

‘Develop and Dive into Dower Lake’

Staples Motley Area Community Foundation announces ‘Big Idea’

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

The Staples Motley Area Community Foundation (SMACF) has chosen to focus on beach improvements at the Dower Lake Recreation Area as their “Big Idea.”

Last winter the foundation asked the public for ideas of projects, to partially or completely fund, that meet their mission statement of developing and strengthening community resources and enhancing the quality of life of individuals, families and organizations in the Staples and Motley area.

Nearly 70 ideas were received. A committee reviewed the projects. Some were referred to the foundation’s regular semi-annual granting program and have already been funded. A number of others have been researched by the committee and the Dower Lake project was chosen.

The project has four components:

- Double the swim-

ming area and define it by adding a second dock;

- Adding new sand for the beach and landscaping adjoining areas for grass;
- Adding two or three shade structures; and
- Connecting the dock, pavillion, shade structures, restrooms and parking lot with ADA compliant walkways.

The goal is to have everything completed by early spring 2019 for next summer’s use. They have been working with the City of Staples Parks and Recreation Director Tricia Jasmer.

The committee is still researching the specifics, but expects the project will

cost about \$40,000, according to Mike Gold, committee chair.

One item still under discussion is exactly what type of shade structures will be chosen.

The committee has chosen the theme “Develop and Dive into Dower Lake: Donate for Restoration.”

Fundraising efforts will kick off at the SMACF Little Red Caboose Variety Show next Thursday, Aug. 23, during Railroad Days in Staples. All proceeds from the show will be designated to the project.

A recognition program is being developed for all

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Before and after views of beach area

The photo above is the current Dower Lake Recreation Area beach. The image below is a rendering of what the area could look like when the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation completes its “Develop and Dive into Dower Lake: Donate for Restoration” project. The foundation plans to double the beach area and add landscaping, add shade structures and create ADA compliant connecting pathways. (Photo and rendering courtesy of Matthew Breiter Photography)



Candidates filing fill local races

Staples and Motley area residents will have choices for the Staples-Motley School Board seats and one of the Motley City Council seats. The Staples City Council exactly matched the number of candidates with seats available.

The candidates for local office will be on the ballot for the Tuesday, Nov. 6 general election.

Robert Follis will join the three incumbents on the ballot for the Staples-Motley School Board election. The incumbents are Brad Anderson, Mary Freeman and Bruce Lund. The three highest vote earners will take the three open seats.

In the Motley City Council race Georgia Follis is challenging Pat O’Regan for the remaining two years of the seat vacated by Nate Douglas. O’Regan was appointed to fill the seat until the November election. Mayor Al Yoder and council members Amy Hutchison and Jace Carlson all filed for their open seats.

For Staples City Council, Mayor Chris Etzler re-filed for his seat with no opposition candidate. The three open council seats have three filers: incumbents Ron Murray and Roy Miles, plus Thomas Toepper. Brian Fisher has chosen not to run again.

Hello, Readers,

World Honey Bee Day, previously known as Honey Bee Awareness Day, is Aug. 18. It is an idea put together by beekeepers in the USA, who petitioned the USDA in 2009 for an official day to honor honey bees and beekeeping. A few years down the line, people across the globe are holding a date of observation every year. Honey Bee awareness enthusiasts will likely put a bee in your bonnet and say this is not so much a day to celebrate honey bees, as it is to promote their involvement in sustainable farming. On this day, bee lovers everywhere decorate their gardens with lavender, borage and marjoram, the bee’s knees in pollinator lures.

Obituaries

Clarence Blahosky
Donald Carry
Michael Emery
Kenneth Jares
Mary Johnson
Shirley Johnson
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Polling pads at the primary

Wadena County polling places used their polling pads for the first time at the Primary Election Aug. 14. Instead of the large books containing all the registered voters, the election judges used tablets that had the information already entered. Voters gave the first three initials of their last name, the first three initials of their first name, their date of birth and their address. The judge verified the information and printed out a form for the voter to sign, similar to a credit card receipt. This was the oath signed by the

voter and kept by the judge in place of the signature in the registration book. At the Wadena County portion of the City of Staples the judges were Mary Jo Hofer, foreground, and Bev Nelsen, also seated. In the background were Sandy Foote, left, and Darlene Rollins, who were also working at the polling place in the Staples Community Center. See local results of the primary in next week’s Staples World. (Staples World photo by Brenda Halvorson)

By Karin L. Nauber
Todd County reporter

On a split vote and after a lengthy discussion

Todd County adds a full time deputy recorder

at their Aug. 7 meeting, Todd County Commissioners approved adding a full-time deputy recorder position. Chairman Randy Neumann and Commissioner Barb Becker voted no.

County Recorder Cheryl Perish said that more duties are being added to the recorder and registrar’s office in connection with Enhanced and Real ID requirements within the Driver’s License Division.

“In order to handle those additional duties, to keep the other divisions within the office currently meeting their deadlines and to continue to provide good customer service, there is a need to add additional staff,” she said.

The current staff level is recorder, chief deputy, deputy and a shared generalist.

Perish said the 2019 budget includes this position for 4.5 positions. They

are at 3.5 now.

Commissioners wondered whether this position needed to be full-time in 2019 and that there were too many unknowns with this action.

Neumann said it should be a part-time position. He said that Linda Daoust, who is running for Perish’s position because Perish is planning to retire at the end of the year, could come to the board later if they needed this position to be full-time.

Perish said she didn’t know if it needed to be full-time, either.

“I don’t know how long it will take to do the new driver’s licenses,” she said.

She added that many people in the real estate world aren’t going to apply for a part-time position.

Becker said that the request was to add another full-time employee, not

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Wadena County seeks information on hit and run

Wadena County Sheriff’s Office is asking for the public’s assistance in locating a suspect involved in a hit and run ATV accident that took place during the evening of Aug. 13, 2018, around 8:50 p.m. The female victim had been struck by the ATV in Section 27 of Thomastown Township.

The female’s boyfriend had stopped the driver of the ATV to speak with him about speeding on the gravel road. When the female approached, near the front of the ATV, the driver gunned the throttle hitting the female in the shin area on her right leg, knocking her to the ground and fled from the scene north bound on 261st Ave.

The ATV/driver, we believe, entered the city of Staples on 12th St. NE.

The ATV was described by witnesses as a racing style four wheeler, loud exhaust, white with red fenders. The male driver is described as white, 25-30 years of age, brown hair with a goatee.

The female victim was transported by Staples Ambulance to Lakewood Health System with minor injuries.

The Wadena County Sheriff’s Office was assisted on scene by the Staples Police Department and Staples Ambulance.

If you have any information on the suspect driver, we ask that you call the Wadena County Sheriff’s Office at 218-631-7600.



Planning to expand Dower Lake beach

From left, drone photographer Matthew Breiter, Staples Parks and Recreation Director Tricia Jasmer and Mike Gold of the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation check out the Dower Lake beach on Aug. 8. The beach expansion is planned to take place in the area behind them with the tall reeds. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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*Donations can be designated
for specific elements of project*

donations, but the committee is also seeking sponsors for specific items. For instance, a business, organization or individual could choose to totally fund one of the shade structures and have their name put on that structure, or the cost could be shared between two or more people or businesses.

In kind donations will also be accepted.
Members of the com-

mittee are available for presentations to clubs and organizations or for personal visits. Committee members are listed on the foundation's website at staplesmotleyfoundation.org.

For more information about the project or the donation options, contact Gold at 218-296-2355 or stapleswireless@arvig.net; or Chris Trout at chris.trout@isd2170.k12.mn.us.

Donations will be

accepted at the Variety Show Aug. 23. They can be mailed to Staples Motley Area Community Foundation, P.O. Box 101, Staples, MN 56479; dropped off at the Staples World, 224 4th St. NE, Staples; or online with a credit card at staplesmotleyfoundation.org.

All donations to the foundation will be for the Dower Lake project unless the donor specifies something different.

Staples Area Farmer's Market adding a day

Fans of fresh produce, meat and eggs, as well as baked and canned goods, will have the opportunity to stop by the Staples Area Farmer's Market (SAFM) two times a week starting the week of Railroad Days.

The market is currently open on Thursdays from 2 - 5:30 p.m., at Lakewood Health System Hospital parking lot in Staples. It will run through Oct. 11 at that location.

Starting Aug. 22, the market will also be open on Wednesdays, from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. The second location will be at the old Ernie's Grocery Store parking lot between 5th and 6th St. NE on Hwy 10 in Staples. The Wednesday market will run through Sept. 26.

The SAFM has been going well so far this summer, according to market manager Britney Bursch. Business has been

steady on Thursdays and they will see how things go as to whether the Wednesday date and location will continue next year.

"We typically have around nine vendors," Bursch said, adding that they are adding the Wednesday market to help those unable to attend the one on Thursday.

There is a lot to choose from at the SAFM. "I like that we have a variety of options...from meat, maple syrup, local honey, baked goods and of course, vegetables and fruit," Bursch said.

For more information about the Staples Area Farmer's Market, visit their website at www.staplesareafarmersmarket.com or find them on Facebook.



An afternoon at the market

Above: Bobbe and Brad Anderson of Staples chatted with Perry Cuperus (far right) at the Staples Area Farmer's Market Aug. 9. Cuperus, of Sebek, sells farm fresh eggs at the market. Lower photo: Pat Morse of Staples, far right, purchases fresh tomatoes from vendor Deb Erickson of Clarissa. Also pictured are Karen Carpenter and Walker Johnson, both of Staples. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Lions and brats... oh my!



Staples Host Lions Frank Leidenfrost (far right) and Mike Gold served brats to Avron and Evelyn Snabb of Staples at the farmer's market Aug. 9. The first 100 customers at the Staples Area Farmer's Market that day received a free brat, compliments of Lakewood Health System. The brats were made at Ernie's Food Market in Staples. *The Staples Host Lions will once again serve free brats at the opening of the Wednesday market on Aug. 22, from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Wednesday market will be held in the old Ernie's parking lot in Staples.*



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Thurs 8am-4pm, Fri 8am-4pm, Sat 8am-12pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH

Trinity Lutheran Pancake & Sausage Breakfast 8 - 10:30am

Kinship 5k RR Days Dash 8am
Alliance Church start and finish

Vendor Sale 9am - 4pm

Car Show at Elementary School 9am - 2pm
Hosted by Staples Motley Area Women of Today

CT Pedal Pulls 10am Registration 11 am Pull

Kids Inflatables & Carnival Games 10am - 3pm

Bean Bag Tournament (Lefty's) 10am - 2pm

Penny Auction 10am - 2pm
Announce winner at 3pm

Beer Garden 11am 6pm
SM Chamber of Commerce

Chilli Cook Off Noon

Staples Sings Contest 2pm

Quilt Show 10am - 2pm
Quilt Club at United Methodist Church

"VanGogh and Me" Play 3pm & 7pm
Centennial Auditorium

Parade 5pm

Corn Feed After Parade
at Alliance Church (Free)

Street Dance 8:30pm - 12:30am
Featuring Cherry Gun FREE Admission

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST

Farmer's Market (Staples) 11:30am - 2pm
Old Ernie's Parking Lot

Sisters with Sass 6pm
Timberlake Hotel Café

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23RD

Golf Classic Tournament
LHS Vintage Golf Course

Variety Show (Little Red Caboose) 7pm
Centennial Auditorium

50th Anniversary Legacy Dinners 5:30 - 9pm
CLC Main Campus Commons

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24TH

Pork Rib Fest - Jon's Foods 11 - 2pm

Field Day 9am - 2:30pm
CLC Living Legacy Gardens

Holst Acres Laser Tag 4 - 9pm
(Sat 12-4 & 6-9, Sun 12-4)

Classic Car Show - Twisted Sisters 4 - 8pm

Airport Fireworks 9:30pm

For more information contact Britney Bursch at 218-296-0238

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4. Destruction of any property is not necessary and will not be allowed.
5. Anyone can participate in the hunt except: Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union employees, volunteers and their families.
6. The finder of the medallion wins \$500.00 to be presented on Saturday, August 25th at the Railroad Days Parade.
7. There will be a maximum of five clues. They will be posted daily by 9:00 a.m. on Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union's website at www.mmfcu.org OR can be picked up at Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union's Staples Branch. Clues will not be given over the phone.
8. The Finder of the medallion must present the medallion to staff at Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union during business hours for verification of the medallion.
9. If the medallion is not turned in by Friday, August 24th at 5:00 p.m., Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union reserves the right to terminate the hunt and turn prize money over to charity.



