## You'lle invited!

## **Keystone Bridge Reopening Celebration**

Friday, December 1, 2023 4pm-6pm Central State Bank Lobby 102 N. Main Street, Elkader

Coffee, hot cider, donuts and cookies! Silent auction of historic bridge memorabilia.

## DOUBLE PUNCH WEEKEND FRI 12/1 - SUN 12/3

The Elkader Area Chamber of Commerce offering *double punches* on their holiday punch card promotion.

The historic Keystone Bridge in downtown Elkader reopens for all traffic on December 1, 2023 having been closed since April 2022. The Keystone Bridge, built in 1889 of locally quarried limestone, is the only access across the Turkey River in town for both cars and pedestrians.

The initial construction cost for the rehabilitation was projected to be \$3,970,045, paid by a combination of state and federal monies with the City paying \$655,000 for engineering plus incidentals. The current total projected cost of the project, after repairing the crack, is \$7,348,517. The City is still looking for \$1,957,228 so they will not have to bond more for this project.



## FUND THE KEYSTONE

Interested in helping? A fund has been established by local residents in order to help raise these remaining dollars. The Fund the Keystone project is targeted towards those who call or have called Elkader home and those who appreciate the Keystone Bridge and its historic value. *Start your give online at https://fundthekeystone.com*!

Save the Pate! An official rededication ceremony for the Keystone Bridge is scheduled for May 7, 2024.







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