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Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Nov. 24	34°	8°	Cloudy
Nov. 25	22	10	Sunny
Nov. 26	33	23	M. Cloudy
Nov. 27	36	24	M. Sunny
Nov. 28	35	27	M. Cloudy
Nov. 29	36	23	P. Cloudy
Nov. 30	36	24	M. Sunny

Last Year, 2020

	High	Low	Cond.
Nov. 24	35°	32°	Cloudy
Nov. 25	31	30	Cloudy
Nov. 26	33	28	Cloudy
Nov. 27	33	21	Sunny
Nov. 28	40	34	Sunny
Nov. 29	32	23	Cloudy
Nov. 30	24	0	Sunny

Average Temps:
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Staples group gets started on downtown planning process

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

What's needed for downtown Staples to continue to be a center for commerce in the area? What's missing from the downtown? What do you consider to be the Staples downtown?

Those were some of the questions that were brought up at the first meeting of the Staples Downtown Development Project held Nov. 16, at Staples City Hall. The project is being facilitated by University of Minnesota Extension Educator Neil Linscheid and is sponsored by the Staples

Economic Development Authority.

The first meeting had eight local attendees who learned about the project approach and process. Linscheid said it's up to local participants to determine the scope and direction of the project.

To start the process, the group started looking at the Strategic Action Plan developed by the Staples Downtown Revitalization Board in 2006.

The 2006 process helped develop ideas for the Highway 10 project, which built a new four lane highway between the downtown area and the Staples Depot. The

Minnesota Design Team came to Staples and helped plan for the redevelopment of the old Highway 10, to make it inviting and pedestrian friendly. The process also helped develop downtown revitalization efforts and worked on the design and location of the railroad overpass, which was built in 2010. The group developed a detailed action plan to guide some of those big changes downtown.

At the Nov. 16 meeting, Linscheid said the process will involve a lot of community engagement and asset mapping. He can put data into the downtown market analysis toolkit that was

developed at the University of Minnesota.

The first goal of the committee is to visit downtowns in other Minnesota cities and assess what works for those downtowns. Ideas for visits included Perham, Red Wing, Crosby, Little Falls, Wadena, Walker, Park Rapids, Brainerd, Hutchinson and New Ulm.

The new downtown committee has space for more members to join or offer input. Anyone interested in this project can contact Staples Economic Development Director Melissa Wymann at mwyman@ci.staples.mn.us or call 218-894-2550.

COVID reaches highest level ever in Staples

With 74 new cases of COVID-19, the Staples area recorded the highest weekly total since zip code numbers were released weekly starting more than a year ago. The highly contagious Delta variant now makes up virtually all the cases spreading in Minnesota.

Other area communities are still seeing a surge in the number of cases but are not close to their highest level ever. Motley is up with 18 new cases, Pillager has 24 and Browerville 25 all higher than the previous week.

Several area communities have fewer new cases than the previous week including Wadena (49) Long Prairie (34) and Vern dale (25).

Concurrent with the area surge, the number of COVID deaths has increased in area counties Wadena County saw seven deaths associated with COVID-19 in a three week period, Morrison County had six, Todd County three and Cass County three in that same three week period.

Minnesota State Parks open for free Nov. 26

From Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

The final state park free day will be Friday, Nov. 26. All 75 Minnesota state parks and state recreation areas will offer free admission to everyone.

Minnesota state parks are open year-round, and there's a state park within 30 miles of most Minnesotans. It's a great opportunity to get out and explore someplace new - or visit an old favorite at a new time of year.

The entrance fee waiver for fee-free days does not cover amenity or user fees for activities like camping rentals, or special tours.

The goal is to encourage families to spend time together with a walk out doors. Research shows that walking offers multiple benefits, from increased creativity and better brain function to more flexibility and stamina. So you won't just burn calories, you'll also improve your well-being.



Starting work on downtown Staples project

Neil Linscheid, Extension Educator at the University of Minnesota, explains the process of the Staples Downtown Development Project at Staples City Hall on

Nov. 16. The next meeting is planned for December but the time and date have not been set. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Lions peace poster winners

The Staples Lions recently held their peace poster contest. This year's theme was, "We Are All Connected". Winners were announced recently at the middle school. Above: Lion member and Staples Elementary Principal Kathy Johnson holds the third place poster by Madison Perius (missing); Evan Schultz; Madelyn Kist, second

place; Lion Beth Gedde; Sophie Schlosser, the Peace Poster winner and Wanda Lutz, Motley Lion holding Jadalynn McKenna's poster (missing).

Cash prizes were provided by the Motley Lions and Dairy Queen treats were given to the participants by the Motley DQ. (Submitted photo)



OK food donation

OK Automotive celebrated National ESOP Month in October, giving back to the community by collecting canned goods and non perishable food items for the Motley food shelf. They collected 283 pounds of food. Above: Mike Dahlberg of Motley OK Tire is pictured with food shelf volunteers Florence Berndt and Debbie Greig. (Submitted photo)

Scandinavian Christmas music

Ross Sutter and the Swedish Trio will present “A Scandinavian Christmas” on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 1 p.m. at the Robertson Theatre in Wadena. The show is free and open to the public. Bring the entire family to join in the fun of this musical holiday tradition hosted by Ross Sutter. Ross and the Swedish Trio are best known for their annual Julglädje Swedish Christmas show that they have performed for more than 20 years at the American Swedish Institute. The

trio includes Ross Sutter on guitar, accordion and dulcimer, Marya Hart on piano and Cheryl Paschke on the nyckelharpa, a traditional Swedish keyed fiddle. For this year’s appearance in Wadena, the trio will play a rollicking collection of Scandinavian and American holiday tunes. Ross will add stories from his own Swedish and Norwegian family Christmas experiences. Scandinavian Dancers, Adi and Christian Press, will complete the cast for this show which ends



with dancing around the Christmas tree. “A Scandinavian Christmas” is presented by the Wadena County Historical Society. For more information call 218 631-9079 or email 603wchs@arvig.net. This activity is made possible, in part, by the voters of Minnesota, through a grant from the Five Wings Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.



Semi-truck accident in Motley

A semi-truck and trailer, driven by Daniel Neisen, 25, of Frazee, tipped when making the curve along Hwy 10 East in Motley the morning of Nov. 11. According to a report from the Minnesota State Patrol, skid marks start in the right lane west of Hwy 210 and show the trailer

starting to tip to the left as it went around the right hand curve. The truck and trailer ended on the left side across the eastbound lanes of Hwy 10 just east of Hwy 210. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Metz is new family medicine provider

Kelly Metz, Doctor of Nursing Practice, joins the family medicine team at Lakewood Health System. Originally from Inver Grove Heights, Metz received her undergraduate degree from Bemidji State University and her doctoral degree from Metropolitan State University. Her clinical work was completed at Lakewood. As a family medicine provider, Metz is focused on caring for patients of all ages, in every stage of their life. She has a special interest in caring for



Kelly Metz

underserved populations. “I am thrilled to be part of the Lakewood team and to partner with patients in my own community. Providing family practice care in my town is truly a career goal and dream for me.” Metz has three children with whom she loves to travel and experience new adventures. She also enjoys camping, horseback riding and going to concerts. Metz sees patients in our Pillager and Staples clinics. To schedule an appointment with her, call 218-894-1515.

Skoog joins Lakewood orthopedics team

Ryan Skoog, physician assistant, joins the Twin Cities Orthopedics (TCO) and Lakewood orthopedics team at Lakewood Health System. Originally from Menasha, Skoog received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Dakota, and his graduate degree from the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He is a member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants and the Minnesota Academy of

Physician Assistants. As a physician assistant, Skoog works with orthopedic physicians from TCO to provide orthopedic care to Lakewood patients. He assists and supports the TCO surgeons in the clinic and operating room. Skoog is married with two children. In his free time, he enjoys spending time outdoors and traveling with family, playing almost any sport, but mostly golf and hockey.



Ryan Skoog

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

Recent reports from the Motley Police Department (MPD) and Morrison County Sheriff’s Office (MCSO) included the following:
Nov. 11 - 17
Nov. 17 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Ignatius Mullen, 18.
Nov. 17 - The MPD received four reports of gas drive-offs at the Holiday Station in Motley. The thefts were in the amounts of \$44.25, \$93.62, \$25.26; and \$37.39.

Nov. 17 - The MPD responded to a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy10 and Hwy 210 in Motley. Both parties stated that they were alright and refused any medical attention. There was minor damage to both vehicles.
Nov. 16 - The MPD responded to a domestic situation at the 33000 block of Dogwood Ln., Motley.
Nov. 15 - The MPD issued a citation to Daryl Boie, 49, for driving after suspen-

sion.
Nov. 16 - The MCSO received a request that Motley Fire be paged for traffic control for a power pole that was down across State Hwy 210 SW at the 6000 block in Motley.
Nov. 15 - The MCSO paged Motley Fire in regard to a house that was fully engulfed at the 8000 block of 60th St. SW, Vernadale. The Pequot Lakes Fire Dept. had requested a tanker.





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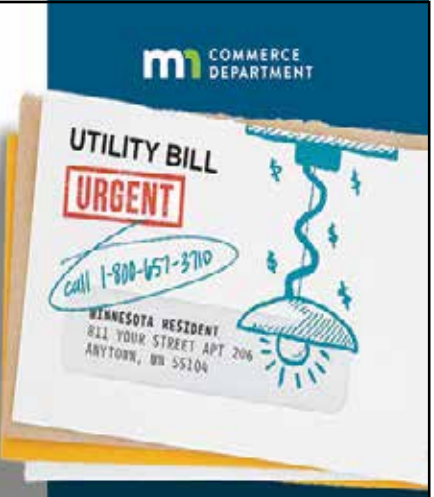
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Looking back

75 Years Ago - 1946

• Nov. 21, 1946 - The first real snow storm of the season descended down upon the residents of Staples and this immediate community Thursday. The day was cold early in the morning, and there was a feeling of “snow in the air,” and it was not long until there was a blizzard raging outside.

• Nov. 21, 1946 - Santa Claus will be at the New Staples Theatre Saturday morning, Dec. 21; and again in the afternoon, when the Staples Civic & Commerce association will play host to all of the children of the city of Staples and the coun-

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try children in the trade territory of this city. Santa Claus will have treats for all of the children.

• Nov. 21, 1946 - Marvin Swecker, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Swecker of Motley is in the Staples Municipal Hospital where he was brought Tuesday morning.

Marvin was working on the lumber saw at the Swecker farm, and in some manner his hand was caught in the saw.

His right thumb was cut from the tip down into the palm of his hand, and the third finger of his right hand was cut just as bad. The bone of both fingers were exposed through the severe cut.

The wound was dressed and many stitches were required to close the wounds. At this writing he is still in the hospital, but is progressing nicely.

• Nov. 21, 1946 - Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Lund and daughter Gloria, and son Jack, will leave Tuesday of next week for Buenos Aires, Argentina, where they will spend a six week’s vacation. The Lunds will make several stops while on their voyage, and expect to make the entire trip from New York by boat.

While away, Dr. Lund’s office will be in charge of Dr. C. N. Rudie, of Kenyon, Minn., who arrived here last week. Dr. Thabes of Brainerd will assist Dr. Rudie in any surgery work.

• Nov. 21, 1946 - Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sebasky made a deal last week whereby they sold the New River Inn in Aldrich to Mr. and Mrs. Garrott of near Breckenridge, who will move their families here and take possession in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Sebasky and family plan to move back to Foley where they formerly resided before coming here a little more than a year ago.

50 Years Ago - 1971

• Nov. 25, 1971 - A mother and her three young children almost miraculously escaped death or serious injury Friday evening at Motley when their car struck a Burlington-Northern freight train.

Driver of the car was Mrs. Shirley Kendrick, 29, of Rosemont. Her three children are Kelly, 6; Vikki, 4 and Christi, 1.

Mrs. Kendrick and her children were en route to Perham for a weekend visit with relatives when the accident at Motley nearly demolished their 1967 Ford station wagon.

The family was traveling north, and the freight was eastbound. The car struck the train just back of the diesel units, and apparently was turned completely around after the impact. The car came to rest about 20 feet off Highway 10, facing in the same direction it had been traveling.

• Nov. 25, 1971 - The Staples Area Vocational Technical School basketball team, coached by Bruce Hayenga, split in their last two outings.

In a conference game Nov. 16, the local team swept past Detroit Lakes by an 80 to 48 score. Thursday evening, in a non-conference affair, they dropped a close 69 to 65 verdict to Alexandria.