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Bringing Sass to Staples

Sisters with Sass leadership team, from left, Rachel Johnson, Britney Bursch, Lexi Johnson, Mandi Hanson and Kylie Fix. (Submitted photo)

Sisters with Sass empower women

Learn more at Sassy Social Hour Aug. 22

By Mark Anderson, News Editor

Sisters with Sass is a new mentoring program to help girls and women start a career or advance their careers. Founder Rachel Johnson said they will hold sessions for students at Staples-Motley High School, Central Lakes College and Freshwater Alternative Learning Center in Staples. There will also be opportunities for all women to network and develop the tools they need to succeed in the workforce.

A chance to learn about Sisters with Sass will be Wednesday, Aug. 22, any time between 6-8:30 p.m. when the public is invited to Sassy Social Hour at the Timberlake Hotel Cafe, in the main hotel building. Another opportunity to connect will be the photo booth Johnson will set up downtown during Railroad Days, on Saturday, Aug. 25.

The Railroad Days activities are for women to get connected. There is no commitment required, said Johnson. She also said men are welcome to attend Sisters With Sass functions, although the content is geared towards women.

Johnson plans to start in full force in September with meetings at the high school. She is asking any girls interested to come to the first meeting, which will focus on soft skills such as communication and teamwork within job skills. She has scheduled Britney Bursch, Staples Motley Chamber of Commerce Director, to talk about business opportunities for women and the skills needed to get into those positions.

"In our area, a lot of women stay here after high school and look for work," said Johnson. "Many times they need one or two years of college but don't know how to accomplish that."

For the next month, Johnson has asked Kelly Peterson of Acorn Hills to talk about the health care realm and unique opportunities within health care. Later months will explore wide-ranging topics such as politics and the importance of voting, and the success women have had in the military, during November for Veterans Day. The group will explore nursing careers and also some non-traditional careers for women such as robotics and information technology (IT).

Carlisle to lead Todd-Wadena cooperative

Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative (TWEC) Board of Directors announced Daniel Carlisle has accepted the position as President/Chief Executive Officer and Legal Counsel. Carlisle, who currently serves as an attorney for Pemberton Law Office, will succeed current President/CEO Robin Doege, in October.

"Dan is a long-time member of our community, understands our culture at Todd-Wadena, has great communication skills, vast knowledge of our industry and will be a great leader in our rapidly changing world," said Mike Thorson, TWEC Board Chair

After working with Cindy Schue of Great River Energy's Human Resources department, the board developed a profile of what they wanted in a leader. The board unanimously decided to hire Carlisle. Carlisle has served as TWEC's legal counsel for over eight years.

"I'm extremely humbled and proud of the opportunity to lead this organization into the future. Outgoing CEO, Robin Doege, and the staff at TWEC have created a solid team that's proven how to best serve our membership's interests," said Carlisle. "I look forward to continuing the mission to responsibly deliver energy



Daniel Carlisle

and provide great value to our members."

Carlisle received his

undergraduate degree in Public Administration from the University of North Dakota and his Juris Doctor degree from the University of North Dakota School of Law.

Carlisle and his wife, Jeannie, raised their two children in Wadena.

Carlisle has practiced law in Wadena for 30 years. Much of Carlisle's career has been spent representing rural electric cooperatives on a variety of issues and in serving as legal counsel to the Minnesota Rural Electric Association (MREA).

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Jared Waln to headline Little Red Caboose Variety Show Aug. 23

Jared Waln, a classical and jazz guitarist with cousins, grandparents, aunts and uncles from Staples, will be this year's headliner for the sixth Little Red Caboose Variety Show to be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 23, at the Centennial Auditorium in Staples.

Waln is a highly acclaimed guitarist who has performed throughout the U.S. Recent notable performances include Mozart's Don Giovanni with the South Dakota Symphony Orchestra, George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess with the La Crosse Symphony and Joaquin Rodrigo's Concierto de Guitar feature with Iowa State University. He has also appeared in classical and jazz performances at the University of Minnesota, University of St. Thomas, St. Olaf University, Shubert Club and Jazz Central Studios and many other college and theatre settings throughout Minnesota.

The Master of Ceremonies for this year's show will be Brian Moon, host of Brainerd Outdoors, a popular show about hunting, fishing and all things outdoors that can be heard throughout Central Minnesota. Moon is a graduate of Central Lakes College and has been the host of Brainerd Outdoors since 2004. He can also be heard on KLIZ -FM (The Power Loon) every weekday afternoon. Moon has been a radio host since 1996.

This year's show will feature a few veteran performers and many new acts seen for the first time on stage. One of the acts



Jared Waln



Brian Moon

will be a Staples Dance Team that just won three national awards, including Platinum, at a national event held in the Wisconsin Dells. The team, under the direction of Kristin Goddard, will dazzle the

auditorium with their precision performance.

Tickets may be purchased at the Staples Dairy Queen, First International Bank and Trust, Longbella Drug, Staples True Value and the Staples World.

Reprints of Staples World photos are available for purchase online

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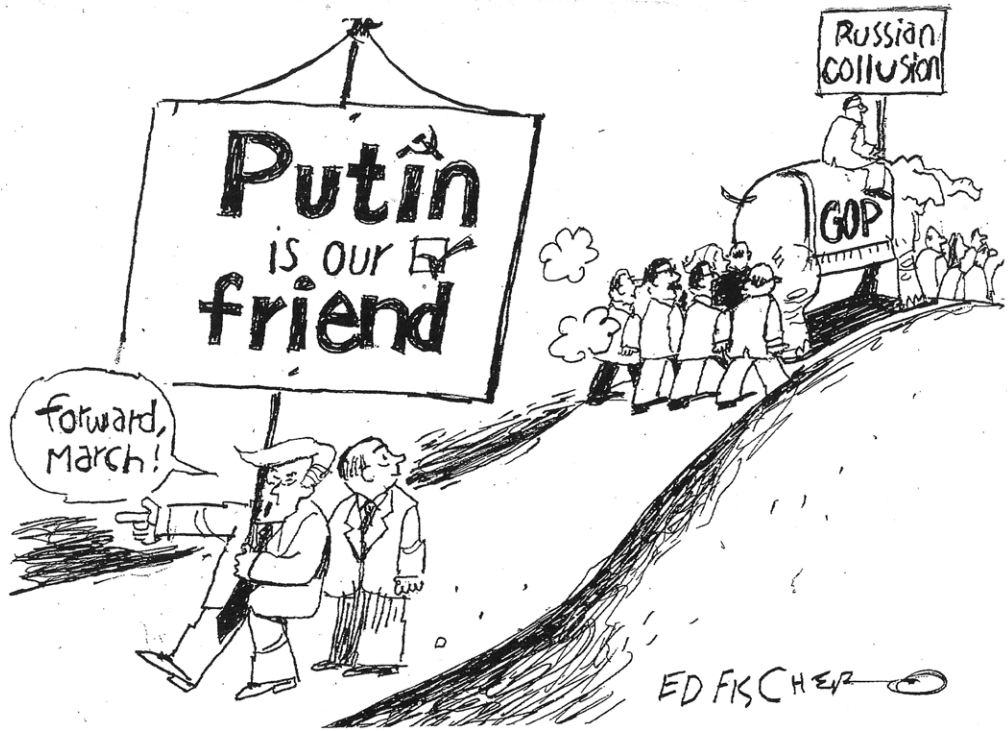
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12:00 - 1:30 Complimentary Lunch and Lunch Program • Greetings from Minnesota State Chancellor Devinder Malhotra • Vendors will be on hand to visit with and answer questions	1:30 - 2:00 Drone Flight Demo  1:30 - 2:00 Wine Tasting 1:30 - 3:00 Palmer Amaranth Workshop Drone Scouting and Noxious weed Identification 1:30 - 4:30 Forage Council Bus Tour Grand View Ranch • Managed grazing • Frost seeding • Pasture infrastructure • Custom grazing	1:30 Living Legacy Gardens Tour with Pie & Ice Cream 1:30 - 3:00 Apple Workshop • Presented by Thaddeus McCamant • Late summer budding & grafting of fruit trees • Apple & Plum diseases of MN 1:45 History of 50 years of Ag Center (20 minute presentation)

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This is not fake news

By Korrie Wenzel
Grand Forks Herald

Nicole Haffely of Hillsboro will be inducted into a bowling hall of fame later this year. We know this because she was featured in a front-page feature story in the Hillsboro Banner.

In Mayville, the Riverwood Addition development site is nearly sold out as more people build homes there. That news was on the front page of the Traill County Tribune.

The Devils Lake Journal noted that the local Sons of Norway lodge recently won a statewide award, and the Walsh County Press reported that Park River is the first city to receive the state's Vision Zero Community Designation.

The Benson County Farmers Press wrote of Minnewaukan native Brian Anderson, who has been named to a hall of fame after 44 years of coaching.

These stories appeared last week on the front pages of North Dakota newspapers, the chroniclers of history in the communities they serve. For decades, they have informed, celebrated and lamented the good and bad of the schools, the governments and the people in their coverage area.

And these are the enemy of the people? This is fake

news? Of course not.

Yet in one way or another all journalists are being tossed into the anti-media waters being chummed by President Trump and others.

We do not write today to choose sides on the right or left of national politics, nor is this an attack on the president's policies. We agree with some and disagree with others.

Instead, we write today on behalf of the North Dakota Newspaper Association in defense of an attack that was not started by any of the 89 newspapers in North Dakota.

We join newspapers from across the nation who this week are using their editorial pages to stand united in their defense of our profession.

We were at President Trump's June 27 rally in Fargo when he, throughout the course of an hour, taunted the media seven times, inciting jeers from the audience.

This month at a rally in Pennsylvania, he pointed at reporters and called them "horrible, horrendous people. They can make anything bad, because they are fake, fake disgusting news," he said.

During a speech at a VFW event in Missouri, the president said that what Americans are reading "is

not really happening."

Even the VFW winced, saying it was "disappointed to hear some of our members boo the press. We rely on the media to help spread the VFW's message. ... We were happy to have them there."

Yet some people believe the president and, unfortunately, the ugly rhetoric is sifting downward, settling even on small newspapers out here on the North Dakota prairie.

