



Monday, June 19, 2023

Good Monday Morning to You!

In our editorial meeting this week, we were reviewing what we have planned for upcoming stories. For our live music coverage in CITYVIEW, we intend to write about Leonard Skinnered. At least that's what I wrote down, or something similar.

As such, I often wonder why band members choose names that are intentionally misspelled. And it's not just Lynyrd Skynyrd. How about Megadeth? Or Redd Kross? Staind? The Black Crowes? Weezer? Def Leppard?

Some say the misspellings started in the psychedelic times of the 1960s with bands like the Beatles, the Monkees, the Byrds, and the Human Beinz. But, unfortunately, it didn't end there.

How about Led Zeppelin, Spiral Starecase, Mötley Crüe or Stryper?

Don't forget Gorillaz, Limp Bizkit, KoRn, Linkin Park, Rammstein, Split Enz, Boyz II Men, Salt-N-Pepa, and The Kovenant. It's a spell-check nightmare.

The list goes on. Jackyl. Nu Shooz. The Insyderz. Kutless. Phish. Blessid Union of Souls. Chvrches. Trapt.

I probably spelled some of those wrong. Or right, depending on your perspective.

How about The Weeknd, Puddle of Mudd, Phish and Wrabit? Yes, this is Ludacris.

Even some of my favorite bands fell for this tomfoolery of names. Creedence Clearwater Revival. The Fixx. The Babys. Ratt. Kool and the Gang. It's not Kool.

There was a time when artists — or their labels — thought that



names should be simple, like Johnny Cash. Easy to remember, like The Rolling Stones. And even easier to spell, like AC/DC. John Mellencamp's label thought his last name was too complicated and convinced him to go with John Cougar, at least for a while.

Interestingly — at least to me — the Lynyrd Skynyrd name comes from the band members' high school gym teacher, Leonard Skinner, who informed them they would never amount to anything. The spelling doesn't match, but at least there is some meaning to the madness.

What ones did I miss? Send me a note and let me know.

Have a marvelous Monday, and thanks for reading.

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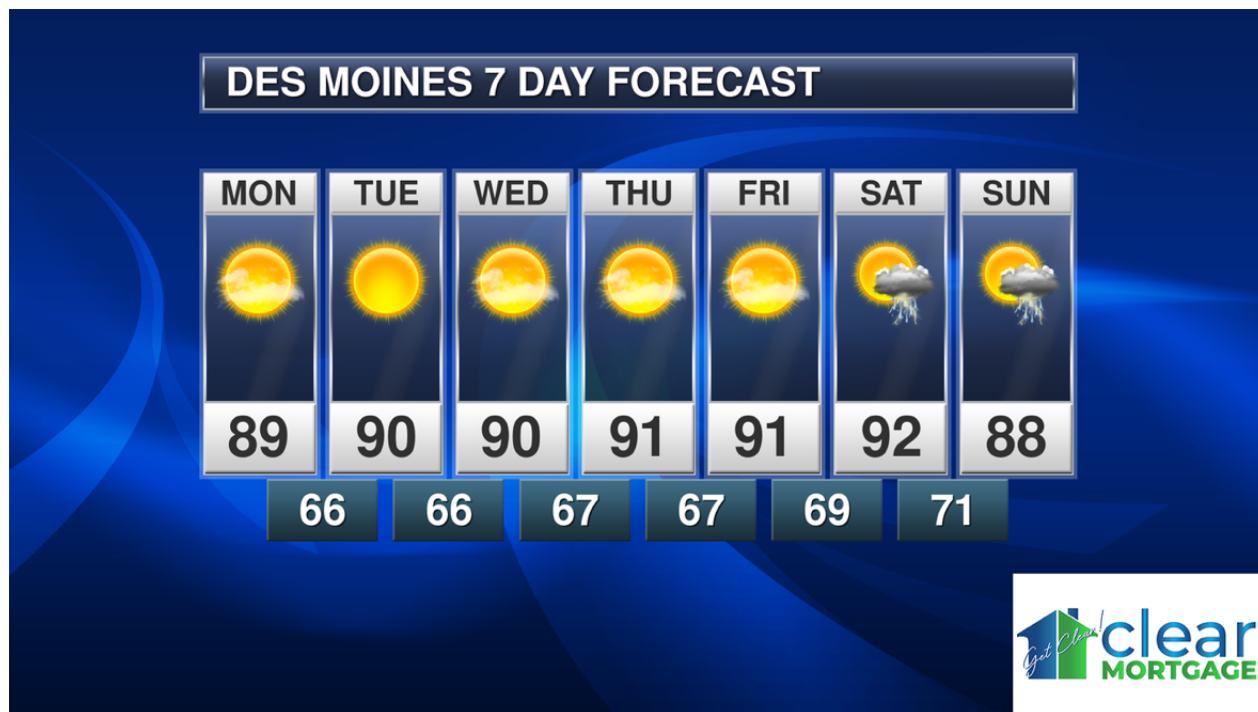
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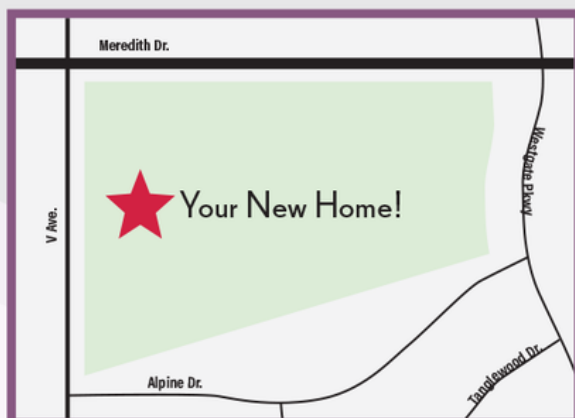
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FROM KCCI: Polk County Sheriff's Office investigating after human skull found at Pleasant Hill park

