

## Baker's dozen + three, perfect number for Trantina

By Dawn Timbs  
Staples World reporter

Mary Ann Trantina of Motley will most likely receive 16 Mother's Day cards on May 12. One from each of the children she gave birth to over a span of 22 years.

Now 82, Mary Ann considers her six boys and 10 girls to be a gift from above. Framed pictures of her offspring grace the walls of the Sunny Pines apartment she's called home for the past few years; and a large scrapbook filled with photos, newspaper clippings and other memorabilia, help tell the story of

the 16 Trantina kids from Fawn Lake Township that call her 'mom.'

"They all turned out real good," Mary Ann says with a smile, looking at a family photo taken at her son David's wedding in 2018. She and Jim, her late-husband, couldn't have asked for better kids, she adds.

Mary Ann laughs when asked if she and Jim intentionally set out to bring 16 babies into the world. "I always said, 'If God was going to send me another one, I wanted to see it.'"

Faith and a strong sense of family were things she learned about as a child growing up on a farm in Moran Township. Her parents, Vincent and Mary Lenk, taught their six kids (five boys and one girl) the importance of work, and made sure they attended Mass every Sunday. The family belonged to Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples.

"She could cook really good," Mary Ann said, reminiscing about her mom. "She had all of her recipes in her head," she added. Cooking from scratch is something Mary Ann would teach her own children down the road.

Mary Ann's best friend from country school, Sylvia Dukowitz (they were the only two girls in their class, she shared) attended a Catholic church in Philbrook, the same church her future husband attended when he was a kid.

Later on, when they were students at Staples High School, the chums would have lunch together at a cafe downtown. "You could get a piece of pie for 20 cents," Mary Ann said, adding that that was the same price as a school lunch. The girls much

preferred spending their money on pie.

One day, Jim happened to see the two friends as they were heading back to class. Four years their senior, he had just returned to town after getting out of the Army.

Apparently, Mary Ann caught his eye and "he followed the school bus to see where I lived," she laughed.

It wasn't long before Jim and Mary Ann were an item and on May 31, 1955, they exchanged matrimonial vows...promising to love each other in sickness and in health, for richer or poorer.

She was 18 years old when she got married, Mary Ann shared. The newlyweds bought a farm in rural Browerville and welcomed their first baby, a boy, shortly after. She was 20 years old.

Over the next 22 years, Jim and Mary Ann welcomed 15 more little ones to their family nest...Jimmy, Ann, twins Debbie and Dorene, Mary, Karen, Theresa, John, Sharon, David, Mark, Lori, Joe, Carol and Susie.

Yes, that's a lot of birthdays to celebrate, Mary Ann laughed, adding that for many years, her mother helped out by baking the birthday cakes for her grandchildren. She had her hands full with everything else that needed to be done, what with keeping up with diapers, helping with school work, making her kids' favorite pies on occasion.

"I never really thought about it," Mary Ann answered, when asked how she coped with everything during those very busy years. "You know, you just do it."

Mary, child number



### Her gifts from God

Mary Ann Trantina holds up a photo of her and her 16 children, taken in 2018 at her son David's wedding. Although she and Jim, her late husband, didn't set out to have so many children, Mary Ann shared that she always said, 'If God was going to send me another one,

I wanted to see it.' Pictured in the photo, from oldest to youngest, are Mary Ann, Walter, Jimmy, Ann, Debbie, Dorene, Mary, Karen, Theresa, John, Sharon, David, Mark, Lori, Joe, Carol, Susie. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

six, can't say enough good about the matriarch of the family. "She has been the bond that keeps us all together." Now a mother herself, Mary said she appreciates even more her mother's strength and faith. Whenever she faced a tough situation as a kid, her mom would say, "Let's pray about it," Mary said. It's an offer that still holds to this day.

The Trantinas raised beef and dairy cattle at

their farm. Jim also had other jobs along the way, including many years working at Northern Fabricating in Staples. Mary Ann kept things running smoothly at home, cooking, cleaning, sewing and gardening.

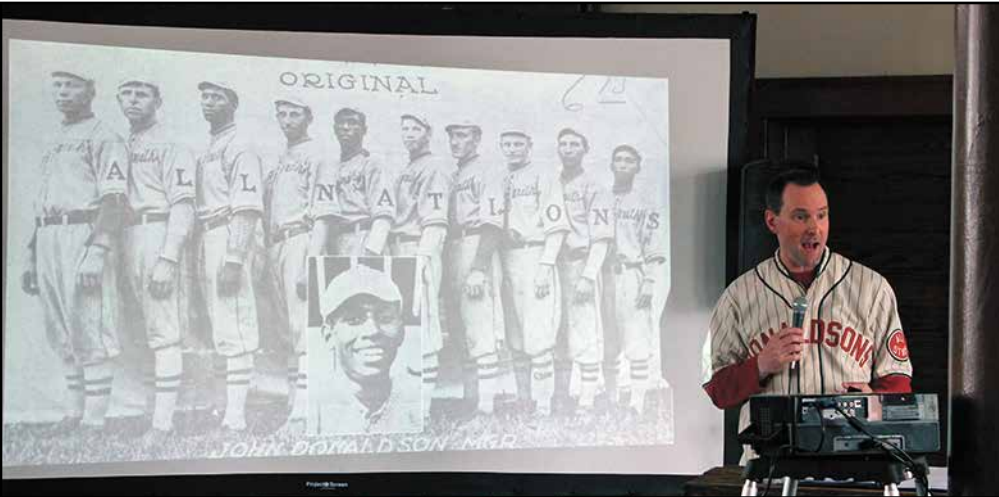
Their garden encompassed an acre, Mary recalled, adding that she and her siblings helped their mom can vegetables every year. The Trantina kids also raised pickles

which they sold in order to purchase school supplies.

Mary is amazed to this day how her mom sewed most of their clothes. She was a teenager, about to begin a job at Tesch's Resort, when she bought her first pair of Levi jeans, Mary said.

On top of that, the Trantina family did not have indoor plumbing at their Fawn Lake farm until 1983. Mary Ann used a wringer

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### Donaldson Network advancing to HOF

At the April 28 Old Wadena Society meeting, Peter Gorton gave an update on his group's efforts to bring baseball player John Donaldson's story to life.

Gorton also said they hope to release the film "39 Seconds" this year, a documentary about John Donaldson and Gorton's efforts to revive his legacy. The film's title comes from the only known film footage of Donaldson pitching, which Gorton said was discovered in film cannisters stored under the bed of a farmer in Fergus Falls.

Gorton said there will be an opportunity in 2020 when the National Baseball Hall of Fame will again consider opening their legacy nominations for Negro League players. Gorton has committed himself full time to the Donaldson Network to prepare the nomination.

"You have to be willing to take a chance, and this is our chance," said Gorton. The network has researched 2,500 games that Donaldson had played in, including three seasons with the Bertha Fishermen in Minnesota.

Gorton said Donaldson would have been a major league player, but the league did not allow black players at that time. Donaldson did go on to be the first black scout in Major League Baseball.

Other updates to the Donaldson legacy include a bobblehead statue coming out next month and a larger than life statue to be built in his home town in Missouri. Donaldson was inducted into the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame in 2015. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



### Friend of Old Wadena - Dee Dee Neal

At the April 28 Old Wadena Society meeting, Dee Dee Neal, center was presented a "Friend of Old Wadena" plaque from Tom Crawford, board president,

right. Sally Robertson, left holds a blanket that was also a gift for Neal. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

### Weather

#### This Week's Forecast

High Low Cond.

May 8 56° 36° Cloudy

May 9 52 32 P.Cloudy

May 10 59 40 Cloudy

May 11 57 38 Cloudy

May 12 63 41 P.Cloudy

May 13 66 43 Cloudy

May 14 66 41 P.Cloudy

#### Last Year, 2018

High Low Cond.

May 8 60° 36° Rain

May 9 64 35 Rain

May 10 62 35 Sunny

May 11 63 33 Sunny

May 12 58 34 Cloudy

May 13 64 38 Sunny

May 14 54 38 Sunny

#### Another cool week ahead

Average Temp.:  
H = 64° Low = 41°

Total Rain  
(Last 7 days): 1.00"  
2019: 2.90"

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Dale Hausmann,  
WCCO's Staples area  
Weatherwatcher

### Public Notices

Todd Weeds: 10A

### Obituaries

Dennis Amundson  
Margaret Bielefeld



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### Scrapbook memories

Mary Ann Trantina (left) and her daughter Mary Koenig look through a scrapbook filled with family photos and memories of their years at the farm in Fawn Lake Township. Each of Mary Ann's 16 children has a section in the book that is dedicated to them. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

## Serous injuries suffered in Hwy 10 accident

A two vehicle accident east of Staples injured a 12-year-old girl and seriously injured one man early Saturday morning on Hwy 10 in Todd County.

Daniel J. Wentworth, 43, of Motley had been ejected from his vehicle and suffered life-threatening injuries. He was taken to a hospital in St. Cloud.

A passenger, Samantha Wentworth, 12, of Motley, suffered non-life-threatening injuries and was taken to Lakewood Health System Hospital, Staples.

Neither were wearing a seatbelt and no airbag deployed.

Two Perham residents in the other vehicle, Cierra Olson, 19 and Paige Fultz, 19, were not injured. They were not wearing seatbelts and no airbag deployed.

According to the State Patrol, Wentworth was driving a 2004 Chevrolet

Silverado pickup truck eastbound on Hwy 10 when the vehicle left the roadway, ran into the median and rolled ending up in the right lane of traffic.

Olson, driving a 2008 Ford Taurus westbound on Hwy 10, reported she noticed the Silverado in the right lane when she swerved and hit the brakes causing the car to sideswipe the Silverado. She had not been drinking, according to the State Patrol.

The crash was reported on wet pavement at 1:13 a.m. May 3 on westbound Hwy 10, near Spruce Road in Villard Township, Todd County west of Motley.

Assisting at the scene were the Motley Police Dept., Staples Police Dept., Todd County Sheriff's Office and Morrison County Sheriff's Dept.

# MS Middle School Honor Roll

Term 3

### A Honor Roll

**Grade 7**

Camden Anderson, Keller Anderson, Shantell Bennett, Isabel Birkholtz, Alex Black, Anna Brown, Kyanna Burton, Eli Carlson, Gabrielle Case, Addison Cichos, Hunter Duevel, Destiny Dukowitz, Tucker Fitzgerald, Tiana Gonzalez, Genevieve Groetsch, Emali Jimenez-Kloeckl, Macy Knudson, Gaberial Koval, Zachary McIlravy, Sabina Moe, Elliana Moulton, Adam Nienow, Jr., Cash Rau, Gaberiel Ritter, Amy Rollins, Lauren Rutten, Brayden Salcido, Jessa Schwichtenberg, Eli Smith, Kyra Stangle, Steffany Sullivan, Cole Tetlie, Carson Trantina, Ashlyn Vogel, Bailey Weiland, Owen Winter.

**Grade 6**

Grant Bestland, Estella Bock, Jack Carlson, Andrea DiGiovanni, Sawyer Ferdon, Jaden Johnson, Oliviah Lorber, Jessica Lundquist, Peyton Mithun, Corinne Olson, Olivia Opheim, Madison Opatz, Steven Petrich, Israel Ritter, Dillan Robben, Logan Robben, Benet Robinson, Nathaniel Rubink, Miranda Schotzko, Jade Storry, Benjamin Tyrrell, Heidi Zimmerman.

**Grade 5**

Mason Albertson, Sadye Anderson, Summer Anderson, Luke Bjerga, Audrey Brownell, Owen Carlson, Annabella Cory-Wolfe, Emmalee Dobson, Zachory Harvey, Jorja Kobliska, Pamela Lawrence, Carson Mertens, Raina Mikhaeil, Rylee Nielson, Giselle Polkow, Annie Schlosser, Britta Sweeney, Skyla Tepley.

