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## CONTEST PARTICIPANTS SOUGHT FOR HERITAGE DAYS

Osborne is seeking entries for a variety of contests during this year's Annual Osborne Heritage Days celebration. So come out to show your skill, creativity, and spirit. Heritage Days will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 8 and 9, from 10:00a.m. until 4:00p.m. each day. Events are held in the Pioneer Village of the Osborne Center, located 5 miles south of Elkader on Highway 13.

## **KADR-KCTN Pumpkin Contests**

KADR-KCTN Radio, Elkader, will be sponsoring two pumpkin contests and the Iowa Championship Buffalo Chip Throw on Sunday, October 9th at Heritage Days. The "Carved or Decorated Pumpkin Contest" includes cash prizes for first through third places in two age divisions: 12 years and under, and 13 years and over. The "Great Pumpkin Contest" is a search for the largest pumpkin grown in the area. They are judged by the total of weight plus circumference. This contest is divided into two age divisions as well, and cash prizes will be awarded in each division. The record for the largest pumpkin at Heritage Days is 1,056 pounds! All entries should be brought Osborne Park on Sunday between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Judging will take place at 1:00 p.m., winners will be announced by 2:00 p.m.

## The Iowa Championship Buffalo Chip Throw

The Buffalo Chip Throw will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday. Prizes will be given for 1<sup>st</sup> place in 4 divisions: Men's, Women's, Boy's, and Girl's furthest throw.

For more information on these contests, contact KADR-KCTN Radio at 563-245-1400 or the Osborne Center at 563-245-1516.