Yes, even in North Dakota, newspapers are being called "fake news" by candidates, public servants and the people we cover. They do this because they see it happening on TV, and they do it as they try to create their own smoke-screens in the face of news coverage they see as critical of themselves or their political beliefs.

Do not fall for it. Newspapers are the first to admit they are not perfect, but on all levels we are serious about what we see as our core roles: documenting the daily and weekly history of our towns and serving as watchdogs to protect the public's interest.

Newspapers are doing this in Grand Forks, Hankinson, Hettinger, Crosby and everywhere in between.

And this, readers, is not fake news.

Newspaper works for the people who use it

The primary objectives of a weekly newspaper are to, first, tell the stories of the people in a community and, second, keep them informed on important issues in the area. In every story we write, we take the perspective of the general public and try to satisfy their need for local news the best we can.

That is why it is such a shock to a small town newspaper to hear our White House insist that "the media is the enemy of the people," because we live the exact opposite reality: our business model is built on being a champion for the people. If we ever strayed from that model our newspaper would collapse quickly.

This week, the Boston Globe is banding together editorial writers across the country to help protect the Constitutional rights of the press and to talk about the role of the newspaper. These are my thoughts on the subject.

National media might have a slightly different model than our weekly newspaper, where they pay attention to ratings and the whims of their owners, which leads to more salacious banter because it sells better than exploration of the most important issues. But as far as the hard news goes, if they put out anything false, it will be caught quickly. Media can't hide their stories, everything they produce is put out for the public to see. If anyone wants to know what our newspaper people have been up to, it is right there for the public to see every single week.

A July, 2018 National Newspaper Association survey found 90 percent of readers say their community newspaper keeps them informed. The inverse could also be true: if you don't read the newspaper, you are not as informed as you could be. One recent example is the narrative going around about people who are uninformed on the school's building plans. The people who read the newspaper don't have that complaint, they are caught up to the very latest developments. Those who lament they don't know about it must not be trying, because the information is right here

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Small town diet



By Mark Anderson
Editor
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every time there is a public meeting about it.

The school is trying to build their online presence and steer the community conversations in regard to the building project. That is a great idea, but social media also comes with pitfalls. There will be negative comments and untruthful information that will take over online conversations. The newspaper acts as a gatekeeper to filter out false information from either side of an issue. We won't print an opinion unless we quote who is saying it, so the reader has the context of where the statement originates.

The Staples World has professional writers who produce multiple local stories weekly. Some of the same information can be found on social media, but there it may not have the context, or the names of the people involved, or is missing insightful quotes and facts.

Another advantage of the Staples World is that it is entirely local and is supported by advertisements from local businesses. None of the money generated by Facebook and Twitter goes back to the local economy, while almost all of the newspaper money comes from and goes to the local area. By ignoring the newspaper and concentrating on social media, people are supporting national corporations that mine your data to sell you products and promotions, and send you fake news.

We don't do data mining, but we do get feedback every time we go to the coffee shop or grocery store, or any of the hundreds of community events we attend each year. Whether it is praise or criticism, we appreciate feedback because it is the best way to keep this cycle of community information going. We rely on our readers to give us story ideas and tell us what is going on in the area.

Strong communities have strong local media. I have seen the alternatives, and the local newspaper is still the best way for a community to participate together in a shared platform to build the community conversation in a safe and civil manner.

Newspaper tariffs are hurting small towns

By Andrew Johnson
Publisher of the Dodge County (WI) Pioneer and Incoming President, National Newspaper Association

It isn't that easy to drop everything in the middle of the week and fly to Washington. If you're a community newspaper publisher, going anywhere in the middle of the week is a challenge. That is when the newspaper has to be edited, wrapped up in color, printed, labeled and distributed to readers.

People in Mayville, WI, where I publish the Dodge County Pioneer, count on my paper. It is how they find out what is happening in town. We don't have a local TV station. Facebook and Google are here, but the internet has no journalists in my town.

That is why I did drop everything one day in July, and flew to the nation's capital to testify before the International Trade Commission. It probably surprised my readers that international trade is im-

portant to my little weekly newspaper. But it is. In fact, this commission holds in its hands the future of local journalism in Mayville. It holds the same reins for the future of news and information in thousands of small towns across the U.S. I went to ask the commissioners to stop taxing our paper. This tax is hurting the Pioneer, its readers and Mayville.

The paper we print on is newsprint, known in the industry as uncoated groundwood paper. Most of it comes from Canada. Although there are five paper mills in the U.S. that make this paper, American newspapers have also used Canadian paper for more than a century. It simply isn't possible in the continental U.S. to make enough newsprint to supply the needs of U.S. newspaper readers.

Last January, the Department of Commerce slapped a tax, better known as a tariff, on this Canadian paper, and then hit it again in March. The government was responding to a lawsuit by a single paper mill, owned by a New York investment firm, alleging that the Canadian competition was affecting its profits. The ITC allowed the tax to stay in place while it investigates. For much of this year, American publishers have been receiving continual price increases from their printers, who have been trying all year to adjust to tariffs of more

than 30 percent on the paper they use to print our editions. In early August, the federal government said the tariffs could be lowered somewhat in September, but they still would be about 20 percent. This newsprint price increase is very hard for small town newspapers to absorb.

It is the ITC that ultimately decides whether these tariffs will continue at all. Its job is to figure out whether tariffs would help U.S. producers. U.S. producers, the five U.S. mills, certainly face challenges, but those come from the fact that most large newspapers have dramatically cut back on paper usage. There is less demand for newsprint in the U.S. so lower prices have resulted. It is not unfair competition, but natural market forces, as digital editions take over the larger newspaper world. That affects the papermakers. A tariff to punish Canada won't create more U.S. papermaking jobs. Larger publications will move faster to digital so they can buy less paper. Smaller ones like mine will simply shrink and may go away entirely, leaving their towns with no local paper. This tariff just hurts the Pioneer, and newspapers like it.

The ITC will accept comments on this tax until Aug. 20. If you want to let the commissioners know what you think, you can find a contact form at www.usitc.gov.

Letter to the Editor

Misleading school board news

I have read the article pertaining to the FJJ contract with the Staples-Motley school board. (Staples World, news article "School building project hits a snag," Aug. 9, 2018)

First of all, let's set the record straight. I did not tell Greg Frisk that I resigned on account of the FJJ contract, nor did I tell superintendent Ron Bratlie, like he claimed in our telephone conversations. I reported this matter to Mr. Bratlie shortly after he was hired by the school board. I

also refreshed his memory again a couple of weeks ago on what happened.

I noticed that nobody on the board mentioned how it got signed, like when, where and by whom. It seems to me that the majority of the school board members seemed nervous and unsure if anyone wants to still do business with them.

"Mediation." What? Don't they want the people to know the truth? Go to court, I'll testify. I think the taxpayers deserve the truth.

"Elephant in the room." If I had to guess, Frisk was referring to Freeman. Why didn't Mary Freeman

come forward and tell the board that she signed the contract with FJJ and how she went about signing it and the timeline of it? I think Mary Freeman has a lot of explaining to do, and so do a few other board members. Stuff like this is like another day at the office.

"If you don't read the paper you are uninformed and if you read the paper you are misinformed."

Dave Hoemberg
Motley, Minn.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The final quote is usually attributed to Mark Twain.

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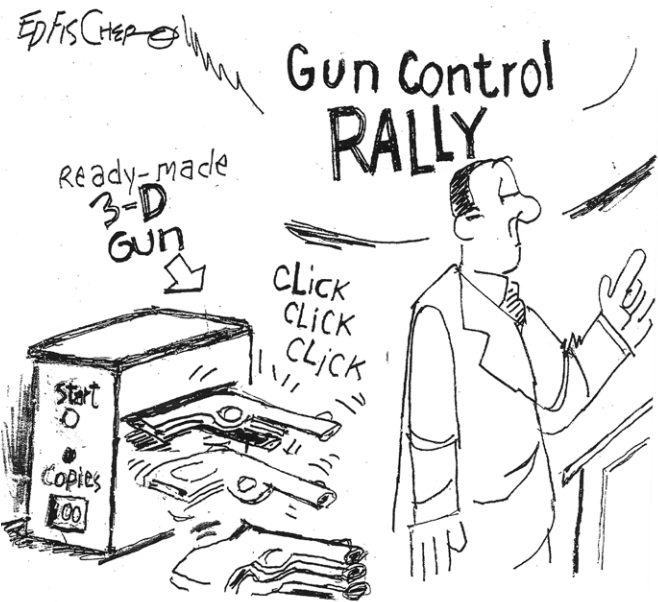
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Men's Chorus in action

At a special show at the Timbers Event Center, the Men's Chorus performed "Get Me to the Church on Time" from "My Fair Lady." This is just one example of music performed by the chorus.

To join the fun, attend the New Member Night picnic Wednesday, Aug. 29, at 5:30 p.m. at Pine Grove Park. (Staples World file photo)

Men's Chorus begins its 48th season

Do you want to be a part of something BIG? Something important to the community? Something that will get you out of the house on Wednesday evening and have a great time?

The Staples Area Men's Chorus welcomes you to their 2018-19 season. The chorus will be celebrating their 48th year together and will see the return of Steven Hoemberg, Jr., as their artistic director, accompanied by Sandy Paskewitz. Nathan Thelen will be making his debut as assistant director, helping with chorus music selection and direction.

The Staples Area Men's Chorus is comprised of male voices of all ages, teens to retirees and all walks of life; students, teachers, farmers, machinists and even a couple of musicians. The chorus has members from Staples, Brainerd, Pillager, Vernadale, Wadena, Browerville, Eagle Bend, Clarissa, Long Prairie, Grey Eagle, Sebeka, Lincoln, Leader and more.

The chorus invites all males who like to sing and enjoy fellowship with about 40 other men in song to attend the annual New Members Night Picnic at Pine Grove Park. Come as you are, meet the members,

enjoy a dinner on the chorus and learn about what the chorus season will be like.

Absolutely no obligation comes with this evening of picnic and song. The dinner will be on Wednesday Aug. 29, at Pine Grove Park, with a 5:30 p.m. social hour followed by dinner and song.

Our official practices will begin on Sept. 5, at 8:30 p.m. in the Staples-Motley Choir Room.

"Our New Member Night Picnic and our first practice are no-strings-attached trials and are meant to provide a relaxed environment where men with even the slightest interest can experience what a rehearsal is like," said Steve Hoemberg, returning director of the group. "Although we hope they will stay, if they decide it's not for them nobody will hassle them if they don't come back."

If you are interested in giving this a try, come to both or either of these events and enjoy. Rehearsals are always at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, but on Sept. 5 men are encouraged to come around 8 p.m. to socialize and get some music in order prior to rehearsal.

In general, rehearsals are most Wednesdays, Sept. - May, from 8:30-10 p.m. If

you have any questions regarding membership, call Steve Hoemberg at 218-296-1977.

The 48th season of the Staples Area Men's Chorus (SAMC) is shaping up to be another exciting one. This year we will be expanding our reach and will be performing in Brainerd, Sauk Centre, Wadena and Staples.

A new concert for this year is being added to the schedule, a local mini-sing with three guest choruses of the Associated Choral Directors of America. Jamestown Choralaiers, SW Minnesota Men's Chorus Singers and Grand Rapids Area Chorus are joining the Staples Area Chorus in a joint concert.

This new concert will be performed on April 27, 2019 at The Wadena Memorial Auditorium, which was recently renovated back to its beautiful, original 1934 motif/décor, including the Native American design art-deco painting proscenium, walls and lobby ceilings.