**Grade 4**

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**Grade 6**

Taylor Beach-Seeley, Jacob Becker, Elijah Blue, Morgan Capistrant, Gavin Chenoweth, Drake Dukowitz, Cadynce Ferris, Bailey Frisk, Laken Hines, Grace Koskiniemi, Axel Mertens, Naila Mikhaeil, Hayden Rutherford, Alexander Schultz, Skler Self, Kristofer Taylor, Lilly Tyrrell, Kora Wells, Aidan Winter, Kierra Zivkovic.

**Grade 5**

Elliot Allen, Ashton Anderson, Katriane Beach, Turner Beachy, Brynn Bestland, Mason Birkholtz, Lily Cline, Charles Dabbs, Isabelle Dobson, Eli Dumprope, McKenzie Fletcher, Cameron Ganyo, Adrian Gomez, Alissa Hageman, Myles Heldt, Ariana Imgrund, Peyton Jares, Josie Jennissen, Reid Judd, Chelsie Kampa, Gabriel Kroll, Conner Kuhns, Wyatt Lahr, Matthew Larsen, Noah Larson, Mason Michael, Natalie Miller, Sophia Misner, Cecily Moe, Xander Moench, Keaghan Mullins, Reed Olds, Zofia Ostrowski, Kiya Pope, Jerry Russell, Chyanne Taylor, Adelaide Toepper, Alaina White, Kyra Wolpert.

**Grade 4**

Brooke Bendson, Emerson Bettis, Leighton Bettis, Ayden Blue, Chase Blue, Gavin Cowles, Lillian Czechowicz, Braylin DeLeon, Maria Halvorson, Jacob Hansen, Tristan Harvey, Bryce Hopp, Jasmine Isley, Thomas Johnson, Madelyn Kist, Jocelyn Lenk, Suhaila Mikhaeil, Ty Mumm, Dallis Parker, Bryant Peterson, Sophie Schlosser, Logan Serich, Charles Simkins, III, Landon Thotland-Quenzer, Paige Warren, Kylie Wenzel.



## Motley youth raise money for Ernie Converse Park project

The Motley Free Methodist Church youth group have earned money during their annual garage and bake sale, with the goal of using this money towards a project they call 'Mission Motley.' To date, they have earned over \$9,000. They plan to work along with the city on a project for Ernie Converse Park which may include a picnic shelter with bathroom and kitchen facilities. Details to come. Pictured: Makenzie Radueg, Olivia Vogt, Dalton Ruikka, Bel Birkholtz, Matthew Horstmann, Michaela Fisher, Caitlin Jasmer, Mikayla Richards, Jake Gabbert, Lucas Niemi, Tristian Mallory, Natalie Sarbaum, Izzy Sampson, Kristen Odenthal, Jabin Mallory, Cassidy Radueg, Katie Niemi, Brooke Beto, Evalyn Gonzolas, Isalay, Dray Turner, Brooklyn Snow, Aidan

Stevens, Henry Judd, Olivia Neal, Kate Berg, Kiyrrae Olson, Tiana Gonzolas, Brooke Converse, Connor Judd, Kayla Ruikka, Rocky Fratzke. Not pictured, Anna Carter, Jayma Lawson, Ben Niemi. Youth leaders Craig Weigel and Jessica Judd said they are very proud of the youth who have worked hard these past three years. Weigel said, "When the project is complete it will be something for the whole community that will be able to be used for many years." Judd added, "I felt this project would be a visible way to be a loving part of our community, especially since we will continue to have monthly summer picnics there again, headed up by Wayne and Val Johnson." (Submitted photo)

## Motley police

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

April 30 - The MPD received a complaint of a check forgery at the Ten-Hi Bar in Motley.

April 26 - The MPD issued a citation to Michael Chapman, 44, for failure to move over for an emergency vehicle.

April 29 - The MCSO received an email from the MN Duty Officer with a report of an unknown amount of an unknown possible substance in the pond near Mill Pond St. in Motley.

April 28 - The MCSO issued a citation to Craig Steven Wicht, 55, for careless driving.

April 26 - The MCSO received a report of an electrical fire at the 2000 block of 330th St. in Motley. They responded and cleared after arriving because Scandia Valley Fire was at the scene.



## Pillager Huskies trap shooting team

The Pillager Huskies trap shooting team reported having another great day recently at Lakeshore Conservation Club. A total of 23 Huskies shot 40 or better (out of 50) and four shooters (pictured above) shot a 25 straight. These included, from left, Ben Oie, Ethan Olson, Harley Gummert and Ryan Beach. Gummert and Beach also shared Top Gun Honors breaking 48 out of 50. Pictured in lower photo is Sadie Tryggaseth who was named the Top Female breaking 45 out of 50. Pillager is currently in second place in Class 3A Conference 5 in the Minnesota State Clay Target League. (Submitted photos)



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Looking back

75 YEARS Ago - 1944

• May 11, 1944 - Work has already started on the enlarging of the Northern Pacific railway yards in Staples, and crews of men have been busy several days getting things in readiness for the changing and laying of thousands of feet of new rail in the local yards. The project involves the extension of five new tracks in the yards here. Previously, these tracks had held an average of about 60 cars, but they will be lengthened enough to permit 140 cars to be stored

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on these tracks.  
• May 11, 1944 - Senator A. L. Almen, of Balaton, will be the speaker at the commencement exercises to be held for the graduating class of 1944 of the Staples high school on Thursday evening, June 1. Using his theme, "Life Begins at '44'", Senator Almen will bring out some of the very vital problems of the present day.  
• May 11, 1944 - Motley High School announced that Howard Hanson is valedictorian of the class of 1944; and Raye Borgstrom is the salutatorian.

**50 YEARS Ago - 1969**  
• May 8, 1969 - Two members of the Staples police department received injuries in an accident with the Staples police car north of Staples late Saturday evening, May 3.  
Injured in the mishap while performing their duties as police officers were Dwaine Winter and Cecil Stevens. The police car, a 1969 Chevrolet, which was received by the department Jan. 1, was classified as a total loss. The police report remains incomplete due to the pending of possible charges against the driver of the vehicle being pursued by the police at the time of the accident.  
• May 8, 1969 - Richard Goff of Staples was elected Sixth District Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the Loyalty Day convention held in Sauk Centre May 3 and 4. The son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Goff of this city, Richard is a 1949 graduate of Staples high school. He became employed by the Northern Pacific Railway Company following his graduation and then served with the United State Air Force from 1952 - 55, of which one year was served in Germany and France. Since his return to Staples in 1955, he has been a member of the Robert W. Hand Post 1910 Veterans of Foreign Wars and served as commander of the local post



Staples World mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's Staples World archive photo is from our May 8, 1969 edition. Do you know who these women are and perhaps the context of the photo? Email your answers to dtimbs@staplesworld.com. We will publish the answers in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

from 1965 - 66.  
• May 8, 1969 - Susan Marie Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nelson of rural Motley, has been named valedictorian of the senior class of 1969 at Motley high school. Therese Gilmore, daughter of Mrs. Mary Gilmore, has been named salutatorian of her graduating class.  
• May 8, 1969 - The River Inn, Aldrich, advertised its Mother's Day Smorgasbord...an 'All You Can Eat' special that included ham, chicken and roast beef. Adults, \$2; and children, \$1.25.  
**25 YEARS Ago - 1994**  
• May 12, 1994 - School district name and administration were two of the items agreed upon at the joint meeting Monday night of the Staples and Motley school boards.  
Staples Motley Independent School District #2170

will be the official name when the consolidation of the Staples and Motley districts is effective July 1. At separate meetings following the joint meeting both boards also approved the names "Staples Motley High School" and "Motley Staples Middle School."  
• May 12, 1994 - Staples Area High School is proud to announce the top ranked students for this year's senior class. Co-Valedictorians for the Class of 1994 are Shana Dolezal and Sarah Beinhorn, while Co-Salutatorians are Jenny Hirschey and Alicia Baker.  
**10 YEARS Ago - 2009**  
• May 7, 2009 - Nashville recording artist and Staples native Gabe Anderson will be performing, along with his band, The Four Kicks, at the Staples Motley High School gymnasium Friday, May 15, at 8 p.m.

• May 7, 2009 - The Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce stopped by the new BRICKS Travel Center in Motley recently, to welcome owners Brad and Pat Brichacek; and Joe and Susie Brichacek. BRICKS (the former El Ray Travel Plaza) is located along Hwy 10 in Motley and officially opened April 14. It includes a convenience store/gas station (with bait and tackle), a restaurant and a gift shop.  
• May 7, 2009 - With construction of a new city hall/library building to begin within a month, the Staples City Council was told April 28 the city's goal was no increase in city property taxes caused by the new city hall/library construction. "Our goal is to not impact the city property taxes," City Administrator Nate Mathews told the council.



Gifts made with love

Mary (Trantina) Koenig (left) of Staples holds up a Christmas ornament her mother, Mary Ann Trantina, made out of a spool years ago. Her mother would make all of them some sort of ornament every Christmas, Mary said, going on to mention 16 children and 45 grandchildren. In recent years, Mary Ann has discontinued that tradition, but continues to sew and do other crafts projects at her home in Motley. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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All for the love of children

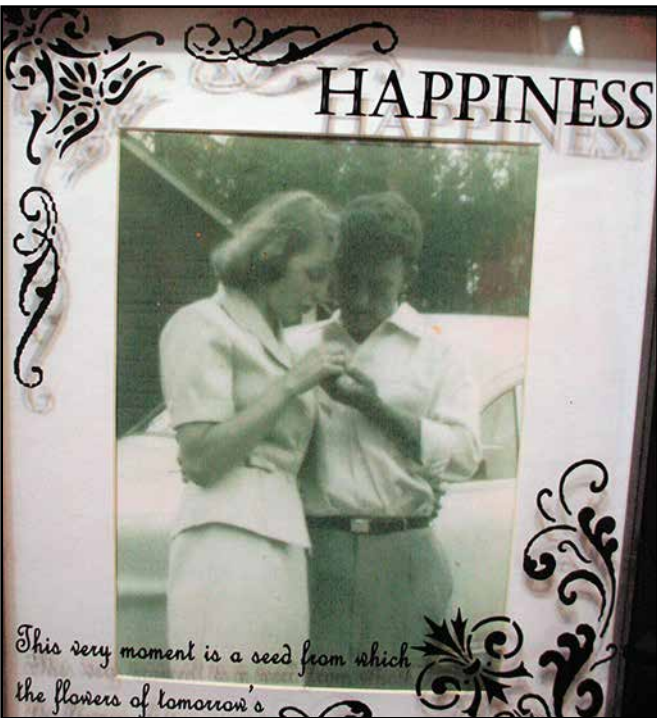
washer when doing laundry and clothes were hung out to dry. "Sometimes I'd go to the laundromat," she said.  
Mary recalled watching her mom ironing one day as the Dolly Parton song, "Coat of Many Colors" came on the radio. "I asked mom if we were poor and she immediately said, 'No!'" Mary said.  
"Oh, we were rich in so many ways," Mary Ann went on, mentioning their health, their love for one another and the beauty all around them. To this day, she loves to watch birds and look at flowers, neither of which cost a thing.  
To help supplement the family's income when many of the children were still at home, Mary Ann put her sewing skills to good use working at Pine County in Staples. Later on, when Jim got sick with cancer, she worked in the laundry room at Lakewood Health System Hospital.  
Whenever life gets tough, Mary says she remembers everything her mom had to deal with and it puts things in perspective.  
There's a plaque that hangs in Mary Ann's apartment that says, "This Kitchen is for Dancing." Daughter number six points to it and says, "That has always been true," adding that there was always oldtime country music on when their mom was cooking or baking. She remembers Ernest Tubbs crooning 'Waltz Across Texas' and countless other songs by Charlie Pride, her mom's all-time favorite singer.  
As if on cue, a lively bluegrass number by Flatt and Scruggs comes on the radio, reminding Mary Ann that any chores still left to do can wait for a while. Her daughter Mary has stopped by, so it's time for a piece of pie and a dance or two in the kitchen.



And the answer from last week is...

