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Past Chair of Adel Partners Chamber Board Rebecca Hillmer, Adel Mayor Jim Peters, Iowa Spring CEO Tim Bianco, and President of Story Construction Mike Espeset take part in a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Iowa Spring building on the west side of Adel on Nov. 11.

FESTIVAL OF TREES AND TEA ROOM

Adel First Christian Church, 218 N. Nile Kinnick Drive (Highway 169), is hosting a holiday event on Sunday, Dec. 5, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The public is invited to enjoy soup and fancy desserts for \$10 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and fancy desserts and beverage for \$5 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. ■



NOTES FROM THE NORTH POLE

Sign up to receive a letter from Santa mailed directly to your child. It will come in an envelope with Santa's name and return address in the corner. A unique idea for all of your nieces, nephews or grandchildren no matter where they live. Cost is \$6 with a maximum fee of \$18 per family. Deadline is Dec. 10. For more information, call 515-993-4525 or Email nschenck@adeliowa.org. ■

5-DAY FORECAST

FRIDAY HIGH 45 | LOW 34
Periods of sun, not as cold



SATURDAY HIGH 52 | LOW 31
Mild, clouds and sun



SUNDAY HIGH 46 | LOW 36
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HOLIDAY FUN AT THE LIBRARY

The giving season is upon us, and the Adel Public Library has an exciting new fundraiser. Brought to you by the Friends of the Adel Public Library, we invite you to stop by the library any time between now and Dec. 16 to grab a Holiday Giving Envelope. For every \$5 donation, you will receive one ticket to enter a drawing to win one of our holiday gift baskets. All donations will be used to help fund the Library's many programs throughout the year.

The City of Adel is having its Holiday Hometown Celebration Friday, Dec. 3. Join Mrs. Claus in the library community room to write letters to Santa. We will have hot cocoa, snacks and crafts from 2-4:30 p.m.

Build your own Gingerbread House Wednesday, Dec. 8 from 5-7 p.m. Join us for this fun family event held in the library community room. All materials will be provided so just bring your creativity.

Miss Paula is back with a holiday stories at the library Thursday, Dec. 9 at 4:30 p.m.

Information about the Adel Public Library, including holiday hours, and all of its clubs, events, and programs is available online at www.adelpl.org.

The library will be closed on Dec. 24 and 25 as well as Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. ■

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS CHEER

The Minburn Public Library is hosting this event on Saturday, Dec. 4. Enjoy visiting The Jingle Bell Store, with free kids shopping from 4-5 p.m. at the Legion Hall, sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary. Free coffee and cider will be available in the food stand from 4-5:30 p.m. Arrive at Meek Park at 5 p.m. to enjoy caroling, goodie bags and books donated by the Legion Auxiliary and the lighting of a one-of-a-kind nativity scene. ■

CRITTER CINDY PROGRAM COMING UP

Join Critter Cindy from Dallas County Conservation Thursday, Dec. 9 at 10:30 a.m. at the Adel Public Library for stories and activities to learn more about the natural world around us. Information about the Adel Public Library, including holiday hours, and all of its clubs, events, and programs is available online at www.adelpl.org. ■



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FROM THE PUBLISHER

DOING THE DISHES

Doing the dishes was a nightly task in my childhood home and one that my siblings and I argued over each evening. Who would clear the table? Who would wash the dishes? Rinse them? Dry them? Put them away?

I was the youngest of four children, so I likely was cut some slack. Still, I was eager to be like “the big kids” and help out. My siblings were eager to have me help — until I dropped a plate or two and Mom would not-so-nicely blame it on them.

Mom would often say that she didn’t need one of those newfangled dishwashers. She had four of them, and we were better than any Maytag. We were faster. The dishes were cleaner. And we used less water and electricity.

Mom was the inspector. If any food residue was still on the dishes, they went back through the cycle — and none of us wanted to be blamed for that. So we scrubbed, and we rinsed, and

we dried, and we put away.

Doing dishes with Dad was easier. We would wash the dishes and then set them on the counter on a drying rack. “We will let Jesus dry those,” he would say each time with a laugh.

We learned not to search aggressively for utensils in the soapy water, as we could discover a sharp knife. We all learned that one the hard way.

Looking back, I am glad that we did the dishes by hand. We learned to actually talk to each other, not only sorting out tasks but actually having discussions. We learned how to work together quickly, efficiently and in an orderly manner. We would listen to music sometimes, but we would usually just talk. There was a lot of joking around, laughing and storytelling. It was mostly silly stuff, as I recall, but it was important then.



Jolene and I had a similar process with our kids at home, filling the dishwasher after each meal. The dreaded task was clearing the dishwasher, especially when learning it was full of clean dishes when you were ready to load the dirty ones in. When all three of our kids were home, the dishwasher seemed to run daily. It was a different process for a different era, but it just wasn’t the same as leaning over the sink, shoulder to shoulder, trading out wet towels. I am reminded of this process during the holidays when we hand-wash the “fancy” dishes — and I actually look forward to it.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■

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ADEL HOMETOWN CELEBRATION DEC. 3-5

Mark your calendar for Dec. 3 as the Adel Partners Chamber of Commerce kicks off the Hometown Holiday Celebration with multiple fun events around town at its partner businesses.

