



The Chronicles of Deaven



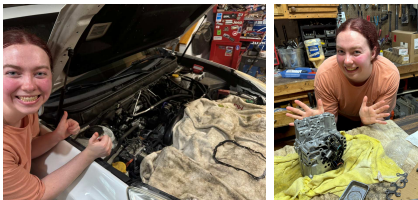
KEEP ON TRUCKIN'



MR. DEAVEN & MS. CARROLL (MADISON); WITH MS. DEAVEN (LA JOLLA).

LA JOLLA, CA – Twenty-somethings Aidan Deaven and Georgia Carroll packed their possessions into a U-Haul and drove to California. The couple moved into an apartment close to the Pacific ocean and to Ms. Carroll's doctoral program at Scripps Institute. Mr. Deaven, who continues to work at Epic Systems, has already joined a local community basketball team and has sustained several surfing injuries. He's also observed a tremendous number of people in California, and very high prices. "Everybody should try California once," said Aidan's father David, who tried California in the 1900s.

ELECTRA SHIFT



MS. DEAVEN; WITH VALVE BODY.

DELAFIELD, WI – Mia Deaven, 25, applied her natural deductive reasoning talent towards fixing her Subaru Outback's CVT transmission. "The whole valve body is \$800 but I was able to repair it with a \$25 solenoid," said Ms. Deaven. "A bit of work with an ohmmeter led to the solution."

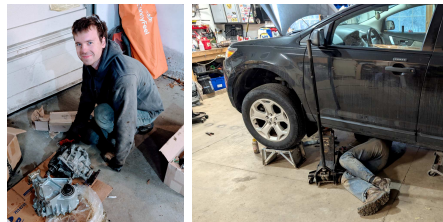
ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER



MR. DEAVEN WITH AUNT CINDY AND NEPHEW AUGIE AT THE LIBRARY; FOOSBALL CHAMPIONSHIP.

AUSTIN, TX – The Deaven family came for the annual Stappenbeck turkey dinner and world Foosball championship, but took in much more: Chuy's, P. Terry's, Grand-pappy Charles, and a bonus trip to the Austin Public Library. The Library has a lovely rooftop garden from which one can relax and observe the adjacent Google skyscraper. Augusten checked out ten books, which made his 'Buncle Dave' very proud. Charlotte stayed home to read her book and to avoid getting dressed.

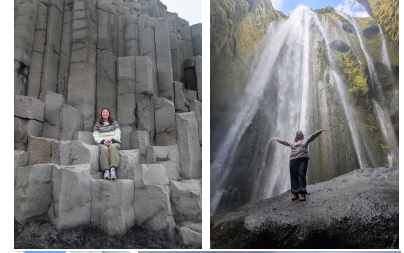
MOTORCRAFTY



MR. DEAVEN, WITH PTU; INSTALLING.

DELAFIELD, WI – Aidan Deaven, 27, applied his natural mechanical talent towards fixing his girlfriend Georgia's Ford Edge before they decamped to California. "This design is pretty lame," grumbled Mr. Deaven from underneath the vehicle as he replaced the 'power take-off unit' (PTU). Ford designed the PTU to transfer a small amount of power before self-destructing into a smelly box of broken gear teeth that grind loudly during any vehicle motion. Mr. Deaven leaves behind a Suzuki 350 motorcycle and a Yamaha WaveRunner in the care of his father, David. The elder Deaven did some additional maintenance on the Edge before driving it to La Jolla as part of Aidan and Georgia's move.

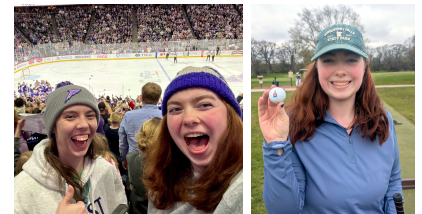
ÍSLAND ROKKAR



MS. DEAVEN AMONGST ROCKS AND WATER; WITH FATHER IN ICE AND TUFF.