Last week's mystery photo published in the May 19, 1977 edition of the Staples World featured the recently installed FFA Officers for the 1977 - 78 school year. Fron row, from left: Patty Salber, president; Craig Neal, vice president; and Dave Haglin, second vice president. Back row, from left: Dorla Gritz, secretary; Monica Olander, treasurer; Ross Halbersma, reporter; and

Annette Olander, sentinel. *Deb Jordan of Staples named all of them correctly, except for Patty Salber (she guessed Peggy Salber). Chuck Horsager of Verndale correctly guessed Craig Neal and also mentioned that Craig is currently farming north of Staples with his brother, Chris Neal. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.*



Young love

Mary Ann and Jim Trantina are pictured just after being married May 31, 1955, at Sacred Heart Church in Staples. "This very moment is a seed from which the flowers of tomorrow's happiness grow," is engraved on the photo's frame. The Trantinas were married for nearly 51 years, until Jim's death in 2006. From their union, 16 children were born.

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# Raising minimum wage is recipe for success

By Howard Hanna

In the last eight years, I’ve opened two restaurants: The Rieger in 2010 and Ça Va in 2014. Throughout that time, the federal minimum wage remained stagnant at \$7.25 despite the rising cost of living. To me that seems profoundly unfair.

As a restaurant owner, I strongly support legislation that would raise the federal minimum wage to \$15 by 2024. I also support gradually phasing out the tipped minimum wage to assure all workers get reliable living wages whatever their position.

Two things are clear: First, the minimum wage hasn’t kept up with the cost of living – \$7.25 comes to just \$15,080 a year for full-time workers. And second, paying higher wages has real bottom-line business benefits.

One of the industries that would be most impacted by raising the minimum wage is the restaurant and hospitality industry, and that impact will be positive. In the past, restaurant work was a real path out of poverty for many. When my mother immigrated to the US in the 1970s, she could see the possibility that her children could start in the service industry as a dishwasher, and then years later be the chef and owner of a restaurant. Similarly, people needing a second chance out of hard times could once find work in this industry and create a better life for themselves and their families.

Sadly, that’s not the reality for most today. Far too many people work long hard hours, yet still live in poverty. We need wages that a person working full

time can actually live on.

In my experience, paying above minimum wage and treating our employees well has been a recipe for success. We’re looking forward to opening two new restaurants next year, while our existing businesses continue to grow.

We need dedicated employees whose goals align with ours to provide real hospitality and make our restaurants the best they can be. Paying above the current minimum wage has helped us hire and retain people and deliver a great experience to our guests.

The low-wage, high-turnover business model is not sustainable. Training new staff is time-consuming and expensive. Once someone has learned the job, we want them to stay so we can build institutional knowledge and a strong culture within our restaurants.

When people are paid fairly and feel respected, they care more about the business and are better team players. They are more careful about food waste and they’re more efficient.

They look out for our best interests because we’ve created a culture of respect.

Raising the minimum wage raises everyone up. It puts more money in the hands of those who most need to spend it, and it will boost the economy. Workers who are paid a decent wage are a key customer base for local businesses.

I want workers to earn enough to not just live but thrive. I want people to be able to afford to live closer to work and spend less time, money and energy commuting back and forth.

Raising the minimum wage will provide a stronger wage floor upon which people can build toward their dreams for things like home ownership or entrepreneurship.

It hurts us all when some businesses pay so little that their employees can’t make a living. People working full time shouldn’t have to depend on public assistance to cover basics like rent and food. Raising the minimum wage levels the playing field for businesses that are paying their fair share and are invested in their staff and their communities.

I understand that a substantial increase in the minimum wage takes adjustment, which is why I support the Raise the Wage Act’s gradual phase-in. This gives businesses time to ramp up and experience benefits such as lower turnover, increased consumer spending and happier customers.

Every day, for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and late night, restaurants work to feed and nourish you. We create the spaces for you to celebrate in when you’re up, and to lift you up when you’re down. It’s hard work, long hours and everyone’s role is important to that effort.

Raising the minimum wage will lift up workers, lift up businesses, and lift up our economy. It’s good for our communities and it’s good for our country.

Howard Hanna is the owner of The Rieger and Ça Va restaurants in Kansas City, Mo. He is a member of Business for a Fair Minimum Wage. This story was written for American Forum.

## Letter to the Editor

### Student’s perspective on school

As a student of the Staples-Motley School district since pre-school, I can attest to the problems our buildings have and would like to outline why I am asking you to vote yes on May 14.

Every classroom has a different temperature, and you never know what that temperature will be. Some days I walk into the choir room and the humidity is unbearable, and then I experience intense cold when I go to my math class. The science classrooms are unpredictable, sometimes hot and sometimes cold. This temperature problem happens in many classrooms throughout the school. I’ve also sat in classrooms where the ceiling tiles sag and drip water, which is a less than ideal

learning environment.

There are parts of the building that are very old and have been cut off from student use. The basement under the weight room is dismal and quite frankly scary, and so are the upstairs music practice rooms. The former is not accessible to students, for a good reason. These are dark, disgusting places that are currently not safe, useable spaces.

This darkness is also felt in a significant number of classrooms that have no natural light. No one enjoys learning in that kind of environment. One of my favorite places in our current building is the cafeteria because of the wall of windows and the natural light they provide.

A big advantage of having grades 5-12 under one roof would be having the music teachers all in the same building. Currently, they drive between the middle school and

high school every day. If they were in one building, the structure of class and other functions, such as musicals and concerts, would improve greatly. With the high school construction and major renovations, it will be nice to have our music classrooms moved closer to Centennial Auditorium, especially for band and orchestra, as we are currently at the opposite end of the building.

Overall, there are some major issues with our current buildings, such as the varying temperatures, building decay, lack of natural light, unusable spaces, and difficulty with the music department travel. I implore you to vote yes on May 14 to fix these issues and make our school a great learning environment for years to come.

Andrew Bates  
Staples, Minn

### School a long term investment

I’m in my 40s now, and I’m focusing more on long-term investments instead of short-term solutions. It’s an age/wisdom-driven change I’ve noticed over the last 10-15 years. I’m asking you to join me in making a long-term investment into our community by voting yes on the S-M school bond referendum May 14th.

I don’t like paying more taxes, but I will if it is worth the investment. In our society, paved roads, police protection, and fire

trucks are no-brainer good investments. We have a hard time quantifying and assigning value to learning and schools. Thankfully, we can get solid information from experts who have studied modern education.

In a simple Google search, you can find stats about remodeled school buildings saving districts long-term money with reduced energy and water use, improved teacher retention, and lowered health costs. In controlled studies, students in classrooms with natural light perform 20 percent better than their peers in the same school without daylight in their classrooms.

Further research high-

lights the mobility of millennials. They don’t choose where to live based on jobs. With modern technology, they can work from anywhere. They choose to live in progressive communities with solid schools and recreational options.

By voting yes on both school bond questions, we are choosing to invest long-term into education and recreation. I believe those are solid investments to grow Staples, Motley, and the surrounding region because experts, backed by solid research, say the same thing.

Kip Hines  
Staples, Minn.

### Referendum questions

In the past I have attended a couple of the “Staples” new school information sessions and have read letters to the editor in the Staples World, which I feel left out a lot of important information for the simple reason to get more yes votes on the referendum. And I notice the use of the word community a lot. I felt compelled to write this article so that the voters can make an informed decision on May 14.

Let’s start with the definition of the word “community”. 1. A body of peopl living in the same place under the same laws.

On Jan. 22, Staples-Motley School Board meeting, I addressed the board and their administration that they have violated the public’s First Amendment right to speak. Under Minnesota Statute 123.51, by not having a public hearing before they decided to close the Motley school, which the superintendent never responded to my letter and Board Chair Bruce Lund said that two of us will meet with you, this never took place either. Who are they representing? Is this a community? Should they resign for violaitng their oath of office? Can the Staples-Motley School District afford a class-action lawsuit?

Chris Etzler, the City of Staples Mayor, wrote a letter to the editor in the

Staples World. Chris quoted “Let’s start with a little history of the Staples Community Center. The city and school district were partners in the construction of the community center.” Is this an attempt to have the Staples-Motley School District taxpayers bail out by paying for a new activity center (community center) because the city failed by making poor decisions with maintenance of the one they have now? Which community is Mr. Etzler representing?

On April 25, I attended the new school building project overview in the Motley school. After hearing from the administration and school board stating that it’s going to cost a lot of money and they’re really looking out for the taxpayers, I had the opportunity of voicing my concerns which none of them made the Staples World. If they were really looking out for the taxpayers why is it that we have to spend \$9,125,000 on a new gym and cafeteria addition at the Staples Elementary school site, with fees, permits and testing, etc., the total dollar amount is \$14,420,000, when we have a good gym, cafeteria, and a really nice stainless steel kitchen in Motley school? Why wasn’t this information available to the people at this meeting? Why is it that we have to tear out themain gym at the high school which we recently got done fixing up and put in a new gym floor, and replacing it with four basketball courts at a price tag

of \$8,568,650? Why wasn’t this information available to the people at this meeting? Is anybody really looking out for the taxpayers?

Now for Question 2, why is it the community center is owned by the City of Staples and recently put in a brand new gym floor and built a safe swimming pool that we as Staples-Motley school district taxpayers would want to demo the building to make a parking lot out of it and build new at the Staples Elementary site for a total of \$10,630,355? Why wasn’t this information available to the people at the Motley meeting? What community are we talking about? Why was there no city of Motley Council members at this meeting? Is this another way to bail out the city of Staples? Is this what Staples-Motley Board Chair Bruce Lund was getting at when he wrote the article in the Staples World “Be an informed voter?”

What would it cost the people that live in the old Staples School District if the people that live in the old Motley School District were to annex out of the Staples-Motley School District?

How many people in the Staples-Motley School District can afford to put new flooring, refinish the rooms and paint the walls in their house and a few years later tear it down and build new houses? How would this help their kids’ future?

Dave Hoemberg  
Motley, Minn

### Appreciate impact of schools on lives

We have lived in the Staples-Motley School District for the past 45 years. We are now retired school district employees and are still active and supportive of our school and communities. Our three grown children received an excellent education which has prepared them for their

current professions. Support from the school and community during their school years continues to impact their adult lives. Continuing this process of education and encouragement is imperative in the development of each student.

Our school board and administration have been patching together three aging buildings for too many years. We understand it is now past time to update, renovate and rebuild our school buildings. We believe this change will help our school

and communities maintain the current enrollment and hopefully even attract more families.

There are no perfect schools, administration or staff, just many hardworking individuals trying to make a difference in the lives of children. It is our opinion that investing our tax dollars in education is the best investment for the future of our communities.

Let’s show our support by voting yes on or before May 14.

Tom and Gail Honek  
Staples, Minn

### Improve the future for kids

Just as we, homeowners, need to repair our homes, property and cars to keep them operational and presentable, so do the taxpayers of District 2170. We encourage you to vote yes on the upcoming referendum because our current buildings are in need of repair. Our schools have been well maintained but over time the old needs to be replaced to give our students a school environment that can provide opportunities our present facilities cannot.

State mandated graduation standards (requirements students must

achieve in order to graduate) and learning styles have changed over the decades and passing this referendum would better meet the needs of today’s students.

Staples Motley needs an updated school to attract families and economic development as well as keeping the businesses we currently have in our communities.

The same old thinking produces the same old results. Don’t dwell on the past, let’s improve the future of our towns and kids.

Please vote yes.

Mike and Beth Gedde  
Staples, Minn

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Letters to the Editor

School upgrades crucial to future

As a local business owner (and homeowner) I strongly support voting “yes” and “yes” on the Build 2170 referendum which concludes on May 14. My wife and I have lived in this community for the past 17 years and we love Staples-Motley. We are continually impressed by the generous, hard-working people that are our neighbors and friends. We are thankful for the great teachers and support staff our four children have had over the past years in their respective schools. We have a strong community and our schools should reflect that strong community. I appreciate the school

board and administration choosing to renovate and use existing buildings in the new plan. I appreciate the attention to safety and security that is part of the new plan. The upgrades to classroom spaces, cafeterias, heating and cooling systems, roofing, windows, electrical, plumbing, STEAM areas, special education areas, music rooms, community center, and athletic areas are all crucial to our school district in 2019 and into the future. I applaud Lakewood Health System and First International Bank and Trust for pledging significant money toward the health and betterment of our community when part 2 of the referendum passes. With all these positives, why would anyone vote “No”? The only reason I can think of would be that your taxes will increase.

