series
Bus will leave from the front parking lot of DACC. Must preregister a week in advance.

Finding Out About the Fisher
Fisher Theater with Carol Nichols at the Fisher Theater.
Lunch following TBD
$20
T, January 14
10a-12p

War Museum
11a—1 p
W, March 11
$20

Vermilion County Museum
Have lunch in the atrium of the Museum Center and learn about the history of the building, view up close some interesting new artifacts, and tour the site to learn more about Vermilion County history.
W, March 25
$20

Vermilion County Museum
Have lunch in the atrium of the Museum Center and learn about the history of the Dr. William Fithian Home and changes that have occurred over the years. This will be followed by a guided tour of the site, inside and out. This building is not handi-capped accessible but the front stairs are not steep to the first floor.
W, April 17
11a—1p
$20

Illiana Genealogical Society
M , March 30 11a-1p
Enjoy hearing from the members.
$20

With Purpose Lunch and Learn Series is new to Community Education. Purpose is to highlight the Vermilion County Area and support the local food establishments, or vendors.