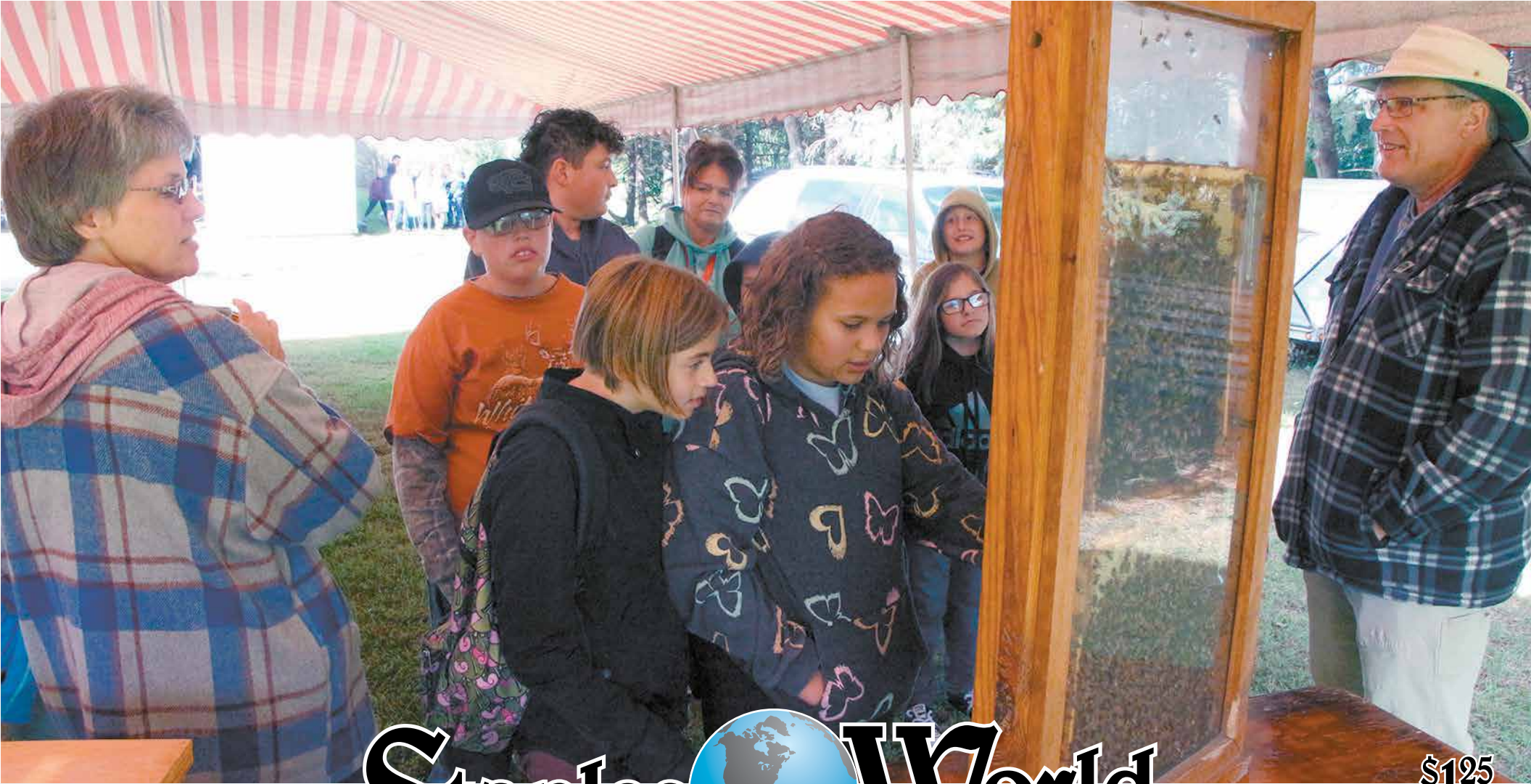




Weather

This Week's Forecast

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 28	62	45	M. Sunny
Sept. 29	67	48	Sunny
Sept. 30			P. Cloudy
Oct. 1	68	48	M. Cloudy
Oct. 2	69	51	P. Cloudy
Oct. 3	67	47	M. Cloudy
Oct. 4	64	45	M. Sunny

Last Year, 2021

	High	Low	Cond.
Sept. 28	81°	54	Sunny
Sept. 29	80	60	Sunny
Sept. 30	77	61	Sunny
Oct. 1	68	66	Rain
Oct. 2	65	62	Cloudy
Oct. 3	73	50	Sunny
Oct. 4	78	50	Sunny

Average Temps:
H = 67° Low = 48°
Enjoy the
Fall weather

Compiled by
Dale Hausmann,
WCCO's Staples area
Weatherwatcher

School construction costs higher than original projections

By Mark Anderson
Managing Editor

The Staples-Motley School Board accepted some bids but rejected others that were higher than expected and would have put the next building project over budget by about \$800,000. The bids were for the elementary gym addition, high school addition and high school refurbishing.

The board was presented the bids by building consultants from ICS, the company handling the project. ICS recommended rebidding portions of the project. For example, a recent concrete shortage means that costs are exceptionally high. They recommended to wait until May, when the numbers should be down as demand goes down.

ICS will also make changes in some of the bidding packages to get the cost down. For example, they will change some of the designs for the mechanical updates and look at options for electrical work.

Board Chair Bryan Winkels asked if changing the project will compromise the quality of the project, and the ICS representative said that is a consideration in all the conversations about the project.

At the recommendation of ICS, the board rejected all bids for Scope 2, concrete, Scope 3, general construction, Scope 7, mechanical and Scope 8, electrical.

The board approved the following construction bids:

Scope 1 - Earthwork, to Ideal Construction of Staples for \$525,549.

Scope 4 - Precast concrete, to Wells Concrete of Maple Grove for \$622,000.

Scope 5 - Roofing, to McDowall Company of Waite Park for \$182,700.

Scope 6 - Fire suppression, to Summit Fire Protection of Waite Park for \$28,600.

ICS said they are seeing similar issues with construction projects in other school districts.

Superintendent Shane Tappe said the high bids could end up saving money for the school.

"Some of these scopes will allow the school to capture dollars to receive quotes," said Tappe. "We might be able to get local contractors to do the work without bids, we can do that under statutes. We want to be good stewards of our dollar and find the best price for the work scopes."

ICS said rebidding should not affect the proposed construction schedule.

The board approved drawings for the high school construction project, which will expand the south gym, add a wrestling room and walking track. The walking track is made possible with a donation from Lakewood Health System.

ICS said the project is around \$16 million, but with higher construction prices, that is around \$1.1 million more than the budget. They have already

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Enviro-bees

Staples-Motley sixth graders look in wonder at bees during EnviroFest on Sept. 22.

Drug arrest for fentanyl

John Gordon, 32, of Waubun, was arrested for possession of fentanyl, a synthetic opioid drug.

Wadena County Sheriff Michael D. Carr reports that on Tuesday, Sept. 20, a Wadena County Sheriff's Deputy was observing traffic near the City of Verndale. The deputy observed a vehicle speeding and conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle.

During the course of the traffic stop, the deputy observed indicators of criminal activity, and K9 Nitro was brought to conduct a sniff on the exterior of the vehicle. Nitro alerted to the presence of narcotics and a search of the vehicle

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Russ Anderson
Joyce Brever
Andrew Granby
Robert Lohman
Kerry West

Thank you for subscribing!

Staples-Motley School Board candidates

There are six candidates for three Staples-Motley School Board seats in this year's election.

The Staples World asked each candidate the following five questions, and below are their responses.

Bruce Drone

Shelly DeCamp

Ryan Wright

Kyle Reese

Erich Heppner

Chandler Trout

1. Profile

I have lived in the Staples Motley School District most of my life. I have lived in the city of Staples for 48 years. I am presently retired after 32 years as a custodian, boiler operator and maintenance worker for the Staples Motley School District.

I have a high school diploma and a two year Staples Technical School diploma. I am a past member of the Staples Historical Society, I served as the society president for a few years.

I am a past member of the Staples City Council. I am presently a volunteer member of the Staples Planning and Zoning Board. I am also a volunteer member of the Staples City Board of Adjustments. I am a volunteer member of the Montrose Cemetery Board.

2. Experience

I was an employee of the Staples Motley School District for 32 years. During that time I learned that the

1. Profile

I live in Staples, I am a homemaker. My partner Randy and I have eight children between the two of us, one in the school district in his first year in high school. We also have eight grandchildren.

I am active with Staples-Motley Music Boosters and Staples-Motley Women of Today.

2. Experience

This is our second year having a student in the school district. The school is very welcoming, I found that there are not enough activities for some of the students, for example there is no boys tennis team.

I learned that a lot of the extracurricular activities are funded so that kids don't have to pay for them, which is great. It gets a lot of kids involved in music and sports, but we also have a need for more activities.

3. How can you help the school district?

I would love to have cursive writing

1. Profile

Born and raised in Staples and a 2008 graduate of SMHS, I have spent the majority of my life in our district. Minus five or so years in the Fargo/Moorhead area for college, and even then, Staples has always been my home. My wife, Liz, and I have been married for 9 years and have three kids ages two, four, and six. We enjoy the outdoors, reading, pressing cider in the fall, gardening, watching our favorite movies, and spending time with family and friends. With a degree in Natural Resources Law Enforcement and a Bachelors in University Studies, I have been employed at Central Lakes College in the Admissions department for four and a half years. I have been involved in the community in a number of ways, including various community initiatives with the Staples Economic Development Authority, City of Staples Planning & Zoning Commission,

1. Profile

I live in Motley, near the border of Staples and Motley. I work at API in Nisswa, as a mechanic. I am married to Kristina and we have four children - Riley in 9th grade, Taylee in 6th grade, Kolton in 2nd grade and Kayson. We are members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples and I am a member of the Knights of Columbus.

2. Experience

I was born and raised in Staples. I attended Sacred Heart School, Motley-Staples Middle School and graduated from Staples-Motley High School in 2004. My wife also attended Staples-Motley Schools. My children currently attend Sacred Heart School and Staples-Motley High School. To be honest I am not sure what I have learned about the school district - positive or negative, but what I do know is that what is happening and being taught/allowed in other dis-

1. Profile

I live in Thomas-town Township with my wife Katie and our son Henry. I have served as the Director of Student Life at both the Brainerd and Staples campuses of Central Lakes College since 2008. I believe that my time working with students has prepared me to enter into public service because I have been on the front lines seeing how local graduates are prepared for college and for entering the workforce. Career and technical education, as well as college readiness, are deep passions of mine, and I'd like to do my part to help future Cardinals be the best in both the classroom and on the job.

I serve on a number of local boards and committees, including LEAP, Staples Tourism Board, Staples Historical Society, Wadena County Planning & Zoning, Thomastown Township Board, Region 5 Development Board, Innovative Schools

1. Profile

My name is Chandler Trout. I live just north of Motley on Warner Road with my wife Megan, our foster son Andrew, and a host of farmyard pets. Not only did I grow up in this area, but so did both of my parents and their families (it's likely you have a Trout or a Swecker near you!). I have a bachelor's degree in mathematics and computer systems from the University of Mary (Bismarck, ND), which I put to use as a data analyst for Lakewood Health System.

2. Experience

The entirety of my K-12 education was provided by the Staples-Motley School District, where I got to learn from some of our district's great teachers at that time, including learning mathematics from Mr. Reck, being directed in the band by Mr. Iversen, learning science from Mr. Danculovich, and taking agriculture classes from Mr. Lindgren just to name a few

most as a board member?

4. Are you in favor of asking voters for a new building referendum? Why or why not?

5. Why do you want to be on the Staples-Motley School Board?

1. Personal profile

2. What is your personal experience with the Staples-Motley School District? What have you learned about the district? (100 word limit)

3. What aspect of the school can you help the

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Tractor pull held at England Prairie

England Prairie’s tractor pull results as part of their 43rd annual England Prairie Pioneer Days, rural Verndale. (Staples World photo by Janice Winter)

England Prairie Antique Tractor Pull results, Aug. 27 competition

England Prairie held an Antique Tractor Pull August 27, 2022 during their 43rd Annual Pioneer Days. The pull featured Oliver/Hart Parr, Cockshutt/Co-op and more. Classes were 3,500 to 10,500 pounds.

