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## ADEL WOMEN'S CLUB





Adel Women's Club, which is part of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, an international service organization, installed new officers for 2026-2028. Installed were President Lori Tabbert, Vice-President Meredith McHone-Pierce, Secretary Donna Kluesner, Treasurer Joyce Halverson and Corresponding Secretary Bobbi Petersen. For more information about the club, email [Adelwomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:Adelwomensclub@gmail.com). ■


**ADEL WEATHER FORECAST**

**FRIDAY HIGH 63 | LOW 55**   
Thick cloud cover; light showers

**SATURDAY HIGH 75 | LOW 50**   
Cloudy with a shower or two

**SUNDAY HIGH 79 | LOW 56**   
Mostly sunny and pleasant

**MONDAY HIGH 83 | LOW 60**   
Mostly sunny

**TUESDAY HIGH 83 | LOW 62**   
Cloudiness followed by sun

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

## A SPELLING BEE, A SMALL-TOWN CELEBRATION, AND MY PUBLIC DEFEAT

It was 1979 when I competed in a spelling contest during my hometown's sesquicentennial celebration — which, by the way, is a cruel word to include in any spelling contest. Fortunately, that was not the word that took me down. No, my downfall was sheriff.

Sheriff. Two f's. One r. A word found on kindergarten worksheets and county patrol cars. And, somehow, under the bright lights and unbearable pressure facing this terrified 10-year-old, I added an extra r and got myself publicly escorted out of the competition.

Maybe it was stage fright. Maybe I was intimidated by law enforcement. Difficult to say. But, regardless, I was eliminated.

Apparently, I'm not alone in struggling with sheriff. But, surprisingly, sheriff didn't make the top 10 words Iowans most often search how to spell. The word that did top the list?

Canceled. This feels appropriate, because that is exactly what happened to me after I butchered sheriff.

Of course, there are many ways to determine the most misspelled words, but the study I am referring to was completed by language learning platform Mondly and analyzed Google search data for 382 words over the past 12 months to determine which words had the most spelling searches in each state and America overall.

Canceled claimed the top spot in Iowa, likely because Americans use one "l," while much of the rest of the English-speaking world uses two. Clearly, the English language remains deeply committed to chaos.

Second was gray, thanks to the eternal gray-versus-grey debate. Receipt landed third, as silent letters apparently build character.



Then came congratulations, received, pneumonia, dictionary, appreciate, schedule and license. Nationally, the list was nearly identical, except niece snuck in — another word clearly designed by someone who hated children and phonics equally.

Still, no sheriff.

Honestly, this stings a little, as I have carried the spelling trauma for decades. But somewhere out there tonight is another nervous 10-year-old standing on a stage, palms sweating, silently praying the next word is not receipt, pneumonia... or sheriff. Kid, if you're reading this, it is sheriff. One r. Trust me. I learned the hard way.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■



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## FINDINGS TO BE SHARED ABOUT ADEL'S DOWNTOWN WALK-AROUND

The Adel Chamber invites the public to hear the findings from Iowa Economic Development Authority's Downtown Walk-Around visit, led by Downtown Development Specialist Robin Bostrom, on Wednesday, May 27, 7:30-8:45 p.m. at the Adel Public Library Community Room, 303 S. 10th St. Downtown Walk-Arounds are designed for communities with populations fewer than 10,000. The quick visit offers communities an honest first impression of our downtown. Iowa Downtown Resource Center staff members and professional consultants spent the afternoon in our downtown. Strengths will be identified, and issues needing attention will be called out. For more information, contact the Adel Chamber at 515-993-5472. ■

## ALZHEIMER'S EDUCATION SERIES

Edencrest at Adel announces its 2026 Alzheimer's Education Series of informative conversations intended to help members of the greater-Adel community understand and recognize the signs of Alzheimer's and how to best care for loved ones living with it. Each presentation in the series takes place at 621 302nd Place, Adel, on the last Tuesday of each month from 6-7 p.m. between February and September. This series is free and open to the public. The series lineup includes:

- **May 26:** 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's
- **June 30:** Building Foundations of Caregiving
- **July 28:** Supporting Independence
- **Aug. 25:** Managing Money
- **Sept. 29:** Exploring Care and Support Services ■