• Nov. 25, 1971 - The Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Jacobson, veteran missionaries to



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week’s archive photo is from our Nov. 23, 2006 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Do you have a memory to share? Email your answers and where you are from to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Friday, or call 218-894-1112. The answers will be published in next week’s paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

Columbia, South America, will be speaking at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Staples Sunday, Nov. 28.

The Rev. Donald Brown said that they will be speaking and showing slides at the 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. services at the church that day. Rev. Jacobson is a former resident of Staples.

25 Years Ago - 1996

• Nov. 21, 1996 - Margaret Anderson, 75, died Nov. 18, 1996, at her home.

Margaret Anderson was active in the Staples Historical Society and took a keen interest in the history of Staples. Prior to the Staples Centennial she began researching and writing the history of the community, using the back issues of the Staples World as her primary resource. More than two years of work resulted in the publication of the book, “Northside, Southside, Stories of Staples,” the official Centennial history of Staples.

• Nov. 21, 1996 - Local recording artist, singer and composer, Tom Schrader, will be sharing his original and traditional styles of the “blues” at the Centennial Auditorium in Staples on Nov. 29, at 8 p.m. Schrader has played what he calls his “new and used” blues in everything from concert halls to arts festivals.

• Nov. 21, 1996 - Heather Hasselberg, a 1993 Staples High School graduate, competed with the Purdue University Boilermakers women’s golf team this fall, compiling an 81.3 average in two golf tournaments.

Hasselberg, a junior, was one of the Boilers’ top three finishers in four matches a year ago and is currently one of the team’s co-captains.

Daughter of Glen and Becky Hasselberg of Sta-

ples, Heather is a communications major at Purdue.

• Nov. 21, 1996 - The Staples Motley Competition Cheer Squad competed in the National High School Cheerleading Competition - Regional Qualifier Nov. 3 at the University of Minnesota Sports Pavilion.

The Cardinals came home with the runner-up award in the Small Varsity Cheer/Dance division. Edging out the Cardinals by 18 points out of a possible 400 points was Totino Grace High School.

Coached by Jenelle Thompson, the Staples Motley cheerleaders in the competition included Angie Thompson, Stephanie Hoefs, Devon Wilhelmson, Jessica Schock, Penny Knosalla and Tani Godejohn.

10 Years Ago - 2011

• Nov. 24, 2011 - For the third year in a row, Peter Achermann’s family will be eating their Thanksgiving dinner without him.

They’ll pass the turkey and mashed potatoes as usual and offer up thanks like Peter would have wanted them to. But it won’t be the same - it hasn’t been the same since the elderly Swiss man went missing July 24, 2009.

“Where did he go?” Delaine, his wife of 50-plus years, asked recently at the Achermann home in rural Leader. “We know he was never out where they found his car. There weren’t any prints, not tracks...nothing.”

Delaine is hoping a newly published book about her husband’s life, “The Journey of a Lifetime,” will spark renewed interest in his case. “He wrote it all right here at the kitchen table,” she says, holding up a copy of Peter’s autobiography which he started writing in the 1980s. “His niece, Rebecca, helped put it all together.”



Mystery solved

Last week’s mystery photo, published in the Nov. 18, 1971 edition of the Staples World featured “The Andrews Sisters,” aka, from left, Nels Japke, Dr. John Gorton and Don Olson, all members of the Staples Lions Club. The trio’s act drew great applause at the Fine Arts Community Variety Show, “Those Were the Days,” held at the Staples Auditorium.

Carol Olsen of Staples recognized all and said she remembered making a skirt for her husband, Don. They also managed to find a big bra for him to wear, she added. John Gorton of Staples remembered the event well, sharing that the trio took dance lessons from Twy Japke. “It was a lot of fun, we brought the house down,” Gorton said, adding that he recalled they did a two-step dance where they shuffled to the right and shuffled to the left. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

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Quote of the week

“To speak gratitude is courteous and pleasant, to enact gratitude is generous and noble, but to live gratitude is to touch Heaven.”
— *Johannes A. Gaertner*

Thanksgiving: have an attitude of gratitude

By Bryan Golden

Thanksgiving is much more than a big meal with family and friends. It's a time to reflect on, and be thankful for, all of the good things you have. It's important to be grateful, not just on Thanksgiving, but each and every day. Rather than lamenting what you feel is lacking in your life, begin each new day by developing an attitude of gratitude. Take inventory of your blessings and you will be surprised at just how much you have to be thankful for.

If you have enough to eat, a place to live, a way to get around, people who care about you, or people you care about, then you are wealthy. If you lack any of these elements, you must still be grateful for what you do have, while striving to obtain whatever is absent.

Focus on all positive aspects of your life. Take nothing for granted. Every morning, recharge your appreciation. Be happy for everything there is, not upset over what you feel is missing.

Dreams of the future shouldn't diminish appreciation for the present. If all you do is concentrate on what you want, you won't enjoy today. Don't be jealous of others; what they do or have has no bearing on you.

You can feel bitter or resentful for a variety of reasons. Perhaps you feel something is missing from your life, things aren't going your way, or you have been treated unfairly. You may wonder, "why do these things always happen to me?"

Life's problems tend to dominate your thoughts, turning your focus to what you feel is wrong. You may start to resent those who appear to be better off. You're apt to dwell on things you think would make your life better if you had them. If only you had more money, more time, a bigger house, a different car, a different job, a different boss, had picked a different career, etc.

Once your attitude becomes one of deficiency instead of abundance and appreciation, you can become overwhelmed by feelings of frustration and feel like a victim. As this happens, a consuming vicious cycle starts.

Being bitter or resentful blows situations out of proportion. People who are bitter frequently find that their situations deteriorate and their mental and physical health decays.

It's difficult, if not impossible, to achieve your goals while you are bitter or resentful. Regardless of what challenges might befall you, bitterness makes finding

solutions much more elusive.

There is no point to feeling bitter since it accomplishes nothing, harms you and makes things worse. Filling yourself with gratitude on a daily basis makes you feel good, while driving out negative feelings.

Begin your practice of gratitude each morning as soon as you wake. Every day is a great day. If you have any doubts, try missing one. Take inventory of everything, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant, that is good in your life.

If it helps, make a written list of all things you are grateful for. Read your list every day. As you do this, you will build and reinforce your attitude of gratitude. Don't waste any time with what you feel you don't have.

Keep things in perspective. Consider all the people who have overcome difficulties far worse than yours. Don't be consumed by your problems, there is always a solution. Maintaining an attitude of gratitude allows your mind to devise a resolution for your circumstances.

Make everyday a day of Thanksgiving and you will be amazed how much better your life will become.

Bryan Golden is the author of "Dare to Live Without Limits"

Rural communities need water, broadband funding

By Johnathan Hladik
Center For Rural Affairs

The newly-passed infrastructure package approved by Congress last week promises to reach every corner of the country, and for rural America, funding for water and sewer, broadband internet, and electrical projects could have the most impact.

A \$11.7 billion annual increase for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds will assist small towns in making much-needed drinking water and sewage system upgrades. The federal-state partnership provides low-interest loans to eligible communities to improve their drinking water supply, build wastewater facilities,

or fund other necessary water quality projects.

With internet access becoming a critical component of everyday life, the package also includes \$48.2 billion in broadband funding appropriated to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. The funding will be used to help lower the price households pay for internet service by requiring federal funding recipients to offer a low-cost affordable plan, by creating price transparency, and by boosting competition in areas where existing providers aren't providing adequate service.

As more communities and utilities look to renewable energy, having a robust transmission system is key to linking those systems to

homes and businesses. The infrastructure plan provides a \$65 billion investment to rebuild the electric grid, which will make it easier to develop renewable energy in areas now far from a grid connection.

A safe and healthy water system, affordable broadband access, and a reliable electric grid are basic elements we all depend on. As state and federal officials undertake the hard work of developing programs and identifying worthy projects, local leaders can begin to solicit feedback and generate ideas. Communities must have strong infrastructure in place in order to sustain and grow, and we urge everyone to participate in this generational opportunity.

Letter to the Editor

Haiti still in need

I am a short-term missionary of Healing Haiti, a Christian non-profit organization based in Minnesota. We have been doing work in Haiti since 2006, and I have been involved with the organization since 2015. Our mission is to elevate and reunite Haitian families to break the cycle of poverty and strengthen the fabric of the community. We get the privilege of doing work in some of the poorest areas in Haiti, including Cite Soleil (the poorest slum in the Western Hemisphere) and Titanyen (a community that translates into the meaning "less than nothing"). We operate two schools providing education to over 800 students; two medical clinics providing life-saving medical care to over 13,000 Haitians annually; a commercial bakery delivering over 7.5 million pieces of bread to the community; a 28-acre farm supporting 100 community farmers; two churches offering freedom and hope in the midst of difficult times; and a family-style orphanage caring for 70 children who don't otherwise have a family. Healing Haiti directly employs almost 200 Haitians and we have created living-wage jobs for over 350 Haitians. Through our ministries, and by the grace of God, we impact over 25,000 Haitians per year.

We witness extreme hardships in Haiti every day.

However, since the assassination of President Jovenel Moise in July, our ministry has witnessed a complete deterioration of the country. Already crippled by government dysfunction, the president's assassination has left a gaping hole in the government that has been filled by lawless gangs who now control much of Port-au-Prince.

Gangs now rule over the ports and roads and control the movement of goods and diesel placing a stronghold on Haiti's economy. Businesses, churches, and non-profits alike are forced to pay taxes to the gangs in order to conduct business and receive "protection." The gangs in Haiti are engaging in domestic terrorism that has created a complete humanitarian meltdown.

Part of this domestic terrorism also includes the ruthless kidnapping of the rich and poor alike. Indeed, Port-au-Prince is now considered the kidnapping capital of the world. Although the world sees the global headlines regarding the kidnapping of 17 white missionaries, black Haitians have been crippled with the fear of kidnapping for months. In 2021, over 800 people have been kidnapped; the majority of whom are Haitian citizens. Unfortunately, there is no sign that these kidnappings will slow down as Haiti have seen a 300 percent increase in kidnappings since July 2021.

Respectfully, the current

administration is watching a humanitarian crisis of epic proportion explode in its own backyard, and it has done nothing to put out the flames. The crisis in Haiti can no longer be ignored. Our Haitian brothers and sisters are currently powerless and cannot protect themselves. Haiti is a nation without a president, without an operating government, and without a military or police force that can restore order. While outside intervention is not perfect, it is necessary to restore order and establish stability, so Haiti can move forward with free and fair elections.

Please help us act as the voice for those who have no voice. Contact government officials, asking them to intercede on behalf of Haiti. We are requesting legislative action for: (1) the return of United Nations peacekeeping troops to Haiti to restore order; (2) the U.S. military to go into Haiti in order to establish order and stabilize the country; or (3) U.S. special forces to train the Haitian National Police in anti-gang operations.

It is heartbreaking to see those I love struggling through such a tumultuous time in Haiti's history, and it is our duty as God's children to help our brothers and sisters in need.

Kalli Kremer
Wheaton, Minn

(Kalli Kremer is the daughter of Staples World owner Mike Kremer)

For better and worse, we're all connected

By Lee H. Hamilton

It's a cliché to say that everything's connected. But we live in a world where this is clearly true. Ideas, goods, services, workers, tourists, commerce, communications, drugs, crime, migrants, refugees, weapons, climate impacts... and, of course, viruses: They all cross borders constantly.

This is one reason I've come to believe that drawing a distinction between "foreign" and "domestic" policy, while often helpful, is also misleading. Globalization essentially means that we can't escape the impact of what's happening in other countries and regions around the globe, either at the policy level in Washington or on the street where you live.

This is often beneficial. The free movement of goods and services from this country to others builds our economy and creates jobs. Likewise, goods and services produced elsewhere and imported or used here have provided many American consumers with a quality of life that would have been unthinkable a genera-

tion ago. The relatively free flow of ideas, cultural life, and people with talent, skill, ambition, or all three, have enriched this country and many others.

Yet managing globalization is also a clear challenge, because it's not only the good stuff that goes along with it. The work of government—not just at the federal level, but in our states, counties, and cities and towns—is to find ways of promoting what's good and mitigating what's bad.

Sometimes, this takes global coordination. The UN Climate Conference taking place in Scotland is one clear example. Climate change affects everything, from the kinds of plants and animals you might see in your backyard to the behavior of the oceans and global wind currents. The Glasgow meeting is aimed at accelerating governments' action on ratcheting back the human-made causes of climate change and at finding ways for nations and communities to adapt to the changes that we're too late to prevent.

