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Just wanted to give you an update on the Golden Public Library Penny Power Grant we received in January. We have purchased our Switch Gaming System and accessories. Thank you so much for your generosity towards this project. We were able to cover the rest of the expense with private donations and library funds. The children and families are really enjoying the new addition to our library! The Golden Friends also added 12 additional multiplayer games for the library. It will definitely be a hot item for the summer at the library!

Shelly Jones
Branch Manager
Golden Public Library

Thank you for your organization's thoughtful gifts to the Adams County CEO and the Brown Schuyler CEO Program.

We are grateful for your vision and for caring for your community for here, for good, forever.

Catherine Bocke Meckes
Chief Executive Officer
Community Foundation

Thank you for the Penny Power Grant of \$315. Our 4th-6th grade students LOVE these books! Again, thank you for your generosity.

Becky Esselman
Liberty Community Unit #2
(Editor's Note: Liberty School received a Penny Power Grant for Bluestem Award books.)

On behalf of the Quincy Senior & Family Resource Center, I would like to thank you for the generous gift of \$975 for the Elevator Fund. Your commitment to helping seniors in our community is sincerely appreciated.

With the help of donations from supporters such as you, we will continue to provide a much needed service to our community.

Thanks again for your generous support in serving the needs of seniors in our community.

Sincerely,
Vanessa Monahan Keppner
Director Quincy Senior
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and West Central Illinois Area
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Construction Projects Provide Benefits to Members



by Jim Thompson PE
General Manager

The members may have seen quite a bit of construction around the service territory. The new transmission line completed a couple of months ago from the Ursa to Big Neck substations has already benefited our members. This comple-

tion allowed Big Neck substation to be fed by the new transmission system from Ursa that ties into the existing transmission system in the western part of our service territory. During the last two storms, Big Neck substation stayed energized, so members were not impacted!



New transmission line construction from Camden to Rushville



Above: A contractor for PPI prepares a transmission pole for installation.

With Big Neck substation unaffected, we used it to pick up members fed off La Prairie and Camden substations. It is exciting to see this project already proving its value to members!

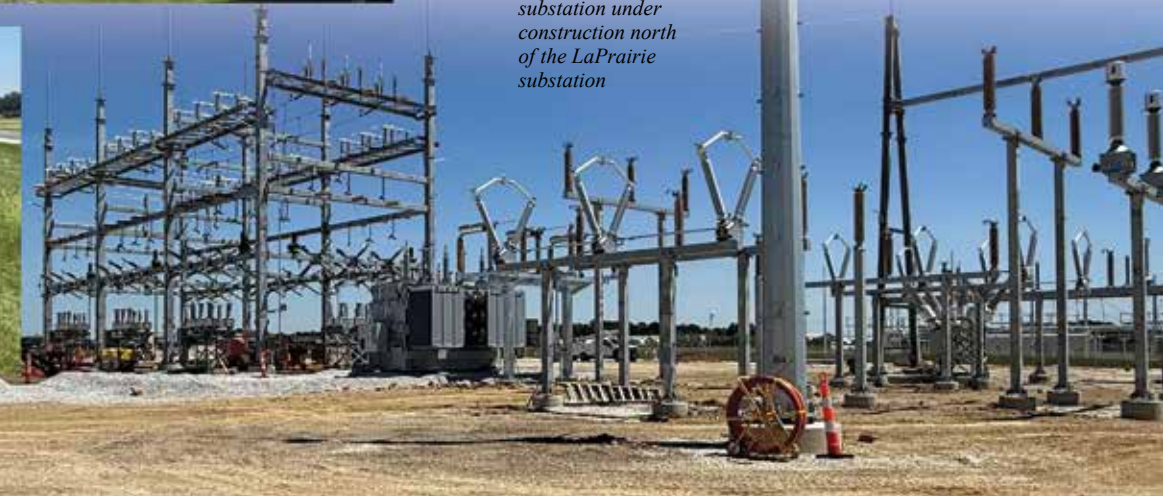
Currently being built are two new transmission lines with distribution underbuild, one from Camden to Rushville substations and another from Rushville to Sugar Grove substations. These projects are part of developing an east transmission loop to provide more reliable service to our members. The east transmission loop will be served from a new joint transmission substation, in partnership with Ameren, located north of the existing La Prairie substation. These transmission lines will eventually make a transmission loop connecting to the Kellerville substation.

