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## ADEL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY



The Adel American Legion Penoach Post 464 invites the public to attend the Memorial Day Ceremony at Adel Oakdale Cemetery on Monday, May 29, starting at 9 a.m. This day is our opportunity to give thanks to the veterans who have died and the loved ones left behind to make sure that their sacrifices are remembered and that their service to this nation will always be honored. Bring a lawn chair; no seating is available. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will not be held. ■

### ADEL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DISTRIBUTES POPPIES

Visit the Adel Fareway Store on Friday, May 26 and on Saturday, May 27 to receive your poppy in honor of military veterans, the military and their 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 fields 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."

With more than 100 years of rich tradition, National Poppy Day on May 26 stands as a powerful reminder of the cost of our freedom. ■

#### ADEL WEATHER FORECAST

**FRIDAY HIGH 66 | LOW 45**  
Breezy and cooler



**SATURDAY HIGH 73 | LOW 51**  
Nice with plenty of sun



**SUNDAY HIGH 79 | LOW 53**  
Mostly sunny and nice



**MONDAY HIGH 79 | LOW 54**  
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FROM THE PUBLISHER

# NO FENCES

“No Fences” was a 1990 album by Garth Brooks that reached No. 1 on Billboard’s Top Country Albums chart. In a world where we commonly separate ourselves from each other with fences, his choice for this album title had a deeper meaning.

Consider this. According to grandviewresearch.com, the U.S. fencing market was estimated at \$8.2 billion in 2021 and was expected to expand at 5% per year from 2022 to 2030. That’s a lot of fences.

The site says the growth can be accredited to the availability of high-quality materials, consumer affordability, and varied designs and is primarily driven by factors such as increasing housing construction and growing demand from end-user industries such as the residential, industrial and agricultural sectors. But there is more to it than that.

Fences made sense when early pioneers needed a way to gather and hold livestock. Those fences changed the West from vast

prairies to a land of farming and settlements. They were a necessity, but, interestingly enough, the Native Americans seemed to survive just fine without them — until the barbed-wire fence changed their lives dramatically.

Michael Kelly twisted two wires together and formed a cable for barbs known as the “thorny fence.” This design made fences stronger and forced cattle to keep their distance. Joseph Glidden improved on this with a simple wire barb locked onto a double-strand wire. As a result of the mass use of barbed-wire, the lives of the nomadic Native Americans were radically altered. Just imagine how they discovered barbed wire, or what they called “the Devil’s rope.”

Today, we construct fences to distance ourselves from outsiders, both in our rural areas and in our cities. But why? Is it because we are



not as willing to share? Is it because we are too territorial? It is out of fear? Or is it simply because we are packing too many people in too small of an area? I tend to think it is mostly the latter.

Some people say we need more fences. Others say they are unnecessary. In many ways, it may be difficult to imagine a world without fences. But, if you are really curious what it would be like, venture across the wide swaths of land in Montana.

Fences may be great for keeping animals in place. But people? As a society, I would like to think we could learn from the Native Americans and make “No Fences” more than an album title.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■

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# HONEY CREEK SERIES

The Honey Creek rodeo series will be at the Dallas County Fairgrounds Saturday, May 27, through Monday, May 29. Saturday and Sunday events conclude with a 7 p.m. Honey Creek Rodeo Performance. Barrel Races highlight at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sunday. ■

# THIRD MONDAY BINGO

Enjoy Bingo on Monday, June 19, 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. Bring a dauber if you have one. They will also be for sale. ■

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The public is invited to attend a free “stellar” vacation Bible school June 12-16 from 9 a.m. to noon at Faith Lutheran Church and Preschool, 602 S. 14th St., Adel. Kids will travel on a cosmic quest where they’ll have a blast shining Jesus’ light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that’s light years of faith-building fun. Register at [www.faithadel.com](http://www.faithadel.com). ■

# SUMMER YOUTH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

**June 8-July 13, Thursdays, 8 a.m. to noon**

**Voas Nature Area, 19286 Lexington Road, Minburn**

Dallas County Conservation Board will once again host a Summer Youth Volunteer Program for students ages 10-14. The group will continue working on a savanna restoration project begun six years ago by other Summer Youth at Voas, as well as participate in an educational component, and have plenty of time to enjoy nature play. Contact DCCB at 515-465-3577 or e-mail [mike.havlik@dallascountyiowa.gov](mailto:mike.havlik@dallascountyiowa.gov). \*Registration is required and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis, as space is limited. Only register if your child can attend the majority of dates. ■

