

LEAP approved for city lodging tax marketing

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The local non-profit group LEAP submitted the only proposal to the City of Staples to become the tourism marketing entity for the Staples lodging tax. Their proposal was discussed at the Oct. 24 Staples Economic Development Authority (SEDA) meeting and again at the Staples City Council meeting that evening.

The council approved accepting the LEAP proposal and now both sides are working to develop an agreement to be approved at a later meeting.

"I like their plan, it has all the parts we're looking for," said Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher.

The LEAP plan states that the "Overall goal for marketing Staples to tourists is bringing new and returning visitors into the city to spend money at local businesses and events."

The plan says the first year, 2018, will create benchmark data that can be used to determine the success of marketing initiatives in the following years.

LEAP stands for Leadership, Engagement, Advocacy, Positiveness. It's a non-profit group that meets monthly except in November and December, usually the fourth Friday of each month at 7 a.m. at NJPA in Staples. LEAP acts as a



Touring Staples with LEAP, Friendly Rider

NJPA employees Ann Dibb, left, and Kip Hines, right, join Staples Mayor Chris Etzler in hopping on the Friendly Rider bus for the LEAP new employees tour. The bus also had several Lakewood Health System employees on the tour, which was designed to show employees the sights of Staples they may not get a chance to see going to work every day. Sights included the golf course, Living Legacy Gardens, Dower Lake and Pine Grove Park, plus all the businesses in between. After the tour, Etzler said it was a real eye opener for some of the employees who didn't know all the amenities in the area. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

host for several other non-profit organizations and has been instrumental in facilitating collaborations in the community.

There's a LEAP Marketing Committee that also meets monthly. They have produced many marketing materials such as informational packets, post cards and billboards. They've also promoted new resident and new employee

events, like picnics, lunches, happy hour and community tours.

Radermacher said some cities that implement a lodging tax use the money to fund a convention and visitors bureau, but this alignment means none of the money goes to rent or to permanent staff, all of it goes to marketing initiatives.

There will be a board

to oversee the marketing efforts, consisting of city council members, lodging representatives and other community members.

The city is estimating a budget of \$25,000 for the first year of the lodging tax, and that will be adjusted according to how much money actually comes in.

SEDA Board member Doyle Yoder asked if there's a way to increase

the marketing revenue. Radermacher said it would be possible to add a hospitality tax on items such as liquor, but the city isn't

looking at that. She said the goal is for the marketing to get groups of people to stay in Staples and the marketing will start to pay for itself.

SEDA Board member Doug Case suggested marketing the river for tubing and snowmobiling. He also suggested bigger events to get large groups of people into Staples.

Townhomes filling

The SEDA also discussed the housing issues at their meeting. City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said 31 of the 34 townhomes that were built this summer have been rented, with only three bedroom units left to rent. Mayor Chris Etzler said the people who are moving in are a mix of new residents, returning Staples natives and regional people looking for that type of housing.

SEDA Board member and Lakewood Health System CEO Tim Rice said some of the townhomes were people who moved from Lakewood's senior housing and those vacated rooms are also being filled.

The City of Staples created a tax increment finance (TIF) district to help the developers get the townhomes built. The developers pay lower taxes early in the project, with

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Hello, Readers,
National Family Literacy Day is observed each year on Nov. 1. First held in 1994, National Literacy Day kicks off National Literacy Month in November. Celebrated across America, this day focuses on special activities and events that showcase the importance of family literacy programs. Ask your family to share their favorite books and read them together.

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School board begins superintendent search

By Brenda Halvorson, General Manager

The Staples-Motley School Board decided to begin a search for a new superintendent at their Oct. 23 meeting.

Board chair Mary Freeman brought up two questions for the board to consider.

The first, she said, was to decide whether to begin a new search or to ask interim superintendent Ron Bratlie if he'd be willing to stay another year.

If the board chose to begin a search, the second issue was to approve a timetable and decide who was going to get the process started.

Bryan Winkels spoke in favor of asking Bratlie to stay.

"We're in the middle of facility decisions and, for the sake of consistency, I'd like to stay with Ron, if he's willing," Winkels said. "I think he's doing an excellent job."

"Ron is excellent, but I think he's limited in what he can do because of time. We need more than three days a week," said Bruce Lund. "I think we should take a look and if we can't find someone, then ask if Ron would come back."

Chad Longbella said he wanted to start looking and suggested the Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA) because he thought their applicant pool might be larger.

Freeman said she spoke with the superintendent's association regarding timing. She was told superintendent's might not be looking this fall, but would start considering it this winter.

She suggested they would have to start now by finalizing a job description and getting the word out.

The consensus of board members was to begin the process and Lund said he would take the lead to get it going with MSBA.

They also agreed on a tentative timetable that they would choose a search firm, whether MSBA or a different one, by Dec. 15. In January and February they would post the position and accept applications by the end of February.

In March they expect to conduct interviews and do site visits, then offer the position in April with a start date of June 15 or July 1.



Beginning training

Diane Archer stands in the Staples City Council chamber, as she started training as the city clerk on Oct. 30. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Archer starts as Staples City Clerk

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Diane Archer has started as the new Staples City Clerk, training alongside retiring City Clerk Phil Lindamann.

"It's such a great opportunity to be able to work with Phil, he has built such a legacy here, that I hope to continue on," said Archer. "I have the utmost respect for him and what he has done for Staples."

Archer has the experience of working for several cities in Minnesota and one in Arizona "In every place things are done a little bit different," she said.

Archer grew up in Inver Grove Heights and also worked as the city's finance director. She was also

finance director at Cottage Grove and then decided to move to warmer weather and took a similar position in Gilbert, Ariz.

She moved back to Minnesota to be closer to family and worked as the senior accountant in Hastings.

"Staples has wonderful amenities, like the train station, lakes and rivers," said Archer. She was also impressed by the area's barn quilt trail.

Archer likes it so much, she and her husband Rick are buying a house in Staples.

Archer is also excited that the library is a part of Staples City Hall. "My favorite activity is reading," she said.

Lindamann will be staying on until mid-December.



'Trunk or Treat' in Motley

Mia and Zeva Kriesel of Motley (second and third from left) were among the several children who stopped by the Motley United Methodist Church Oct. 31, for their annual 'Trunk or Treat' event. A number of vehicles were decorated for Halloween, with costume-clad parishioners there to hand out candy to the visiting trick-or-treaters, including, from left, Bruce Quinn, Leticia Peterson and Linda Townsend. Children were also invited inside the church to watch a movie and to warm up by the fireplace. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Local students to hold Veteran's Day programs

Staples and Motley schools will present three Veterans Day programs Friday, Nov. 10, including:

- 8:30 a.m., Motley-Staples Middle School will present their program at the Motley school gym.

- 10 a.m., Sacred Heart Area School will have their student led program along with guest speaker Bob Larson.

- 1:30 p.m., Staples-Motley High School will

hold their program. The guest speaker will be 1979 Staples High School graduate Dan Holst. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1981 to 2001. Holst now is in the Civil Service as a GS-09, DAF training Manager, 28th Medical Group Air Force Training Record Super User at Ellsworth AFB in South Dakota. He resides near Rapid City, S. Dak.

Thank you for subscribing!



'In the tenth month of '17...'

...Paul Bunyan gave to me, ten trickers treating.' Pictured above, trick or treaters of all ages stopped by Staples businesses on Halloween to collect candy, pencils and other goodies given out by merchants. To see a video performance of their song, visit the Staples World website at www.staplesworld.com; or our Facebook page. The Staples World will be highlighting a variety of area landmarks during the debut of, 'The Twelve Months of '17,' sung to the tune of 'The Twelve Days of Christmas.' Stay tuned to find out what Paul Bunyan delivers each month. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Police help erratic driver

Recent reports taken by the Staples PD include:

Oct. 23; 2:11 a.m., Staples Police were informed of a driver coming into Staples on Hwy 10. Police stopped the vehicle and transported an individual to LHS Hospital for a mental health evaluation.

