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Visitors Guide



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Welcome to Pike County, Illinois!

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce is proud to present this guide to our beautiful county. We hope your visit will be an enjoyable one. The rolling hills of Pike County provide a scenic backdrop to a variety of activities. We are proud of our ties to Abraham Lincoln and the New Philadelphia site, which was the first town in the United States to be settled by an African American. Pike County also leads the state of Illinois in trophy-winning buck hunting, and boasts a wide variety of outdoor recreation. We have something of interest to everyone. Discover Pike County, and let us become your home away from home.

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Pike County Visitors Center



Pike County Chamber of Commerce

224 W. Washington, P.O. Box 283, Pittsfield, IL 62363

(217) 285-2971 • (217) 285-5251 fax

Email: info@pikeil.org Website: www.pikeil.org

Hours: Monday – Friday

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. & 1:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Hours may vary – Closed all major holidays

Pittsfield Main Street

224 W. Washington, P.O. Box 161, Pittsfield, IL 62363

(217) 285-1817

Email: mainst@pikenet.net Website: www.pittsfield.org

Hours: Monday – Friday

8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.

Hours may vary – Closed all major holidays

24 Hour Foyer offers the following:

- State of Illinois maps
- Pike County telephone books
- County municipality brochures
- Pike County visitors guides
- Large State of Illinois map
- Large Pike County plat map

Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

The Pike County Chamber of Commerce hosts information on Pike County events, attractions and businesses.

When you plan your next trip to Pike County, Illinois, please stop by or contact us for all your information needs.



Accommodations

Bert's Westside Flat

217-285-2721
117 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Blue River Outdoors, Inc.

217-723-4269
45905 State Hwy 106
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.blueriveroutdoors.com

Bighorn Lodge

217-734-2651
16177 Co. Hwy 11
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366
www.pikebighorn.com
pikebighorn@yahoo.com

Butler Farms Outdoor Adventures

217-723-4451
46744 255th Ave.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.butlerfarmsoutdoor.com

Cherry's Guest House

217-285-2060
303 N. Monroe St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Fosco Farmhouse

217-285-2608
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Gray House Bed & Breakfast

217-285-2230 or 1-800-434-9228
36510 290th Ave.
New Salem, IL 62357
www.grayhousebb.com

Green Acres Motel

217-285-2166
625 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Guthrie's Guest House

217-430-9077
884 Grand Ave.
Barry, IL 62312

Hammitt's Lakeview Cottages

217-285-2998
41849 258th Lane
Pittsfield, IL 62363
E-mail: Hammitt@adams.net

Harpole's Heartland Lodge

217-734-2526
Nebo, IL 62355
www.heartlandlodge.com

Ice House Inn

217-335-3377
142 Smith St.
Barry, IL 62312

Illinois Xtreme Whitetail Lodge

38841 St. Hwy 104
Baylis, IL 62314
www.illinoisxtreme.com

JK Ranches

217-285-4164 (house & evening number)
217-285-5818 (office)
42480 270th Ave.
Griggsville, IL 62340
www.jkranches.com

JL Suites (B & B)

217-833-2600
110 W. Quincy
Griggsville, IL 62340

Madison House

217-285-5058 or 217-491-4186
231 N. Madison
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Milton's Big Buck Inn & Outfitters

217-723-4444
248 Tucker St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.miltonsbigbuckinn.com
miltonsbigbuckinn@yahoo.com

Mississippi Valley Lodging

217-437-2013
14043 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL 62370

Monroe Street Suites

217-285-6129
221 S. Monroe St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.monroestreesuites.com

Motel Pike

217-285-2129
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Mountain's Mountain

217-653-5191
P.O.Box 66
Perry, IL 62362
www.MountainsMountain.com

Old Florence Hotel Guest House

217-723-4646
www.florenceguesthouse.com

Pine Lakes Camping and Fishing Resort

217-285-6719
1405 Lakeview Heights
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.pinelakesresort.com

Sprague's Kinderhook Lodge

217-432-1090
22168 State Hwy 106
Barry, IL 62312
www.kinderhooklodge.com

Stage Coach Inn

217-734-2767
294 S. Bay St., Suite 101
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366

West Pike Apartments, Inc.

217-335-3038
980 Mason St., Barry, IL. 62312

William Watson Hotel

217-285-6030
105 East Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.williamwatsonhotel.com

Windmill Guest House

217-285-5050
P.O. Box 458, Pittsfield, IL. 62363

Camping

Pine Lakes Camping and Fishing Resort

217-285-6719
1405 Lakeview Heights
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.pinelakesresort.com

Lake Pittsfield

217-285-4484 (City Hall)
www.pittsfieldil.org
200 acre lake surrounded by 480 acres of recreational land 2 mi. east of Pittsfield.

Great River Road Campground

217-734-9006
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366



*Relax
and enjoy yourself!*



Antiques & Collectibles

Atlas Flea Market

217-437-2054 or 217-437-4100

4-Way Junction

Hwy 54/96, Atlas, IL 62370

Barry Thrift Shop

217-335-2411

791 Bainbridge St., Barry IL 62312

Country Fixins Primitives & Antique Mall

217-285-4890

Pittsfield Industrial Plaza

Pittsfield, IL 62363

Kozy Katz Antique Mall

217-285-9808

Along IL Hwy 54, 11 mi. west of Pittsfield

Between Atlas and Summer Hill

Silver Dollar Antiques

217-285-9055

130 N. Monroe St., Pittsfield, IL 62363

www.angelfire.com/crazy/silverdollar

Summer Hill Antique Mall

217-285-9535

Summer Hill, IL 62370

Suzie Q's Antiques

217-285-6822

Pittsfield, IL 62363

1 mile north of Pittsfield on US 54

Underground Railroad Antiques

217-285-4367 or 217-248-4367

New Salem, IL 62357

*Find
treasures
from long ago!*

Automobile Services

Gates Repair and Machine

217-335-2378
134 Smith St.
Barry, IL 62312

Heaton's Chevrolet & Arctic Cat

217-285-2189
125 W. Adams St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Napa Auto Parts

217-285-2611
220 N. Madison
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Neal Tire and Auto Services

217-285-4481
989 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Oitker Ford Sales

217-285-4403
804 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Wright Place Auto Body, Inc.

