

The Chronicles of Deaven



CHEMIST EXCELS



Ms. Deaven celebrating freedom.

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – Mia Deaven recently graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in chemistry, having endured both a global pandemic and O-chem. "I'm ready to be free!" said Ms. Deaven this summer, shortly before moving into her own apartment and beginning a corporate job here at Sherwin-Williams. Ms. Deaven is a research chemist in the Leadership Development Program; her duties include inventing novel high-performance industrial coatings, going to meetings and lots of Microsoft ExcelTM Freedom at last!

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER



Mr. Pannell, Deavens; Jesse.

LAPHAM PEAK, WI – Bill Pannell led an expedition to the tower here while on holiday in Wisconsin. "My dog had fun," said Mr. Pannell.

KEEP AUSTIN WEIRD



The Deaven kids in Austin.

BARTON SPRINGS – Austinites celebrated the arrival of Mia and Aidan Deaven at the Austin City Limits Music Festival this year. While unaccompanied by their father, they can be super hip and cool. "This is our first trip to Austin without him," said Ms. Deaven. "It's our music, anyway." The siblings stayed with Aunt Cindy and Uncle Steve while in Austin. "I want to go!" said Cindy when contacted for comment.

SNOW KIDDING!



MR. TORRES, (MS. DEAVEN)², MR. DEAVEN; MR. DEAVEN.

THE NORTH – Amidst glittering ice castles, Katherine, Mia, Aidan and Dave Deaven, plus Deaven-adjacent Luis Torres explored tunnels, slides, and alcoholic beverages provided by a savvy food truck vendor. "I am very cold," said Mr. Torres, a New Mexico native. "Why are we here again?"

HERMIT PREPPER LIVES LARGE



THE HERMIT, WITH THINGS HE MADE.

DELAFIELD, WI - Dave Deaven lives with two cats, forages in state parks for nuts and fruit, and prepares most of his own food, including chile garlic sauce, beer, granola, bread, jelly, pickles, and yogurt. He reuses plastic, optimizes energy use, and makes most of his own meager possessions out of discarded plastic, steel, and aluminum. "I'm installing solar next spring," said Mr. Deaven, bundled in a thick blanket inside his 60°F house. "I've put up months of canned and frozen food for the winter." Mr. Deaven is also learning French using an app marketed to Gen-X hermits.

TOYOTATHON



Two of Mr. Deaven's vehicles.

WISCONSIN – Dave Deaven, supposed environmentalist, owns a fleet of gas-powered vehicles, recently returned to full strength since he completed the overhaul of his 1985 Toyota Land Cruiser. "Now I have three fully functional Toyotas and a Jeep," said Mr. Deaven. "I drive them all."

CHEERIO!



DEAVENS IN THE UK.

UNITED KINGDOM – Dave Deaven and his daughter Mia toured here, visiting London, the Peak district, Edinburgh, and Loch Ness. "It only took me one minute to spot Nessie," exclaimed Mr. Deaven. "And I've got the accent down, by George!" Ms. Deaven reminded her father of his promise not to say that anymore, smiled, and set off for a nearby pub in search of a pint.

SUMMER FUN



Deavens playing golf; at the MN state fair.

ST PAUL, MN – While not at work, the two employed Deavens tolerated their unemployed hermit father to play golf, attend the MN state fair, ski, visit Wisconsin dive bars, travel to thanksgiving in Texas, and generally hang out.

HUMILITY AND EQUANIMITY



MS. DEAVEN ON MR. DARCY'S TURF.

PEMBERLEY - Rambling in a prettyish kind of a little wilderness here after tea, we happened upon Mia Deaven and asked her opinion of the owner? "He is a gentleman, and I am a gentleman's daughter. So far we are equal." Ms. Deaven was accompanied by her father, Dave Deaven. The elder Deaven found humor in the entire endeavor. "For what do we live, but to make sport for our neighbors, and laugh at them in our "I must turn?" said Mr. Deaven. learn to be content with being happier than I deserve." The Deavens enjoyed a tour of Pemberley, tea with Darcy, and a thrilling photoshoot at a certain special spot on the Stanage Edge.

IT'S HIKING WEATHER!



THERE'S ALWAYS TIME FOR A HIKE.

GREAT OUTDOORS – Continuing a post-pandemic trend, Dave Deaven and his children spent lots of time outdoors. The elder Deaven has completed almost 600 miles of the Ice Age national trail. "I like to hike or ski on all days ending in -y," said Mr. Deaven, seemingly unaware of what a tired cliché that is.

GO NORTH



Mr. Deaven and fellow travelers.

SYLVANIA WILDERNESS, MI – Dave Deaven was here with some other people who enjoy skiing across frozen lakes and through forests dragging a pulk to camp for a few days with temperatures in the low -20°F range. "With the right equipment you barely get frostbite at all," shouted Mr. Deaven as he skied across a frozen lake. "I like to do this, this is fun. This is fun and I like to do it."

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