Oct. 24; Staples Police responded to a two vehicle accident at the corner of 4th St and 2nd Ave. NE. Driver #1 was heading south on 4th St NE, attempting to make a right at the intersection. Driver #2 came up along the pas-

senger side of driver #1, attempting to also make a right turn. The driver #1 proceeded to make a right turn, swiping the front drivers side bumper of driver #2 car, causing minor damage.

Oct. 23; Staples Police received a report of a possible order for protection violation. Incident is under investigation.

Oct. 24; 11:42 p.m., Staples Police observed two individuals who appeared to be underage out past curfew hours. Police attempted to make contact

with the two individuals but they fled on bicycles. Police later located the two individuals at a residence and spoke with the two juveniles and a parent.

Oct. 28; Staples Police cited two people for underage consumption and one for driving after suspension.

Oct. 29; Staples Police received a traffic complaint of a vehicle that was all over the road. Police located the vehicle, conducted a traffic stop and arrested Dennis Trana, 34, for 3rd degree DWI.

Palliative Care Advisory Council appointed

Dr. Julie Benson, Staples, will be on the council

The Minnesota Department of Health has announced the names of individuals appointed to the newly formed Palliative Care Advisory Council. Members of the council include physicians, nurses, social workers, licensed health professionals, and others who have expertise in or experience with palliative care in Minnesota.

The council was established by the Minnesota Legislature in 2017, making Minnesota the 20th state to adopt this approach to identifying needs and goals in palliative care statewide. Minnesota law requires the council to submit an assessment of availability of palliative care in Minnesota, an analysis of the barriers to greater access to palliative care, and recommendations for legislative action with draft legislation to implement the recommendations.

"I'm excited about this opportunity to strengthen the growing palliative care movement in Minnesota and to bring more awareness about palliative care

both to the public as well as health care professionals" says Dr. Julie Benson, one of the appointees to the council and president of the Minnesota Network of Hospice and Palliative Care. Among Dr. Benson's goals for her term on the council are to increase the focus on palliative care in medical education and to bring awareness of palliative out of just the ICU or as simply pre-hospice care.

Palliative care is specialized care that provides relief from the symptoms and stress of serious, chronic, or life threatening illness. Unlike hospice, palliative care can be provided along with other treatments regardless of a patient's prognosis. As people live longer and increasingly experience chronic illness or disease, there has been considerable growth in the field of palliative care in recent years.

In the last ten years hospitals with palliative care programs have seen outcomes including better quality patient care,

increased family satisfaction, and lower cost. Evidence-based research has shown a reduction in emergency room visits, days in intensive care, and hospital readmissions among patients receiving palliative care.

Barriers still exist to providing quality palliative care to Minnesotans including limited provider and consumer understanding, uneven access in hospitals across Minnesota, and a shortage of doctors and nurses trained in palliative medicine.

The council will work to identify gaps in health care systems and education and to promote greater access to palliative care for all Minnesotans. Its first meeting will take place on Nov. 15, 2017 at the Wilder Center/Community Services Center in St. Paul. More information about the council can be found at <http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/healthimprovement/working-together/partnerships/palliative.html>

Four arrested for meth



Kevin Basswood



Carla Keezer



Kenny Williams



David Luukkonen

During the early morning hours of Oct. 25 the Wadena County Sheriff's Office and agents from the West Central Drug and Violent Crime Task Force, executed a search warrant at 9948 294th St. near Sebeka as a result of a drug investigation involving methamphetamine. Deputies and agents found methamphetamine, cash, a gun and multiple items of drug paraphernalia.

Another search warrant was executed

on a vehicle in the driveway of the residence. Agents located 21 grams of methamphetamine, cash and drug paraphernalia.

Individuals arrested as part of the investigation included:

- Kevin Basswood, 40, Ponsford.
- Carla Keezer, 46, Sebeka.
- Kenny Williams, 58, Sebeka.
- David Luukkonen, 54, Sebeka.

The methamphetamine had a street value of over \$2,000.

Local leaders attend R5 Summit

Over 120 leaders from Region Five cities, counties and schools attended the R5 Summit held Oct. 25, in Staples.

"Training for the Ages: Creating an Effective Multi-Generation Team," was the title of the keynote address, delivered by Lori A. Hoffner of Supporting Community, at National Joint Powers Alliance's fifth annual R5 Summit.

Hoffner, an expert in positive youth development, community networking, and organization relationship development, noted that for the first time in history, we have four generations working alongside one another: Silent or Traditionalists (b. 1930-1945), Baby Boomers (b. 1946-1964), Generation X (b. 1965-1979), and Millennials/Gen Y (b. 1980-1996). Because of this, Hoffner says it's important for each generation to have a high-level understanding of the others' outlook, work ethic, view of authority, and preferences for leadership style. She walked through each during her address,

often drawing on audience participation, real-life examples and shared experiences.

Courtney Roatch, a first year school counselor at Bertha-Hewitt School District found Hoffner's message helpful.

"Her talk gave us an awareness of how your generation affects a team and how it relates to authority and work ethic," Roatch said. "You can see the differences in the workplace and how they can cause conflict. With this awareness and knowledge, we can better understand each other and reach resolutions."

Following the keynote address, attendees had breakout sessions on topics in education and community leadership, including updates from the State Capitol, by Ron Kresha, MN State Representative-Little Falls; Sam Walseth, lobbyist; and Dan Listug, NJPA Government Relations Associate.

The goal of the mini, one-day conference was to serve Region Five commu-

nities by providing professional development and educational opportunities.

"I've been to NJPA functions before and always take away helpful information," said Danny Noss, Mayor of Randall. "This event, like others, is a chance to meet with people from other area cities and reconnect with acquaintances. To me, networking is almost more important than knowledge because you know who you can call when you've got a problem."

The crowd of 120 was the largest NJPA has hosted for its R5 Summit, doubling the number of participants from last year.

"Providing our local community leaders with new ideas and an opportunity for collaborative face time better equips them to address their daily work and manage relationships," said Paul Drange, NJPA Director of Regional Programs. "We all benefit from our leaders' time and investment in professional growth."



Kids rewarded for fire prevention posters

Allison Dukowitz, grade three, and Gage Bjerga, grade two, were the poster contest winners for the Staples Fire Department's Fire Prevention Month contest. As their prize, the two rode in a fire truck to Staples DQ and ate lunch with firefighters Jeff Cichos, left, and Jeremy Reeck. The theme of the poster contest was "Every second counts, plan two ways out." (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



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Local farmer Bettis grows Goliath corn

By Jerry Mevissen

Nate Bettis saw an ad in a seed catalog that promised



Looking up and up....

Nate Bettis and John are dwarfed by a field of Goliath corn stalks.

field corn that yielded 25 to 35 tons of silage per acre. Although it specified 120-day maturity, if the seasons cooperated, the corn would grow to full height and make the high yield predictions. Full height for Goliath silage corn is 16 to 18 feet.

This is Bettis's first trial year of Goliath and the seasons cooperated. Living with his family on a farm near Staples, he's nearly-completed harvesting his 30-acre patch.

With stalks the size of your wrist recently bent from wind storms, the harvest presents a challenge. In wind-damaged areas, it's ten feet forward, stop, two feet backward, stop. Where stalks are upright, it's low gear and a slow crawl.

Bettis mixes his Goliath seed with conventional combining varieties of seed corn. The smaller stalks support the tall wind-susceptible Goliath stalks. Bettis didn't cultivate but sprayed with a conventional spray. Once chopped, the corn is piled, compressed, covered with a plastic tarp and sealed to facilitate fermentation.

With high yield performance, why isn't Goliath more

popular?

"It's tough to harvest," said Bettis, "and slow. But maybe worth it. Usually cattle prefer open pollinated conventional corn over Round-Up ready. I'm very satisfied with the crop."