217-285-4076
1243 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.wrightplaceautobody.com

Zimmerman Brothers

217-285-2196
118 N. Monroe
Pittsfield, IL 62363





Food & Drink

Atlas Café

217-437-5321
17619 US Hwy 54
Atlas, IL

Barb's Corner Café

217-734-9468
845 E. Vin Fiz Hwy
Nebo, IL 62355

Bowler's Universe & Back Alley Bar & Grill

217-285-6913
113 Williams Industrial Drive
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.bowleatdrink.com

Brickyard Sports Bar & Grill

217-285-4542
205 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Carl's Cardinal Inn

217-285-1448
856 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Catering & More

217-285-1368
122 W. Fayette St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Copperhead Tavern

217-426-2300
24266 State Highway 96
New Canton, IL 62356

Dari Ripple

217-285-2634
April through October
201 S. Madison
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Dave's Place Restaurant

217-426-2085
110 E. Main
New Canton, IL 62356

Ed & Woodie's

217-723-9306
104 N. Florence Rd.
Florence IL

Fat Boys

Junction Hwys 106 & 96
Kinderhook, IL 62345

Hardees

217-285-4051
946 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Hopewell Winery & Restaurant

217-285-2759
www.hopewellwinery.com
19048 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL 62370

Kentucky Fried Chicken

217-285-5527
1240 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Mangley's Restaurant

217-723-4343
377 Pittsfield St.
Milton, IL 62352

Maya Authentic Mexican Cuisine

217-285-4526
831 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

McDonald's Restaurant

217-285-5659
534 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Old Boys Pizza

217-285-4333
111 W. Adams
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pam's Café

217-734-9403
202 W. Quincy St.
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366

Panda Chinese Restaurant

217-285-1688
1100 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pizza Hut

217-285-9616
1309 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**Red Apple Room
(at Old Orchard Country Club)**

217-285-6511
RR 3
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Red Dome Inn

217-285-6502
109 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Subway

217-285-2473
224 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Taco John's (Jiffi Stop)

217-285-2042
105 S. Jackson
Pittsfield, IL 62363

The Bucket

217-833-2000
113 W. Quincy St.
Griggsville, IL 62340

The Black Lantern Tavern

217-335-3526
745 Mortimer St.
Barry, IL 62312

The Boondocks Restaurant

217-236-3230
201 West Main
Perry, IL 62362

The Cree Mee

217-335-7048
760 Bainbridge St.
Barry, IL 62312

The Lighthouse Inn Restaurant

217-437-2500
13489 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL 62370

The Purple Martin Restaurant

217-833-2600
116 W. Quincy St.
Griggsville, IL 62340

Wendy's

217-335-2789
2 Cieten St.
Barry, IL 62312

Wineries

Collver Family Winery

217-335-3279
2 Rooster Way, Exit 20, I-72
Barry, IL 62312
www.collverfamilywinery.com

Hopewell Winery & Restaurant

217-285-2759
www.hopewellwinery.com
19048 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL 62370





Recreation

Abe Lincoln's Talking House Tour

www.pikelincoln.com
Self-guided car radio tour of 12 sites
Pick up map at Visitors Center
224 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Access Illinois Outdoors

217-285-2464
1256 C W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.accessil.org

Bow Lake Golf Course

217-335-7043
1500 Croxville Dr.
Barry, IL 62312

Bowler's Universe & Back Alley Bar & Grill

217-285-6913
113 Williams Industrial Drive
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.bowleatdrink.com

Clark 54 Drive- In Theatre

217-285-2805
19312 US Hwy 54
Summer Hill, IL
(open April-September)
www.clark54drivein.com

Collver Family Winery

217-335-3279
2 Rooster Way, Exit 20, I-72
Barry, IL 62312
www.collverfamilywinery.com

Good Times Roll Skating Rink

217-285-4885
1241 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Great Outdoor Photography Adventure

630-204-2096
Martinsburg, IL.
www.gopa.com

Heartland Lodge (horseback riding available)

217-734-2526
10236 393rd St.
Nebo, IL 62355
www.heartlandlodge.com

Hopewell Winery & Restaurant

217-285-2759
www.hopewellwinery.com
19048 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL 62370

Horton's Video

217-285-4303
1075 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Lake Pittsfield

217-285-4484 (City Hall)
www.pittsfieldil.org
200 acre lake surrounded by 480 acres of recreational land 2 mi. east of Pittsfield.

