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NEW CAB SERVICE OFFERING FREE WEEKEND RIDES



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Tiller Quandt (left) owns and operates Tiller's Cab along with his fiance Amanda Augustus (right) who works as a dispatcher.

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For Tyler "Tiller" Quandt, owner of the cab service Tiller's Cab, Christmas has come early.

He started his cab service in October, having always wanted to run his own business in Carroll.

After a month of breaking in the new business, Quandt received a call from an anonymous donor who wanted to cover the costs of a night of free cab rides on the night before Thanksgiving. The night of free cab rides was a success,

and the same anonymous donor went on to sponsor the following weekend of free cab rides.

Now after gathering a group of local sponsors to support the effort, Tiller's Cab is offering free rides for the entire month of Decem-

ber. Quandt has hopes to bring on more sponsors to be able to offer free rides for all of next year, but that will depend on what further support he receives from local sponsors.

"I was shocked," Quandt said when sponsors reached out to him in order to offer free rides.

"Christmas came early," Quandt said. "Christmas came early for everybody in the town of Carroll."

For the first month of business, Quandt says he was unsure about where

things would go and what traction his business would receive. Now with the support of local sponsors and receiving 15 to almost 30 calls per night, he says business is going a lot better than he initially hoped for. The Tiller's Cab Facebook page currently has over 500 followers.

"It kind of blew up," Quandt said.

When he started his business in October, Quandt said he sought out to offer the

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS MEAL



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Angela Meyer handing out a free pork loin during Operation Christmas Meal near the local Bomgaars on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

Iowa Select Farms provides thousands of free pork loins during Carroll visit

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Despite the rain and chilly weather, Operation Christmas Meal carried out successfully in Carroll.

As cars were lining up, Iowa Select Farms employees gave out free pork loins near the local Bomgaars from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Going strong in their 12th year of Operation Christmas Meal, Iowa Select Farms first started handing

out 5-pound pork loins at the Iowa State fairgrounds back in 2011.

Down the road, it evolved into employees visiting 12 different communities within two weeks. Before driving to Carroll, employees from Iowa Select Farms first visited Storm Lake in the morning and later drove to Humboldt in the afternoon.

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Todd Partridge will be featured Monday night on Iowa Public Radio's holiday special.

Auburn musician featured on Iowa Public Radio Christmas special

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Todd Partridge, a Breda businessman and Auburn-based musician who has performed nationally, will be featured Monday night on Iowa Public Radio's holiday special.

Partridge will perform two Christmas songs he wrote and produced. He will join other artists on the The Monday Night Holiday Special at 7

p.m. The show airs at 90.7 FM in the Carroll area.

"It's fun," Partridge said. "You get a little musical communion with your peers. And you get to share your songs with a larger audience."

Partridge said one of the original songs is titled "Step Dad's Christmas." The song deals with challenges and joys of blended families, particu-

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KUEMPER DANCE

'These girls are like family'

Kuemper Kix walks away with high honors from Iowa State Dance Competition

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After months of honing their skills, Kuemper Kix went out with a bang after competing at the Iowa State Dance Competition from Nov. 30 to Dec. 2

As a team, Kuemper Kix won 1st place in Jazz, as well as 2nd place for both Hip Hop and Lyrical. Their jazz routine, "Purple Hat," was one of the two routines selected for the Judges Choice Award.

The judges not only commended the girls and their hard work, but also their coach Heather Boes, who received the Character Counts 2022 Coach of the Year award the same weekend.

"It was very humbling," Boes said. "It's great to be recognized for something that you do for so long and you have such a passion for it. It's just great to see that



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The Kuemper Kix team for the 2022-2023 school year. In the front row, from left to right, is Lillie Ortner, Jady Nkerl, Macy Blum, Alexis Diercksen, Haley Lux. Middle row, from left to right, is Hailee Wesling, Lauren Boell, Tori Ellis, Frannie Glynn, Kaylie Diercksen. Back row, from left to right, Megan Milligan, Ella Pick, Presley Schroeder, Hailee Behrens, Heather Boes, Alyse Greteman, Kerigan Schreck, Madie Domer. Missing is Meredith Fredrichsen.

come out and get something like an award like that."

Working her 23rd year as the coach, Boes is a daughter of Dave and Debra Quandt of Carroll.

Her mother owned and operated Debra's School of Dance, now known as Fu-

sion Dance. Boes followed her mother's footsteps and is currently the owner and head instructor of Fusion Dance.

A 1995 alumna of Kuemper Catholic High School, her mother also founded Kuemper Kix, where she

danced alongside her twin sister Heidi.

Boes attended the University of Iowa, where she graduated with a degree in dance. At college, Boes was co-captain of the University

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