Will he plant it next year?

"We'll see," he said. Bettis farms with Gina and sons John, Eric and Joel in Fawn Lake Township.

Jerry Mevissen is a columnist and author of the Nimrod Chronicles.



Harvest season

Bettis drives the chopper through a field of Goliath silage corn.



Giant seed yield

Nate Bettis holding three ears of giant corn



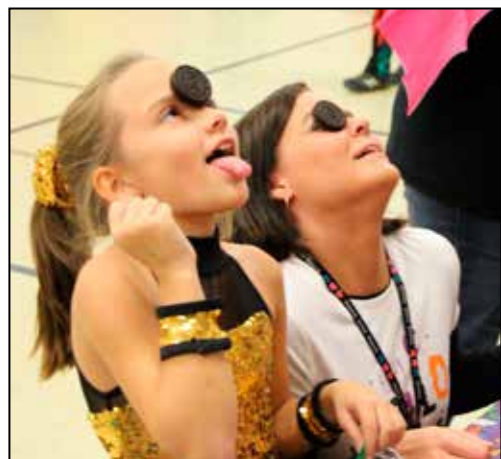
Bobbing for doughnuts?

A popular game was the doughnut station, where students were challenged to eat a doughnut off a rope. From left, Jonathan Faulkner, Emmit Djuren, Lilly Czechowics and Lily Davis work on their doughnuts.



Fun and games at Fall Festival

Staples-Motley Elementary School held their annual Fall Festival on Friday, Oct. 25, with parent volunteers running games and contests for the kids. Pictured above, Thomas Johnson, Juston Olson and Evan Schultz race with toilet plungers and scooters, while Joci Lenk, Wyatt Radueg and Lilith Tester wait their turn. Volunteer Valerie Nanik oversees the group. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Halloween games

Above, Chloe Trantina races her mother, Sara, in trying to eat an oreo cookie from their foreheads without using hands. At right, Gracie Wolpert suffers the indignity of getting a prize from an unusual place.



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More housing options being developed

the tax revenue catching up over time.

Radermacher said there are still groups looking to build more rental units in Staples. A private developer would like to build market-rate apartments with extra amenities like a workout area and party room. Also, the Central Minnesota Housing Partnership is looking for a new site within Staples to build townhomes for working class renters.

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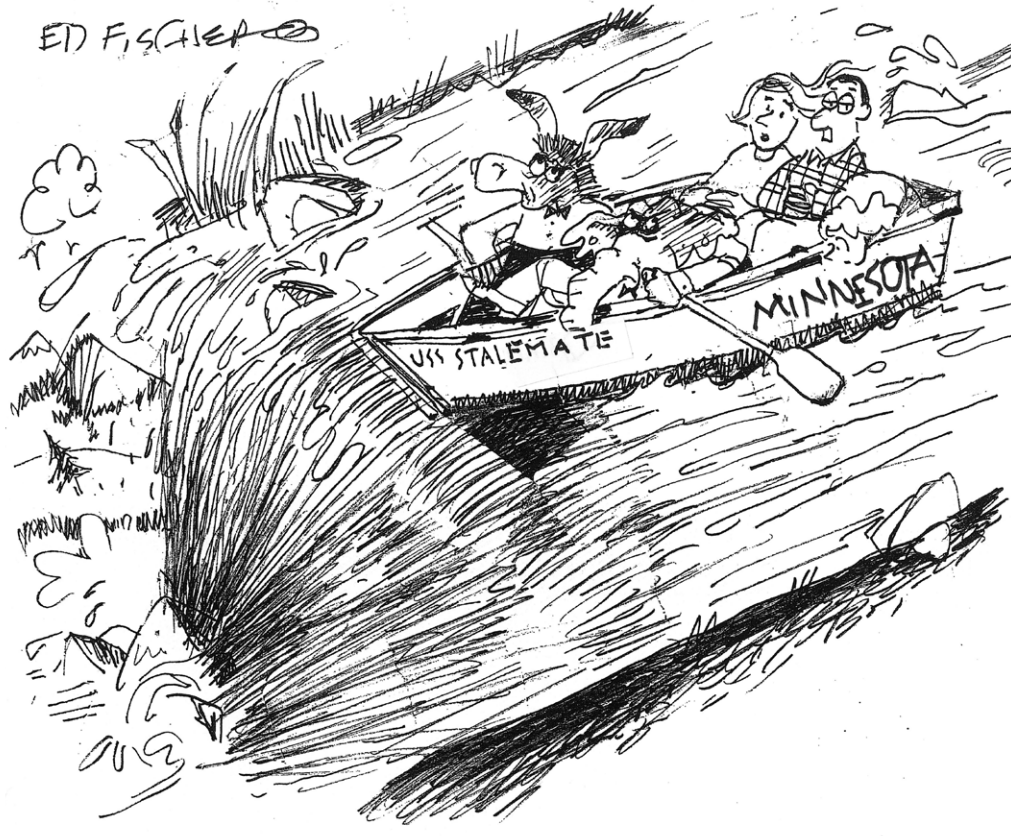
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Action needed to address the opioid epidemic

By Congressman Collin C. Peterson
Minnesota 7th District

In April 2016, the Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2015 was signed into law after passing unanimously in both the House and the Senate. Originally marketed as a non-controversial bipartisan bill, members were led to believe that it would help secure pain medications for patients and make small technical changes.

However, it now appears that the true goal of the bill was to tie the hands of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and Justice Department by limiting their authority to stop suspicious and potentially dangerous opioid shipments.

The Energy and Commerce Committee failed to properly vet this bill and it should not have moved to the floor under suspension, which is a procedure that places leg-

islation under little scrutiny and allows it to pass by voice vote with just a handful of members present.

The United States is facing an unprecedented opioid epidemic, and it is critical that Congress develops effective policy to combat addiction. For that reason, I've decided to co-sponsor the bipartisan RESTORE Act (H.R. 4079) to fully repeal the Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2015.

If there are parts of the 2016 legislation that are needed, then Congress should start over and have a full debate with recorded votes.

The opioid epidemic needs our immediate attention, and I am committed to ensuring that the DEA and Department of Justice are equipped to fight it.

Peterson can be reached at 202-225-2165 or <http://collinpeterson.house.gov>

Letters to the Editor

Amazing kids

I just wanted to take a minute to acknowledge some amazing student athletes: the Staples-Motley Cross Country teams - boys and girls.

They competed in their section meet last week in grueling weather and did amazingly well. The boys' team won the meet and are advancing to state. Three of our girls' team qualified as individuals and advance to state.

Emmet Anderson and Kira Sweeney won the event for the boys and girls respectively. Five of our student athletes made the All-Section team.

But the most rewarding for me was finding out that both the girls and

boys teams received Gold Honors for **Academic Achievement**. These student athletes not only excelled in their sport but in their studies.

Way to go runners and coaches on a great season so far! GO CARDS AT THE STATE MEET NOV 4!

Jacque Bartczak
Cushing, Minn.

Community Connect thanks

The recent Community Connect Day event sponsored by Staples Motley Beyond Poverty was held at Timbers Restaurant and Event Center and Timber-

lake Hote, Staples. How fortunate we are to have this local facility share their space with members of our community!

We are so grateful for the support and attention we received from the Ives family and their general manager, Jordan Goodwater.

This is a public thank you from the vendors, the participants and Staples Motley Beyond Poverty.

Planning Committee for Community Connect: Kim Pilgrim, Renee Walz, Kelly Johnson, Kayla Miller Kneisl, Connie Burns, David Determan, Melissa Radermacher, Gail Honek, Marge Lewica, Mark Anderson, Darla Hoemberg



Looking into the crystal ball: conditions look favorable for area firearms deer hunters

When I was growing up it was a common sight in the neighborhood to see "the wash" hung out to dry on a "clothesline" - a once-common backyard fixture that's all but an artifact today. It was only after I'd moved away from home that mom got a clothes dryer, so she didn't have to wait for a rain-free day or hang her clothes to dry in the basement.