**New Philadelphia/
Free Frank McWorter**

217-335-2273
Corner City Hwy 2 & 306th Lane,
Barry, IL 62312
www.newphiladelphiail.org

Old Orchard Country Club

217-285-9041
RR#3 Box 3016
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pittsfield Historical Walking Tour

Downtown Pittsfield
Sponsored by Pittsfield Main Street
Pick up maps at Visitors Center
224 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**Pine Lakes Camping
and Fishing Resort**

217-285-6719
1405 Lakeview Heights
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.pinelakesresort.com

Quickshot Photography Gallery

217-285-2995
32250 Jim Town Hollow Rd.
Summer Hill, IL 62363

Twin Pike Family YMCA

573-754-4497
614 Kelly Lane
Louisiana, MO 63353

Two Rivers JEEP Club

866-483-3982
www.trjc.com



Fitness/Wellness

**In Motion Fitness Center
(group classes, personal training)**

217-285-5555
1135 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**West Central Illinois Therapy &
Sports Medicine
(fitness, rehab, personal training)**

217-285-4512
128 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363





Hunting & Fishing in Pike County

Pike County is a sportsman's paradise. The combination of hardwood woodlands and multi-culture agriculture provides the ideal blend of components attractive to a host of wildlife. The topography of Pike County, with its rolling hills, creek bottoms and river bluffs offers ideal habitat. The county has a national reputation among sportsmen for the quantity and quality of white tail deer, wild turkey, waterfowl, and a variety of other game species. Equally as inviting, is the quality fishing and convenient pleasure readily available on the Mississippi River to the west, and the Illinois River to the east. Lake Pittsfield, 2 miles east of Pittsfield is a 200 acre lake surrounded by 480 acres of recreational land. Pike County's natural beauty and resources offer something for everyone.

Whitetail Deer

Pike County is particularly renowned for its trophy whitetail deer hunting. Pike County leads the state in the quantity of deer harvested during each season, and is the #2 county **in the nation** for the highest quantity of trophy whitetail entries in the Boone and Crocket Record Books, as well as Pope and Young Record Books.

Much of the success of deer hunting in Pike County is attributed to the **Illinois Department of Natural Resources'** excellent management of our deer herds, strict enforcement of game laws, licensing and oversight of outfitters, and DNR's excellent partnership with other agencies and hunting services. IDNR also manages public land for hunting on Ray Norbut Fish and Wildlife Area (see below). Complete information about hunting in Illinois and a list of licensed outfitters can be found on IDNR's website www.dnr.state.il.us

It's not just the abundant deer that make hunting in Pike County memorable. It's the friendly Pike County people, the varied accommodations, great places to eat, and helpful hunting services providers who will make your trip enjoyable. Pittsfield, our county seat, was named one of the Top 5 Hunting Towns in America by Real Tree magazine; and all of our communities offer the same Pike County amenities and warm welcome to hunters. Many of them are provided in this guide. We hope you find it useful.

Once you've experienced Pike County hunting we know you'll want to return, both to hunt and at other times—and bring your families!



Access Illinois Outdoors is a program where outdoor enthusiasts are matched with private landowners for whitetail deer hunting, turkey hunting and other outdoor activities. Since its creation in 1994, more than 174 landowners have signed up, servicing more than 3000 visitors. AIO also runs the Access Food program whereby hunters are encouraged to shoot a doe to help control the population, and then donate the meat to local

food pantries. Processing costs are covered by the program. Contact information is provided on the following page.

Ray Norbut Fish and Wildlife Area is a 1,140 acre mosaic of bottomlands, woodlands, rocky ravines, wetlands, open fields, steep hills, and bluffs. Located along the Illinois River, it lies five miles east of Griggsville and two miles south of Valley City in the eastern part of the county. All but 140 of the 1,140 acres are open to hunting. For the Firearm Deer season, a quota of hunters will be filled by special permit; drawing in Springfield. For the Late-Winter Deer season (formerly Handgun Season), a quota of hunters will be filled on a sign-in sheet at the office each morning. A Pike County permit is required. For Archery Deer hunting, no quota is required but a statewide permit is required. Statewide seasons, shooting hours and bag limits apply. All hunters are required to check in and out at the site headquarters and record their harvest. Site Specific regulations may change; consult the DNR website.



Access Illinois Outdoors

217-285-2464
1256C W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.accessil.org

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

(hunting regulations, season, permits,
list of licensed outfitters)
www.dnr.state.il.us

IDNR-Pittsfield

217-285-2221
Illinois 106 West
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Ray Norbut Fish & Wildlife Area

217-833-2811
46815 290th Avenue
Griggsville, IL 62340

Other Hunting Services:

Foiles Migrators

217-285-5665
(duck and goose calls, accessories and
related waterfowl products, hunts)
101 N. Industrial Drive
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.foilesstraitmeat.com

Longbeard Taxidermy

217-285-1377
Rt. 54 Pittsfield Industrial Park
Pittsfield, IL 62363

The Archery Shop

217-285-1610
7 East Industrial Park Dr.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.pikecountyarchery.com

Outfitters (a partial listing)

See IDNR website for a complete list.

Bighorn Outfitters

217-734-2651
16177 County Highway 11
Pleasant Hill, IL
www.pikebighorn.com
pikebighorn@yahoo.com

Blue River Outdoors, Inc.

217-723-4269
45905 State Hwy 106
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.blueriveroutdoors.com

Buckeye Creek Outfitters

847-359-5912 or 217-285-4077
238 Reseda Parkway
Palatine, IL 60067
www.buckeyecreek.com

Butler Farms Outdoor Adventure

217-723-4451
46744 255th Ave.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.butlerfarmsoutdoor.com

Campbell Farms Hunting

217-779-2792
515 Decatur St.
Barry, IL 62312
www.gaileee@adams.net

Carter's Hunting Lodge

217-723-4522
PO Box 259
Milton, IL 62352

Eagle Lakes Outfitters, Inc.

