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First steps taken for new hotel

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The Staples City Council authorized preparation of a tax increment financing (TIF) plan for a new hotel project, the start of a two to three month process which would allow the hotel developers to use a TIF district in their project. At their June 14 meeting, the council also set a public hearing for July 26, at 7 p.m. to consider the TIF plan prior to their regular council meeting.

During the meeting, Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher showed drawings and floor plans for the new hotel, which is being developed by the Ives family. She said the hotel is being designed with a modern feel but also will have roof lines and decor similar to the Staples Depot.

Radermacher said purchase agreements are in place, the developers are working with financial institutions and are interviewing general contractors. Construction is scheduled to start this August, with the hotel planning to open in the spring of 2017.

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SMHS office staff being restructured

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

With the retirement of a long time employee and the possibility of some state funding, the Staples-Motley High School student services office is being restructured.

The retirement request from Connie Hoffert was approved at the Staples-Motley School Board's meeting June 20. Hoffert has been with the district nearly 20 years and most recently was serving as the high school receptionist and secretary for the activities director.

Superintendent Mary Klamm told the board about a state grant opportunity intended to help fund social workers, guidance counselors, school psychologists, school nurses and drug addiction counselors.

It is expected that 32 school districts in rural Minnesota will be funded. The duration of the grant is six years and for the first four years the grant will match the district dollar for dollar. Because this was just passed by the legislature, the grant applications have not yet been developed so Klamm said funds would not be available July 1.

Penny Olsen has been filling the roles of social

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Hello, Readers,

On June 23, 1927, Captain Gerhard Folgero and his 42-foot Viking ship "Leif Erickson" sailed into Duluth, completing a voyage from Norway. The ship is now displayed in a Duluth park. The "Discoverer," a Danish passenger ship, called at Duluth on June 23, 1975. No international passenger ships would return to Minnesota for twenty-two years.

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Bull riding show at the Motley Fair, wings at the June Fest



Approximately 1,200 bull riding fans came out for the first-ever bull riding bash held at the Motley Fairgrounds June 17, one of the featured events at last weekend's Motley Fair. Meech Bucking Bulls in Nimrod and Great Frontier Bullriding produced the event, which was sanctioned by Midwest Bull Riders Association and National Federation of Professional Bull Riders. Brandon Wren from Oklahoma was the announcer for the event. The 25 competing riders hailed from several states, including Nebraska, Texas, Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. There were five qualified rides and Coy Thorson, Fergus Falls, took home the buckle and first-place prize money. Meech Bucking Bulls and the Meech Family appreciate all of the local sponsors who helped make this event possible. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Love those wings

Chad and Jody Longbella of Staples enjoyed sampling the variety of chicken wings offered at the Motley June Fest Wings Competition. See more June Fest photos on page 2a (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Prize baked goods

Ellizabeth DiGiovanni, 10, left; and Abbigail DiGiovanni, 13, both took home ribbons for their baked goods entries at the recent Motley Fair. Ellizabeth received a blue ribbon for her cupcakes; and Abbigail was a grand champion ribbon winner for her dinner rolls. The girls are from Motley. See more Motley Fair photos on page 1b. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

New NJPA addition is a healthy space for work and conferencing

By Mark Anderson, News Editor

The recently completed National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) building addition in Staples reveals healthy work spaces along with locations that foster personal communication, large group gatherings and technological communication.

All the improvements are geared towards the service cooperative's expansion goals of remaining a national leader in contract purchasing and a regional leader in professional development for educators and government entities.

The new offices will be used by the NJPA contract purchasing department and are "sit to stand" work stations, where the contract administrators are able to stand while working.

"It's a healthier way to work, instead of sitting eight hours a day," said Sue Nanik, NJPA Director of Administration.

Nanik said the new spaces are designed for different ways that people work and communicate. Various meeting rooms are part of the layout, including small huddle rooms and medium sized gathering rooms, most of which are equipped with technology to work with digital information or communicate over interactive systems from other locations.

With workers still settling into the new building, "they love their new spaces," said Nanik.

An open house is being planned for later in the summer, although no date is set yet. NJPA Building Superintendent Al Griffith said they are still in the stage of getting technology from the old offices into the new offices. When that is complete, they will finish the con-

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Todd County reduces fee for law library

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

It isn't often that fees see a decrease, but one of the actions taken by the Todd County Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting June 21 decreased the law library fee by $5 from $15 to $10.

Commissioner David Kircher, who serves on the Law Library Committee, said that a few years ago they had asked for an increase, but that now they are at a surplus so they are asking for a decrease in the fee.

In other business the board:

- Property owner Joe Varner requested to obtain a Conditional Use Permit to allow an existing feedlot to continue at the 693 animal unit level with the total capacity not to exceed 999 animal units for the site.

The board granted the CUP as requested with a one year review of the CUP to monitor progress toward compliance with state feedlot rules.

The property is existing and not in compliance with an unpermitted manure basin. Run-off control and other factors will need to be addressed.

- Emergency Management Director Mike Wisniewski reported that he was involved in the preliminary stages of updat-

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Wadena County holds conference call meeting

By Rin Porter
Wadena County reporter

At the first of many meetings scheduled for the newly-renovated small courtroom, the Wadena County Board of Commissioners convened June 14 with just three members present, plus one in St Cloud and one in Canada. Modern technology made it possible for all five to participate by conference call.

Board Vice Chair Dave Hillukka led the two-hour public portion of the meeting along with Commissioners Rodney Bounds and Sheldon Monson who were also present. Commissioner Bill Stearns and Board Chair Jim Hofer joined the meeting via long-distance phone calls and courtroom microphones near the telephones.

The board will meet in the small courtroom until January 2017. Commissioners voted to assign the commissioners' board room to the auditor/treasurer's office so the treasurer's office can be converted into the human resources department and the auditor's office can temporarily expand to conduct the November 2016 election.

In other news, the board

- Heard a presentation from Leota Lind of South Country Health Alliance on the organization's finances, current issues and legislative initiatives.
- Approved a resolution requesting a routine advance of state aid funds for 2016 road and bridge projects.
- Approved the date of July 12 for a public hearing on the Wadena County Water Plan.
- Heard a request from County Assessor Lee Brekke for the installation of a customer service counter and window, and an automatic door locking system.
- Approved a gambling permit for the Knob Hill Sportsman's Club gun raffle.
- Set board meeting dates for the next three months.
- Approved the personnel committee charter.
- Learned of the hiring of three seasonal workers at the highway department, and two part-time transit drivers.
- Held a closed meeting to discuss labor negotiation strategy.

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County updating All Hazard Mitigation Plan per FEMA rules

ing the county's All Hazard Mitigation Plan which FEMA requires be done every five years.

Todd County's plan expires March 13, 2018. If the county doesn't have an updated plan they will be ineligible to receive public assistance for qualifying disasters and any mitigation projects funding with federal grants.

Grant funding is available which would cover 75 percent of the cost to update. This is a cost share grant program with FEMA paying 75 percent of all eligible costs and the local community being responsible for the remaining 25 percent of the costs.

According to Wisniewski, the state will be hiring consultants. The jurisdiction is responsible for collaborating, coordinating and communicating with HSEM staff and contractor to assist in the development of a FEMA approved and adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan update.

In order to ensure the county's contribution in the HMP Update process they have to pass a resolution indicating the desire to participate in this program which they did.

In association with this resolution, the board also approved a letter of commitment of funds for the 25 percent local match of in-kind services or cash is also required.

Wisniewski said that Todd County would be using in-kind services through county staff, city staff and public involvement to make up the 25 percent share. The dollar figure for the in-kind services was a minimum of $8,750.

Wisniewski explained that the in-kind amount may include more time being put into the project.

- With the contingency that the Historical Society and Ag Society agree, the lease agreement for the Historical Society for the building they use at the fairgrounds was approved with a change that it be shortened to two years instead of ten years.

Commissioner Rod Erickson said that he wanted to see the lesser term due to problems they have had in the past with longer term leases (not necessarily with the Historical Society).

"We have been in pickles before with the 10 and 20 year leases. It only takes a moment to review it in a couple of years," said Erickson.

- Acknowledged receipt of the Battle Point Park Shoreland Restoration Report.

Neumann said that this had been another long-term agreement the county should not have entered into (with the Sauk River Watershed who prepared the report and with whom the county has worked with on the county park at Battle Point).

Neumann said they did not have the manpower to do what the watershed was asking of them.

- Approved two budget amendments for the Battle Point Park paving project approved at the June 7 county board meeting. The two amendments are: transferring $6,600 of funds from the unused administrator salary from the general fund and increasing both the revenue and expense accounts - with a net effect of zero - in the public works 2016 budget.
- According to Fellbaum, the City of Grey Eagle has requested Todd County to enter into a cooperative construction agreement for proposed 2018 Projects on County State Aid Highway 33 (from the south city limits to Spruce Street East) and County Road 102 (from Trunk Highway 287 to the north city limits) due to the age and condition of the city's water and sanitary sewer lines.

The board approved the agreement for Fiscal Year 2018 construction. The estimated financial implications are $350,000-$420,000. The funding source will be Municipal State Aid.

- Approved the purchase of three new squad vehicles for the Sheriff's Office at a cost of $30,364.25 each year for three years.
- Approved hooking up to natural gas though Center Point for heating the Solid Waste Department. The cost for hookup is $20,762, but Solid Waste Supervisor Jeremy Clasemann said that it should pay for itself in a little over two years.
- Approved a resolution to rezone property for three parcels totalling 80 acres for James Rowe. The initial request was to rezone the property from R10 to AF2. The Planning Commission recommendation was to rezone from R10 to AF1.
- Granted Sunset View Development a Preliminary Plat as presented with the contingency that the paperwork show the correct site address.
- The request by Justin and Steven Seide to establish Seide Addition Plat (4.9 acres) containing three residential lots and three outlots located on Osakis Lake along CR55 was approved as the Seide Addition Final Plat.
- Approved the hires of Sarah Becker and Kali Rechtzigel to fill open positions as Child Protection Social Workers.
- Approved the Teamsters Jail/Dispatcher Units Labor Agreement.