I was reminded of the clothesline ritual recently, seeing a number of orange garments hanging outdoors. They were not pinned to clotheslines, but draped over fences, hung from the backs of lawn chairs or suspended in oth-

er creative ways to catch the air currents, and flutter flag-like in the breeze. These sightings were not a sign that clothes dryers in the neighborhood are awaiting visits from the Maytag Repair Man. They were a sign of the approach of firearms deer season. The purpose of the practice is to cleanse the garments of scent that could alarm a deer when a Judas-like breeze might push the essence of man to a whitetail's nostrils.

I'm not a whitetail expert, so I hesitate to weigh in on the merits of the practice. A human will always smell like a human. But if hanging hunting clothes in the open air can dilute the many domestic odors that garments can acquire from being stored indoors, then where's the harm in taking that precaution? Of course, there are masking scents hunters buy in hopes that they'll overpower an alarming scent, or even prove alluring to a deer; think "doe in heat." But at

the end of the day, the most effective precaution is to be downwind of where you most expect deer to be.

With reasonable preparation and whitetail savvy, Minnesota deer hunters are expected to do well during the firearms portion of the season beginning Saturday, Nov. 4. Several mild winters in a row have led to an upward bump in the statewide deer population, although like so many things it's a matter of average, not a uniform change from border to border. Reports of does with twin fawns this past spring were said to be more common, this "twinning" being an indicator of good doe health and condition.

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MnDNR) notes that most parts of the state are at, or above, its targets for whitetail abundance. Prior to the arrival of significant snow in the northern third of the state, predictions were that the state's roughly half-million deer hunt-

ers could harvest roughly 200,000 deer, a success rate that would be about 40 percent.

It's not yet clear whether the early deep snow, 10 inches and more having fallen in some areas of northern Minnesota, will significantly affect deer hunting success. Hunter mobility and deer movements can certainly be affected by snowfall. The forecast for this week leading up to the deer opener is not for what could be called melting temperatures. Time will tell.

More liberal regulations for this season include more antlerless permits, which will allow more hunters to harvest a doe or an immature buck. Last year Minnesota hunters harvested roughly 173,000 deer. The record whitetail harvest was 290,000 in 2003.

While there's some sentiment that 2016's hunter success rate of just over 30 percent should be higher, many of today's deer hunters don't remember the

early 1970s - many were not even born - when deer numbers were extremely low. I clearly recall 1971, when my high school hunting buddies and I faced a closed deer season. Other seasons were as short as two days. It was in 1972 that the state went to a permit system in which hunters were required to choose a specific hunting area, and select specific dates. This year most parts of the state have either a nine or 16-day season, with a special 16-day late season muzzleloader deer hunt. Deer hunters who imagine "good old days" in the past would do well to reflect on that.

Expectations for a significant increase in whitetail harvest this season over last year is the good news. The bad news is that the MnDNR finds it necessary to expand its mandatory testing for chronic wasting disease (CWD), the incurable brain-destroying disease that affects deer and elk. It's similar to mad

cow disease, and in Minnesota is most associated with captive deer farms, but has been found in several wild deer in Southeast Minnesota.

Within the past year CWD has also been found on captive deer farms in Crow Wing County in North Central Minnesota and Meeker County in West Central Minnesota. Because of fears of contact and spread of the disease to wild deer outside these farms' fenced enclosures, deer hunters in those areas will be required to register their deer at official DNR stations, where technicians will take tissue samples to determine whether they have contracted CWD. During opening weekend, hunters who harvest deer in eight permit areas in North Central Minnesota, and 6six permit areas in West Central Minnesota, must stop at one of the official checkpoints and have their deer tested.

The disease is rampant

Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

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Public Notices

Eighty percent of people polled believe that governments should be **required to publish** public notices in newspapers. Keep public notices public.



Pete Stauber to speak

Pete Stauber will speak Thursday, Nov. 9, at 6 p.m. at Twisted Sister's Restaurant in Staples.

Stauber is running for the U.S. Congress from Minnesota's 8th Congressional District. A Republican, Stauber is seeking the seat now held by Rick Nolan.

Stauber recently retired from the Duluth Police Department after 23 years of service, including as a Lieutenant and West Area Commander. He served two terms on the Hermantown City Council and presently is in his second term as St. Louis County Commissioner.

Stauber grew up in Duluth where he and his five brothers graduated from Denfeld High School. He



Pete Stauber

graduated from Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste Marie, Mich., with a degree in Criminal Justice. He captained the LSSU hockey team that won the Division I National Championship in 1988.

After playing hockey

professionally in the Detroit Red Wings organization, he returned to Duluth and began his law enforcement career with the Duluth Police Department.

The evening will be a dinner meeting with activities beginning after dinners are ordered and served.

To help with planning, reservations are appreciated. RSVPs may be directed to Diane Carlson at 218-296-1348. You may also respond by email to dcarlson1899@charter.net.

Twisted Sisters is located at 119 3rd St NE, Staples (on the corner of 2nd Ave and 3rd St NE), a block east of Nyhus Chevrolet Buick. The event is sponsored by Crossroads Conservatives.



'The Cow Tippers' is high school fall play

Samantha Mrazek, center, explains some of the strange customs of the community to the new teacher, played by Delaney Larson, left, in the Staples-Motley High School fall play, "The Cow Tippers." Ryan Youngbauer, right, plays Mrazek's talented brother. Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 2-4, at 7 p.m. at Centennial Auditorium. Tickets will be available at the door. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

MNsure individual open enrollment began Nov. 1

Enrollment help available locally

The 2018 open enrollment period began Nov. 1. Minnesotans can log on to the MNsure website and enroll.

For those who want coverage beginning January 1, 2018, must enroll by Dec. 20, 2017. Open enrollment runs until Jan. 14, 2018.

At MNsure.org, you can compare plans from multiple companies side by side and estimate out-of-pocket costs. Current enrollees can check to see if their 2017 plan will be available in 2018.

To help make enrolling online an easier process, follow these guidelines and tips. Minnesotans needing help logging into their account can do so online, by either resetting their user name or resetting their password.

MNsure's Contact Center expanded its hours on Nov. 1:

- Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Free, local enrollment help is available. MNsure

has a statewide network of expert assisters who can help Minnesotans apply and enroll in person and over the phone. In addition, there are enrollment events in communities around the state.

In Staples the Lakewood Health System Senior Campus will host MNsure navigators from Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid to provide free in person assistance with the application process to enroll clients in a Minnesota Health Care Program.

They will be available by appointment only 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays Nov. 14, Nov. 28, Dec. 12, Dec. 26 and Jan. 9. To schedule an appointment, call 320-253-0121.

Ninety-six percent of Minnesotans have health coverage--the highest percentage in state history. In plan year 2017, more than 500,000 Minnesotans have found health coverage through MNsure.

Currently, 65 percent of MNsure enrollees qualify for tax credits, with average savings for a household at over \$7,000 per year. This year, an individual earning up to \$48,240 a year, or a family of four earning up to \$98,400 a year could qualify.

More information can be found at mnsure.org.

Mark Your Calendar

November 2 - 4

STAPLES-MOTLEY HIGH SCHOOL FALL PLAY, 'THE COW TIPPERS' will be performed Thurs., Nov. 2; Fri., Nov. 3; and Sat., Nov. 4, at Centennial Auditorium in Staples. All shows begin at 7 p.m.

November 9

WADENA WHIRLAWAYS SQUARE DANCE CLUB MTG Thurs., Nov. 9, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Wadena VFW. Myron Hollatz, caller; Donna Stone, cuer. For info., 218-296-1641.