217-285-6446 or 217-426-3212
975 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Heartland Lodge

217-734-2526
10236 393rd St.
Nebo, IL 62355
www.heartlandlodge.com

**Hopewell Views Hunting Club
& Game Farm**

217-734-9234
19048 US Hwy 54
Rockport, IL

Illinois Xtreme Whitetail Lodge

601-955-8185
38841 St. Hwy 104
Baylis, IL
www.illinoisxtreme.com

JK Ranches

217-285-5818 or 217-285-4164
(evenings and weekends)
42480 270th Ave.
Griggsville, IL 62340
www.jkranches.com

Milton's Big Buck Inn & Outfitters

217-723-4444
248 Tucker St., Milton
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.miltonsbigbuckinn.com
miltonsbigbuckinn@yahoo.com

Oak Ridge Outfitters, Inc.

217-335-2638(H) or 217-653-0345(C)
509 Grand Ave.
Barry, IL 62312

Pike Bucks Unlimited

217-285-6625
308 Sycamore St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pike County Bucks

847-648-1171
P.O. Box 754,
Wheeling, IL 60090

Pikeland Outfitters

217-285-9040
22915 County Hwy 7
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Rodhouse Rut-n-Strut Outfitter

217-734-2205
103 S. Main
Pleasant Hill, IL

Sprague's Kinderhook Lodge

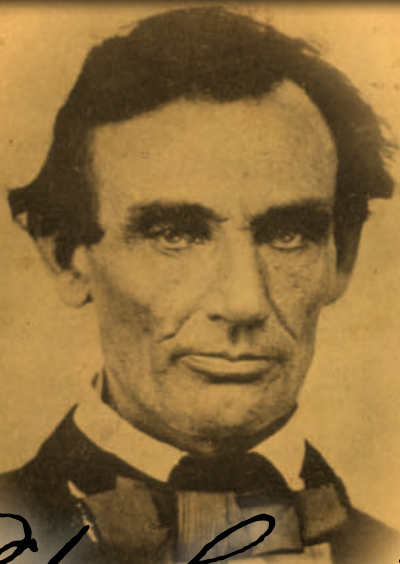
217-432-1090
22168 State Hwy 106
Barry, IL 62312
www.kinderhooklodge.com

West Central Outfitters

217-491-0316
20545 County Highway 11
Pittsfield, IL 62363

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a Sportsman's Paradise!*





Pike County

I L L I N O I S



Pike County Communities

City of Barry

217-335-2215
1005 Bainbridge St.
Barry, IL 62312
www.barryil.org

Village of Baylis

217-336-2231

Village of Detroit

217-723-4209

Village of El Dara

217-335-2685

Village of Florence

217-723-4069

City of Griggsville

217-833-2412
P.O. Box 272
Griggsville, IL 62340
www.griggsvilleil.org

Village of Hull

217-432-5525

Village of Kinderhook

217-432-8002

Village of Milton

217-723-4048

Village of Nebo

217-734-2094

Village of New Canton

217-426-2209
160 N. Main St.
New Canton, IL 62356

Village of New Salem

217-285-2507

Village of Pearl

217-829-4260

City of Pittsfield

217-285-4484
215 N. Monroe St.
Pittsfield, IL. 62363
www.pittsfieldil.org

City of Pleasant Hill

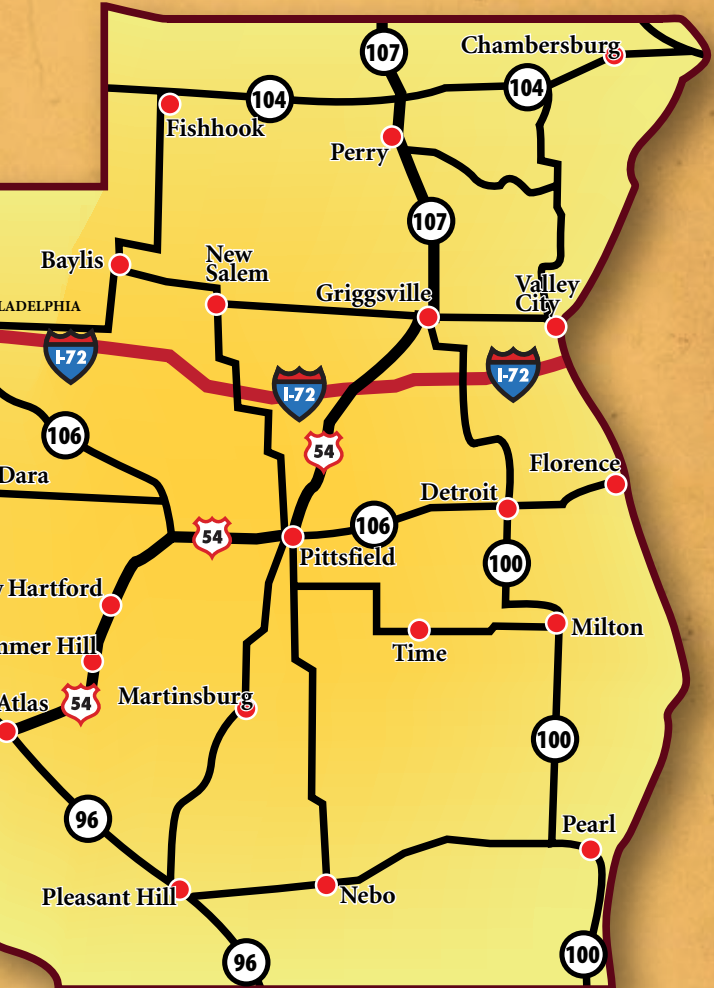
217-734-2113
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366
www.pleasanthillil.org

Village of Perry

217-236-9171
210 W. Main St.
Perry, IL 62362

Village of Time

217-285-2368





Shopping & Services

Ackles Farm Market

217-285-4555
21873 US Hwy 54 (New Hartford)
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Barry Thrift Shop