Well, I urge you to go to the Build 2170 website and use the tax calculator tool that will tell you exactly what to expect with your taxes for next year. I have used the tax calculator and found that the amount our taxes are going up is totally worth it and less than I initially expected (about \$25/month for a \$125,000 house). The beauty of these tax dollars is that they stay here, in our community, and can’t be used for anything other than our schools. Our community is strong and vibrant. Our teachers, administration, and school staff are amazing. Let’s invest in our schools to reflect how great our community is. Please vote “yes” and “yes” on the Build 2170 referendum.

Nick Schultz  
Staples, Minn

Board and admin. questions

I would like to share with the public my comments at the school bond meeting held in Motley on April 25. When a question was asked about the interest rate on the bond, the superintendent replied that it would be 2.75 to 3.0 percent. I was at a board meeting in Staples about six weeks ago and when I asked the board the same question, a board member

turned the question over to a representative of a firm, I assumed was involved with the financial data of the school bond. She told me that the interest rate would be 3.5 to 4.25 percent. Secondly, you have been telling us that in 18 categories that the state says are important for educational success, that both the elementary and high school are below standard in more than 75 percent of the criteria. Rob Brown of Nexus Solutions, who you used for the assessment of the buildings, provided you with the data that shows only 33 percent of the High School and only 47 percent

of the elementary are inadequate. Finally, a board member at the meeting stated how efficient the board is trying to be. I responded with some figures from the financial statements from last year of Staples/Motley and Pillager. Staples/Motley had 1,166 students and Pillager had 1,112 students. Pillager spent \$639,000 on school administration salaries and Staples/Motley spent \$1,434,000 on school administration salaries. How efficient is that?

Ervin Bjerga  
Motley, Minn

Meeting educational expectations

Education has reemerged over the past decade with career and technical expectations of not only our region, but our country. CTE has been known in the past as “Tech Ed, Hands-On Learning, The Trades, Shop Class, Skills and Home Economics”. They’ve never left our course offerings here at Staples-Motley High School, however, neither has much of the equipment our students are working with. The facilities have limited our ability to advance along with the curriculum we can offer

and the experiences our students can and should be having. The industry standards and expectations have moved on with advancements in not only “The Trades”, but have grown into robotics, computer automation, fabrication advancements, coding, graphic design, hydraulics, alternative fuels...just to name a few. Our students have been limited in their exposure to these areas for far too long. Partnerships with Central Lakes College and resources shared via Sourcewell, along with area businesses have stepped in to share what they can, however, it’s not enough for what our students are wanting, expecting and needing. Our facilities limit the

ability to offer what’s expected, but not our staff’s desire to teach it. They’re as hungry for 21st Century Teaching, as our students are for experiencing these offerings. When we can’t provide what both staff and students are expected to have by the careers they’re in and students are headed to...that’s of concern for all of us. Industry expectations advance and education is to follow in regards to preparation for a workforce that awaits our students. The spaces utilized to meet those expectations are to match. It’s time to have our facilities be of the same quality our staff’s desire to educate our students is: Excellent.

Mike Schmidt  
SMHS Principal

Education pays off over the years

This past weekend on our drive home from our granddaughter’s college graduation, my mind went back a ways to the graduations just in our immediate family through the years.....High School Graduations: 1966, 1967, 1986, 1989, 2012, 2015, all Staples and Staples-Motley grads, except me....Pillager! College Graduations: 1969, 1993, 1993, 2016, 2019, 2002 2019. Someone paid taxes other than myself, others were vested in the educational process. Don’t get me wrong....we paid, it was not given... but so too are we all vested in the doc-

tors who care for us, dentists, pharmacists, pastors, morticians (yep death and taxes), bankers, insurance agents, car dealers, hair stylists, farmers, RN’s, LPN’s, CNA’s, machinists, daycare providers, store clerks, postal workers, and yes our teachers...skilled or unskilled, tax dollars were used to provide educational opportunities to all of us that walked through the doors of an educational facility, whether we knew them or not. If my neighbor decides to sell their home and gets a good price for it.....my taxes will reflect an increase....and there is absolutely nothing I can do about that....is that right? Right for who? It increased the value of my home, which in turn increased my investment

on the original price I paid for my home.....do I look forward to paying my taxes each year.....no, not any more than I like looking at my payroll deductions each week on my check. But my taxes will go up either way if the referendum passes or fails...big difference, if it fails...there’s no investment and we will be stuck with exactly what we have right now. A good education is something no one can take from you, once you have it, it lasts a lifetime. I’d call that a pretty good investment. Vote yes on May 14, to pay it forward and invest in the future of our kids and communities.

Kathy Odden  
Staples, Minn.

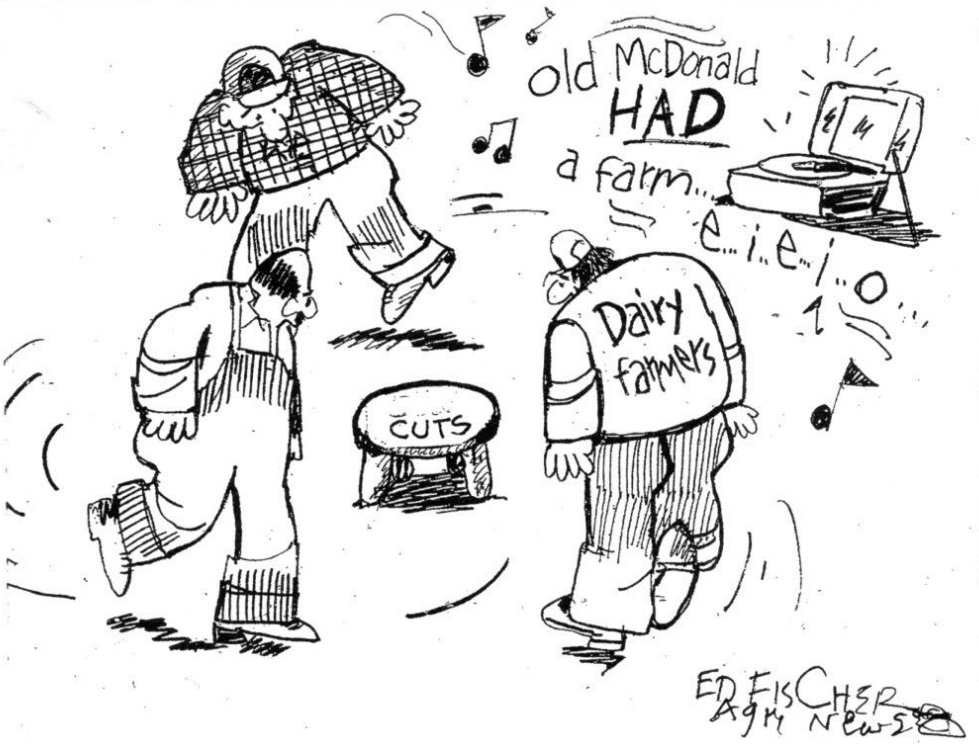
Assisted living needs licensure

Did you know that Minnesota does not require assisted living facilities to be licensed? Did you know Minnesota is the only state that does not require a license? There are hundreds of reports of elder abuse, discharging seniors without cause, deceptive marketing

and financial exploitation. Legislation has been proposed the last several years but “The Industry” has powerful lobbyists and deep pockets. They have been able to stop any licensure legislation from getting passed. We all hope to pass from this world sitting in a deer stand, playing cards with the grandkids or fishing with a friend. But realistically we know we won’t all be that lucky. It is time for Minnesota

legislators to step up and pass licensure legislation for assisted living facilities. The legislation needs to have adequate funding so the Minnesota Department of Health can investigate the approximate 400 cases of abuse, neglect, etc., that are filed every week. Minnesota seniors deserve a safe place to live their last years.

Gary Martin  
Long Prairie, Minn



Industry proposals for dairy farm crisis

By Lucas Sjostrom  
Executive Director,  
Minnesota Milk Producers  
Association

Minnesota’s dairy industry is facing a dire crisis. From collapsing barns to trade restrictions, dairy farmers haven’t been able to catch a break, and it’s costing them their farms. Last year alone Minnesota lost over 10 percent of its dairy farms and stands to continue that trend without immediate relief from the Minnesota legislature. Minnesota dairy farmers are facing unique challenges that

hopefully justify a unique response from State policymakers. The Minnesota Milk Producers Association is asking the state legislature to adopt three modest proposals this session to help bridge our dairy farm families through this crisis: • A state dairy margin insurance rebate that would provide dollars to dairy farmers enrolled in the federal coverage program. • Tax relief by adopting a conformity provision to the new federal tax law when farmers sell through cooperates. • Conservation payments

to eligible dairy farms that adopt sound conservation and sustainability practices. Minnesota has long prided itself as one of the top dairy-producing states in the country. The dairy sector supports thousands of jobs throughout Minnesota -- a lot of on-farm jobs, employment in dairy processing plants in Greater Minnesota as well as dairy-related companies in the Twin Cities. Dairy is one of the most significant value-added sectors in Minnesota agriculture since so much of the processing needs to occur close to the farms where milk is produced.

Letters to the Editor

Give the best to all kids

My wife and I open enroll our kids at Staples Motley and are very happy to do so. Both my wife and I are alumni of the Staples Motley district and had great experiences growing up as Cardinals. Our children are receiving a wonderful education by

excellent teachers and staff. We live in the Verndale School District and vote yes whenever called on for the Verndale school and its kids, wouldn’t have it any other way as all schools and kids deserve the best. The kids of our community are the future and they have every right to have nothing but the best. This should be a very easy vote yes for the residents of

Staples Motley as it gives them no better chance to put their kids and community first. By investing in our school we are investing in our kids, our children’s families, their workplaces, and the overall communities it will serve. Vote yes. Tom and Kendel Roline,  
Verndale, Minn.

Buildings can be fixed

Vote no on the Staples-Motley school referendum questions one and two. The Staples-Motley School Board should be ashamed of what they are showing us in the video of our school buildings and the tours of the buildings. What they are showing us is what the school board has neglected to fix, update and repair over the past 32 plus years. What have they been doing with our tax dollars? They have not been keeping up with the repairs and updates that our school buildings and equipment needed. Now that the school board wants almost \$60,000,000 to update and repair buildings? But they just don’t want to fix and repair our buildings, they want to add two new gymnasiums and a new activities building that we don’t need. Our school board recently spent thousands of our tax dollars to remodel our present game gym. Now they just want to demolish it and build a new one. You can see that our school board has a mindset to put sports ahead of education. We need to put education first, especially now when our student population is on the decline. You can also see that our school board is making decisions that do not apply to education. For example, the school board bought the old Twin City Optical building just for office space, storage space and mechanical space. It cost us \$139,000 to just purchase the building. There will be an additional \$200,000 to remodel it. Total cost will

be \$339,000 of our school tax dollars to complete the project. Where did this money come from? Why wasn’t the money used to fix, update and repair our present school buildings? Why didn’t we as taxpayers get a chance to vote on this large expenditure? The school board also wants us to build an estimated \$10,450,000 activities building that we don’t need. The school board should be ashamed for asking for this building because it has nothing to do with education. The school board needs to be held accountable for what they spend our tax dollars on. At the present time the school board has said we don’t have enough students to keep the Motley school campus open. They plan on having kindergarten through 12th grade at the Staples campuses for the 2019-2020 school year. Therefore, we need to fix update and repair the high school and elementary buildings at the Staples campus. We don’t need to add a lot of extra buildings that we do not need or demolish what we have we need a school that promotes education first, not sports. The school board should be ashamed of the video of the Staples Community Center building. The video shows how the repairs and upkeep of the building has been neglected. Now they want us to build a new activities center building that will cost us \$10,450,000. They plan on demolishing the present community center building and replace it with a parking lot for the school. Our community center building can be fixed and repaired. Please vote no on the second question. According to the May 1

Staples World newspaper, it states that back in 1974, the school board got a bond to pay for that community center building. Then they paid \$18,000 of our school tax money per year to pay off the bond debt on the building. So why did they not make sure that the building was well maintained? Why then is our school board paying the City of Staples \$80,000 per year of our school tax money to rent this building for sports and other events? Where did this money go? It sure didn’t go into the repair and upkeep of our Staples Community Center building. If you live in the city of Staples you paid double tax money on this building, city tax and school tax. According to the school board and architects, we have good sound strong structures. Why can we not just fix, update and repair them? We need to vote no on the school referendum and send our school board back to the drawing board so they can come up with a plan that is more cost-effective for what we need and can afford. One that repairs and updates the problems that the present buildings have. The school board also needs to come up with a maintenance plan that will continue to keep the buildings in good repair for the future. Also, the City of Staples will be adding \$30 per month to your sewage bill to pay for the new waste treatment plant that the city is building. Can you afford this tax increase? Vote no on the school board referendums one and two. Bruce Drone  
Staples, Minn



## Golfers playing at high levels

Staples-Motley golf teams have been playing with some of the top teams in the area early in the season. The boys team finished close to the top in three meets and the girls team was competitive in a big school meet, the Geneva Invitational on May 4.