To find more information regarding tickets, concert schedules and/or to hear a sample of their singing, visit the Staples Area Men's Chorus online at www.staplesmen.org.

School board agenda

The Staples-Motley School Board will meet Monday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. in the Staples-Motley High School media center.

Agenda items include:
• Opportunity for parents to discuss technology and the Internet Safety Policy during the school/community forum.

• Financial items include approval of financial report, permission to seek bids for two cars and one mini-bus with lift that are no longer in service and permission to seek bids for two detached storage buildings on the former Twin City Optical site.

• Personnel items include accepting the resignation of Kaycia Ellingsen, school readiness and of Bea Meech, high school custodian; and approving a contract for Isaac Novak, physical education/health.

Other items include reports from the principals, superintendent, SMEA and school board committees.



'Boiling Point' in concert

Christian rock band Boiling Point will perform a free concert at Motley United Methodist Church on Friday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. All are welcome. Food will be available for sale prior to the concert starting at 5:30 p.m. The Minneapolis band has performed throughout the United States, sharing their music at churches, youth camps, retreats and Christian festivals including Sonshine. The band is known for their solid rock sound, real lyrics and positive message. Pictured, from left, are band members Taylor Wilson, Eric Bjorklund, Scott Bjorklund, Jon Canfield. Online information can be found at www.boilingpointband.com. For more information call 218-352-6466. (Submitted photo)

Princess Kay of the Milky Way fan bus

In support of Rebekka Paskewitz

There will be a charter bus going to the "Princess Kay of the Milky Way" coronation held at the Minnesota State Fair on Wednesday, Aug. 22.

The fan bus is in support of Rebekka Paskewitz, of Staples, a finalist in the Dairy Princess contest.

The bus will leave for the coronation on Aug. 22, from the Staples Commu-

nity Center at 4 p.m. with pickups in Long Prairie and St. Cloud. The coronation ceremony is at 8 p.m.

For cost and to reserve your spot call Tiffany Hulinisky at 320-201-0032 by Monday, Aug. 20.

Dairy Princess Rebekka will be participating in interviews and competition at the state fair the days prior to coronation.

Mark Your Calendar

August 22

MEDICAL HOME PATIENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MTG Wed., Aug. 22, 2 - 3 p.m., Lakewood Health System, main campus, lower level classrooms, Staples. All Lakewood patients welcome. For info., to RSVP by Aug. 20, call 218-894-8311 or email loiswalters@lakewoodhealthsystem.com.

Minnesota Sings! Staples Sings!

Contest for amateur singers ages 15-25.
2 p.m., Aug. 25
Downtown Staples

Railroad Days

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Bus to the state fair

Senior Citizen's Day at the Minnesota State Fair is Thursday, Aug. 30. The Todd County Council on Aging is sponsoring a bus for that day.

Riders do not need to be a senior citizen to ride the bus and anyone, any age, is welcome to ride along.

The bus leaves from each of the pick up sites:

4:45 a.m. - Motley
5 a.m. - Staples
5:10 a.m. - Hewitt
5:20 a.m. - Bertha
5:30 a.m. - Eagle Bend
5:40 a.m. - Clarissa
5:50 a.m. - Browerville
6 a.m. - Long Prairie
6:10 a.m. - Grey Eagle

To register or for more information you may contact: Elsie Gustafson; 320-304-0135, Florence Rickbeil; 218-756-3002 or Jodi Dixon; 320-732-2282.

If you are unable to attend, it's your responsibility to transfer your ticket to another person. No refunds will be made.

Charter bus to state fair

Plans are underway to secure a charter bus from Northwestern Transit Authority in Motley for anyone interested in attending the Minnesota State Fair on Monday, Aug. 27.

The bus would leave Motley at 8 a.m. and return around 8 p.m.

For more information, call Bonnie Zimmerman at 218-894-3024 or text 218-296-1279.



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SHS Class of '55 reunion

The Staples High School Class of 1955 will hold a get-together on Friday, Aug. 24, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., at BRICKS in Motley.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:

Born to Kara and Reid Olson of Hewitt, a baby boy, Connor Ivar, weighing seven pounds, one ounce, on August 3, 2018.

Born to Brook Dudley and Jacob Harty of Motley, a baby boy, Clayton Anthony, weighing six pounds, 9.5 ounces, on August 3, 2018.

Born to Elizabeth and Michael Quance of Bertha, a baby girl, Edith Jean Louise, weighing seven pounds, nine ounces, on August 5, 2018.

Born to Michelle and Jordan Spychalla of Brainerd, a baby boy, Huck Geno, weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces on August 6, 2018.

Born to Kayla and Drew Yungbauer of Staples, a baby girl, LuElla Kay, weighing six pounds, nine ounces, on August 6, 2018.

Born to Kandance and Aaron of Pillager, a baby girl, Aubree Hazel, weighing eight pounds on August 7, 2018.

Born to Chelsea and Christian Ornelas of Baxter, a baby boy, Tiano William, weighing seven pounds, five ounces, on August 7, 2018.

Why Breastfeed?

Todd County Health & Human Services' WIC Program encourages all moms to breastfeed when possible. Breastfeeding is the best, most nurturing way of feeding your new baby, something special you can do for your child and you.

Why breastfeeding is healthy for babies:

- Breast milk is the perfect food for babies.
- Breast milk is easy to digest.
- Breastfed babies are healthier and have fewer infections and illnesses.
- Breastfeeding helps your baby's eyes and brain develop.

Why breastfeeding is good for mom:

- Breastfeeding helps moms lose weight and get back into shape.
- Breastfeeding has

health benefits like lowering the risk of ovarian cancer, breast cancer and osteoporosis.

- Breastfeeding is great for mother-baby bonding.
- Moms and babies enjoy breastfeeding.

Why breastfeeding helps families:

- Breastfeeding saves money; no formula or bottle costs, fewer doctor bills and medication costs.
- Breastfeeding saves time. No messy bottles to fix at night, so everyone sleeps better.
- Breastfed babies are easy to take on trips. Just grab the diapers and go!

If you have questions regarding breastfeeding, please contact Todd County Health and Human Services' WIC program at 320-732-4456.

Senior Schedule

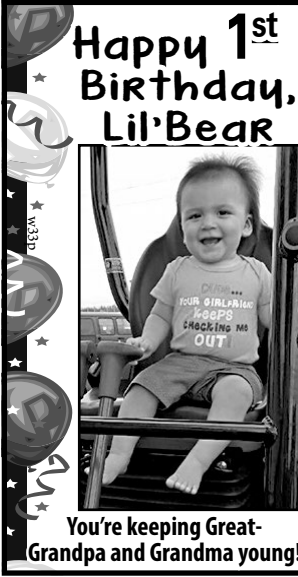
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Free legal aid from St. Cloud, Thurs., Sept 6, 1:30 -

3:00 p.m. Call 218-894-2553 to make an appointment.

Senior Citizen Board Meeting Mon., Sept 10, 10:00 a.m.

Birthday and Anniversary Party Tues., Sept 11, 11:00 a.m. for members celebrating in August and September.

Weds., Sept. 12 at 11:00 a.m. Gary Johnson, Better Business Bureau, will speak at the Community Center about scams and fraud. Everyone welcome.



Happy 1st Birthday, Lil' Bear

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Stop to Visit & Check Out What's New!

John Resch

John (Jack) Resch, 74, of Motley passed away August 4, 2018, at Lakewood Health System Care Center, Staples.

Services will be held Monday, August 20 at 11 a.m. at the Motley Free Methodist Church with Pastor Jim Johnson officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to services at the church.

Interment will be at the Motley Public Cemetery following the service.

Arrangements are with the Taylor Funeral Home, Staples.

John was born December 14, 1943 in Alexandria to Clarence and Lois (Williams) Resch. They lived on farms in the Osakis and Eagle Bend areas until John was 3-years-old, when the family moved to Philbrook where he grew up. He attended Philbrook country school for seven years. He graduated from Staples High School in 1962. After graduation he worked at Honeywell in Minneapolis as a machinist. He was laid off in the spring of 1964 due to a recession. The following fall he went to work for Paper Camelson iron works; then worked for New Merrick Machining for four years. While there he enrolled in night courses in tool and dye at the Dunwoody Institute. He worked at James A. Smith Company for six months before returning to Staples where he worked for 3M for seven years. He also farmed raising beef cattle, sheep and crops. He was married in 1964.

He left the machinist trade in 1976 and became a carpenter in the Motley and surrounding area for many years. He worked for Basement Water Control of St. Cloud from 1992 to 1999, then returned to his carpentry business until retirement. He served 10-1/2 years on the Villard town board. He enjoyed trapping and the yearly deer hunt.

John is survived by one daughter, Renee (Paul) Ridge of Buffalo; one son, Randy of Motley; two brothers, Gary (Arlene) of St Cloud and Richard (Linda) of Barnum; three sisters, Cheryl (John) Anderson of Cambridge; Linda (Lowell) Blom of Monticello and Bonita (John) Tidgwell of North Branch; three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Michael Emery

Michael Joseph Emery, a generous, selfless, gregarious man, passed away unexpectedly on July 24, 2018, at his home just weeks after celebrating a pinnacle 60th birthday in Park City, UT.

A celebration will take place from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. on August 18, 2018 at the North Shed, located at 37022 Bugle Road, Motley, MN 56466.

Michael was born on July 7, 1958 in Bloomington, IL.

He is survived by his wife, Terri (née Gold) and daughter, Morgan.

He spent his final months earning new employment in the real estate industry and polishing off a beautiful home in the foothills of Idaho Falls, ID after successfully completing a challenging, cross-country move.



Clarence Blahosky

Clarence "Kelly" E. Blahosky, 85, passed away June 14, 2018, at Assumption Home in Cold Spring.

Services were held June 18 at the Wenner Funeral Home in Cold Spring.

Clarence was born May 11, 1933 in Staples to Clarence J. and Beulah (Johnson) Blahosky. He married Doris Darr on October 25, 1953 in Fergus Falls. He served in the military during the Korean Conflict as a fireman. He owned a barber shop in Benson, then moved to Cold Spring and worked as an AAA salesman until his retirement.

Clarence played in a men's over-35 basketball league until the age of 72, he coached women's softball, watched the Vikings, Twins and Rocori sports. He enjoyed metal detecting and his backyard bird sanctuary. He was a member of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife of 64 years; one daughter, Sandy (Roy) Willard; son-in-law, Dan Weis; five grandchildren, Kelly Weis, Tracie Weis, Justin Willard, Benjamin Willard, Nicholas Willard; two great-grandchildren, Henry and Maggie; one sister, Shirley (Keith) Johnson and one brother, Gerald "Punk" (Monie) Blahosky.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Leroy Blahosky; one sister, Sharon Holder; one daughter, Lynda Weis and one son, Brian Blahosky.



Mary Johnson

Mary Alice (Williams) Johnson, 79, formerly of Staples, passed away August 2, 2018, at her home in St. Anthony.

Memorial services were held August 7 at Hillside Chapel and Cemetery in Minneapolis. A viewing was held followed by cremation.

Mary was born March 3, 1931 in the old Staples Hospital to Ralph Henderson Williams and Stella Serena (Kay) of rural Staples. The family lived near Pine Grove Park. Mary married Charles (Chuck) Johnson who was soldier in the U.S. Army, on April 7, 1956 in Wadena. Mary enjoyed crafts, sewing and crocheting.