Educational Opportunities

November 14

'PARENTING THE LOVE AND LOGIC WAY' PROGRAM sponsored by the Pillager Family Center, will be held Tuesdays, Nov. 14 - Dec. 19. Sessions will run from 6 - 8:30 p.m. at the Pillager High School Media Center. Childcare available for an additional fee. Must pre-register by Nov. 9. For more information, call 218-821-0912 or online at <https://sites.google.com/site/pillagerfamilycenter/test/home/services/parenting-education-classes/>

Public library programs

The Staples Public Library is offering the following programs:

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Enjoy a fun program encouraging reading and early literacy skills. For ages birth to kindergarten. Sign up any time during open hours. Sponsored by Staples Motley Early Childhood Coalition.

D.I.Y. fun activity: What are you Thankful for? November

Write down what you're thankful for on our turkey cut-out and pick up a treat at the desk. This program is ongoing through November during library hours.

Reading Roundhouse storytime - Nov. 8

A fun storytime and activities for ages Pre K - 2nd grade. Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Registration required. Limit 15. Sponsored by the Staples Friends of the Library.

Wire and bead jewelry - Nov. 9

A wire and bead jewelry workshop will be presented by Jen Anfinson Thursday, Nov. 9, from 6-7:30 p.m. Learn the art of memory wire in jewelry making, from techniques to supplies and helpful tips. Create a memory wire beaded bracelet in this hour and a half class. Some may be

finished earlier. For adults and teens, age 15 and up. Limit 12. Preregistration required. A Legacy event.

Book club - Nov. 16

Read the book and join the fun discussion on Thursday, Nov. 16 from 6-7p.m. For teens and adults.

Annual Friends of the Library book sale Nov. 17-18

Find donated used books, movies and music for sale at great prices at the annual book sale sponsored by the Staples Friends of the Library Friday, Nov. 17; 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 18; 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Staples Public Library.

For more information on any of the activities contact the library at 218-894-1401.

The Staples Public Library is located at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. Hours: Mon. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tue. 2-8 p.m., Weds. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thurs. 2-8 p.m., Fri. 1-5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Great River Regional Library (GRRL) provides library services for 32 public libraries in Benton, Morrison, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd and Wright counties. It also provides Central Minnesota residents with nearly one million books, CDs and DVDs, 250 public computers, programming and information services.

Donations sought for book sale

The Friends of the Staples Public Library is seeking donations for their annual used book sale. The sale will be Friday, Nov. 17, from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 18, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the library building in the city council chambers.

Clean, gently used paperback and hardcover books will be accepted. The Friends cannot accept old, musty, torn or yellowing books. Dictionaries, encyclopedias, school text books and church books also cannot be accepted.

All donations need to be taken to the circulation desk anytime during regular library hours. Please do not leave books in the atrium or put them in the book drop.

Volunteers are also needed to assist during the sale hours, prior to the sale to help set up and immediately following the sale to box the remaining books. Anyone interested can sign up at the library's circulation desk.

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Proceeds from the sale are used to support library activities and reading programs for children, teens and adults. The funds also may be used to purchase furniture and equipment needed by the library staff.



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Wed. thru Thurs. Nov. 1 - 16
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:15 & 9:30
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Matinees Sat. & Sun. Nov. 4 & 5 at 1:30 pm

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School board work session

The Staples-Motley School Board will hold a work session Monday, Nov. 6, at the high school media center.

Foster, Jacobs & Johnson, the firm hired to help the school board develop a long range facility plan, will discuss options and present financial information.

'Christmas For Kids' Applications are now available

The Staples '93 Lions are once again taking applications for their annual Christmas For Kids event.

Their goal is to provide holiday joy to children in the Staples-Motley School District who may not otherwise have any gifts under the Christmas tree.

The Staples '93 Lions ask that, "If you or someone you know could use a little help with Christmas gifts this year, pick up an application."

Applications are available at Staples-Motley Elementary School, Motley-Staples Middle School, Sacred Heart Area School, Motley Food Shelf and Staples Food Shelf. The deadline to apply is Nov. 22.

For anyone wishing to make a donation to the Christmas For Kids event there are boxes conveniently located in area businesses. The deadline for donations is Dec. 7.

For information or to apply call 218-296-1358.

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Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Devon and Ben Brichacek of Browerville, a baby girl, Audrey Rae weighing six pounds, three ounces on October 21, 2017.

Born to Samantha and David Vetsch of Perham, a baby girl, Charlie Jean weighing nine pounds, two ounces on October 23, 2017.

Born to Stephanie Rodriguez-Moser and Evan Moser of Brainerd, twin girls, Emmalyn Sawyer weighing six pounds, 14 ounces and Aria Jade weighing six pounds 10 ounces on October 23, 2017.

Born to Brittany and Matt West of Brainerd, a baby boy, Alexander Alvin weighing five pounds, 11 ounces on October 24, 2017.

Born to Amanda and Nicholas Huls of Cushing, a baby girl, Jemma Christine weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on October 24, 2017.

Born to Alyssa and Shawn Cole of Fort Ripley, a baby boy, Landyn Gregory weighing eight pounds, five ounces on October 24, 2017.

Born to Cory and Tim Denny of Hewitt, a baby boy, Henry Lyle weighing seven pounds, 10 ounces on October 25, 2017.

Born to Paige and Brandon Carlson of Staples, a baby girl, Sonya Marie weighing seven pounds, 14 ounces on October 25, 2017.

Born to Taylor Miller and Bryce Williams of Staples, a baby girl, Kinley Rose weighing eight pounds, seven ounces on October 27, 2017.



Staples senior center Halloween party held

The Staples Senior Center Halloween party was held Oct. 25, at the Staples Community Center with over 30 people attending. The event included a costume contest, a noon meal followed by games and prizes.

Above: Party goers pose for a group photo. Right: Costume winners Maryann Riewer (chick) and Arlene Skov (farmer/lumberjack). (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)



A rose.. is a rose.. is a Rotary rose

Staples Lakewood Care Center residents were delighted receiving 40 dozen roses from the Staples Rotary Club. The roses were from their annual rose sale. Above, Phyllis Whitney, left, and Audrey Zimmer, right, enjoy the fragrance of the roses. Rotary members

Marv Rothstein and Jim Vogel delivered the roses on behalf of the club members. The care center staff divided the roses into vases and delivered them to the rooms of the care center residents. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Care Center

NOVEMBER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AT THE LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM CARE CENTER:

- Thurs., Nov. 16 - 10 a.m. Bible Study, Rick Kubitz
- Sat., Nov. 18 - 10 a.m. Bingo/Marge
- Sun., Nov. 19 - 2 p.m. Assembly of God Singers; Square Dancers
- Tues., Nov. 21 - 2:15 p.m. Church, United Methodist; 3:45 p.m. Bingo/Marge
- Wed., Nov. 22 - 2 p.m. Bingo w/Marge
- Mon., Nov. 27 - 2:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church
- Tues., Nov. 28 - 10 a.m. Sing-Along w/Bruce; 2:15 p.m. Church, Staples Alliance; 3:45 p.m. Bingo/Marge.



Award for service

Larry Denny presented John Crandall, long-time president of the Wadena County Historical Society, an award at the annual meeting Oct. 19. The plaque commemorates Crandall's more than 30 years of dedication to the organization. In addition to his service as a board member he has written several books about the history of the area and spearheaded a number of projects of the society including research into the fur trade area trading posts in Wadena County. In other business, members of the society elected three new members and one renewing member to the board. The 2018 board will include: Helen Apel, Larry Denny, Chuck Horsager (ex-officio), Darlene Leonard, Lee Michaelsen, Rosalie Miller, Carmen Pederson, Bette Peterson, Elaine Schmitz and Betty White. Officers will be elected in January by the newly seated board. (Submitted photo)

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

'Fresh Delivered' program wins 'spirit' award

The "Fresh Delivered" program, formerly the Senior Fruits and Veggies program, recently received the "Spirit of Caring" award from CentraCare Health Foundation.