Sometimes, this demands clear-headed national strategies. All countries need goods and services from other countries: food, cars, entertainment, manufacturing parts. And economists would argue that our inter-connectedness on these fronts has, on the whole, served both the US and the world well, raising standards of living, lowering costs, and expanding the array of choices available. Yet when factory workers are thrown out of work, farmers are disrupted by competition from overseas,

or over-dependence on the global supply chain proves to be a vulnerability, as during the pandemic, these demand thoughtful policy change from the federal government, whether it's pursuing trade talks, developing support for re-training programs, or buttressing small-scale agriculture and local supply chains.

And at the local level, the forces of globalization clearly require a community response. Maybe it's finding ways of assimilating and educating migrant workers or refugees. Maybe it's helping small farms connect with local markets that will boost their chances of success and help feed surrounding communities. And maybe it's promoting home weatherization and other energy-related policies that help reduce carbon emissions.

The point is that the forces of globalization are with us whether we like it or not, and we can't ignore them. We're affected by what takes place everywhere else, and both at home and in the halls of power we have to understand and manage it. It's inevitable that we'll face challenges and disruption. Our task is to recognize the opportunities and spread the benefits.

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Quote of the week

“To Squanto, as to all Native Americans, the land did not belong to the people, people belonged to the land.”
— *Jean Craighead George, The First Thanksgiving*

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November 25

STAPLES SERENITY AA GROUP MTGS are held at the Staples Assembly of God Church on Tuesday and Thursday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. Masks required. For more info., 320-874-0979.

November 26

ATTENTION STAPLES SENIORS (55+) ‘Coffee, Cookies and Conversation’ at Staples United Methodist Church basement on Fridays, 9 a.m. - noon. For more info., call 218-894-2256 or 218-640-6477.

November 27

COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST Saturday, Nov. 27, 8 - 10 a.m., Motley United Methodist Church. Free.

November 29

AA GROUP MTGS IN MOTLEY are held at the United Methodist Church, 847 3rd Ave. S., on Mondays at 8 p.m.

December happenings at Great River Arts

The month of December will be an active one at Great River Arts (GRA) in Little Falls.

Open Mic Nite kicks things off on Thursday, Dec. 2. Sign up begins at 6 p.m., performances start at 7 p.m. This is one of GRA’s longest-running activities and is open to all ages and all talents. It’s a judgment-free zone for all skill levels, so let your humor, poetry, storytelling and music shine.

The artists behind the current main gallery exhibition, Of Three Minds, will have a reception Saturday, Dec. 11, from noon - 2 p.m. Take a moment to meet the brilliant minds behind their two and three-dimensional works. Artists receptions are free and open to the public.

Jason Schommer and Michael Shynes return to the GRA stage for A Schommer & Shynes Christmas Time! on Saturday, Dec. 18, show-

time at 7 p.m. Their show will take a hilarious and heartfelt look at all the joy, madness, insanity, reflection and unexpected moments of the season with stand up comedy and stories. Joining the hometown duo on stage is violin virtuoso David Gerald Sutton. Tickets can be purchased at GRA, by phone, or on-line.

For more information about events and happenings at GRA, check their website at greatart.org, follow them on Facebook, or sign up for their e-newsletter.

Great River Arts is a community-supported art and cultural events center at 122 First St. SE, in the historic district of downtown Little Falls. Admission to the galleries and retail store is free and open to the public. Hours are Wed-Fri, 10-5, Sat, 10-2.

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1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Zach Jones
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 6:00 p.m.

Assembly of God
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples 218-894-1081
Pastor Roy Miles
Small Groups (Bible classes for all ages) 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church (Kids start in main worship service) 11 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sonlight (kids ages 4 yrs.-6th grade) After school to 5:30 p.m.
Youth Group (Teens, 7th-12th grade) After school to 5:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
27343 490th St., Staples 218-894-2609
Pastor Barry Klein
Facebook Live
Bible School (youth and adult) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY:
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study 7-8 p.m.

First Congregational Church, UCC
firstconouccstaples@gmail.com
204 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2571
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship, refreshments following service

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE., Staples 218-894-1546
Pastor Carl Larson
Pastor Chris Mathiason
Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship 10:05 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2296
Church
Pastor Fr. Aaron Kuhn
Parochial Vicar, Fr. Gabriel Walz
MASS:
Thursday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Seventh Day Adventist
421 Dakota Ave. SE, Staples
218-894-0033
Saturday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:45 a.m.

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples 218-894-3923
Pastor Scott Jorgenson
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH 6:30 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 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist
310 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2248
Pastor Greg Leslie
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)
Sunday School (for grades K-12 and adults) 9:15-10:15 a.m.

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19550 490th Street, Aldrich
Eric Clapp 701-261-2394 (cell)
Sunday Worship 8:15 a.m.
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

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25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
Pastor Carl Larson
Pastor Chris Mathiason
www.bethanylutherancushing.org
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Communion 1st and 2nd Sunday of each month

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th Street, Cushing, MN 56443
Phone: 218-575-2449
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Office Hours: Tues. - Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Senior Pastor: Don Reigstad
Community Life Pastor: Jim Brown
Associate Pastor: Joe Reigstad
SUNDAY
Church Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m.
YouTube Channel 10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Community Meal 5:30 p.m.
Family Night 6:00 p.m.

Cushing Baptist
26298 Bear Rd., Cushing
Pastor Dan Holmes 320-749-2583
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible study 7:30 p.m.

Leader
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Leader 218-397-2470
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Sunday Worship 9 a.m.
January - July 11 a.m.
July - January 11 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament
Leader 218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466 218-352-6888
Jim Johnson, Senior Pastor
Charles Mallory, Associate Pastor
Sunday Worship 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.
Facebook live 9 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Youth Group 6:00-8:00 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. Aaron Kuhn
Parochial Vicar, Fr. Gabriel Walz
MASS:
Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist
847 3rd Ave. S. Lane, Motley 218-352-6466
Pastor Greg Leslie
www.motleyumc.net
Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
Monday AA meeting 8:00 p.m.

Oylen

Oylen Alliance
City. 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
Pastor Mathew Sundquist
717 River Street S, Pillager, MN
218-746-3775
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Casino Assembly of God
Pastor Dan Johnson
N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.
Phone 218-746-3839
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Jake Anderson
218-746-3768
curious@fbcpillager.com
Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m.
Connection Point 9:30 a.m.

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Hoffer
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m./6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY PRAYER 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)
524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Robin Fish
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist Church
Hwy. 210, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Kenneth Uhren
Sunday Services 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes 11-11:45 a.m.

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189
Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
SUNDAY
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Night Life Groups 6:30-8 p.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.

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Bartlett Township (LCMS)
17097 460th St., PO Box 37, Verndale
Pastor Robin Fish
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Verndale United Methodist
10 3rd Ave. SW, Verndale
218-445-5108
Pastor Jill Pawlowski
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.

Central United Methodist
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)
Pastor Chuck Horsager, 218-639-4225
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Leaf River Township The Old Country Church
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6
Info. 218-837-5690
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

T.H.A.N.K.F.U.L.

Pastor Barry Klein, Staples Church of Christ

Holiday (Holy-day) seasons well lived, are helpful and needed reminders and experiences that prepare us better for the meaning of every day in God. I may have mentioned in the past remembering a comment by Dr. James Dobson regarding the Thanksgiving season when he said: “The Thanksgiving season is my favorite season of the year because the Madison Avenue advertisers haven’t figured out a way to commercialize it.” Tragically, in practice, they have now ignored it.

Another old wise adage reminds us to “avoid being more preoccupied with gifts than the Giver of gifts.” That is more than a childhood temptation at Christmas between child and parent. As adults, are we more preoccupied (and even demanding?) of the gifts God generously gives us continually than being grateful for God Himself as the Giver of millions of daily gifts of sustenance, physically and spiritually?

Let’s allow our acrostic: T.H.A.N.K.F.U.L. to guide us this Thanksgiving and every day in focusing in on the centrality of God in all things, thanking Him regularly for all that centers in on Him.

T. Let’s thank God for being the **True** God that He is. In the Great Commission of Matthew 28:18-20, we are to baptize disciples (followers of Jesus) into the True Name of the Father, Son (Jesus) and Holy Spirit.

H. God is **Holy**. Revelations 4:8 breathes the anthem of God’s holiness in a three-fold way as the heavenly beings constantly are saying “Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty, Who was an is and is to come.”

A. **Air** (wind) is used as a description of God’s Spirit in John 3:8. We have another old adage that “all truth is parallel in reality” meaning that the physical world is constantly reflecting the greater spiritual world. No wonder Jesus draws often from illustrations of His physical creation in His teaching parables to make a greater spiritual point and application.

N. **Nests** of birds can remind us of Jesus’ care of us. In Matthew 6:26, we hear Jesus call us to “look at the birds of the air...” He reminds us that as He feeds the birds, He cares for us, “being much more valuable than them.”

K. God is the **King** of the universe. We hear in Handel’s Messiah of how He is “King of kings and Lord of lords!” That is taken from Revelation 19:16.

F. God’s fullness is in Jesus. What an incredible thought!! We hear it in Colossians 1:19 when the apostle Paul says, “For God was pleased to have all His fullness to dwell in (Jesus).”

U. This reminds me of how **undeserving** we are of all that God so lavishly bestows upon us! Romans 8:32 says, “(God) Who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all - how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us all things?” (See also Romans 5:8)

L. There’s just no question about how God is the Giver of all life to us. Acts 17-28 reminds us that “For in Him we live and move and have our being.”

In this Thanksgiving season, may we have a deep, daily gratitude to the God who gives generously!

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Lions' Christmas Wreath: \$25 each

- Business sales begin at 10 a.m.
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If you are not home when the Lions come on Monday night, wreaths may be purchased at Williams Floral and Nursery, Staples.*

*When Autumn leaves are falling and Thanksgiving time is near
It warms the heart to think of those who mean so much all year.
Happy Thanksgiving*

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Obituaries

Gary Schimpp

Gerald Manley Schimpp, 81, of Staples, passed away at his home Nov. 17, 2021, after losing a difficult battle with Covid-19.

An 11 a.m. funeral service will be held Wednesday, Nov. 24, at Staples Alliance Church, preceded by a visitation at 10 a.m.

Following the funeral, a graveside service with full military honors will be held at the Thomastown Covenant Church Cemetery in rural Staples.

To reduce the risk of Covid-19 exposure, the family encourages masks and is providing an option to view the service via the church's Facebook live-stream at facebook.com/staplesalliance. The family deeply regrets not providing a luncheon.

Gary was born to Andrew and Mayme (Holman) Schimpp on March 31, 1940, at the family homeplace in rural Staples. Shortly after, the Schimpps moved to their farm in Bullard Township, where Gary lived until his graduation from Staples High School in 1958. From early on, it was clear that Gary was a gifted musician, class clown, leader, and avid learner...all characteristics cultivated throughout his life.

Gary joined the U.S. Navy after high school, where he spent two years training in San Diego, Calif., followed by two years of work at a dental lab in North Chicago. In 1960, destiny intervened at a wedding in Falun, Wisc., where Gary met the love of his life, Carmen Peterson, who later ditched her date when the handsome sailor, Gary, invited her for a ride with friends in a '55 pink and white convertible. Later that evening they sang their FIRST duet and the rest is history. On Aug. 5, 1961, Gary and Carmen were married in her hometown of Grantsburg, Wisc. After being discharged from the Navy, they moved to Mankato, where their first-born daughter, Dawn, was born. Four years later they moved to Faribault, where their second daughter, Andrea, was born. They settled in Staples, where they welcomed their third daughter, Heather. "After that, we quit moving," Gary often joked. Their move to Brainerd in 1968 marked the beginning of Gary's 40-plus years in real estate, a career he enjoyed until his retirement in 2016. In addition to working with other companies, Gary opened his own office, Schimpp Real Estate, in his hometown of Staples. While working in Real Estate, Gary accepted a position as Director of Promotions for Minnesota



Christian Broadcasters, Inc. (KTIG and KBHW), which led to the family gospel singing group, The Schimpps, that performed for over 40 years.

Faith was the foundation of Gary's life. As a child he attended Thomastown Covenant Church and at the age of 12, made a commitment to Jesus Christ at Camp JIM. Gary and Carmen attended Staples Alliance Church for over 50 years. Gary served his church in several ways, including leading music and AWANA, conducting contatas, teaching Sunday School, and serving as a board member and elder.