England Prairie Antique Tractor Pull Results, Aug. 27:
Youngest Puller: Jessie Olson 14, Elbow Lake
Oldest Puller: Gordy Lefebure, Zimmerman
Farthest Away Puller: Donald Congers, Brook Park

- ANTIQUE CLASSES**
- 3,500 lb. Class:**
1. Dan Wittmer, Parkers Prairie, 1948 Cockshutt 30, 170.11 ft
 2. Justin Novak, Ramsey, 1939 John Deere B, 128.33 ft
 3. Roger Wittmer, Osakis, 1940 IHC, 120.03 ft
- 4,000 lb. Class:**
1. Tyler Novak, Ramsey, 1939 John Deere B, 191.95 ft
 2. Derek Schmidt, Mil-
tona, 1958 Oliver 77, 179.43 ft
 3. Ella Sarff, Eagle Bend, 1957 Oliver 77, 163.71 ft
- 4,500 lb. Class:**
1. Chuck Novak, Ramsey, 1941 John Deere A, 266.57 ft
 2. Gina Statema, Brower-
ville, Oliver Super 87, 243.59 ft
 3. Devon Egeness, Eagle Bend, 1952 Oliver 77, 241.62 ft
- 5,000 lb. Class:**
1. Jordan Ahrendt, Eagle Bend, 1955 Oliver Super 88, 304.35 ft
 2. Devon Egeness, Eagle

- Bend, 1952 Oliver 77, 273.06 ft
 3. Gordy Lefebure, Zimmerman, 1941 John Deere A, 261.01 ft
- 5,500 lb. Class:**
1. Dustin Novak, Foley, 1945 John Deere G, 260.40 ft
 2. Jeremy Olson, Erdahl, 1945 Farmall M, 245.70 ft
 3. Karl Hausmann, Alex-
andria, 1948 Farmall M, 286.38 ft
- 6,000 lb. Class:**
- 1: Dalton Drayna, Mil-
tona, 1960 Farmall 500, 259.85 ft
 2. Larry Drayna, Clarissa, 1960 Farmall 560 254.62 ft
 3. Jeremy Olson, Erdahl, 1944 Farmall M, 241.89 ft
- 6,500 lb. Class:**
1. Dalton Drayna, Mil-
tona, 1960 Farmall 560, 236.45 ft
 2. Larry Drayna, Clarissa, 1960 Farmall 560, 230.60 ft
 3. Karl Hausmann, Alex-
andria, 1957 Farmall 450, 225.22 ft
- 7,500 lb. Class:**
1. Dalton Drayna, Mil-
tona, 1960 Farmall 560, 248.70 ft
 2. Larry Drayna, Clarissa, 1960 Farmall 560, 237.20 ft
 3. Ella Sarff, Eagle Bend, 1962 Oliver 1850, 231.48 ft
- 8,500 lb. Class:**
1. Dalton Drayna, Mil-
tona, 1960 Farmall 560, 252.78 ft
 2. Jon Hausmann, Alex-
andria, 1957 Farmall 460, 252.44 ft
 3. Brock Farber, Osakis, 1959 Famall 560, 242.10 ft
- 9,500 lb. Class:**

1. Dalton Drayna, Mil-
tona, 1960 Farmall 560, 347.83 ft
 2. Seth Hess, Eagle Bend, John Deere 3020, 295.65 ft
 3. Brock Farber, Osakis, 1959 Farmall 560, 280.57 ft
- 10,500 lb. Class**
1. David Sarff, Eagle Bend, 1962 Oliver 1900, 258.22 ft
 2. Jason Runga, Eagle Bend, 1972 IH 966, 251.01 ft
 3. Wade Moenkedick, Verndale, 1969 IH 1256, 249.44 ft
- IMPROVED ANTIQUE CLASSES:**
- 4,500 lb. Class:**
1. Wayne Kimber, Hewitt, 1959 IH 460, 276.19 ft
 2. Mark Sonnenberg, Frazee, 1958 IH 460, 250.74 ft
- 5,000 LB Class:**
1. Wayne Kimber, Hewitt, 1959 IH 460, 253.46 ft
 2. Devon Egeness, Eagle Bend, 1957 Oliver 88, 249.65 ft
- 5,500 lb. Class:**
1. Daniel Kimber, Hewitt, 1959 IH 560, 312.22 ft
 2. Devon Egeness, Eagle Bend, 1957 Oliver 88, 284.21 ft
- 6,000 lb. Class:**
1. Mark Sonnenberg, Frazee, 1949 MM U, 290.01 ft
 2. Ed Sievert, Sauk Centre, John Deere G, 265.16 ft
- OPEN ANTIQUE CLASSES**
- 11,500 LB Class:**
1. Seth Hess, Eagle Bend, 1962 Oliver 1900, 242.44 ft
 2. Jason Runga, Eagle Bend, 1972 IH 966, 216.92 ft.

Community Christmas Reunion Concert planned ‘For all the Saints’

Calling all alumni of Staples-Motley High School Choirs! Do you have memories of past Christmas concerts? Of joining the candlelight procession of fellow Cardinal voices in singing “For All the Saints” while walking down the steps of the old gymnasium? Or of belting out the “Hallelujah Chorus” at the close of the program? Perhaps hearing the haunting melody of, “O Come O Come Emmanuel” brings you back to a ‘Cardinal Christmas Concert’ from years ago. Thanks to the efforts of the Staples Area Men’s Chorus (SAMC) and Staples Area Women’s Chorus (SAWC), past and present Staples-Motley choir members will have the opportunity to participate in a Community Christmas Reunion Concert Saturday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m.

The event will be held in the Staples-Motley High School gymnasium just as it was years ago, under the direction of Stan Carlson, who first introduced many of these Christmas concert traditions to the school’s music department. These traditions were continued for many years by director Steve Hoemberg (an alumnus of SMHS and student of Carlson’s), as well as subsequent directors. ‘Wouldn’t it be great to be able to sing these songs again at Staples-Motley?’ was the thought of 2012 SMHS alum Matt Spar, currently of St. Louis Park. ‘Could there be a way to re-create those rich, Christmas choral traditions?’ Matt spoke with his dad, Bill Spar, a member of the Staples Area Men’s Chorus, about his idea to have a ‘re-do’ of those earlier Christmas concerts - complete with

a candlelight procession and rousing grand finale of the Handel classic. Bill, in turn, brought his son’s idea to the men’s chorus and it was received favorably. “That’s how the idea came about,” Bill said of the reunion Christmas concert, which does not have an official name at the moment. Stay tuned for that. Directors for the reunion concert include Steve Hoemberg, men’s chorus director; and Rob Freelove, women’s chorus director. There may be other alumni music directors participating as well, said Bill Spar, who is chairperson of this event. They’re hoping to get the word out to as many alumni as possible, Spar went on. “If you know of anyone that was in the (Staples-Motley) choir...maybe a child or grandchild...be sure to let them know about this,” he said.

Contact information requested
Anyone interested in participating in the Dec. 10 Cardinal Christmas Reunion Concert is asked to email smhscardinalchoirs@gmail.com. In addition, event organizers are asking that you provide your contact information so that music can be sent out ahead of time.

Along with the traditional selections that are beloved by so many alumni, there will be one new piece on the program. Directed by Hoemberg, the piece will be specific to alumni. A rehearsal will be held earlier that day, in the afternoon sometime. “That’s why we need to get the word out now,” Bill Spar said again, reiterating the need to get contact information from alumni ASAP.



Candlelight tradition through the decades

Staples High School choir members from 1979 rehearsed the candlelight procession to the singing of “For All the Saints,” a tradition started by long-time director Stan Carlson. The Staples Area Men’s and Women’s Choruses are hosting a Community Christmas Reunion Con-

cert Saturday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m., and are inviting choir alumni to join in the singing of a few songs that have been Christmas traditions at Staples-Motley for decades, as well as learning a new piece for the upcoming concert. *See story for contact information.* (Staples World archive photo)

New wireless tower at Wilderness Park

AT&T customers in the Leader area got a big boost in wireless connectivity. We’ve added a new cell tower just north of Motley in Wilderness Park by Deer Lake to enhance the area’s mobile broadband coverage and help give residents and first responders faster, more reliable wireless service. Our investment will help customers get the most out of their mobile devices. These enhancements

bring Band 14 spectrum to the area. Band 14 is nationwide, high-quality spectrum set aside by the government specifically for FirstNet. “We look at Band 14 as public safety’s VIP lane,” said an AT&T press release. “In an emergency, this band – or lane – can be cleared just for FirstNet subscribers. When not in use by FirstNet subscribers, AT&T customers can enjoy Band 14’s coverage and capacity.”

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Looking back

75 Years Ago - 1947

Sept. 25, 1947 - The Motley high school played its first game of the season in football last Friday. In fact it was the first game of football in the history of the school. This historical game was played against the Grey Eagle high school at Grey Eagle. The game ended with the score, Motley 43, Grey Eagle 0.

Motley did not punt once during the game. This may also be considered as an

Compiled by Dawn Timbs

historical feature. In spite of this, the game was clean and hard fought by all participants.

Motley's squad is as follows: Albert Alt, Robert Blake, James Covertson, Ross Dickey, Douglas Frisk, Lester Greenwaldt, Kenny Hales, Norman Hansen, "Pinky" Hansen, Joseph Hazuka, Clarence Johnson, Alex Lamb, Eugene Ocker, David Pribbenow, Alvin Riggs and Lowell Schrupp.

Sept. 25, 1947 - About 80 Legionnaires of the Ivan V. Sarff Post of Staples were in attendance at the stag chicken dinner held at Bink's Monday evening.

It is unofficially reported that "Spike" Johnson consumed about 4 1/2 chickens at the dinner, and he was closely followed by several other hungry Legionnaires.

Sept. 25, 1947 - When enroute home from the American Legion stag chicken dinner at Bink's Monday evening, Dean Bossuet was injured when the car he was driving went out of control as he was about to turn a corner coming back to Staples. Mr. Bossuet sustained several injuries. He was taken to the Staples Municipal hospital where he remained until Tuesday morning.

Sept. 25, 1947 - Work was started the latter part of last week on the construction of a basement for the addition to the Staples State Bank building on Fourth street in Staples. The contract for the work has been let to John Warner of Staples, and Mr. Warner has stated that it would be well after the first of the year before the structure would be completed.



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo published in the Sept. 22, 1983 edition of the Staples World featured Staples High School Homecoming Queen candidates. Front row, from left - Mary Riewer, Cheryl Mitsch. Row two - Jane Mayhew, Christie Nielsen. Top row - Joy Pederson, Jessie Beachy. The next week's paper revealed that Jane Mayhew was crowned queen that year, and Ritchie Vukelich was crowned king. Other Homecoming King candidates were John Niemi, Mark Lauer, Troy Bates, Tom Hegre, Eric Nefstead.

Mary (Riewer) Samuelson of Arden Hills, one of the candidates, correctly identified all, adding, "This was an easy one for me." Fellow 1984 SHS graduate Tim Corbett of Pierz correctly identified all as well. Judy Wolak of Staples correctly identified all except for Christie Nielsen, whom she thought to be Bobbie Jo Hankey. Thanks for participating in our mystery photo.



Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our Sept. 24, 1998 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Do you have a memory to share? Email your an-

swers and where you're 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.

50 Years Ago - 1972

Sept. 28, 1972 - Airman Lucinda F. Dyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Dyer, Staples, has been assigned to Lowry AFB, Colo., after completing Air Force basic training. Airman Dyer, a 1970 graduate of Staples High school, attended St. Cloud State College prior to her enlistment.

Sept. 28, 1972 - Saturday evening, Sept. 23, the students riding bus number 32 held a hayride for grades 7 - 12. Everyone met at the Ronald Lovelace home at 8:30 p.m. Those students who participated were Janice Cline, Tammy Johnson, Bob Lovelace, Pat Salber, Beverly Hyble, Kenny Porter, Brad Hyble, Mike Porter, Judy Salber, Loretta Lovelace, Joleen Desotell, Diane Larson, Cathy Porter, Mike Lovelace, Bob Sadlo, Mike Salber, Joe Porter, Charles Pfeifle, Garald Larson, Sue

Halbersma, Mary Prust. Guests at the hayride were Paul Klebs, Kim Kopers, Mike Motl, Nancy Case, Pam Mergens, Marilyn Marska, Pam Noska, Sue Tepley, Gail Noska, Vicki Noska, Roger Noska, Al Trout, Kathy Dvorak and Marie Adami-etz.

Sept. 28, 1972 - Stan Edin, assistant director at the Staples Area Vocational-Technical Institute, has been awarded an EPDA Doctoral Fellowship in Vocational Education by the Bureau of Educational Personnel Development, U.S. Office of Education.

Sept. 28, 1972 - Sandi Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson was crowned the Motley 1972 Homecoming Queen at coronation ceremonies Friday, Sept. 22.