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## ADM SPORTS SCHEDULE

### Friday, May 22, 2026

- 9 a.m. **Track:** Girls JV/Varsity Coed State Meet @ Drake Stadium
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- 4:30 p.m. **Baseball:** Varsity Double Header vs. Southeast Polk
- 4:30 p.m. **Soccer:** Boys Varsity Scrimmage @ Dowling Catholic

### Saturday, May 23, 2026

- 9 a.m. **Track:** Girls JV/Varsity Coed State Meet @ Drake Stadium
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### Tuesday, May 26, 2026

- 7 p.m. **Soccer:** Girls Varsity Regional vs. TBA
- 7 p.m. **Baseball:** Varsity Game @ Dallas Center-Grimes
- 5 p.m. **Baseball:** JV Game @ Dallas Center-Grimes
- 5 p.m. **Softball:** JV Game @ Ankeny
- 7 p.m. **Softball:** Varsity Game @ Ankeny



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## ALL-WHEEL CAR SHOW

The 17th Annual Dallas County Sheriff's All-Wheel Car Show, benefitting Iowa Special Olympics, will be held Saturday June 6, at Eighth and Court Street on the square in Adel. Registration is 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with judging from 1-2 p.m. and awards presented at 2:30 p.m. Awards include Best of Show, Special Olympics Choice, Most Likely to be Stopped by a Cop, Longest Distance, Best Off Road and Top 20 Awards. Pre-register online by May 30 for \$25 for the first car and \$10 for every additional car (per owner). Includes free T-shirt. Register day of the show for \$25, T-shirt not included. Complete your online registration at <https://dallascounty.forms.govos.com/ng/fa/AllWheelShow>. ■



## DALCO CUP

Mark your calendars for the fifth annual DalCo Cup on June 18, 8 a.m. at River Valley Golf Course, 22927 Valley View Trail, Adel. Register at <https://events.humanitix.com/dalco-cup-26>. ■



## JOB FAIR EVENT JUNE 4

A job fair is being held to find people interested in working with people with disabilities. The event is Thursday, June 4, 5-6:30 p.m., at the Adel Public Library Community Room, 303 S. 10th St. High school and college students, retirees, and those looking to change careers are encouraged to attend.

There is a significant shortage of workers to support the needs of persons with disabilities. Hear a short presentation by several local agencies and then visit at their tables as they share information about their services for persons with disability as well as employment and volunteer opportunities currently open.

If you are looking for a part-time or full-time job and hoping to make a difference in someone's life, or if you are trying to navigate local care and transportation services for someone you know with a disability, you are invited to check these agencies out. Take the opportunity to make a difference in someone's life. The event is sponsored by the Parish Advocates for Persons with Disability Committee, St. John's Catholic Church. For more information, contact Gloria Frolek Clark at [grolekclark@gmail.com](mailto:grolekclark@gmail.com). ■

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

Adel United Methodist Church, 115 S. 10th St., serves a meal Wednesdays, 5-6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall downstairs. This is a freewill donation meal. All are welcome. ■

## ADEL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DISTRIBUTES POPPIES

Visit the Adel Fareway Store, 804 Nile Kinnick Drive S., on Friday, May 22, and on Saturday, May 23, to receive your poppy in honor of military veterans, the military and military families. Inspired by the poem "In Flanders Fields" by Col. John McCrea, the custom of wearing the poppy can be traced back to World War I.

"In Flanders field the poppies blow, Between the crosses row on row, That mark our places; And in the sky the larks, Still bravely singing, fly, Scarce heard amid the guns below."

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## OBITUARIES

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### NANCY L. DUEY

Nancy L. Duey (Scott), 77, of Adel, died unexpectedly on Saturday, May 9, 2026.

Nancy is survived by her husband, Philip Duey; sons, Christopher (Darci) Duey, Stephen (Marcie) Duey and Mathew (Jessica) Duey; daughter, Jennifer (Christopher) Covill; 15 grandchildren, Jack Duey, Madeline Duey, Cael Duey, Carson Duey, Paul Covill (Bridget), Alex Covill, Connor (Meghan) Nelson, Quinn Covill, Sam Covill, Michael Covill, Matthew Covill, Katie Covill, Charlotte Duey, Henry Duey and Hannah Duey; six great grandchildren; sisters, Kathy Scott, Mary Scott and Lisa (Wayne) Ellis; brother, Paul (Janice) Scott; and many cherished nieces, nephews and friends.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents, Darrell Scott and Frances Scott (Buckner).