Gary was a man of strong convictions, a devoted patriot, and civic minded. Gary was larger than life. His interests were varied and many, including singing, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, motorcycling, and reading. He had the gift of hospitality, the Schimpp home was always open to extended family and friends, who shared many meals, discussions, and laughter around the table. Gary was a devoted husband and a strong influencer in the lives of his daughters, instilling in them a passion for life and seizing the moment. He was an amazing grandfather and loved each of his grandchildren dearly.

Gary is survived by his wife of 60 years, Carmen; three daughters, Dawn (Gary) Timbs of Staples, Andrea (Scott) Carlson of Decorah, Iowa and Heather (David) Thompson of Burnsville; four grandchildren, Linnea (Lane), Hayden, Christian and Sawyer; siblings, Byron (Mary) Schimpp of Ypsilanti, Mich., sister-in-law Ardis Schimpp of Staples, Judy (John) Todd of Eagan, Joyce Anderson of Isanti, Barb (Larry) Rach of Verndale, David (Jocelyn) Schimpp of Remer; many nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Donovan and Russell; one brother-in-law, Roger Anderson; one sister-in-law, Jackie Schimpp and one niece, Deb Bernstrom.

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Clifford Kemp

Clifford Franklin Kemp, 73, of Saint Michael, passed away November 19, 2021, at home surrounded by family.

A celebration of life will be held Friday, November 26 at 2 p.m. at the Washburn-McReavy Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd., Coon Rapids MN 55433. Visitation be one hour prior to services at the church.

The service will be available via webcast, which can be found by at Washburn-McReavy.com.

Cliff is survived by his wife, Beckey; one son, Cliff Jr. (Leslie); two grandchildren Tanner and Sam, along with a large, loving family and many wonderful friends.

Cliff is preceded in death

Orie Schrock

Orie O Schrock, 97, of Goshen, Indiana, passed away October 1, 2021.

A memorial service was held at East Goshen Mennonite Church.

He was interred at the Motley Cemetery.

Orie was born April 15, 1924 at Goshen, IN to Tobe and Mattie (Miller) Schrock. In 1931, the family moved to Clarksville, Michigan. Orie grew up working on the farm with his family. He was drafted in 1945 and went to CPS at Medaryville, IN. After his service, he returned home to the farm. In 1948, Orie moved to Cass Lake. He was caretaker at Steamboat Lake Resort. He also taught and preached at various mission churches in Ogema, Loman and Mahanoma areas. He met his first wife, Ruth Stoll and they were married at Loman on December 20, 1950. Orie became ordained in 1952 at Strawberry Lake Mennonite Church. They moved to Red Lake, Ontario, Canada. They worked in missions and Orie also worked at the Madsen Gold Mine. Their four children were born while living there.

In 1963, Orie and his family moved back to Clarksville, MI where he pastored at Bowne Mennonite Church. In 1969, they moved to Grand Rapids, MI and started the North Park Mennonite Church. Orie also drove a dump truck for a living. In 1975, Orie and family moved to Pennsylvania where he pastored at Hersteins Mennonite Church, in Schwenksville.

In 1979, Orie and his family moved to Minnesota where he pastored at Leader Mennonite Church. They lived in the Staples, Motley and Leader areas for many years. He worked for various farmers and hauled mail at Motley for eight years. Every summer, he was a counselor at Sand Hill Bible Camp at Fosston where the kids enjoyed "Orie's Stories" (they never did find his secret hiding place) and the annual "Hide and Seek" game. For many years, Orie dressed up as Abe Lincoln and gave the "Gettysburg Address" at different functions and schools.

Orie was the caregiver to Ruth for many years, due to her stroke. In 2001, Ruth passed away. Orie moved back to Goshen, where he married Miriam Graber on



October 12, 2002 and worked at World Missionary Press in New Paris, IN until he retired at nearly age 91 in January 2015.

Orie loved and served God his whole life, helping spread the Gospel of Christ throughout the world. He encouraged and urged to always "look for something to do and then do it," and always stay busy.

Orie attended school through 8th grade. When he was needed to work on the farm, it was a great disappointment that he couldn't finish school. It contributed greatly to his feeling of inferiority through his adult life. It was a great accomplishment when received his GED in 1995 at the age of 71, as his family celebrated with him.

Orie is survived by his wife, Miriam; four children, Alan (Pat Keener) of Moorhead, Anna (Dan Pipek) of Staples, Susan (Curt Martin) of Pillager and Marlin (Cathy Cole) of Waverly, New York; five stepchildren, John (Crissie Musselman) Graber, Merlin Graber, Milard (Sheila Koch) Graber, and Carol (Bill Frisbie), all of Goshen and Galen (Ruth Brennehan) Graber, Wellman, IA; 10 grandchildren, 14 step-grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; 14 step-great-grandchildren; one brother, Edward of Clarksville and one sister, Martha (Virgil) Albrecht of Three Rivers, MI.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruth; one great-grandson, James Martin; one step-granddaughter, Joyce Graber; one step-great-grandson, Joshua Angel; one brother, Oscar and three sisters, Mae Wenger, Mary Birkey and baby sister, Esther.

Memorial Contributions can be sent to World Missionary Press, PO Box 120, New Paris, IN 46553-0120.

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Stephen Huss

Stephen Harold Huss (Steve), 72, of Saint Anthony Village, passed away suddenly November 17, 2021.

A celebration of life will be held November 27 at 1 p.m. at the Pullman Club in Shakopee.

He will be laid to rest in the family plot in the Shakopee cemetery.

Steve was born in Shakopee on July 5, 1949, to Harold and Ruth Huss. The oldest of four siblings, Steve grew up helping his father run a Mobil gas station. This led to a lifelong appreciation for classic cars and other Americana. He was especially fond of antique radios, collecting several throughout his life.

After working his way through and graduating from Benilde High School in 1967, Steve attended Mankato State University with plans to major in architecture before deciding to join some friends and enroll in culinary school. These plans were put on hold, however, when they were drafted into military service during the Vietnam war, immediately after they dropped out of school. A dedicated friend, Steve was quick to volunteer for the Marines in order to keep the crew together. He served one tour in Vietnam as a radio operator.

After his service, he finally attended St. Paul Culinary School and began a long and accomplished career as a chef. Steve began his career working at the Minnesota Valley Country Club and The St. Paul Hotel before joining his mother and a family friend in Staples, to help open Donovan's supper club.

While in Staples, he drove everyone crazy with his giant Great Dane, Shadow, including family friend and future love of his life, Paula Huss. Paula and Steve were married in August 1979 and spent a few years in Somerset, WI and Minneapolis where Steve worked at the Terrace Club and Harvey's Avalon Café with his friend, Byron. Steve and the family eventually moved back to Staples in order to take over management of Donovan's and later began a 15-year career as an executive chef at Madden's resort in the Brainerd Lakes area, retiring in 2012.

Steve and Paula raised four sons in Staples and decided to move to the Twin Cities after Steve retired in order to be closer to their family. He spent the last few years going to as many blues shows as possible and generally spoiling his grandchildren rotten (although he always put up a fight when it came to a game of checkers). He was a beloved member of the family and will be greatly missed.

Steve is survived by his wife Paula; four sons, Jared, Adam, Tyler and Dylan; one sister, Pat; two brothers, Mike and Dave and four grandchildren Aidan, Elliott, Isley and Lochlan.

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Joan Brandt

Joan Bernette Brandt, 80, of Staples, formerly of St. Cloud, passed away November 18, 2021, in Staples.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 24 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples. Visitation will be held Tuesday, Nov. 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to services at the church.

Joan was born on July 23, 1941 to Arnold and Jeanette (Mosford) Scholdt in St. Cloud. She was employed in the health care field in Staples. She enjoyed spending time with family, cross-stitching, gardening, yard work, watching kids in sporting events and spending time on the lake. Joan was also a foster grandma at school.

She is survived by one daughter Carol (Steve) McCarthy and one son, Gerald (Lynn) Brandt; six grandchildren, Tiffany Brandt, Nichole Helquist, Christine Brandt, Jessica Johnston, Brianna Stenvick and Amanda McCarthy; 15 great-grandchildren; 11 sisters and brothers, Gail



(Gilbert) Radonski of Crossville, TN, Susan Scholdt of Zion Crossroads, VA, Maynard Scholdt of Plymouth, Rick (Barbara) Scholdt of Farmington, Mary (Richard) Snyder of Bloomington, Jerry (Marcia) Scholdt and Jill (Eduardo) Martinez, both of Clearwater, Bernie (Sharon) Scholdt of St. Augusta, Cindy (Steven) Reinholz of Hibbing, Kevin (Jeanette) Scholdt of Anoka and Linda Dean of Duluth.

Joan is preceded in death by one son, Daniel; her parents and one brother, Harold Scholdt.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Elnora Dempsey

Elnora Marie (Nelson) Dempsey, 81, of Verndale passed away November 9, 2021 at Tri-County Hospital in Wadena, surrounded by her family.

A memorial burial service will be held at a later date at the Verndale Greenlawn Cemetery.

Elnora (Nellie) was born March 4, 1940 to Frances and Pauline (Sweet) Nelson. She was the fifth of 11 children.

She married the love of her life, Donald J. Dempsey on January 2, 1960 and they had four wonderful children. Elnora worked as a waitress, dietary aid and was a homemaker. She loved spending holidays with family, baking, traveling and going to casinos. She always had an ear for listening and a warm heart.

She is survived by four children, Brian Dempsey of Verndale, Colleen Dempsey of New York Mills, Daniel Dempsey of Staples and



Cheryl (Larry) Kennedy of Shakopee; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; four sisters, Juanita Alley of Minnetonka, Rosemary (Reginald) Petrich of Staples, Patanel (Gary) Steinke of Dawson, Dorothy Hall, Waite Park and one brother, Charles Nelson of Ashley, ND.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; three sisters, Ruth Hanson, Francis Winter, Pauline Beach and two brothers, Ronald and Jim Nelson.

Honorary pallbearers were all of her grandchildren.

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Jeffrey Hahn

Jeffrey Hahn, 59, of Dent passed away November 13, 2021, at the Sanford Medical Center in Fargo, North Dakota.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 24 at the Karvonen Funeral Home in Wadena at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor Dan Abrahams officiating.

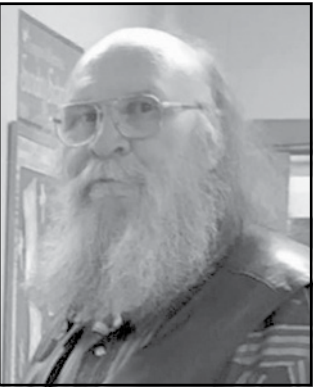
Jeffrey was laid to rest at Wing River Cemetery, rural Verndale.

Jeffrey Darold Hahn born November 18, 1961, to Darold and Jean (Wendt) Hahn in Rapid City, South Dakota. Jeff was the oldest of five children and grew up on a farm in Wing River Township, rural Verndale. Jeff attended Verndale High School and graduated from Staples Vocational Technical College at 19 when he became a machinist.

Jeff was married to his first love, Sherry, and together they were blessed with four children, Melissa Buck, Jason Cherry, Jessica Rumney-Hahn and Samantha Hahn.

On July 30, 1989 Jeff married his second love, April Lynn (Kirkevold) and they raised three children together. Jeff was employed at Continental Machine Shop in Frazee and most recently for Friesen's.

Jeff loved his music and performing for people and always had a conversation going no matter the setting. He was a self-taught musician, he enjoyed playing the guitar, banjo or anything with a string whether it was at a local club or watching the sunset on the lake front. Jeff loved helping others no matter what the task



or fix it strategically. His favorite colors were duct tape and leather. He will be dearly missed by family and friends.

Jeff is survived by eight children, Justin Kirkevold, Caitlin Richmond, Cassandra Hahn, Melissa Buck, Jason Cherry, Jessica (Linwood) Rumney, Samantha Hahn and Courtney Hahn; 18 grandchildren; two brothers, Brent (Cheryl) Hahn and David Hahn; one sister, Debra Stingly; many nieces and nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents; one younger brother, Michael Hahn; wife, April Hahn and his grandparents.

Pallbearers will be Justin Kirkevold, Thera Stingley, Shawn Stingley, Tyler Hahn, Ryan Hahn, Mason Kvamme, Alex Mustain and Cole Hahn. Honorary pallbearers are Brent Hahn and David Hahn.

Visit www.karvonenfuneralhome.com to leave memorials and condolences on Jeffrey's Tribute Wall.

Arrangements were by Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of Wadena.

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Staples-Motley Volleyball team awards

The Staples-Motley volleyball team held their post-season banquet and awards night, with Leah Bestland and Morgan Becker honored as All-Conference and also All-Section. Klaire Story and Bo Erholtz were Honorable Mention All Conference.

