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GRANNY BASKETBALL PROGRAM



The 50s Plus Senior Group recently had a program on Granny Basketball. It was enjoyed by all. The program was presented by women who had played 6-on-6 basketball. It brought back memories even though the rules and method of playing the game differed. The group may be looking into forming a Granny Basketball team, so, if you would be interested, check the Adel Living Weekly for information on a meeting. The group's next gathering is April 1 with a program by Ann Kotz on Prohibition & Iowa's Bootlegging Legacy. Programs start at 10 a.m. ■

ADEL WEATHER FORECAST

FRIDAY HIGH 79 | LOW 53

Windy with plenty of sunshine



SATURDAY HIGH 59 | LOW 36

Cloudy with a shower; cooler



SUNDAY HIGH 41 | LOW 28

Breezy; chilly with low clouds



MONDAY HIGH 45 | LOW 24

Mostly sunny and chilly



TUESDAY HIGH 47 | LOW 36

A few morning flurries; cloudy



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FROM THE PUBLISHER

MY GRANDFATHER, MY GRANDSON AND ME

The three people listed above are part of a generational quiz I have put together in hopes of amusing you. I listed out a series of activities I have done in my lifetime that I doubt my now-deceased grandfather (born in 1896) did and I doubt even more that my newborn grandson (born in 2024) will ever do. A lot has changed in 128 years.

Having a pager. When I published an auto photo magazine with sales reps across the state in the mid-1990s, we supplied pagers to everyone. Cell phones were not yet commonplace, and these were a great way for us all to communicate with each other and the home office. Grandpa? No. My grandson? Another no.

Sending a fax. I recall having a fax machine in the advertising department of The Des Moines Register 35 years ago. It was fascinating — and a huge timesaver. Most every business was adding a fax line and a fax machine with that curled-up paper. Grandpa? No. My grandson? Never.

Renting a VHS movie. For a few decades, Jolene and I looked forward to a trip to the video store.

We wouldn't always agree on what movie to rent, so we would often get two. This, of course, meant double the late fees, as well. We still have some VHS tapes stored in boxes somewhere. We just don't have a VHS player. Neither did Grandpa. And neither will my grandson — unless he finds mine.

Writing a check. I opened my first checking account when I was 16 years old, and it was a big deal. I still write a few check today, but not many. I am not sure if Grandpa wrote any checks in his lifetime. If they had a checking account, Grandma probably wrote the checks. My grandson likely never will write a check or even know the feel of jingling change in his pocket.

Using a phone book. As a child and into my early adulthood, my fingers did the walking in not only the yellow pages but the white pages, too. That's how we accessed phone numbers. And addresses. And proper name spellings. Grandpa didn't even have a phone



on the farm until he was a young adult. And I can't imagine my grandson will ever feel the need to flip through the pages of a phone book — if he can even find one.

Listening to music in a boom box. Every kid my age had a boom box with an AM/FM radio and a cassette player. They could run on a truckload of D batteries, but that was way too expensive. We plugged them in, and we rocked them out. Grandpa would have thought a boom box had something to do with TNT. And my grandson will likely have speakers implanted in his ears.

Yes, my grandfather, my grandson and I have had — or will have — different experiences. I remember Grandpa laughing as he watched "The Jetsons" on his little black-and-white TV with the rabbit ears. I expect my grandson will be living it.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■

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Jim VanWerden receives his certificate of appreciation from President Amanda Schwantes.

ADEL ROTARIANS CELEBRATE TWO MILESTONE MEMBERSHIPS

Jim VanWerden and Earl Sande celebrated milestone memberships at the Adel Rotary Club meeting on March 19. Jim completed 69 years in February and shared stories of meeting places, programs, accomplishments and fun with club members.

Earl Sande completed 69 years in February and has started on his 70th year. Earl also shared his recollections of the many years devoted to service with the club. This oral history from both Jim and Earl highlighted the foundations of the Club that now continues the legacy of service for today and into the future.