Our 2 MW solar project, where we received a United States Department of Energy's Office of Clean Energy Demonstration

Grant, will start this summer. The facility will tie directly into our distribution system next to the Sugar Grove substation. The grant allows us to provide energy at a lower cost than we can purchase it for our members. We hope to have it constructed and operational by the spring of 2027.

The Cooperative received an Illinois Finance Authority/Climate Bank (IFA/CB) grant to install a new Automatic Metering Infrastructure (AMI) system. Our current system was installed in 2001, twenty-five years ago. We have reached a point where it needs to be replaced. We are fortunate to have received a grant for this project. The electronics in the load control switches will be replaced as well. The grant also upgrades the remaining oil circuit reclosers in our substations to new electronic reclosers for more reliable service.

All these projects enhance the quality and reliability of service for our members. We want to thank our members for their patience during construction. Once completed, the long-term impact will strengthen our system and be very beneficial to all.



Below: The joint substation under construction north of the LaPrairie substation



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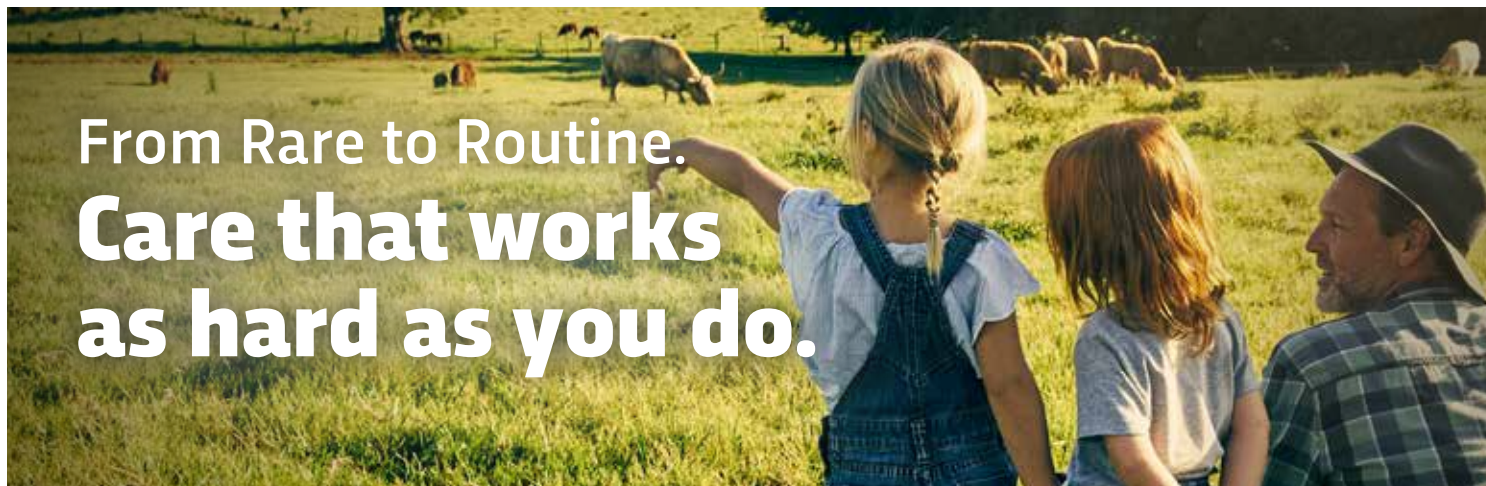




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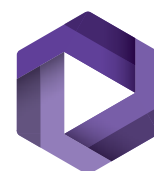
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Penny Power Helps Support a Lifetime of Possibilities at Transitions

Adams Electric members continue to make a difference in our communities through the cooperative's Penny Power program. By rounding up their electric bills to the nearest dollar, members contribute small amounts that collectively create a significant impact for local organizations and individuals in need.

Transitions is grateful for the support from Penny Power. Over the program's history, Transitions has received funding toward:

Hearing screener
Lift chair
Toys for special needs students
Diapers for families in need
Snug vest
Quilted sling electric lift
Life Skills program
Life Skills development items
Floor care equipment
Portable wheelchair scale
Video surveillance system
Extra large wheelchair
CPR training manikins
Pathways to Literacy program
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Refurbished iPads
iPads for developmentally disabled adults
iPads for adults in New Horizons program
iPad storage/charging stations
Data/organizer kit
Communication materials
Table top display board

Penny Power Grants to Transitions Have Totaled:

\$18,442.04

Transitions of Western Illinois

Empowering Lives Through Support & Opportunity

One of many organizations that has benefited from Penny Power grants is Transitions, a Quincy-based nonprofit that has spent more than 70 years helping people of all abilities live meaningful, productive lives.