Award winners pictured include, front row from left, Jayce Kobliska: Letter, Cardinal Award; Leah Bestland: Letter, All-Conference, All-Section Team, Most Set Assists, Most Ace Serves, Highest Serving Percentage, Captain's Pin; Klaire Story: Letter, All-Conference Honorable Mention, Captain's Pin; Maggie Claussen: Letter,

All-Conference, F-I-G-H-T Team Values Award, Most Digs.

Back row from left, Bo Erholtz: Letter, All-Conference Honorable Mention, All-State Academic, Most Blocks, Captain's Pin; Morgan Becker: Letter, All-Conference, All-Section Team, Most Kills, Team MVP, Captain's Pin; Gabby Case; Emilyya Case: Letter; Grace Jennissen: Letter, Most Improved; Ellie Moulton: Letter; Steffany Sullivan: Letter, Coach's Award; Kyra Stangle, missing from photo.



Another state champion added to Cardinal Pride sign

The Cardinal Pride sign in Staples, which lists Staples-Motley sports state champions, now reads 31 teams. The addition of the girls cross country team, which won the state title Nov. 6, was recently added. Pictured above; L-R, Sophie Schlosser, Audrey Brownell, Aften Robinson, Ashley Robben, Naila Mikhaeil, Suhaila Mikhaeil, Kyanna Burton and Addisyn Cichos. Opti-

mistic that there could be more state champions in the future, the Staples-Motley Hall of Fame Committee has commissioned replacement numbers that were made by Wade Bendson at Staples Precision Metalcraft. There are also 64 individual champions listed on the sign with replacement numbers for when that total changes. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

It's the caliber of the hunter, not the gun

Over more than a half century of peering down the rib of a shotgun barrel, or through the sights of a rifle, I've witnessed some major changes in sporting firearms and their ammunition. Changes like rifle and shotgun stocks of molded space-age composites, instead of traditional—and still favored by the romantics among us—real walnut. Telescopic sights have largely replaced the open iron sights that were still common on rifles when I began hunting.

Most new shotguns have interchangeable “chokes” at the business end of their barrels, short tubes that constrict shot pellets as they are leaving the barrel and determine whether the pellets disperse quickly for close range shooting—for grouse, for example—or are concentrated for more distant shots—as you might want when pass shooting ducks or geese.

Toxic lead shotgun pellets have been replaced with steel or more advanced multi-element compounds

for waterfowl hunting, in response to the poisoning of ducks and geese that occurred when they mistook spent shot pellets on the bottom sediments of wetlands for grit, ate them, and died. The search for a perfect substitute for lead continues.

Ammunition for both rifles and shotguns has steadily followed a trajectory of rising power; an arms race, you might say. The objective—at least from a marketing standpoint—has been greater killing power. The advertised result of using the most powerful rifle cartridge or shotshell is ostensibly a deer, elk, or moose that drops in its tracks—at longer ranges, to boot—or a duck or goose that can reliably be downed at 60 yards or more, which is beyond the reliable accuracy range for most hunters.

This is typically accomplished by putting more bang behind the bullet in a rifle cartridge or the pellets in a shotshell; more of—or a more powerful—propellant. This generally requires more volume in a rifle cartridge or a shotshell. Compared to some “magnum” rifle cartridges of today, many widely-used big game rifle calibers of the mid-20th century now look puny. Most shotguns were once chambered for a standard shell 2 ¾” long. Today, the 12 gauge shotgun you buy

is likely to accept 3” shells, or an even higher capacity shell 3 ½” long.

My first whitetail was harvested in the near-wilderness of Minnesota's Lake Superior North Shore. It was taken with a lever-action rifle I had purchased second-hand; not so unusual for a cash-challenged young adult. Its caliber—.35 Remington—was already fading in popularity. Not because it was incapable of bringing down a deer, but due to the greater glamor of more powerful and popular cartridges, like the .308 Winchester, or the 30-06 Springfield.

In the end, I was no more immune to magnum-itis than the next hunter. When I could accumulate enough cash that wasn't earmarked for tuition or rent, I said goodbye to my first deer rifle. I traded it in on a brand-new, scope-sighted, Browning semi-automatic rifle in one of the more powerful calibers. As expected, it was more than equal to the task of bringing down a deer. But in an ironic counterpoint, on my first hunt with my “improved” armament, another hunter in my party killed the largest buck my deer hunting group had ever harvested. His rifle was chambered for the old-fashioned sub-magnum Winchester 30-30, a cartridge similar in vintage, design, and killing power to what I used to

take my first deer. There's a lesson in there somewhere.

My friends and I were passionate about deer hunting, but the shotgun sports would prove to be my most enduring connection to firearms, hunting, and shooting. Interests may wax and wane across the span of a lifetime, but ruffed grouse and waterfowl have been the two types of hunting that have most enduringly claimed my devotion.

Ruffed grouse are a challenge in all of hunting's dimensions. Except in the most remote places, they're thoroughly wild and elusive. They defy taming, and will never be served up on a shooting preserve. They're often found in dense cover that can be a nightmare to navigate, adding to the difficulty of making a shot when a bird explodes in a thunderous, unnerving flush. Each grouse is a trophy. But a grouse is a lightly-feathered bird, typically harvested at close range, so there is no need for heavy or specialized armament. If anything, grouse hunting lends itself to traditional methods—many use vintage double-barreled shotguns—and light shotshell loads.

Waterfowl hunting is another story altogether. Ducks and geese can sometimes be harvested at close range. But there are many times—especially late in the season after much expo-

sure to hunting pressure—when waterfowl refuse to come in to decoys, or skirt them at the outer limit of shotgun range or hunter skill. This has made waterfowl hunting fertile ground for experimentation in firearms and ammunition design, the objective being to improve a hunter's odds, especially under unfavorable conditions.

The simple answer is to throw more shot pellets, and—ideally—at higher speed. The escalation began with the so-called “baby magnum,” a standard 2 - ¾” shotgun shell into which as much as an ounce and one-half of shot pellets were squeezed. This gradually evolved into a 3” length for 12 gauge shells, and now a 12 gauge shell that is a full 3 - ½ inches in length, with bigger payloads of shot.

But there is a downside to this. More power—whether in a shotgun shell or a rifle cartridge—means more punishing recoil, the backward kick of the gun at ignition that is felt by the shooter. Too much of this can lead to “flinching,” the unconscious and imperceptible drawing away from the anticipated jab of the gun's buttstock against the shoulder. This can cause misses, or worse, crippled game.

I recall a shot taken while I stood on a duck boat seat—not recommended, I might add—to get a better angle

Opheim, Schultz, Klefsaas named to All District football team

The Staples-Motley football team had three All District players this season. Sam Opheim was named to the First Team All District, while Isaiah Schultz and Sievert Klefsaas were named honorable mention. The Cardinals also had

seven players on the Academic All District team, based on a grade point average of 3.7 or higher. They included Colton Converse, Drew Berg, Sivert Klefsaas, Caden Mrazek, Isaiah Schultz, Andrew Salcido and Keller Anderson.

Rutten, Knosalla earn all-conference tennis honors

The Staples-Motley girls tennis team ended their season 15-7, with a section semi final loss to Crookston. The experienced Crookston team went on to state. Lauren Rutten had a season record of 24-6 playing number one singles, finishing third in the section individual tournament.

“As a first year coach, I was very impressed by all the girls and their families' dedication and passion to the sport of tennis,” said Coach Justin Edin. “I'm grateful to all of the past coaches that got this team to where they are and our strong boosters program. A big thank you to my assistant coach Katie Noska, our junior high coach Abby Dunn and our Athletic director Josh Lee. Their help and support through this season was a big reason for our successes.”

Some highlights for the team this year were winning the Highway 10 Invite and a strong finish in the Litchfield Invitational with all four singles players being medalists.

“Most of all, how well this group of girls came together to make the most of the slim numbers on the team, young inexperienced group,” said Coach Katie Noska.

End of the season banquet awards were as follows:

All conference: Lauren Rutten, Allison Knosalla

All conference honorable mention: Elizabeth DiGiovanni, Ronnie Noska, Georgia Kruchten, Kenzie Erickson

MVP: Lauren Rutten

Most Improved: Corinne Olson

Most Come From Behind Wins: Allison Knosalla

Cardinal Character: Elizabeth DiGiovanni

Most Team Spirit: Mia Pesta

True Grit: Ronnie Noska

All Varsity Tournament Players recieved Letter Honors, as well as Allison Knosalla and Kenzie Erickson recieving Captains Pins for a job well done as leaders this season.

“I'm sad to see our senior captain Allison Knosalla leave us, but I'm very excited for her and this team's future,” said Edin. “She had a great season for us and played some great tennis at the individual tournaments. We had a lot of great experiences this year and lessons learned. I look forward to the next year and all the possibilities we have as we continue to grow as players and people.”



Todd County Commissioners

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS October 5, 2021

Call to Order

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 5th day of October, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Becker. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present with Commissioner Erickson absent.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented with the addition of item 4.6 Hire FT Assistant County Attorney 1-Chris Matthews.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motions were introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

To approve the Todd County Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for September 21, 2021 as presented.

To hire Kellen Pulliam, FT Correctional Officer, start date pending.

To hire Emmitt Winkels, PT Correctional Officer, start date pending.

To hire Emily Berscheit, PT Dispatcher, start date pending.

To hire Tammy Fosse, PT Dispatcher, start date pending.

To hire Chris Matthews, FT Assistant Todd County Attorney. Start date to be October 11, 2021.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the September 2021 Auditor Warrants number (ACH) 901745 through 901786 in the amount of \$554,288.95, (Manual) 654 through 660 in the amount of \$105,191.90 and (Regular) 238154 through 238283 in the amount of \$429,496.60 for a total of \$1,088,977.45.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 401499 through 401521 in the amount of \$46,009.43 and (Regular) 55238 through 55269 in the amount of \$121,526.69 for a total of \$167,536.12.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 802040 through 802055 and (Regular) 708230 through 708254 for a total amount of \$48,286.83.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & Human Services SSIS Warrants number (ACH) 600474 through 600477 and (Regular) 516551 through 516565 for a total amount of \$24,385.80.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To confirm placement of the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) special assessments for Rock Tavern & Pepper Stars, LLC as defined by the Saint Paul Port Authority attached letter beginning with Tax Payable Year 2022 as long as proper permits are utilized.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

APPLICATION FOR CONVEYANCE OF TAX-FORFEITED LANDS FOR AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC USE BY THE CITY OF BERTHA

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners has reviewed the

resolution request of the City of Bertha, dated July 10, 2021, for the conveyance of tax-forfeited lands for an authorized public use of the following land located in the City of Bertha, to-wit: *That part of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4 SW1/4) of Section 11 Township 132 Range 35 West of the Fifth PM according to the United States Government Survey thereof, described as follows: Commencing at the west quarter corner of said Section 11; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 38 seconds East, along the west line of said Section 596.92 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described; thence continuing South 00 degrees 15 minutes 38 seconds East, along said west line, 466.18 feet; thence South 88 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East 277.22 feet; thence North 00 degrees 53 minutes 42 seconds East 144.39 feet; thence North 88 degree 58 minutes 24 seconds West 3.24 feet; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 15 seconds East 324.43 feet; thence North 89 degrees 03 minutes 01 seconds West 282.95 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to an existing public roadway easement (CSAH No. 23) (Parcel 29-0003201), and;*

WHEREAS, the City of Bertha plans to acquire the property for the purpose of public service facilities, which is an authorized public use. (M.S. 282.01, Subd. 1a)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners recommends that this resolution of request to acquire tax forfeited lands of the City of Bertha be granted and submitted to the State of Minnesota with the Conditional Use Deed Application packet for consideration of final approval.

The Resolution Requesting Approval from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Sale of Tax Forfeited Lands failed due to lack of motion.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADJACENT OWNER SALE ON A TAX FORFEITED PARCEL IN TODD COUNTY

WHEREAS, Parcel 38-0109903 has forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of property taxes. The purpose of a private sale to the adjacent owner is to achieve the best use of Tax Forfeited parcel by adding it to its adjoining parcel.

WHEARAS, Legal description: Wilson's 1st Addition to Staples West 1 foot of the East 33 Feet of Vacated 11th Street which abuts Lots 1 - 3 of Block 7, was omitted in error during a property split which resulted in the intended owner not gaining title to this parcel description in 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners do hereby approve the adjacent owner sale of parcel 38-0109901 to Jared S Newton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the right is reserved by Todd County, in the interest of the public, to cancel this sale at any time prior to its sale.