Distinguished guest Rotary District 6000 Dave Cook was present to add to the festivities. ■



Earl Sande receives his certificate of appreciation from President Amanda Schwantes.

ADM SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, March 28

- 6 p.m. **Soccer:** Boys JV Scrimmage vs. Des Moines East
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- 7 p.m. **Soccer:** Girls Varsity Jamboree @ Ankeny

Monday, March 31

- 5:30 p.m. **Soccer:** Girls JV @ Norwalk
- 5:30 p.m. **Soccer:** Boys JV vs. Perry
- 7 p.m. **Soccer:** Girls Varsity @ Norwalk
- 7 p.m. **Soccer:** Boys Varsity vs. Perry

Tuesday, April 1

- 4 p.m. **Esports:** Varsity vs. Glenwood
- 4 p.m. **Track:** Girls JV/Varsity @ Waukee Northwest
- 4:30 p.m. **Track:** Boys JV/Varsity Coed Invitational @ Earlham
- 4:30 p.m. **Track:** Boys JV/Varsity @ Dallas Center-Grimes

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SPRING BASKET SALE

The Friends of the Adel Public Library is holding its Spring Basket Silent Auction April 1-11 at the library. Proceeds benefit scholarships presented by the Friends. ■

TRIVIA NIGHT

Grab your team and have a blast at Adel's Free Trivia Night on the third Monday of every month. The next event is Monday, April 21, at Adel Family Fun Center. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with food and drink specials. Trivia starts at 7 p.m., provided by Select Entertainment. ■

THIRD MONDAY BINGO

The next Third Monday Bingo is April 21, 6-8 p.m., at the Masonic Lodge, 411 S. 12th St., Adel. Enjoy 16 games of bingo (\$5/card) plus a 17th progressive blackout (\$1/card). Packaged snacks and non-alcoholic drinks will be available. ■

CELEBRATE ADEL

Adel Partners' Chamber of Commerce will host Celebrate Adel Thursday, April 24, 5-7 p.m. at Country Lane Lodge, 29300 Prospect Circle, Adel. More than 250 attendees meet to network and honor the Business and Citizen of the Year. Meet and connect with business members and experience the Taste of Adel and De Soto. Member restaurants and caterers will be sampling delicious items. This is the one event you don't want to miss. Register online at <https://business.adelpartners.org/events/details/celebrate-this-is-adel-3554?calendarMonth=2025-04-01>. ■



ADEL FIREMAN'S DANCE

The Adel Fireman's Dance is April 5 at Country Lane Lodge, 29300 Prospect Circle, Adel. It will feature the music of Suede. Doors and silent auction open at 5 p.m. Dinner, catered by DM Bacon and Meat Company, will be served at 6 p.m. The band plays from 7:30-11 p.m. All proceeds go to the Adel Fire Association to help purchase needed equipment. Tickets are \$40 and available from any Adel Volunteer firefighter or message the group on Facebook, Facebook.comAFD25. ■

KIWANIS EASTER EGG HUNT

Join the Adel Kiwanis for the group's annual Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 13, at Kinnick Feller Park. Visit with the Easter Bunny, see fire trucks and much more. The hunt will be divided into age groups: 0-3 years at 3 p.m., 4-6 years at 3:30 p.m. and 7-10 years at 4 p.m. The public is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the Good Samaritan Food Pantry. ■

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SALAD LUNCHEON

Adel Women's Club is sponsoring a salad luncheon on Monday, April 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 218 N. Ninth St., in Adel. They will be providing salads, desserts and drinks for a \$10 donation at the door. If anyone wants to purchase tickets in advance, contact Paula Joiner, 515-339-5529.