- Adel Public Library will be hosting Mrs. Claus and Crafts with drinks and cookies (provided by the City of Adel) at 3 p.m.
- Arrive at the northeast corner of the square for the lighting of the tree and wreaths, with music provided by the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, at 5 p.m.
- Sip and sample your way around Adel from 5-7 p.m. Enjoy festive dishes and drinks available at many of Adel businesses and shop locally for your holiday gifts.

On Saturday, Dec. 4, have fun as you shop and hop your way through Adel as businesses host holiday sales and specials.

Sunday, Dec. 5, enjoy a wonderful in-person Holiday Home Tour, featuring three unique and beautifully decorated homes. Tickets are on sale now, and capacity is limited, so do not miss out on this extraordinary event. For more information, contact the chamber, 515-993-5472 or email chamber@adelpartners.org. ■



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NOVEMBER ADM STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The Adel De Soto Minburn High School production of "Freaky Friday" hit a home run. The Fine Arts Music and Drama Departments presented the musical version of the novel. The cast, orchestra and crew, consisting of 90 high school students, spent hours planning, painting and rehearsing in preparation for the production. This has been a great fall season for academics, student athletes and fine arts activities at Adel De Soto Minburn High School.

The ADM Scholarship Foundation wants to recognize the following students in their areas of achievement in the month of November.

- **Student of the Month:** Jackson Banwart — Raccoon Valley Bank
- **Kiwanis:** Jordan Chapman and Clayton Gustafson
- **Fine Arts:** Drama - Maya Shirley-Brown (onstage) and Dylan Ingram Backstage) — Lincoln Savings Bank
- **Volleyball:** Dani Person — Patrick's Restaurant
- **Boys Cross Country:** Cooper Greenslade — Big Al's BBQ
- **Girls Cross Country:** Geneva Timmerman — Rotary Club of Adel
- **Cheer:** Bri McGee — Adel HealthMart

Foundation officials offered a special thank you to the teachers and coaches involved in naming the Students of the Month. Local businesses each month make a contribution to the ADM Scholarship Foundation to support the Student of the Month program. All contributions given to the Foundation are invested, and the income is used to provide the scholarships granted each year to graduating ADM seniors going on to post-secondary education. Since 1985, when the Foundation was established, 804 students have received scholarships totaling more than \$786,000. More information on this program may be found on the website www.admscholarshipfoundation.com or you may contact a board member listed on the site. ■

ADM SCHEDULES

Friday, Nov. 26

6 p.m. **Basketball:** Boys Varsity Scrimmage @ Wauke

Saturday, Nov. 27

9 a.m. **Basketball:** Boys Varsity Scrimmage @ Johnston

Monday, Nov. 29

4:15 p.m. **Wrestling:** Middle School @ Bondurant-Farrar

6:30-9 p.m. **HS Dance** @ North Gym


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- ❖ **3 PM** Adel Public Library hosts Mrs. Claus and Crafts with drinks and cookies provided by the City of Adel.
- ❖ **5 PM** Lighting of the tree and wreaths on the Northeast corner of the square. Christmas Carols provided by the Boy and Girl Scouts.
- ❖ **5 - 7 PM** Visit Santa at Harmony Hall courtesy of the Kiwanis. (J on map)
- ❖ **5 - 7 PM** Sip & Sample around Adel!

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Enjoy Bingo on Monday, Dec. 20, 6-8 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 411 S. 12th St., Adel. Seventeen games (\$0.25/card) plus an 18th Progressive Blackout (\$1/card) will be held. Packaged snacks and non-alcoholic drinks will be available. Social distancing and masks are recommended. Bring a dauber if you have one. They will also be for sale. ■

THE HANGOUT AT THIRD PLACE

Youth in grades 5-8 are invited to The Hangout at Third Place on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. ■

AFTER SCHOOL SNACKS OFFERED

Kids are invited to enjoy after-school snacks from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the library. Snacks are provided by the Good Samaritan Food Pantry and the Friends of the Adel Public Library Foundation. ■

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(Family Features) Seeking comfort from the cold in the form of a wholesome meal is a perfect way to cap off a day with loved ones. During the winter months when brisk temperatures chill you to the bone, warming up with hearty dishes at the family table can bring everyone together.

Full of seasonal flavors with top-notch taste, pecan-crusted pork tenderloin offers a delicious main course you don't have to feel guilty about. This easy yet elegant entree puts a unique spin on a dinnertime staple thanks to a crunchy pecan crust.