Nancy, graduated from Audubon High School (1966), Iowa State University (1970) and Drake University (1995), achieving a Master of Science in Education. She was a lifelong educator serving as an early childhood teacher, administrator, practicum evaluator and mentor to other teachers. Nancy believed wholeheartedly in the promise of education, especially for young children, and dedicated much of her life to that promise.

Nancy had a full and active life of giving to her family, neighbors and community, donating her time to the Friends of Library in Waukee and the Evelyn Davis Foundation. She enjoyed meeting friends for coffee, cards and meals. She took great pride in her home, gardens and flowers. She was an avid baker who always had cookies waiting to greet visitors. Nancy was dedicated to her grandchildren and loved watching them grow, learn, and attending their activities as much as she could.

A visitation was held May 14 and a service in celebration of Nancy's life was held May 15 with a luncheon following, all at Ernst Funeral Home in Waukee. Memorials are suggested to Everybody Wins! Iowa (<https://everybodywinsiowa.org/>). ■



### DEBORAH RENAE EIDE

Deborah Renae Eide, 79, of Cedar Falls, formerly of Adel, died Monday, May 11, 2026, at UnityPoint Health - Allen Hospital in Waterloo. A visitation and Mass of Christian Burial were held Thursday, May 21, at St. John's Catholic Church. Memorial donations are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or your local animal rescue league. Online condolences may be sent to the family at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home.

Deb was born on March 10, 1947, in Dexter, to Harland and Ione (Withers) Eide. She graduated from Adel High School in 1965 and later received her associate degree in accounting. Deb began her career with Farm Service in Adel, with much of her professional career spent at Brown Engineering in Des Moines.

Deb was a longtime hospice volunteer who had a caring heart for both people and animals. She rescued many cats throughout her life and was an active member of St. Patrick Catholic Church. She was an avid reader with an extensive book collection and was a strong supporter of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

She is survived by her niece, Leigh Hall, and her husband, Bart Hall; their children, Hailey Eide-Hall and Jack Eide; along with many cousins spread from coast to coast.

Deb was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Ron Eide and his spouse, Roberta Eide; and her best friend, Char Bronnanhan. ■



# EVENTS IN THE AREA

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## CITYVIEW MIDDAY MIXER

**Saturday, May 30, 1-4 p.m.**  
**The District at Prairie Trail**  
**S.W. District Drive, Ankeny**

Enjoy summer cocktails to kick off the season. Check in is at El Presidenté, 1465 S.W. Park Square Drive, Suite 102, Ankeny. Cost is \$25 for advance tickets, \$35 at the door. For tickets, scan the QR code.



## LEVITT AMP EARLHAM MUSIC SERIES 2026 FOOD N' DRINK LINEUP

**Sunday, May 31 at 6 p.m.**  
**Earlham City Park, Earlham**

Music: Olivia Fox, Michael Zellmer-McMahan. Food trucks: Karam's Grill, Deardorf Highland Cattle, Sabores De Mexico, Street Sweets, Jodee Sodees. Upcoming concerts:

- **June 7:** Music: Denitia, Emma Butterworth. Food trucks: Hotel Luna, Off the Griddle, C'est La Crepe, Jodee Sodees.
- **June 14:** Music: Ozone Creations, Robert Deitch. Food trucks: Smokin Bad Decisions, Iowa Noodz, Jack Frost Drink Lab.
- **June 21:** Music: Braided Janes, Soten Taiko Drums. Food trucks: Karam's Grill, Pho Wheels & Sushi, C'est La Crepe, Jodee Sodees.

## THE INGERSOLL SHOWS

**The Ingersoll, 3711 Ingersoll Ave., Des Moines**  
 The Ingersoll announces some exciting additions

to its spring performance lineup. Spanning world-class traditional music and beloved musical theater, these new shows promise unforgettable moments of live entertainment in the heart of the community.

- **“The Roommate”:** Sharon needs a roommate. Robyn needs to disappear. When the two women become unlikely housemates, their lives quickly take unexpected turns. Sharon’s quiet routine is disrupted by Robyn’s mysterious past and bold outlook on life, and what begins as a simple living arrangement soon spirals into something far more thrilling — and dangerous. Performances run May 28-31.
- **Shaun Johnson Big Band Experience - 1990s Country:** June 6. Matinee performance features dining at 11 a.m. and show at 1 p.m. Evening performance starts with dining at 5:30 p.m. and show at 7:30 p.m.