## ADM SPORTS SCHEDULE

### Friday, May 19

- 9 a.m. **Track:** Varsity Coed State Meet @ Drake Stadium  
 5 p.m. **Baseball:** Varsity Double Header @ Waukee Northwest  
 7 p.m. **Soccer:** Girls Varsity Regional vs. TBA

### Saturday, May 20

- 9 a.m. **Track:** Varsity Coed State Meet @ Drake Stadium

### Monday, May 22

- TBD **Golf:** Boys Varsity State vs. TBA @ TBA  
 7:30 p.m. **Baseball:** Varsity @ Boone  
 7:30 p.m. **Soccer:** Boys Varsity Substate vs. Xavier  
 7:30 p.m. **Softball:** Varsity @ Boone

### Tuesday, May 23

- TBD **Golf:** Boys Varsity State vs. TBA @ TBA


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# DALLAS COUNTY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS



## MAY BIRD (AND AWE) HIKE

May 20, 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Kuehn Conservation Area

32849 Houston Trail, Earlham

DCCB is offering seasonal bird hikes as part of the Beginner to Birder (B2B) Project, meant to nurture new birders or those who want to ramp up their skills. The diversity will increase each month as new birds arrive. Binoculars and books will be provided. Registration required at [DccbMayBirdHike.eventbrite.com](http://DccbMayBirdHike.eventbrite.com).

## MITAKUYE OYASIN – FORMING RELATIONS: MESKWAKI YOUTH DANCE & DRUM

May 21, 1-2 p.m.

Kuehn Conservation Area

32849 Houston Trail, Earlham

Watch the Meskwaki Youth Dance & Drum group share traditional dances and shared songs as they interpret their place in the Meskwaki culture. Form new relations by joining in the dance. Register to be notified of weather cancellation at [DccbYouthDrumandDance.eventbrite.com](http://DccbYouthDrumandDance.eventbrite.com).

## FIRST-TIMER FAUNA AND FLORA PHOTOGRAPHY

June 1, 7-8:30 p.m.

Kuehn Conservation Area

32849 Houston Trail, Earlham

Practice slowing down to notice beautiful intricate details of the natural world so you can capture them in images to last forever. The event starts with an informal presentation and discussion, then finishes with a hike around Kuehn to look for photo subjects during the evening “Golden Hour.” Tom Moss, nature photographer and master conservationist, will be the guest presenter. Registration required online at [DccbPhotography.eventbrite.com](http://DccbPhotography.eventbrite.com). ■

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### BY OLIVIA OSBORN

After months of planning, it is finally time for our summer reading program.

**Summer Reading Kickoff** – June 5, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join us at the Community Stage & Pavilion on the corner of 10th and Main Street for our summer reading program kick-off. We will start the day at the stage with a family-friendly comedy/magic show. The morning will also include a bounce-house, a balloon twisting artist, temporary tattoos for kids, ADM cheerleaders, and a summer reading sign-up booth.

Join us for early education programs and a few special story times this month.

- **My First Storytime** – every Tuesday beginning June 6, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- **Discovery Time** – every Wednesday beginning June 7, 9:30 a.m.
- **Preschool Storytime** – every Thursday beginning June 8, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
- **Storytime at Kinnick-Feller Park** – June 12, 9:30 a.m.
- **Dallas County Conservation Storytime** – June 16, 10 a.m.
- **Storytime at Kinnick-Feller Park** – June 26, 9:30 a.m.

Be sure to leave space on your calendar for our programs this month, we have something for everyone.

- **Teen Advisory Board** – June 1, 4 p.m.
- **Therapy pets** – June 1, 4:30 p.m.
- **Nerf Battle (2nd-5th grade)\*** – June 2, 2-3:30 p.m.
- **Teen Nerf Battle (6th-12th grade)\*** – June 2, 4-6 p.m.