Queen Sandi, chosen to reign over the festivities by the Student Council, was escorted by Gary Lee Ward. Others escorting the queen were Joni Dvorak and Bill Simon; Mary Ehresman and Larry Converse; Pam Hall and Randy Frisk; Sue Smith and Kevin Swecker. Crown-bearers were Wayne Lahr and Susan Dvorak.

The ceremony also included the high school band under the direction of Curtis Olson, the football squad coached by William Finn, Robert Torgrimson and Mike Sullivan, and the cheerleaders under the direction of Mrs. Heroux. Robert Paskewitz was the master of ceremonies.

25 Years Ago - 1997

Sept. 25, 1997 - Two new doctors will soon begin practicing with the Lake-wood Clinic in Staples. Both Dr. Julie Mayers Benson and Dr. Ravi I. Kumar will begin their family practice in staples in October.

Dr. Mayers Benson is no stranger to Staples and the local medical community, as she spent a school year here in 1992-93 as a student doctor. Meanwhile, Dr. Kumar will bring over 25 years experience in practicing medicine to Staples. Although he will be in family practice here, he was formerly involved in obstetrics and gynecology in both West Germany and Saudi Arabia.

Sept. 25, 1997 - Paul Detloff and Inga Storbakken were crowned 1997 Homecoming King and Queen Friday night, in the first event of the Staples Motley

High School's Homecoming week. Activities will conclude this Friday with the football game against East Grand Forks and Saturday with a dance at the Central Lakes College.

Sept. 25, 1997 - "Motley man needs transplant surgery...Little sister donates kidney," was the top headline in the Crow Wing River Review. The article, written by Janice Winter, told of Lee Greig's 25 year battle with diabetes, and critical need for a transplant because his kidneys were failing fast. After learning she was a match, Greig's younger sister Mary Fahnlander of Washington State, flew in for the live donor kidney transplant which took place Sept. 23, at the Fairview-University Medical Center in Minneapolis. At the time of the article, both Greig and his sister were resting at the hospital

Winter dedicated the article to her younger brother, Bruce Karl, who had also experienced a kidney transplant. She went on to share that "On March 6, 1986, five days before his 25th birthday, Bruce received a kidney from myself, his older sister at the same hospital as the Greigs. In the years that followed my brother married and led a productive, active life as a farmer, father, husband, son and extra, extra special brother to my three sisters and myself.

On Friday, Dec. 13, 1991 at the age of 30 Bruce died at the U of M Hospitals of renal failure.

"There were so many emotions, so many similarities...I didn't think I was the right person to do the story," Winter wrote. In the end, however, she thanked Lee Greig for allowing her to share his story with others.

10 Years Ago - 2012

Sept. 27, 2012 - Four Staples Boy Scouts are planning to help break in the brand new national camp site for the 2013 National Scout Jamboree, to be held next July. Garret Schmieg, Jordan Carlson, Zachary Carlson and Noah Han will spend ten days at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

Sept. 27, 2012 - Chris Erickson shared a photo of a bear he shot in Wadena County north of Staples, that weighed in at 170 pounds at Wahoo Valley.

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About 362 grams of suspected fentanyl located in vehicle

was conducted. During the search, approximately 362 grams of suspected fentanyl was located in the vehicle. The driver, John Gordon, 32, of Waubun, was arrested and booked into the Wadena County Jail.

The street value of the fentanyl is believed to be approximately \$36,000.

Wadena County Attorney Kyra Ladd charged Gordon with 1st Degree Controlled Substance Crime, a felony punishable by up to 40 years in prison. Gordon appeared in Wadena County District Court on Sept. 22, where cash bail in the amount of \$15,000 was placed on



John Gordon

Gordon to be released. The Wadena County Sheriff's Office was assisted in the investigation by the Paul Bunyan Drug Task Force.



K9 Nitro at work

During a recent traffic stop near Verndale, Wadena K9 Nitro alerted a deputy to the presence of narcotics and a search of the vehicle was conducted, during which approximately 362 grams of suspected fentanyl was located. (Submitted photos)

Motley police report

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

Sept. 14 - 20

Sept. 20 - The MPD assisted the MCSO with a shooting complaint at the 5000 block of Azalea Rd., Motley. The reporting party stated that people to the west of his place were shooting. The MPD did not hear anything.

Sept. 19 - The MPD issued a citation to Thomas O donnell, 40, for driving after revocation.

Sept. 19 - The MPD issued a citation to Daniel Lovelace, 24, for driving after suspension.

Sept. 19 - The MPD

responded to a complaint from a person staying at the Eastwood Inn in Motley that someone had cut the fuel line on his boat and stole about 20 gallons of gas, and that the tailgate on his truck was open. No suspects.

Sept. 17 - The MCSO assisted a Morrison County Probation Agent with a home search at the 300 block of Main St. W., Motley and located weapons inside. After making contact with the subject, Paul Blomquist was arrested for being a felon in possession of fire arms.

Sept. 16 - The MCSO received a call from Cass County requesting Motley rescue for an attempted suicide at the 8000 block of Arrow Dr. SW, Motley.

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Friday, noon

Missing and murdered indigenous women demand more from us

By Brian Depew
Center for Rural Affairs

I recently attended a memorial for Ashleigh Wabasha. Ashleigh was 19 years old and a member of the Santee Sioux Nation in Nebraska. She was a close friend of an employee of the Center for Rural Affairs.

Ashleigh went missing earlier this year. She was gone for three weeks before her body was found. Unfortunately, her story is far too common.

The memorial for Ashleigh included several speakers who are part of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Relatives movement, a network of Indigenous advocates and organizations working to bring attention to the issue.

Many of the speakers told personal stories. One young woman, still in high school herself, spoke of her own mother, who is missing. The speakers were brave, and their stories were heartbreaking. The event was a poignant reminder of a crisis happening in Indigenous communities across the United States and Canada.

One speaker explained that Indigenous relatives go missing three times. Once when they go missing in the physical world. Once when the media gives their disappearance scant or no attention. And once when the abduction or murder is misclassified or missing in crime statistics.

This last piece is one of the systemic issues that makes it difficult to get a full picture. There is no comprehensive tracking of the number of Indigenous people missing or murdered. While national data is lacking, the Justice Department found that in some counties where data is available, Indigenous women are murdered at a rate 10 times higher than the national average. One estimate found that homicide is the third leading cause of death of Indigenous girls and women between 10 and 24 years of age. In many communities, local activists maintain their own databases of missing

people, informed by media reports and conversations with local families.

A maze of jurisdictional issues is another barrier to investigating and prosecuting cases. The federal Major Crimes Act of 1885 limits the jurisdiction of tribal governments to prosecute violent crimes that occur in Native nations. These crimes must be referred to the federal government. However, the federal government has systematically under-resourced these investigations and frequently declines to prosecute. A provision in the 1994 Violence Against Women Act attempts to address this issue, but activists say jurisdiction remains an issue.

One recent and encouraging development is the creation of the Missing & Murdered Unit at the U.S. Department of the Interior. Secretary of Interior Deb Haaland created the unit in 2021 to better coordinate government response and help address the patchwork of jurisdictional control and resources available to investigate these cases.

In announcing the new effort, Secretary Haaland said, “Violence against Indigenous peoples is a crisis that has been underfunded for decades. Far too often, murders and missing persons cases in Indian Country go unsolved and unaddressed, leaving families and communities devastated. The new MMU unit will provide the resources and leadership to prioritize these cases and coordinate resources to hold people accountable, keep our communities safe, and provide closure for families.”

This new unit deserves administrative and lawmaker support, funding, and cooperation.

Broader awareness is important as well. Learn more at bia.gov/service/mmu. The crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women and relatives has gone on far too long.

I want to acknowledge Ashleigh Wabasha’s family for allowing me to share her story.

Kindness curbs conflict

By Melinda Burrell

I had been outside since 5:45 a.m., in 50-degree drizzle. My feet were soaked despite several changes of socks. My fellow outside poll observers, Republicans and Democrats alike, looked just as forlorn as we answered voters’ questions in Virginia during the 2018 election.

At about 2 p.m., a woman with three small kids in tow waved at us as she went in to vote. I loved seeing her – and other parents – bring their kids to the polls. “Thank you for being here!” she called to all of us as she emerged. My colleagues and I smiled at her and each other. We felt good, being part of the electoral process...cold as it was.

Fifteen minutes later, the woman reappeared. She hopped out of her SUV with a tray of Starbucks hot chocolates. “You all look cold, and I wanted to thank you.”

That was the best hot chocolate I’d ever tasted, and the warmest I’d been all day. But more importantly, I was touched by her kindness towards three total strangers.

A new University of Texas-Austin report provides a psychological explanation of what happened, with an experiment oddly similar to my experience. People were

handed a cup of hot chocolate and told they could keep it or give it to someone else. Those who gave it to someone else reported a bump in their own happiness and an expected bump in the happiness of the recipient. The recipients did report a bump in happiness – but one higher than what the givers had anticipated. In other words, we underestimate the impact of our kind gestures.

Harvard Business Review reported a similar experiment with compliments, finding that, though we are happy to receive compliments, we may be reluctant to give them. Somehow, we think they will be seen as insincere or cheap. Again, we underestimate our ability to make others happy.

But these kindnesses and compliments are important, particularly now as we try to rebuild social fabric frayed by Covid isolation and toxic polarization.

We are wired with a need to feel valued and connected to others, which these unexpected kindnesses do. They raise our self-esteem and link us to each other. Research shows countless other kindness health benefits, from oxytocin reducing stress levels and blood pressure to serotonin increasing happiness.

Kindness is also contagious. Simply witnessing

an act of benevolence lights up our brains positively and makes us more likely to replicate the kindness.

In fractious times, it’s a simple way to make life a little easier for everyone.

First, remind yourself that people definitely will appreciate you appreciating them. Then consider – and commit to – some research-backed options. Do a friendly check-in with potentially lonely friends via text or a call. Send a card describing what you admire about someone. Compliment a colleague on a task they’ve completed, the more specific about what you liked, the better. Smile as you pass strangers on the street. Add an extra bump to a tip. Post a kind comment on a website. Leave a thank you note for your letter carrier.

Trust the research. They’ll appreciate it more than you’ll know. And they just might pay it forward. We need this, right?

Melinda Burrell, PhD, is a former humanitarian aid worker and now trains on the neuroscience of communication and conflict. She is on the board of the National Association for Community Mediation, which offers resources for community approaches to difficult issues.

Orthopedic surgeons continue care

There have been changes in the Staples-Motley area regarding Orthopedic care and I am writing this to clarify why the changes occurred. We as Northern Or-

thopedics surgeons and now Essentia Orthopedics have been committed to you, our patients and your communities, to provide excellent local orthopedic care continuously for nearly 40 years. It was not our choice to leave. That was a decision made solely by the Lakewood Clinic administration.

We want you to know that we continue to be commit-

ted to providing you the local, continuous 24/7 orthopedic care you have come to expect from us. Changes are currently being made to achieve that goal. We appreciate your faith in us and look forward to continuing to serve you.

Christopher Metz, MD
Orthopedic Surgeon

Evidence that childcare and workforce are related in Minnesota

By Marnie Werner and Kelly Asche
Center for Rural Policy and Development

Access to emergency medical services in Rural Minnesota is the topic of our latest report. In it, we analyzed data collected by the Minnesota Department of Health in their 2016 survey of EMS agencies around the state. We wanted to see how delivering EMS services might differ between the rural and urban parts of Minnesota. When we finished, we found we had a lot of interesting and somewhat alarming facts that fell mostly into three groups:

- Lack of professional management training that could be hampering small agencies.
- Revenue sources that are siloed and out of date.
- Both of these factors and others that are creating difficulty in recruiting and retaining workers.

There were a lot of reasons for this last one: no solid recruitment and retention plan; lack of funding and/or revenue, leading to a significant reliance on volunteers; an increasing number of hours of training required. We covered these in the report.

But there was one little nugget of information that didn’t make it into the report that we couldn’t pass up: a direct correlation between the size of the community and whether a lack of access to childcare was (or was not) a barrier to staff recruitment.

It’s pretty well established that a lack of childcare keeps people out of the workforce. We knew that from previous research, then the pandemic made the fact painfully obvious for anyone with children. But in 2016, before the pandemic,

MDH happened to ask that very question of EMS managers.

The response rate on the survey was exceptionally good, so we know the data presents a pretty accurate picture of what was going on across the state with our EMS agencies. And so was there a connection between population density and whether access to childcare was a determining factor in being able to recruit EMS workers?