She is survived by two daughters, Julia Jean Johnson (Jim Evans), of St. Anthony and Rahna LaMotte Johnson of Grygla; one son, Kip D. Johnson, of Brainerd; several grandchildren; two sisters, Ethel Marie (Lawrence) Bartylla of Motley and Ramona Joy (Harold) Meech, of Cambridge and sister-in-law, Juanita Johnson of Staples; nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; six siblings Margaret (Elmer) Lewis, Roseville, MI; Charles (Anna) Williams, Staples; Roberta (Herman) Busker, Cushing; Robert (Delphie) Williams, Aurora, CO; Ralph (Bonnie) Williams, Harrison, MI; James (Juanita) Williams, Staples.



Shirley Thompson

Shirley A. Thompson, 82, of Staples, died August 10, 2018, at the Lakewood Health Systems Care Center in Staples.

A memorial service was held August 14 at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples with Pastor Carl Larson officiating.

Burial was held at Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples.

Arrangements were by Brenny Funeral Chapel of Staples.

Shirley was born Sept. 30, 1935 to Harry and Mamie (Cole) Miller at Bertha. She grew up on a farm south of Staples and graduated from Staples High School in 1953. She later received her Associates Degree in Accounting. She married Willard Redemske on July 20, 1957, at the Staples United Methodist Church. They made their home in Staples and she worked at the Staples State Bank for 33 years, retiring in 1996. Willard died May 23, 1982.

She married Wallace Thompson on July 1, 1995 at the Staples United Methodist Church. Following her retirement, they wintered in Arizona. She enjoyed square dancing, gardening, and playing cards. While in Arizona, they ushered at football games at Arizona State University as a Lion's Fundraiser.

She is survived by her husband, Wally Thompson of Staples; three sons, Mark (Paula) Redemske of Maple Lake, Craig (Jodi) Redemske of Maple Grove and Ronn Redemske of Staples; one daughter, LeAnn (Brian) Haroldson of Mt. Horeb, WI; 11 grandchildren and one brother, Carroll (Donna) Miller of Bertha.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Eldon Miller, Derald Miller and Blayne Miller; one sister, Arlene Conley; husbands, Willard Redemske and Harold Falk.

Kenneth Jares

Kenneth Gordon Jares, 87, died July 8, 2018, in Reno, Nevada.

Private services will be held.

Ken was born May 17, 1931 in Cass County, Minnesota to Tony and Mary Jares.

He was a general contractor building many custom homes in the area until his retirement in 1990. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, his horses, baseball, gardening, video poker and watching the wild horses near his home.

Ken is survived by two daughters, Barbara Routledge, Everett, WA and Sandra Cardinal, Reno, NV; one son, Doug (Tammy) Jares, Reno; five grandchildren, Erin Routledge, Matthew and Brendan Cardinal, Alex (Sarah) and Cory (Christina) Jares; two great-granddaughters; one brother, Frank of Staples; one sister, Kay, Minnesota; and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Jeanette; parents; two sisters, Marian and Violet; five brothers, Henry, Harold, Tommy, Donald, and Floyd.



Donald Carry

Donald Carry, 85 of Cushing died August 5, 2018 at St. Otto's Care Center in Little Falls.

A memorial service was held August 10 at the Church of Christ in Staples. Burial was at Evergreen Cemetery in Browerville. Arrangements were with the Iten Funeral Home, Browerville.

Don was born July 29, 1933 to Arthur and Olga (Petersen) Carry on the family farm in Turtle Creek Township. He attended country school at District 29 through the eighth grade, then worked on the farm with his family. Don married Florence Tepley in Motley on October 29, 1952 and in 1957 they moved to the Twin Cities where Don worked at Federal Stampings as a machinist for 18 years. He also worked at an Our Own Hardware for several years before they moved back to the farm in 1982. Don resumed farming and took a part time job as a bailiff for almost nine years, retiring in 2010. He and Florence enjoyed spending winters in Mission, Texas. Don enjoyed hunting and restoring old tractors.

He is survived by his wife; one daughter, Kathy (John) Seifert; one son, Allen (Debra) Carry; granddaughter, Rebecca (Tony) Sculati; two great-granddaughters, Sophia and Keira and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Harold, in infancy and Howard.



Shirley Johnson

Shirley A. Johnson, 83, of Anoka and formerly of Staples, passed away August 6, 2018 at her home.

A memorial service will be held Friday, Aug. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Staples Alliance Church.

Funeral services were held August 11 at Healy Funeral Chapel in Aurora, IL.

Interment was at Lincoln Memorial Park, Aurora.

Arrangements were by Thurston-Lindberg Funeral Home of Anoka and Healy Funeral Chapel of Aurora.

Shirley was born January 13, 1935 to John and Meta (Christensen) St. Clair in Aurora, IL. She married Russell Johnson on April 12, 1958. She was a dedicated nurse, cared for animals, loved to study her Bible and most of all, passionate about her family.

She is survived by two daughters, Kari Stephens and Sue Johnson and one son, Paul (Tammy) Johnson of Staples; six grandchildren, Dan, Jon, Ben, Claire, Sydnie and Jonah; one sister, Evelyn Lawrence; beloved dog, Molly; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband and an infant brother, George.



When someone we love becomes a memory; that memory becomes a treasure.

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‘Staples Sings!’ vocal contest Aug. 25, during RR Days

Winners go on to compete at ‘MN Sings!’

There is still time to register for the ‘Staples Sings!’ vocal contest Saturday, Aug. 25, during Railroad Days in Staples. It will be held at the downtown stage beginning at 2 p.m.

The contest is open to amateur vocalists ages 15 - 25. The first and second-place winners will go on to compete at the professionally-produced ‘Minnesota Sings!’ contest, competing against other city winners throughout the state.

Cash prizes at the ‘Staples Sings!’ contest include \$150 for first place and \$100 for second place. The contest is sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce.

The ‘Minnesota Sings!’ finals will be held in Woodbury on Saturday, Sept. 29 and Sunday, Sept. 30. First place winner at finals will receive \$5,000 cash; second place, \$1,000 cash; third place will receive \$500 cash; and fourth place, \$250. In addition,

the first place winner will be named the Minnesota Sings! Champion of 2018.

Contestants must provide a CD backing track to sing to. You may use a commercially produced one or record your own. It may include background singers and/or harmonies. Total length of the song may not exceed five minutes, lyrics must not contain any profanity and the song and lyrics must be memorized.

To be eligible for the Minnesota Sings! Finals in September, contestants must be between the ages of 15 and 25 years of age on the date of the finals (Sept. 29). Contestants must also provide a CD of their backing music to participate at finals.

To register for the Staples contest, call Janet at 218-839-3900 or email jaanderson53@gmail.com.

For more information about the state-wide competition, visit www.minnesotasings.com.



Keeping cool

Some children set up a lemonade stand along 6th St. NE in Staples Aug. 12, offering a cold drink to passersby on a 90-plus degrees day. Pictured, from left, are Stella Daniels, eight; Lexi Ann Fishman, eight; and Andy Daniels, 13. They planned to give the money to ‘Pennies for Patients,’ they said, adding that if any extra funds are raised, they might purchase a fish for Stella and a playhouse for Lexi Ann. Andy is their accountant, the girls said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Crossword Puzzle

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CLUES ACROSS

1. The winners

7. A place to relax

10. Monies to pay debts

12. Horse mackerel

13. Type of steroid

14. Make dry

15. The Godfather's adopted son

16. Ivanovic and Gasteyer

17. Horror movie franchise

18. Grab

19. Iranian city

21. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)

22. One's illicit lover

27. Fake smarts (abbr.)

28. Where Jersey natives depart from

33. Doctor

34. Front feet

36. Insurance option

37. Some is "wicked"

38. Type of weaving

39. Religious woman

40. One point east of southeast

41. Prestigious literary prize

44. Tiny humans

45. Relish over

48. Computer manufacturer

49. Envelops

50. One type is dip-pin

51. Bequeaths

CLUES DOWN

1. Dice game

2. Greek goddess of youth

3. Piers Anthony protagonist

4. One-thousandth of an inch

5. JFK Library architect

6. A type of corrosion (abbr.)

7. Beat up

8. Political action committees

9. Antidiuretic hormone

10. Of the desert

11. Oblivious of

12. Actress Lathan

14. Musical instrument

17. It's in a plant

18. One-time special prosecutor

20. Indigenous people of Brazil

23. Mothers

24. Mongolian desert

25. Great Britain, Scotland and Northern Ireland

26. British air aces

29. A lover to Zeus

30. Frequently

31. Get together again

32. Gives a permanent post

35. Sun worshippers love one

36. Ammonia-producing process

38. 4th month of the Jewish calendar

40. New England river

41. Stores grain

42. Confess openly

43. Quarterbacks do it

44. Not good

45. Witness

46. Author Coulter

47. Type of screen

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Music General dancers win national champion award

The Music General teen/senior company line were first place winners at the National Champion Dance Off Competition held June 17 - 24 at the Ames Center in Burnsville. They danced to “Devil Went Down to Georgia.” In addition to their championship win, they were nominated for an Industry Award. Local dancers included Jayce Kobliska, Staples; Bella Bennett, Pillager; Jamie Hahn, Verndale. Choreographer was Mike Minery, New York; instructor is Sue Kuhn, owner

of Music Generals in Brainerd. Pictured above from left, row one: Nyla Birkenmeyer, Claire Smith, Jady Selisker, Bella Bennett, Olivia Dehning, Libby Borash, Sydney Roberts, Kallie Baker, Kylie Brenny. Row two: Sylvia Borash, Savannah Oberfeld, Jamie Hahn, Kaila Fremling, Jayce Kobliska, Ella Mattheisen. Row three: Nariah Fett, Megan Miller, Billie Carlson, Olivia Orlowski, Lily Medved-Charpentier. (Submitted photo)

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance

1512 8th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2891

Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson

Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries

Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday School.....11:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

AWANA.....6:15 p.m.

Assembly of God

914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples.....218-894-1081

Pastor Roy Miles

Youth Pastor Julie Boone

Discipleship Class.....9:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Evening Prayer.....6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Sonlight & Youth.....6:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

27343 490th St., Staples.....218-894-2609

Pastor Barry Klein

Website: www.stapleschurchofchrist.org

Bible School (youth and adult).....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:

Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.

Congregational Church, UCC

204 5th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2571

Worship.....9:30 a.m.

Fellowship, refreshments following service

Faith Lutheran

430 12th Street. NE., Staples.....218-894-1546

Pastor: Carl Larson

Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.

Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship.....10:05 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church

310 4th St. NE, Staples

Church.....218-894-2296

Pastor Fr. Joe Korf

Youth and Young Adult Ministry Coordinator:

Monica J. Simmons.....218-414-0081 cell/text

MASS:

Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m.

Saturday.....5:00 p.m.

Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist

421 Dakota Ave. SE, Staples

218-894-0033

Saturday Worship.....10:45 am.

Sabbath School.....9:30 a.m.

Thomastown Covenant

15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923

Pastor Nathan Hillman

Sunday School.....9:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY.....7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran

1000 4th St., NE, Staples.....218-894-2372

Rev. Robin Collins

Sunday Divine Service.....9:00 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class.....10:15 a.m.

United Methodist

310 5th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2248

Pastor Greg Leslie

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)

Sunday School (for grades K-12 and adults)

Sunday School.....9:15-10:15 a.m.