- **Elementary Bricks & Beads** – June 6, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
- **Teen: New Book - Book Club** – June 8, 4 p.m.
- **Diggin Dinosaurs with Elizabeth Gilbert Bedia** – June 14, 10 a.m.
- **Story Barn Workshop with Iowa author\*** – June 14, 1-2 p.m.
- **Teen Writing Workshop with Iowa author\*** – June 14, 3-4:30 p.m.
- **Teen Lego-fy Yourself** – June 15, 4 p.m.
- **Explore Robotics with Aztechs FTC** – June 17, 10 a.m.
- **ISU Insect Zoo** – June 20, 1-2:30 p.m.
- **Teen's Gambit (chess program)** – June 22, 4-5:30 p.m.
- **Airbrushing with Shawn Palek** – June 26, 2 p.m.
- **Elementary Tote Bag Painting\*** – June 27, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
- **Teen Canvas Painting\*** – June 29, 4-5:30 p.m.

*\*Programs with an asterisk require registration. You can easily register at [adelpl.org](http://adelpl.org).*

If you're an adult looking to get out of the house, we have plenty of options for you, too.

- **Library Landscaping Day** – June 3, 8-10 a.m.
- **Yoga at the Library** – Every Wednesday in June at 5:45 p.m.
- **Exercise Group** – Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.
- **50's+ Senior Gathering** – first and third Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. (June 20 will be from 9 a.m. to noon)
- **Brown Bag Book Club** – June 8 at noon
- **Cook Book Club** – June 21 at 11 a.m.
- **Evening Book Club** – June 29 at 6 p.m. ■

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## EVENTS IN THE AREA

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TAMMY@IOWALIVINGMAGAZINES.COM**CARLISLE BIKE NIGHTS****Third Saturdays through September, 5-10 p.m.****School Street, Downtown Carlisle**

Bike Nights will be hosted by the Carlisle Chamber of Commerce along with music, raffles, beverages and food from Carlisle restaurants. May 20 features music by Joe Inman. June 17 features Richard Arndt; July 15 features Joe Inman; Aug. 19 features Luke Farland; and Sept. 16 features Adam Whitehead. Activities include Best Bike Contest and Best Audio Contest May 20 and Sept. 16. Prize is a free oil change donated by Smart Sound and Cycling. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy the evening, even if you don't have a bike.

**CAMP DODGE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2023**

These free concerts are held Thursdays in June from 7-9 p.m. at the Pool Complex at Camp Dodge. Food trucks will be serving starting at 6 p.m. Entertainment on June 1 is Jason Brown; June 8, Standing Hampton, along with a car show; June 22, Pianopalooza Dueling Pianos; and June 29, 34th Army Band will perform for Alumni Night.

**MORE EVENTS**

**May 19-20:** Greenbelt Music Festival in Clive just off the Greenbelt Trail will feature headliners Jameson Rodgers and The Infamous Stringdusters to kick off



Greenbelt Music Festival

warm weather returning to the state.

**May 20:** Mid America Cage Bird Society will host a Feather Fair at Merle Hay Mall, 3850 Merle Hay Road, Des Moines, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$4 adults and \$1 children. Look for the raffle table. Birds and bird-related items will be for sale and a bake sale held. Mid America Cage Bird Society is a nonprofit.

**May 20-21:** Spring Fling Sleepy Hollow Renaissance Faire. A weekend in the past at Iowa's only permanent renaissance village will see events of old such as jousting, circus acts and live music. 4051 Dean Ave., Des Moines; [www.sleepyhollowrenfaire.com/#/select](http://www.sleepyhollowrenfaire.com/#/select)

**May 21:** Des Moines Community Orchestra performs its spring concert with a salute to the Big Bands and a tribute to Duke Ellington at 2 p.m. at Sheslow Auditorium, 2507 University Ave., Des Moines.

**May 21:** Valley Junction Arts Festival will be held in the 100-200 Blocks of Fifth Street, West Des Moines. The Valley Junction Art Committee has helped give the public the opportunity to meet, interact with and purchase original work by more than 50 artists.

**May 23:** Urbandale Summer Performance Series invites the public to enjoy a free concert featuring The Rivieras starting at 6:30 p.m. All ages are welcome. Bring a lawn chair and relax. Held at Charles Gabus Memorial Tree Park, 3400 86th St., Urbandale.

**May 26-27:** CelebrAsian. Celebrate the largest Asian American event in Iowa as this festival will bring a wealth of Asian history, food, performances and other activities that will allow all to experience much that Asian culture has to offer. Held at Western Gateway Park, 1205 Locust St., Des Moines.