The boys were second in a meet where all six varsity scores are counted. It is a head to head scoring event where each team position is scored on its own. For example, all the number one golfers are scored head to head, then all the number two golfers, and so on. The Cardinals finished second to Pequot Lakes after two rounds of that scoring format.

### Team results

#### Boys results

Team scores: Pequot Lakes 68, Staples-Motley 56, Crosby-Ironton 47.5, Pine River-Backus 37, Aitkin 21.5, Wadena-Deer Creek 9

Beck Erholtz 79, Finn Erholtz 86, Jack Benson 92, Adam Oberlander 100, Jack

Adamietz 107, Alex Giza 108

#### Aitkin Invitational

Pequot Lakes 325, Crosby-Ironton 336, Staples-Motley 346, Pine River-Backus 361, Pierz 375, Aitkin 447, Pie City 451, incomplete: Greenway/Nashwauk-Keewatin, Mille Lacs

3. B. Erholtz 77, 10. F. Erholtz 82, 19. Benson 92, 25. Giza 95, 29. Alex Rosenthal 101, 34. Oberlander 108

#### 6AA Pre-Section Blackberry Ridge

Team scores: Rocori 346, Melrose 347, Albany 351, Staples-Motley 357, Little Falls 362, Pierz 365, Paynesville 413, Sauk Centre 413, Kimball/Eden Valley-Watkins 427, Foley 477

4. B. Erholtz 81, F. Erholtz 88, Benson 88, Rosenthal 100, Oberlander 103, Giza 105

#### Girls results

##### Geneva Invitational

Team scores: Alexandria 319, Elk River 336, Eden Prairie 341, St. Michael-Albertville 356, Cambridge-Isanti 387, Staples-Motley 397, Rocori 403, Rogers 427, Eden Prairie black 429

13. Adrianna Dickey 87, 19. Bo Erholtz 92, 26. Ava Schneider 97, 49. Libby O'Neil 121



## Baseball community unites after tragedy

When Patty Kossan died April 1, her husband Greg was several weeks into the season as coach of the Staples-Motley baseball team, with two of their sons playing on the team. The family continued to coach and play, but the tragedy affected the entire team. On May 1, Darren Holst and assistant coach Mike Martin presented the family with a granite bench in Patty's name, and added gifts of money from the community.

"I'm at a loss of words," said Greg Kossan. "The community's strength is our strength. We really do feel blessed."

Brichacek Stone donated the stone slab, Tad Carlson of River Rock Blasting did the etching, and Wade Bendson of Staples Precision Metalcraft made the bench legs. The Staples Diamond Club and Staples Amateur Baseball Association/Lumberbats created a scholarship in Patty Kossan's name, and teamed up with the Staples Fire Department, Mot-

ley Fire Department and Ernie's Grocery to donate money and gift certificates to the family at the bench presentation.

Pictured, the Kossan family gathers around the bench and is surrounded by the Staples-Motley baseball team and several others involved with the gift on the rainy day the bench was presented. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



## Softball team improving

Although the Staples-Motley softball team started the season without a win so far, the team is playing competitively and is showing signs of improvement.

Coach Lonna Dille provided some comments on the team's play:

"We are currently 0-7 in the season but that does not reflect the ability and grit of this team. Despite our record, we continue to

make great improvement every game. Every game we are decreasing errors, getting more hits and more runs and getting closer to a win. Our last few games have been fun and competitive games, which has been exciting for these young women as well as for the coaches. With a few weeks left of season and I cannot wait to see what these young women will accomplish."



Riley Peterson throws a runner out.



Amyah Converse connects on a swing.

## Highlights in first baseball games

Staples-Motley baseball coach Greg Kossan provided an update on the first eight games of the season:

In our first game we jumped all over Detroit Lakes behind a good pitching by Ben Olander and Owen Bjerga. We won 10-3. Cade Schmidt went 3 for 4 with a double and 3 RBI's. Josh Kossan had 4 hits. The game ball went to Ryan Gerard, who has been rehabbing both knees for the last four years. Gerard had two successful at bats, reaching first with two bases on balls. We are proud of Gerard's hard work and determination.

Game two with DL Was called because of darkness and will be replayed at a later date.

Our next game was

against Osakis. Owen Bjerga pitched 7 strong innings. We lost 4-3. A defensive highlight was when Blayne Dumpprope ran straight back in center field, making a basket catch of a long fly ball.

Our third game was against a good Sebeka team, Spencer Miller pitched 3 1/3 strong innings and was the winning pitcher, 10-4. Tom Kossan went 2 for 4 with a double. Owen Bjerga went 2 for 3. The Game ball went to Connor Fox, who was 3 for 4 with a double.

Int he next game against Aitkin, everything fell apart. We lost 10-0. We put that game in the rear view mirror, and pulled it together in the second game. Owen Bjerga went 2 for 4, Josh Kossan went 2 for 4 and the team got 10

hits. The game was tied in the last inning and we lost on a walk-off hit, 11-10.

In our next game we lost to Royalton by the 10 run rule.

Our last two games were against Crosby. In the first game, Ben Olander earned the game ball by pitching 7 complete innings, striking out 8 with one earned run. Owen Bjerga went 2 for 3 and Connor Fox doubled. We won 6-2.

In game two against Crosby, our team had 10 total hits and held Crosby to 5. Damon Halverson went 2 for 3 with a double, Brayden Christensen went 2 for 3, Josh Kossan went 2 for 4, Tom Kossan hit a triple and Ben Olander hit a double.

We played good defense and Owen Bjerga pitched

well. We lost 4-3.

Our record is 3 and 5. With the exception of two games, we have played very good ball.

The leading pitchers on the team are Olander and Bjerga. Leading hitter is Josh Kossan with a .464 average. Damon Halverson is batting .312 and Tom Kossan is batting .307.

In other highlights, Emmitt Winkles' broken leg has healed and he has 2 hits in his last 6 at bats. Ryan Wick is 3 for 9 with a double. Del Eckman's defense in the outfield has been an asset to the team.

After playing at Park Rapids Tuesday, May 7, the Cardinals play Thursday, May 9, at home against Long Prairie, starting at 4:30 p.m.

## "The Opener" ranks high in holiday hierarchy

In the hierarchy of Minnesotans' holidays, the general fishing opener ranks right up there as a not-too-distant second behind Christmas. Minnesota anglers have an almost religious passion for the fishing opener, which gradually reaches a peak as we count down the weeks, d a y s , and now finally the hours that lead up to it.

Truth be told, it might not be a shock to hear some anglers hint that the order of finish for those two popular holidays could be "a horse race." Night-before anticipation for serious anglers of any age might rank right up there with the eagerness we had as young lads or lasses when we were tucked into bed on Christmas Eve, where we pretended sleep while awaiting a parent's word from that St. Nick had paid us a visit.

Of course, no discussion of the Minnesota fishing opener would be complete without bringing up the

almost perennial conflict with Mother's Day. Based on Minnesota state statute and the rules that govern the timing of Mother's Day, we can expect the two holidays to line up on the same weekend in about seven out of every 10 years.

Few dare question Mother's Day's importance, but that doesn't prevent some anglers from risking the wrath of their families by hanging out the "gone fishin'" sign on that weekend. When the idea of making it an official national holiday was proposed in 1908, Congress balked, arguing that they would next be asked to declare a national Mother-in-Law's Day!

President Woodrow Wilson gave it official sanction in 1914 by declaring the second Sunday in May as a national holiday to honor mothers, setting Minnesotans up for the inevitable conflict. It should be noted that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has extended an olive branch by allowing mothers to fish without an angling license; not just on their special day, but on fishing opener Saturday, the day before Mother's Day.

The May 11th big day notwithstanding, I've had my 2019 license since early April, a time when I and

other winter weary anglers are drawn to the North Shore of Lake Superior in the hope of intercepting migratory rainbow trout—called steelhead—which travel up those rocky rivers in spring to spawn. Anything for a chance to experience ice-free angling.

But having already cast a line in open water does not diminish excitement over the general statewide opener, when our state fish—the walleye—becomes fair game. That early open water fishing is as much a crusade in defiance of winter as it is about catching fish.

The official opener is a social event with party-like overtones, at times taking on the dimensions of a carnival. It begins a couple of days before the Saturday opener. The highway traffic changes visibly, with more pickups and SUVs pulling boat-laden trailers. Many head to their fishing opener destinations a day or more prior, to "scope things out" or to get in some crappie fishing, which has already begun on open water following ice-out.

Anglers feed on one another's enthusiasm, gathering at time-honored establishments—often independent mom-and-pop operations—that dispense bait, tackle, and guidance.

Will there be enough of the kind of minnows I'm looking for? Why didn't I re-spool my reels with fresh line earlier, and not wait 'til the day before the opener? When did my chosen lake lose its ice, and how eager to feed will its walleyes be? Will bait-tipped jigs, or walleye rigs, be the better option? Lots of variables, and equal amounts of hope and optimism.

Some will be on the water at the stroke of midnight, driven by a sense of ritual, or a desire to beat the crush of anglers that may converge on their favorite lake at dawn; or simply because they know that walleyes are often most approachable at low light levels, and the ultimate in angler concealment is during the hours of darkness.

That's not for everyone, and not just because intimate knowledge of the water and skill in blind navigation are called for in dark-of-night fishing. It's also because fishing enjoyment is in part about the sights and sounds of it all. To catch fish is the reason we give for being out there. But the full experience—including being on the water in common purpose as "brothers of the angle"—is also part of what the opener is all about.

### Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn



Photo finish

Kyanna Burton, left, gets nudged out at the finish line as the two competitors raced the entire 1,600 meters together. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Cardinal track and field results

The Staples-Motley track teams competed in the John Reimer Invitational at Pillager on May 2.