Aldrich

Congregational, United Church of Christ

One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich

Pastor Dave Seaton.....218-445-5831

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

Communion.....1st Sunday of Month

Balsamlund Lutheran

19550 490th Street, Aldrich

Eric Clapp.....701-261-2394 (cell)

Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m.

Sunday School.....8:30 a.m.

Cushing

Bethany Lutheran

25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN

320-749-2140

www.bethanylutherancushing.com

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

Lincoln Evangelical Free

1354 320th St., Cushing.....218-575-2449

www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free

Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Senior Pastor: Donald Reigstad

Pastor: Jim Brown

Youth Coordinator: Kelly Gelle

SUNDAY

Sunday School for all ages.....9:00 a.m.

Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Praise & Prayer.....4:30 p.m.

Kids' Club.....6:00 p.m.

Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group.....6:00 p.m.

Cushing Baptist

26298 Bear Rd., Cushing

www.cushingbaptistchurch.org

Pastor Dan Holmes.....320-749-2583

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.

Worship.....10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible study.....7:30 p.m.

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran

Leader.....218-397-2470

Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament

Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran

Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament

Leader.....218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)

Worship and Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.

Leaf River Township

The Old Country Church

Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6

Info. 218-837-5690 ..Open by arrangement

Motley

Motley Free Methodist

33 Wellwood St. E

Motley 56466.....218-352-6888

Pastor Jim Johnson

Sunday Worship.....9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Kids Club.....4:00-5:30 p.m.

Youth Group.....5:30-7:30 p.m.

St. John's Lutheran

497 3rd Ave. S, Motley.....218-352-6399

Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler

Sunday School and Bible Class.....8:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

St. Michael

1st St. and Birch, Motley.....218-894-2296

Pastor Fr. Joe Korf

MASS:

Tuesday.....6:30 p.m.

Wednesday.....8:30 a.m.

Saturday.....7:00 p.m.

Sunday.....10:30 a.m.

United Methodist

847 3rd Ave. S. Lane, Motley.....218-352-6466

Pastor Greg Leslie

www.motleyumc.org

Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.

Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.

Oylen

Oylen Alliance

Cty. Rds. 7 and 9, Oylen

218-472-3440 or 218-472-3316

Pastor Neal Malcore

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Pillager

First Lutheran Church

717 River Street S, Pillager, MN

218-746-3775

Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday School.....8:30 a.m.

Casino Assembly of God

Pastor Dan Johnson

N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.

Phone.....218-746-3839

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.

Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

First Baptist

903 River Street South, Pillager

Pastor Jake Anderson

218-746-3768

curious@fbcpillager.com

Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.

Connection Point.....9:30 a.m.

(serving coffee and donuts)

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene

114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN

218-924-2028

Pastor Wayne Hoffert

Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m./6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Prayer.....7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)

524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN

Pastor Robin Fish

Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance

109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481

218-445-5619

Senior Pastor Tony Stanley

Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries

Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes

Sunday.....11-11:45 a.m.

Family Life Church

402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale

Church.....218-445-5568

VerndaleFLC@gmail.com

Pastor Amos Self.....218-371-7189

Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard

SUNDAY

Discipleship Classes.....9:00 a.m.

Prayer.....9:20 a.m.

Coffe & Fellowship.....9:30 a.m.

Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m.....Meal

6:30 p.m.....Groups

Hope Chapel Alliance

18126 County Road 7, Verndale

218-445-5643 or 218-472-3316

Pastor Neal Malcore

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Family Night.....5:30 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Bartlett Township (LCMS)

17097 460th St. PO Box 37, Verndale

Pastor Robin Fish

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.

Verndale United Methodist

10 3rd Ave. SW, Verndale

218-445-5108

Pastor Jill Pawlowski

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

Central United Methodist

5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)

Pastor Chuck Horsager

218-639-4225

Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.

Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.

The Voice that Matters

Pastor Nathan Hillman, Thomastown Covenant Church, Staples

There is a story involving Yogi Berra, the well-known catcher for the New York Yankees, and Hank Aaron, who at that time was the chief power hitter for the Milwaukee Braves. The teams were playing in the World Series, and as usual Yogi was keeping up his ceaseless chatter, intended to pep up his teammates on the one hand and distract the Milwaukee batters on the other. As Aaron came to the plate, Yogi tried to distract him by saying, "Henry, you're holding the bat wrong. You're supposed to hold it so you can read the trademark." Aaron didn't say anything, but when the next pitch came he hit it into the left-field bleachers. After rounding the bases and tagging home plate, Aaron looked at Yogi Berra and said, "I didn't come up here to read."*

Our rival knows that, in order to defeat us, he's got to distract us from our true purpose in life. Anything

to keep us from the things that really matter. As Billy Sunday once said, "More men fail through lack of purpose than lack of talent." But we can choose to keep our eyes on the prize. God's purpose for us is to live for Jesus Christ.

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light." (1 Peter 2:9)

That's your purpose! To belong to God! Why? So that you can live a life of joy and peace and so that more people will know how good God really is! What higher purpose could there be?

So tune out the sights, smells and sounds of distraction. Tune in to the only voice that matters. The One that called you His.

*J. M. Boice, *Learning to Lead*, 38. Revell, 1990.

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Variety of vehicles expected at Railroad Days Car Show

Annual event sponsored by SM Women of Today



Excited for the car show

The Staples Motley Area Women of Today (WOT) are once again hosting the Staples Railroad Days Car Show. Pictured, from left, are WOT members Liz Koskiniemi and Janet Kiley, organizers of the car show, which is being sponsored by NAPA of Central MN. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Vintage car enthusiasts won't want to miss the Staples Railroad Days Car Show on Saturday, Aug. 25, from 9 a.m. 2 p.m., at Staples-Motley Elementary School, 1025 4th St. NE in Staples.

Hosted by the Staples Motley Area Women of Today (WOT), the event is sponsored by NAPA of Central MN.

A number of vehicles have already been registered for the day, said Janet Kiley of Staples, who serves as Chairman of the Board for the local WOT Chapter and is in charge of public relations. Some of the vehicles on the roster include a Firebird, 1937 Chevrolet, 1971 Volkswa-

gen, Dart Sport and 1932 Ford Roadster. Everyone is welcome to participate, the women said, adding that in the past they've had people bring tractors and motorcycles to their event.

The car show always brings back a lot of memories, Kiley said. Fellow WOT member Liz Koskiniemi agreed, adding that "every car has a story." The women said that every year they enjoy listening to drivers tell stories about their vehicles. "There's a lot of nostalgia," Kiley said.

In the past, the car show has had drivers come from the Twin Cities, Fargo, Duluth, St. Joseph, Sleepy Eye and other parts of Minnesota and North Dakota.

Kiley said they look forward to seeing some of the same drivers each year and always enjoy meeting new participants at the show as well.

One of their favorite drivers is Matt Umlund from Verndale. Kiley shared that when he was 15 years old, Umlund brought an old truck to the show. It was a truck he had gotten out of a junk yard and worked on restoring it along with his dad. Umlund is now going to college and he is still working on that truck. They meet a lot of interesting, great people, Koskiniemi added.

A number of trophies, awards and prizes will be awarded at the car show. Trophies include Driver's Choice, People's Choice and Sponsors' Choice. The Driver's Grand Prize is a pressure washer, Cold 2700 PSI, Gas 2.3 GPM.

Drivers can register at the gate and in addition to being a part of the car show have the opportunity to be in the Railroad Days Parade at no cost.

The car show will be held rain or shine. It's an event that can be enjoyed by the whole family, Kiley said. She noted that there will be a food vendor onsite, as well as a DJ playing music throughout the day. A tractor/wagon shuttle will also be available to transport people back and forth from downtown to the car show.

This is the largest fundraiser of the year for the Staples Motley Area Women of Today, a non-profit organization. Kiley and Koskiniemi noted that all of the proceeds from the car show go back into the community. In the past, the local WOT chapter has given to the area food shelves and Friends of the Library, as well as helping supply Thanksgiving meals and coats to the Beyond Poverty group.

They are hoping for a good turnout this year, so they can continue to give back to the community. Donations will be accepted at the gate.

Volunteers are welcome to help at the car show. They are always looking to add more members to their local WOT Chapter, Kiley and Koskiniemi said.

For more information about the car show, registration, volunteering, or becoming a member of Staples Motley Area Women of Today, call 218-296-0177 or email StaplesCarShow@gmail.com.



Little farm and town on the prairie

The stately rolling hills of the Eng- land Prairie farm also features other buildings including the old Philbrook depot, moved to the site in 2010. The Pioneer Museum houses many exhibits. (Staples Word file photo)

39th annual England Prairie Pioneer Days August 24-26

The England Prairie Pioneer Club of rural Verndale will host England Prairie Pioneer Days Aug. 24-26 at the farm's location 14229 County Road 1, Verndale.

This year's feature is "Harvesting Equipment" with all tractors and machinery welcome for display. Also, a new feature will be working draft horses.

Each year the club opens the farm grounds in celebration of pioneers who settled in the area, farming the land and doing whatever it took to survive. The club strives to reserve and restore old machinery found in the area, pass down family traditions and teach the grueling ways grandparents earned a dollar. The club gives "oldsters" a reason to meet and converse with friends - a chance to relive the past.

Founded in 1979, the non-profit club's mission remains "to preserve the farming history of our local England Prairie community (an early settlement near Verndale) and the surrounding area and to share this knowledge with others."

The first show was held in 1980 on a private farm. In 1981, the club purchased land from Chester and Hazel Cain, located near the southern border of Wadena County. The club currently maintains 37 acres of rolling, forest covered hills with three acres near the Wing River donated to the MN Department of Natural Resources.

The original farmstead boasts a small red barn and wooden silo. The

house has long been gone. The now iconic windmill is still standing. When the land was purchased in 1981, an 80'x64' metal building was erected, complete with electricity and kitchen facilities.

There will be plenty to see and experience in 2018:

Friday, August 24:

2 p.m. Gates open at no charge
3 p.m. Blind Tractor and Barrel Race
5-7 p.m. Dinner: BBQ Pork Rib or Roast Beef (fee)
6:45 p.m. Coronation of the 20th England Prairie Royalty
7-9 p.m. "Stonybrook Band"
5-9 p.m. Ice cream stand
10 p.m. Gates close

Saturday, August 25:

7:30 a.m. Gates open (fee; 12 and under free)
7:30-11 a.m. Thresher's breakfast
10 a.m. Threshing, sawmill and shingle mill demonstrations
11 a.m. Antique tractor pull featuring 50 years and older tractors. Participants must be 18-years-old or older
11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Kitchen open
10 a.m.-9 p.m. Ice cream stand open
11:30 a.m. Kiddies coin hunt, ages 3-12
3 p.m. Threshing, sawmill and shingle mill demonstrations
4 p.m. Parade - everyone invited to participate
3-7 p.m. "Wayne Renn Band"
10 p.m. Gates close
Sunday, August 26
7 a.m. Gates open (fee)
7:30-11 a.m. Thresher's breakfast

9 a.m. Worship Service with Preacher Burton Tappe

11:30 am.-3 p.m. Kitchen open

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Ice cream stand open

11:30 a.m. Kiddies coin hunt, ages 3-12

1-3 p.m. Lawn mower pull

1 p.m. Parade - everyone invited to participate

1:30 p.m. Threshing, sawmill and shingle mill demonstrations

2-4 p.m. Bingo

3 p.m. Threshing, sawmill and shingle mill demonstrations

4 p.m. Raffle prize drawings

5 p.m. Gates close for the season

Antique tractors, farm machinery, hit and miss gasoline engines and more are on display; birdhouse building for kids (Sat. only) and the barrel train; blacksmith shop, petting barn, Pioneer Museum, print shop, rope making demonstrations, Verndale Historical Society's replica functioniong grist mill, barber/beauty shop, Hewitt "Deep Rock" service station all on grounds. Also flea marketers, exhibitors and crafters.