**June 4:** 13th Annual Garden Art Show starts at noon, 4320 Franklin Ave., Des Moines. Mature shade trees and ornamental plantings provide a natural showcase for works in all types of media — pottery, paintings, jewelry, sculpture, tie-dye, metal, glass beads, mosaics and sculpture. ■

## RECIPE

# FRESH SUMMER FLAVORS FIT FOR THE PATIO

*(Family Features)* Gatherings in the summer sun are all about easy, convenient recipes combined with the joy warm weather brings. Keeping cooking simple means more time on the patio or in the backyard engaging with guests, and these Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads let home chefs skip complicated kitchen duties without skimping on flavor.

When dining outdoors with family, friends and neighbors, there are few things better than a tasty dish the whole family can enjoy — like these Chipotle Chicken Flatbreads.

Perfect for al fresco entertaining when served alongside a fresh salad, they're simple to make and allow guests to personalize with preferred toppings before popping in the oven. As a colorful and fresh dish, it's an ideal meal for get-togethers on the patio. ■

## CHIPOTLE CHICKEN FLATBREADS

*Recipe adapted from [butteryourbiscuit.com](http://butteryourbiscuit.com)*

### Sauce:

- 2 flatbreads
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese
- 1 clove garlic, diced
- 4 chicken tenders, cooked and cubed
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, quartered
- salt, to taste
- pepper, to taste
- 1/2 cup ranch dressing
- 1 1/2 teaspoons chipotle seasoning
- 2 tablespoons cilantro leaves, chopped

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 375 F.

Place parchment paper on baking sheet and add flatbreads. Sprinkle cheese on flatbreads. Top with garlic, chicken and tomatoes. Season with salt and



pepper, to taste. Bake 16 minutes until cheese is melted.

In small bowl, mix ranch and chipotle seasoning.

Drizzle ranch dressing on flatbreads and sprinkle with cilantro leaves.

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### VICKI BAKER

Vicki Baker, 72, died Sunday, May 14, 2023, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. A Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, June 11, 1-4 p.m., at her home in Minburn.

Vicki was born Dec. 5, 1950, in Kirksville, Missouri, to Charles and Hazel (Sparks) Neagle. She married John Baker on July 17, 1971, in Berwick. The two made their home in Minburn in 1978 where they raised their family and continued to live.

Vicki was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Vicki is survived by her husband, John Baker; son, John C. Baker; daughter, Nancy Elizabeth (Richard) Baker Curtis; father, Charles Neagle; brother, Stephen Neagle; sister, Sherry (Fred) McBride; and two grandchildren, Sophia Irene Curtis and Charles William Curtis. She was preceded in death by her mother, Hazel Irene Neagle.

Memorial contributions may be made to ChildServe. Online condolences will be welcomed at [IlesCares.com](http://IlesCares.com). ■



## CLASSIFIED ADS

**ESTATE SALE:** 321 N. 10th Street, Adel. Saturday, May 20th & Sunday, May 21st 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Home furnishings, sofas, two dining room sets (one with a server), game room table with four swivel chairs, Kenmore sewing machine, china cabinets, bedroom sets (two queen sets with dressers & shelves, two twin beds), kitchen utensils & small appliances, glassware, dishes, electronics, holiday accessories, ladders, garden and assorted tools, and much more.

**FOR SALE:** Pelonis portable 115V AC/dehumidifier/fan with remote. less than 2 years old. Moved and no longer need it. Cost \$300, asking \$250. All parts, booklet, receipt and warranty included. Call or text 515-620-6534. I can send a picture.

**FOR SALE:** Three drawer dresser \$20, entertainment center \$25, small China closet \$35. Call 515-321-3231.

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## MINI SUMMER CAMP SESSIONS

Raccoon River Preschool is offering summer fun and learning at mini summer camp sessions. Sessions are: June 13-15, Wilderness World; June 27-29, All About Nature; July 18-20, Water Wonder; and Aug. 8-10, Building with Nature. A morning session, 9:30-11 a.m. is for 3-year-old participants, and an afternoon session, noon to 2 p.m. is for ages 4-5. Cost is \$75 per week. Register at [www.raccoonriverpreschool.com](http://www.raccoonriverpreschool.com). ■



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