

D.D. Palmer to Be Honored on Iowa Walk of Fame

Daniel David (D.D.) Palmer, discoverer of chiropractic and founder of [Palmer College of Chiropractic](#), will have his name added to the Iowa Walk of Fame in downtown Shenandoah, Iowa, on June 6. The 12 new plaques to be dedicated in Shenandoah include those for an astronaut, musicians, singers, writers, entrepreneurs, a cartoonist, an athlete, an actress, and of course, a healing art and college founder.

D.D. Palmer's great-granddaughter, Vickie Palmer, will represent the Palmer family and college at the ceremonies. Ms. Palmer served as chairman of the Palmer Board of Trustees from 1987-2008 and still serves on the board as an officer.

In addition to D.D. Palmer, others recognized on the new plaques include Dick Dale, Algona, singer and musician on "The Lawrence Welk Show"; Kenny Gardner, Lake View, lead vocalist for the Guy Lombardo Band; Russell Gerdin, North Liberty, founder of Heartland Express; V.T. Hamlin, Perry, who created Ally Oop comic strip; Shawn Johnson, West Des Moines, gold medal-winning gymnast at the 2008 Summer Olympics; Willie Leacox, Shenandoah, lead drummer for the band America; John Pappajohn, Mason City, philanthropist/entrepreneur; Laura Ingalls Wilder, Burr Oak, author of "The Little House on the Prairie" series; Kay Steward, Shenandoah, television and film actress; and Peggy Whitson, Mount Ayr, NASA astronaut.

[Shenandoah's Iowa Walk of Fame](#) currently honors more than 120 famous Iowans on downtown sidewalk plaques. The list of famous Iowans ranges from the man who invented the computer to famous actors and entertainers like John Wayne and Andy Williams, to presidents and famous athletes such as Dan Gable and Kurt Warner. A book filled with biographies of those on the Iowa Walk of Fame can be obtained at the Shenandoah Chamber & Industry Association office or the Shenandoah Historical Museum.

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