What began in 1955 with a staff of just four has grown into a comprehensive human services organization employing approximately 200 people in 10 locations throughout the region. Today, Transitions offers a wide range of programs that support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental health challenges, substance use disorders, and other barriers to independent living.

Building Independence Through Housing

A cornerstone of Transitions' work is providing safe, affordable housing for adults who need additional support. The organization operates five HUD-sponsored group homes and assisted living facilities. Four homes serve adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities, while one serves adults living with serious mental illness.

Residents benefit from 24-hour staff supervision with daily activities, including meal preparation, medication management, shopping trips, and community outings. These services help individuals live well in the community with the support they need.

Transitions also operates two HUD-sponsored apartment complexes that provide assisted living services. One complex serves individuals with mental health needs, while another

serves individuals with developmental disabilities. Staff members assist residents with grocery shopping, household maintenance, and other daily needs, helping them become active members of the community.

Education In and Beyond the Classroom

One of the programs supported through Adams Electric's Penny Power grants is the Transitions School, a non-public special education program located at Seventh and Hampshire streets in Quincy.

The school serves students ages five to 22 who have autism spectrum disorders or communication-related disabilities. The school currently serves 17 students and expects enrollment to grow to 22 this fall.

The Community Day Services program serves approximately 135 adults who have an intellectual or developmental disability. The program focuses on practical life skills that foster independence. Consumers learn everyday tasks such as making purchases in stores, navigating public transportation, and developing social and communication skills.

Funding from Penny Power has helped support equipment and other needs that enhance learning opportunities for children and adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Opening Doors to Employment

Meaningful employment is another important part of the Transitions



mission. Through vocational training and employment services, individuals with developmental or mental health disabilities receive coaching, job placement assistance, and ongoing support.

Transitions partners with area businesses to provide work opportunities where participants can earn a paycheck while building valuable skills and confidence. Employment specialists work closely with clients to identify positions that match their abilities and interests. Support may include job coaching, and on-site guidance until individuals become comfortable in their roles.

Annually, the program has successfully placed 45 individuals in jobs within the community, helping them gain greater independence and financial stability.

Comprehensive Behavioral Health Services

Mental health care is another critical component of Transitions' services. The organization offers counseling and therapy for children, adults, and families facing challenges such as grief, life

If a person has a need, it is important that they reach out to us for services. Fees should not be a barrier.
~ Barbara Baker-Chapin,
Director of Development



transitions, parent-child conflicts, and job loss.

Services include assessment, counseling, psychiatric treatment, substance use treatment, crisis intervention, community support, and case management services. Care is available for a wide range of mental health conditions, including illnesses such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.

Patients can access psychiatric care both in person and through telehealth appointments without lengthy wait times.

To help remove barriers to care, Transitions recently added transportation services for patients who are unable to use public transportation. The service can provide rides to consumers who come to the agency for behavioral health services.

Supporting Recovery and Wellness

Transitions also offers treatment programs for individuals struggling with alcohol or drug addiction.

Services include individual counseling, group therapy, and medication-assisted treatment for opioid dependence and alcohol use disorders.

Transitions is a Medicaid-certified clinic and offers primary care services through a partnership with SIU School

of Family Medicine. Patients have access to nurse practitioners and on-site laboratory services, helping address both physical and mental health needs in one location.

Individuals without insurance may qualify for services through a sliding fee scale based on family size and income.

Help When It's Needed Most

For those experiencing a mental health crisis, Transitions provides crisis intervention services and follow-up support to help ensure safety and stability. Community members can call 988 to connect with immediate assistance and receive an in-person assessment when needed.

Investing in Families

Another important Transitions program is Parents as Teachers, which serves prenatal mothers and families with children to age five. The program supports first-time mothers, teen parents, parents with disabilities, and families facing challenges such as poverty, substance use issues or developmental concerns.

Parent educators help families understand child development, social and emotional growth, and effective parenting strategies. The program is provided at no cost through grant funding.