It turns out, yes, in this data set the size of the population served by an agency and whether finding child care was a barrier to staff and volunteer recruitment was definitely statistically significant.*

So the next question, of course, was whether there was any variation in how managers answered this question based on the size of their service population. To find out, we grouped the responses to this question by the population size of each agency’s service region. The responses broke down this way:

Regions responding “yes” when asked if availability of childcare was an obstacle when trying to recruit personnel:

- Regions of less than 2,500 population: 19 responses (41 percent)
- Regions 2,500 – 4,999: 24 responses (42 percent)
- Regions 5,000 – 9,999: 20 responses (67 percent)
- Regions 10,000 – 14,999: 10 responses (42 percent)
- Regions with greater than 15,000: 1 response (4 percent)

As you can see, in three of the groups, 40 percent of the managers answered yes, but the other two responded very differently. In the 5,000-9,999 group, 67 percent (20 out of about 30 managers) responded yes. That’s quite a leap from 42 percent. Then in the 15,000+ group, only

one out of about 25 agencies said it was a problem. Turn that around and it says that 24 of the 25 agencies in the group didn’t find childcare to be an issue in recruiting people (at least in 2016).

This is important because not only does it show in a concrete way that there’s a connection between population density, the availability of childcare, and the ability for people with children to take a particular job. It also shows that within the larger group, the problem may not be consistent. Communities with higher population densities tend to have more childcare available because childcare providers need not just a certain number of families as paying customers within a given area—a critical mass, if you will—to have as paying customers but also families that have a high enough income to be able to pay the rates the provider must charge to stay in business. The responses to this question are a good illustration of this phenomenon.

But why is childcare a particular problem in the 5,000-9,999 population group and not the smaller communities? That’s a good question. We found that regions in this group had problems overall with recruiting and retaining EMS staff. It probably has something to do with the call volume they receive and level of funding for paying staff: there may be too many calls—too much work—for what agencies are able to pay people. But childcare may play a part in this, too.

This summer we’ll be releasing a report on the initiatives communities around the state are taking on to try and solve their local childcare shortages. Some of them may be in these EMS regions—hopefully they’ll help.

Todd County residents respond to waste survey

Todd County Solid Waste

The Todd County’s Solid Waste Committee developed an on-line survey in

2020, asking its constituents about the county’s solid waste program. We received 118 results, with the results very encouraging. Responders said many positive things and expressed interest in expanded county services.

Although the initial survey results were helpful in understanding resident needs, the Solid Waste Committee was interested in gathering more information to be used in future recycling program decisions. To accomplish this, approximately 12,000 additional eight question surveys were sent out, to every residential dwellings on record. The questions, were specifically targeted to recycling.. Last week we closed the survey with 1,778 responses. This being one of the highest response rates we’ve ever

received from residents. A summary of the results can be viewed on Todd County’s Solid Waste website page.

We are carefully reviewing your comments and are excited to develop recommendations to bring to the Todd County Board of Commissioners. We look forward to recovering more recyclable material from the waste stream by investing in a recycling program that’s beneficial and convenient for all Todd County residents and that will help create a better future for our children and grandchildren.

Thank you for your time in helping us better understand the needs of our residents, we want to make improvements to our recycling program to protect Todd County and better serve our communities.

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Quote of the week

“I have learned over the years that when one’s mind is made up, this diminishes fear.”

— Rosa Parks

Lamplighter presents Every Brilliant Thing

Lamplighter Community Theatre is hosting a production of Every Brilliant Thing, featuring Staples-born, Matthew R. Olsen. Performances will be Oct. 21 and 22 at 7 p.m. and Oct. 23, at 2 p.m. All performances are admission free.

Every Brilliant Thing is an interactive, one person show that engages the audience throughout the production, providing a unique experience for every performance. The story of a son who creates a list of things worth living for in an attempt to raise the spirits of his chronically depressed mother. Using minimal technical attributes and performed in an intimate "in-the-round" performance setting, the single storyteller guides us through

their struggles with loss, grief and mental health. Throughout the journey the character and audience create an ever growing list of gratitude for the big and small things in life. As the list of appreciation grows in number, the storyteller and audience grow in connection with one another and understanding of self. Filled with humor, surprise, nostalgia, and heartbreak, this play is a light for the dark corners of the human experience, illuminating the shared parts of us all.

Performances will be held at Centennial Auditorium and will be followed by a discussion with the actor and director of the production. This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant

from the Five Wings Arts Council, thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund. As well as the generous support of Staples/Motley Beyond Poverty, and Lakewood Health System.

While in Staples for the performances, the professional artists will be offering Masterclass workshops for Staples-Motley High School students. The workshops, taking place on Oct. 17-19, will focus on mental health, personal expression, and healing/growth through free-writing elements and shared storytelling. Workshops will also prepare students to have the best experience possible during the student matinees offered to Staples-Motley High School.

Mark Your Calendar

September 29

'WALK WITH A Doc' Thursdays at 5:15 p.m., at Lakewood Health System's main campus in Staples. Meet at the main entrance. For more information about this free program, visit <https://walkwithadoc.org/join-a-walk/locations/staples-minnesota>

September 30

WOMEN'S OPEN AA RECOVERY MEETING Every Friday in person, 10:30 a.m., Motley Free Methodist Church (lower level), 33 Wellwood St. E. Motley. All women welcome.

October 3

STAPLES AREA REAM (RETIRED EDUCATORS) MTG Monday, Oct. 3, 9:30 a.m., at Staples City Hall. Jerel Nelsen will be on the program.

SQUARE DANCE LESSONS FOR BEGINNERS are held Mondays, 7 - 9 p.m., at St. Michael Catholic Church, 280 1st Ave. S. in Motley. Solo dancers, couples, families welcome. First session free. New dancers can start through Oct. 3.

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

October 5

DEMENTIA CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP offered by Lakewood Health System of Staples, meets the first Wednesday of the month, 11 a.m. - noon, in the Burlington room, located through Door C at Lakewood's Senior Campus (401 Prairie Ave. NE), Staples. For info., 218-894-8851 or 218-894-8067.

School board work session

The Staples-Motley School Board will hold a Work Session Mon., Oct. 3 at 6 p.m. at the District Office, 905 4th St. NE, Staples.

The agenda include the Staples-Motley Elementary Gym Project Overview.

Mon., Oct. 10: Special board meeting, 7:30 a.m. District Office

Mon., Oct. 24: Regular board meeting, 6 p.m. District Office.

Cardinal Calendar SM school events

September

• **HOMECOMING KICK-OFF PepFest** Sept. 30, 2:15 p.m., Main Gym

October

• **HOMECOMING WEEK** Oct. 3 - 7

• **MEA - No School** Oct. 20 - 21

All Staples-Motley Upcoming Events are subject to change. Go to www.isd2170.k12.mn.us for up to the minute information.

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The following items will be sold at public auction located at: #41940 181st Ave., Bertha, MN 56437. From Bertha, Mn., 4 miles East on Cty. 24 to 181st Ave., go South 2 miles to Fire # 41940 --OR-- From Staples, Mn., South on Hwy. 210 two miles to Cty. 21, South approx. 4 miles to Cty 24, West 12 miles to 181st Ave., South 2 miles. Follow signs ON:

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China cabinet

Fishing boat, 14 ft. Span America with trailer and 50 HP Mercury motor. Vintage (1968-69)

Older, workable machinery and parts machinery

1989 7.3 diesel Ford F-250 pickup, auto., ext. cab, approx. 238,000 miles

WD-9 duals

Yard-Man riding lawn mower, 42" deck, 19 HP

WD-9 duals

Old engines

1870 Oldsmobile 350 motor with auto. transmission

Barn cleaner - new owner to remove

3 side delivery rakes

Hay conditioner

Vacuum pump milker

Drinking cups

Milk buckets

Hydraulic cylinders

3 tanning mills: Winner Mill, Hero, etc.

Old baler forks

Horse names items

500 gal. bulk tank & compressor

4-row Oliver cultivator

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2-494 JD corn planters

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Approx. 3 grain pickers

2- Oliver 2-row corn pickers

5.7 diesel Oldsmobile engine

Filler pipe

Old oil barrels

Wheelbarrow

Old pickup box trailer, Ford

3-wheeler, 83 yr., KLT 200

2 four-wheelers, Suzuki and Polaris, fixers

Ryobi scroll saw

Chainsaw

Carvas pipe tent

Sheep and goat 4-H stuff

Misc. horse stuff

2 pellet stoves

WD-9 duals

Yard-Man riding lawn mower, 42" deck, 19 HP

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3 side delivery rakes

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Throw rakes

Parts for 103 Ver. swather - 2

2 Craftsman rider law mowers, fixers

Vintage air compressor

Fox chopper, 2 heads, com and hay

Pull type sprayer

New Holland 78 hay binder, parts

4-18 Oliver plow, 2 pt.

International horse drawn mower

2-wheel trailer, old

Wire

Throw rake, 9' x 16'

Oliver 11 ft. disc, hyd. lift

510 Massey combine for parts

Tandem 14' MM disc

Oliver 11 ft. disc, hyd. lift

New Idea, as is

Throw rakes

14' custom 700 Ovationa swather for parts

Propane tanks

Old fuel oil burners

Sheep shearer and heads

Misc. vet items

Hand tools

Gas cars

Air guns

Wire com crib

Yard cart

HOUSEHOLD/MISC.

TV stand, etc.

Kid's bench

Doll, crib and bed

Scrap iron - Bring trailer, loading available

End table, spindle legs

Some bed frames

Pipe humidor

Christmas stuff

A lot of books

Colored glass: ruby, green, brown

Small freezer, needs seal, works

Shoe rack-wheels

Yard cart

Indoor/outdoor carpet

Totes

Scrabble games

Oil lamps

2 tier 2-1/2 ft round table, square legs

Picture frames

Sqm. garbage bins

Shoe horn

Grooming kits

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The Ordinance is based on Street and Avenue house numbers. Even numbers are on the East side of Streets and the South side of Avenues.

Odd numbered houses are on the West side of Streets and the North side of Avenues.

Vehicles may only park on the even side of Streets and Avenues on even days of the calendar, and may only park on the odd side of Streets and Avenues on odd days of the calendar. This Ordinance is in effect from Oct. 1 to May 1 and from 12:00 midnight to 7:00 a.m.

You must remember to park according to the calendar date as of midnight. Vehicles violating this Ordinance will be ticketed nightly, regardless of the weather. During snow removal periods, vehicles may be ticketed and towed at the owner's expense. This does not affect the downtown 2:00 a.m. - 6 a.m. zones.

FOR EXAMPLE: If you live at 450 7th Street NE and arrive home at 8:00 p.m. on Oct. 1, you must park your car on the even side of the Street or Avenue by midnight because that will be Oct. 2, an even day of the calendar.

For questions, call city hall or 800-794-5733. Staples Police Department

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Russell Anderson

Russell Anderson, 64, of St. Paul passed away September 13, 2022.

Service details will be updated at a later date.

Russell was born December 18, 1957 to Richard and Barbara (Nelson) Anderson in St. Paul. He spent most of his time growing up in Lincoln. Russell graduated from Motley High School in 1976. He worked for Deluxe/Fiserv for 43 years in production and concluded his career as building manager.

Russell loved Up North, Miller Lite, hunting, fishing, teaching his grandkids life lessons and telling them jokes. He enjoyed traveling with the camper and his retirement.

He is survived by his loving wife, Diane, whom he celebrated 45 years of marriage on Sept. 3, 2022; two daughters, Jennifer and



Christina Anderson; one son, Brad (Kristine) Anderson; four grandchildren, Olivia, Colton, Stella and Cali; his mother, Barbara; two brothers, Don (Becky) Anderson and Doug (Kim) Anderson; one sister, Beverly Otte and many other loving family and friends.

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Andrew Granby

Andrew L. Granby, 87, of Staples, passed away peacefully at his home on September 23, 2022.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, Sept. 29 at 2:00 p.m. at the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel in Staples. Following the service there will be light refreshments and time for visiting.

Andrew was born to Martin and Clara (Thorset) Granby on November 6, 1934, in Byron Township in Cass County. After completing high school, Andrew went on to work on the family farm.

He enjoyed a peaceful time in the woods waiting for the big deer to come his way. He was a talented wood craftsman, building things including trucks, tractors, trains and bird houses. He was always tinkering with something and keeping himself busy with ‘word find’ puzzles and enjoyed picking apples in the fall.



Andrew is survived by one daughter, Ruth (Mike) Robben; one son, Michael Granby; one grandson, Aaron and three sisters, Phyllis, Thea and Clarice.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Kathy; one son, Martin; one sister, Esther and one brother, Marvin.

