



Adams County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Volunteer Voice

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RSVP is a program of John Wood Community College

Message from Barb Casady, RSVP Manager

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Save the Date

- 6-10-16: "Blues in the District with RSVP" 5:30-7:30 at our office
- 6-25-16: "Salute to Veterans" 11:00am-1:00pm at the IVH Pavilion
- 6-28-16: News & Views at the Senior Center, 7:30-noon
- 7-26-16: News & Views at the Senior Center, 7:30-noon

We want to recognize the extraordinary impact RSVP volunteers - **That means you!**- make across Adams County – and the nation every day. In 2015, Leading by Experience, more than 480 Adams County RSVP volunteers volunteered over 78,000 hours for 69 different non-profit organizations. You filled more than 230 unique jobs and volunteered an average of 160 hours.

Every day in Adams County, RSVP volunteers are providing services such as disaster relief, providing medical transportation, building the capacity of non-profit organizations, and assisting our elderly neighbors so they can continue to live active and involved lives. Thank you for all you do to meet the critical needs in our communities.

Senior Corps Pledge

I will get things done for America – to make our people safer, smarter, and healthier.

When faced with a pressing challenge, I will bring Americans of all generations together to strengthen our communities.

When faced with children at risk, I will help them stay in school and on track for a brighter future.

When faced with older adults in need, I will provide support and compassion so they may age with grace and dignity.

Working for the greatest good, I will use my lifetime of experiences to improve my country, my community, and myself through service.

I am a Senior Corps RSVP volunteer, and I will get things done.





Evangeline Morris won for **March** and **Ruth Shireman** won for **April** in our monthly contest. RSVP staff draw a name from all the pink Timesheets turned in for each month. **Since the pink Timesheets are due by the 7th of each month**, the drawing will take place the middle of each month for the prior month's timesheets.

Patsy Cooley is the winner of our **Refer a Friend Contest** for the first quarter of 2016. We track all the names of those current members who referred a new volunteer who turned in their first Timesheet.

Volunteer Carry-In Luncheon

The annual Carry-In Luncheon was held on May 18th in celebration of Senior Corps Week. A big thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who brought a dish to share. All those goodies along with the what was supplied by Hy-Vee made for a feast! Thanks to all your hard work at selling raffle tickets, we were able to raise \$1,461 which will be used for volunteer orientation, training, and recognition.





Raffle Prize Winners



2016 RAFFLE PRIZE LIST	DONATED BY:	WINNER
\$200 grocery gift card	Harrison Hy-Vee & RSVP	Marv Kerber
\$200 grocery gift card	County Market & RSVP	Todd Lamison
\$50 gift certificate toward trip/winner's choice	Vincent Tours	Kristen Helgoth
\$50 gift certificate toward trip/winner's choice	Vincent Tours	Nan Olson
Villa Kathrine watercolor/matted & framed	Friends of the Castle	Derv Garrison
t-Shirt, 2 pool passes, 2 mini golf passes	Quincy Park District	Derv Garrison
t-Shirt, 2 pool passes, 2 mini golf passes	Quincy Park District	Susan Bauer
2 Adult single tickets to any 2016-2017 show	Quincy Symphony Orchestra	Theresa Martin
Tote bag with books and coffee mugs	Quincy Public Library	Terri May
\$20 Hy-Vee gift card	Barb Richmiller	Isabelle Hillerts
2 Cooks' Night Off Dinner Tickets	Meals Plus for Seniors	Dena Knipe
2 Cooks' Night Off Dinner Tickets	Meals Plus for Seniors	Emiko McKenna
Insulated lunch bag filled with goodies	Blessing Hosp/Quincy Hospitality House	Cheryl Kestner
Insulated lunch bag filled with goodies	Blessing Hosp/Quincy Hospitality House	Evelyn Gengenbacher
Cookie jar filled with candy bars	Community for Christ Assistance Center	Cathy Hayden
2 bags Boy Scout Caramel Popcorn	Mississippi Valley Council Boy Scouts	Floyd Muegge
2 bags Boy Scout Caramel Popcorn	Mississippi Valley Council Boy Scouts	Donna Window
2 bags Boy Scout Caramel Popcorn	Mississippi Valley Council Boy Scouts	Barb Holthaus
2 bags Boy Scout Caramel Popcorn	Mississippi Valley Council Boy Scouts	Terri May
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In the News