Wings competition winners at June Fest

The first ever Motley June Fest featured a 'Wings Competition' June 18, which included the recipes of six different teams. Pictured above, representing the top judges' choice from Artesian Homes, are, from left, D.J., Kia, Dave Poorker and Corey Seline. Other teams included Bjerga Feed Store (Nikki Hirschey, Chris Jaeger, Kristin Bjerga); Mr. Jim's (Jim Klamm); Diamond Industrial (Corey Radermacher and Ron Wyman), Northwind Grocery (Matt Halik); and Ten Hi Bar (Nancy Beenck and Hank Smith). Diamond Industrial took the People's Choice award and Bjerga Feed took home the Best Theme award. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs).



Everyone loves a parade

Hundreds lined the streets of Motley during the June Fest Parade June 18, despite temperatures in the 80's and high humidity. The approximately 70 units participating in the parade included fire trucks, classic cars, a military band, law enforcement vehicles, horses; and floats representing local businesses and service organizations. Children of all ages enjoyed collecting candy and other goodies thrown from the floats passing by. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Hard at work

A number of volunteers participated in planning and working at the first-ever Motley June Fest, sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce. Pictured above during the Wings Competition are, from left, June Fest volunteers and Wings Fest judges Steve Gertken, Fran Kunkel, Barb Markus, Ed Jordahl. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Contrary to popular belief, pediatricians don't only care for babies and toddlers but also adolescents and children up to the age of 18. From the treatment of common, chronic or life-threatening illness or injury to preventative care, they provide it all. Lakewood's own pediatrician, Dr. Bratney, has been part of our team since 2012. He has a particular interest in children with special healthcare needs such asthma and allergies, as well as sports medicine including non-surgical fracture care and concussions. Dr. Bratney also has experience with screening of autism and ADHD. **Call to schedule your child's appointment today.**

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Gaalswyk retiring from Initiative Foundation

Kathy Gaalswyk of Pillager, founding president of the Little Falls-based Initiative Foundation, has announced that she will transition out of her position at the end of this year after 30 years of service. In her role, Gaalswyk has led the Foundation from its inception in 1986 through three decades of increasing resilience and vitality in Central Minnesota's economy and communities.



Kathy Gaalswyk

A cornerstone in Central Minnesota, the Initiative Foundation provides business financing and technical assistance, awards nonprofit grants, hosts Turn Key Partner Funds and offers a variety of leadership programs that empower citizens to build stronger communities, including the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation.

During Gaalswyk's tenure, the Foundation's assets have grown to more than $62 million. In addition, the Foundation has invested $80 million in the region through targeted grants and business financing investments, creating and retaining nearly 13,000 jobs while leveraging $300 million-plus in private investment-all aimed at improving the 14 counties of Central Minnesota.

"We deeply appreciate Kathy's decades of commitment and contribution to Central Minnesota," said Larry Korf, chair of the Initiative Foundation's Board of Trustees. "Her leadership has allowed us to provide critical support for businesses and nonprofits and to create and retain vital jobs in the region, all while growing the Foundation's assets and leveraging private investment."

Said Gaalswyk, "It has been an absolute honor to serve in this role since the inception of the organization 30 years ago. I am deeply indebted to the dozens of people who have helped lead the Foundation as trustees and staff and to the thousands of community leaders who have leveraged the Foundation's programs to improve their hometowns and the lives of our region's residents.

"My husband Neal and I look forward to focusing on our grandchildren and increasing our mission activity in Central and Eastern Europe. I will also continue my work as a Doula (birth coach) and in other community activities in the Brainerd lakes area."

Formed in 1986 by a partnership of regional leaders and Twin Cities-based The McKnight Foundation, the Initiative Foundation is one of six Minnesota Initiative Foundations (MIFs) serving Greater Minnesota.

Neal Cuthbert, McKnight's vice president of program, believes the Minnesota Initiative Foundations played a pivotal role in helping to buffer Greater Minnesota against the 2008 economic downturn.

"If you look at the most recent recession, rural Minnesota did better than the metro by nearly all measures," he said. "That's what the MIFs have been working on for 30 years, and I believe they deserve real credit for creating a more resilient Greater Minnesota."

For Gaalswyk, being part of the design and launch of the Minnesota Initiative Foundations was one of the most rewarding aspects of her career. And she feels good about the pioneering spirit among the MIFs, which led them to one of their earliest and most enduring innovations: providing gap financing to small businesses and start-ups that couldn't qualify for traditional bank loans.

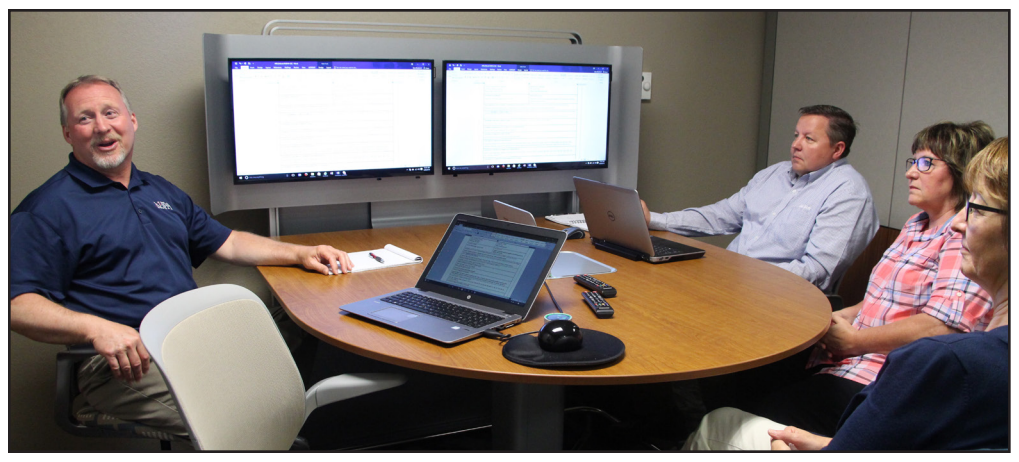
To date, the six foundations have provided more than $240 million in business financing to 4,500 companies across Greater Minnesota. The combined lending activity has leveraged $1.3 billion in private investment while securing 45,000 jobs.

"I remain fully committed to the Initiative Foundation until my departure, working with board and staff to advance the new strategic plan, securing key revenue streams and maintaining strong relationships with myriad key partners," Gaalswyk said.

The Initiative Foundation Board of Trustees has selected Ballinger Leafblad to guide the search process for a new president. Details will be posted on the Foundation's website, ifound.org.

About the Initiative Foundation

Celebrating its 30-year anniversary in 2016, the Initiative Foundation exists to improve the quality of life and to build stronger communities within its 14-county region of Central Minnesota by offering business financing, technical assistance, nonprofit grants, donor services and leadership training.



Vendor huddle with technology

NJPA contract administrator Kelly McAllister, left, conducts a meeting with NJPA vendors from Bobcat, using one of the huddle rooms in the new addition, equipped with two screens that can display information or be used for interactive communications. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Healthy workspace

NJPA employees are able to work out on site in their new fitness room, with a view of the trees behind the building. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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More programming can be offered for schools, cities and counties

struction details and plan the open house.

Increased programming

The biggest change that the public will notice are the large conference rooms, which allow the NJPA Education Solutions department to increase the number of professional development seminars and will provide space for breakout sessions. Nanik said more than 800 educators from schools in the region came to Staples last year for training, some for multiple sessions, and she expects more this year.

Education training sessions scheduled for this summer include a Math Teachers Academy, Leadership Conference, Data Retreats, Effective Schools, Principals Network, ENVoY, Project Lead The Way, Minnesota Summit for Learning & Leading, Using Skype and TED Ed Videos, A Healthy Classroom, Curriculum Mapping, Guided Reading for specific grades, New Teachers' Academy, Strategic Planning and Coaching: Advanced. Other workshops, coaching and site visits will stem from the training sessions.

The NJPA City and County Solutions department is also increasing programming for government professional development, including the Region Five Summit to be held Thursday, Oct. 6. Local governments and police departments have told NJPA that they prefer the short drive to Staples to the expensive trips to the Twin Cities for required training.

The NJPA Cooperative serves Region Five, the same five counties as the Region Five Development Commission is made up of, although not related. The new spaces can be used by NJPA member organizations, which include government and education organizations, such as Region Five Development Commission, Todd-Wadena Community Corrections, Lakewood Health System and the Initiative Foundation, to name a few local groups who have used the building for meetings.

Commitment to health

The healthy spaces also include a new employee workout room. NJPA is bringing consultants to help employees learn how to use the equipment, a company they have used for health and nutrition programs in the past.

The cooperative's commitment to health extended to the streets of Staples on June 17, when they held their 3rd annual 5K run/walk.

Top male and female finishers for the event were: Paul Drange, 23:52, Chad Coauette, 24:17, Jeremy Schwartz 26:22; Amy Brill 31:32, Jill Kinsley 35:13, Lindsay Meech 36:16.

CLC Foundation names Shogren new director

The Central Lakes College Foundation announces its new director. Jana Shogren, former director of Bridges of Hope in Brainerd, Shogren will begin in her role as director of the CLC Foundation on June 20.



Jana Shogren

A committee made up of CLC Foundation Board members and CLC staff interviewed Shogren and other candidates.

CLC Foundation Board member Nathan Hamilton said Shogren stood out because of her personality and ability to connect with people.

"I think that we selected Jana as she was well-respected in the local community and has the ability to create connections to help the CLC Foundation grow and develop," he said. "She has a strong presence within the community, which will help to grow the visibility of the CLC Foundation."

Shogren said, "I'm honored to be chosen for this position and look forward to maximizing the impact the CLC Foundation can make in the lives of students."