Serving Veterans

Veterans and their families also have access to specialized services through Transitions. A licensed clinical social worker who is a veteran helps provide support for military families while offering an understanding of military culture and the unique challenges associated with post-traumatic stress disorder.

A Mission That Continues to Grow

For five decades, Transitions has maintained CARF accreditation, demonstrating its commitment to high-quality, person-centered care. The organization also receives support from community partners such as United Way and countless donors and volunteers.

As Transitions continues to expand its services and reach, the organization's mission remains unchanged: helping people of all abilities live meaningful lives.

Thanks to the generosity of Adams Electric members through Penny Power, that mission continues to make a lasting difference for individuals and families throughout the region.

To learn more or to seek assistance, contact Transitions at (217) 223-0413.



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Students Gain Better Understanding of Electricity

On Wednesday, June 3, approximately 62 students attended Electricity School, sponsored by Adams Electric Cooperative, Ameren, University of Illinois Extension, and JWCC Workforce Development Center. Again this year, the school was held at John Wood Community College Workforce Development Center. Students, ages 8-18 participated in an energy usage game, watched a basket truck demonstration, and attended workshops based on experience levels.

First year students, taught by Chad Reische of Adams Electric, built soda can solar cars. JWCC Instructor Jeremy Miller taught second year students a class on DC simple circuits. This project is eligible for the county fair, should students plan to enter. Third year students, in the circuits and switches class, were taught the basics of house wiring by Brad Koenig and Brad Smith of Adams Electric.

Fourth year students participated in a new solar class taught by Lauren Mehaffy, Austin Beebe, and Wyatt Bain of Ameren. In addition, JWCC Dean of Career, Technical, and Workforce Development Dave Hetzler discussed the career opportunities provided through JWCC with a tour of the facility. The topic for this class will alternate each year to provide additional learning opportunities.

“Electricity School is a unique opportunity for area students to learn about electricity. Although many of our students are 4-Hers, that’s not a requirement. Kids come from multiple counties to attend this free event,” said Laura Bergman, Manager of Communications, from Adams Electric Cooperative.

Additional assistance and instruction was provided by: Laura Bergman, Brennan Caspermeyer, Brinkley Mueller, Michelle Field, Lindsey Cooley, Tara Neisen, Katina Sunde, Bill Stalder, Adam Uppinghouse, and Gage Rost of Adams Electric Cooperative; Kristin Huls, Jennifer Shelts, Madeline Davis, Shelby Crow, Bryan Schullian, and Janie Phelps of University of Illinois Extension; Kelly Lewis of JWCC WDC; and volunteer Declan Neisen.

For more information on Electricity School, contact Laura Bergman at (217) 509-7761 or visit Adams Electric’s website at: adamsselectric.coop.

Notification: Assignment of 2025 Margins

Assignments of 2025 margins to members doing business with Adams Electric Cooperative have been calculated. A total of \$2,521,929 of margins has been allocated as capital credits for the year 2025. Of this amount, \$1,529,416 was Cooperative capital credits and \$992,513 was power supplier capital credits. The power supplier capital credit is the amount that was allocated to the Cooperative from Prairie Power, our cooperative-owned power supplier. The Cooperative has calculated each member’s share of the total margins and credited that amount to your capital credit account.

Allocation notices were sent to each member who received service during 2025. These notices will inform you of your share of the total capital credits and were mailed the week of June 15, 2026. This amount is only an accounting credit. It cannot be claimed at the present time nor can it be applied against your current electric bill.

The board of directors reviews the financial condition of the Cooperative before determining when and how much capital credits can be returned to the members. In November 2025, the Cooperative paid remaining capital credits for 2003, 100% of 2004, and 21% of 2005. The return of power supplier capital credits may be on a different cycle than the Cooperative capital credits. It will depend on when Prairie Power returns those capital credits to the Cooperative.

Please remember, you must be a member and have service in your name to have capital credits assigned. If you are receiving electric service in someone else’s membership or the service is in the name of a deceased person, you will not receive capital credits. The capital credit check will always be issued in the name of the person on the membership or the estate of a deceased member.

If you ever move off Cooperative lines, please provide us with your new address so we can send your future capital credit checks. Please contact Katina Sunde, Member Accounts Supervisor, if you have any questions.