Paul Brown Receives the Joe Bonansinga Community Service Award

Paul Brown is the 19th recipient of the Joe Bonansinga Community Service Award, named after the man who is fondly remembered as "Mr. Quincy" and was long regarded as exemplifying the highest standards of community service. The award, established in 1998 by the United Way of Adams County and the Rotary Club, is presented each year during National Volunteer Month and honors exceptional community leaders. Brown's community involvement mirrors the Rotary ideal of service above self. He has served as a volunteer and leader in organizations such as RSVP, Quincy Society of Fine Arts, Quincy Notre Dame soccer, Quincy University Advancement Office, St. John's Catholic Church, Quincy Area Chamber of Commerce, United Way, Two Rivers Council of Girl Scouts, Adams County Medical Society Alliance, Quincy Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, Friends of the Castle, the Salvation Army and numerous others.



Paul Jurgens was recently featured in the Community Spotlight of the Quincy Herald Whig. Paul is shown receiving a visit from a member of the Quincy Kennel Club, Lynn Fleming and her therapy dog, Elle. Paul is a long time volunteer of RSVP and is now residing in the North Adams Home. Lynn is also an RSVP member who makes visits to many places with her therapy dog, Elle.



**Eleanor Yackley Receives the
Friends of the Castle
Outstanding Volunteer Award**

The *Friends of the Castle* awarded Eleanor Yackley the “Outstanding Volunteer Award” at their Annual Meeting held at the Villa Kathrine on May 10. Eleanor has been a Volunteer Host at the Villa since March of 2013.

Madonna House

April 13, 2016

RSVP Volunteers

Emily Becker	Kathy Shade
Sarah Bonness	Sister Joann Volk, SSND
JoAnn McLaughlin	Sister Jane Wand
Shawn Schrecke	Mary Wilson

All of us at Madonna House want to THANK YOU for volunteering at our Mobile Food Pantry last Saturday, April 9th.

We were able to distribute 12,604 pounds of food in less than two hours, giving us the opportunity to assist 195 households, which included 654 individuals.

With your help, families in Adams County were given food to help feed their families!

With Many Thanks,

Madonna House Staff and Board

Two Summer RSVP Activities – Join in the Fun!



Friday, June 10 – Enjoy the “Blues in the District” music in Washington Park with other RSVP Volunteers. This will be the opening night for this Quincy Tradition -kicking off this year’s season on June 10 will be Katy Guillen & the Girls, based out of Kansas City MO and a finalist in the 2014 International Blues Challenge. We will open the RSVP Office in the John Wood Community College Kinscherff Center from 5:30 to 7:30. Snacks, water, and restrooms will be available. Visit, enjoy refreshments, and take your lawn chair outside to enjoy the music and a refreshing summer evening.



Saturday, June 25 - RSVP will be hosting a “Salute to Veterans” including a hot dog cook-out for residents of the Illinois Veterans Home Pavilion. Hot dogs, baked beans, and chips are on the menu. Musical entertainment will be playing from the gazebo. We will be serving from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. We really encourage RSVP volunteers who are veterans to attend – and bring your family too! We can use volunteers to help us serve and visit with the residents. We will also need some people to help push wheelchairs from the resident’s rooms to the outside pavilion. Please call the RSVP office if you are interested. Thanks to Jack Miller for the coordination of this event!



Volunteer Opportunities

As you can see, there are many good volunteer opportunities. Please share with others of all ages who might be interested.