Team results

Boys results  
100 - 7. Cael Sams 12.14, 9. Jordon Carlson 12.28, 11. Sivert Klefsaas 12.38  
200 - 6. Sams 24.73, 7. Klefsaas 24.99, 15. Noah Greenwaldt 27.64  
400 - 6. Jeff Sundstrom 56.49, 9. J. Carlson 58.31  
800 - 6. Matthew Fisher 2:12, 7. Bentley Christensen 2:12, 10. Isaac Christoffersen 2:20, 11. Jack Tyrrell 2:23  
1,600 - 1. Hunter Klimek 4:40, 8. Isaac Christoffersen 5:10, 12. Ben Bartczak 5:20  
3,200 - 1. Emmet Anderson 9:50, 4. Tanner Robben 10:53  
110 hurdles 12. Sam Jennissen 22.04, 14. Boston Smith 23.30  
300 hurdles - 14. Jennissen 54.58, 15. Connor Judd 55.92, 16. Smith 57.85  
4x100 - 1. SM 47.04  
4x200 - 7. SM 1:48  
4x400 - 3. SM 3:40  
4x800 - 2. SM 8:48  
High jump - 8. Garrett Carlson 5'2", 9. Jacob Schmitz 5'2"  
Long jump - 13. Robben 17'4", 16. Christensen 16'5"  
Triple jump - 5. Greenwaldt 35'0" 9. Sundstrom 33'11", 12. Fisher 33'7"  
Pole vault - 11. Jennissen 8'6", 13. Smith 8'0"  
Discus - 4. Scout Strickland 114'3", 18. Isaac Kronenberg 79'11", 20. Evan Nanik 70'7", 22. Alex Suliga 53'9"  
Shot put - 8. Strickland 38'2", 12. Kronenberg 35'2", 22. Nanik 27'5", 25. Alex Brings 14'3"

Girls results  
100 - 11. Brooke Ferdon 14.26, 17. Aubrey Brandt 14.83, 20. Camden Anderson 15.29  
200 - 16. Aleeah Halverson 31.07, 18. Bailey Weiland 31.68, 20. Malaya Reem 33.17  
400 - 2. Aften Robinson 1:02, 6. Kira Sweeney 1:06, 12. Abby Dukowitz 1:11  
800 - 2. Addison Lorber 2:39, 3. Kiera Dumpprope 2:41, 9.

Discus - 6. Tabetha Allen 77'1", 7. Madysen Hull 76'9", 12. Jennissen 67'2"  
Shot put - 6. Allen 27'5", 15. Hull 24'4", 26. Jennissen 18'3"  
Triple jump - 10. Kobliska 29'4"

Addisyn Cichos 2:50  
1,600 - 2. Kyanna Burton 5:33, 7. Cichos 6:04, 16. Sabina Moe 7:00  
3,200 - 1. Burton 11:43, 2. Ashley Robben 12:21  
100 hurdles - 16. Weiland 20.79, 18. Jayce Kobliska 21.61, 19. Alli Olander 22.52, 20. Abby Brown 22.53  
300 hurdles - 14. Kobliska 58.39, 15. Olander 59.04, 20. Brown 1:09  
4x100 - 6. SM 58.16  
4x200 - 5. SM 2:03  
4x400 - 2. SM 4:29  
4x800 - 1. SM 10:18  
High jump - 15. Brandt 4'2", 17. Lorber 4'0"  
Long jump - 15. Ferdon 13'2", 18. Reem 13'0", 22. Grace Jennissen 11'3"  
Triple jump - 10. Kobliska 29'4"  
Discus - 6. Tabetha Allen 77'1", 7. Madysen Hull 76'9", 12. Jennissen 67'2"  
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Sivert Klefsaas takes off after getting the baton from Garrett Carlson, as they teamed up with Jordon Carlson and Cael Sams to win the 4x100 relay.

Girls basketball awards

The Staples-Motley girls basketball teams held their annual banquet and awards night on March 31 at the Staples Church of Christ.

At the event, the team announced several awards.

Team voted awards:

MVP - Kaitlyn Smith  
Best Defender - Kaila Erbe  
Miss Hustle - Alix Peterson  
Hardest Worker - Kaitlyn Smith  
Most Improved - Klaire Storry  
Best Teammate - Jenna Dvorak

Statistical awards:

Most points - Tabetha Allen  
Most rebounds - Tabetha Allen  
Most assists - Haley Cichos  
Most steals - Tabetha Allen  
Most 3's made - Kaitlyn Smith  
Most charges taken - Bella Martin  
Best FT % - Alix Peterson

Letter winners

Juniors - Kaila Erbe, Alix Peterson, Bella Martin, Kaitlyn Smith  
Soph. - Tabetha Allen, Jenna Dvorak, Haley

Cichos  
Fresh. - Addy Lorber, Klaire Storry  
MSHSL awards:  
Team Academic Silver Award  
Team GPA - 3.704  
Mid-State Conference

Honors:

All-Conference - Kaitlyn Smith  
All-Conference Honorable mention- Tabetha Allen, Haley Cichos  
Brainerd Dispatch Honors:  
All Area Team - Tabetha Allen  
All-Area Honorable Mention - Kaitlyn Smith  
Coach Brian Smith had comments about the season:  
"We showed a lot of Improvement this season, the girls worked hard and have put down a great foundation to build on next season. We have a great summer planned including a team camp at Mayville State University and several tournaments. We also are going to be having a few practices with neighboring schools this summer."

"I am very proud of how hard these girls worked this season and I am also excited to help them improve and reach their goals going into next season."

Hunting the elusive walleye

By Ray Gildow

I use the word 'hunting' because looking for and finding walleyes is much like hunting big game animals. You think you know where they are going to be but some days, they aren't anywhere you think they should be. Walleyes are definitely an animal on the move in most lakes and where and how to find them is a constant challenge. But that is what makes fishing for them so exciting.

On smaller lakes in the early season, I like to look for walleyes in areas where the water warms up first. That often means looking on the north side of the lake in areas near a mud bottom or light-colored sand. In larger lakes I tend to go to areas where I have had past success. That usually means shallow water points and wind-blown gravel and rock areas along shorelines. It always amazes me how huge numbers of fish can be located on points and with a wind shift the next day they are gone. Like magic, they dis-

appear to another area in the lake.

Walleyes in deeper lakes often can be found right next to vegetation where the water temperature is warming faster and can attract bait fish which will attract walleyes as well. It is not unusual to find walleyes in three or four feet of water in May and early June. The most important thing to look for in deep water is bait fish. This is easy to do if they are along the edges of vegetation, not so easy to do when they are actually in the vegetation. Then the hunt is much harder and more challenging because going into the vegetation will actually spook the bait fish away from the boat making it more difficult to mark them.

I have found that the lakes I fish inhabited with zebra mussels have become much harder to fish for walleyes because the water usually gets so much clearer. I fish on lakes where the edge of the vegetation used to be twelve to fourteen feet deep,



The author with an early May walleye.

now some of those lakes have vegetation going down to twenty-three feet. I have also found that in deep water lakes it is much easier to spook fish. They probably see the boat and pulling two or three fish out of a spot often seems to spook the other fish to move away.

For me the bottom line is that with invasive species impacting so many of our lakes it is really requiring us to develop new techniques for hunting and

fishing walleyes. Jig fishing farther behind the boat, slip bobber fishing in vegetation, and getting away from the boat, or long lining crank baits and live bait are all approaches that need to be tried when hunting for the elusive walleye.

There are still some lakes where historically good fishing spots are still good fishing spots but with the ever changing environments of our lakes hunting the old marble eyes is getting more challenging.

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

**Staples Alliance**  
1512 8th St. NE, Staples.....218-894-2891  
Pastor Bob Hepokoski  
Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries  
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School.....11:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
AWANA.....6:15 p.m.  
**Assembly of God**  
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples.....218-894-1081  
Pastor Roy Miles  
Discipleship Class.....9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Evening Prayer.....6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Wednesday times are for Sept. - May  
Sunlight (Kids Program)....4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
Youth Group.....5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
**Church of Christ**  
27343 490th St., Staples.....218-894-2609  
Pastor Barry Klein  
Website: www.stapleschurchofchrist.org  
Bible School (youth and adult)....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study....6:30 p.m.

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

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

**Sacred Heart Church**  
310 4th St. NE, Staples  
Church.....218-894-2296  
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz  
Youth and Young Adult Ministry  
Coordinator:  
Monica J. Simmons.....218-414-0081 cell/text  
MASS:  
Thursday and Friday.....8:30 a.m.  
Saturday.....5:00 p.m.  
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

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

**Thomastown Covenant**  
15940 251st Ave., Staples.....218-894-3923  
Pastor Nathan Hillman  
Sunday School.....9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY.....7:00 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran**  
1000 4th St., NE, Staples.....218-894-2372  
Rev. Robin Collins  
Sunday Divine Service.....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School & Bible Class.....10:30 a.m.

United Methodist

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

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  
www.bethanylutherancushing.com.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday School and Coffee Fellowship.....9:30 a.m.  
Pancake Breakfast.....11:45 a.m.  
2nd Sunday, each month

**Lincoln Evangelical Free**  
1354 320th St., Cushing.....218-575-2449  
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free  
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Donald Reigstad  
Pastor: Jim Brown  
Youth Coordinator: Kelly Gelle  
SUNDAY  
Sunday School for all ages.....9:00 a.m.  
Worship Gathering.....10:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Praise & Prayer.....4:30 p.m.  
Kids' Club.....6:00 p.m.  
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group.....6:00 p.m.

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

Leader

**Swan Valley Lutheran**  
Leader.....218-397-2470  
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister of Word and Sacrament  
Sunday Worship.....11:00 a.m.

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

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

Motley

**Motley Free Methodist**  
33 Wellwood St. E  
Motley 56466.....218-352-6888  
Pastor Jim Johnson  
Sunday Worship.....9:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Kids Club.....4:00-5:30 p.m.  
Youth Group.....5:30-7:30 p.m.

**St. John's Lutheran**  
497 3rd Ave. S, Motley.....218-352-6399  
Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler  
Sunday School and Bible Class....8:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....9:30 a.m.

**St. Michael**  
1st St. and Birch, Motley.....218-894-2296  
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz  
MASS:  
Tuesday.....6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday.....8:30 a.m.  
Saturday.....7:00 p.m.  
Sunday.....10:30 a.m.

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

Oylen

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

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

Hewitt

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

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

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

Verndale

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

**Family Life Church**  
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568  
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com  
Pastor Amos Self.....218-371-7189  
Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldgaard  
SUNDAY  
Discipleship Classes.....9:00 a.m.  
Prayer.....9:20 a.m.  
Coffee / Fellowship.....9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service.....10:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
6:00 p.m. ...Meal.....6:30 p.m. ...Groups

**Hope Chapel Alliance**  
18126 County Road 7, Verndale  
218-445-5643 or 218-472-3316  
Pastor Neal Malcore  
Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School.....10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Family Night.....5:30 p.m.

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

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

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

"Love is Better Shown Than Said"

My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth. -New K.J.V. 1 John 3:18

Love is sometimes more clearly shown in actions than in words. Small acts of kindness or generosity are often better expressions of love than flowery words. There is nothing wrong with telling others that we love them, but, we should be sure that our words are not contradicted by our actions.

It is easy to say that we love our families, friends and our fellow human beings while showing utter contempt or disregard for them. Often the more time we spend with people, the harder it may

be to act in a kind and loving manner towards them. The man who must isolate himself in order to stay on good terms with his fellow man probably lacks the loving disposition of the saint who can actually live in the world amongst her fellow humans and still show them kindness and love.

We would all do well to work harder at showing our love, especially to those who may be difficult to love, instead of merely saying those three easy words.

-MCS

The Staples area Church Directory is sponsored by these businesses:

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

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

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

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

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

**Staples World**  
Your community newspaper since 1890  
224 4th St. NE, Staples, MN  
218-894-1112

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

**Staples True Value "Just Ask Rental"**  
Open 7 days a week.  
Staples, MN 218-894-3263





## Making a difference

Each year, volunteers provide thousands of hours of service at Lakewood Health System in Staples. They were honored at the annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon April 10, at the LHS

Care Center. Above, from left, are Jim Hofer, Pastor Roy and Kathy Miles; and LaVonne Selleck. Below, from left, are Marcia and John Marsh; and Bob and Dorothy Larson. (Submitted photos)



## Lakewood Health System recognizes volunteers

In recognition of National Volunteer Week, Lakewood Health System held its annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on April 10, at the LHS Care Center in Staples. Of the 46 volunteers who provide services at Lakewood, 22 attended the luncheon.

In 2018, Lakewood volunteers provided 2,576 hours of service, valued at \$62,185. Kari Mayer, home care volunteer, was honored for having the most volunteer hours with 282, while Bria Hoyhtya, care center youth volunteer,

was honored for her 208 hours.

