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Des Moines' morning essentials from the publisher of CITYVIEW and the lowa Living magazines

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Wednesday, June 21, 2023

## **Good Wednesday Morning to You!**

When I was in my early twenties, I worked at The Des Moines Register and was the account rep for many of the largest car dealers in Des Moines. I loved that job, as I was able to learn from incredible people and work in an industry I truly enjoyed — cars and trucks.

That passion led me to another job in the mid-1990s, launching and managing an automotive photo magazine called Car & Truck Market. Clever name, I know. It was a publication dedicated to the buying, selling and trading of — you guessed it — cars and trucks.

I was never much of a gearhead. Still am not. I have a brother who loved tearing stuff apart and putting it back together. He still does. As such, he continues to be my go-to guy for questions dealing with auto mechanics. But, although I wasn't much interested in what was under the hood of a car, I did have great interest in the shine and show.

I don't own a classic car (yet), but I have been known to attend many car shows, and I have a sincere appreciation for those who restore and rebuild vehicles. One of my childhood friend's dad owned a body shop in our hometown, and I would marvel over the results of their work. And, as an adult, I have been known to hang out in garages and listen to stories about the restoration of some incredible cars.

When we started our Iowa Living magazines, I wanted to pay tribute to these car guys who fulfill their passions, often learning as they go. And with much of our readership of the Living magazines being female, I wanted to include something for the guys. So, I decided to start a monthly feature called "What's In Your Garage?" It featured lots of stuff in residents' garages, but we focused much of the ink on



classic and custom cars. We continue this feature in many of our magazines today but simplified the name to "Garage."

In most of the July issues of our Living magazines, we will be taking this a step further and dedicating our cover stories to "head-turning car projects," complete with before and after photos of the projects that so many local car buffs have spent countless hours working on.

Be sure to look for these stories throughout the month of July in your mailbox or at <a href="www.iowalivingmagazines.com">www.iowalivingmagazines.com</a>. And, if you have a vehicle you think should be included, contact our editor, Tammy Pearson, at tammy@iowalivingmagazines.com.

Yes, there is something about that shine of a vehicle that draws the eye of a young boy — and an old boy, too.

Have a wonderful Wednesday, and thanks for reading.

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### **CITYVIEW's Best Of Des Moines**

CITYVIEW announced its 2023 Best Of Des Moines readers' choices Jan. 31. You can find all the results from the poll in

the February issue of **CITYVIEW** magazine!

#### **Best Beaverdale Area Store**

- 1. Beaverdale Books
- 2. Back Country
- 3. Beaverdale Confections

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#### Your Clear Mortgage forecast from Jason Parkin

The hot and dry conditions persist today and into Friday. Rain chances will increase for the weekend and possibly into early next week.

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### **Featured Home For Sale**

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FROM KCCI: 'Oops' moment: Why 'Stuart' was misspelled

### on the town's new water tower

STUART, Iowa — The good news? The town of Stuart has a new water tower. The bad news? It appears that 'Stuart' is misspelled. "It started blowing up like crazy. And everybody is like, 'No way,'" Stuart resident Katelyn Johnson said. "Everybody has been talking about it in town and everywhere." ... READ MORE FROM KCCI

# FROM WHO-TV: 2 Des Moines toddlers nearly drown in separate incidents

DES MOINES, IOWA — On Monday morning the Des Moines Fire Department was simultaneously called out to two separate near-drowning incidents involving toddlers at their homes. It's the first time that department officials can recall being called out to that identical type of rescue twice at the same time. ..READ MORE FROM WHO-TV

### FROM WOI-DT Local 5: Car crashes into street light in Des Moines, causing Tuesday morning power outages

MidAmerican Energy said at its height, 82 customers were without power Tuesday morning. ...READ MORE FROM WOI-DT Local 5



Wednesday is history day at the Umbrella. Sobrino de Botín in Madrid, Spain, is the oldest restaurant in the world in continuous operation. The artist Francisco de Goya worked in Café Botín as a waiter while waiting to get accepted into the Royal Academy of Fine Arts. It opened in 1725 and is one of very few places in Spain allowed to still serve baby eels, but for 122 Euros a plate — four to six times more expensive than their other entrees. In the 1970s, street vendors sold baby eels for very little money, and tapas bars gave them away. The restaurant still identifies products from Burgos, a popular pro-Franco practice.

Thanks to Miyabi 9, W Tao and the Wasabis, freshwater eel is now a tempura offering at metro sushi bars.

In West Des Moines, this Wednesday is walleye night at Waterfront (2900 University Ave., West Des Moines) with specials on the Midwest's greatest fish treat.

- Jim Duncan

### On June 21 in history ...

1788. U.S. Constitution ratified. On June 21, 1788, New Hampshire

becomes the ninth and last necessary state to ratify the Constitution of the United States, thereby making the document the law of the land.

By 1786, defects in the post-Revolutionary War Articles of Confederation were apparent, such as the lack of central authority over foreign and domestic commerce. Congress endorsed a plan to draft a new constitution, and on May 25, 1787, the Constitutional Convention convened at Independence Hall in Philadelphia. On September 17, 1787, after three months of debate moderated by convention president George Washington, the new U.S. constitution, which created a strong federal government with an intricate system of checks and balances, was signed by 38 of the 41 delegates present at the conclusion of the convention. As dictated by Article VII, the document would not become binding until it was ratified by nine of the 13 states.

Read more at **History.com**.

### **Personalities**

### **Meet Baylee Todd**

# Looking forward to her second year teaching

By T.K. West

Originally from Crystal Lake, Illinois, Baylee Todd first student taught at Orchard Hills Elementary School before joining the district as a third-grade teacher. She says she enjoyed her student teaching placements and knew that Orchard Hills was a special place. Now, she is thankful to be teaching at the Norwalk Community School District as she prepares to enter her second year as a teacher in the fall.

"I have recognized how kind and welcoming everyone is here in the Norwalk school district. My family lives in Illinois and Wisconsin; therefore, I wanted to be a part of a community that really cared for one another," Todd says.

... <u>Read more in the June issue of Norwalk Living magazine.</u>



# **Birthdays and Notables!**

These celebrities were born on this date: Lana Del Rey, Ray Davies, Chris Pratt, Prince William, Juliette Lewis, Michael Gross

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# **Morning Chuckle**



### The answer to yesterday's riddle:

Why did the introvert walk around the frozen lake? HE DOESN'T LIKE TO BREAK THE ICE! - Brendan Comito, Lori Bluml, John Zeitler, Gail Tomlinson

### Today's Riddle

How do you make an introvert happy?

Have a guess? Email tammy@iowalivingmagazines.com



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