Adel Women's Club is a member of GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs), an international service organization. Members are dedicated to enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service. Donations will support local organizations. For more information, email adelwomensclub@gmail.com or find the group on Facebook. ■

ADEL MASONIC BREAKFAST

The Adel Masons will be serving a breakfast of biscuits and gravy, pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, milk, orange juice and coffee for \$9 per plate on Sunday, April 13, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Masonic Lodge, 411 S. 12th St. ■

SPRING CLEANUP AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DROP-OFF

Spring Cleanup is Saturday, April 12. All items must be out at the curb by 7 a.m. for pickup. Large household appliances require a \$15 sticker. TVs up to 24 inches in size require one sticker (\$15), TVs 24 inches and larger require two stickers (\$30), and consoles and projector TVs require three stickers (\$45).

The Household Hazardous Materials Drop-Off will be located in Kinnick Feller Park from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the South Dallas County Landfill at 515-993-3148 or visit the SDCL website, sdclandfill.com. ■

RACCOON RIVER PRESCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT

Enjoy an evening out with friends at Raccoon River Preschool Trivia Night fundraising event on April 24 at Country Lane Lodge, 29300 Prospect Circle, Adel. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner is provided. A cash bar will be available and a live auction held. Registration is \$30 per person or purchase a table. Sign up online at raccoonriverpreschool.com under the fundraising tab. ■

SPRING CLEANING ALERT

Declutter and make a difference. Donate gently used baby/kid items to Faith's Flock Preschool's All Things Kids Sale on Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m. to noon. All proceeds fund preschool scholarships. Donations can be dropped off on the April 24 and 25 from 3-6 p.m. at 602 S. 14th St. (use the fellowship/gym entrance). ■

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CAUTIONARY MUSICAL"****March 28 - April 13, 7 p.m. Fridays and 1 p.m.
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How far would you go to save a stuffed animal? Based on the popular book by Mo Willems, "Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Musical" is a silly story about young Trixie, who loses her Knuffle Bunny on a family trip to the laundromat. Will she find him, or will Knuffle Bunny be lost for good? Tickets, starting at \$14, may be purchased online at dmpplayhouse.com and by phone at 515-277-6261.

The Playhouse can provide for those who have the need for audio description or ASL translations with advanced notice. These services are free and reasonable accommodations will be made. Requests should be made through The Playhouse ticket office.

**ELKS PANCAKE BREAKFAST
BUFFET, BAKE SALE AND THE
EASTER BUNNY****Sunday, April 13, 8 a.m. to noon****West Des Moines Elks Lodge
2060 N.W. 94th St., Clive**

Yes, the Easter Bunny will be at the breakfast to greet the children and have treats to share. The breakfast buffet includes biscuits and gravy, French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage patties, cheesy potatoes, and, of course, all you can eat pancakes (including blueberry and chocolate chip pancakes), orange juice, milk and coffee. Enjoy a bloody Mary or mimosa for \$3.50. Cost is \$11 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and younger. Proceeds support the Elks Hoop Shoot Program, other youth activities and veteran support activities.

SPRING POP-UP SALE**Wednesday through Friday, April 10-12
Valley West Mall, Suite 203**

Get ready to refresh your wardrobe while making a difference. The Dress for Success Des Moines Spring Pop-Up Sale offers a wide selection of women's fashion in various sizes and styles. Find incredible deals at unbeatable prices — all while supporting programs that empower women on their path to economic independence. Don't miss out on designer deals in Diva's Closet. Sale hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the Friday. For updates, follow Dress for Success Des Moines on Facebook and Instagram.

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- **March 29:** Comedy Night Chowdown Improv
- **April 13:** Sunday Music at the Winery, 2-4 p.m., no cover charge, Liv McNair
- **April 19:** Music at the Winery, Kracklin, 6:30-9:30 p.m., \$5 cover.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD - SHINE**Tuesday, May 13, 6-8:30 p.m.****ppncs.org/shine**

Planned Parenthood North Central States is hosting its annual event honoring Planned Parenthood in Iowa: Planned Parenthood – Shine. Enjoy an evening with friends old and new, along with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a photo booth, while the nonprofit recognize its progress, strengthens its commitment, and ensures that expert health care, education and advocacy remain accessible for all. ■