Volunteers can assist in a variety of departments and activities, which include Joint Connection; Hospital; Behavioral Health Unit; Care Center; Hospice/Palliative Care; Lakewood Manor and Pines; Environmental Services; Nutrition Services; Medical Marketplace; Clinic; and Education.

Music for the luncheon was provided by Lakewood employees Paul Johnson, chaplain, who played guitar and, Lindsay Kirk

and Lonna Dille, social workers, who played their lap harps and sang.

"We would not be able to provide the services we do at Lakewood without the help and devotion of our volunteers," said Joan Wright, Lakewood Volunteer Coordinator. "Volunteers truly make a difference for our patients, residents, clients, visitors and staff and to our community."

To learn more about volunteer opportunities at Lakewood, contact Joan at 218-894-8051.

## Mark Your Calendar

### May 8

**THE VINTAGE MEN'S WEDNESDAY GOLF LEAGUE** Wed., May 8, Scramble sign up by 5:30 p.m., start at 6 p.m. Informational mtg. to follow. League starts Wed., May 15, 6 p.m. Format: Two-man teams with handicap. Sign up at The Vintage, 218-894-9907.

### May 14

**SQUARE DANCING MAINSTREAM WORKSHOP** Tues., May 14, 6 p.m., Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE, Staples. Phil Miller, instructor. For info., 218-639-3273.

### May 21, 22

**IMMUNIZATION CLINIC - WALK-IN** sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., May 21, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340.

**WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM** sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., May 21, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m.; and Wed., May 22, 9:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 2 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340.

## Last day of school for Staples-Motley students

The Staples-Motley School District has announced that the last day of school will be Wednesday, June 5.

Two student days are being forgiven, but three student days (June 3, 4 and 5) are being made up.

Graduation will remain

on Friday, May 31, as scheduled.

The last day of school for students at Sacred Heart Area School is Friday, May 31.

For questions regarding the make-up day schedule, call the district office at 218-894-5400.

## Cardinal Calendar

Staples-Motley School events

### May

- **DFS AWARDS NIGHT** May 8, 7 p.m., Centennial Auditorium, Staples.
- **FINALE CONCERT** May 17, 7 p.m.
- **BACCALAUREATE** May 19, Staples Alliance Church, 7 p.m.
- **CONNECTIONS SR. PROJECT SHOWCASE NIGHT** May 22, Sourcewell in Staples, 6:30 p.m.
- **COMMENCEMENT CONCERT** May 24, 7 p.m.
- **CORDS AND AWARDS** May 31, 10 a.m.
- **GRADUATION** May 31, 7:30 p.m.

All Staples-Motley Upcoming Events are subject to change. Go to [www.isd2170.k12.mn.us](http://www.isd2170.k12.mn.us) for up to the minute information.

## The Afterglow

A casual evening concert event of music and refreshments.

**Saturday, May 11, 2019**

**7:30 P.M. LANDMARK INN**  
631 3RD AVE. NE, STAPLES, MN.

**Tickets \$20**

Available from chorus members,  
**Nelson Insurance Agency, Staples 218-895-5046**  
and online: [www.staplesmen.org](http://www.staplesmen.org)

This project is made possible by a grant provided by the Five Wings Arts Council with funds from the McKnight Foundation supplemented with Legacy funds.

## Staples Council agenda

### May 14

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, May 14, at 8:01 p.m. The later start time is to accommodate election day proceedings.

Items on the agenda include:

- Consider approval of Liquor Licenses for 2019 to 2020
- Consider Resolution No. 1770 Authorizing Maintenance and Operation Grant with MnDOT for 2020
- Consider adoption of Parks, Open Space and trail Plan
- Consider Resolution No. 1771 support application for City of Pillager request to Sourcewell Innovation Funding program to purchase dewatering equipment
- Consider request from Knights of Columbus for a gambling permit

## Baccalaureate service May 19

The Staples-Motley 2019 graduating class' Baccalaureate service will be held Sunday, May 19 at 7 p.m. at the Staples Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE. A time of fellowship will follow the service.

Graduates, plan to arrive at the

church by 6:40 p.m. with your cap and gown.

The Staples-Motley Ministerial Association invites everyone to attend. For questions, contact Pastor Mark Shea at Staples Alliance Church, 218-894-2891.

**COZY THEATRE**  
WADENA, MN

Screen 1  
**DETECTIVE PIKACHU** PG-13  
Fri. thru Thurs. May 10 - 23  
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:10 & 9:15  
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:10  
Matinee Sun. May 12 at 1:25 pm

Screen 2  
**AVENGERS: ENDGAME** PG-13  
Held Over 3rd Week!  
Fri. thru Thurs. May 10 - 16  
ONE Show Every Night at 7:00 ONLY!  
Matinee Sun. May 12 at 1:15 pm

Screen 3  
**LONG SHOT** R  
Held Over 2nd Hilarious Week  
Fri. thru Thurs. May 10 - 16  
Fri. & Sat. 2 Shows at 7:15 & 9:30  
Sun. thru Thurs. 1 Show at 7:15  
Matinee Sun. May 12 at 1:30 pm

Tuesday Bargain Night All Seats \$5.00  
Matinee Admission All Seats \$6.00  
[www.cozytheatre.com](http://www.cozytheatre.com)

**Celebrate Mom with our Special Mother's Day Buffet!**

3 Meats, Shrimp, all the trimmings & dessert 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

**FISHERMEN: LIVE BAIT**  
Leeches, minnows, night crawlers, tackle.

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**Wadena County**

**Mother's Day Breakfast Buffet**

**Sunday, May 12**  
**10 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**Ham & Broccoli Egg Bake, Chef Carved Ham, Irish Cream Brioche, French Toast, Eggs Benedict, Cheesy Potato's O'Brien - all of her breakfast favorites and much more.**

**Adults \$18**  
**Ages 5-12 \$7**  
**4 and under FREE**

**Call for Reservations 218-895-1400**

**TIMBERS**  
RESTAURANT EVENT CENTER  
1220 2nd Ave. NE, Staples



# *Celebrating* **MOM**

## Sunday, May 12

**May all the love you give  
to others come back to you  
on this special day.**

*With special wishes for a  
Happy Mother's Day from:*

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Inc.

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3M

R. Bjerga Construction/  
Friendly Inn

Thrivent Financial/  
Bob Mueller

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Motley and Staples

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Staples Assembly  
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in Motley

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Lakewood Health System

Lefty's Inc.

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Metalcraft

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Longbella Drug

Mayer, Porter & Nelson,  
Ltd., CPA's

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EVERGREEN HILL  
CEMETERY  
MEETING

Evergreen Hill Cemetery will meet Tuesday, May 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Staples Community Center.

Bob Reeck, Sec.

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NOTICE  
TODD-WADENA  
COMMUNITY  
CORRECTIONS  
EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00

p.m., at the Todd County Courthouse, 221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Curtis Bryniarski

Administrative Assistant

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TODD COUNTY  
ATTENTION  
LAND OWNERS:  
NOXIOUS WEED  
SPRAYING AND  
BRUSH SPRAYING

Legal Notice is hereby given that there will be Noxious Weed and Brush Spraying of County Road Rights of Way. The spraying will begin sometime after June 3, 2019. Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to Todd County Ditch and Agricultural Inspector Nancy Uhlenkamp, located at Public Works, 44 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, MN 56347, 320-533-4651, [nancvuhlenkamp@co.todd.mn.us](mailto:nancvuhlenkamp@co.todd.mn.us).

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TODD COUNTY  
GENERAL NOTICE  
TO CONTROL  
OR ERADICATE  
NOXIOUS WEEDS

Notice is hereby given this 6th day of May, 2019, pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 1 (2009)*, that all persons in Todd County, Minnesota, shall control or eradicate all noxious weeds on land they occupy or are required to maintain (Landowners are required to control noxious weeds on any land enrolled in CRP. Special attention needs to be devoted to covers established with native grasses, forbs or pollinator seed mixtures. Please call the FSA Office for control requirements). Control or eradication may be accomplished by any lawful method, but the method(s) applied may need to be repeated in order to prevent the spread of viable noxious weed seeds and other propagating parts to other lands. Failure to comply with the general notice may mean that an individual notice, *Minnesota Statutes, Section 18.83, Subdivision 2 (2009)*, will be issued.

An individual notice may be appealed within two working days of receipt to the appeal committee in the county where the land is located. Failure to comply with an individual notice may mean that the inspector having jurisdiction may either hire the work done or seek a misdemeanor charge against the person(s) who failed to comply. If the work is hired done by the inspector, the cost can be placed as a tax upon the land and collected as other real estate taxes are collected. You may obtain a list of the plants that are designated noxious and the members of the appeal committee from your County Agricultural Inspector. You can also obtain this information from your Local Weed Inspectors. Local Weed Inspectors include the township supervisors, city mayors or their appointed assistants.

More information regarding the MN Noxious Weed Law and a list of County Agricultural Inspectors and County Designated Employees can be obtained from the Minnesota Department of Agriculture's Web Site: <https://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants-insects/minnesota-noxious-weed-list>.

The noxious weeds that need to be:

**Eradicated** are: Palmer Amaranth, Oriental Bittersweet, Diffuse Knapweed, Brown Knapweed, Yellow Starthistle, Meadow Knapweed, Poison Hemlock, Black Swallow-wort, Grecian Foxglove, Common Teasel, Cutleaf Teasel, Giant Hogweed, Japanese Hops, and Dalmatian Toadflax.

**Controlled** are: Common Barberry, Narrowleaf Bittercress, Plumless Thistle, Spotted Knapweed, Canada Thistle, Leafy Spurge, Purple Loosestrife, Wild Parsnip, and Common Tansy.

**Restricted Noxious Weeds** are: Tree of Heaven, Garlic Mustard, Porcelain Berry, Crown Vetch, Wild Carrot/Queen Anne's Lace, Glossy Buckthorn (and all cultivars), Amur Honeysuckle, Morrow's Honeysuckle, Bell's Honeysuckle, Common Reed (non-native subspecies), Common or European Buckthorn, Black Locust, Multiflora Rose, Tatarian

Honeysuckle, and Japanese Barberry Cultivars .

**Specially Regulated Plants** are: Poison Ivy, Japanese Knotweed, Giant Knotweed, and Amur Maple.

*We appreciate your help in controlling and eradicating Noxious Weeds in Todd County.*

Nancy Uhlenkamp,  
Todd County Ditch and  
Ag Inspector  
Located at Public Works,  
44 Riverside Drive,  
Long Prairie, MN 56347  
320-533-4651  
[nancy.uhlenkamp@co.todd.mn.us](mailto:nancy.uhlenkamp@co.todd.mn.us)

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NOTICE OF  
MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE SALE

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: November 24, 2015  
ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$157,783.10  
MORTGAGORS: Richard L. Kasper, a single person and Amanda L. Lavine, a single person  
MORTGAGEE: Glenwood State Bank  
DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded December 31, 2015, Todd County Recorder, Todd County, Minnesota, Document No. 497371.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Government Lot One (1) and Government Lot Two (2), all in Section Twenty-nine (29), Township One Hundred Twenty-nine (129) North, Range Thirty-two (32) West of the 5th P.M., Todd County, Minnesota; AND Government Lot Four (4), Section Twenty (20), Township One Hundred Twenty-nine (129), Range Thirty-two (32), Todd County, Minnesota.

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd  
Property Address: 30282 Grosbeak Rd, Long Prairie, MN 56347 / 30164 Grosbeak Rd, Long Prairie, MN 56347

Tax Parcel ID No.: 04-0029500, 04-0029400 and 04-0020800.  
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$55,841.28

That all preforeclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; 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: June 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff's Office, 115 3rd Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within twelve (12) months from the date of said sale by the Mortgagors, their personal representatives or assigns.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: None  
THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

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.

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.

Dated: April 25, 2019

Glenwood State Bank  
Mortgagee

PEMBERTON LAW,

PL.L.P.