217-335-2411
791 Bainbridge St.
Barry IL 62312

Bloomers

217-285-6563
1184 E. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Casteel's

217-285-4488
110 W. Adams St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Cold Run Rustic Log Furniture

36121 180th Ave.
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366

Country Fixins Primitives & Antique Mall

217-285-4890
Pittsfield Industrial Plaza
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Dollar General

217-285-5522
1312 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Eastside Gardens

217-285-4784
1184 E. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Fashion Flowers

217-426-3751
22012 State Hwy 96
New Canton, IL 62356

J. Roberts Jewelers

217-285-4700
131 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Kientzle Shoe Store

217-285-6572
127 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Kimmie's Creations

217-833-2107
401 W. Quincy St.
Griggsville, IL 62340

Kountry Expressions

217-285-5143
1079 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Memory Lane Awards (trophies, plaques)

217-833-2258
415 E. Webster
Griggsville, IL 62340

**Moments That Matter
(scrapbooking, signs, etc.)**

217-833-2626
101 S. Corey St.
Griggsville, IL 62340

Nature Society Showroom

877-833-2478 or 217-833-2406
109 West Quincy Street
Griggsville, IL 62340

Pike County Lumber

217-285-6115
311 E. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pittsfield Farm & Home Supply

217-285-4444
1319 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Poppy's Trading Post

217-437-2031
17644 US Hwy 54 (Atlas)
Rockport, IL 62370

Quickshot Photography Gallery

217-285-2995
32250 Jim Town Hollow Rd.
Summer Hill, IL 62363

Reel Net & Twine

217-285-4013
1247 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**Ruthie's Blackberry Run
Flowers & Gifts**

217-335-2411
791 Bainbridge St.
Barry, IL 62312

Silver Dollar Antiques

217-285-9055
130 N. Monroe St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.angelfire.com/crazy/silverdollar

Stollards Flowers & Gifts

217-285-6373
107 E. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

**Studio on the Square
(photography & fine arts gallery)**

217-725-2160
www.studioonthesquare.blogspot.com
130 E. Adams
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Underground Railroad Antiques

217-285-4367 or 217-248-4367
New Salem, IL 62357

Walmart

217-285-9621
US 54 & 151 Shetland Av.
Pittsfield, IL 62363



Lincoln in Pike County

Abraham Lincoln was a frequent visitor to Pike County because he had formed many close associations with its citizens. He left his judicial circuit and crossed the Illinois River to practice law with many of Pike County's leading attorneys, such as Milton Hay and Daniel Gilmer. Lincoln formed close political associations with men like Oziah Mather Hatch (Illinois Secretary of State during the Civil War) and Alexander Starne (Illinois Treasurer during the Civil War), both from Griggsville, and William Ross from Pittsfield.



He enjoyed close personal relationships with John Greene Shastid and Abraham Scholl, who had known the family in Kentucky and fought with the Lincolns in the Indian Wars. John Hay and John Nicolay, both from Pittsfield, became personal secretaries to Lincoln when he became President of the United States.

Many Civil War-era homes still exist in Pike County. Moreover, there are more houses and sites associated with Lincoln in Pittsfield than in any other place in the country. A car-radio audio tour, called "Abe Lincoln's Talking House Tour," takes visitors to eight homes and four other sites where you can hear the stories of those locations and the people who knew Lincoln. One new site that was added in early 2010 is the newly renovated William Watson Hotel, just south of the Courthouse Square in Pittsfield. A map brochure of this tour is available at the Pike County Visitors Center/Chamber of Commerce at 224 W. Washington in Pittsfield.

Pittsfield is also a Looking for Lincoln Community and currently boasts four Lincoln Wayside exhibits. Three were dedicated in October of 2009. Of the four Wayside exhibits, three are in front of stops on the Talking House Tour (the Shastid House, the Milton Hay House, and the Garbutt House). The fourth is located on

the southwest corner of the Square in Pittsfield, across the street from the William Watson Hotel. We are hopeful that more will be added in the years to come.

In addition to the 12 locations in Pittsfield, there are additional historic homes in the county with ties to Abe Lincoln. The city of Griggsville, 7 miles north of Pittsfield, has three such structures: the Aaron Tyler House, built in 1837 on S. Federal Street; the Charles

Philbrick House, built ca. 1830s at 113 N. Corey St.; and the Alexander Starne House, built ca. 1830s on W. Quincy Street.

The Florence Guest House, www.florenceguesthouse.com (Ole Brick Hotel), is located in Florence on the Illinois River. Legend is that Lincoln stayed there around 1858 while traveling through Pike County visiting friends and engaging in debate.

Lincoln's spirit has become a visible part of Pike County, and we welcome you to come and enjoy!





Mormontown

Three miles east of Pittsfield on Illinois Highway 106 visitors can find an official Illinois State Historical marker commemorating the site of old Mormontown. While it is currently only a farm field, Mormontown was once a community of over 300 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons). It existed from 1839 to 1945. Latter-day Saints arrived in Pittsfield in 1839 looking for a place to settle. They were fleeing from persecution in Missouri and from an extermination order from the Governor of Missouri, Lilburn Boggs. Thomas Edwards offered a place they could rent, and he also joined them and converted to Mormonism. Mormontown was once an active community with cabins, wells, a schoolhouse, a church, a community stable and cemetery.

Brigham Young and Heber Kimball preached in Mormontown in 1842, and the Prophet Joseph Smith's uncle, Silas Smith, was the Church leader there in 1939. Most of the settlers left for Nauvoo after Joseph Smith, the Mormon Prophet made the call for all Latter-day Saints to gather in Nauvoo in 1841.