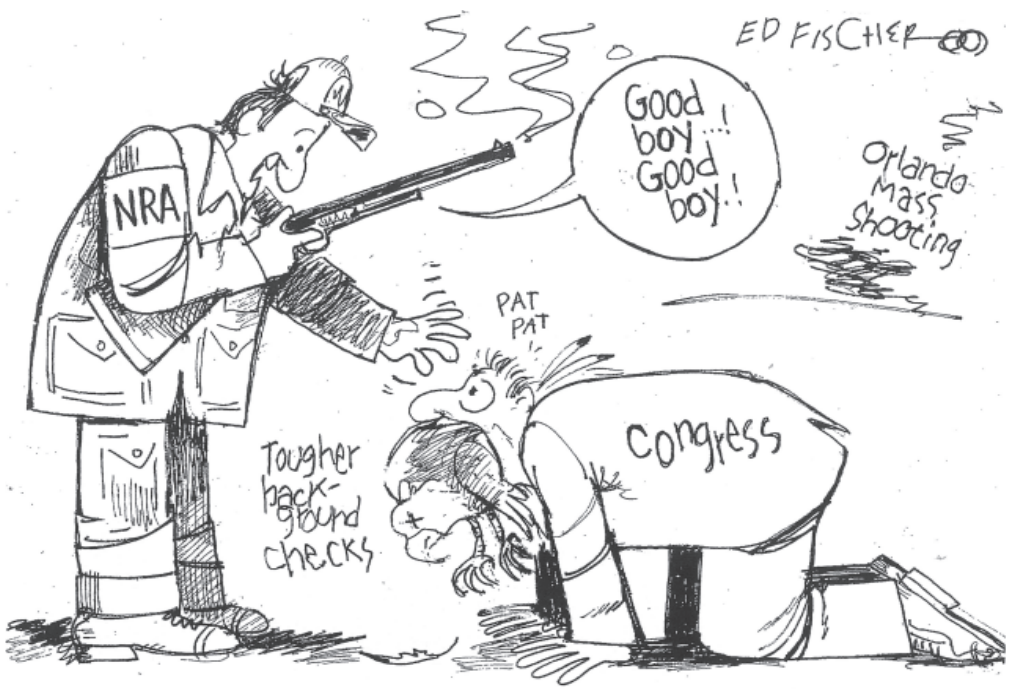
Shogren replaces outgoing director Pam Thomsen, who will retire at the end of July.

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Broadband funding brings us closer to access for all

By Rep. Ron Kresha
Dist. 9B, Little Falls (R)

One of the most rewarding parts of working at the Capitol is seeing ideas turn into law to help residents in our state. Since I was sworn-in, I've tried to provide high-speed broadband internet access for our rural areas. With the passage and signature of our supplemental budget bill, $35 million dollars will flow to increasing broadband access. Couple this with the $10.5 million last year and this biennium invests a record $45 million for rural broadband.

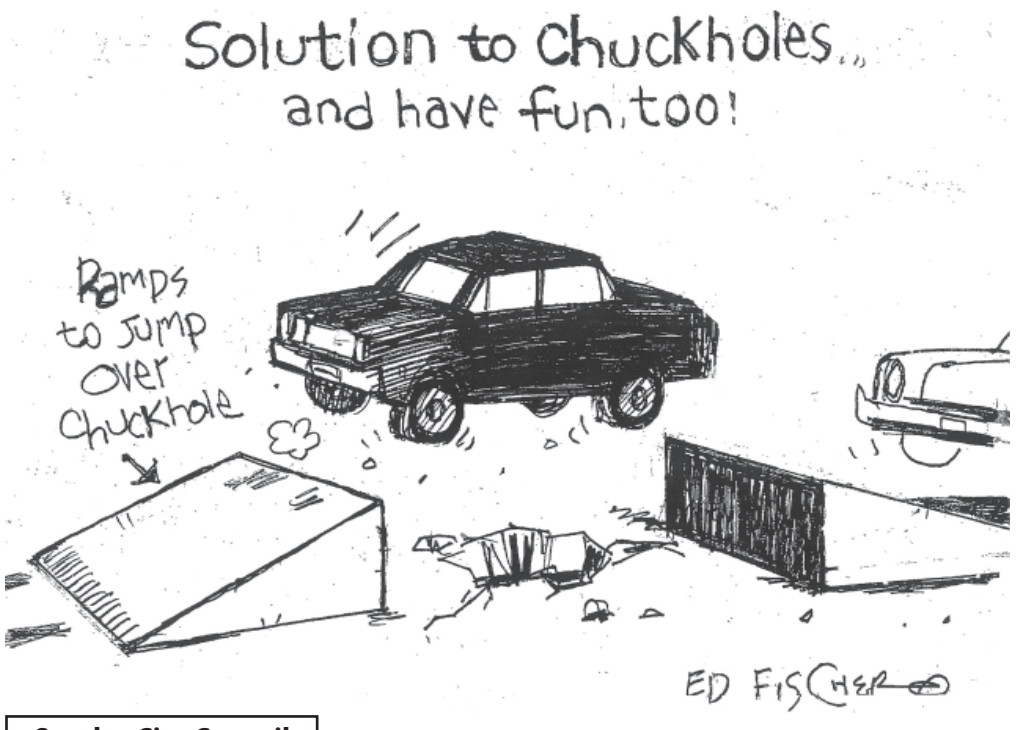
I'm proud to lead the charge in the House for increased funding. It's an issue with bipartisan support, and something that affects numerous Minnesotans. In a time when lawmakers are accused of playing party politics, it's reassuring to see agreement on both sides of this issue.

The final $35 million was very close to the original proposal in the House. When combined with federal funds, Minnesota will see around $120 million invested toward broadband infrastructure expansion in 2017 alone.

If we want students, small businesses, and local governments to keep pace with the rest of the state, we need this investment to provide high-speed internet access. Many areas in Greater Minnesota have limited to no broadband, leaving a significant technology gap with the Twin Cities and other regional hubs. Our historic investment will help bring countless residents into the 21st Century.

I'm proud of legislators in the House and Senate, and Governor Dayton, for recognizing this need in Greater Minnesota. Our investment is one step closer to high-speed internet access for all Minnesotans.

Rep. Kresha can be reached at rep.ron.kresha@house.mn or 651-296-4247



Income inequality threatens democracy

So decides Great American Think-off audience

After another year of intelligent, thought-provoking, and civil debate, the Cultural Center in New York Mills announces the winner of the 24th annual Great American Think-Off. Sam Dennison of San Francisco, Calif., successfully argued that income inequality does indeed threaten democracy.

Dennison also won the title of America's Greatest Thinker in 2006, after having debated the question, "Which is more valuable to society: safety or freedom?" Dennison successfully argued that freedom requires courage but that for the future of humanity we must put freedom first.

During this year's debate, Sam stated that "when you have so much wealth, you lose empathy for others." This problem, he claimed, is at the root of the threat to American democracy.

Silver medalist Alex Liuzzi of St. Paul, bronze medalists Alice Obrecht, of Wheaton, Ill., and Kim Larson, of Moorhead all argued their points eloquently in the first two rounds of debate, both of which ended in close votes by audience participation.

Dennison's essay and debate focused on the argument that democracy cannot survive without equality. Throughout the evening, Dennison gave many poignant examples of the result of growing income disparity rampant in the U.S. and how that disparity causes hopelessness and thus leads to the breakdown of democracy.

"I have seen wealth be hateful. I have seen park benches being taken away from homeless people. I have seen a 99-year-old woman evicted in Palo Alto because someone wanted to raise the rent," he said.

In the final round, Dennison debated Alex Liuzzi of St. Paul, who supported the position that income inequality does not threaten democracy on the premise that it instead motivates democratic participation.

Quipped Liuzzi during the final round of debate, "If income inequality causes hopelessness (as Dennison argued), how do we fix it? Through our democracy! Income inequality is an outcome of policy... we can change the inequalities and problems in our society using the democratic process."

While Liuzzi agreed with Dennison that income inequality and poverty are very real issues, he argued that participation in the process of democracy is actually a way to help resolve these issues of disparity.

The audience, it seems, did not agree. Thus be it resolved: Income Inequality Threatens Democracy.

The Great American Think-Off essay contest and debate is held annually. Next year will be the 25th Annual Debate, held on June 10, 2017. The question will be released on Jan. 1 with essay submissions accepted until April 1, 2017.

For more information call the Cultural Center at 218-385-3339, visit the Center's website atwww.kulcher.org, or visit the Think-Off website at www.think-off.org.

About the Great American Think-Off:

Now in its 24th year, The Great American Think-Off is an exhibition of civil disagreement between powerful ideas being explored by everyday people. Designed to bring philosophy down from the ivory towers of academia and make it accessible for all, the contest has received national acclaim including coverage by C-SPAN, the New York Times, and The Today Show.

Broadband funding is 'wildly insufficient'

By Sen. Matt Schmit
Dist. 21, Red Wing (D)

With the 2016 legislative session behind us, I'd like to take this opportunity to update you on the outcome of our broadband discussions at the State Capitol.

As you likely know, $35 million in state funding was dedicated to the next round of our successful border-to-border broadband competitive grant fund. In its first two rounds of funding, the program has awarded funds totaling approximately $30 million - which has extended critical connectivity to roughly 10,000 homes, 1,000 businesses, and hundreds of community anchor institutions such as schools, libraries, and hospitals.

Unfortunately, though, this level of funding is wildly insufficient to meeting the needs of unserved and underserved areas across Minnesota. After all, the Governor's Broadband Task Force estimates a 'broadband infrastructure gap' approaching $3 billion.

To fill the gap, the same task force called for $200 million in additional grant funding in 2016; the Governor proposed $100 million; and the Senate committed $85 million. For its part, the House budgeted only $25 million for the fund and refused to devote substantially more resources to it during budget negotiations.

Related negotiations also resulted in some changes to state speed goals, eligibility thresholds and the policy driving the grant fund.

Per task force recommendations, state speed goals were updated to call for 25/3 mbps service to all homes and businesses by 2022, and 100/20 service availability to all homes and businesses by 2026. In addition, by 2022 Minnesota aims to rank among: the top five states for broadband speed universally accessible to residents and businesses; the top five states for broadband access; and the top 15 when compared to countries globally for broadband penetration.

As for grant fund eligibility, the threshold for unserved remains linked to the FCC definition of broadband - currently 25/3 mbps service. The threshold for underserved was updated to include those areas falling short of the 100/20 mbps speed goal. Importantly, up to $5 million of 2016 funding can be utilized for projects in these underserved areas - areas poised to leverage state broadband funding for increased economic development and job creation.