The annual award is a community service award that recognizes collaborative efforts to improve people's health through education, intervention or service. The award; a \$5,000 grant is given to persons working together beyond individual concerns to develop a project or program that addresses health issues in their community.

The "Fresh Delivered" program is a collaborative initiative with Todd and Wadena County Public Health, with support from the Lakewood Regional Healthy Food Collaborative. The purpose of the program is to increase fruit and vegetable consumption for seniors across the two counties.

Grown by several local growers, sharing fresh fruits and vegetables, packed and distributed by volunteers bi-weekly to seven senior housing facilities and participants in the Meals on Wheels program, facilitated by the Eagle Bend Kitchen.

The Grants Committee for CentraCare Health Foundation was most impressed with the "Fresh Delivered" program for its partnership with local farmers, and the program's support of the surrounding communities.

To be eligible for the "Spirit of Caring" award, the "Fresh Delivered" program demonstrated its award engaging in activities that promote health improvement or address community health issues in the community; extending services beyond individual organizations to the community at large; demonstrating a unique and innovative approach to improving health in Central Minnesota; and representing a collaborative effort among entities.

Obituaries



Joan DesMarais

Joan J. DesMarais, 87, of Staples, passed away October 28, 2017, at Bethany Good Samaritan Center in Brainerd.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday, November 2, at 1 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples with Father Joe Korf presiding. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the time of services at the church.

Interment will be at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples.

Arrangements are with Taylor Funeral Care of Staples.

Joan was born January 4, 1930, to Lyndon and Marie (Schintgen) Johnson in Long Prairie. She married Donald F. DesMarais on August 26, 1950 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She enjoyed being a homemaker and mother.

She is survived by seven daughters, Barbara DesMarais, Mary (Matt) Brenk, Jane (Tom) Whelan, Shari (Kurt) Swanson, Theresa (Jim) Essington, Annette (Mike) Sinotte and Renee (Dale) Justin and three sons, Steve (Helen) DesMarais, Joe (Lisa) DesMarais, John (Vera) DesMarais; 30 grandchildren; over 40 great-grandchildren; five brothers, Bob (Eloise) Johnson, Russ (Bonnie) Johnson, Ron (Bev) Johnson, Chuck (Paula) Johnson, Kev (Dian) Johnson; two sisters, Jeanne (Don) Peterson and Mary Kay (Mike) Ming.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; three brothers, Doug, Terry and Bill; one sister, Peg and grandson, Brent Sinotte.

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Robert Lorentz

Robert T. Lorentz, 84, of Willmar died October 26, 2017, at the Bethesda Grand Club Suites.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Oct. 31, at the Church of St. Mary in Willmar.

Interment was held in the church cemetery with military honors provided by the Willmar American Legion Post #167.

Arrangements were with Peterson Brothers Funeral Home in Willmar.

Robert Theodore Lorentz was born, April 22, 1933, in Staples to William and Catherine (Kern) Lorentz. He grew up in Staples and graduated from Staples High School in 1951. Robert enlisted into the U.S. Army and served in the Korean War. On December 29, 1956, he married Darlene Marie Beurge and they made their home in Eveleth where he was employed in the iron mines, working for U.S. Steel. In 1985, he retired and moved to Willmar, where the couple owned and operated the Viking Motel. Robert was a member of the Church of St. Mary, the Knights of Columbus, V.F.W. and American Legion Posts. His hobbies included hunting and being outdoors.

He is survived by three sons, Douglas (Deborah) Lorentz of St. Louis, MO, Mark Lorentz of Willmar and William Lorentz of Minneapolis; three daughters, Trayce Packa of Willmar, Catherine (Garry) Barnett of Chugiak, AK., and Jessica Lorentz, St. Louis Park; seven grandchildren; six sisters, Kaye (Mark) Knowlton of Seattle, WA., Francis Donlin of St. Cloud, Mary Volesky of Staples, Theresa Lorentz of Portland, OR., Dorothy Spiering of St. Cloud and Agatha Lorentz of Rochester, two brothers, Richard (Jan) Lorentz of Motley, and William (Sally) of St. Joseph; and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, and one sister, Loretta.

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Pine Cones & Cinnamon
 Christmas at the Cabin
Thurs., Nov. 2, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 3, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 4, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 Christmas decorating, gift giving or for yourself
 2870 Wilderness Drive SW, Pillager, MN 56473
 From Staples 2-1/2 miles E. of Pillager on Hwy. 210; go North on West Sylvan Dr., 2 blks. right on Wilderness Dr.; or 8-1/2 mi. W. of Brainerd on Hwy. 210. Signs posted. VISA / MASTERCARD

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Watching robots react

Adrian Caldwell and Evan Schultz watch a lego robot perform what they programmed it to do during the Tech Mobile robotics unit at Staples-Motley Elementary School on Oct. 13. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Robot helpers

Tristyn Janssen helps Dakota Taylor program a path for a wheeled robot.



Robot level view

Grace Wolpert gets an up close look at a Tech Mobile lego robot program.



Mechanical blocks

Nathan Macheel and Connor Buss put together square robots. By placing a power square with other squares, they can make the robots light up, make noise or vibrate.



Art with machines

Brooke Reisenaur and Spencer Olsen work on robot art by putting colorful markers into a vibrating robot that then draws patterns on the paper.

Why you need a Veteran ID Card

By David A Anderson
Wadena County Veteran Service Officer

What is a Veterans Identification Card or Proof of Service Card and how do you get one?

The Veterans Identification Card Act 2015" (Public Law 114-31) was enacted on July 20, 2015. The purpose of the Veteran Identification Card (VIC) is to serve as proof of service in the Armed Forces which can be used to obtain discounts on goods and services offered to veterans. The VIC does not qualify veterans for additional benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and does not serve as proof for any benefits to which you may be entitled. Also, the VIC will not grant access to military post or installations.

The VA will begin accepting applications for the VIC Nov. 1, 2017. For those veterans who wish to obtain a VIC, veterans should log into Vets.gov to apply. If eligible, you will receive your ID card (at no cost to you) in the mail within three weeks. For more information go to: <https://www.vets.gov/#>.

This is the only way to apply for the VIC, your medical center or regional office will not be able to assist you. Questions regarding the new VIC can be directed to the Vets.gov Help Desk 1-855-574-7286 TTY: 1-800-877-8339 Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 8p.m. (ET). In the meantime, the Department of Veterans Affairs continue to provide a Veterans Health Identification Card (VHIC) for veterans to use at VA medical facilities. The VHIC will be issued only to veterans who are eligible for VA medical benefits and only for the purpose of identification and check-in for VA medical appointments.

The new card protects personal privacy by not showing Social Security Numbers or dates of birth on the front of the cards. For more information on VHIC, go to www.va.gov/healthbenefits/vhic/index.asp

The VA has Service Connected, POW and Purple Heart (PH) indicators on the new VIC. Veterans who've been awarded service-connected status after their VIC has been issued or SC status is not properly documented on their card, will need to present their letter showing their

SC rating to the eligibility clerk at the local VA Medical Center where they receive treatment. After verification, the eligibility clerk will submit a request to National Card Management Directory (NCMD) System for a new card to be issued to the veteran. Once a veteran has his/her picture taken for the new card at the VA medical facility, the card will be mailed to the veteran at the address that has been provided. To ensure that a veteran receives the new VIC card, the veteran should verify that VA has the correct address on file.

If the U.S. Postal Service cannot deliver the card, it will be returned to the facility at which the card was requested. The card will then be held in a secure location at the facility for 90 days. If the card is not picked up within the 90-day period, the card will be destroyed.