The Mormontown marker was dedicated in November of 2005 in a ceremony sponsored by the Pike County Historical Society and the Zion's Camp Trail Committee. The Zion's Camp Trail Committee marks historic sites along the trail of the 1834 Zion's Camp March, in which Joseph Smith led 200 Latter-day Saint men from Kirkland, Ohio to western Missouri to assist persecuted Mormons in Missouri who had been driven from their homes.

New Philadelphia and Free Frank McWorter

Three miles east of the present site of Barry in Hadley Township lies a marker commemorating the frontier town of New Philadelphia, founded in 1836, and giving homage to its founder, Frank McWorter. But this is more than just a marker; here lies an important part of American and Illinois history. New Philadelphia was the first town established by a free African American before the Civil War, and it likely served as a stopping place for the "Underground Railroad" of enslaved African Americans fleeing northward from the oppression of southern plantations.

The story of Frank McWorter and New Philadelphia is one of daring and hard work, luck, and shrewd family leadership, according to the New Philadelphia Association, a not-for-profit organization formed by area residents who seek to preserve a substantial portion of the original town site.

Born a slave in South Carolina in 1777, Frank moved with his owner, George McWorter, to Kentucky in 1795. He married Lucy, a slave from a nearby farm in 1799. Frank was very industrious, and was permitted to hire out his own time in various enterprises. Most notably, he started a saltpeter mining and production operation. With earnings from these activities, Frank purchased freedom for Lucy in 1817 (for \$800), and for himself in 1819 (also \$800).

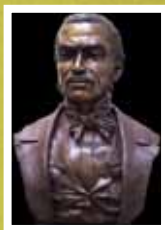
Shortly after gaining his freedom, Frank began to invest his earnings in land in a largely undeveloped area of Pike County, Illinois, in a region of hill country between the Mississippi and the Illinois Rivers. Frank and Lucy and four of their children left Kentucky for Illinois in 1830 and moved here. Frank recorded his legal name as McWorter, subdivided and sold tracts of the land he had purchased, and then platted and legally registered the town of New Philadelphia.

New Philadelphia flourished as a racially integrated town at an agricultural crossroad, with an active roadway carrying agricultural products and other goods to the Mississippi River, twenty miles to the west. The town size grew to 160 people, 29 households, and several craftspeople and merchants by 1865. Frank witnessed this growth until his death in 1854.

When the railroad connecting Naples, Illinois to Hannibal, Missouri was built in 1869, it bypassed New Philadelphia. Occupation of the town declined thereafter, and the legal status of the town was dissolved in 1885. But the story doesn't end there.

The New Philadelphia Association (www.newphiladelphiaill.org) is a group of citizens who wish to see New Philadelphia and Free Frank remembered for future generations. The site was named to the list of National Historic places in 2005, and in 2009 was designated as a National Historic Landmark, one of only 2,400 in the country. Efforts are underway to have the New Philadelphia site designated a National Park. NPA has developed a strategic plan for the site, and is working with a number of agencies to make New Philadelphia a major historical, educational, and visitor site.

For several summers, including 2010, the National Science Foundation has conducted an archaeological field school at the site, and NPA and Sprague's Kinderhook Lodge have sponsored an accompanying speaker series. Details will be available on NPA's website, or from the Pike County Chamber, 217-285-2971.



Genealogy Resources, Museums, Libraries

Barry Public Library & Museum

217-335-2149
880 Bainbridge St.
Barry, IL 62312

Fairfield Library

P.O. Box 114
109 E. Quincy St.
Pleasant Hill, IL 62366

Griggsville Public Library

217-833-2633
119 S. Corey St.
Griggsville, IL 62340

Hull Museum

217-432-5218; 217-432-5787; or 217-432-5409
NW corner Main & West Lee Evans Dr.
Hull, IL

Harman House Museum

Pleasant Hill, IL
217-734-2113

Kinderhook

Historical Society Museum

217-432--5700 or 217-432-5586

Pike County Courthouse

County Clerk: 217-285-6812
Circuit Clerk: 217-285-6612
100 E. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pike County

Historical Society Museum

217-285-4618
400 E. Jefferson
P.O. Box 44
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pittsfield Public Library

217-285-2200
205 N. Memorial St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Milton Prairie Museum of Antique Equipment

Milton, IL
217-285-4534

Skinner House Museum

Griggsville, IL
217-833-2724



Local Media

Pike Press

217-285-2345
115 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
www.pikepress.com
ppnews@campbellpublications.net

Pike County Express

217-285-5415
129 N. Madison St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363
pikecountyexpressnews@yahoo.com

The Paper

217-335-2112
725 Bainbridge St.
Barry, IL 62312
rnews@adams.net

Jacksonville Journal Courier

217-245-6121
235 W. State St.
Jacksonville, IL 62651

Quincy Herald Whig

217-223-5100
130 S. 5th St.
Quincy IL 62301
dhusar@whig.com

WBBA Radio Station

217-285-5975
1260 W. Washington St.
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Cass Cable TV Inc.