Arrangements are by the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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Obituaries

Kerry West

Kerry (Butch) Duane West, 72, of Staples peacefully left his joys and cares of earth for eternal rest and life on September 11, 2022, at home with his beloveds and compassionate care from Knute Nelson. He bravely took on the battle with throat cancer that was fast and relentless for six months.

A celebration of life will be held October 1 at 11:00 a.m. at the Staples Assembly of God Church. Visitation is one hour prior to services. Lunch and fellowship following the service.

Inurnment will be held at a later date.

Kerry was born July 17, 1950 to Tracy and Betty (Hutchinson) West. He grew up in Illinois and in 1968 he moved to Staples where he attended school and met his sweetheart in life, Margaret Mertens. They were married on August 29, 1970. Kerry had a very diverse nature with many gifts and adventures. Often told he should write a book about his life, he'd reply, "nobody would believe it." If a question was raised about anything a common reply would be "ask Butch." Over the years he learned Greek, some Chinese and Spanish, was a diesel tractor driver/trainer, industrial battery repair, a bondsman, property manager, computer sales/maintenance, expediter for Honeywell and worked in the ministry... anything he set his mind to do or learn he did - there was never a dull moment and sometimes he was a force to be reckoned with if need be. He was a strong shoulder for his family and friends. Kerry made an impression and will be sorely missed.



Kerry is survived by his wife, Maggie; one daughter, Keryn (born in 1986); seven grandchildren, Wyatt, Jaden, Karly, Keyra, Calub, Tobias and Taytum who kept his life full and busy; many West, Self, Drone siblings, Wests: Gary, David (Kathy), Mark (Missie) and Georgia (Danny) Swisher; Sells: Starr (Larry) Botzet and Ramona; Drones: Bruce, Norman (Shawna) and Jesse (KaAnn); many nieces, nephews and cousins and extended family. One cousin, Eddie (Rose) West was his "roomie" at Grandma West's for several years. He is also survived by many friends dear to his heart including Wally Sci-fires whom God sent into his life from Kentucky to be his first "spiritual brother in Christ Jesus" a "light" of hope.

He is preceded in death by his parents; step-mother, Rita West; four brothers, Tracy "Joey" West, III, Bruce West, Dale (Rusty) Self and Almond Drone; one sister, Lois (Drone) Self and brother-in-law, Wilbur Self.

Cremation was provided by Taylor Funeral and Cremation Care of Staples.

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Joyce Brever

Joyce Jeannine Brever, 68, of Staples, loving wife and mother of four children passed away September 15, 2022 after a courageous battle with non-smoking lung cancer.

Joyce was born to Arthur and Lorraine (Smith) Trout in Staples. She attended the Riverside Country School in Todd County and graduated from Staples High School in 1971. Joyce attended Itasca Community College and received a degree in Licensed Practical Nursing.

Joyce married Gerald (Jerry) Brever on December 1, 1973 at St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Moran Township (Todd County). Joyce sacrificed her career to start raising a family until the youngest child attended school. She worked in the Activity Department at the Lakewood Health System Care Center for 24 years until her retirement as Activity Coordinator in 2017.

Family was the focus of Joyce's life. She found joy in organizing family gatherings, making arts and crafts with the kids, playing games, watching her family participate in activities and sports. Joyce's cooking and cake decorating was legendary, where family recipes were created and perfected. She found relaxation in reading, camping with Jerry and the kids and making memory quilts for her children and grandchildren.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband of almost 49 years, Jerry; one daughter, Sheri (Darren) Holst of Staples; three sons, Scott (Courtney) of St. Joseph, Jeff of Pequot Lakes and Chad of Browerville; 11 grandchildren; three great grandchildren; one sister, Kathryn Pitcher; one brother, Alan Trout (RoAnn).

She is preceded in death by her parents and brother-in-law, Marvin.

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Robert Lohman

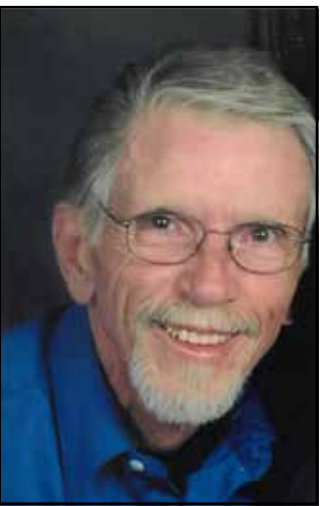
Robert Frederick Lohman, 83, of Baxter, died August 30, 2022, in a tragic automobile accident.

A Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, October 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Northland Arboretum in Brainerd with a brief service at 2:30 p.m. followed by visiting and refreshments.

Robert (Bob) was born December 21, 1938, to Dr. Fred and Josephine Lohman in Waterloo, Iowa. Bob grew up surrounded by many aunts, uncles and cousins who enjoyed summers together at Lake Okoboji with days full of shared adventures, especially a love of water skiing. Bob graduated from West High School in Waterloo, Iowa and received his BA degree in Social Work from Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa.

Bob went to work as a child welfare worker in Clayton County, IA. He later became an associate instructor in the Social Work department at Wartburg College. While at Wartburg, Bob started an advocacy group for people living in poverty in Northeast Iowa. This group expanded to the state of Iowa in collaboration with Legal Aid, VISTA and numerous student and church volunteers. Bob wrote and published easy to understand written materials for those in need using his offset printing press. Bob met his wife Carolyn through his connections with the good people of Catholic Charities in Waterloo and they were married in 1984.

Bob had many interests, especially enjoying the scenic river bluffs of the Mississippi River. He always said that lakes were great, but the river keeps on moving. Bob took a job as a deckhand on the Ohio River helping to move barges. He had a passion for the preservation of old buildings. One of his favorite memories was working on the restoration of the beautiful Hotel Manning in Keosauqua, Iowa on the Des Moines River. Bob later moved to the rural Brainerd area to work on the restoration of an old farm. The beloved Pine Center Farm which he shared with Professor Lola



Reppert, became a gathering place for social work students, friends and neighbors for over 30 years. He enjoyed their home near Motley for 25 years which was a labor of love for him.

In 1988, Bob accompanied Carolyn to Honduras for the adoption of their daughter Maria. Bob loved the culture and time spent volunteering in Honduras and Guatemala and continued involvement with groups helping to educate children in poverty in Latin America.

Bob became very involved in environmental work in the 1980s. He was the president of Preserve our Land, a citizen's group based in Morrison County. Bob worked with many environmental groups all over the state striving to prevent ground water contamination from hazardous waste and protecting natural resources, especially Minnesota Forests. In 1990, Bob was named the Environmental Activist of the Year by Clean Water Action.

Bob enjoyed many kinds of music and art. He especially enjoyed helping with the Stroia Ballet and watching his daughter dance. Bob's most recent devotion was helping to care for his beautiful grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn; one daughter, Maria Lohman Wolfe of Brainerd and two grandchildren, Natalie and Ethan Wolfe.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Baxter.

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Staples Area Church Directory

Staples Staples Alliance 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 Sunlight (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 firstcongaucstaples@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 Mathison 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.....218-894-2296 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 am. 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 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. Aldrich Balsamlund Lutheran 19550 490th Street, Aldrich Eric Clapp.....701-261-2394 (cell) Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m. Sunday School.....8:30 a.m. Cushing Bethany Lutheran 25430 Bison Rd.Cushing, MN 320-749-2140 Pastor Carl Larson Pastor Chris Mathison 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 www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free 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 Swan Valley Lutheran Leader.....218-397-2470 Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament Sunday Worship January - July.....9 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 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.....10:00 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 Matthew 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 Cy 34 to Cy. 104. Phone.....218-746-3839 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Worship.....10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship.....7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY.....7:00 p.m. First Baptist 903 River Street South, Pillager Pastor 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 Jim and Linda McGaffey, Pastor Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.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. Sunday Worship.....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 James Middelndorf, 320-260-4950 Sunday Service.....9:00 a.m. Bible Study.....10:30 a.m. WEDNESDAY Seeds of Hope.....7:00 p.m. Leaf River Township The Old Country Church Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6 Info. 218-837-5690 Sunday Service.....10 a.m.
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“A Scarred Block of Stone”

Donald Reigstad, Sr. Pastor, Lincoln Evangelical Free Church

“Jesus said to them, Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?””

—Matthew 21:42

They called it “The Giant.” It was a block of marble in Florence, Italy that a sculptor named Agostino had been commissioned to sculpt into a statue of David in 1464. He only got as far as beginning to carve out the legs when, for unknown reasons, Agostino stopped working on the project and he died in 1466. Thereupon the artist Rossellino was commissioned to take up the project. Rossellino's contract was soon thereafter terminated and the now “scarred” block of marble sat neglected for 25 years, exposed to the elements in the yard of the cathedral workshop. It was described by someone as “badly blocked out and supine.” Even Leonardo

da Vinci looked at it and chose to walk on. Then, along came 26 year old Michelangelo who convinced the owners that he deserved the commission. In June of 1504, nearly two and one-half years later, the six-ton statue of David was raised near the entrance to the Palazzo Verchio in Lofrence. Today, the formerly marred and discarded “Giant” remains as one of the greatest master pieces of art for all time.

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Walling up

Staples-Motley blockers Annie Schlosser, Grace Jennissen and Emilya Case make it tough for the Men-

ahga hitter to get the ball through. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Volleyball team turns it on in fourth set to win

The Staples-Motley volleyball team added two more wins to their record with a 3-1 home victory against Menahga on Sept. 20, then another 3-1 win against Park Rapids on Sept. 22.

Against Menahga, the Cardinals cruised in the first two sets but couldn't find any consistency in the third set, with numerous ties and both teams trading the lead until Menahga ended up on top.

They solved the consistency problem with a flourish in the fourth set, going on a 13-2 run in the middle of the set. Starting with an ace block by Grace Jennissen, eight straight Cardinal points were scored with a great play by Staples-Motley players, instead of relying on the other team to make a mistake. That run included three kills by Ellie Moulton, two kills by Livi Lorber, and ace serves by Maggie Claussen and Annie Schlosser. Miranda Schotzko and Jade Storry finished off the set with kills.

The Cardinals had a similar route against Park Rapids, losing the third set

before winning big in the fourth.

Team results

Staples-Motley 3, Menahga 1; 25-18, 25-20, 23-25, 25-10

Maggie Claussen: aces-1, assists-1, kills-1, digs-22

Grace Jennissen: kills-9, blocks-3

Emilya Case: kills-2

Jayce Kobliksa: ace-1, digs-12

Steffany Sullivan: digs-8

Ellie Moulton: ace-1, kills-5, digs-5

Miranda Schotzko: kill-1, block-1

Livi Lorber: aces-3, assists-9, kills-13, blocks-3, dig-1

Jade Storry: assists-1, kills-8, digs-14

Annie Schlosser: aces-3, assists-19, kill-1, blocks-2

Staples-Motley 3, Park Rapids 1; 25-20, 25-21, 16-25, 25-14

Claussen: aces-6, assists-2, kills-2, digs-27

Jennissen: kill-1

Kobliksa: aces-2, kill-1, digs-11

Case: kill-1, blocks-3, digs-2

Sullivan: kill-1, digs-12

Moulton: aces-2, kills-11, digs-3

Storry: kills-6, block-1, digs-17

Lorber: aces-2, assist-1, kills-6, blocks-5, dig-1

Schotzko: kills-6, blocks-6

Schlosser: aces-4, assists-30, blocks-3, digs-3



Room to run, thanks to linemen

Cardinal blockers clear out space for Ben Tyrrell to run the ball (Submitted photo)



Set assist

Annie Schlosser gets under a ball to set it to a teammate.

Cardinals get stuck in mud at Pillager

The Staples-Motley football team lost to Pillager 16-0 on a wet and muddy field on Sept. 23. Pillager scored one touchdown in the second quarter, one in the third and scored on a safety in the fourth quarter.

The rain turned out to be unfortunate for the Cardinals because it limited their passing game and the team did not have the size to keep pace by only running. Pillager didn't complete any

passes, but gained 238 rushing yards. Staples-Motley had 80 yards rushing and 30 yards passing. Ben Tyrrell gained 59 rushing yards, Blake Neelan had 23 and Alex Schultz 17.

Elijah Claussen recovered two fumbles as the Cardinal defense also made two stops on fourth down for turnovers on downs. Claussen had eight tackles and Steven Petrich had three.



Eli Rutten (5) hands to Ben Tyrrell.