Hands of Hope Resource Center

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

TODD COUNTY 2021 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, safe and affordable housing is a human right and should be a top priority for all Minnesotans, yet domestic violence remains the leading cause of homelessness among women and children in Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is not just a family issue, but is a crime. Children oftentimes suffer long term physical and mental health issues, some ending up in

their own violent relationship, and

WHEREAS, in 2021, Hands of Hope Resource Center served 136 male and female primary victims of domestic violence, with 63 of those served, being new clients this year. Above and beyond this number are the children and the secondary victims as well. Everyone is affected by domestic violence behaviors, and

WHEREAS, programs like Hands of Hope Resource Center advocate and support these victims, believe in them and actively support their search for justice, our hope is for the continued support from our communities and our judicial and law enforcement agencies in protecting the victims and holding offenders accountable and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we ask the Todd County Board of Commissioners to proclaim October 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Todd County and join Hands of Hope in a joint effort to make our homes and communities a safer place for all to live.

County Fee Schedule - Public Hearing

A Public Hearing was held to gather input on the proposed 2022 County Fee Schedule.

Big Swan Lake Improvement District

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Big Swan Lake Improvement District Taxes Payable 2022 through 2026 Special Assessment budget plan, being an assessment to 164 property owners in the amount of \$95 per property owner per year, totaling \$15,580 per year.

University of Minnesota Extension - Todd County

An update was provided by Alyssa Scheve on 4-H Youth Development in Todd County.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, 4-H is America's largest youth development organization, having supported almost six million youth across the country thus far, and;

WHEREAS, 4-H has helped numerous youth in Todd County to become confident, independent, resilient and compassionate leaders, and;

WHEREAS, 4-H is delivered by Cooperative Extension - a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation that provides experiences where young people learn by doing in hands-on projects in areas including health, science, agriculture and citizenship, and;

WHEREAS, National 4-H Week showcases the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people, and highlights the remarkable 4-H youth in Todd County who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them , and;

WHEREAS, 4-H's network of 600,000 volunteers and 3,500 professionals provides caring and supportive mentoring to all 4-H'ers, helping them to grow into true leaders, entrepreneurs and visionaries;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim October 3 - 9 2021 as 4-H WEEK throughout Todd County, and encourage all of our citizens to recognize 4-H for the significant impact it has made and continues to make by empowering youth with the skills they need to lead for a lifetime.

County Ditch/Ag Inspector

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge receipt of a Hold Harmless Agreement petition from Aaron Ekola, to clean part of County Ditch 34 and replace a private crossing on

parcel 19-0030000, Moran Twp. Section 29.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT - DITCH MAINTENANCE/ REPLACE PRIVATE CROSSING - COUNTY DITCH 3

WHEREAS, Chad Bosl is requesting to maintain approximately 954 feet of ditch and replace a private crossing on CD3 that is located on his property. A Hold Harmless Agreement has been signed and submitted to the Ditch Authority, and;

WHEREAS, an onsite inspection has been done, and;

WHEREAS, applicant is allowed to maintain the drainage ditch to the original width, depth and grade. An improvement by lowering or widening the ditch bottom is not allowed. Sediment and vegetation can only be removed to the extent of the original ditch bottom elevation. Spoil must be side cast and leveled, staying within 16.5 feet of the ditch. The existing, failing culvert crossing will be replaced with culverts that match the hydraulic capacity of the culverts on 203rd Ave. The culvert(s) will be placed at original ditch bottom elevation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Chad Bosl to maintain approximately 954 feet of ditch, and to replace a private crossing on CD3 that is located on parcel 17-0002500, Little Sauk Twp. Section 3. This project will be done on his own property and at his own expense.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: The Todd County Ditch Authority approves hiring Statema Backhoe Service LLC to excavate and level spoil on approximately 900 feet of County Ditch 19 on parcel 26-0035402. Because of the width of the ditch, excavation will be done from both sides and spoil will be leveled on both sides of the ditch. The estimate for the project is \$3.00 per foot for a total of \$3,100.

Facilities Committee

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for new office space in Corrections and Attorneys area from Arnzen Construction for a total of \$44,349.76.

County Sheriff

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve Connie Spanswick's employment status change from FT to PT, effective October 2, 2021.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Dispatch Console Replacement Project, total cost \$87,521.85.

Solid Waste

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To authorize solid waste director to electronically sign the MPCA SCORE Agreement (FY 2022-2026) via DocuSign.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

Final Plat Approval - "Greystone First Addition"

WHEREAS, Applicant Gregory Johnson, president of property owner Grey-

stone Golf Club dba Sauk Centre Country Club applied to subdivide a property that is described as Part of Government Lot 1 and Part of NE4 of Section 27 in Kandota Township with the plat to be known as 'Greystone First Addition',

WHEREAS, On September 2nd, 2021, the Todd County Planning Commission recommended the following property be considered for Subdivision pursuant to Todd County Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance:

SECT-27 TWP-127 RANG-34 PARTS OF GOV'T LOT 1 & N2 SW4 NE4 LYING N OF GREYSTONE ADD & S OF DESC LINE: COMM AT NW COR OF GREYSTONE ADD, N 39.24 FT TO PT OF BEG, THENCE NE'ERLY 1920.52 FT TO SHORE LINE & TERMINATING 2.84 ACRES

WHEREAS, On September 21, 2021, the Todd County Board of Commissioners considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the Greystone First Addition preliminary plat with two conditions as follows:

1. Creation of an access easement across the neighboring property (PID 14-0054400) to allow access to the proposed development. No new access will be allowed for Highway 71.

2. Property owner must abide by all other applicable standards including but not limited to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Department has completed the necessary final plat review and find that all items required for final plat approval have been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the final plat of "Greystone First Addition" be approved as presented.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kircher, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:

Final Plat Approval - "Dismas Acres"

WHEREAS, Applicant and property owner Darrell Bacon applied to subdivide parts of two parcels that are described as Part of Section 18 in Round Prairie Township with the plat to be known as 'Dismas Acres',

WHEREAS, Dismas Acres consists of 4 lots; Block 1, Lot 1, 2.03± Acres; Block 1, Lot 2, 2.11± Acres; Block 1, Lot 3, 3.29± Acres; and Block 1, Lot 4, 7.12± Acres; located in R2 Zoning & Commercial Zoning in Round Prairie Township,

WHEREAS, On May 6, 2021, the Todd County Planning Commission recommended the following properties be considered for Subdivision pursuant to Todd County Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance:

PID 21-0018900. SECT-18 TWP-128 RANG-33. NW4 SE4 & NE4 EXE 516.5 FT OF N 233 FT OF W 1011.5 FT & EX BEG AT PT 33 FT S OF NE COR OF SEC 18, S 336 FT, NW 231 FT, NW 92 FT, NW 125 FT, E 283 FT TO BEG & EX BEG AT NE COR OF SEC 18, S 33 FT, W 283 FT, SE 125 FT, SE 92 FT, SE 231 FT TO E LINE, S 2282 FT TO SE COR OF NE4, W 1909.75 FT, NE 584 FT, NE 730 FT, NW 1209.94 FT, E 516.5 FT, N 233 FT, E 1640.5 FT TO BEG & EX N 285 FT OF W 300 FT OF E 2457 FT & EX PART PLATTED AS RED PINE ACRES & EX PART PLATTED AS RED PINE ACRES, PLAT TWO

59.35 ACRES
PID 21-0044400. SECT-18 TWP-128 RANG-33. STARRY ESTATES BLOCK 1, LOT 10 & PART OF LOTS 8 & 9 BLK 1 DESC AS: BEG AT SW COR OF LOT 9 BLK 1, E ALONG S LINE OF LOT 9 413.46 FT TO TO SE COR, N ALONG E LINE OF LOTS 8 & 9 BLK 1 200 FT TO NE COR OF LOT 8, SW 215.32 FT, W 268 FT TO W LINE OF LOT 9, S ALONG W LINE 33.40 FT TO BEG.

WHEREAS, On May 18, 2021, the Todd County Board of Commissioners considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the Dismas Acres preliminary plat with five conditions reading as follows;

1. There shall be no modifications or impacts to the

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NOTICE LAKE SHORE AERATION WARNING LAKE SHAMINEAU

An aeration system will be in operation, west shoreline of Lake Shamineau, lots 34568, 34524 and 34512 from ice cover 2021 to ice out 2022.

Purpose: to prevent shoreline damage due to ice expansion. **Please be aware of open water.**

47-48pnp

existing wetland on the east property boundary.

2. The roadway shall be built to ordinance standards and approved by the Todd County Engineer prior to final platting.

3. Final plat must be adjusted so that all roadways be encompassed within the designated road right of way and be centered within the right of way.

4. Developer and future property owners must obtain appropriate permitting when necessary from all governmental agencies including but not limited to Todd County and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

5. Creation of covenants stating who shall be responsible for road maintenance until the time that the Township takes over jurisdiction.

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Department has completed the necessary final plat review and find that all items required for final plat approval have been completed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the final plat of "Dismas Acres" be approved as presented.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 15-0079700 owned by Timothy Forcier and place a \$3,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 19-0024700 owned by August Langseth and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 20-0030703 owned by Georgann M. and David W. Larson and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 21-0040200 owned by Jeffrey J. and Kristine Kuhlmann and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 22-0007001 owned by William J. and Marsha K. Owen and place a \$2,000 assessment on

See **TCC** on page 9a



SERVICES & EMPLOYMENT 205

Help Wanted
Longbella Drug
Hiring Part-Time: M-F, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., 1 Saturday per month, Clerk/Cashier position. Apply at Longbella Drug, clinic location. 47-48c

PT WORK: Odd jobs and shoveling snow. Lincoln Lakes area. 218-575-2018, ask for Linda. 47-48p

TODD COUNTY HHS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: Todd County is looking for reliable, service-oriented individuals to serve the citizens of Todd County in a full-time capacity for the following position: **Resource Conservationist - Riparian.** To learn more about this opening and how to apply visit the official Todd County website at <https://www.co.todd.mn.us> or <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/cotoddmn>. Questions can be directed to Todd County Administration, 320-732-6155. 48c

WADENA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Public Health Nursing Supervisor

POSITION SUMMARY: The Public Health Nursing Supervisor is responsible for assisting the Director with assessment and planning; supervision and leadership of staff in accordance with state and federal guidelines; performing nursing duties; and advising staff on policies and procedures.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Four (4) year nursing degree; three (3) years of nursing experience; Public Health nurse certification; or equivalent combination of education and experience.

SCHEDULE: 1.0 Full Time; Monday through Friday day shift.

SALARY: 2021 Wage Range \$30.31 to \$43.31; starting wage dependent on qualifications.

BENEFITS: Health, vision, dental, disability, and life insurances, PERA retirement with employer contribution match, generous paid vacation and sick leave.

HOW TO APPLY:
An online application and job description are available at: www.co.wadena.mn.us, the Human Resources office in the **Wadena County Courthouse**, 415 Jefferson Street S, Wadena, MN 56482.
This position will be open until filled.
For questions contact Erica Keppers at 218-631-7629 or erica.keppers@co.wadena.mn.us
WADENA COUNTY IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

HELP WANTED:

Staples-Motley School is taking applications for Special Education Paraprofessionals at the MS/HS.

Immediate start. Applicants must have a 2 year degree or ParaPro Certification. Starting pay \$15.64.
Positions open until filled.

Submit applications to:
District Office, 905 4th St. NE, Staples, MN 56479

Need Extra Cash?

During the Fall and Winter Months

We have seasonal work available now!
Various positions available.

STARTING PAY \$15.25

WELDERS START AT \$20.70

OVERTIME AVAILABLE!

Pick up application at
1250 Homecrest Ave Wadena, MN
or visit careers.homecrest.com

HELP WANTED:

Staples-Motley School District is taking applications for Bus Route Drivers and sub drivers.
Clean driving record is required.
Contact 218-894-5400 x 3020 for more information.
EOE

Full-time Employment

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections seeks one **full-time Office and Administrative Specialist** for our **Todd and Wadena Offices**. Travel between both counties will be required. Current work load assignment consists of, but is not limited to, the following: providing word processing, data entry and retrieval, receptionist services, maintaining information tracking systems, and utilizing technology to fulfill assigned tasks. Successful applicant must be highly organized and efficient and demonstrate strong written and verbal communication skills.