The grounds are located on Wadena Cty. Rd. 1 and are marked with the England Prairie sign. From Staples: go to Verndale on Hwy. 10 west, 1 mile south and west on Cty. Rd. 23, 2 mi. west on Cty. Rd. 1. From Wadena: 4 mi. south on Hwy. 71 and 2.5 mi. east on Co. Rd. 1. Watch for signs.

For map and information visit www.england-prairie.org.



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Left to right: Katherine Martin, Kristal Roberts, Bryan Motl, Tasha Maestas, Tonia Dolezal

Kattie Martin, RN, Home Health / Hospice
Nominated by Amy Widmark RN, Program Manager, Home Health / Hospice. "From Erin, RN who works with Pediatric Oncology at Children's Hospital in Minneapolis. Referencing a previous hospice referral, Erin states, 'Kattie exceeded our expectations. Kattie's compassion and skill as a nurse, in combination with her excellent case management skills, has led to a growing working relationship between Children's Hospital and Lakewood Home Health / Hospice.' Thank you, Kattie, for your dedication and commitment to quality care for all our patients."

Kristal Roberts, LICSW, Reflections, BHU
Nominated by Megan Kieffer RN, BHU, "We have happy patients and families as a result of Kristal going above and beyond in her care and customer service. Her great communication and positive attitude always help the floor run smoothly."

Second nomination was by Sammie Plattner and Heidi Hoppe RNs, ACNS, BHU, "During family meetings Kristal educates the families about Dementia. The discussions open the door for families to ask questions or grieve. She makes sure they understand what to expect with a Dementia diagnosis. Kristal always keeps family members well-informed."

Bryan Motl, RN, Reflections BHU
Nominated by Sammie Plattner and Heidi Hoppe RNs, ACNS, BHU, "Bryan assures that the needs of patients are met as well as their family members. Family members have voiced praise for Bryan in regards to the care their loved ones have received and the compassion he demonstrates. Bryan's co-workers say he is a great teacher and demonstrates encouraging team work. Bryan's positive and up-beat attitude allow for others to maintain a positive attitude even in challenging times. Bryan is truly an asset to his patients, family members and co-workers."

Tasha Maestas, LPN, Clinic
Nominated by Anne Qureshi RN, BSN Surgery Coordinator, "Tasha is kind-hearted and genuinely cares for her patients. She watches schedules and tweaks them, because she understands the importance of time for oncology patients. She notifies patients when they are due for appointments and follows-up with them. She is committed to helping others and providing quality care."

Tonia Dolezal, CST, Special Class Engineer, Surgery
Nominated by the Quality Committee. "While setting up for a procedure it was identified that a solution was not appropriate for use. Tonia took the extra steps for patient safety and handed the solution off and requested a new solution to be used. With Tonia's knowledge and skills she was able to prevent harm from potentially occurring to a patient. With this occurrence there was safety improvement changes made to prevent this from occurring in the future. It is because of professionals like Tonia who are willing to speak up to prevent potential harm to patients that we are able to give our patients top-notch care."



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New duties will determine future need for position

replace.

"I would like to see the action say that you are adding the position until after the first part of the year," she said.

Becker added that they could contact Sourcewell if they needed to add or replace positions.

Neumann commented that they make \$25,000 on driver's licenses, but the position will cost \$50,000.

"We are not replacing anything right now because I'm not gone yet," said Perish.

She said that they want to make the transition smoother by putting someone in the position of deputy and then, if needed, Daoust could justify if they needed to fill the position with full-time in 2019. She said they were trying to be proactive because the money is there in the 2018 budget to fill the position.

Kircher commented that the recorder's office

compliance fund brought in several hundred thousand dollars for technology county-wide.

Neumann said it was taxpayer money.

Perish said she thinks of it as a user fee.

If her department is non-compliant with timelines and other factors, those funds do not come in.

"This is your call, but be proactive," said Perish.

In other business:

- Approved a resolution requesting approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Sale of Tax Forfeited Land that has been classified as non-conservation land. Commissioner David Kircher and Chairman Randy Neumann voted against it.

- Approved the appointment of Fellbaum as a member representative to the Facilities Committee for the Public Works facilities.

- Approved a construction contract with ASTECH Corporation, based on their low bid of \$9,871 for the 2018 Lake Wobegon Trail Fog Seal Project. This should extend the life of the trail another two to five years, which will give Todd County Parks and Trails more time to save money to do the overlay project.

- Approved the Surveyor's Certificate of Plat Correction in regard to "Bly's Subdivision Government Lot 1, Section 9, Town 128, Range .35".

- The Todd County Sheriff's Office is upgrading their records management system to make it compatible with the Minnesota National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). To receive funding for the NIBRS upgrade, Todd County must enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota, Department of Public Safety and the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. The board approved this action.

- Approved the purchase of three new squads for the sheriff's department from Ford of Hibbing. The price of the squads is \$29,217.45 each for a total price of \$87,652.35 on the State Contract bid. These squads are a budgeted item on the 2018 budget.

- Appointed internal candidate Lisa Grossinger as full-time Child Services Supervisor effective Aug. 8.

- Todd County has been awarded and has received a \$10,000 grant from the Minnesota Historical Society to complete a condition assessment of the Historic Courthouse rock wall. The quote from BHH for \$16,950 was approved. This condition assessment will include constructability and cost estimate for future repair planning.

- The first meeting of the new joint powers organization, Counties Providing Technology, was July 16 in Morris.

The board voted that the capital contribution for each member will be \$175,000.

These funds are intended to address costs associated with the hiring of an executive director, legal fees, potential employment agreements with existing staff, cash flow and other expenses associated with the creation of a new governmental entity.

The board of commissioners approved the contribution with the funds coming from the compliance fund, public works, health and human services and the general fund. The bulk of the funds - \$117,922 - will come from the compliance fund.

- The board selected six finalists to conduct interviews with for the county coordinator position. The interviews are currently set to take place on Wednesday, Aug. 29.

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Birch bark canoe crafting demonstration

Ray Boessel, Jr. demonstrates various parts of constructing an authentic birch bark canoe at the Old Wadena Rendezvous and Chautauqua. He is stripping a five to seven foot long strip of red cedar, fresh from the woods, to make the ribs for the canoe. All the materials grow naturally in the woods. His business, Hafeman Boat Works, was started by his wife's grandfather, who started making birch bark canoes in the 1920s and 30s. His wife Christie also helped with the demonstration. (Photo submitted by Tom Crawford)



Painting class at chautauqua

Beth Kern leads the barn quilt painting class at the Old Wadena Rendezvous and Chautauqua, where each attendee was able to paint their own mini barn quilt. The class filled its limit right away, one of the successes of the Chautauqua concept. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Rendezvous and Chautauqua at Old Wadena Park



Rendezvous staple

The Tipson family has been cooking the Indian frybread at the Old Wadena Rendezvous for at least 17 years, and maybe more. From left, Baby Johnson, Stan, Angel and Caitlyn helped serve the food at this year's rendezvous. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Creating stories with puppets

Margo McCreary goes over some of the elements of storytelling as she teaches her puppet class.

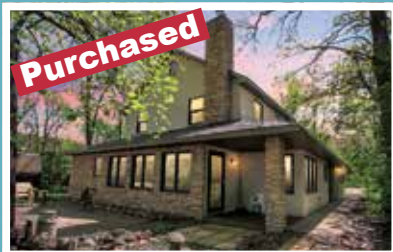


Music of the woods

Jake Kaehne, left, leads the American Indian flute class at the Old Wadena Rendezvous and Chautauqua on Aug. 11.

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Fall sports underway

Staples-Motley fall sports athletes held their first official practices on August 13, with the girls swim team, football, volleyball, girls tennis and cross country all going through their drills. The tennis team will see the first competitive action with a tournament at Osakis on Monday, Aug. 20, and a home tournament on Wednesday, Aug. 22. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



What's repelling about repellents?

If your summer travels happen to take you to one or more of Minnesota's popular resort areas, sooner or later you'll come across souvenirs celebrating Minnesota's state bird. Not the loon, to be clear; that's the official state bird. Our unofficial state bird – which you'll see on tee-shirts, coffee mugs, caps, plaques, refrigerator magnets and the like – is the mosquito.

Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

Minnesota isn't the only state where those who hawk vacation memorabilia try to turn a liability into a profitable asset. Michigan and Floridians do, too. Then there's the town of Komarno, Manitoba – "komarno" being Ukrainian for mosquito – which claims the dubious honor of being "mosquito capital of Canada," and boasts a sculpture of a mosquito large enough to carry off a man. But as humorous as those tee-shirts and caps and sculpture may be, resident Minnesotans know that the blood-thirsty insects are no laughing matter. People take mosquito defense seriously, not just because they can spread disease, like West Nile virus, malaria and yellow fever, but because mosquitoes can make it almost impossible to enjoy time spent outdoors. For what it's worth, the main point of a mosquito's thirst for blood is reproduction, not food. Only females bite, the blood they suck through their microscopic hypodermic needle

being necessary for their eggs to be viable. Entomologists, bug scientists, tell us that mosquitoes are attracted to carbon dioxide exhaled with our breathing, heat given off by our metabolism, lactic acid secreted through our skin when we sweat and movement. About the only ones we might potentially control are movement and sweating, but doing anything active outdoors during a Minnesota summer pretty much cancels those out, too. Which brings us to how we deal with mosquitoes when out of doors. One obvious defense is to cover up as much of your body as possible. Long pants and shirt sleeves are neither comfortable nor chic on the beach, the tennis court, the golf course or even grilling on the deck in 85-degree heat. But sometimes a cover-up is more important than being fashionable or comfortable, like when picking blueberries in deep woods in late July. I've also used the extreme tactic of wearing a "bug shirt," made of fabric that resembles the mesh in a widow screen, but with smaller holes. I've worn this along wooded trout streams where the mosquitoes can be as thick as you'll find anywhere in Minnesota. The only exposed parts were my hands, which of course could be treated with insect repellent. On the downside, this fabric keeps body heat in at the same time it's keeping mosquitoes out. In hot weather it can make you feel kinship to a self-basting turkey. Inevitably, many who spend time outdoors during the long mosquito season give in to the option of applying repellent to our skin. It's a long Minnesota tradition. Native Americans used a variety

