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Adams County Bicentennial to Honor Legacy Businesses and Organizations on Memorial Day

Quincy, IL — The Adams County Bicentennial Commission will host a special commemoration event on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 to recognize and celebrate Legacy Businesses and Organizations that have served Adams County for 150 years or more.

The ceremony will take place during a brief break in the Quincy Park Band Concert at Madison Park (24th & Maine Street in Quincy), which starts at 6:30pm, and will pay tribute to institutions that have stood the test of time and made a lasting impact on the County's rich and storied history. Representatives from these longstanding organizations and businesses are scheduled to be honored during a formal presentation:

- **Organizations:** Bodley Lodge Masonic Temple, Quincy Fire Department, Quincy Family YMCA, Chaddock, Quincy University, Quincy Notre Dame, Gem City College, and Blessing Hospital.
- **Businesses:** The Herald-Whig, Comstock-Castle Stove Company, The Knapheide Manufacturing Company, Duker & Haugh Funeral Home, Freiburg Insurance Agency, Gardner-Denver, Michelmann Steel Construction Co., The Camp Point Journal, Kohl Wholesale, and Frese Ornamental Nursery, Inc.

Each will receive a certificate of recognition and an official Bicentennial Commemorative Sign — a beautifully designed 2' x 2' sign symbolizing their enduring contributions to the community. A professional photographer will be on hand to document the occasion as a keepsake for honorees and the County's historical records.

"This event is a meaningful part of our Bicentennial celebration," said Leon Wood, Chair of the Bicentennial's Commemorate Committee. "These organizations have helped shaped Adams County for generations. We are proud to honor their contributions and commitment to our community."

The public is invited to attend the free concert and join in celebrating the legacy of these institutions that have helped define Adams County for over a century and a half.

About Adams County Bicentennial: The Adams County Bicentennial celebrates 200 years of history, resilience, and community spirit in Adams County, Illinois. Through a diverse range of events and initiatives, the Bicentennial aims to honor the county's heritage and engage residents and visitors alike in celebrating its contributions to the region.

For more information about the Adams County Bicentennial and to stay updated on upcoming events, please visit Adams County Bicentennial Website at adamsco200.org.

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