By the end of the game, the Pillager field had been turned into a big mud pit, while fans watched under umbrellas and raincoats. Pictured, Blake Neelan carries the ball through the mud. (Submitted photo)



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SECTION 00 11 13 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

TITLE:
**Staples-Motley
Elementary Addition**

LOCATION OF WORK:
1025 4th Street NE
Staples, MN 56479
OWNER:
**Staples-Motley Public
Schools ISD #2170**
905 4th Street NE
Staples, MN 56479
**CONSTRUCTION MAN-
AGER:**

ICS Consulting, LLC.
1139 Franklin Ave.,
Suite 1
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379
(320) 360-5506
Contact: Jorden Pangrac
ARCHITECTURAL:
JLG Architects
525 Broadway
Alexandria, MN 56308
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The project consists of multiple work scopes for all of the work necessary for the construction of an approximate 7,800 sf gym addition to the existing Elementary School. Work scopes include but are not limited to: Steel Material, Steel Installation, Aluminum Storefront & Glazing, ACT, Wood Gymnasium Flooring, Gym Equipment, Painting, Doors Frames & Hardware, Flooring & Tile, General Construction, Mechanical, and Electrical. .

BID DATE AND LOCATION:

Sealed Bids will be received at **Staples-Motley School District ISD #2170 District Office, 905 4th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479** then publicly opened and read aloud. Bids will be received and stamped-in prior to **2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, November 1, 2022.** Bids submitted after allotted time will be discarded, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

EXAMINATION OF DOCUMENTS:

Bidders may view drawings and specifications for the project at the office of

the Construction Manager.

For Electronic access to the bidding documents, please contact **Angie Stahnke at 218-336-5901.** The Construction Manager can also provide locations of Builders Exchanges holding plans for contractors to access. Bidders are responsible for any and all costs associated with the production of plans and specifications for their use.

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS:

Each Bidder must comply with the following requirements to reassure acknowledgment and recognition of their Bids:

Bids must be accompanied by Bid security in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid bond in the amount of 5% of the base Bid submitted, made payable to the owner, as guarantee that Bidder will, if awarded, enter into contract in accordance with contract documents and submitted Bid.

Submit Bid on the prescribed form, which is furnished with the specification, with full name and address of the Bidder.

Completely fill in all blank spaces on the Bid Form, in ink or typewriter, in both words and figures.

Sign in longhand, executed by a principal duly authorized to enter into an agreement. If a Bidder is a co-partnership, then signatures on the Bid shall be by an authorized member of the firm, with names and addresses of each member of partnership.

Base Bid and all alternate Bids shall be stated both in writing and in figures. In all cases, written and numerical figures must agree; otherwise at Owner's option, it shall be cause for rejection of Bid. Complete form without alterations.

Submit alternate prices (Bids) for either increasing or decreasing the costs, as called for on Bid form and Description of Alternates. Submit a Bid for all alternates.

Owner may make such investigations as they deem necessary to determine the ability, competency, and responsibility of the Bidder to perform the work. Any Bidder shall furnish to Owner all such information and data for this purpose, as the Owner may request. Owner reserves the right to reject any Bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such

Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the Work contemplated therein. The competence and responsibility of Bidder will be considered in making an award, including, but not limited to; (1) proof of financial responsibility, (2) quality of similar work, (3) amount of experience with similar projects, (4) facilities, personnel and equipment, (5) reputation for performance, and (6) the ability to complete the work within specified time. Owner reserves the right to reject any Bid where there is reasonable doubt as to the qualifications of the Bidder.

Owner reserves the right to: (1) accept Bidder's Base Bid only, (2) accept any one or more of bidder's Alternate Bids, in any order regardless of the order in which they were listed, (3) reject all Bids, (4) award contract based on their investigation of Bidders, as well as acceptance of alternates, all of which the Owner deems to be in their best interest, (5) waive informalities or minor irregularities in Bids and waive minor irregularities or discrepancies in Bidding procedure.

Upon award of Contract, Contractor shall provide AIA A312 Performance and Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of Contract Sum in accordance with General Conditions and Amendments to General Conditions.

BIDDING DOCUMENTS & SITE REVIEW:

Each Bidder (including subcontract Bidder where appropriate) is **REQUIRED** to visit the site and to fully inform themselves and record their own investigations as to the extent of the Work, the extent of the work performed by other contractors under other construction packages, conditions under which the Work is to be performed, existing buildings and streets, conditions of the area, existing utilities and other features, type of soil, available facilities and difficulties that may be encountered in connection therewith, and other relevant items which will affect their Bid or the Work.

Prior to submitting a Bid, each Bidder is required to examine all of the bidding requirements, all Contract Documents, all drawings, and specifications for the Project (including those primarily for other Subcontracts). Contractors shall become thoroughly familiar

with the scope of the Project and all factors and items of work which will affect their Bid or the Work, whether shown or specified in documents primarily for Work of others or Work of this Contract.

No extras will be allowed the Contractor as a result of misunderstanding of the extent of scope of the Work as a result of their failure to study and record their own findings. Submission of a Bid shall be proof that such examinations have been made and that Bidder has recorded their own investigation and has become thoroughly familiar with all contract documents (including all addenda). The failure or omissions of any Bidder to examine any form, instrument or document shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation in respect to their Bid. Nor shall it be the responsibility of ICS or its counterparts to ensure you have read all documentation. This is the sole responsibility of the Bidder and its Sub-Contractor(s).

PRE-BID CONFERENCE:

A Pre-Bid conference will be held at **2:30 p.m. on October 11, 2022 at Staples-Motley School District ISD #2170 District Office, 905 4th Street NE Staples, MN 56479.** If Bidders want to visit the physical site, a site review will take place immediately following the Pre-Bid conference at Staples-Motley Elementary School. No extras will be allowed because of the Bidder's misinterpretation as to the amount of work involved, Bidder's own error, negligence, or failure to examine the site.

START DATE:

Work will begin after receipt of the signed contract from the Owner. The anticipated award date is **Tuesday, November 8, 2022.** Pre-construction and submittals work related to the project is to commence immediately after receipt of the signed contract. The onsite work will begin on the premises **no later than May 1, 2023.**

SUBSTANTIAL AND COMPLETION DATE:

Owner requires all work to be substantially complete by **October 21, 2023.**

Owner requires all work to be fully complete by **December 21, 2023.**

**END OF
SECTION 00 11 13
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: January 26, 2018

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$83,232.00

MORTGAGOR(S): Shane Crider, an unmarried man

MORTGAGEE: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Plaza Home Mortgage Inc.

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on January 29, 2018 as Document Number 507802 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: Plaza Home Mortgage, Inc by assignment recorded on June 1, 2020 as Document Number A519577 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota; thereafter assigned to Freedom Mortgage Corporation by assignment recorded on August 4, 2022 as Document Number A533014 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Lot Eleven (11), Block Four (4) Tweed's Fourth Addition to the Village, now City) of Long Prairie, according to the platy thereof on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder, Todd County, Minnesota.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 315 1ST STREET S, LONG PRAIRIE, MN 56347

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$94,519.12

TRANSACTION AGENT: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Plaza Home Mortgage Inc.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Freedom Mortgage Corporation

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 36-0043400

TRANSACTION AGENT'S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 100109800003594216

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by

such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

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

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: October 20, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff's Office, County Detention Center, 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

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

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on April 20, 2023.

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

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

Dated: August 19, 2022

**FREEDOM MORTGAGE
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THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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CASS COUNTY NOTICE OF STATE GENERAL ELECTION									
Notice is hereby given that a State General Election will be held on November 8, 2022. The State General Election Ballot will include the offices of U.S. Representative District 8; State Senator District 2, 5, and 6; County Recorder; County Sheriff; County Attorney; Soil and Water District Supervisor Districts 1 and 5; Minnesota Supreme Court Associate Justice Seats 3 and 6; Minnesota Court of Appeals Judges 1, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, and 19; Ninth Judicial District Judges Seats 6, 8, 16, 17, 20, 23. The ballot will also include local elections for the following contests within respective jurisdictions:									
CITY OFFICES					SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES				
CITY	MAYOR	COUNCIL MEMBERS	COUNCIL MEMBERS (Special Terms (2 Yr))	BALLOT QUESTIONS	INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT	SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS	SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (Special Terms (2 Yr))	SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (2 Yr)	SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS (2 Yr)
Backus	1				No. 113 Walker-Hackensack-Akeley	3			
Bena	1	2	0		No. 115 Cass Lake-Bena	3			
*Boy River	1	2	2		No. 116 Pillager	3			
Cass Lake	1	2	0		No. 118 Northland Community	3			
Chickamaw Beach	1	1	1		No. 184 Brainerd	3			
East Gull Lake	0	2	1		No. 186 Pequot Lakes	3			
Federal Dam	1	1	0		No. 317 Deer River	3			
Hackensack	0	2	1		No. 820 Sebeka	4			
Lake Shore	0	2	0		No. 2170 Staples-Motley	3			
Longville	1	2	0		No. 2174 Pine River Backus	4			
Motley	1	2	0						
Pillager	1	2	1						
Pine River	1	2	0						
Remer	0	2	1						
Walker	1	2	0						
*Boy River: City Clerk regular term and Special Election for City Treasurer (2yr)					UNITED HOSPITAL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS				
					1 - Becker Township	1 - Byron Township			

TOWN OFFICES	SUPERVISOR SEAT(S)	CLERK OR TREASURER	SPECIAL ELECTIONS (2 Yr) QUESTIONS	SUPERVISOR SEAT(S)	CLERK OR TREASURER	SPECIAL ELECTIONS (2 Yr) QUESTIONS
Ansel	Seats 1 and 2	Treasurer		Moose Lake	Seat 1	
Barclay	Seat 1	Clerk	Treasurer	Otter Tail Peninsula	Seat 2	
Becker	Seats 1 and 3	Treasurer		*Pike Bay	Seats 2 and 3	*Option B Treasurer
Beulah	Seat 2	Clerk		Pine Lake	Seat 3	
Birch Lake	Seats 2 and 3			Pine River	Seat 1	
Blind Lake	Seats 2	Clerk		Ponto Lake	Seat 3	
Boy Lake	Seat 3	Clerk		Poplar	Seat 2	
Boy River	Seats 1 and 2			Powers	Seat 2	
Bull Moose	Seat 1	Treasurer		Remer	Seats 1 and 2	
Bungo	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer		Rogers	Seat 2	Clerk
Byron	Seat 3	Clerk		*Salem	Seat 2	Clerk
Crooked Lake	Seats 1, 3, 5			Shingobee	Seats 2, 4, 5	
Deerfield	Seat 3	Clerk		Slater	Seats 1 and 2	Treasurer
Fairview	Seats 1 and 3			Smoky Hollow	Seat 3	Clerk
Gould	Seat 2			Sylvan	Seats 3 and 5	
*Hiram	Seat 3	Clerk/Treasurer	*Option B clerk/treas	Thunder Lake	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer
Homebrook	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer		Torrey	Seat 3	Clerk
Inguadona	Seat 3			Trelpe	Seat 2	Clerk
Leech Lake	Seat 2	Clerk		Turtle Lake	Seat 1	Clerk
*Lima	Seat 2			Wabedo	Seats 1 and 2	
Loon Lake	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer		Walden	Seat 2	
Maple	Seat 3	Treasurer		Wilkinson	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer
*May	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer	*Option B clerk/treas	Wilson	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer
McKinley	Seats 1 and 3	Treasurer		Woodrow	Seats 2 and 3	Treasurer
Meadow Brook	Seat 3	Clerk	Seat 1			

PRECINCT	POLLING PLACE	HOURS	PRECINCT	POLLING PLACE	HOURS
Bungo	Town Hall	10 a.m.-8 p.m.	Sylvan	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Crooked Lake	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Trelpe	Town Hall	10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Fairview	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Wilkinson	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Hiram	Hackensack Community Bld	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Woodrow	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Kago	Longville Fire Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.			
Leech Lake	Town Hall	10 a.m.-8 p.m.	Cities		
Maple	Town Hall	8 a.m.-8 p.m.	Cass Lake	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
May	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	East Gull Lake	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
McKinley	Town Hall	10 a.m.-8 p.m.	Hackensack	Hackensack Community Bld	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Pike Bay	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Lake Shore	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Pine River	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Pillager	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Ponto Lake	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Pine River	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Powers	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Remer	City Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Shingobee	Town Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.	Walker	Walker Fire Hall	7 a.m.-8 p.m.

*Hiram, May, Salem: Shall option B, providing for the appointment of the clerk by the town board, be adopted for the government of the town?
*Hiram, May, Pike Bay: Shall option B, providing for the appointment of the treasurer by the town board, be adopted for the government of the town?
*Lima: Shall the town of Lima dissolve?

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Cardinals compete with top teams at Griak

The Staples-Motley cross country teams ran in the biggest meet in Minnesota, the Roy Griak race at the University of Minnesota on Sept. 23. Top teams from eight states ran in the meet.