VIK, ICELAND – Dave Deaven, 59, and daughter Mia, 25, visited Iceland this year for 10 days. During their travels they hiked on, climbed on, and drank water from a glacier; swam in geothermal pools; saw diamond and black sand beaches, the golden circle, and so many waterfalls; watched beach tourists ignore clear signage regarding dangerous sneaker waves, including a sign that said '23 days since last death' in multiple languages; ate delicious fish and black crust pizza; picked wild crowberries and ate them; toured Snorri's booth, and drank Snorri beer. "I'm going back," said Mr. Deaven, "to the north coast, with fishing gear."

STAY FROSTY



MSS. SCHMITT & DEAVEN; MS. DEAVEN.

ST. PAUL, MN – Twenty-somethings Mia Deaven and Josephine Schmitt enjoyed season tickets to the Minnesota Frost games at the Grand Casino Arena here. "They won the PWHL championship!" Ms. Deaven exclaimed. In addition to hockey and football fandom, Ms. Deaven expressed an interest in playing more golf.



ICE AGE OUTSIDE-IN



SUNRISE; MR. DEAVEN WITH MONTY.

KOHLER-ANDRAE STATE PARK, WI – David Deaven, 59, spent a lot of time outside this year. “There really is no ‘off’ season,” he told us. Much of his time was spent on or near the Ice Age national scenic trail, whose woolly mammoth mascot ‘Monty’ is frequently incorporated into works of trail art. “Wisconsin has Monty *and* the Hodag,” said Mr. Deaven, contemplating an extremely artistic statue of Monty near Sturgeon Bay. “Everybody should try California once, but Wisconsin wins.”

LA WEDDING TATTOOS



DEAVEN FAMILY WITH MS. CARROLL; MS. DEAVEN WITH MS. CHARLOTTE FLYNN.

LOS ANGELES, CA – The Deaven family converged from across the USA to attend Kathryn Flynn’s wedding celebration. Many attendees got a tattoo from an artist on location, after the bride urged “everybody to commit to something permanent” in solidarity. Ms. Mia Deaven, 25, a research chemist at Sherwin-Williams, got a flower on her leg. “Everybody should try California once,” said Mia’s father.

LIMITLESS TUNES



DEAVENS & A CARROLL AT ACL.

AUSTIN, TX – Continuing a multi-year tradition, Mia and Aidan Deaven traveled to Texas with Georgia Carroll to attend Austin City Limits (ACL). “I really love it in Austin,” said Mr. Deaven. “But my father said that ‘everybody should try California once’, so I am.”

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED



THE STRUCTURE.

DELAFIELD, WI – David Deaven, 59, fondly recalls searching for a home here 25 years ago. “The rich people all had firewood racks, and I dreamed I might have one someday.” In 2025 his dream was realized – via a backyard cache of discarded building materials and a few shingles from Menards. Standing beside the new structure, Mr. Deaven pulled out a worn piece of paper with ‘New House Punchlist’ printed across the top, and crossed one item out. “14 more and I can move in!”

REMEMBER



FAMILIES AT THE ALAMO.

SAN ANTONIO, TX – Whilst touring The Alamo’s new location, the Deaven and Stappenbeck families learned about the glorious spirit of the ‘Texians’ who died in a battle that led to the founding of Texas. “It was childish outrage over Mexico’s prohibition of chattel slavery,” concluded David Deaven, 59, after reading more complete historical accounts than those provided on site. “But I remember The Alamo,” which had been moved from its original location.

KINGS



MR. DEAVEN APRÈS-VOTE; RALLYING.

DELAFIELD, WI – Local 59 year old Dave Deaven is a useful citizen: he’s on a charter school board, volunteers to build hiking trails, invests in Wisconsin, and lobbies his representatives on issues he cares about. “I also vote,” he told us, “in every election.” A proud American member of Generation X who once lived out west – everybody should try California once – Mr. Deaven accepts reality and works to improve it. Because hey now, come on, let’s go, enough already.

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In loving memory of Jennifer C. Deaven, devoted mother, wife, and daughter.