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Visit americanpecan.com to find more winter weeknight recipe inspiration. ■

PECAN-CRUSTED PORK TENDERLOIN

Total time: 35 minutes**Servings: 6**

1 pork tenderloin (about 1 1/2 pounds)
 salt, to taste
 pepper, to taste
 ½ cup brown sugar, divided
 2 tablespoons soy sauce, divided
 2 teaspoons minced garlic
 ½ cup pecan pieces
 ¼ cup pineapple juice
 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard

Directions

Preheat oven to 400 F and lightly grease large baking dish. Season pork tenderloin with salt and pepper, to taste; set aside.

In small bowl, stir 1/4 cup brown sugar, 1 tablespoon soy sauce and minced garlic. Spread mixture over pork. Press pecan pieces into brown sugar mixture on pork. Bake, uncovered, 20 minutes.

In medium saucepan over medium-high heat, combine remaining brown sugar, remaining soy sauce, pineapple juice and Dijon mustard. Bring mixture to boil; reduce to simmer 3-5 minutes then remove from heat.

Slice pork, spoon sauce over top and serve.

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RODERICK DEAN "RICK" BORST

Rick Borst, 69, of Adel, died at his home Nov. 17, 2021. Funeral services were held Nov. 23 at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home – McCalley Chapel in Adel. Burial was at Oakdale Cemetery in Adel.

During his childhood, he lived in Redfield and then Adel. In 1983, Rick married Cindy Case, and they lived briefly in Waukee and Van Meter before settling in Adel for more than 35 years. She survives him. He ran his own garage in Des Moines and worked as a mechanic for the Des Moines Fire Department and Midwest Ambulance before a 20-year career as the school bus mechanic for ADM Schools. He started mowing for clients in 1999 and quickly grew his business into a full-service lawn care company that he operated for more than 20 years.

See the full obituary at www.caldwellparrish.com. ■



ENOLA GAY JENKINS

Enola Gay Jenkins, 72, of Adel, died at her home on Friday, Nov. 19, 2021.

Funeral services were held Nov. 24, 2021, at Caldwell Parrish Funeral Home – McCalley Chapel in Adel, with burial following at Oakdale Cemetery in Adel.

She graduated from Earlham High School. She married Carroll Jenkins on Oct. 17, 1981, in Winterset. He survives her.

See the full obituary at www.caldwellparrish.com. ■



SPEED LIMIT TO BE LOWERED IN SPOTS OF U.S. 169 CORRIDOR IN ADEL

Beginning Wednesday, Dec. 1, motorists will see new speed limit signs along the U.S. 169 corridor in Adel. The City of Adel and the Iowa DOT are working collaboratively to ensure U.S. 169 remains safe while the area continues to grow.

Crews will be placing digital message signs along U.S. 169 to alert motorists of the upcoming changes prior to Dec. 1. The current 55 mph signs at the south side of Adel between 302nd Place and Timberview Drive will be replaced with 50 mph signs. The current 45 mph signs along U.S. 169 between Timberview Drive and Greenwood drive will be replaced with 40 mph signs.

The Iowa DOT reminds motorists to drive with caution, obey the posted speed limit and other signs in the work area, and be aware that traffic fines for moving violations are at least double in work zones. As in all work zones, drivers should stay alert, allow ample space between vehicles, and wear seat belts. ■

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FIRST PRIORITY: The downtown areas and Greene Street, which must be kept open to provide a transportation system for police, fire, and rescue squad units.

SECOND PRIORITY: All designated snow routes.

THIRD PRIORITY: Secondary roads and cul-de-sacs.

FOURTH PRIORITY: Alleys and City parking lots.

Snow emergency parking ban

During snow events, when plowing will be necessary, the City will implement an emergency parking ban.

All vehicles must be removed from City streets when the parking ban is in effect. Vehicles parked in the street may be fined \$25, towed, or both. The ban starts at the beginning of a snowfall and does not end until 24 hours after snowfall has ceased. You may park on the street after this 24-hour period has ended. You may call City Hall to find out if the parking ban is in effect.

Citizen responsibilities

Snow can be beautiful, but it can also create hazards. When residents fail to clear their sidewalks, the results can be treacherous. Sidewalks need to be cleared to protect pedestrians from possible injury.

Residents are required by ordinance to clear sidewalks (including those crossing alleys, crosswalks and driveways) within 24 hours of the end of a storm. Pile the snow on your yard, not in the street. If your sidewalk is icy, you may need to apply a heavy coat of sand or de-icer. A helpful hint for residents: Clear your sidewalk after the snowplows have finished plowing to the curb.

Mailboxes and fire hydrants

During heavy snowfalls, City plows may not be able to place the snow onto the right-of-way. During these times, resident will be responsible for clearing the snow around their mailbox to assure delivery of mail. The face of the mailbox must be properly installed behind the curb line and it must be able to withstand snow cleaning efforts by the City. The City will not be responsible for damage to mailboxes that don't meet requirements. Residents are asked to clear snow from around any fire hydrant in their yard so public safety crews can more easily find them in the case of an emergency. ■

JOKE OF THE WEEK



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