Changes in policy were adopted for two overarching reasons: first, to maximize the impact of our lower-than-expected $35 million in state funding; and, second, to encourage those Minnesota providers qualifying for federal Connect American Fund (CAF II) dollars to invest in technology and service suitable for bandwidth needs of today and tomorrow.

Specifically, these policy changes include:

- Expanded eligibility to include up to $5 million in funding for projects in newly-defined underserved areas (those areas falling short of 100/20 mbps service); this will help maximize the number of homes and businesses served by the $35 million appropriation and increase economic development return on investment
- Letter of intent and formalized incumbent challenge process that allows incumbent providers to pledge new investments that meets state speed goals in applicant areas; ideally, this promotes efficiency and alignment in use of public and private funds for robust infrastructure investment
- Exemption from prevailing wage requirements for last mile broadband infrastructure; this addresses consistent feedback from rural providers for whom existing prevailing wage regulations created unintended consequences and disparities in compensation

In addition, DEED's Office of Broadband Development will be publishing more information regarding the application criteria and results, as well as updated annual mapping data.

As much as we may be disappointed by the level of funding and, perhaps, some of the new policy requirements, we shouldn't lose sight of the big picture: in the past few years we've teamed to create a credible and effective Office of Broadband Development and a competitive grant fund that is producing real results for Minnesotans.

Stakeholders will be given an opportunity to determine whether this legislature is taking our broadband connectivity challenges seriously, and the next legislature can and should build toward a significant and sustained commitment to our broadband grant fund, as well as reconsideration of whether policy changes have produced the intended result of targeting scarce resources and maximizing benefits of federal CAF II dollars.

Although I expect the Office of Broadband Development will be providing additional information regarding the 2016 application process, don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns regarding the recent broadband discussion at the State Capitol.

And don't forget to get your applications in. Wisely or not, some legislators continue to focus on the level of unfunded applications as a proxy for interest and need. As such, your application means a lot and can result in significant project funding, an investment and service commitment from an incumbent provider, or a clear demonstration of interest and need for future funds.

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Five sets of twins attend local VBS

Five sets of twins were a part of Vacation Bible School at the Staples Church of Christ June 13-17. Far left; Ethan and Evan Alexander; in front; Spring and Starr Hofstedt. Back row; Jacob and Emma Knutson, Mandy and Nicki Carter and Jaxon and Jayden Willson. (Submitted photo)

Broadband information webinar sessions set

Rep. Ron Kresha, R-Little Falls, is encouraging local officials and other broadband stakeholders to participate in a series of upcoming webinars and conference calls hosted by the Minnesota Office of Broadband Development. The informational sessions will detail changes made to the program during the 2016 legislative session, and will provide key details about the application process.

Over the past two years, Rep. Kresha led the charge to approve historic investments in broadband funding totaling $45 million in funding over the next two years - more than double the amount approved in 2013-2014. When combined with federal and private funds, Minnesota is expected to see well over $100 million in broadband investment in the next year alone.

"It's important for our unserved and underserved areas of the state to gain access to reliable, high-speed internet," said Kresha. "These webinars are a great resource for interested stakeholders and local officials to gain knowledge on broadband changes, and ways to apply for grants."

The conference calls will be held:

- Thursday, June 23 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Thursday, June 30, 8-10 a.m.
- Wednesday, July 13, 9-11 a.m.
- Wednesday July 13, 1-3 p.m.

Information presented will be the same across all four meetings. Interested parties must register to participate by sending contact information including name, organization/community, address, email and phone number to David.J.Thaos@state.mn.us or by calling 651-259-7442. Registration is required to obtain meeting access information.

Those interested can also contact Rep. Kresha's office for assistance with registration by calling 651-296-4247 or emailing rep.ron.kresha@house.mn.

Air Force band to perform free concerts

The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America's Freedom Winds will present a series of free concerts in Detroit Lakes.

The concerts will be held at the Homes Theater June 29, at 7 p.m.; and at Ecumen Assisted Living July 3, at 3 p.m.

Freedom Winds is comprised of six professional musicians whose music inspires patriotism, connects communities with military service members; and honors our country's veterans.

The concert will include a variety of music including classic repertoire, marches and light pop.

Freedom Winds is available to perform at military ceremonies and a variety of community events. For more information, call 618-229-8136 or email amc.ba.marketing@us.af.mil.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, June 28, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Schedule meeting of the Charter Commission for July 13 at 5 p.m. at City Hall.
- 2015 audit report from Mayer, Porter & Nelson, Ltd.
- Committee reports will include the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Commission, which will consider a Consider Conditional Use Permit to construct a 16 ft by 28 ft addition to an existing 28 ft by 34 ft garage at 506 3rd St SW.
- Open Forum
- City Administrator's report

Mark Your Calendar

June 23

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Engagement



Halverson, Gudgeon

Laura Halverson and Joe Gudgeon of Sioux Falls, S.D., announce their engagement.

Laura is the daughter of Neil and Lois Halverson of Mabel. She graduated from Mabel-Canton High School in 2010; and will graduate in 2017 with a Master's degree in Health Information Management from The College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. She is currently employed at Sanford Health in Sioux Falls as a cancer registry specialist.

Joe is the son of Calvin and Nancy Gudgeon of Hawley, formerly of Staples. He graduated from Staples Motley High School in 2009; and from Central Lakes College in Staples in 2010, with a degree in diesel and heavy equipment. He is employed at General Equipment in Sioux Falls, as a diesel mechanic.

A wedding is planned for Sept. 24, 2016, at Scheie Lutheran Church in Mabel. A reception and dance will follow at the Mabel Community Center.



Headed to St. Paul

Approximately 50 people from the local area traveled by charter bus from Motley to the State Capitol in St. Paul June 16, to attend the 'Decision America Tour' hosted by evangelist Franklin Graham. According to the Star Tribune, over 6,000 people were in attendance at the event which included prayer, music and a message. Graham (who stated he does not have hope for either the Democratic or Republican parties) urged the crowd to 'put God back in the political process.' He also stressed the importance of voting in November. Pictured above prior to departure are, front row from left, Ron Harrington, Pillager; and Gary and Carmen Schimpp, Staples. Row two, from left, Diane and Larry Hahn, Verndale; and Jack and Grayce Trosen, Wadena. Pictured below, people begin boarding the Northwestern Transit bus driven by Gene Johnson, Motley. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Obituaries

Laura Palmer

Laura Palmer, 94, of Staples passed away June 20, 2016 at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, June 27 at Motley Free Methodist Church with Pastor Jim Johnson officiating. Visitation is Sunday June 26, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples and also one hour prior to services at the church.

Interment will be at Scandia Valley Cemetery in Cushing.

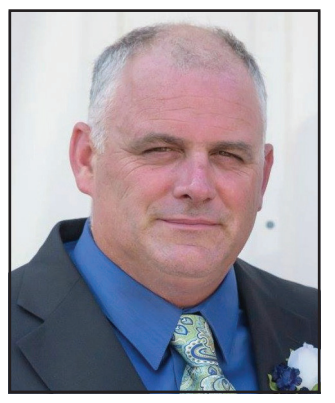
Arrangements are by the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Laura was born December 10, 1921 in Cambridge to Eddie and Annie Anderson. She attended school in Isanti. She moved to Minneapolis in 1949 and worked for Honeywell until she retired in 1976. She was united in marriage to Wesley Palmer on February 10, 1951 in Minneapolis and they were married for 41 years. They moved to Scandia Valley Township in 1976. She enjoyed spending time with her friends and family, cooking, baking, eating sweets, having Lutefisk on New Year's Eve, puzzles, shopping, listening to polka music and dancing. Laura was a member of St. Johns Lutheran Church in Motley, the Ladies Guild and the Randall and Motley Senior Citizens.

Laura is survived by her children, Diane Prince of Minneapolis, Michael (Allen) Palmer of Minneapolis, Lori (Rodney) Smith of Philbrook; one sister, Doris Bartsch of Zumbrota; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one sister, Blanche Brueggman and one brother, Lloyd Anderson.

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Jeffrey Ziegler



Jeffrey Ziegler, 48, of Staples, passed away June 13, 2016 in Jamestown, ND.

Memorial services were held June 20 at the Camp Ripley Base Chapel in Little Falls.

Interment was in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Jeff was born November 3, 1967 in Staples to Richard and Ann (Freiberg) Ziegler. He graduated from Staples High School in 1986 and enlisted in the U.S. Army. He was proud to be part of the 82nd Airborne Division. After his honorable discharge, Jeff attended Central Lakes College for Heavy Equipment Operations. He worked for William D. Scepaniak Construction Company for the past 23 years. Jeff was united in marriage to Kristen Deering on May 2, 1991 in Sisseton, SD. The couple celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with an Alaskan cruise. They made their home in Staples. Jeff enjoyed fishing, darts, horseshoes, camping at the 5th Crow Wing Lake, driving, babies, his puppy, Gus-Gus and visiting with family and friends.

Jeff is survived by his wife; two daughters, Brittany and Jenna (Andrew) Jobe; one son, Justin; four sisters, Marie (Ron) Weber, Deb Ziegler, Shelly Wilds, Barb (Greg) Dvorak; four brothers, Donald (Michele) Ziegler, James (Tina) Ziegler, Steve Ziegler, Greg (Kate) Ziegler; his father; many nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ann in 1999.

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Leona Hobson



Leona Albertina Hobson, 99, of Staples, passed away June 14, 2016.

A gathering of Family and Friends will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2016 from 1 to 4 p.m. with Pastor Jim Johnson at the Halvorson Johnson Funeral Home, Baxter Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donate to the local food shelf.

Arrangements are by Halvorson Johnson Funeral Home, Baxter Chapel.

Leona was born on June 1, 1917 in Granite Rock Township to Robert and Frieda (Schaffran) Danielowski. She married Roy Hobson in Reno, Nevada on January 13, 1946 and they had four children.

The couple lived in many states on both coasts as Roy was in the Air Force. In 1971 they settled in Lincoln.