PLEASANT HILL, Iowa — The Polk County Sheriff's Office is investigating after a human skull was found at Yellow Banks Park in Pleasant Hill on Friday night. The sheriff's office said campers had found the skull on a sandbar near a boat ramp. [..READ MORE FROM KCCI](#)

FROM WHO-TV: Fort Dodge Police investigating shooting death of juvenile

FORT DODGE, Iowa — The Fort Dodge Police Department is investigating what led to the shooting death of a juvenile Saturday afternoon. [..READ MORE FROM WHO-TV](#)

FROM WOI-DT Local 5: DMPD: 3 officers injured while responding to call; suspect in custody

Police said one officer was bitten, one was stabbed in the thigh and another was kicked in the face while responding to a call Sunday afternoon. [...READ MORE FROM WOI-DT Local 5](#)



God called Lisa Brinkmeyer VanDeventr up to the heavenly starting lineup late Thursday. She was simply the best six player basketball star in Iowa. She spent most of her career mentoring Iowa girls for the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union.

New research by multiple government agencies shows that while per capita meat sales has dropped in America since 2002, total meat sales are now back up to early century levels. It seems U.S. has more meat consumers than birth rates or legal immigration rates should allow.

Beef accounted for 53% of meat sales last year, with chicken and pork following. The U.S. remains the world's largest beef producer, but Brazil is closing in fast. Meat snack sales are rising faster than fresh meat sales, with beef jerky leading the way.

Anyone still looking for a beef fix after fabulous Fathers Day bargains at Irina's Steak & Seafood and Fresh Thyme Market need look no further than Christopher's (2816 Beaver Ave., Des Moines) for prime rib Mondays, or G Migg's (128 Fifth St., Valley Junction) where it's prime house grind burger night on Mondays.

— Jim Duncan

On June 19 in history ...

1885. Statue of Liberty arrives in New York Harbor. On June 17, 1885, the dismantled Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France to the people of America, arrives in New York Harbor after being shipped across the Atlantic Ocean in 350 individual pieces packed in more than 200 cases. The copper and iron statue, which was reassembled and dedicated the following year in a ceremony presided over by U.S. President Grover Cleveland, became known around the world as an enduring symbol of freedom and democracy.

Read more at [History.com](https://www.history.com).

Personalities

Juffer turns love of animals into business

A lifetime love of animals spurred Laura Juffer to start her own business, Handsome Hounds Boarding and Grooming.

Laura grew up in the country, showing dogs and horses through 4-H. After college, she worked a corporate job until she was laid off and met somebody who did dog grooming.

She learned the basics and started dog grooming out of her home in Adel. She wanted to expand and talked to the owners of Whimsy Park Boarding.

"I told them, if you ever retire, let me know," Laura says.
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n 2021, the owners did retire, and she moved her business into the current location at 23266 268th Lane, Adel.

... [Read more in the June issue of Adel Living magazine.](#)





Birthdays and Notables!

Happy Birthday Tom Miller!

These celebrities were born on this date: Ann Wilson, Paula Abdul, Lara Spencer, Brian "Head" Welch, Actor Robin Tunney, Poppy Montgomery, Ryan Hurst, Actor Zoe Saldana, Lauren Lee Smith, Atticus Shaffer

SUBMIT: Send your birthday greetings and congratulatory notes to: tammy@iowalivingmagazines.com

Morning Chuckle



The answer to yesterday's riddle:

What keeps the sun held up in the sky? SUN BEAMS! - Carolyn Rogers, Irving Stone

Today's Riddle

What award did they give the person who invented the door knocker?

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