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RIVER TO RIVER RETRO ROAD TRIP VISITS ADEL HISTORIC MUSEUM

The River to River Retro Road Trip, which starts in Davenport and ends in Council Bluffs, following Historic U.S. Route 6 across the state of Iowa, made a stop in Adel. This year's trip, held Sept. 14-17, included about 40 cars with drivers and some passengers. They do not travel on interstate highways and do not stop at chain restaurants, just at mom-and-pop places along two-lane blacktop.

One of their stops this year was at Adel's Historic Museum Saturday morning to tour the two-story building and the Clarke-Kinnick addition. The Museum found it had a copy of a booklet of a previous River to River Retro Road Trip from 1910, surprising Trip organizers Casey McCallister and Vince Wallerich. While the visitors enjoyed tours of the museum, area residents could view the many antique cars parked



Hostesses are pictured with the River to River Retro Road Trip organizers, from left: Cathy Jorgensen, Bev Carrico, Nadine Law, Vince Wallerich, Becky Dymond and Casey McCallister. Conducting tours but not pictured were Mary Ockerman and Karen Smith.

on the street nearby. One car of note was not an antique but was specially decorated with the River

to River logo displayed by Margaret Baumann from Rockford, Illinois, and her daughter. ■

ADEL WEATHER FORECAST

FRIDAY HIGH 57 | LOW 38

Partly cloudy; a.m. showers

**SATURDAY HIGH 58 | LOW 37**

Mostly sunny and cool

**SUNDAY HIGH 71 | LOW 39**

Sunny; pleasant and warm

**MONDAY HIGH 68 | LOW 41**

Sunshine with patchy clouds

**TUESDAY HIGH 72 | LOW 44**

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FROM THE PUBLISHER

DOLLARS AND SENSORS

My youngest daughter was on a trip to Kansas City and called to tell me her car was having trouble starting and that the check engine light was on. If she was in town, I would direct her to take it to one of my favorite mechanic shops and get the problems resolved. But she wasn't, and my mechanical aptitude is of minimum value. My advice: If the check engine light isn't flashing, and if you can get it started, drive it home so we can get it in the shop.

Fortunately, she has a friend in the auto mechanics world, and he was able to help her out. Ultimately, it was a sensor of some sort that we bought for \$100 and he swapped out. Problem solved. At least I think so. The truth is that I don't have any idea what that sensor did or what putting a new one in fixed, but the car starts and

the check engine light is off.

This process made me think of the discussions I have heard between young car guys and old car guys. The old guys yearn for the days when engines were simple and a car could be worked on without hooking up a computer to it to explain what is wrong. The young guys love the technology and seem to crave for more. I just want my car to run properly, but we must all admit that we have become accustomed to the modern "power" gadgets we now take for granted.

Power steering. Power brakes. Power windows. Power locks. Those are givens today.

So are automatic transmissions, all-wheel drive, cruise control,



back-up cameras and Bluetooth connections.

Then there are the truly amazing features like adaptive cruise control, parking assist, head-up displays, driver drowsiness detection, gesture and voice controls, autonomous driving, blind spot warnings, heat and massage functions and ambient lighting. If you don't know what these are, you will soon, along with many more.

Just expect to continually replace more of those \$100 sensor things.

Have a great week, and thanks for reading. ■



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SEEN IN ADEL

THE ADM TIGER MARCHING BAND PERFORMED DURING THE FOOTBALL GAME ON SEPT. 15.



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ADM SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, Oct. 6

7 p.m. **Football:** Varsity vs. Ballard

Monday, Oct. 9

5 p.m. **Football:** Freshman @ Ballard

5 p.m. **Volleyball:** Freshman Triangular @ Nevada

5 p.m. **Volleyball:** JV @ Nevada

7 p.m. **Football:** JV @ Ballard

Tuesday, Oct. 10

5 p.m. **Cross Country:** Boys & Girls Conference @ Ballard Golf & Country Club, Huxley

5:30 p.m. **Volleyball:** Freshman @ Carroll

5:30 p.m. **Volleyball:** JV @ Carroll

7 p.m. **Volleyball:** Varsity @ Carroll

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WILLS FAMILY ORCHARD & PUMPKIN FARM HONORED

Wills Family Orchard & Pumpkin Farm, Adel, was voted Iowa's Favorite Pumpkin Patch in a survey by FamilyDestinationsGuide.com that asked families to rate their favorite pumpkin-picking spots in the state. Colony Acres Family Farm, North Liberty, placed second, and Pinter's Gardens and Pumpkins, Decorah, was voted third.