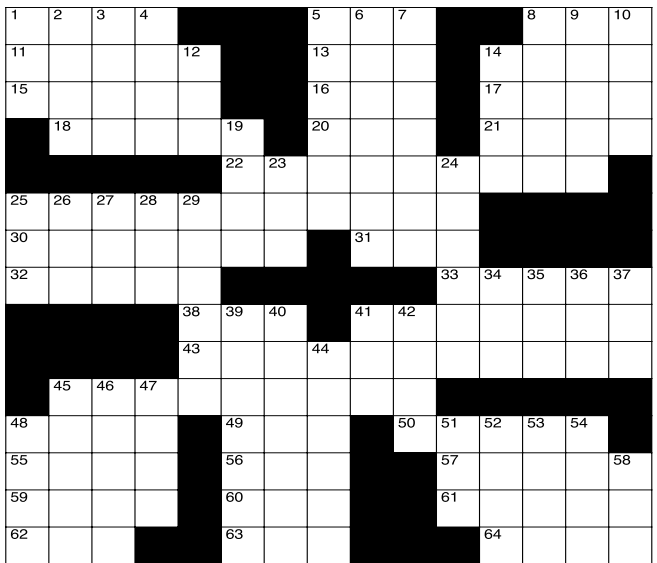
With regard to the use of veteran ID cards for store discounts, note: The VA identification card, once available will allow veterans to demonstrate proof of service for discounts at private restaurants and businesses.

It should be noted that the identification card is different from a Veteran Health Identification card or a DoD Uniformed Services or retiree ID card. As such, the VA identification cards cannot be used as proof of eligibility to any federal benefits and does not grant access to military installations. [Source VA Press Release 04/27/2006 Updated 10/11/2017]

As always when your local County Veterans Service Officer if you have any questions. You can contact your local VSO at 218-631-7617 or by email at david.anderson@co.wadena.mn.us.

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Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS
1. Inventor of the apochromatic lens
5. Time units (abbr.)
8. Cool!
11. NY football family
13. A way to consume
14. Competition
15. Monetary units
16. Plant in the daisy family
17. Ottoman military title
18. Small Polish village
20. Relatively insignificant lie
21. Argument
22. Comforts
25. Early
30. Went on and on
31. Type of IRA
32. Short musical composition
33. Images
38. Major component of wood glue (abbr.)
41. Observing expeditions

43. Used as a lightweight foam
45. Recall knowledge
48. Afrikaans word for "language"
49. Fried chicken guru
50. Caucasian language
55. A Spanish river
56. Used to pierce holes
57. Song of praise
59. In bed
60. Originally called
61. Iron Age Brittonic tribe
62. Young goat
63. Not even
64. Make from wool or yarn

25. Before
26. Tell on
27. Resembles the ostrich
28. Million barrels per day (abbr.)
29. War-torn city in Syria
34. Mode of transportation
35. Metals and minerals are extracted from this
36. Trent Reznor's band
37. Midway between south and southeast
39. Vesuvius is one
40. Permitted
41. A type of corrosion (abbr.)
42. Tip of Aleutian Islands
44. Shouted
45. Jewish spiritual leader
46. Punched in the side of the head
47. Lout
48. Used to make furniture and ships
51. Spectrum disorder (abbr.)
52. A way to talk
53. American shoe company
54. Chinese ethnic group
58. Egg of a louse
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Answers
1. Microscope
5. Minutes
8. Awesome
11. Giants
13. Eat
14. Rivalry
15. Dollars
16. Aster
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Dumpprope commemorated with tree planting



Each leaf a message

Attendees at the Dumpprope tree dedication were invited to write messages on paper leaves and hang them in the tree. There was also a painting canvass where attendees put their thumb prints in the place of leaves on a tree frame (below).

Gathering to remember and give thanks

More than 80 people gathered at the Motley Dog Park to dedicate a tree planted in the memory of Alan Dumpprope, who died at age 20 in a house fire in rural Motley in January. Pictured, Dumpprope's parents, Jody Dumpprope and Angela Goff, speak to the crowd and give their thanks to the community for supporting them and to the first responders who arrived at the fire. Goff said the City of Motley offered the spot for the tree, which she said is an appropriate location to also remember the pets who were lost in the fire. They plan to add a bench to the memorial in the spring.

The event was attended by family, friends, classmates of Dumpprope, Motley community members and first responders.



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United in remembrance

Alan Dumpprope's parents Angela Goff and Jody Dumpprope share a hug after planting the tree in honor of Alan.



A tree with wings

Jaszmyrn Sieverson places a pair of angel's wings on the tree dedicated to her cousin, Alan Dumpprope.



Participating

After the tree dedication ceremony, many participants helped fill the hole from the tree planting.

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

Oct. 25 - The MPD responded to a report of theft at BRICKS Travel Center in Motley. According to the report, a customer came in to the store and asked the clerk to exchange smaller bills for larger bills. During the counting of the bills, the customer took \$700 of the cash. The incident (involving two suspects working together) was captured on the store's security system video.

Oct. 23 - The MPD assisted the MCSO at a domestic situation in progress at the 33000 block of Maple Ln., in Scandia Valley Township. Benjamin Charles Huff, 53, was arrested for domestic assault and Tena Lee Huff, 47, was arrested for violating terms of probation.

Oct. 19 - The MPD conducted a traffic stop in Motley and proceeded to arrest Dakota Joe Lindstrom, 21, and Miriah Larae Wadena, 19. Driver was cited for speeding, having an uninsured vehicle, careless driving and possession of paraphernalia.

The passenger was cited for a small amount of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. The passenger was also arrested on three outstanding warrants out of multiple counties.

Oct. 21 - The MCSO received a call from the Cass County Sheriff's Office requesting that Motley Fire and Rescue be paged for an ATV rollover.

Oct. 20 - The MCSO arrested Thomas Salphordore Pryor, 34, for the possession of meth and for having a warrant out of Morrison County.

Pillager man dies in three-vehicle crash

Randy Lee Karppinen of Pillager died Oct. 26, when he attempted to pass a vehicle and struck a pickup truck head-on. The incident occurred at 3:05 p.m. on Hwy 210, east of Pillager at mile-marker 177.

According to the Minnesota State Patrol, 58-year-old Karppinen was driving a 2004 Chevrolet Impala westbound when he attempted to pass a 1999

Buick Park Avenue, striking an eastbound Dodge Dakota pickup truck.

The driver of the pickup truck, 18-year-old Darion Preston Anderson of Crosslake, suffered



Randy Lee Karppinen

non-life-threatening injuries and was transported by ambulance to Essentia Health-St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd.

Christopher David Cherne, 17, of Pillager, the driver of the Buick, did not suffer any injuries; nor did his passengers, Emily Clair Cherne, 14 and Jordan Daniel Cherne, 10, also of Pillager.

The state patrol reports that road conditions were wet at the time and that all involved in the crash were wearing seat belts.

According to the Brainerd Dispatch, emergency personnel shut down a portion of the highway for close to an hour with the assistance of the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Assisting at the scene were the Baxter Police Department and the Crow Wing and Cass County Sheriff's Office, along with firefighters from Brainerd and Pillager fire departments.

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Boys win section CC, three girls also qualify for state

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Kira Sweeney and Emmet Anderson are Section 6A cross country champions, Addison Lorber and Ashley Robben qualified for state as individuals, and the Staples-Motley boys team upset the competition to take home the team title and a win a trip to the state meet.

Sweeney won the girls race in 19:31 and Anderson's winning time for the boys was 16:38, at the traditionally tough Long Prairie-Grey Eagle course on Oct. 26.

Sweeney battled the first two miles with the second place finisher, who had beaten her on the same course earlier in the year. In the final mile, she took off and left the competition far behind. "I was surprised when the gap opened up," said Sweeney, "this is not my favorite course."

Anderson also took the lead early, but had competition right behind him. "It was a really painful race, I felt it from the beginning," said Anderson. He opened up his lead in the final mile to win going away. "It was more for the team, the individual win wasn't a big concern for me compared to the team doing well," he said.