Leona was an aircraft mechanic in California during WWII. She also worked as a cook and a seamstress. She enjoyed spending her time doing crossword puzzles, sewing, crocheting, painting and braiding rugs. She enjoyed her garden and had a homegrown roadside vegetable stand. At one time, she sold produce to Charles Lindberg. She was also active in the Lincoln Ladies Aide.

Leona is survived by two daughters, Marilyn (Richard) Cardano of Monson, MA and Kathy (Steve) Weulander of Tower; two sons, John (Val) Hobson of St. Paul and Jim (Shellie) Hobson of Motley; four grandchildren: Timothy Weulander, Alicia Cardano, Jessica Hobson and David Hobson and one sister, Betty Johnson of Minneota;

Leona was preceded in death by her parents; husband and four brothers, Clarence and Ervin (both lost in WWII), Harold and Bob.

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Arlyn Welling



Arlyn "Bop" Welling, 96, of Staples passed away June 19, 2016 at the Lakewood Health System Care Center in Staples.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, June 24 at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples, with Pastor Steve Sveom officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to services at the church.

Interment with Military Honors will be at Bridgeman Cemetery near Motley.

Arrangements were with the Brenny Funeral Chape, Staples.

Arlyn was born April 11, 1920 in Miller, South Dakota to James and Jesse (Kramer) Welling. He moved with his family at an early age to Omaha, NE and graduated from high school in Omaha. Arlyn enlisted in the US Navy and was assigned to the USS Argonne stationed at Pearl Harbor during the attack on December 7, 1941. He continued his service on the USS Iowa, where he was docked in Tokyo Bay in 1945 during the signing of the Peace Treaty which ended WWII. He worked as a parts manager for a trucking company in Omaha. Arlyn and his first wife, Lydia moved to the Motley area in 1975 where he worked at Uselmans Repair, Wadena until his retirement. He was a member of; the Pearl Harbor Survivor's Association and Faith Lutheran Church. He met Ellie Jasmer through the Horizon Club at 1st Integrity Bank, Staples and they were united in marriage on April 25, 1998. He enjoyed traveling, Hamm radio, history, sports, fishing, going to garage sales and listening to music.

He is survived by his wife; two granddaughters, Dana (Ron) Fischer of Motley and Kelly (Pat) Bienusa, of Staples; one brother, Gerald of Colorado; nine great-grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; seven step-children; 13 step-grandchildren and 12 step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Lydia; daughter, Jeneane Mayberry; brother, Glen, one step-child and two grandchildren, Kim and Randy.

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Ervin Venske

Ervin E. Venske, 86, of Verndale, passed away June 15, 2016 at the CentraCare Health System in Long Prairie.

Funeral services were held June 22, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Verndale, with Pastors Robin Fish and Travis Loeslie, officiating.

Arrangements were with the Taylor Funeral Home, Staples.

Ervin was born April 29, 1930 to Frank and Selma (Jasmer) Venske in Verndale. He was baptized on May 15, 1930 and confirmed on April 3, 1943 into the Christian faith at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Bartlett Township, Verndale by Rev. Brill.

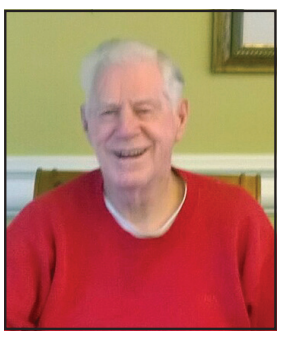
Ervin married Ellen Ranua on June 14,1952 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Wadena. Ervin worked as a lumberjack, mechanic and welder. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and socializing with friends. They lived in Menagha for many years and then moved to the Lester Prairie area. He served in the Korean War from 1952 to 1954 as a requisition clerk (Radar O'Reilly).

Ervin is survived by two sons, Charles (Cindy) Venske of Waconia and Bryan Venske of Verndale and one daughter, Rhonda Venske of Buffalo; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one sister, Darlene Geiser of Arizona; nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; one daughter, Shirley Zierden and four brothers: Robert, Delvin, Frank and Norver.

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Donald Dingman



Donald Dingman, 86, "The Wood Man", a long time resident of Forest Lake, passed away peacefully March 6, 2016 in North Oaks.

A celebration of his life will be held at 3:00 p.m. Friday, June 24, 2016 at Mattson Funeral Home, 343 N. Shore Dr, Forest Lake. Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m.

Interment will be at Scandinavian Cemetery in Forest Lake.

In lieu of flowers, family requests memorials be made to Disabled American Veterans or Alzheimer's Association. Condolences may be sent to Mattson Funeral Home and online at www.mattsonfuneralhome.com.

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TWEC's Operation Round Up gives back

The Operation Round Up Program from Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative is one of the ways the co-op and its members give back to the communities they serve.

The TWEC Community Trust Board recently met and awarded 18 Operation Round Up grants to local non-profit organizations, totaling of $8,825. The recipient organizations and their awards are as follows:

Miss Sebeka Scholarship, $500 for parade float; Todd County Sheriff's Dept, $400 for Posse First Aid Training; Cyber Café, $500 for Duck Drop fundraiser; W-DC Robotics Program for Robotics team; Bertha Baseball, $500 for 'Field of Dreams' Project; Project Linus, $500 for fleece blanket program; Lutheran Social Services, $500 for healthy meals for the elderly; Lakeland Hospice, $250 for Hospice Awareness; Nimrod Community Hall, $750 for building updates; Eagle Bend Library, $350 for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten; Wadena Area Volunteers (WAVe), $425 for Family Fun Day and Santa's Workshop; Wadena Hoppin' Hares, $600 for Hoppin' Hares 4-H Club; Staples Motley School Readiness Program, $300 for ECFE classroom restoration; City of Eagle Bend, $1,000 for regional kitchen; Red Eye Township, $250 for cemetery sign; Todd County Council on Aging, $500 for bundled meals; B-H Trap Team, $500 for high school Trap Shooting Team; Miss Bluffton Scholarship, $500 for parade float.

Funds for the Operation Round Up program come from participating Todd-Wadena Electric Cooperative members who allow their monthly electric bills to be rounded up to the nearest dollar, with the change allocated to a community trust fund. The average donation is less than 50 cents per month, yet together, members raise and donate approximately $30,000 annually to community service projects in the two-county area.

Since the program's inception in 2002, 593 local service projects have been funded a total of $437,289.

Todd-Wadena's Operation Round Up grant applications are reviewed and recipients selected three times a year by a seven-member volunteer Community Trust board. The next application deadline is October 15.

Local nonprofit community service groups may apply for Operation Round Up grants by stopping by or calling the Cooperative office at 800-321-8932 or by downloading a copy of the application form and guidelines from the Todd-Wadena website, www.toddwadena.coop and clicking the 'Our Community' tab.



My big brother Manie (aka Byron) once told me, "You'll know when it's time." He was right. It's time. We had been discussing retirement. After 48 years as a Real Estate Broker for many of you when you bought or sold property... we are retiring at the end of June.

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THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

MORTGAGOR(S): Edwin Osterberg, a married person

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., a Delaware corporation as nominee for Irwin Mortgage Corporation, an Indiana corporation

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment recorded on December 30, 2013 as Document Number A487712 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota; thereafter assigned to Federal National Mortgage Association by assignment recorded on November 12, 2015 as Document Number A496729 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: $55,120.00

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 29, 2004

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on February 11, 2005 as Document Number 432408 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: $47,150.96

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: North 178 feet of East 186 feet of Outlot 1 of Outlots in the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 8, Township 127, Range 32, in the Village of Grey Eagle, Todd County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 529 STATE ST E, GREY EAGLE, MN 56336

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd County, Minnesota

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Irwin Mortgage Corporation, an Indiana corporation

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Seterus, Inc.

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34-0005900

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 100013900789111204

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: August 4, 2016 at 10:00 AM

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff's Office, County Detention Center, 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on February 6, 2017.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None

Dated: June 2, 2016

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION
Mortgagee

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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

23-28pnc

PUBLIC NOTICE TODD COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 215 1st Ave. South, Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, July 7, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave. South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications.

1) Sandra Andersen: LOT-11 MATTSON'S SUBDIVISION. Site Address: 33721 Lupine Dr., Cushing, MN 56443. PIN: 24-0051900

Conditional Use Permit request to change a nonconforming use to a different nonconforming use; a portion of a dwelling to a water oriented accessory structure.

2) Curt and Dawn Richter: Part of the NE4 of the NW4 and Part of the NW4 of the NE4, Section 6 of Round Prairie Township. Site Address: 23419 210th St, Long Prairie, MN 56347. PIN: 21-0006901

Zoning Amendment request to change the zoning district of the following described property from Agricultural/Forestry 1 to Shoreland

PT NE4 NW4 & PT NW4 NE4 DESCR AS; COMM NW CORNER OF NE4 NW4; E 1089.87 FT TO PT OF BEG; E 231.19 FT TO N4 CORN; E 577.63 FT; S 1124.52 FT; W 577.92 FT; W 124.30 FT; NW 1144.78 FT TO PT OF BEG.

3) Curt and Dawn Richter: Part of the NE4 of the NW4 and Part of the NW4 of the NE4, Section 6 of Round Prairie Township. Site Address: 23419 210th St, Long Prairie, MN 5634. PIN: 21-0006901

Conditional Use Permit request to operate a winery in shoreland; off-sale liquor establishment/retail food and beverage establishment

4) Ammon Gingerich: Part of the NW4 of the SW4 of the NW4, Section 16 of Little Sauk Township. Site Address: 18562 County Rd 11, Long Prairie, MN 5634. PIN: 17-0014602

Conditional Use Permit request to operate a church within the AF-2 zoning district

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing and be heard on these matters.