800-252-1799

Area Resources

Barry Senior Center

217-335-2659
800 Frike St.
Barry, IL 62312

Illinois Department of Natural Resources

www.dnr.state.il.us
(hunting regulations, permits, outfitter list)
Region IV office 618-462-1181

Pike County Chamber of Commerce

224 W. Washington
P.O. Box 283
Pittsfield, IL 62363
217-285-2971
www.pikeil.org
email: info@pikeil.org

Pike County Senior Citizens Center

217-285-4969
(concerts & other activities for Seniors)
220 W. Adams
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pittsfield Community Center

217-285-2971
(room for rent for events)
224 W. Washington
Pittsfield, IL 62363

Pittsfield Main Street

217-285-1817
P.O. Box 161
Pittsfield, IL 62363
mainst@pikenet.net

Quincy Area Convention & Visitors Bureau

532 Gardner Expressway
Quincy, IL 62301
217-214-3700
800-978-4748
seequincy.com



Annual Events

A detailed listing (with specific dates) can be found on the Chamber's website at www.pikeil.org

Select Saturdays throughout the year

Mystery Dinner Theater at Colver Family Winery, Barry IL

See www.colverfamilywinery.com for details.

Saturdays, June thru September

Pittsfield Main Street's Market on the Green (farmer's market)

7 AM until 11 AM. Call 217-285-1817.

FEBRUARY

Valentine's Weekend
(Sat. night)

Annual Valentine's Day Dinner

Gladys Vollbracht Ballroom in Barry, IL
Call Jill Borrowman at 217-242-4161

MAY

Second Weekend

Two Rivers Jeep Club's Annual Illini Safari

Visit www.trjc.com or Call 630-717-5337

JUNE

First Sat. and Sun.

Lincoln Days Civil War re-enactment,

Lake Pittsfield, Pittsfield, IL

Step back in time to historic Pittsfield as Union and Confederate forces prepare for battle at the 480 acre Lake Pittsfield. Call 217-285-6995 for more information or visit www.pikelincoln.com

First Saturday

Access Illinois Winery Tour

Call 217-285-2464 for reservations & info.

Fourth week of June

Western Illinois Fair

Griggsville, IL. Call 217-833-2116

JULY

Independence Day weekend

Pleasant Hill Celebration

Pleasant Hill, IL

Second Weekend

Pike County Pig Days

Pittsfield, IL. at the Courthouse Square

A salute to the pork industry in Pike County with food, entertainment, rides, and games

Visit www.pikeil.org or call 217-285-2971

Third week

Pike County Fair

Pleasant Hill, IL at the Fairgrounds

from 8:00 AM- 10:00 PM

See new website: www.pikecofair.org

Celebrate over 60 years of the fair with fun for all ages, including a Society Horse Show!

AUGUST

Second Saturday

Nebo Vin Fiz Day

Nebo, IL. Parade Sat. at 11:00 am

Second Weekend

Two Rivers Jeep Club's Annual 4X4 BLAST

Visit www.trjc.com or Call 630-717-5337

Third Weekend

Annual Hull Town Picnic

Festivities in the park at 6 PM Friday

Activities resume at 9 AM Sat, Parade at 1:30 PM

Lions Club Chicken Dinner from 4-7 PM Saturday

at the Hull Park. For over 80 years the community of Hull has gathered for a delicious chicken dinner and a full day of family fun.



Fourth Weekend

Perry Town-wide Yard Sales

Friday and Saturday starting at 8 AM.
Maps available at Perry Quickmart,
Perry Bank, and the Perry Post Office
beginning 8/25.

Contact Jennifer Lehr at 217-236-9701

Fourth Weekend

Perry Pioneer Days

Parade Sat. 2 PM

Downtown Perry IL. Celebrate one of Pike
County's smallest community's annual
event with fun for everyone!

Contact Jennifer Lehr at 217-236-9701

SEPTEMBER

Labor Day weekend

Pittsfield Fall Festival

Pittsfield, IL. Parade Sat. 1 PM

Contact Morgan Hill at 217-370-9846

Second Weekend
in September

New Canton Harvest Festival

New Canton, IL. Parade Sat. 1 PM

Contact Pauline Little at 217-426-3751

Third Weekend
in September

Griggsville Apple Festival

Griggsville, IL. Parade Sat. 2 PM

Griggsville Main Street

Contact Janice Sneed at 217-833-2637

Fourth Weekend
in September

Milton Corn Carnival

Milton, IL. Parade Sat. 1:30 PM

Milton's Town Square

Contact Brigette Lemmons
at 217-370-4639

OCTOBER

First weekend
(starts Thursday)

Barry Apple Festival

Barry, IL. Parade Sat. 1 PM

At La Fayette Park

It's one of the largest festivals around.

Come and enjoy food, crafts, parade,
and car show. Contact Stacy and Tyler
Patterson at 217-242-0041

Third Weekend

Pike County Fall Color Drive

Pike County IL. www.pikecolordrive.com

A weekend of food, fun, Lincoln and Civil
War history, & beautiful colors signifying
the changing season.

Contact Peggy Hill at 217-491-2208.

Or you may contact the Pike County
Chamber of Commerce at 217-285-2971.



www.pikeil.org

email: info@pikeil.org

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Fun Things To Do In An Afternoon Or Evening in Pike County

1

Abe Lincoln's Talking Houses Tour

Various homes in Pittsfield, IL 62363 | 217-285-4484

www.pikelincoln.com

Simply tune your radio to the station listed on the house marker and begin the self guided tour of eleven homes with Abe Lincoln significance in Pittsfield. The first home on the tour is at the northeast corner of West and Washington Streets. A yard plaque marks each home, depicting its history with Lincoln. The county also features Lincoln Wayside Exhibits. For a copy of the self-guided brochure or more info on the Wayside Exhibits visit the Pike County Visitors Center at 224 West Washington in Pittsfield or the Quincy Area Convention & Visitors Bureau's Offices at 532 Gardner Expressway in Quincy.