With all those fast runners, anyone not in the front pack was squeezed by a multitude of runners and slowed down, so most runners ran slower times than normal but the Staples-Motley teams were extremely competitive. The Cardinal girls finished in 15th place and the boys were 47th, both respectable positions considering the high quality of teams at the meet.

Coach Bruce Fuhrman said the Cardinals are in a good position but still have some work to do before the end of the season.

Girls team

For the girls team, Fuhrman said the team has been healthy with minimal injuries, one of the reasons they are ranked number one in in the state in Class A.

“Our frontrunners Kyanna Burton, Audrey Brownell, and Aften Robinson are running great times. Each find themselves in the top standings each week and are an intimidating force,” said Fuhrman. “We do recognize a time spread or gap between our number three and four runner, which could spell some trouble. Ashely Robben, Bella Hines, Sophie Schlosser, Naila Mikhaeil and Addisyn Cichos have been working hard in improving this tough spot.

Fuhrman said some teams may be able to fill runners into the gap to make an attempt to win the team score.

“In order for us make a successful run for the Section 6a title, we need to eliminate this. In cross country, this area may be where competitions are won or lost. These five girls have been successfully reducing the gap each week, competing with the top runners from most teams. We are pleased with our season progress thus far, but there are critical races ahead to measure where we truly are at in this.”

Fuhrman said the younger girls are also making great strides, including Suhaila Mikhaeil, Brooke Bendson, Leah Greenwaldt and Maddie Kist.

Boys team

For the boys team, seniors LukeBrownell and Grant Johnson are having improved seasons, with Issiah Tabatt as the team’s other frontrunner, with Logan Robben in the vicinity, with a number of young runners trying to fit into the top five or top seven.

“Our pack of runners consists of five who find themselves at or near each



Aften Robinson

other in finishing races. Each must trim a minute or so off from their individual time for the team to win the section title this season. It is quite a task for a young and little inexperienced group of runners however they are up to the task and work hard in practice,” said Fuhrman.

“Sophomore Dillon Robben may be the most experienced runner in the group. His pack mates include sophomore Odin Trif, freshman Elijah Greenwaldt, Gabriel Kroll, and seventh grader, Gage Bjerga,” said Fuhrman. Also in the hunt for a spot on the varsity are Ivan Lozano, Reid Judd, Justin Olson, and Blaine Plattner.

“Most team members are new faces to our varsity lineup. As they progress in training, they will make it difficult on settling on as to who will be part of our strongest team,” said Fuhrman.

“We have been scouting our section competition to see a good handful of teams emerging to the top. We will require our own outstanding performance to be in the running of winning the Section title this season,” said Fuhrman.

Team results
Roy Griak Invitational
Girls results
Wayzata 113, Cherry Creek (CO) 114, Olathe West (KS), Naperville (IL) 247, St. Paul Highland Park 257, Yorkville (IL) 334, Sioux Falls Lincoln (SD) 403, Johnston (IA) 405, Valley (IA) 406, Marshall 427, Rockton Hononegah (IL) 441, Farmington 448, Forest Lake 464, Batavia 478, Staples-Motley 514, Eastview 522, Sioux Falls O’Gorman (SD) 540, Hopkins 547, Centennial 587, St. Michael-Albertville ...53 total teams

24. Kyanna Burton 19:29, 40. Audrey Brownell 19:52, 103. Aften Robinson 20:51, 154. Bella Hines 21:18, 230. Ashley Robben 21:57, 326. Suhaila Mikhaeil 22:46, 327. Naila Mikhaeil 22:46, 391. Sophie Schlosser 23:42, 458. Addisyn Cichos 25:29, 463. Brooke Bendson 25:55

Boys results
Dowling Catholic (IA) 153, Lakeville North 174, Wayzata 208, Rosemount 259, Naperville (IL) 311, Plainfield (IL) 323, Wichita Trinity (KS) 327, Minnetonka 345, Madison West (WI) 369, Mounds View 373 ... Staples-Motley 47th of 55 teams

109. Luke Brownell 17:24, 132. Issiah Tabatt 17:32, 342. Logan Robben 18:50, 395. Grant Johnson 19:12, 471. Dillan Robben 20:04, 475. Odin Trif 20:09, 477. Elijah Greenwaldt 20:10, 484. Gage Bjerga 20:16, 513. Gabriel Kroll 21:38, 519. Ivan Lozano 22:17



Luke Brownell (2504) races a bunch of competitors in the Roy Griak race. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Logan Robben



Ashley Robben

Finishing kicks against top competition

Eli Greenwaldt (2505) and Odin Trif (2512) kick to the finish line at the Roy Griak race.



Tennis team puts up a good fight in loss

The Staples-Motley girls tennis team played a bunch of close matches but ended up on the short side of a few of them in a 5-2 loss against Pequot Lakes on Sept. 22. The loss moved the Cardinal record to 11-3, and was their first conference loss.

The Cardinals also start-

ed off playing well at the high powered Litchfield Invitational on Sept. 24, but the tournament was rained out after the first rounds were played.

Team results
Staples-Motley 2, Pequot Lakes 5

Singles: Lauren Rutten W 6-0, 6-4; Ronnie Noska W 6-3, 7-6 (7-3); Georgia Kruchten L 5-7, 2-6; Elizabeth DiGiovanni L 4-6, 4-6

Doubles: Amy Rollins/Kenzie Erickson L 4-6, 1-6; Corinne Olson/Madison Perius L 3-6, 3-6; Heidi Zimmerman/Jaida Holst L 4-6, 6-2, (6-10)



Cardinal runners meet up for Division I college race

The Staples-Motley cross country teams met up with two Staples-Motley alumni who ran in the Division I college race at the Roy Griak Invitational on Sept. 23. Hunter Klimek runs for the North Dakota State Bison and Emmet Anderson runs for the Minnesota Gophers. The Cardinal team arrived early to watch the college race, where Ander-

son finished 40th in 25:05 for the 8k (5 mile) race, while Klimek had been sick two days before the race but pushed through to a decent time of 25:49 in 92nd place. (Submitted photo)



Celebrating dedication

Betty Warren, SAHS Secretary, finally wears white after days, weeks, months of scrubbing, sanding and finishing wearing her blue jeans. Here she delivers a brief history of the Society to the overflow crowd Saturday, July 30. (Submitted photo)

Pioneer log schoolhouse dedicated in Sebek

Jerry Mevissen, Sebek Area Historical Society

The last Saturday in July 2022 was bright, warm, and action-packed. Sebek awoke to a pastel pink sky, awaiting the celebration ahead. There was much to celebrate - Red Eye River Days, Sebek High School All-Class Reunion and across the Red Eye River in the city park, the dedication of the restored 1888 log schoolhouse.

At 7:30, you could hear the clamor of chairs, tables and a podium being erected, doors to the schoolhouse, barn and sauna swinging open, flowerpots set beside the building, the last-minute dusting of desks and wipe-down of windows, placement of textbooks and worksheets and erasing graffiti from the blackboards. At 10:00 o'clock, curious visitors arrived, some awed, some non-plussed by more than a year of restoration effort by the Sebek Area Historical Society.

"The restored schoolhouse is striking and beautiful. I love the continuation of the simple rectangular form and the intimacy of the construction. I feel very lucky to be able to see and learn about this building my great-grandfather made, and I am grateful to all the people who made the restoration project possible."

Valerie Stoehr, great-granddaughter of builder August Mattila, Afton, MN

The program began at 1:00 p.m. before a capacity crowd estimated at over 200. Sebek Public School provided 100 chairs which were placed in the shade of a beautiful maple tree. Behind and beside them, another 100 people stood or sat on the lawn or in personal lawn chairs. At the call to attention by the old school bell, SAHS presented an American flag flown over the US Capital to Sebek Mayor Dave Anderson in appreciation of the city's support for the restoration project. Sebek Honor Society students Mindy Quaschnick and Elise Ness raised the flag and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. (Thanks to Johnson Well Drilling for donating the flagpole and to Tom Anderson and Drew Man-

inga of Sebek Public Works for erecting it.)

Following the pledge, SAHS president Bob Norman welcomed the crowd with a brief history of Sebek and the log school's role in it. Marlene Mattila Stoehr of White Bear Lake, granddaughter of builder August Mattila, followed with a glimpse into the family's dedication to education and a few personal memories of her grandfather and the traditions of Finnish farm family life.

Time for a light touch in the program and to that end, a surprise visit from St. Urho himself (aka Jerry Miller of Sebek.) Jerry, dressed in a regulation purple tee, regaled the audience with a reworked "Ode to St. Urho" commemorating the historic deeds of the revered saint.

"We enjoyed attending the dedication of the Pioneer School, organized in 1889 and closing in 1906. The program was well done with recognition to those who made it happen. The schoolhouse, barn and sauna are a real asset to the city park. Congratulations." -Donna and Ralph Machemehl, donors, Lester Prairie.

Although St. Urho was a tough act to follow, Frank Eld, historian, culturalist, and Finnish log construction expert from Boise, ID, did it. Franks talked briefly about his work across northeastern US states with Finnish populations. Frank is a stickler for authenticity and has guided the Society in the restoration effort. He was most generous in his praise for the resulting restored schoolhouse, one of two known in the USA. He previewed his keynote presentation in the schoolhouse which followed the dedication.

Time for another light touch, this time provided by Menahga harmonica player Kenny Hillstrom, a hitherto unknown musician to most of us. No more. Kenny had toes tapping and folks grinning with his three-song set of Finnish and American folk songs.

"Such an awesome event. Well attended, and an appreciative crowd. Age doesn't enter in when something

needs to be done." -Gloria Markkula, Pres, Menahga Museum, Menahga, MN

SAHS Secretary Betty Warren put the Finnish-ing touch on the program with a brief history of the Society (which celebrates its 75th anniversary in 2022) and a plea for membership. Following the program, Sebek Girl Scouts served coffee, water, cookies and cardamom bread.

The audio for the program was professionally provided by Nate Schaper of Paynesville. Because of a desire for shade for both presenters and audience, there was a great chasm between them. Nate's sound work bridged the gap.

"I walked in and stepped back in time. It was amazing to see all the care and effort that went into the schoolhouse. Thanks to the people who were willing to work to see this project through and for their appreciation of the school's history and heritage." -Kathy Eld, wife of historian Frank Eld, Boise, ID

Following the half-hour dedication program, Frank Eld gave the keynote presentation in the restored schoolhouse. In it, he discussed the role of Finnish immigrants in the colonies, their introduction of log building techniques, the wide array of log buildings, and ended with a demonstration of log hewing for the iconic Finnish dovetail corners.

Secretary Warren reports that 122 folks from nine states signed the guest register - Arizona, Colorado, North Dakota, Washington, Missouri, Idaho, Texas, New Mexico and Minnesota. Turns out it was an international event, with one visitor from Canada. Scheduling the dedication coincidental with the All-Class Reunion and Red Eye River Days turned out to be a strategic coup.

Now, the schoolhouse is restored and ready for the next 100 years - new roof and floor, windows and doors; restored and/or resurfaced logs; interior stripped of plaster and manually sanded, cleaned and oiled; authentic (and often original) furniture and furnishings. All that plus two companion buildings - horse barn and sauna. The

Society thanks everyone who donated time, energy, funds, publicity and artifacts. It especially acknowledges the dawn to dusk work of Rebecca Kumppa and family - sons Eric and Frank and daughters-in-law Anna and Megan and all the Kumppa grandkids. The dedication wouldn't have happened without them.

Watch for an announcement of when the buildings will be open for public viewing.

Wild rice can be a bane, but is mostly a boon

Some weeks ago, thanks to the Craigslist online shopping skills of a good friend, I acquired a used outboard motor that was said to have a special and very desirable quality for a duck hunter. The motor is a 1970's vintage four-horsepower of the lineage founded many decades ago by Ole Evinrude. It is no longer made, but in its time was marketed as being "weedless."

This virtue is attributed chiefly to the fact that its propeller shaft and propeller are angled downward at about 30 degrees, not horizontal and in the same plane as a boat's hull, as are most outboards. Oddly, many of these out-of-production weedless motors also have a hard plastic propeller, rather than aluminum, as are most outboard props. Whether these props' sharp edges and greater flexibility play a role in their advertised weedlessness is something for someone with greater engineering expertise than I have to weigh in on.

The reason for my search-and-buy mission was to make it easier for a duck hunter—namely me—to navigate some of the waters where I hunt ducks, the season for which has just begun its 2022 edition. Wild rice, ducks, and duck hunters have been entwined in a menage-a-trois—an intimate relationship, you might say—for as long as there have been duck hunters in the Great Lakes states and Canada, the geographic area within which this aquatic grass has grown for millennia. It is not a rice at all, actually, which may be one reason why it has credentials as the official Minnesota state grain.