Todd County Planning Commission
Mike Wiener, Chairperson

25pncTODD COUNTY

NOTICE TODD COUNTY HIGHWAY CONCRETE SPAN BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT CLOSING DATE: JULY 12, 2016 (ABBREVIATED ADVERTISEMENT)

Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., July 12, 2016 by the Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer and County Auditor/Treasurer at 44 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 for the following construction project:

SAP 077-599-060

Concrete Bridge Construction Project located on 331st Avenue in Burnhamville Township

This is an abbreviated advertisement. A full advertisement can be viewed by going to the Public Works website at **https://egram.co.todd.mn.us/**

Loren Fellbaum
Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer

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SOLID WASTE 30433 US 71 BROWERVILLE, MN 56438 PHONE (320) 594-2210 FAX 320-594-3022

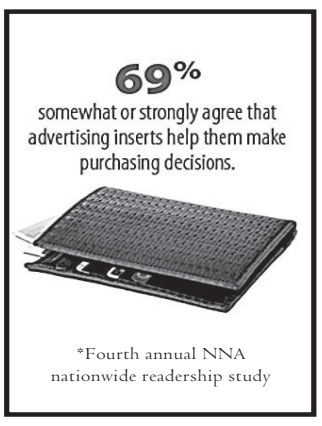
FOR SALE BY BID

Sealed Bid Auction for 1999 Chevrolet 4x4 Silverado Pickup

Todd County Solid Waste is accepting sealed bids on the following vehicle. The vehicle is parked at the Solid Waste Department, 30433 US 71, Browerville, MN. You may look at the vehicle during regular business hours. The vehicle is presented for sale and will be sold in "as is" condition. Todd County has the right to refuse any or all bids. You may submit a bid in-person at the Solid Waste Department, or by mail. Must be marked **Sealed Bid for Vehicle Purchase**. All bids must be received by 3:00 p.m. on July 29, 2016.

Vehicle Information:
Year: 1999
Make: Chevrolet
Model: Silverado
Color: Red
Miles: 198,668
VIN: 1GCEK14T2XE211546

25-29pnc



NOTICE GERMANIA AND MORAN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

At the Annual Meeting on May 2, 2016, the Germania and Moran Cemetery Association Board increased the price of the cemetery lot rate and added a perpetual care fee.

For more information or questions, contact: 218-639-5635.

Sharon Thiel, Secretary
Cemetery Association

24-25pnc

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
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
Pastor Tony Romaine
Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Fellowship, refreshments following service

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE., Staples
218-894-1546
Pastor Stephen Sveom
Sunday Worship
Summer Service.....9:30 a.m.
Coffee fellowship.....10:30 a.m.
Outdoor Worship .....Mondays, 6:30 p.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
Jeff Scoggins, Pastor
Saturday Worship .....9:30 am.
Sabbath School.....10:45 a.m.

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923
Pastor Nathan Hillman
Sunday School .....9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....11:00 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 Ciesluk
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)

Aldrich

Congregational, UCC
One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich
Pastor Dave Seaton 218-445-5831
Sunday Worship,..... 9:30 a.m.
Communion .....1st Sunday of Month

Balsamlund Lutheran
19550 490th Street, Aldrich
Pastor Rachel Stout 218-640-5587
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.
Rev. Jean M. Megorden
Lay Pastor Bob Mueller
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.
Friday Office Closed
Senior Pastor: Pastor Dan Crocker
Visitation Pastor: Pastor Jim Brown
Youth & Ministry Coordinator: Stacey Minion
1354 Café Coffee Fellowship.....9:13 a.m.
Worship Gathering .....10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Kids' Club.....6:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group .....6:30 p.m.
Men's Bible Study .....6:00 p.m.
Praise & Prayer .....4:30 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.

Leaf River Township

The Old Country Church
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
Info. # 218-837-5690
Open by arrangement

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Pastor David Stevens
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran
Pastor David Stevens
Leader .....218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888
Pastor Jim Johnson
Assistant Pastor Richard Broberg
Sunday Worship.....9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School .....10:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study.....6 :00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA.....6:00 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
Rev. Greg Ciesluk
www.motleyumc.org
Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.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
Pastor Hector Merced
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 .....7:00 p.m.

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Paul Johnson
218-746-3768
Sunday School .....9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.
TUESDAY
Bible Study/Prayer .....11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 2yrs-5th grade.....6:15 p.m.
Adult Classes.....6:15 p.m.

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146
Hewitt, MN 56453
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.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale.
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Associate Pastor Fred Hartley IV
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classses
.....11-11:45 a.m.

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.

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale
Church.....218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
Sunday School - Worship.....10:30 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship.....10:00 a.m.
Prayer & Praise .....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
6:15 - 7:30 p.m. .....Boys and Girls Ministry
6:15 - 7:30 p.m. ..... C.R.E.W. Youth Ministry
6:15 - 7:30 p.m. ..... Adult Bible Studies

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.

Open your Bible and know God

Bob Hepokoski, pastor, Staples Alliance Church

My friends placed a brand new paperback Bible in my hands. I had never owned a Bible before, much less opened one to read for myself. They told me it was God's words intended for me. I was intrigued by the thought that God had something personal to say me. I was compelled to read. That was nearly 40 years ago, but I will never forget taking that Bible home and opening it up with expectation of hearing from God. I began immediately and read every day until I had read from cover to cover.

Through the years I have worn out more than a few Bibles, but the message has not grown old or tattered. It is still "living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword" (Hebrews 4:12). It is still shaping my life because all Scripture is "breathed out by God and profitable" (2 Timothy 3:16).

Almost 90 percent of all homes in our country have at least one Bible and the average home has more than four Bibles. Yet the majority of Americans open their Bibles for personal reading only a few times per year. It saddens me when I think that so many people have access to living messages from God, and yet they remain indifferent.

The Bible is God's story. It is God introducing Himself to me, revealing who He is, what He is like and how much He loves me. Until I read for myself, my knowledge of God was hearsay, word of mouth and second-hand information. When I began to open up God's book, I heard Him speaking to me.

God wants you to know Him. He has spoken words that have been written for you. Pick up your Bible this summer, find a quiet place and open it up. Expect to meet God in a fresh and personal way!

The Staples Area Church Directory is sponsored by these area businesses:

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Central Building Supply
Bob Reeck, Manager
Hwy. 10 West, Staples, MN

Ernie's Food Market
Groceries - Gas - Convenience - more
Staples, MN 218-894-1072

Staples Veterinary Clinic
"Complete Animal Care"
Staples, MN 218-894-1775

Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank
Fully Insured to $250,000
Staples, MN 218-894-3900

Longbella Drug Store
"The Prescription Store"
2nd Ave., Staples • 218-894-2242
Motley and Pillager

Staples World
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224 4th St. NE, Staples, MN
218-894-1112

Tower Pizza
Pizza, Pasta, Salads, Sandwiches
Staples, MN 218-894-3299

Staples True Value
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Open 7 days a week.
Staples, MN 218-894-3263



Visiting the little library

Maria Wolfe and her daughter Natalie of Brainerd stopped by the Little Free Library in rural Motley recently. It is located in Scandia Valley Township, near Maria Wolfe's parents' home (Bob and Carolyn Lohman) on West Shamineau Dr. (Submitted photo)

'Little Free Library' open in rural Motley

A 'Free Little Library' is now available to book lovers of all ages in the Lincoln Lakes area.

Located at the corner of Cty. Rd. 202 and West Shamineau Dr. in rural Motley (at the end of Bob and Carolyn Lohman's driveway), the library is open to anyone who wishes to use it.

"We hope to share books with friends, neighbors and visitors," said Carolyn Lohman. She went on to note that there are several resorts nearby; and that a lot of people enjoy taking walks in that area.

Anyone is welcome to take a book at the Free Little Library. After it is read, the book can then be returned or shared with somebody else. People are also welcome to share their own books from home, by leaving them at the library.

"My husband and I both love books, enjoy reading and believe in the power of libraries to teach and inspire," Carolyn said. "We support reading for children, literacy for adults and libraries around the world."

A couple of years ago, the Lohmans read about a man from Wisconsin, Todd Bol, who started the Little Free Library movement as a tribute to his mother, a teacher who loved to read. They were inspired by his story and decided to do what Bol did in their own neighborhood.

For more online information about Bol and his project, visit www.littlefreelibrary.org.



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2015-16 budget revision sparks policy questions

worker and guidance counselor. Klamm sought approval from the board to advertise for both positions. She said that when they fill one position, Olsen will take the other.

Another option that Klamm was checking was through CEP (Concentrated Employment Program) which would help fund a career advisor program for three days a week. One half of a day could be used by Connections High School and the remainder by Staples-Motley High School.

In response to a question from Bryan Winkels, high school principal Mike Schmidt said Julie Polak and Sandy Otteson would staff the front office. Polak is currently an administrative assistant for the high school. Otteson is the attendance and discipline clerk.

Travis VanOverbeke, the activities director, will take on more of those clerical duties, Klamm added.

"I'm not saying it will all work, but we have the opportunity to try it," she said.

"The existing office staff is all on board," Schmidt said.

In addition, scheduling of school facilities for everything outside of athletics will be handled by Kevin Roline, the new community education coordinator.

The board approved a revision to the 2015-16 budget which shows a deficit in the unassigned general fund of $257,636.

Business manager Marci Lord requested a finance committee meeting to discuss the continuing deficits in the food service budget.

Another discussion topic will be how to handle categories that end the year under budget. Usually the funds revert to the general fund or can be used for other projects, such as capital improvements, that have been approved by the board.

This year transportation had a sizeable balance, thanks to low fuel prices and that usually does not happen. Norby Klimek, the transportation director, wants to use the funds to tar the new bus garage area that was built last year. However, since it was not on a capital expenditure list, the request had to be brought to the board.

That sparked a discussion including questions about setting precedent and what will happen next year if fuel prices increase above budget projects. Where will that money be found?

Klamm said the finance committee could discuss whether to set a policy for these situations or to examine them on a case by case basis.

In other business the board:

- Accepted the audit bid from CliftonLarsonAllen on a split vote with Chad Longbella and Roy DiGiovanni voting no.
- Approved the 2016-17 budget which shows the deficit in the general fund reduced to $125,563. Lord reviewed the budget line by line.
- Approved a trip to Italy and Greece for middle school students led by middle school art teacher Amanda Olson. She was excited to show students first hand the art and architecture as well as giving students the experience of travel.

"Travel is a huge eye-opening experience for kids," she said in her presentation.

Ten students and eight chaperones will be going in June 2017.