Minimum qualifications include a high school diploma, plus skills in the following areas: data entry, database management, business English, customer service, word processing, and typing/keyboard. Preferred qualifications include an associate degree or vocational/technical diploma in relevant field, experience entering data into information tracking systems and experience working in a correctional setting. Must have valid MN driver's license and auto insurance, and reliable transportation. Must pass agency background check requirements prior to employment. Convictions, continuances or stays for crimes other than minor traffic offenses may disqualify the applicant from being hired.

Salary range: \$17.73-\$23.50 per hour.

Contact Kathy Langer, Director, at 320-732-6165, kathy.langer@co.todd.mn.us for an application packet and/or to request a reasonable accommodation. Veteran's preference applies.

Submit cover letter, resumé and completed application to:
Todd-Wadena Community Corrections,
221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Position will remain open until filled.
First round of application reviews scheduled for December 14, 2021.
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WADENA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Assistant County Engineer

POSITION SUMMARY: The Assistant County Engineer is responsible for managing the development and implementation of highway construction projects, including road and bridge projects, and supervising staff and contractors in the design, construction, and maintenance of roads and bridges. Assists in overseeing the day to day operations of the Wadena County Highway Department.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's Degree in engineering or similar field; and three years' relevant experience; or equivalent combination of training/experience.

SCHEDULE: Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SALARY: 2021 Wage Range: \$30.31 to \$41.31 per hour (starting wage dependent on qualifications)

BENEFITS: Health, vision, dental, disability, and life insurances, PERA retirement with employer contribution match, generous paid vacation and sick leave.

HOW TO APPLY:
An online application and job description are available at: www.co.wadena.mn.us, the Human Resources office in the **Wadena County Courthouse**, 415 Jefferson Street S, Wadena, MN 56482.
Posting will close on Friday, December 3, 2021.
WADENA COUNTY IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

WADENA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Highway Administrative Technician

POSITION SUMMARY: The Highway Administrative Technician is responsible for performing a variety of accounting, payroll, bookkeeping, office support, and customer service procedures to maintain accurate records, ledgers, accounts, databases, and related technical support.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: High School degree or equivalent and two years of college/vocational education in accounting, business, office administration, or related field; and two years relevant experience; or equivalent combination of education and experience.

SCHEDULE: Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SALARY: 2021 Wage Range: \$16.20 to \$22.07 per hour (starting wage dependent on qualifications).

BENEFITS: Health, vision, dental, disability, and life insurances, PERA retirement with employer contribution match, generous paid vacation and sick leave.

HOW TO APPLY:
An online application and job description are available at: www.co.wadena.mn.us, the Human Resources office in the **Wadena County Courthouse**, 415 Jefferson Street S, Wadena, MN 56482.
Posting will close on Dec. 3, 2021.
WADENA COUNTY IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

207 For Rent

STORAGE: Boat, RV and personal storage available in Staples. Call 520-465-8115 for competitive rates. 47-49c

208 Storage

FOR RENT

Japke's North 8th Street Mini Storage, 894-1551
6x20, 10x12, 10x20, 10x24

209 Business Services

Your major appliance parts source. Parts for all major brands. One day service, **Staples True Value**, Staples. 218-894-3263. 26tf

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Consider a Gift Subscription to the
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Staples, MN

REAL ESTATE 602

Apartments for Rent

STAPLES: Downtown, 1 - 2 bdrm., recently remodeled, NO pets, non smoking, 218-894-3108. 6tf

EASTWOOD APARTMENTS in Motley.

is accepting applications for immediate 3 bedroom openings. Laundry facilities available on site, Garage included with apartment. All utilities paid.

Applications available at: 956 Hwy. 10 S., Motley, MN

For information and qualifications, contact: **Nicole, 218-751-4265**
An Equal Housing Opportunity.

FRONTIER TOWNHOMES

FOR RENTAL INFO CALL **218-296-5031**
Under new ownership

We are accepting applications for 2 and 3 bedroom townhomes in Staples, a community you can get attached to. Rent based on income. Now professionally managed by

BRUTGER EQUITIES, INC.
Income guidelines apply.

Central Todd County Care Center Dietary Positions

COOK: Clarissa Care Center is now Hiring for a cook position. No experience necessary-Will train on sight. Various shifts now available. Starting wage \$17.00/hr.

KITCHEN STAFF: Clarissa Care Center is now hiring kitchen staff. Duties will include dishwashing, bussing tables, food delivery and cleaning. All kitchen positions carry the same great benefits and incentives. Starting wage \$15.00/hr. Shift differential, pick-up incentives, overtime and holiday pay additional.

Central Todd County Care Center offers a full benefit package including:

Affordable Medical Insurance plan with a \$3,000 contribution to your Health Savings Account, 401k retirement with matching up to 4%, Day care assistance, Clothing allowance, Dental/ Vision/Hospital/Life Insurance.

On the job training available:
Contact Patti Twardowski, 218-756-3636 ext. 17;
or ptwardowski@ctcccinc.com
or pick up an application in the Business Office, during business hours: Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Central Todd County Care Center is located in Clarissa, MN

Thanksgiving

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the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the violation on parcel 25-0007500 owned by Harold G. Harcom and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 25-0046200 owned by Marianne Gerving and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to

rescind this official action.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge the violation on parcel 08-0036300 owned by Linda Jean Hansen and place a \$2,000 assessment on the property for the 2022 tax year and further allowing the opportunity for the property owner to resolve the violation by December 28, 2021 at which time the County Board may choose to rescind this official action.

Health & Human Services

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for Todd County Health & Human Services to recruit and hire for the Relative Search Position in the Family Services Unit.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the request for Todd County Health & Human Services to recruit and hire an Eligibility Worker.

Administration

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was

introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the server purchase from Dell, Inc in the amount of \$10,404.81 utilizing the funding sources listed below.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve a letter of support for R5DC concept proposal for EDA FY2021 ARPA/BBBRC program.

Closed Session

Chair Becker closed the session at 10:15 a.m. pursuant to MN Statute §13D.03 to consider strategies for labor negotiations.

Chair Becker reopened the session at 10:41 a.m.

County Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The County Auditor-Treasurer reported that the first tranche of \$2,395,346.50 of ARPA/SLFRF funds have arrived to Todd County.

County Coordinator's Report

The County Coordinator reported that there is continued communication with Todd County's municipalities regarding access to ARP/SLFRF funds.

County Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners

attended the Annual Township Meeting on September 22, 2021 at the Clarissa Ballroom.

Recess

Chairperson Becker recessed the meeting until October 19, 2021.

AUDITOR WARRANTS

Vendor Name.....	\$ Amount
LONG PRAIRIE SANI INC.	\$4,833.49
SANOFF PASTEUR INC.	3,966.38
VERIZON	4,941.52
WATERGUARDS, LLC	19,631.05
24 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	10,546.08
CENTRA CARE.....	10,983.33
COUNTIES PROVIDING TECHNOLOGY.....	5,323.00
COUNTRYSIDE REST.....	4,879.30
FLEET SERVICES/ WEX BANK.....	8,609.72
GREAT RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY.....	82,710.25
LINDMEIER/GERALD AND BERNADINE.....	3,822.50
LONG PRAIRIE OIL CO.....	2,778.01
MN POWER & LIGHT.....	18,163.62
MN DEPT OF FINANCE.....	10,062.50
MORRISON COUNTY.....	38,968.99
PETERS LAW OFFICE, P.A.....	5,320.00
PICTOMETRY INT'L CORP	29,534.34
PRAIRIE LAKES MUNI. SOLID WASTE AUTH.....	82,386.00
SATELLITE TRACKING OF PEOPLE (STOP).....	2,250.00
SHIRLEY'S GAS & GROCERIES INC.....	3,866.98
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST.....	7,285.66
TOMSICHE/DAVID.....	3,795.53
TOWN OF BIRCHDALE.....	79,434.89
VOYANT COMMS., LLC.....	3,716.50
WOLBECK/RALEPH and DELORES.....	5,142.50
45 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	14,267.59
CARD SERVICES COBORNS.....	3,024.93
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS CREDIT CO LLC.....	57,473.63

PHEASANTS FOREVER.....	5,102.60
PHILIP'S REPAIRABLES & COLLISION CENTER.....	5,529.66
STEP.....	11,256.00
WONDERLICH/SCOTT A.....	3,070.00
36 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	10,487.90
CENTERPOINT ENERGY... ..	18,282.05
EBSO INC.....	224,148.31
GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICES INC.....	2,000.00
HEALTH PARTNERS DENTAL.....	5,515.81
IVES FAMILY LLC.....	58,319.41
METRO SALES INC.....	3,368.00
MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES CORP.....	12,468.51
NORTHLAND TRUCK SALES, INC.....	40,400.00
STREAMWORKS.....	5,700.00
SURVEY SYSTEMS.....	27,352.80
TODD CO AUD-TREAS.....	3,638.22
TODD CO MIS DEPT.....	2,854.00
28 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	13,573.99
MINNESOTA DEPT OF REVENUE.....	4,005.00
MINNESOTA DEPART OF REVENUE.....	91,101.45
US BANK.....	7,094.12
4 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	2,991.33
Total.....	1,088,977.45

Vendor Name.....	\$ Amount
ACENTRAL APPLICATORS INC.....	4,798.72
FRESHWATER ED. DIST.....	2,652.91
H & L MESABI.....	2,258.31
LITTLE FALLS MACHINE INC.....	2,390.43
LONG PRAIRIE LUMBER, LLC.....	4,264.68
M-R SIGN COMPANY INC....	11,020.30
MENCH/JAMES.....	8,705.00
ROLLIES SALES & SERVICE INC.....	6,282.99
STREICHER'S.....	13,225.98
TODD SOIL & WATER CONS DIST.....	76,358.00
TRUENORTH STEEL.....	22,322.74
44 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN 2000.....	13,256.06

Total 167,536.12

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WARRANTS

Vendor Name.....	\$ Amount
DHS - SWIFT.....	40,591.69
PERISH/ALAN.....	3,086.08
39 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	4,609.06
Total.....	\$48,286.83

Vendor Name..... \$ Amount

ANU FAMILY SERVICES INC.....	3,300.00
COMPASS CHILD CARE LLC.....	2,550.00
DHS - MSOP - MN SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM.....	6,091.50
DHS - ST PETER RTC - 472.....	2,786.90
MERIDIAN SERVICES INC.....	2,045.10
PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	7,612.30
Total.....	24,385.80

On a motion by Neumann and seconded by Erickson, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held October 5, 2021 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on October 19, 2021.

Witness my hand and seal:

Barbara Becker,
Todd County Board
Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd County
Auditor-Treasurer

Klimek is on national champion team again

The Isthmus Bowl was the first college postseason bowl game to be played in Wisconsin.

Iowa Central also won the NJCAA half marathon on Nov. 16, with Klimek finishing in 25th place overall with a time of 1:11:51.

Archers have good success at Camp Ripley

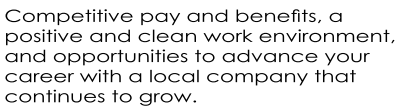
"We have a strong partnership with Central Lakes College and Camp Ripley, and they did a fantastic job managing traffic and checking deer," said Beau Liddell, DNR wildlife manager at Little Falls Liddell. "The event is also a valuable experience for students pursuing careers in wildlife management."

The archery hunt at Camp Ripley is an annual event. The DNR coordinates the hunt in collaboration with Central Lakes College Natural Resources Program and the Department of Military Affairs, which manages the 53,000-acre military reservation.