of preventatives. One of the least appealing to me is bear grease, which served as both a physical barrier on the skin, and – not that I have direct experience – quite probably as a scent deterrent, too. Smoke also wards off mosquitoes; certainly when it's being generated by a fire, but afterward while the scent lingers, too. Sweetgrass, also used by Native Americans, is an aromatic native plant that grows across Canada to our north, to as far south as South Dakota, Iowa and Illinois. It has recently been found by U.S. Department of Agriculture researchers to contain two naturally occurring chemicals that are as effective as DEET, the synthetic chemical compound described as the "gold standard" for effectiveness in repelling mosquitoes. It's not yet clear that these sweetness compounds can deter mosquitoes as long as DEET can, but many would welcome an alternative found naturally in plants. If you've read accounts of outdoor adventures from a half century and more ago, and if the details of coping with mosquitoes entered the plot, it's likely that you read about citronella. Its oils are used in the perfume and cosmetics industries, but in its day citronella was widely used as an insect repellent. It has been registered for that use in the U.S. since 1948. Citronella can reportedly raise the heart rate of certain individuals, which may, or may not, be a reason for its usefulness in perfumes. Citronella was banned from insect repellent use by HealthCanada in 2012, perhaps for that reason, but the ban was lifted in 2015. About 40% of the world's supply comes from China and Indonesia (there's been no word yet

on whether there'll be a tariff on Chinese citronella imports). The first insect repellent I remember as a young boy was a product known as "6-12." How that name could ever have passed muster for marketing is hard to understand. On the other hand, its chemical name, ethylhexanediol, left something to be desired, too. It was known in chemist's shorthand as Rutgers 6-12, which suggests the university where it may have been developed, and was shortened to simply 6-12, perhaps as the lesser of two evils. On the subject of evils, I recently learned that 6-12 was withdrawn from the insect repellent market in 1991 based on evidence that it might cause developmental defects in laboratory animals. I've been reluctant to mention this to my spouse of 42 years, fearing that her reaction might be "Well, that explains a lot!" I'm not a big fan of putting chemicals on my skin that are so powerful they can ruin fishing lines. But neither am I fond of being a pincushion and a blood bank for mosquitoes. My solution, admittedly an imperfect one, is to use chemical repellents only when the mosquitoes' attention is constant, only on exposed skin that they're able to reach and to wash it off as soon as I can. As a perhaps strange postscript, I'll confess that I find the scent of insect repellents oddly attractive. But then, I have said the same thing about the smell of skunk. The only explanation that might preserve my reputation as reasonably sane is that I associate these scents with being in outdoor places; often fishing, in good company and generally doing enjoyable things. Makes scents to me.



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Card of Thanks

Words simply can not express the gratitude I have. I'm still in awe from the benefit. I'm so grateful to all that made it possible and to everyone that showed their support. A special thank you to Butch and Brenda/ B&B's Sports Bar. Without you it would not have been possible. Thank you sincerely.

Danny Joe Dukowitz

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YARD SALE: **Fri., Aug. 17 - Sat., Aug. 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.** IF RAIN - NO SALE! Antiques, good items from old farmhouse, pool, ping pong and foosball games, old time board games, kitchen chairs, counter-top rolling cabinet, furniture, Western tack, old dishes, books, clothing: brand name Jr.'s (Nero, American Eagle, Hollister, Silver) exc. cond.. many misc. treasures. 3 mi. west of Staples on Hwy. 10. Watch for signs. ssw33p

MULTI-FAMILY MOVING SALE: **Sat., Aug. 18, noon - 2 p.m.** 312 6th St. SE, Staples. Desks, furniture, stove, electronics, dishes, clothing: infant - adult; books, toys, crafts, plants and more. w33p

GARAGE SALE: **Fri., Aug. 17, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.** 232 Park Rd., Staples. Clothing: teen girl and women's; household goods, little of everything. w33p

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Borash promoted to Motley Police Chief

By Dawn Timbs, Staples World reporter

It's official. Jason Borash is the new Chief of Police for the City of Motley.

Borash, who has been serving as the city's Interim Police Chief since May 31, was promoted to chief at the Motley City Council's regular meeting Aug. 13.

The decision to hire Borash was unanimous. Prior to their vote, council members expressed positive comments about Borash's work with the city to date.

Council member and police department liaison Pat O'Regan said he was in favor of promoting Borash. He noted that Borash has been with the Motley Police Department (MPD) a long time and has received a lot of positive feedback from the community.

Mayor Al Yoder, who is also a deputy with the Morrison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO), said he has heard many positive things about Borash as well, including from other police chiefs. He noted that fellow MCSO deputy Jamie Luberts (who currently works as a temporary part-time officer with the MPD) told the mayor that Borash is "doing great."

Council members Jace Carlson and Steve Johnson also verbalized their support of Borash. Johnson said he'd "heard a lot of good things" about his work as an interim police chief. Council member Amy Hutchison said she was in favor of promoting Borash, but wants to make sure he gets the training he needs, since this is a new position for him.

As part of their motion, the council approved keeping Chief Borash at the minimum step of Pay Grade 10, which is \$22.90 per hour. This will be reviewed in six months.

Borash said later he was very excited to take on the role of chief, adding that it would be "business as usual." He went on to note that he was honored to hear the positive comments people expressed on his behalf. "I want to provide the city the best coverage I can," he said.

Following their decision to hire Borash, the council went on to approve hiring a full-time police officer.

Hutchison was the lone nay-sayer regarding this matter, expressing concern that the council was rushing into this decision without first looking at the numbers.

City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja provided the council with rough estimates as to what it would cost the city to hire additional police officers.

In a subsequent conversation, Smieja said she had been able to look at the actual budget information and found the numbers to be a bit lower than her initial estimate. The updated rough numbers are as follows: \$31,000 for one part-time officer; \$60,000 for two part-time officers; and \$74,000 for one full-time officer. This will be in addition to what the city is paying for just the police chief.

Support for hiring a full-time officer was verbalized by Mayor Yoder, as well as council members O'Regan, Carlson and Johnson. Comments made indicated that they felt a full-time officer would be more likely to stay with the department a while. Johnson noted that in the past, part-time officers get trained in and then they leave.

Chief Borash told the council he could definitely use the help. He has appreciated having Deputy Luberts on board with the MPD, but noted that he was hired as a temporary part-time officer and will be leaving at the end of September.

Smieja said that based on preliminary budget numbers from each department, hiring a full-time officer would increase the city's levy by roughly six percent.

The council will be discussing the 2019 budget and levy at a work session on Monday, Aug. 20, at 4 p.m. With the addition of another full-time police officer, they will look for other ways to reduce the budget.

In other matters the council:

- APPROVED the city's computer use policy and social media policy.

- APPROVED a donation agreement between the City of Motley and Minnesota Power. Per the agreement, Minnesota Power will be constructing and donating an electric vehicle charging station with a solar array to be located on land the city is leasing in the parking lot of BRICKS Travel Center in Motley.

- APPROVED a bingo permit request from St. Michael's Catholic Church in Motley for Nov. 18.

- DISCUSSED whether or not it should be a requirement that the fire chief attend regular council meetings. Mayor Yoder said it had come to his attention that the fire chiefs do not feel they need to attend meetings. They already have a lot on their plates and not enough time for their families.

Hutchison said she felt it was important that they attend meetings as they have a key position with the city and that decisions made by the council affect all departments. She said she wanted them to care enough about the city to attend these meetings.

O'Regan said he felt that the fire department liaison could relay pertinent information to the fire chief.

Johnson wondered if it would help to put the fire department business at the top of the agenda, with the understanding they could leave the meeting as soon as their business had been taken care of.

Mayor Yoder noted that the city was having a hard time finding fire chiefs and he was concerned that mandatory council meetings would not help the situation.

In the end, the council decided that the fire chiefs would need to attend a meeting if they are making a request of the council.

- APPROVED a motion to advertise the hiring of new firefighters.

- APPROVED a request to apply for a grant for equipment for the fire department.

- APPROVED a motion that there be a \$50 a month pay increase for the mayor and council members. Johnson noted that it had been five or six years since they had been given a raise. Smieja went on to say that before this could take place, an ordinance amendment would need to be drafted.

- APPROVED a motion to remove a stop sign at 3rd Ave. So and Birch St. W. Currently, it is a four-way stop. Per the motion, vehicles traveling on 3rd Ave. will not have to stop at Birch St. The council also discussed removing a stop sign at Cedar St. and 1st Ave. Hutchison said she was opposed to this as there are a lot of children in that area. She said she has noticed improvement in traffic slowing down since the stop signs had been put in a few years ago. Mayor Yoder feels there are too many four-way stop signs for a town the size of Motley.

- LEARNED that a water leak had been found by Norway Lane.

- APPROVED the city's new logo as presented.

- SET budget workshop for Monday, Aug. 20, 4 p.m.

- SET next regular meeting for Monday, Sept. 10, 6:30 p.m.

- SET the November regular council meeting for Monday, Nov. 5, instead of Nov. 12, which is Veterans Day.



New police chief

Jason Borash (center) was promoted to Police Chief for the Motley Police Department (MPD) on Aug. 13. He is pictured with Mayor Al Yoder (left) and

council member Pat O'Regan, who also serves as the council liaison to the police department. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

'Manuscripts & Wine' event at Scandia Valley Vineyards Sept. 8

Climate disasters, fires, war, political conflicts and neglect put manuscripts in danger of destruction. Manuscripts are books or documents that are written by hand, so each one is unique.

Because of their rarity and historic value, manuscripts can also be targets for theft and illegal export. Once a manuscript is destroyed, it is gone forever. Those that are stolen can remain hidden indefinitely. "Manuscripts & Wine," the Morrison County Historical Society's annual program for 2018, will feature guest speaker Dr. Daniel Gullo of the Hill Museum & Manuscript Library (HMML) at St. John's University. HMML digitizes threatened manu-

scripts around the world in order to preserve their contents. Dr. Gullo will discuss this work during "Manuscripts & Wine." MCHS and HMML are connected through their missions of preserving the past to create a deeper understanding of the present and future.

Dr. Gullo serves as the Joseph S. Micallef Curator of the Malta Study Center at HMML and specializes in cataloging books and archival materials. He is a teacher, historian and scholar who has given presentations across the United States and internationally.

MCHS's annual program will take place in a unique setting, the Scandia Valley Vineyards in Cushing. Samples of the

vineyards' wine and other refreshments will be included as part of the program.

The Great River Chorale will provide music to open the event, featuring songs from their spring concert.

MCHS's annual program is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 8. It will run from 3 - 5:30 p.m. at the Scandia Valley Vineyards located at 3304 320th St. in Cushing.

For more information and to make a reservation, call the Morrison County Historical Society at 320-632-4007 or visit MCHS's online shop at www.squareup.com/store/morrison-county-historical-society. Reservations are due by Sept. 4.

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

Recent reports from the Motley Police Department (MPD) and Morrison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) included the following:

Aug. 2 - 8 - The MPD issued nine speeding citations.

Aug. 4 - The MPD issued a citation to Daniel Johnson, 62, for unlawful parking in a handicapped parking space.

Aug. 3 - The MPD received a report from an employee at Bjerga Feed Store in Motley that they had seen a vehicle pull up to their dumpster and dump a bag of trash into it. They wrote down the license plate number and gave it to the MPD and it came back to someone in Champlin. Dispatch was able to find a phone number for the registered owner.

Aug. 2 - The MPD arrested Dustin Michael Scherfenberg, 35, for burglary of a vacated home in Motley. He was subsequently charged with felony 5th degree drugs which were located in his possession at the Morrison County Jail.

Aug. 4 - The MCSO received a report of juveniles riding dirt bikes up and down continuously on Pine View Blvd. and Lake Shore Dr. in Cushing. The deputy

made contact with the parents of the juveniles and advised them that they cannot be riding dirt bikes on the road or road right of way.

Aug. 3 - The MCSO assisted state patrol with a car fire on Hwy 10, southbound near Cushing.



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