- Accepted resignations from Laura Schoonover, district nurse; Tammy Johnson, head speech coach; and Ashley Ingman, elementary school social worker.
- Approved hiring Mary Kempton as a kindergarten teacher and Sue Bettis in food service in Motley.
- Heard in the superintendent's report of the summer projects for the buildings and grounds department. Those include new hallway flooring on the north end of the high school, a new FFA greenhouse near the high school, new high school kitchen serving line, new doors in specific areas, tuck pointing some parts of the high school and Motley buildings, new cabinets in some classrooms, sidewalk and parking lot repairs, coating on main gym roof in Motley, some sprinkler system repairs, garden in the elementary school courtyard, some heating and ventilation repairs and some painting.

Police report calls to Motley and Wadena

Recent reports in to the Straples Police Dept. include;

June 13; Staples Police were advised of a party sleeping at night at Northern Pacific Park.

June 13; Staples Police received a report of a purse stolen out of a vehicle on the 800 block of 4th St. NE.

June 14; Staples Police responded to a damage to property complaint at Midwest Family Eye Center. The glass on the front door had been broken during the night. After receiving information from a witness and evidence at the scene it appeared a deer had run into the door, causing the damage.

June 14; Staples Police received a report of an attempted burglary at Simplicity Salon and Spa. Marks on the door suggested a small tool was used to attempt to pry the door open. No access was made to the building.

June 14; Staples Police received a report of garbage being dumped at the address of 823 U.S. Hwy 10 E. Sometime overnight kids toys were dumped in the yard.

June 14; Staples Police received a report of a purse being stolen after it was forgotten in a cart at Ernies Food Market. After investigation, John Faulk, 51, was cited for theft.

June 14; Staples Police spoke with a resident on the 900 block of 2nd Ave. NE regarding an ordinance violation involving multiple furniture items in their front yard. The resident stated it would be removed first thing in the morning.

On June 15, Staples Police responded to the 800 block of Highway 10 for a report of someone going to the bathroom and leaving their feces in the complainants yard during the day time.

June 16; Staples Police conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 10 for no front license plate. Police learned the driver didn't have a license and later learned the juvenile passenger was a runaway from Rochester. Police made contact with the juvenile's father and determined that it was okay for her go with the group she was with. Police cited the driver for driving without a valid license.

June 17; Staples Police assisted the Morrison County Sheriff's Dept. with an out of control subject in Motley. The individual was transported to Lakewood Health System in Staples.

June 17; Staples Police were called to the Lakewood Hospital for an unwanted subject. Police helped the subject leave.

June 17; Staples Police stopped a wrong way driver on Hwy 10. After investigation it was found that the driver was tired and no impairment was found.

June 19; Staples Police were requested to respond to the city of Wadena to assist the Wadena Police Dept, with a domestic dispute at a business along Hwy 10. Police assisted on scene as two suspects were arrested for disorderly conduct by the Wadena Police Dept. Also assisting at the scene were the Menahga Police Dept, Wadena County Sheriff's Dept and the Minnesota State Patrol.

June 19; Staples Police assisted the Minnesota State Patrol with a report of a juvenile walking on Hwy 10, west of Staples. Police located the juvenile, and transported them to Staples and then to the city of Aldrich.

June 19; Staples Police received a report of a concern for welfare on an elderly individual who had walked to the Staples Hi-Rise, and was confused. Police made contact with the subject's family and they picked up the individual.

June 19; Staples Police assisted the Todd County Sheriff's Dept with a burglary in progress south of Staples where a male, Joseph Brengman, 24, and a female Michelle Boeckman, 24, were arrested.



'Tis the season

A number of garage sales and yard sales have been held in the Staples area since the onset of summer, offering residents and tourists shopping opportunities. Most of the sales last a day or two; and there are others that are apparently on-going. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



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City back in court over Blonigan property code violations

Also at the June 14 meeting, the council appointed election judges for the Aug. 9 primary and Nov. 8 general election. Head judges are Gail Magnuson and Sandra Foote; other judges include; Doris Amundson, Mary Brauch, Tricia Jasmer, Bev Nelsen, Ellen Ogg, Bernie St. Pierre, Audrey Zimmer, Terrie Brown, Ardis Halverson, Kathy Miles, Clara Motl, MaryAnn Peterson, Virginia Rollins, Mary Sperley; alternates are Lacey Aguirre, Cathy Goltz and Mary Jane Volesky.

The council also approved a request from Staples '93 Lions to conducte a raffle.

City Administrator Jerel Nelsen informed the council that the city is again involved in a court case over a property owned by David Blonigan. Last year the city won a city code violation court order that allowed them to clean up materials on the property. Nelsen said that court case was supposed to insure a quicker method to clean up code violations, but now more materials are on the property and the case is back in court.



Highlights of the Motley Fair



Competitive cousins

Cousins Hayley Carlson, 19, and Jazmin Blowers, 17, both of Motley, have been competing at the horse show during the Motley Fair for several years. This is the last year that Hayley will be eligible to participate, as she has been out of high school for one year. Hayley is pictured with Mia; and Jazmin with Dev. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



With his chicken

Felix Williams, 10, of Pequot Lakes, showed several chickens at the Motley Fair last weekend.



Showing her heifer

Mikayla Sauber of Motley showed her junior yearling heifer at the Motley Fair June 18.



At the petting zoo

The FFA Petting Zoo was a popular destination during the recent Motley Fair. Pictured above with one of the goats are, from left, Nevaeh Fratzke, Motley; and Ben Rutten, Staples.



Cool treats

Grace Halverson, four; and Teagan Koval, 11, both of Staples, enjoyed eating freeze pops June 17, at the Motley Fair. Grace said she was still celebrating her birthday, which was June 16. Her mother (not pictured) had noted that Grace had asked for a pony for her birthday; but settled for some new cowgirl boots instead.



Fun and games

A number of bounce games were set up at the Motley Fairgrounds June 17 - 19, offering free entertainment for children of all ages. Pictured above, playing one of the games, are Chayce Thimmesch, six, of Motley; and Skyler Hill, nine, of Pillager.



Love that fair food



Pictured above enjoying lunch at the Leader Lions Eatery during the Motley Fair June 17, are, from left, William Fluegge, Everly Fluegge; and Samantha Cathey, all of Motley. William Fluegge said he has wonderful memories of attending the Motley Fair when he was a young child. "I used to love coming to the midway every year," he said. Pictured in lower photo, Lion Stewart Wiebesick serves the first cheeseburger of the day June 17, at the Leader Lions Eatery.



Ribbon winner

Aleeah Halverson of Staples, pictured with Frosty, picked up a blue ribbon at the Motley Fair Horse Show June 17.



Working out the details

Motley Fair Board members made some last minute decisions concerning the horse show prior to a storm scheduled to hit the Motley area within minutes. Pictured above, from left, are Rhonda Amundson, fair board president; Cheyanne Koval and Rick Adamietz, fair board directors.

Motley Police, Morrison Cty Sheriff's Office reports

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

June 15 - The MPD received a report from a Motley resident that her credit card had been used by an unknown person at a Family Dollar Store in Maplewood. The card had possibly been scanned in her purse and duplicated.

June 15 - A resident at an apartment in Motley called to report that a man had taken a box spring that she had placed outside of her apartment. Chief Ron Smith contacted the male about this and he responded that he thought she did not want the box spring.

June 14 - The MPD assisted in recovering a child's dirt bike that had been stolen in the Philbrook area. Suspect admitted to taking the bike and was arrested on a warrant.

June 11 - The MPD observed a car pull into BRICKS Travel Plaza in Motley and park at an angle in a no parking zone, blocking traffic from accessing gas pump. The officer ran the plate and discovered that the registered owner (who was also the driver of the vehicle) did not have a valid driver's license and she had a warrant for her arrest. The driver, Charisse Cash, 20, was arrested on warrant; and her passenger, Colten Burton, 24, was arrested for controlled substance fifth degree.

June 11 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Alexander Pitkin, 26; and a citation for no proof of insurance to Yvette Dunn, 44.

June 10 - The MPD issued a citation to Raeann Wilson (driver) 30; and Sandra Rivetts (passenger), 36, for not wearing seatbelts. Vehicle had been stopped for not having a front plate. The MPD also issued a speeding citation to Andrea Simmonds, 21, in a separate incident.

June 9 - The MPD escorted the Staples Motley track team through Motley on their way to the state tournament.

June 13 - The MCSO responded to a report that a bear had been hit along Dove Rd. in Cushing and was still in the traffic lane. The bear, which was dead, was located and dragged off the road and into the ditch.

June 10 - The MCSO received a call from a resident on Aztec Rd. in Motley that a rock had gone through the screen on his sliding glass door and shattered the glass.



Gardening has begun

Marlene Prodahl of Motley is one of several area residents maintaining a garden plot at the Motley Area Community Garden, located near the food shelf on 3rd Ave. So. She was busy weeding on Memorial Day and said that she planted a few vegetables a couple of weeks earlier and that they had been starting to grow nicely. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Hales makes national Golden Gloves HOF

By Les Sellnow

Charles (Chuck) Hales, formerly of Philbrook and a Staples High School graduate, now living in Maple Plain, was inducted into the National Golden Gloves Boxing Hall of Fame on Sunday, May 15, 2016. Hales, who just recently celebrated his 80th birthday, was honored for his years of service to Golden Gloves as a stellar boxer, highly rated referee and judge at the national amateur level as well as in professional circles, and as executive director of Upper Midwest Golden Gloves since 1992. The induction ceremony took place in Salt Lake City, Utah, which is hosting the National Tournament this year.

Hales is the fourth Minnesotan to be inducted into the National Golden Gloves Hall of Fame. The other three are the late Harry Davis and Biff Holstein of Minneapolis, and Sean Clerkin, also of the Minneapolis area, who today serves as president of Upper Midwest Golden Gloves. One recipient is honored each year.