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Patriotic Taco Dip

Patriotic Taco Dip

Submitted by Laura Bergman

1 lb. ground beef
1 can refried beans
1 8 oz. can tomato sauce
1 pkg. taco seasoning mix
1 sm. onion grated
1/4 to 1/2 tsp. chili powder
1 pt. sour cream
Shredded cheddar cheese
Mozzarella cheese slices, cut into stars
Tomatoes
Blue & white tortilla chips

Brown ground beef and drain. Add beans, tomato sauce, taco mix, onions, and chili powder. Heat to boil, then reduce heat, and simmer for 5 minutes. Spread meat mixture into a 9x13 pan. Top with sour cream. Top sour cream with alternating rows of tomatoes and shredded cheese. Break blue tortilla chips to form blue background in upper left corner. Top blue chips with stars. Serve with blue and white tortilla chips.

Mandarin Salad

Submitted by Rosalie Post

1/2 cup sliced almonds
3 Tbsp. sugar
1 cup chopped celery
1/2 head iceberg lettuce
1/2 head romaine lettuce
2 whole green onions, chopped
1 (11 oz.) can mandarin oranges, drained
(continued next column)

Adams Electric Cooperative's Country Kitchen

(Mandarin Salad continued)

Dressing:
1/2 tsp. salt
Dash pepper
1/4 cup vegetable oil
1 Tbsp. chopped parsley
2 Tbsp. sugar

2 Tbsp. vinegar
Dash of Tabasco sauce

In a small pan over medium heat, cook almonds and sugar, stirring constantly until almonds are coated and sugar is dissolved. Watch carefully as they burn easily. Cool and store in air-tight container. Mix all dressing ingredients and chill. Mix lettuce, celery, and onions. Just before serving, add almonds and oranges. Toss salad with dressing. Makes 4-6 servings. (922855-001)

Butterfinger Cake

Submitted by Tanya Fitzjarrald

1 yellow cake mix plus ingredients on box
1 jar caramel or butterscotch ice cream topping
4 lg. Butterfinger candy bars, crushed
1 tub Cool Whip

Bake cake by box directions in a 13x9 pan. While still hot and just out of oven, poke holes with toothpick all over cake. Pour entire jar of topping all over cake. Let cool then refrigerate for 1 hour. After chilled, spread Cool Whip over entire cake. Sprinkle candy bars over top of cake.

Note: This recipe is special because my mom taught me how to make this as a little girl so in memory of her I taught my kids and now my grandkids how to make it.

Strawberry Dessert

Submitted by Kay Barry

Angel food cake, broken into pieces
2 sm. boxes instant vanilla pudding
2 cups milk
1 pint vanilla ice cream
2 sm. boxes strawberry jello
16 oz. strawberries
1 sm. container Cool Whip

Mix pudding mix with milk. Stir in ice cream. Pour mixture over cake and set. Mix jello with 2 cups hot water. Add strawberries. Let this set up partially. Pour over pudding mixture and set. Top with Cool Whip.

Cherry-Almond Coffee Cake

Submitted by Nancy Smith

1 cup sour cream
1/4 cup water
1 pkg. white (or yellow) cake mix
3 eggs
1 can (21 oz.) cherry pie filling
1/4 cup sliced almonds

Glaze:
1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
2 Tbsp. milk
1/4 tsp. almond extract

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour jelly roll pan (15.5x10.5x1"). Mix sour cream, water, and eggs in large bowl. Stir in dry cake mix until moistened. Batter will be slightly lumpy. Spread in pan. Drop pie filling by generous spoonfuls onto batter. Bake 30-35 minutes or until cake springs back when touched lightly. Cool. Sprinkle with almonds. Mix ingredients for glaze and drizzle over cake. (Can substitute apple pie filling, pecans, and vanilla extract instead of cherries, almonds, and almond extract.)

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July

Quincy Park District Family Days
July 7, 21 (6-8pm), Moorman Park. July 7 - Christmas in July at Batting Cage. July 21 - Water Day at large shelter. All ages, free events.

Summer Concert Series
July 8 & 22 (6-8pm), Courthouse Park, Mt. Sterling. July 8 - Jason Michael Launer performs; July 22 - Exit 52 performs. Bring lawn chair or blanket. Coolers & picnic suppers welcome. Sugar Rush Ice Cream Bus available. Presented by Brown Co. Music Boosters.

