



## *De's Dazzles – The Road*

Life is like a road – it has bumps, cracks, potholes, construction, and obstacles, but in the end, it gets you to somewhere! The pandemic years seemed like we were stuck on the dirt road in the mud! Thankfully the sun came out and dried up that mud! I remember vacations with our children, I can't tell you where we were or where we were going! But I can tell you I was with my family, and we laughed until our sides hurt. It wasn't always about the destination, but the wild stuff that happened along the way! Those vacations created a whole lot of memories, that we still talk about!



You got potholes? Bumps? Welcome to life because every road gets them. Learn to navigate, avoid, or drive over them! Just don't keep running into the pothole! Well, our calendar that was full of potholes (emptiness) is starting to fill in! First Friday Friends is an afternoon event with various topics throughout the year. First up is Dr. Stephen Gruba's Kenya Adventures 5/6/22! Not to mention in the space of 24 hours we have three events/rentals scheduled!

Then there's the bend in the road where you can't see where you are going, and no one knows what will happen! We are having our first ever film crew come on May 10 so we can create 15 & 30 second ad spots, thanks to a Travel Iowa Grant! Will we hit detours? Roadblocks? We are believing the best is yet to come!

A paved road is pretty normal, but did you know that no flowers grow in it? As "normal" returns and we prepare for our 7<sup>th</sup> youth musical, Frozen Jr., I know we will hit bumps and obstacles on the super highway! We always do. But I am pretty confident come the last performance on June 17, we can look back, smile, and say it was worth it!

So mark your First Fridays on your calendars, gather some good company because the best journeys are measured in friends rather than miles! Stop worrying about the potholes and come collect beautiful moments with us!

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