Discover the joys of pumpkin picking this fall at Wills Family Orchard & Pumpkin Farm on weekends through October. On Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sundays, from noon to 6 p.m., you can explore the sprawling pumpkin patch, selecting the perfect pumpkins for your seasonal decor and jack-o'-lantern carving. It's an affordable and festive outing for the whole family. Wills Family Orchard offers an array of activities to complement your pumpkin-picking adventure, including navigating a challenging corn maze, interacting with friendly animals in the petting zoo, enjoying scenic hayrides, embarking on a charming pumpkin train ride, and letting the little ones burn off energy at the playground. And, if you work up an appetite, their concession stand has you covered with delicious treats. ■

MEMORIAL WALL TO BE DEDICATED

On Veterans Day, Saturday, Nov. 11, at 10:30 a.m., at the Freedom Park in Minburn, a public dedication of the Dallas County Veterans Memorial Wall will be held. The DC Veterans Memorial Wall was organized by a small committee of Minburn citizens and will be completed this fall. The wall was built by family and friends dedicating a brick to a veteran they know, concluding in 325 bricks total. The Memorial Wall is placed near the Dallas County Freedom Rock, completing the Freedom Park. ■

DALLAS COUNTY COAT GIVEAWAY

The 2023 Dallas County Coat Giveaway will be held Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9-11 a.m. at Adel First Christian Church. New winter coats, hats and mittens will be available in infant to adult sizes. The Clothes Closet, with gently used clothing and shoes in all sizes, will be open as well. The church is located at the corner of Highway 169 and Rapids Street.

The new coats, hats and mittens are donated by the Adel Rotary Club, St. John's Knights of Columbus, Faith Lutheran Church, the Adel Women's Club, and Adel First Christian Church. Everyone is welcome. Everything is free. ■

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

The Adel United Methodist Church, 115 S. 10th St., is hosting a weekly Wednesday Night Meal in the fellowship hall downstairs. Serving is 5-6:30 p.m. This is a freewill donation meal. All are welcome. ■

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ADEL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY COLLECTS FOR VA HOSPITAL

The Adel American Legion Auxiliary is collecting donations for the VA Hospital and the VA CRRC to assist veterans with needs for clothing and other items. Currently, the following are being requested: great condition large print used books, individually wrapped snacks, +2.25 reading glasses, men's deodorant, men's shampoo and conditioner (no body wash), hair brushes, men's sweatpants/athletic pants (size M, L and XL), men's athletic shorts (size L, XL, XXL), and decaf ground coffee.

Donations are welcome at the Adel American Legion Auxiliary drop-off box at 1305 S. 15th St., Adel, or contact Shirley McAdon at 515-993-4862 for pick up.

Thank you to our community for your generosity in supporting our veterans. ■

ADM GALA OCT. 14

Tiger Fans, the first ADM Gala is one month away. Join in on Saturday, Oct. 14 for this semi-formal adult-only evening with dinner, drinks and entertainment at The Rewind Hotel in West Des Moines. The goal of the ADM Gala is to raise money for all ADM Booster Club sports teams. Dinner, prepared by Johnny's Italian Steakhouse, will feature options of: Honey Madeira Glazed Salmon, Tuscan Chicken, or Parmesan Crusted New York Steak. The evening will have games, silent auction items, live auction, and the band Birdchild performing.

Tickets are \$75 per person; you may purchase tickets individually or for a table of 10 people. Upon purchasing a table, you can select to provide the name and phone number of each guest or add them at a later date. Guests will then be sent a link to make their dinner selections. This event capacity is 300 people. For more information and a link to purchase tickets, visit <http://admboosterclub.org/shop>. ■

MUSIC IN THE PRAIRIE – PETER MAYER CONCERT

Sunday, Oct. 8, 4-6 p.m.

Kuehn Conservation Area, 32828 Houston Trail, Earlham

Dallas County Conservation Board invites the public to enjoy the music of singer-songwriter Peter Mayer at the Music in the Prairie concert. Peter's music will change the way you walk Dallas County's wilds. You will be humming his songs and smiling in the weeks following the concert, with some new additions to your favorite playlist. The concert is free. Bring your lawn chairs for seating in the arena at Kuehn. In the event of rain, the concert will be relocated to Earlham High School. To be notified of updates or event relocation, register on Eventbrite here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/716096934207>. ■

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WAUKTOBERFEST

Saturday, Oct. 7, 4:30-11 p.m.

Downtown Triangle in Waukee

Grab your lederhosen or dirndl and get ready for the second annual Wauktoberfest, a German-style celebration, in Waukee. The celebration is a fundraiser sponsored by the Waukee Area Historical Society (WAHS).

This year's event features German beer and a variety of food, including a German-style menu. Musicians from the Czech It Out band will kick things off with polka music starting at 4:30 p.m. The music continues with the Polka Police at 5:30 p.m. The headlining band, Suede, takes the stage at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. Children ages 5 and younger get in free. To learn more about the Waukee Area Historical Society or Wauktoberfest, visit <https://waukeehistory.org/wauktoberfest/>.

2023 MADISON COUNTY COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL

Oct. 14-15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Madison County Covered Bridge Festival features family fun, including parade and tours of the namesake bridges. Vendors, demonstrations, kids zone, live entertainment, car show, quilt show, Madison County Historical Complex tours, and much more are sure to please crowds. Festival admission is \$3 or two for \$5 and free for children younger than 11.

The craft booths display hand-made goods made by local artists: pottery, quilts, doll clothes, paintings, drawings, photographs, jewelry, woodcrafts, fiber arts and more. Organizers are expecting 150 vendors and demonstrators.