RECIPE

EASTER APPS MADE EASY

(Family Features) If you'll be hosting friends and family for Easter this year, opting for an array of appetizers can help keep hungry people out of the kitchen until the main course is ready. Featuring easy prep and short cook times, these apps from "Cookin' Savvy" can let you spend more time creating memories with loved ones. ■

PIMENTO CHEESE BITES

Recipe courtesy of "Cookin' Savvy"
Yield: 12 shells and 12 tops

Ingredients:

- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 8 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 jar (4 ounces) pimentos, drained
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 package (2 1/2 ounces) real bacon pieces
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 2 packages frozen puff pastry shells

Directions:

With hand mixer, blend cheddar cheese, cream cheese, mayonnaise, pimentos, garlic



powder, onion powder, bacon pieces and salt and pepper, to taste, until smooth; set aside.

Heat oven to 400 degrees F.

Thaw then bake pastry shells 15 minutes.

Remove tops and set aside. Spoon pimento cheese mixture into each shell.

Place dab of pimento cheese mixture on tops for smaller appetizers.

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HISTORY

HOW ADEL'S FIRST CHURCH BECAME A COMMUNITY HOUSE

BY MIKE FLINN

The building at 1016 Main St., now known as the Raccoon Valley Bank Community House, was built in 1862 as the Methodist Episcopal Church. It has the distinction of being the first church built in Adel.

Prior to the building of the church, the Methodist congregation had held their meetings in a small frame schoolhouse on West Main Street, in a hall on the east side of the square, and sometimes in the courthouse. On Dec. 11, 1860, articles of incorporation were adopted by the group with Lewis Jolley, G.W. Noel, Samuel Witham, Wm. R. Rigg, Jas. L. Snyder and Pearson Young as trustees. The Rev. Badley was pastor in charge at this time. The need for a church was their first order of business.

The building of the church was an immense undertaking in labor, money and vexation. A committee of five had already begun to raise the \$2,000 necessary for its erection. This was a great amount of money, as the membership in the Adel Congregation was not more than 25 at that time. Much of the work was done by church members as a contribution. A Mr. Yard contributed the building of the foundation as his share, and Mr. Lewis Jolley built the roof.

The church was completed in 1862 and served for the next 25 years. As the congregation and the city of Adel grew, however, a larger church became a necessity. A new church was completed by the Methodists in 1886 at a cost, complete with furnishings, of \$5,000. It was dedicated on Sept. 12, 1886, by Dr. W. S. Ridgeway of Garrett Biblical Institute. This building is still the home of the Adel Methodist Church congregation in a remodeled and much enlarged form.

The previous church building was later sold to Orin Jewett for the sum of \$500... \$10 being paid in cash and the remainder to draw 6% interest. From then on, the building was used as a private residence and was the home of many families through the years. Raccoon Valley Bank acquired the property in 1996 and renovated it to become a community meeting space.

The Community House was closed in 2020 because of COVID and then stayed closed for a renovation. New rafters and a new roof were installed, while one of the lower walls was shored up in the basement. Interior renovations included new paint, floor coverings and all new furnishings. Landscaping was done on the exterior, and four concrete cornhole boards will be added to the side lawn where turf was added. It is now a beautiful and functional historic building, adding much to Adel's historic downtown area.

Since it was first opened as an event space, The Community House has been a gathering space for all citizens of Adel, not just bank customers. The space can be booked by anyone for their event, free of charge. ■

50s PLUS MEETINGS AND EVENTS

The 50s Plus Seniors group has been going for the last three years, during which time the group has played board games and enjoyed lots of conversations, plenty of coffee and a lot of good food. They invite anyone in Adel and the surrounding area to join them the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Adel Public Library, 303 S. 10th St. If you have just moved to the area and would like to meet new people, this is a great way to do it. The group now has programs included in its activities. Programs are open to anyone, not just seniors.

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