2nd Annual Colchester Car & Truck Show
July 11 (11am-3pm), Colchester. Dash plaques (1st 50 registrants), plus several awards. Entry fee \$20. Registration at West Depot St. 11am-1pm. Donuts, pulled pork, steam burgers, chips, water, & coffee. Music by JR Sound. Proceeds for Colchester Senior Center. (309) 255-3004

Pleasant Grove Ice Cream Social
July 11 (3:30-7:30pm), Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church, 1103 E. 1700th St., Liberty (1 mi. south of the Quincy airport). Maid-rites, hot dogs, strawberries, homemade pies, and homemade ice cream. Freewill offering. Carry-outs available. A/C and handicapped accessible.

St. Joseph Ice Cream Social
July 12 (4-9 pm), St. Joseph Church, 1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy. Homemade ice cream & sandwiches. Games & activities.

Schuyler Co. Fair
June 28-July 4, Schuyler Co. Fairgrounds, Rushville. Tractor pull, combine & demo derby, queen contest, Chayce Beckham & Sawyer Brown perform. schuylercountyfair.org

National Tom Sawyer Days
July 1-5, 320 S. 3rd St., Hannibal. Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Tom Sawyer. Live music, fence painting, parade, Tom & Becky announcement, mud volleyball, frog jumping, arts & crafts, and more!

VFW Fish Fry
July 3 (4-7pm), VFW Post 11041, 316 S. Main St., Palmyra, MO. Catfish fillet, VFW Spuds, baked beans, cole slaw, cornbread, dessert, & drink. Adults: \$12, kids \$5. (573) 260-0915 or (573) 769-3163.

Freedom Fest
July 3 & 4, Clat Adams Park, Quincy. Bands, kids' games, street fair, and performances. Area's largest fireworks show at dusk on July 4.

Mt. Sterling Fireworks
July 5 (4-10pm), Mt. Sterling Lake. Entertainment and food starting at 4pm. Bounce houses and music. Supper by Mt. Sterling firefighters. Dessert by Sugar Rush Ice Cream Truck. Fireworks at dark (approx. 9:30).

FREE

Town-wide yard sales, concerts, car shows, craft shows, parades, festivals, plays, fairs, special sporting events, benefits, activities for children, bake sales, demonstrations, or something else? Tell us about it! Space permitting.

Event Listings

Deadlines:

Aug/Sept Events..... July 1
October Events..... Sept 1
November Events..... Oct 1

December Events..... Nov 1
January Events..... Dec 1
February Events..... Jan 1

Send event title, date(s), time(s), address, town, brief description, cost (if any), and contact phone #.
Mail to: Attn: Laura, Adams Electric, P.O. Box 247, Camp Point, IL 62320; call (800) 232-4797; email: adamsoutlet@adamselectric.coop; or submit online at: adamselectric.coop

QCT's Footloose The Musical
July 16-19, 23-26, (Thurs.-Sat. at 7:30pm, Sun. at 2pm), Quincy Community Theatre. Tickets at: (217) 222-3209

Walk & Wag
July 18 (9am), Nature Trails East, 3420 Kochs Ln, Quincy. Our dogs deserve a wild adventure. Hit the trails and let them explore. Dog-specific vendors. Learn proper trail etiquette with your dog. Free event and free treats!

Peace of Earth Lodge Concert
July 18 (7-9pm), Peace of Earth Lodge, 15503 Ray Rd., Rushville. Aaron Jones and The Authorized Personnel from Macomb. Old time rock, soul, and country w/ songs by James Taylor, The Rolling Stones, The Band, The Eagles, Bob Dylan, The Jackson 5, and more! Bring lawn chairs, beverages, & snacks/food. Rain or Shine! Peaceofearth.net (217) 322-2865

St. Peters Lutheran Ice Cream Social
July 19 (4-7pm), St. Peters Lutheran Church, Coatsburg. Homemade ice cream, sandwiches, desserts, and drink. Free will offering. Seating on shaded lawn or inside the handicapped accessible air-conditioned hall. (217) 740-6577

Huntsville Reunion
July 19 (Starts at 5pm, meal at 6pm), Weinberg King State Park, Main Shelter House, Augusta. Potluck supper w/table service provided. Bring lawn chairs, drinks, and dish to pass. Visit w/old and new family & friends. (217) 430-9726

Farmers Market
July 25 (8am-1pm), 6th St. Promenade, Quincy. Crafters, bakers, farmers, and more!

Adams County Fair
July 29-Aug. 4, Adams Co. Fairgrounds, Mendon. Redferrin Concert on Saturday. More details at adamsfair.org

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