Most booths, as well as the food, live music and entertainment, will be at the Madison County Courthouse Square in Winterset with about 20 vendors inside the Winterset Livery.

Demonstrations and old-time activities include

antique tractor rides, a Civil War fashion show, sheep-shearing, wool spinning, a corn box for kids to play in and marble shooting.

Passport to the Past activities offered at the Madison County Historical Complex at 915 S. Second Ave. will include penny candy sales, horse and wagon rides, old-fashioned school lessons, a Civil War reenactment, blacksmith demonstrations and more.

Visitors can also enjoy an old-fashioned spelling bee and an antique car show Sunday only off the square.

A festival highlight is the annual Antique Vehicle and Covered Bridge Festival Parade, which begins at the high school at 3 p.m. on Sunday and heads north on Eighth Avenue until turning east on Court and continuing to the other side of town on Court and Washington streets.

For the kids, the event boasts inflatables and a carnival. A face painter will be available on E. Court Street with free face painting from 9 a.m. to noon on both Saturday and Sunday.

Enjoy one of the bus tours of the bridges offered by the Winterset Rotary Club Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon. The price is \$15 per person, and the tour is approximately two hours long. With a knowledgeable guide full of covered bridge history and lore, you'll visit the Roseman, Hogback and Cutler-Donahoe bridges and the North River Schoolhouse.

Tickets for the tours can be purchased at the Rotary booth on the festival grounds, near The Cellar coffee shop on First Avenue. Tours depart from First Avenue and Washington Street, near the George Stout public art project. It's a great way to see the bridges without navigating festival traffic and gravel roads.

Musical entertainment at this year's festival includes The Wild Woods Band, the James Biehn Band, The Bird Hunters and more. See the complete entertainment schedule online, <https://www.madisoncounty.com/covered-bridge-festival-2>. ■

RECIPE

BRING BACK FAMILY BONDING THIS FALL

(Family Features) Busy fall schedules often leave little time for the things that matter most — sharing special moments with those you love. This year, as time seems to speed up during another school year, making family bonding a priority in your household can start with a few simple tricks.

SCHEDULE FAMILY NIGHTS

Desiring evenings spent with your nearest and dearest and actually making them happen are two separate things entirely. It's easy to get caught up in the hustle and bustle of the season with days that feel too long and evenings that are often too short. Putting dedicated family nights on the calendar is a good way to avoid last-minute commitments that take away from important bonding time. Incorporate some favorite activities, whether your loved ones are board game enthusiasts or movie buffs, to give everyone something exciting to look forward to.

ENCOURAGE EXTRACURRICULAR PARTICIPATION

Beyond those special moments at home, there are plenty of ways to connect with your kiddos. Encouraging them to participate in extracurriculars, like sports, band, theater, dance, choir or other activities, provides a great way to enjoy something together as you watch your children branch out and try new things. If they happen to try an activity you used to (or still do) participate in, it's an easy way to make a unique connection by sharing your own memories, offering helpful tips or even passing down old equipment like sports gear or an instrument. ■

HAM AND SWISS SLIDERS

Total time: 25 minutes

Servings: 4-6

- 1 stick butter
- 1 package (12 rolls) King's Hawaiian Original Hawaiian Sweet Rolls
- 1 pound shaved deli ham
- 1 pound thinly sliced Swiss cheese

Directions:

Heat oven to 350 F. Melt butter and set aside.

Cut entire pack of rolls in half horizontally, keeping all top and bottom halves intact.

In 9-by-13-inch pan, place bottom halves of rolls and cover with ham and cheese.



Cover ham and cheese stacks with top halves of rolls. Drizzle butter mixture over tops of rolls.

Bake, uncovered, 15-20 minutes. Separate rolls for serving.

IOWA SPRING ACQUIRES NORTHEAST SPRING

Iowa Spring announced that it has acquired Northeast Spring of Reading, Pennsylvania. The acquisition of Northeast Spring closed on Sept. 15 and expands Iowa Spring's growing presence as the premier supplier of precision-made springs for the overhead door, construction, agriculture, and recreational equipment industries across the globe.

Northeast Spring is a family owned and operated business that has supplied springs for more than 25 years. Primarily serving the overhead door industry, Northeast Spring operations include both its Reading, Pennsylvania, headquarters as well its Villa Rica, Georgia, facility. The company name and management team will remain intact with founder John O'Leary remaining onboard for the next three years to ensure a smooth transition.

Following the acquisition, Iowa Spring President and CEO Tim Bianco will oversee operations of Northeast Spring in addition to its three existing facilities: the original Iowa Spring facility, its recent 55,000-square-foot nearby expansion facility, and its sister company Southern Atlantic Spring of Granite Quarry, North Carolina. ■

'NOT-SO-SCARY HALLOWEEN' PARTY

Oct. 25, 5:30 p.m.

Adel First Christian Church, corner of Highway 169 and Rapids Street

Kids and their families are invited to wear their Halloween costumes and join in a light meal (Halloweenies and chips) and stay for a story and crafts. The party will end at about 6:30 p.m. with trick-or-treating in the haunted hallways. Children younger than 6 should be accompanied by an adult. Everyone is invited to join in on some spooky fun. ■

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