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## JUDICIARY

### Gina Badding takes oath for Iowa Court of Appeals

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#### DES MOINES

Judge Gina Badding, a Carroll native and Kuemper Catholic High School alum, joined the Iowa Court of Appeals Friday afternoon during a ceremony in Des Moines in which Gov. Kim Reynolds administered the oath.

Friends, family and colleagues from around the state — and a large contingent of supporters from Carroll — filled the Iowa Supreme Court just south of

the state capitol to celebrate Badding's speedy ascendency from District Court judge to the Appeals Court.

She joins another Kuemper alum in the upper echelons of the Iowa judiciary, as Judge Matt McDermott, also a Carroll native, is a member of the Iowa Supreme Court. Badding graduated from Kuemper in 1997, McDermott in 1996. McDermott, other members of the Iowa Supreme Court and state Attorney General Tom Miller attended Badding's ceremony.

"It really took a village

to get me here, and I hope that all of you who helped along the way know just how very thankful I am," said Badding, 42.

Badding most recently served as a district judge in Judicial Election District 2B, a position she held since April 2019.

She previously practiced law in Carroll with Neu, Minnich, Comito, Halbur, Neu & Badding.

The swearing-in was a homecoming for Badding, who served as a staff attorney for the Iowa Court of Appeals from 2007 to 2013.

"I am so humbled and overwhelmed to have had my legal career circle back here," Badding said.

Badding received her undergraduate degree from the University of Iowa and her law degree from the University of Iowa College of Law.

The Iowa Court of Appeals is the state's intermediate appellate court. It comprises nine judges and decides appeals from district courts across Iowa.

Badding, who will continue to live in Carroll, fills

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Gov. Kim Reynolds (left) and Iowa Appeals Court Judge Gina Badding of Carroll talk with Badding's 8-year-old son Baxter following Badding's oath as a member of the court Friday in Des Moines.

## HEALTH CARE

### New physician Pogge emphasizes collaboration

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Whether she's working with newborns or adults, Dr. Lindsey Pogge offers personalized care — and she says St. Anthony is the perfect place to do so.



Lindsey Pogge

Pogge started working at the St. Anthony Clinic in September.

She's a native of Corwith, Iowa, which is near Clarion

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## EDUCATION

### A voice on a larger scale



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Carroll High School junior Sophia Polking was selected to serve on two statewide student committees: the State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council through the Iowa Department of Human Rights, and the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

### CHS's Sophia Polking selected for 2 statewide student committees

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Sophia Polking wants the issues important to Iowa students to be front and center for those making the state's laws.

And she'd also like to know why there are no posters of female athletes in high school weight rooms.

The Carroll High School junior is working with students from around Iowa to help find the answers to those questions, and

more, after being selected — in a rare occurrence — to serve on two separate statewide student advisory committees.

Polking, 17, was selected this year to serve two-year terms on both the State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council through the Iowa Department of Human Rights, and the Iowa Girls High School Athletic Union Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

On the Youth Advisory Council, students serve as a link between Iowa youth

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Sophia Polking is involved in a wide variety of school activities in addition to serving on two statewide student committees.

## MEDIA

### Babcock, Stortz starting at the Times Herald this week

Times Herald staff

This week, the Carroll Times Herald welcomes a new editor, Trevor Babcock, and a new general assignment reporter, Sarah Stortz.

The Iowa journalists come to Carroll from the Marshalltown Times Republican and the Oskaloosa Herald, respectively.

A couple that have been dating for two years, Babcock and Stortz arrive in Carroll as a journalism team. They succeed former Times Herald crime and courts reporter Jared Strong and editor Rebecca McKinsey, whose last day at the Times Herald will be this Friday.

Babcock, who grew up in Panorama and graduated from Panorama High School, went on to major in journalism and mass communication at Iowa State University before joining the Marshalltown newspaper.

A son of Jody Babcock, an accounting manager at Delta Dental of Iowa in Urbandale, and Gary Babcock, a retired member of the United States Air Force who currently is

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Trevor Babcock



Sarah Stortz

## HEALTH CARE

### New physician Murray appreciates St. Anthony culture

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One of the newest physicians at St. Anthony Clinic did her research before moving to Carroll.



Jill Murray

Family medician doctor Jill Murray started working at St. Anthony in October. She moved to Carroll from Nebraska in July with her husband, Trace Murray, a

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