American Collectibles Museum: Needs volunteer help with the following: assemble their baseball card collection; data entry; putting displays out; librarian; webmaster; and volunteers to help host events as they are planned.

Illinois Veterans Home: Needs volunteers to accompany and stay with residents when they are transported to downtown appointments so they do not have to be alone until they are picked up for return trip. Volunteers would meet with the resident at the IVH, ride with the resident to the appointment and then ride back to the IVH.

Meals Plus for Seniors: Deliver Meals on Wheels any day 7 days a week or as a substitute. Pick up meals at 10:45a.m. delivery takes about 1 hour, receive 2 meal tickets for the Senior Center.

Quincy History Museum on the Square: Volunteers are needed especially on Tuesday and/or Wednesday afternoon from noon-4p.m. Duties would be to greet visitors, have them sign register, and direct them to museum exhibits.

News & Views: Need help with large 4500 piece mailing of monthly senior newsletter going out to 6 counties. Show up at Senior Center 639 York Street Tuesday, June 28th from 7:30a.m. – noon. Any help is appreciated. Give as much time as you can.

Disaster Activation Team (DAT): Volunteers are trained and then called to assist with the Emergency Operations Center when opened to answer questions and field information to the public in the event of a large scale emergency.

Salvation Army: Family Services/Emergency Shelter/ sit at front desk to greet and direct visitors and answer phone, Shelter Monitor assistance; Food Pantry assistance

Madonna House: Food Pantry help on the 4th Monday and/or 4th Thursday each month at 10:00a.m. to help stock shelves for about an hour-**no heavy lifting required**

John Wood Community College: Sustainable Local Foods Program - Help maintain demonstration farm at 48th & Harrison. During working hours M-F 7:30a.m.—4:00p.m.

Mobile Food Pantry: The Central Illinois Foodbank is bringing its mobile pantry to the Quincy Senior & Family Resource Center located at 639 York Street in Quincy, Illinois, on Saturday, June 4 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help bag and hand out food. Help is also needed pushing shopping carts out to load groceries into cars. Check-in for volunteers is at 8:00a.m.

RSVP “Salute to Veterans”: Need volunteers to help us serve and visit with the residents. We will also need some people to help push wheelchairs from the resident’s rooms to the outside pavilion. Saturday June 25 11:00am—1:00 pm

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Blessing Hospital: Blessed Beginnings; ICU Waiting Room Host/Hostess; Hospitality House; Emergency Department Advocate; Nurse Server Replenisher; Shuttle Driver; Surgery Waiting Room—1st Thursday AM & PM, 3rd Thursday PM, 2nd & 4th Friday AM; Tea Room

North Adams Home: NEEDS VOLUNTEERS! Many different ways to help. Friday morning manicures, music, bingo and other game buddies, cooking demonstrations/projects, escorts, 1:1 visits, clerical help. Call Vickie Tipton at 217-936-2137 Ext. 27

Volunteer Voices: Practice Friday mornings at Senior Center and perform Friday afternoons at area nursing homes.

Adams County Shoe Fund: Work as a member of a team to help coordinate the United Way of Adams County Shoe Fund. Three to four hours per month. Work with schools across the county to make sure youth in grades pre-k through 12th grade have athletic shoes so they can participate in physical education classes and extracurricular activities. Contact Barb Casady, Director of RSVP at 217-641-4961 if you are interested.

St. Jude Run: Drivers needed on Thursday, July 28 to travel to Kansas City, KS to pick up an RV and drive it back to Quincy. Drivers also needed on Monday, August 1 to drive the RV back to Kansas City, KS. Transportation to/from KC is provided.

Sunset Home: Volunteers needed in the Ice Cream Shoppe from 2-4pm especially on the weekends.

University of Illinois Extension: Partner with a Quincy Teen Reach youth to provide skill-based mentoring. Summer hours: Wednesday & Thursday 12:30pm-4:30pm. Volunteering times and frequency can be catered to meet individual needs.

If interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact our office.

Adams County

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