Whether Minnesota-born or northern migrants, ducks of many species are drawn by the magnetic appeal of mature wild rice. Just like people, many of whom find wild rice a gourmet's delight. Duck hunters quite predictably are drawn to the very same places the ducks are, with their own harvest in mind.

Unfortunately, there are few things that can complicate navigation more effectively than wild rice stems, those thin but tough stalks upon which the grains or seeds of this aquatic grass grows. This is so because of their propensity to wrap around an outboard motor propeller shaft, slow its spin, and eventually bring it to a dead stop.

Despite steadily advancing age, I have nothing against rowing in lieu of an outboard motor. Some of the places where I would choose to hunt are actually off-limits to motors in order to reduce hunting pressure and allow the ducks a modicum of peace and rest on their migratory journey. But where on-the-water distances are long, and on large lakes or wetlands where fall weather offers potential for dangerous boating conditions, there is comfort in having a "kicker" screwed to the transom of your boat.

On several lakes with wild rice where my hunting

partner and I have deployed our decoys, we have had our time-to-the-blind lengthened dramatically by the need to tilt up the outboard, and painstakingly—and not too patiently—rip off or unwind a mass of wild rice stems from the outboard's propeller and lower unit; time and time again.

One year I acquired an outboard larger than the six-horse that had been our longtime means of duck boat propulsion. It had a three-blade propeller, which I would later be told was more prone to fouling with aquatic vegetation than a two-blade prop. Whether due to this, or to unusually dense wild rice stands, we found ourselves having to limp back to shore—with many prop-clearing stops along the way—in the dark at hunt's end. In retrospect, rowing might have delivered us more rapidly to the boat landing!

There are actually special motor designs, generically called mud motors, that are made specifically for such vegetation-choked conditions, and shallow waters. Some, called surface drives, have their propeller positioned roughly at the water's surface rather than underwater, thus avoiding much of the potential for prop fouling. They are air-cooled, and thus don't need a lengthy shaft to suck in water to cool the motor, as do water-cooled outboards. Another shallow water design is often referred to as a long-tail, with its surface-running propeller located at the end of a long shaft that extends several feet to the rear of the boat when in operation. Both can be quite expensive, are relatively large, and—especially the long-tail—hard to conceal if one is hunting from a small boat.

This year the wild rice crop is not as uniformly abundant across Minnesota as it was last year. While some areas are reporting a crop that is "average," quite a number have been called "fair" or "poor." For example, within the boundaries of the Fond du Lac Ojibwe Band's reservation in Northeast Minnesota, ricing has been prohibited altogether in order "to rest the on-reservation wild rice lakes for the season."

High water levels during the early stage of the growing season are blamed for this year's spotty rice crop. Wild rice is vulnerable when in the rooting stage, and rising water levels at this critical time can essentially uproot and kill the plants. This situation has created a paradox for duck hunters. Last year, a much drier year, access to hunting spots was hampered not only by low water, but by especially dense wild rice stands that could be difficult to move a boat through. This year, a generally wetter year, access to hunting spots will be easier, but some places may be less attractive to ducks for want of a good rice crop.

Still, wildlife managers seem not especially worried that the ducks will suffer from a diminished crop of wild rice, as could those people who have a tradition of harvesting rice both to sell and to consume. In other words, duck hunters are expected to find birds in many, if not most, of the places where they have traditionally found them dining on our state grain.

And perhaps my new old weedless outboard motor will get less of a test than it might have in a bumper year for wild rice.

Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn



Frank Eld, Finnish historian from Boise, ID, gives the keynote presentation in the restored schoolhouse. (Submitted photo)

Mulching the trees

City of Staples employees Travis McGillivray (center) and James Lenk were at work recently putting new mulch on downtown trees. Public Works Director Scott Grabe said that some of the new trees planted last spring did well and some of them struggled. "We hope the mulch will help," he said. Grabe went on to note that city staff watered the downtown trees three days a week, but they are appreciative of anyone that waters trees in front of their business. The city intends to plant some more trees this fall. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



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Drone	DeCamp	Wright	Reese	Heppner	Trout
school district is in deep financial problems, due to bad decisions made in the past and bad decisions being made now. The first major mistake was consolidating with the Motley School District. Now due to the decline in student enrollment, the present school board has closed the Motley school. Now the school board is compounding the financial problem by doing extravagant remodeling along with new building projects that we don't need. 3. How can you help the school district? By bringing common sense back into the planning and operations of the school. By putting education first before extracurricular activities. The majority of your present board members believe extracurricular activities are more important than educations. By being more involved in daily activities of the school. Be in the classrooms to talk to the teachers and other school employees. I have worked in the school system and I am aware of what needs to be done to keep things running. 4. Building referendum? No. I am not in favor of asking the voters for a new building referendum because we had two building construction firms tell the school board that we have good structurally sound buildings that just need to be repaired. But the school board eliminated the gym at the elementary building. Now they plan to build a new gym that will cost us \$2 million plus dollars. Without voter approval that the	brought back into the curriculum. If kids are not learning it, they are going to miss out on a lot of their history, or even the Constitution as it's written. They should also be able to read letters from their grandmother. Bullying is always an issue in schools, I would like our district to be more proactive in addressing the issue. It needs to go beyond the classroom, into the hallways and onto the buses. I would like to work on procedures to prevent the opportunity for bullying among students. 4. Building referendum? No. One of the main things that attracted us to this area is the lower property taxes, this affords us to have a simpler lifestyle. Looking around the community, I see a lot of middle to lower class people who value the same thing. I wonder if raising taxes is a good thing. 5. Why run for school board? I would like to be active in some of the decisions that affect my son as a high schooler and us as a family in the community.	and Central Lakes College. Perhaps most important has been my time spent with my faith community at Thomastown Covenant Church, investing countless hours into the lives of our younger generations by leading youth group, youth gatherings, and other youth and family-related ministries. 2. Experience I believe that I bring many experiences that have prepared me to be a competent addition to the Staples-Motley School Board. As a father of three school-aged kids, I have a commitment to the children we serve. As a former substitute teacher in our schools, I have insight into the world of our staff. As a 2008 graduate of the district, I understand the challenges of our past. And working at Central Lakes College in Staples, I see what collaboration is possible to give our students significant opportunities. 3. How can you help the school district? One of my main desires if elected to represent our district would be to continue being part of building trust in the district at all levels. Trust is in short supply in our society, and my hope is for Staples-Motley to be an example of how all stakeholders within a district can have confidence that even in disagreement, we believe that the intentions of those in our district are genuinely good. By committing to transparency when possible and listening always, we can move forward in good confidence that we move forward together. 4. Building referendum? In short, yes, I am in favor of asking voters for a new building referendum. However, asking is not always receiving, as we've learned in the past. The real question isn't whether or not we should ask for the financial support necessary to give the best educational experience possible to our students. The real question is what will our taxpayers support? What can they support? By asking for a referendum, we are asking those questions, and we will need to ask consistently and clearly until we are able to find the answer. 5. Why run for school board? I have been asked this question a number of times since I filed for school board. I'll be honest, I haven't found a perfect answer. Some look to a candidate to run for or against certain political ideologies. Some look to a candidate to "fix" every "problem" ... We've all heard it before. It's the teachers, the test scores, the administration, the taxes, the "kids these days", the "parents these days", etc. I will not guarantee that I can fix anything, let alone everything. Yet an old proverb says, "Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act." Every child	tricts around our area is not appropriate, and I want to preserve what we have here in our school district and community. 3. How can you help the school district? As a board member I would represent the conservative view I would encourage more transparency on issues like hiring/termination of staff and public awareness of board decisions. As a parent of four children in the Staples-Motley School District, I have an interest in ensuring the present and future success of our school system. As a lifelong resident of Staples, I want to see the strong traditions on which our system was built preserved for future generations. A strong school system is the foundation to its community. I want to support our community and keep our small town values. 4. Building referendum Currently I am undecided about the building referendum. Whether or not a referendum is appropriate is based on many factors, including the exact building plans, costs and the effects on the community. These details are necessary before I could make an educated decision on the support or opposition of the building referendum. 5. Why run for school board? I want to be a member of the Staples Motley School Board to preserve and improve our school system. I support allowing parents, not classrooms, to introduce sensitive topics to their children as they see fit. Education is a partnership between the the school, teacher and family and everyone needs to do their part. The focus of public education should be teaching the basic subjects and leaving anything non-academic related to the parents. I am ready to listen to all sides of an issue, and to represent the conservative voice. I want quality public education for current and future students - including my children, nieces, nephews, neighbor's and future grandchildren.	Project, and I coordinate the monthly Ruby's Pantry food distribution. For me, serving on a board means more than just attending meetings. It's about having important conversations and considering the needs of my neighbors to come up with community-based solutions to the problems at hand. 2. Experience I have lived in several areas, and I can tell you that my family feels that the Staples-Motley area is special. While it was difficult to get involved in other areas, our neighbors here wasted no time in welcoming us. Opportunities for involvement and positive change are abundant, and we have found limited roadblocks in our way if we want to do something good for our communities. In the same way, the S-M District has been an open door to my family, and we have met many amazing teachers and staff who truly care about their students. 3. How can you help the school district? The school board has many tough decisions to make. We need to elect folks that see the big picture, have a positive outlook, a desire to make education equitable for all students, and have the ability to support our staff so they can continue to educate our children. I possess these traits. In addition, I am a relationship builder, which will come in handy as we need a unified board to further unite our communities. I have the tools to help bring our communities together to provide a premier education and future for our most valuable resource, our children. 4. Building referendum? My experience as a community member during the last two referendums was a driver in my decision to run for school board. I am an advocate for transparent leadership and believe that everyone in the district has a right to know how decisions are being made, especially when they affect our children and our pocketbooks. I agree that our buildings need upgrades, however, there needs to be significant community input on how this is accomplished. Ultimately, I am in favor of a referendum if it comes at an affordable price and is a plan built on community needs and input. 5. Why run for school board? Teachers and staff need the tools that are required to successfully educate, and students need to have resources and support to successfully learn. Now more than ever, it is the time for great creativity and innovation in education. I am particularly passionate about advancing career and technical education; developing a realistic infrastructure improvement	I've gotten to be a part of, and hopefully contributed to, Staples-Motley's traditions of great athletics and arts programs as well as high quality education and I plan to keep those traditions thriving. 3. How can you help the school district? As a data analyst, I have developed a very effective problem-solving approach that I will use to help address the district's problems, including financial sustainability and declining student enrollment to name a few. 4. Building referendum? Not currently, no. The latest referendum was quite recent and decisive. While I personally wish the last referendum would have passed, our community largely voted no. So, I will respect that and until I have reason to believe that sentiment has changed, putting forward a new referendum does not seem a good use of time or resources. 5. Why run for school board? I think I have the right skillset to be successful in the role, and I feel an obligation to give back to the community. I have no agenda I want to push upon our school, I simply want to represent our community and make sure that everyone's voice is heard when it comes to decisions being made in our school district. It would be easy to avoid any sort of public office, and I think anyone seeking a public position without any hesitation is not aware of the actual demands. But I am realistic about these demands and am pursuing this anyway because this community has given me so much. I would sleep better at night knowing that I have not just taken from what this community has to offer but have given back to it as well.

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New data request policy

identified \$500,000 in areas to save money.

In other news, the board

- Approved preliminary tax levy with 1.8 percent increase. This is the maximum levy the school can approve. Tappe said the 1.8 percent increase is very minimal compared to other school districts in the state. The final levy is to be approved in December.
- Read summary of superintendent evaluation, completed by board in closed session. The evaluation stated that Tappe has developed goals for human resources and student support, two areas defined by the board evaluation. He will focus on improving student and staff retention, accountability and student achievement.
- Approved hiring of Gerald Freese, industrial tech; Alexis McDonald, junior high tennis; Amanda

Burton, paraprofessional; Julia Steward, paraprofessional; Michael Hager, paraprofessional; and Kole Kubesh and Chris Jennissen as fall weight room supervisors.

- Approved resignations of Joan Holmberg, bus driver; Lacey Hanson, paraprofessional; and Avery Cunningham, speech language pathologist assistant.
- Approved first reading of policy on public data requests, a new policy that aligns with Minnesota School Board Association policy.
- Approved policies with revisions to align with Minnesota School Board Association recommendations: family and medical leave, and drug and alcohol testing.
- Approved policies with minor revisions: code of ethics, conflict of interest, mandated reporting, school weapons policy and internet acceptable use.



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