And the team came through. Hunter Klimek finished 10th and would have qualified for state individually had the team not made it. Tanner Robben passed four runners at the finish, and the team ended up winning by four points.

Due to extreme cold and a fierce wind on a tough course, it was unlikely that anyone would run their best race of the year, but four Cardinals accomplished that, and it was the four most important team runners. In cross country, the top five runners are included in the team scoring, making the fourth and fifth runners the keys to a good team score.

In the boys race, Ben Bartczak and Bentley Christensen both battled back from health issues to have their best races of the year. Bartczak finished one spot ahead of West Central's fourth runner and Christensen was five spots ahead of their fifth runner, providing the winning margin.

In the girls race, Abby Brown and Madysen Hull crushed their season best times to pull the girls to a fourth place tie in the team results. Katelyn Smith was not all the way back from a late season injury and was the sixth varsity runner.

Lorber and Robben ran almost the entire race together, which was their strategy. "When one of us speeds up, the other one tries to keep up," said Lorber. The girls felt the pressure of a very competitive race. "There were groups in front of us and behind us," said Robben.



The race we won

154 runners follow Emmet Anderson down a hill 400 meters into the Section 6A meet. Also visible in the front group are Tanner Robben, Ben Bartczak and Hunter Klimek. In the middle of the pack are Jack Tyrrell, Brayden Christensen and Bentley Christensen. The boys team won the race to advance to state. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Sprinting to state

Left, Kira Sweeney finishes with the section title. Right, Addison Lorber and Ashley Robben kick to the finish line.

With about 500 meters left, they started surging and pulled away from one of the groups that had nearly caught them. It turned out to be a state level move, because they kicked it in as the last two state qualifiers.

Jack Tyrrell was the sixth finisher for the boys, and Brayden Christensen was right behind. Tyrrell said the team win means

a lot, knowing that their hard work over the season has paid off. "We hear about the old Staples-Motley teams going to state, and now we are living that," he said.

Isaac Christoffersen has been the team's third or fourth runner all season, but was injured for the section meet. "I felt defeated, disappointed, like I let the

team down," said Christoffersen. But watching Bartczak and Christensen fill his spot to send the team to state was still satisfying. "I feel a part of it, we didn't expect to be that good (section champions), but we did it as a team," he said. "I didn't see us as a state team, but now I do,"

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Letting it fly

Josh Lombard attempts one of his 42 passes thrown in the playoff game. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Turnovers, big plays spell playoff loss

The Staples-Motley football team made some big plays, but allowed too many by Wadena-Deer Creek in a 42-20 playoff loss on Oct. 24.

The offense played well, except for five turnovers, and the defense played well, except for a few big plays.

The Cardinals tied the game at 8 in the first quarter with an 18 yard touchdown pass from Josh Lombard to Griffin Webster. Dalton Holmberg rushed for the extra point conversion.

The Cardinals gave up two touchdowns in the second quarter. They started coming back when Lombard hit Jordon Carlson for a 12 yard touchdown, making the halftime score 14-22.

In the third quarter, they nearly tied the score when Holmberg completed a drive with a five yard touchdown run, but a missed extra point try kept the Cardinals behind 20-22.

The rest of the game was frustrating for Staples-Motley as turnovers and mistakes started hurting them and W-DC scored three more touchdowns.

The one area where the Cardinals shined was on

kick returns. Mason Nyhus had two big punt returns of 20 and 22 yards. Jordon Carlson had a 45 yard kick-off return, Jasiah Paske-witz had a 39 yard return and Luke Schmieg had a 28 yard return. Emmitt Winkels and Blayne Dump-prope each recovered an onside kick attempt.

Team results

SM 8 6 6 0 - 20
WDC 8 14 14 6 - 42
First downs - SM 22, WDC 12

3rd downs: SM 5-12, WDC 6-14

4th downs: SM 2-6, WDC 2-3
Rushing: SM 31-165 WDC 44-256,

Passing: WDC 11-17, 200, SM 16-42, 215

Total yards: SM 380, WDC 456

Rushing: Dalton Holmberg 11-91, Cade Schmidt 10-64, Josh Lombard 10-10

Passing: Lombard 16-42, 215 yards, 2 TD, 4 int.

Receiving: Mason Nyhus 5-76, Griffin Webster 4-43, 1 TD, Jordon Carlson 3-61, 1 TD, Cade Schmidt 3-25, Matt Fisher 1-11

Tackles: Braden Tyrrell 15, Schmidt 9, Scout Strickland 9, Holmberg 8, Luke Schmieg 6, Webster 5, Isaac Swendsrud 5, Kyle Serich 4, Isaac Kronenberg 4, Carlson 2, Ryan Wick 2, Nyhus 1, Fisher 1

Cardinals fall in section volleyball

The Staples-Motley volleyball team lost in the first round of the playoffs, 3-0 at Pequot Lakes. Scores were 8-25, 17-25, 13-25.

Team stats included: Mackenna Bjerga: digs-5, assists-11

Kiera Dumpprope: ace-1, kills-3

Tabatha Allen: kills-5, blocks-3

Alex Davis: digs-8, assist-1

Kayla Erbe: digs-10

Camryn Banaka: digs-10, Kiara Storry: digs-4,

kills-2

Alix Peterson: digs-2, kills-3

Bella Martin: ace-1, digs-7

Ashley Vasquez: digs-5



Passing seniors

Camryn Banaka (top) and Alex Davis pass the ball at the team's last home game. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

Schneider, Veronen earn Mid State Conference honors

Lili Schneider placed third in the 100 freestyle and Emily Veronen was third in the 100 backstroke, as both swimmers earned all conference honorable mention for their performances at the Mid State Conference meet at Detroit Lakes on Oct. 27. Schneider's time of 59.84 seconds was her personal best and Veronen's a 1:08 was within a second of her best time.

"It was an amazing meet, we haven't even rested the varsity yet they still did well," said Coach Amanda Olson. The team plans to taper their workouts to get ready for the section meet on Nov. 9. "We are looking forward to seeing what the section meet holds for this team," said Olson.

Several other Cardinal swimmers placed in the top 12:

The 200 medley relay of Emily Veronen, Lili Schneider, Autumn Nelsen, and Aleeah Halverson took 4th. The relay of Evelyn Gonzalez, Aften Robinson, Malaya Reem, and Emma Gerard was 8th.

Joelle Bounds was 9th in the 200 free, and Jaden Engebretson was 11th.

Adriana Dickey dropped six seconds off her 200 individual medley time for 9th place in 2:49. Gonzalez swam the IM for her first time this season for 11th place and a time, 3:00.

Halverson was 10th in the 50 free.

Nelsen was 5th in the 100 butterfly with a 1:15,

three seconds faster than last year's Section time.

Halverson took 9th in the 100 free.

Veronen was 7th in the 500 free. Dickey dropped six seconds for 11th place and Bounds followed in 12th.

Gerard, Engebretson, Nelsen, and Bounds took 7th in the 200 free relay, with the relay of Aften Robinson, Gonzalez, Malaya Reem, and Dickey 8th.

Gonzalez took 12th in the 100 backstroke.

Schneider out touched the competition in the breaststroke by .1 seconds for a new season best and just a second off of her section time from last year for 4th place.

The 400 free relay of Ve-

ronen, Dickey, Halverson, and Schneider took 5th place while the relay of Gerard, Engebretson, Nelsen and Bounds took 7th.

Other season bests:

Mandy Carter dropped five seconds in her 200 freestyle for a time of 2:55. She also had a personal best in the 100 backstroke of 1:36.

Toni Brings swam 44.37 in the 50 free.

Malaya Reem dropped two seconds in the 100 free for a 1:13. Val Lozano had a personal best of 1:21.

Aften Robinson dropped 13 seconds in the 500 free for 6:47.

Johana Ptachova dropped seven seconds in the 100 breaststroke for a 1:42. Cassidy Barthel dropped two for a 2:04.



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