2

Clark 54 Drive-In Theatre

Hwy 54, Summer Hill, IL 62363 | 217-285-2805

www.clark54drivein.com

Located between Louisiana, Missouri and Pittsfield, Illinois, Clark 54 Drive-In Theatre is open April through September during the weekends, showing two features each night. A concession stand is open during show times. Call for more details as well as movie listings and show times.

3

Collver Family Winery

2 Rooster Way, I-72, Exit 20,

Barry, IL 62312

217-335-3279

www.collverfamilywinery.com

Family owned and operated, Collver Family Winery is open year round, with tours of the winery and the vineyard available by appointment. Bottled wine, wine accessories and wine tasting are available in the gift shop. Engage in the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre, held year round at the winery. Call for reservations and show details.





4

Harpole's Heartland Lodge

10236 393rd Street, Nebo, IL 62355 | 217-734-2526
800-717-4868

www.heartlandlodge.com

Enjoy the rolling hills of Pike County at the Heartland Lodge, located just one hour from Quincy. ATV rentals, horseback riding, scenic hay rides, Old West Cookouts, hiking trails, and mountain bike rentals all await you at this premier resort. Bountiful home cooked meals are included for guests staying at the Lodge. Hunters nationwide know Heartland Lodge as a premier hunting lodge located in prime whitetail deer hunting territory, with some of the best upland hunting including wild quail hunting and pheasant hunting in Illinois.



5

Hopewell Winery

16168 State Highway 96,
Rockport, IL 62370
217-285-2759

Friday-Saturday 10am-8:00pm; Sundays 12:00pm-6:00pm

www.hopewellwinery.com

Hopewell Winery is located half a mile outside of Summer Hill on Highway 54. On September 1, 2007, Hopewell Winery opened its doors for business on their acre wide grounds. Private events may be hosted at the winery's on-site banquet hall. Featuring nine different wines, three dark beers on draft, and five dark beers available by the bottle. A dinner menu is also available on Friday and Saturday nights.

Lake Pittsfield

Pittsfield, IL 62363

217.285.4484

This 200-acre lake and the 480-acre recreational park its located within offer boating, fishing, RV and primitive camping, hiking, picnicking, tennis, softball, soccer, playground equipment, & shelters. The camping is equipped with treated drinking water, electrical hookups, public telephone, lighted areas and a trailer dumping station. Directions: 2 miles east of US 54 & 1.5 miles north of IL 106 (approximately 2 miles east of Pittsfield)

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Pine Lakes Resort

1405 Lakeview Heights,
Pittsfield, IL 62363 | 217-285-6719
or 877-808-7463

www.pinelakesresort.com

Pine Lakes is a beautiful 105 acre campground with a 45 acre stocked lake. We're located in the gentle rolling hills of West Central Illinois. Enjoy fishing (no license required), beach swimming, hiking, boat rentals, golf cart rentals, planned activities, game room, hay rides, playgrounds, volleyball, cable TV and more. If you are not a camper, we have clean, comfortable housekeeping cottages and camping cab.



8

Pittsfield Historical Walking Tour

Various homes in Pittsfield, IL 62363
217.285.1817

Pittsfield was established in 1833 and has enjoyed a long and colorful history. Much of the central part of Pittsfield is listed as an historic district in the National Register. We invite you to catch a glimpse of some of our past on this self-guided tour. Be sure to check out the newly refurbished William Watson Hotel on the south side of the square and the new Lincoln wayside exhibit on the southwest corner of the Courthouse Square. The walking tour brochure is available at the Pike County Visitor Center or by calling the above number.



Beyond Pike

Below is just a sampling of events in Adams and Hancock counties. Quincy Area Calendar of Events are subject to change. For a complete list, please call 217-214-3700, 800-978-4748, or visit www.seequincy.com

MULTI MONTH EVENTS:

Uptown Farmer's Market, Quincy

217-228-8696

Washington Park at 5th & Maine

Mid-May through Mid-October

Tuesdays and Saturdays,

7 AM to 12 noon

Blues in the District, Quincy

217-228-8696

Summer Months, 2nd & 4th Fridays

Washington Park, 5th & Maine

5 PM to 9 PM

Sunset by the Mississippi in Nauvoo

217-453-6434

Memorial Day through Labor Day

ANNUAL EVENTS

March

Annual St. Patrick's Parade

Saturday before St. Pats Day, 11 AM

12th & Maine to 5th & Maine Streets

217-223-5292

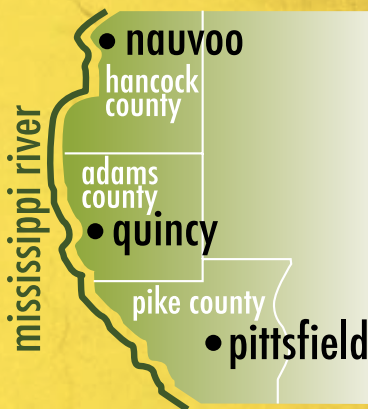
May

Annual Dogwood Festival, Quincy

First weekend in May

Washington Park, 5th & Maine

217-222-7980



July

Heritage Days & Sweet Corn Festival

Third Weekend

Golden Windmill, Golden

217-696-2722

September

Nauvoo Grape Festival, Nauvoo

Labor Day weekend

217-453-6648

October

Early Tindusters Fall Color Run

Third Weekend

Downtown Quincy and Moorman Park

217-964-2426

November/December

Avenue of Lights, Quincy

Thanksgiving Day through

New Years Day

6 – 9:30 PM

Wavering/Moorman Park

on North 36th St.

217-222-7980





Making Pike County a great place to live, work and visit.

224 W. Washington

P.O. Box 283

Pittsfield, Illinois 62363



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