Hales was presented by his daughter, Sue (Hales) Hallaren of Newport News, Virginia. She told the group that her dad lost his father when Chuck was one month old and grew up without a father figure in his life. Later, as a young boxer, he was mentored by men who filled that role in Golden Gloves, notably Harry Davis, who was then a boxing coach in Minneapolis. As a result, daughter Sue said, Chuck has devoted himself through Golden Gloves to help fill that need for other young people. He also devoted himself to being an excellent father figure to his own six children, she said, always encouraging them to achieve.

She closed the presentation with the showing of a humorous video with her children playing roles of Chuck in some stages of his life, such as boxer, businessman, cowboy-rancher.

In his acceptance speech, Hales told the group that what he has given back to the program through years of involvement is only a small part of what the program did for him. Hales also gave credit to his wife, Carol, for her support through the years when he often was away from home because of his involvement in Golden Gloves. "It says Chuck Hales here," he said referring to the plaque that had been presented by Jim Beasly, Kansas, National Golden Gloves president. "It should say Chuck and Carol Hales because she didn't just put up with it, she supported it."

In addition to the plaque, Hales was presented with an embossed ring, imbedded with diamond chips.

Hales, a natural athlete, became involved in Golden Gloves because he was declared to be too small for other sports. He had a burning desire to play football for Staples High School, but wasn't allowed to tryout because of his size.

He was drawn into boxing by Ivan Mallas, who operated a soda bar in Staples. Mallas was a good promoter, but knew almost nothing about the fundamentals of boxing. He convinced Hales to enter the Golden Gloves Tournament being held in Brainerd that year, 1955. Despite his lack of formal training, Hales won the tournament and went on to compete in the Upper Midwest Tournament. He made it to the semi-finals and there was defeated on a split decision by a boxer named Chuck Harris, who had won the Upper Midwest Championship the year before. The two would meet again, with one of the bouts being held in Staples where Hales won by decision.

He decided that boxing was the sports outlet he needed and the fact that he only weighed 119 pounds was no deterrent. He won again at Brainerd in 1956 and made another trip to the Upper Midwest Tournament, and this time won the championship. He advanced to the quarter-finals at the National Tournament before being defeated.

By this time Hales had come under the scrutiny of Harry Davis, who was coaching the Phyllis Wheatley House boxing team in Minneapolis. (The Phyllis Wheatley Settlement House was established to serve African Americans in the community. One of those services was offering training in boxing.)

Davis took Hales under his wing in preparation of the 1957 tournaments. "I was the only White guy in the gym," Hales would recall later, "but that didn't matter to anybody. All they cared about was whether I could fight." Fight, he did, winning a second Upper Midwest Championship and making it all the way to the semi-finals at the National Tournament, where he lost on a split decision."

Hales, who grew up in poverty, says he used the lessons—such as compassion and respect for others, courage and patience—that he learned in Golden Gloves as a leg up in what became a highly successful business career. Early on he became a machinist and ultimately started his own company, Hales Machine Tool, which is operated by his sons, following his retirement.

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State golfers

Cardinal state golfers, pictured during their section rounds, Andrew Israelson, Olivia Klefsaas and Hailey Koenig. (Submitted photos)

Three golfers compete at rainy state meet

Olivia Klefsaas continued her superb late season play and ended up in 18th place at the girls state golf tournament. She shot 80 and 86 for her two 18 hole rounds for a total of 166. Teammate Hailey Koenig shot 93 and 93 for 186, good for 53rd place.

At the boys state meet, Andrew Israelson shot 76 and 79 for a two round score of 155, placing 23rd. It was his fifth trip to the state meet. He tied for first in 2014, was fourth in 2013 and 2015 and was 16th in 2012.

The meet had several rain delays forcing the boys to play most of their holes on day two.

Klefsaas receives golf scholarship

The Minnesota Section PGA and The Valspar Corporation announced that five high school seniors have been selected to receive a 2016 Valspar Minnesota Section PGA Foundation Junior Golf Scholarship, including Staples Motley golfer Olivia Klefsaas.

She will receive a four-year $8,000 scholarship. The Minnesota Section PGA Foundation awarded these scholarships on the criteria of high school grades, class rank, ACT/SAT scores, extracurricular activities and involvement, financial need, an essay and an interview.

Klefsaas earned five varsity letters in golf, including an all-conference selection, and three in volleyball at Staples Motley High School. Her extracurricular involvement included theatre, speech, student council, choir, band and the Honor Society. She will attend Oklahoma Baptist University in Shawnee, OK, where she will study business administration.

Play is good for everyone; wild creatures like to play, too

One of my weekend rituals, if I'm not away early on some recreational mission, is to sit on our screened front porch with a cup of coffee, just watching and listening to the neighborhood awaken and come to life. I especially appreciate this during periods of high heat and humidity when the house is closed up and under the artificial influence of air conditioning. At those times humans are for all intents and purposes sealed off from the outdoors.

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Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

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Apart from the chorus of birds in the trees and shrubbery of the neighborhood yards, one of the first signs of active life is the scampering of squirrels. A human might make the natural assumption that as the day's life begins, our wild neighbors would be strictly getting down to the serious business of finding food, establishing or defending territories, and generally concentrating on survival.

But that's not always the case. On one particular morning I watched a group of squirrels in a neighbor's yard directly across from where I sat in a comfortable chair sipping my cup of Daybreak Morning Blend. Squirrels are famous for their racetrack maneuvers as they scamper around the trunks of trees in pursuit of one another. It looks a lot like the human game of "tag," though in our superior wisdom we might assume there is some deeper survival meaning. Like developing skills for evading a predator, or for routing a competing suitor.

But these bushy-tailed characters were behaving for all the world like circus performers, jumping over one another, doing complete back-flips that reminded me of a soccer player executing a bicycle kick, and of course the basic pursuit around the base of a tree. Their antics did not look at all like behavior that would develop survival skills, and instead had all the characteristics of play.

Squirrels are not alone in being playful. Otters, another example, are famous for their love of sliding. One who wrote about this was the late Ely, resident Sigurd Olson, veteran canoeist and wilderness camper who avidly promoted the Boundary Waters Canoe Area. Olson more than once shared in his writings the experience of watching an entire family of otters hurtling down a slick mud-slide into the water; not just one time, but repeating the act just as a youngster would fly down a playground slide and immediately climb the steps to do it all over again. Of course, it's not just the young of our kind that get a thrill going down a slide. Those who are whizzing down mega-slides at such venues as the Minnesota State Fair are as likely to be adults or young adults as they are to be children.

Deer, too, have often been reported in an activity that is hard to interpret as anything other than play. I confess that when I heard that deer play a game resembling "tag" it seemed far-fetched, even though it has been reported many times. But in this age of the Internet, and given the eagerness of people to post pictures and YouTube videos, you could go out on the "web" right now and find what seems to be pretty convincing evidence of it.

I recently watched just such a video. A group of eight or 10 whitetails were feeding in the grassy understory of a woodland. The footage began with one deer giving its neighbor a nudge with its nose, then prancing away, with other deer in turn doing the same thing with others in the group. Between the nudging, the jumping and the pursuing, it would have been hard to conclude that this was serious survival behavior! Do we label such behavior "play?" Since deer and humans can't communicate directly we may never know. But the activity certainly looked like a good time!

An article appearing in the magazine Scientific American in 2011 addressed this very question of play behaviors in non-human creatures. It noted that we humans have always assumed that everything a wild creature does is done with survival as its purpose, and that something so apparently frivolous as tag, or tumbling, or simply romping, must actually be a "mock" activity that prepares a creature for a more important survival event later in life.

Not exactly, according to this scientific journal. The article's most intriguing finding was based on studies done with laboratory rats. (Sometimes it's hard not to have a certain amount of empathy for rats) Rats are very social creatures, and play is part of their routine in growing up. But when young rats were isolated and deprived of the opportunity to play, they became either fearful and unwilling to interact with others or violently aggressive.

It was ultimately found that the interactions that happen in normal, routine play, stimulate and help develop the same pathways in the brain as those that are needed in true stress situations. The harmless, non-threatening stress of play or frolic seemed to condition these creatures to better handle stressful situations of all kinds, from basic social interactions with others of their kind, to those less common "fight or flight" situations that are a matter of life and death. In short, play led to healthy brain growth.

If rats and humans are believed to develop more normally with play, why not the deer, the otter, the squirrel and others, too?

Crossword Puzzle

Provided by American Profile

Week 25



"Small Bites"

Across
1 Follow, as a tip
6 Statutes
10 One of the five W's
13 Astronomer Tycho
14 Nickname for Baryshnikov
15 Alternative to Bowser
16 Reverence for greatness
18 "The best things in life ___ free"
19 Pick, with "for"
20 Pound, e.g.
21 Hog haven
23 Answer
25 Clean up, in a way
26 The nineties, for one
27 Classic muscle car
29 Source of strength
32 Gounod opera
33 ___ Rogers (fast food chain)
35 Eschew
36 Meal where you might get this puzzle's theme answers
37 Houston baseballer, for short
38 Stop on a crawl
39 Supersized
40 Louisiana water
41 Birth announcement
43 Strive
44 Exterior
45 Joints
49 Guard
51 Netman Nastase
52 "The Simpsons" bartender
53 One of the Gabors
54 Fictional, but realistic
57 Nothing
58 People person?
59 Engine unit
60 Commercials
61 Torah holders
62 Those in favor

Down
1 Dislike, and then some
2 Kind of sole
3 Small pastries
4 Cry of surprise
5 Rhode Island city
6 Enumerate
7 Ember coating
8 Rear-ender injury
9 Discerning
10 End-of-filming gala
11 "Try this!"
12 Farm team
14 TV steed
17 Chaplin of "Game of Thrones"
22 Some appliances
24 Hammer part
25 Actor Willis
27 Sharp-tasting
28 1960's-70's Italian P.M.
29 Nile viper
30 Feng ___ (art of placement)
31 Partial sum, e.g.
32 Uproar
34 "___ rang?"
36 Namer
37 "___ who?"
39 Basis for a Puccini opera
40 For just a moment
42 Big ___
43 Small combo
45 Commoner
46 Strikes
47 Bank enticement
48 Prophets
49 Elizabeth of "La Bamba"
50 Diehard
51 Sews up
55 Sort
56 Trumped-up story

Last Week's Answers
"Gotta' Bounce"

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