## CITYVIEW'S SUMMER STIRS

**Friday, June 26, Downtown Des Moines**  
**Friday, July 31, Des Moines East Village**

CITYVIEW’s traveling cocktail parties return in 2026. For \$25 advance ticket, sample 10 summer cocktails at downtown bars and restaurants. Cost is \$35 at the door. For information and tickets, visit <https://summerstirs.dmcityview.com>. ■



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## RECIPE

# FUEL GROWING FAMILIES WITH BREAKFASTS THAT DELIVER NUTRITION AND FLAVOR

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Sheet pan pancakes are simple to whip up any day of the week — no flipping required. The versatility of these pancakes allows for endless customization and experimentation with different toppings, from fresh fruit and nuts to savory options like cheese and spinach, making them an ideal fit for the whole family. They also freeze well, so you can pop them in the toaster to have breakfast ready in a flash when hectic schedules interfere with your morning routine.

To find more ways to put a nutritious breakfast on the family table, visit [HealthyFamilyProject.com](http://HealthyFamilyProject.com). ■

## SHEET PAN PANCAKES

*Recipe courtesy of the Healthy Family Project*

*Prep time: 10 minutes*

*Cook time: 5 minutes*

*Servings: 6*

### Ingredients

- Nonstick cooking spray
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 1 large egg
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- 1/2 cup sliced strawberries
- 1/4 cup blueberries
- 1/4 cup mini chocolate chips

### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 425 F. Cover baking sheet with parchment paper and spray with nonstick cooking spray. Set aside.
- In large bowl, mix flour, baking powder, sugar and salt. Add milk, egg and melted butter; mix until smooth.
- Pour batter onto prepared baking sheet and smooth into even layer that covers pan. Top with strawberries, blueberries and chocolate chips.
- Bake 5-7 minutes, or until cooked and golden brown. Let cool slightly before cutting into squares.



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# HITTIN' THE BRICKS

Join Adel's summer walking group, Hittin' the Bricks. The group will meet and end at Adel City Hall, 301 S. 10th St., Adel, every Thursday morning from June 4 to Aug. 28, 7:30-8:15 a.m. All fitness levels and ages welcome. Participants will be entered into an end-of-summer raffle for prizes including a \$100 Visa gift card, vouchers to local businesses and more. Each session attended provides one free raffle entry. ■

# FREE A1C SCREENINGS

Hy-Vee and Adel Lions Club are bringing the Hy-Vee Healthy You Trailer to Adel to offer free A1c screenings on Saturday, June 6, 8:30-11:30 a.m. at 801 Court St., Adel, across from the courthouse on the east side of the square. Hemoglobin A1c is a blood test that helps provide information about an individual's average levels of blood glucose over a two- to three-month period. This screening is not a diagnosis. Scan the QR code to sign up for a time slot. Walk-ins will be taken but may have to wait for availability. Must be 18 years or older. No fasting required, and results will be provided immediately. ■



# OFFLINE COCKTAILS GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

The Adel Chamber invites the public to a groundbreaking ceremony celebrating the future home of Offline Cocktails, owned by Matt and Jodi Schwieger, on Friday, May 29, noon to 1 p.m., at 306 Visions Parkway, Adel. This exciting milestone represents continued investment, growth and opportunity within the community, and chamber officials say they are honored to celebrate alongside community members, business leaders, partners and supporters.

The program will include welcoming remarks, the ceremonial groundbreaking photo opportunity, and time to connect and celebrate together following the ceremony. ■

# PERSONAL ITEMS NEEDED BY VETERANS AT THE VA HOSPITAL AND VA CRRC

The needs list includes military ball caps (new), slip-on tennis shoes (men's sizes 9.5-13), boxer shorts (L, XL, XXL), duffel bags, backpacks, sweatpants (M-3XL), sweatshirts (M-SXL), personal care items, individually-wrapped snacks and coffee. See the Adel American Legion Facebook page for the detailed list. Contributions may be dropped off at 1305 S. 15th St., Adel, or call Shirley McAdon at 515-993-4862 for pick up. ■

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