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** Prices are per person based on double occupancy plus \$199 in taxes & fees. Single supplement and seasonal surcharges may apply. Add-on airfare available. Offers apply to new bookings only, made by 12/31/21. Other terms & conditions may apply. Ask your Travel Consultant for details.*



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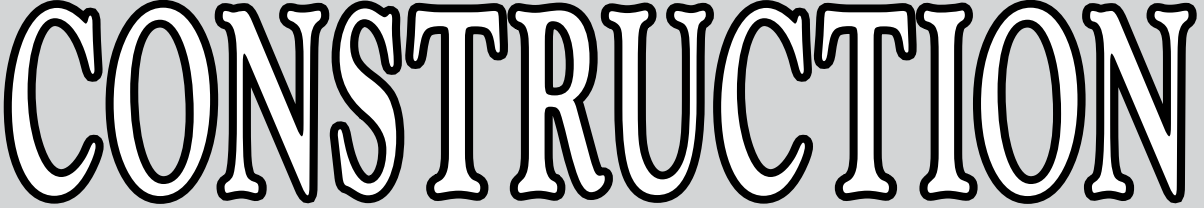
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2021 Salute to Staples-Motley Fall Sports Teams



Cardinal Football Team

Front, left to right: Bailey Weiland, Ben Tyrell, Dylan Lawrence, Gavin Chenoweth, Peyton Mithun, Benet Robinson, Isaiah Caldwell, Dustin Converse, Jack Carlson, Aiden Winter, Cami Anderson
 Row 2: Andrew Salcido, Alex Helstrom, Jacob Becker, Alex Schultz, Josiah Critten, Eli Blue, Sawyer Ferdon, Steven Petrich, Griffin Judd, Drake Dukowitz
 Row 3: Kermitt Klefsaas, Ramiro Gallardo, Blake Neelan, Griffin Bettis, Kevin Miller, Eli Carlson, Keller Anderson, Ben Long, Cole Tetlie, Deven Kadus, Eli Claussen, Ladaynian Bartle, Pat Cox
 Row 4: Isaac Novak, Hayden Rychner, Taylor Serich, Isaac Molton, Hunter Miller, Caleb Jasmer, Isaiah Schutz, Justin Mollner, Caden Mrazek, Owen Winter, Chris Kappler
 Back: Connor Judd, Corey Hansen, Chandler Braith, Sam Opheim, Dom Gomez, Colton Converse, Sivert Klefsaas, Drew Berg, Dayton Anderson, Joe Tyrell, Nick Schultz



Cardinal Boy's Cross Country Team

Front, left to right: Gage Bjerga, Justin Olson, Gabriel Kroll, Eli Greenwaldt, Garrett Bjerga
 Row 2: Issiah Tabatt, Reid Judd, Evan Allen, Will Dolezal, Dillan Robben, Ivan Lozano
 Back: Coach Bruce Fuhrman, Odin Trif, Grant Johnson, Logan Robben, Lyle Brownell, Luke Brownell, Coach Steve Jennissen, Coach Tony Spandl



Cardinal Girl's Cross Country Team

Front, left to right: Aleea Holst, Leah Greenwaldt, Madelyn Kist, Suhaila Mikhaeil, Bella Hines
 Row 2: Naila Mikhaeil, Alli Olander, Brooke Bendson, Adelaide Toepper, Sophie Schlosser, Arabella Moore
 Back: Coach Bruce Fuhrman, Aften Robinson, Audrey Brownell, CJ Koval, Kyanna Burton, Addisyn Cichos, Addison Lorber, Ashley Robben, Coach Steve Jennissen and Coach Tony Spandl



Cardinal Volleyball Team

Front: Jayce Kobliska, Steffany Sullivan, Madyson Hull, Abby Dukowitz
 Row 2: Ellie Moulton, Leah Bestland, Maggie Claussen, Gabby Case, Morgan Becker
 Back: Bo Erholtz, Klaire Storry, Grace Jennissen, Emilya Case
 Not Pictured: Livi Lorber, Miranda Schotzko, Kyra Stangle, Jade Storry



Cardinal Girl's Tennis Team

Front, left to right: Coach Katie Noska, Maddison Perius, Georgia Kruchten, Allison Knosalla, Elizabeth DiGiovanni, Mia Pesta, Coach Justin Edin
 Back: Corrine Olson, Amy Rollins, Kenzie Erickson, Heidi Zimmerman, Lauren Rutten, Livia Triff, Ronnie Noska

These area businesses offer their support and congratulations to the athletic achievements exemplified by the fall sports teams:

- Staples and Motley Dairy Queen
- Albie Electric
- Giza Plumbing & Heating
- State Farm, Daniel Douts, Agent
- Japke Decorating, Carpet & Gift
- Unity Bank
- Ernie's Food Market

- Central Building Supply
- Lefty's Inc.
- Orth Insurance Agency
- Sourcewell
- Mayer, Porter & Nelson, Ltd., CPA's
- First International Bank & Trust
- Longbella Drug

- Lake Country Insurance Inc., Motley
- Stern Rubber
- Prudential, Bob Mueller
- Lakewood Health System
- Mid-Central National Bank
- American Family Insurance, Trisha Larson
- Staples World

If your business would like to be included on the signature page series, call 218-894-1112.



Kris Taylor, Laken Hines and Estella Bock

Thanksgiving food ratings

By Owen Carlson

Now that Halloween is over Thanksgiving is fast approaching. So, I am going to be rating the items that my family has at Thanksgiving.

- Number 1: Mashed potatoes. Mashed potatoes are my all time favorite food at Thanksgiving, they are so good. So I'm going to rate them 10/10.
- Number 2: Hawaiian rolls. Hawaiian rolls are so amazing even if you eat them plain. They are so soft and fluffy. So I'll have to rate them 10/10.
- Number 3: Turkey. In my opinion turkey is so overrated.

It is good when you mix it with mashed potatoes or it's cooked just right. So I'll give it a 7/10.

- Number 4: Stuffing. I haven't had that much stuffing in my career as a food enthusiast. But the stuffing that I've had hasn't lived up to the hype. I might need to try more but as of right now I'll give it a 5/10.
- Number 5: Pumpkin pie. I love to end my meal off on thanksgiving with some classic pumpkin pie. I like pumpkin pie but it has to be a certain time of day. Pumpkin pie is amazing after about 7 p.m., but any time before that and it's not good. So I'll rate it 8/10.

And that's my rating of Thanksgiving foods.

Is high school rodeo a real high school sport?

By Kora Wells

Many people don't know what high school rodeo is or know if it's really a high school sport.

High school rodeo is all about promoting the sport of rodeo, sportsmanship, horsemanship, leadership and offering the opportunity of continuing education. Some people may ask if their kid can earn scholarships through high school rodeo like most other high school sports and the answer is yes. Every year the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA) awards hundreds of thousands of dollars in college scholarships on the state/provincial and national levels.

Also, you may wonder what requirements NHSRA has. Athletes have to be

enrolled in the ninth through 12th grade the year just preceding the National Rodeo. They have to be passing grades in four subjects or, if carrying less than four subjects students must have passing grades in all subjects. Each State/Province Association may adopt their state/province academic policy for grade or credit requirements. Any student attending schools which apply to high school credits is eligible if he/she meets all other requirements.

People also ask what if my school doesn't have a rodeo club can I still join NHSRA? The answer is yes. Participating in a rodeo club through your school is not mandatory and is not a requirement for joining the NHSRA. Another question would be what if my child is homeschooled can they still



-Submitted photo

join NHSRA? The answer is also yes. They can home school and are eligible for a membership if approved by the state/province board of education in the state/province the member is applying for membership.

So I think that should answer that high school rodeo is a real high school sport.

"Now is the time to try something new" <https://www.mnhsrodeo.com/>

Cross Country team success

By Kendra Shoup

The Staples-Motley Cross Country has had a very successful year. The boys team finished their season placing fifth at state and the girls took home the state championship. They placed first as a team but each individual did amazing.

I had the amazing opportunity to talk to Aften Robinson, Ashley Robben, Lyle Brownell and William Dolezal about their season. Their season was an emotional roller coaster with big wins and some tough losses.

They gave me an idea of what their season was like. Some of the things that kept them going we're the amazing team dinners, hotel bonding and sleepovers. For all four of them, the cross country team is like their second family.

Each athlete has an amazing heart and is kind.

Coaches Tony Spandl, Steve Jennissen and Bruce Furhman gave them so much joy, were a big encouragement and offered tons of chances for the teams to improve this season. Everyone is so proud of their accomplishments as a team and individuals. All four are thankful for the support from friends, families, and the community.

All the injuries and illnesses had a hard impact on the team. Some people ended up getting sick or even getting hurt. As a team, they learned how to push themselves more and more every day. Throughout the thick and thin are Staples-Motley Cross Country has shown us how hard they work.

Congratulations on a wonderful season.

Why dogs help humanity

By Lilly Tyrrell

A dog is like a built-in best friend. They are the thing that comes running to you when you get home. They are always happy to see us even though we might not always be happy. They are always in a good mood. Sometimes I think dogs are too good for this world even though some of them may not be the nicest.

You have no idea what they have been through. I do believe that dogs listen to you when you talk to them and I think they understand what we are saying. They just can't talk back. It's kind of sad but I know they are listening by the way they look at you. I think we should always treat dogs well because what they do to us, all they want is our love and attention. They will be there no matter what.

My dog isn't the clingiest dog. She sometimes will want



Photo submitted by Lilly Tyrrell of her 2-1/2 year old dog, Zoey

great animal to have as a pet. They will be there for you no matter what and they care about you more than you know.

to be by me but she is more independent. When I am gone for a while or when I come home from school she is excited to see me and it always puts a smile on my face.

So next time you see a dog make sure to give it a little pat on the head and be nice to it. Dogs are the sweetest animals in my opinion so let's treat dogs with respect.

I think it's really cool how dogs also help people like service dogs. They save people's lives and make them easier. Some people need their dog because they become so connected to it and they also need it for a safety thing.

Some people find comfort in their dogs and I think that it is good that people love their dogs that much. Dogs are a great animal to have as a pet. They will be there for you no matter what and they care about you more than you know.

Voice of Democracy contest

By Annie Schlosser and Pamela Lawrence

Every year high school teacher, Mr. Johnson has students write a three to five minute essay for the Voice of Democracy program sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

This year the theme was, "America, Where Do We Go From Here?"

Each school district gives prizes for the top three finishers. At the middle/high school Veteran's Day program on November 11, 2021, the three winners were announced.

This year Kris Taylor took third place with a prize of \$100. He shared this quote from his speech, "Is America too forgone after basically losing it's common values? We know the hands of time can't be turned

back, but we can all help set a positive future for America."

Estella Bock took second place with a prize of \$125. When asked to share one of the more powerful sentences from her speech, she wrote, "Where do I want America to go from here? I want America to stop wasting money of foreign aid and to work on the issues we have in our own country, not trying to help others."

Laken Hines took first place with a prize of \$150. Laken Hines read his essay during the Veteran's Day program titled, "A True American". He shared this quote from his speech, "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. If you believe in these three things, then you are a true American." Laken will move on in the contest.

Congratulations to the three winners.

Effects school has on students

By Pamela Lawrence

We all know the positive effects that come with school. It prepares us for our future, college, work and some of the difficult things we will face when we are older. So, yes, school is a good thing that prepares us for many things to come, but those are the things that everyone always talks about. What we need to talk about more often is the not so positive effects school has on people.

Every student has been overly stressed with school and it can become a lot to deal with like constantly being reminded of our grades that are slipping or the many missing assignments you may have. Some people also might have problems going on at home. So constantly sending homework home and then getting mad when they don't have it done isn't fair to some of those students. Many teachers have said "I have a life outside of school" when asked about an ungraded assignment. Well don't students have a life outside of school, don't our feelings matter too?

Every one in five students deal with mental

health issues caused by the stress of school, in each class there are usually 20 to 25 students. Which means that at least four to five of those students could be dealing with mental health issues caused by school. Being told that you should already know something or a teacher showing or telling you how disappointed they are in you is a horrible feeling that can cause mental health issues or make them worse.

I do realize that some students just choose not to do work and to mess around, but you never know what someone else is going through. So taking a gentle and nice approach to a kid struggling with school could be a better way than to just get mad and upset with the student. I also realize that some teachers don't realize what they are saying could be upsetting to a student so just be careful and mindful about what you are saying.

Statistics taken from <https://www.npr.org/sections/ed/2016/08/31/464727159/mental-health-in-schools-a-hidden-crisis> affecting millions of students

Sugar coating at school

By Annie Schlosser

Sugar coating at school isn't always a good thing.

It's important for students to learn what it's like in the real world. Things like politics, racism, sexism and mental health. We should get to learn about this because it will prepare us for our future. This would also prevent us from relying on social media or other unreliable sources to get our information from.

It's important for us to learn about politics, both the good and the bad, because it will help us make better decisions when we are old enough to vote. By learning about both sides it will help us get into the habit of learning about all aspects.

It's important for us to learn more about racism because it's still something that happens today. School focuses so much on past racism like with the slaves and Martin Luther King, Jr. that we forget that it's still happening today.

I t's important for us to learn about s e x i s m because it's all around us

in the real world. For example, how different genders get treated, paid, view as less than and continue to have to fight for their equality. We should also get to learn about major people who fought for gender equality. Sexism seems to be the least talked about subject in school when it should be talked about more.

It's important for us to learn more about mental health and not to just jump to conclusions about something that you're not diagnosed with or self-diagnosing. Some people think that just one bad day makes you depressed or being worried about a test means you have anxiety. You can't sit still so you must have ADHD or you're a neat freak you must have OCD. There is much more to it all than what meets the eye.

In conclusion, learning about real world problems would better prepare us for our future and handle what we are going through today.

This list some of the real world problems that we should be talking about more in school.



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