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STUDENTS BRIGHTEN VIEW ALONG CARL VOSS TRAIL



ABOVE: Des Moines East art student Yuvia Lechuga works on a community mural on May 12 along the Carl Voss Trail in Des Moines.

AT RIGHT: Alex Salazar, also a Des Moines East art student, paints the city skyline as part of the community mural.

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Johnston to be seed spinoff's new home

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Johnston will be the corporate headquarters for Vylor, the giant Corteva Agriscience seed spinoff, the \$55 billion company has announced.

The Tuesday, May 12, news comes after a lobbying campaign by Johnston and Iowa leaders that began in October, when Indianapolis-based Corteva said it would split its seed and crop protection businesses.

The move will represent a sort of homecoming for the company. Corteva's seed business has its roots in Pioneer, the hybrid seed company that long was based in Johnston before it landed with Corteva in a series of acquisitions and other corporate moves.

Corteva's seed research and development arm is still in the Polk County city.

The headquarters is expected to add a couple hundred high-paying executive jobs. The company's announcement did not specify how many or whether facilities will be

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Candidates speak on what sets them apart

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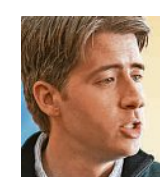
The race for Iowa state auditor, which Republicans see as a chance to reclaim the only statewide seat held by a Democrat, features a same-party matchup between the lieutenant governor and a county supervisor.

Cournoyer

Lt. Gov. Chris Cournoyer and Iowa County Supervisor Abigail Maas, both Republicans, are vying for their party's nomination in the June 2 primary for the seat vacated after state Auditor Rob Sand, a Democrat, launched a campaign for Iowa governor.



Maas



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The Iowa State Auditor's Office is responsible for scrutinizing the finances and spending of counties, cities, universities, school districts and other governmental subdivisions in the state. It also investigates

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Grassley renews request for FTC probe of wedding site The Knot

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An email from an Iowa vendor to wedding planning website The Knot is both succinct and expressive.

"I don't want a phone call. I don't want to talk through it. I'm drowning in bills from your company for leads that were promised but never received. I'm unimpressed and dissatisfied," the author wrote. "I don't feel 'supported' — I feel deceived. I don't want a refund. I want my contract cancelled immediately and to never pay The Knot, Wedding Wire, or Wedding Pro another dime."

The vendor, whose name was redacted, was eventually released from the contract. But the complaint has U.S. Sen. Chuck Grassley of Iowa renewing



The Knot links wedding services providers and clients. Some providers allege it has sent them false leads. GETTY IMAGES

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