By: Nicholas J. Heydt

Attorneys for

Mortgagee

203 22nd Avenue West

Alexandria, MN 56308

Telephone: 320-759-3143

Loan No. 68512

Notice of Mortgage  
Foreclosure Sale Foreclosure Data

Transaction Agent; residential mortgage servicer; and lender or broker: Glenwood State Bank

Transaction Agent's mortgage ID number (MERS number): Not applicable.

Name of mortgage originator: Not applicable.

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NOTICE OF  
MORTGAGE  
FORECLOSURE SALE

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

DATE OF MORTGAGE: October 22, 2009

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$70,000.00

MORTGAGORS: Richard L. Kasper, an individual

MORTGAGEE: Glenwood State Bank

DATE AND PLACE OF RECORDING: Recorded October 29, 2009, Todd County Recorder, Todd County, Minnesota, Document No. 465364.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Government Lot One (1) and Government Lot Two (2), all in Section Twenty-nine (29), Township One Hundred Twenty-nine (129) North, Range Thirty-two (32) West of the 5th P.M., Todd County, Minnesota

COUNTY IN WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd

Property Address: 30282 Grosbeak Rd, Long Prairie, MN 56347 / 30164 Grosbeak Rd, Long Prairie, MN 56347

Tax Parcel ID No.: 04-0029500 and 04-0029400.  
AMOUNT DUE AND CLAIMED TO BE DUE AS OF DATE OF NOTICE, INCLUDING TAXES, IF ANY, PAID BY MORTGAGEE: \$39,068.73

That all preforeclosure requirements have been complied with; that no action or proceeding has been instituted at law or otherwise to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof; 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: June 20, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff's Office, 115 3rd Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, to pay the debt then secured by said Mortgage, and taxes, if any, on said premises, and the costs and disbursements, including attorneys' fees allowed by law subject to redemption within twelve (12) months from the date of said sale by the Mortgagors, their personal representatives or assigns.

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

THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE

See **FORECLOSURE** on page 12a

Staples-Motley School Board Minutes

SCHOOL BOARD  
WORK SESSION -  
MEETING #25  
MONDAY, APRIL 1,  
2019 6:00 p.m.  
High School Media  
Center

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order with Longbella, Winkels, Frisk, Anderson and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Freeman arrived later. Also attending: Supt. Bratlie; Business Services, Chuck Herdegen, several community and staff members, and Recording Secretary, Madson.

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to adopt the agenda with the deletion of item #4 and changing the Math position to a 1.0 FTE. MC

Personnel

Discussion of added positions or position changes as recommended by the Personnel Committee

• 2.0 FTE Special Education positions

One position at the elementary and one position for MS/HS due to case loads.

• 1.0 FTE Student Success and Interventionist (Elementary)

An academic and behavior entry level position to work with students.

The end goal is to reach students early with the goal being less students being put on an IEP.

• 1.0 FTE Grade 2 Teacher (Elem)

Due to class size, four (4) sections are needed at K, 1 and 2

• Speech Language Pathologist Assistant (Districtwide)

A current SLP is asking for a reduction in contract time. That savings would cover most of the cost of an addition SLPA who would work under an SLP

• 1 full time SSW Internship (K-12; Para contract working under a licensed SSW)

Mental health issue justify this position

• 1.0 FTE Math (7-12)

This position could offer CIS to upper classmen as well as remedial math as needed.

• 1.0 FTE Activities Director/ Community Ed Director

The vacant .5 Activities Director would be combined with the Community Ed Director position. This position would most likely be on the Administrative Contract; 220 days per year. Community Ed Director license desired.

• El. Tutor Paraprofessional; Grade 7 (remainder of this school year)

Funded with Title I and Indian Education Grant money

The total cost of adding these positions is approximately \$320,000. The district must continue looking for efficiencies as we move into the next several years.

BUILD 2170

A building update was given by Supt. Bratlie. Two informational meetings will be held next week (April 9 and April 11) with question and answer sessions, tax impact and building tours.

Adjournment

Motion by Frisk, seconded by Freeman, to adjourn the meeting.

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SPECIAL SCHOOL  
BOARD MEETING -  
#26  
MONDAY, APRIL 1,  
2019

Immediately  
following the  
Work Session  
High School Media  
Center

MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order with Freeman, Longbella, Frisk, Anderson and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Also attending: Supt. Bratlie; Business Services, Herdegen; several staff and community members, and Recording Secretary, Madson.

**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Longbella, to adopt the agenda as presented with a revision to the VI f. Math Posting should be 1.0 FTE. MC

**Motion** to move into closed session as allowed by MN Statute 13D.05 pursuant to the attorney client privilege

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to move into closed session as allowed by MN Statute 13D.05 pursuant to the attorney client privilege at 7:44 p.m. MC

Reconvene in Closed Session

Motion to reconvene in Open Session

**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Frisk to reconvene in Open Session at 7:51 p.m. MC

PERSONNEL

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Separation Agreement and Release of Claims. Motion Carried

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Frisk, to accept the retirement request of Kevin Roline; Community Ed Director; eff. April 30, 2019. MC

*Thank you, Kevin, for the time and commitment you've given our district.*

**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Longbella, to accept the retirement request of Linda Klein; El. Special Education; eff. Nov. 8, 2019. MC

*Thank you to Linda for her 31 years of continued service to our district.*

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to Accept the retirement request of Kevin Klein; MS Custodian; eff. July 26, 2019. MC

*Thank you, Kevin for your 31 years of dedication and service to the district.*

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to accept the retirement of Lorri Mumme-Johnson; HS Paraprofessional; eff. Oct. 16, 2019

*Thank you, Lorri for your continued dedication and service for 21 years.*

FINANCE

**Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Freeman, to approve the Business Manager Services contract with Bergen KDV, July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2021. Voting in favor: Freeman, Anderson, Lund and Longbella Opposed: Frisk

**Motion** by Lund, seconded by Longbella, to act on the following staffing additions and changes individually. MC

a. 2.0 FTE Special Education positions (1 Elem; 1 MS/HS)

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Lund. Voting in

favor: Lund, Frisk, Anderson and Freeman Opposed: Longbella MC

a. 1.0 FTE Student Success and Interventionist (Elementary)

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Freeman. Voting in favor: Lund, Frisk, Anderson and Freeman Opposed: Longbella MC

a. 1.0 FTE Grade 2 Teacher (Elem)

**Motion** by Lund, seconded by Frisk. MC

a. 1.0 FTE Speech Language Pathologist Assistant

**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Anderson Voting in favor: Lund, Frisk, Anderson and Freeman Opposed: Longbella MC

a. 1 full time SSW Internship (K-12; Para contract working under a licensed SSW) **Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson MC

b. 1.0 FTE Math (7-12) CIS and remediation classes **Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Lund MC

1.0 FTE Activities Director/ Community Ed Director

Salary range for this position will be determined.

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson MC

a. El. Academic & Behavior Tutor; Grade 7 (remainder of this school year)

(Funded with Title I and Indian Education Grant money)

**Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Freeman. MC

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Lund to move into Closed Session for 2019-2020 Negotiations strategies at 8:23 p.m. MC

Reconvene in Closed Session for Negotiation strategies

Winkels arrived at 8:34 p.m.

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Frisk, to reconvene in Open Session at 8:42 p.m. MC

Adjournment

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. MC

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Public  
Notices

REQUEST FOR  
PROPOSAL FOR  
BASEBALL FIELD  
BACKSTOP  
CENTRAL LAKES  
COLLEGE-BRAINERD  
CAMPUS

Central Lakes College is requesting proposals for Baseball Field Backstop at the Brainerd Campus. A copy of the Request for Proposals may be obtained by contacting Debbie Sterriker at Central Lakes College, 1830 Airport Road, Staples, MN 56479, 218-894-5103.

Proposals must be submitted no later than Wednesday, May 22, 2019 2:00 p.m. CST. All proposals must be sealed and marked "RFP for Baseball Field Backstop". Submit proposals to:

Central Lakes College  
Attn: Kari Christiansen  
501 West College Drive  
Brainerd, MN 56401

The college reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any information or irregularities in the bidding and to make the award serving the best interest of the college.

Central Lakes College is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and Educator. These materials are available in alternative formats to individuals with disabilities upon request. If you use a TTY, call the Minnesota Relay Service at 800-627-3529 and request to contact Central Lakes College.

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**JUNK CARS & TRUCKS.** 218-639-5509. 10-22p

**REAL ESTATE**  
**602**

**Apartments for Rent**  
**STAPLES:** Downtown, 1 - 2 bdrm., recently remodeled, NO pets, non smoking, 218-894-3108. 6tfc

**VERNDALE, DUPLEX:** Two bdrm. upper, \$500/mo. + util., dep. and ref. required. No pets, non smoking. 218-639-5544. 19p

**Staples World**  
**DEADLINES**  
**Newspaper deadline for copy and advertising:**  
**12 noon Fridays**

**GARAGE SALES**  
**701**

**MOVING SALE: 403** 7th St. NE, Staples. Fri., May 10, 9 a.m. - ? Household misc., Interior decor, furniture, sectional couch. w19p

**ONCE JUNK's Annual Sale: Thurs., May 9, Fri., May 10, Sat., May 11 AND Thurs., May 16, Fri., May 17, Sat., May 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.** 1 mile east of Pillager. Vintage, collectibles, repurposed. ssw19-20p

**GARAGE SALE:** Thurs., May 9, Fri., May 10, Sat., May 11, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Women's things and guy's stuff; 2 Pfaff sewing machines, Nordic-Track rider, chicken feeders. 11763 231st Ave., 4 mi. west of Staples on Hwy 10 to 231st Ave., north 2 mi.

**LARGE, MULTI-FAMILY SALE:** Thurs., May 9, Fri., May 10, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 2 mi. west of Staples, on Hwy. 10 Frontage Rd. (25034 US Frontage).

Furniture, household, home décor, sm. appliances, kitchen gadgets, cookbooks, pots/pans, clothing; plus sz. women's, men's; scrapbooking supplies, purses, diecut machines, dies, rubber stamps, pressure cookers, house plants, toys, new greeting cards, VCR, DVD player, baby changing table, Bumbo seat, kid's bookshelf, a lot of misc. ssw19p

**Staples Assembly Of God Church**  
now accepting donations for the upcoming Missions garage sale.  
**FOR DROP OFF OR PICK UPS:** contact Kathy Miles, 218-296-1647

Garage sale ads due by Weds. 5 p.m. for the Square Shooter; Fri., noon for the Staples World.

**FORECLOSURE** continued from page 11a

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Dated: April 25, 2019

Glenwood State Bank Mortgagee

PEMBERTON LAW, P.L.L.P.  
By: **Nicholas J. Heydt**  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
203 22nd Avenue West  
Alexandria, MN 56308  
Telephone: 320-759-3143  
Loan No. 62932

**Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale Foreclosure Data**  
Transaction Agent; residential mortgage servicer; and lender or broker: Glenwood State Bank Transaction Agent's mortgage ID number (MERS number): Not applicable.  
Name of mortgage originator: Not applicable.

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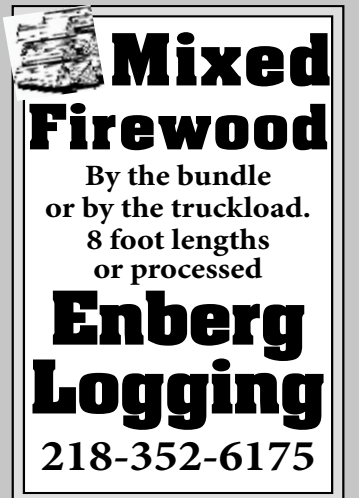
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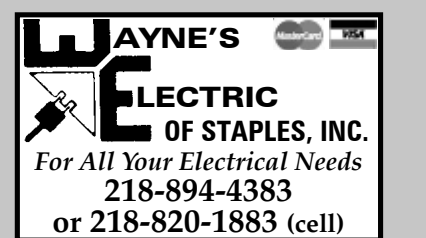
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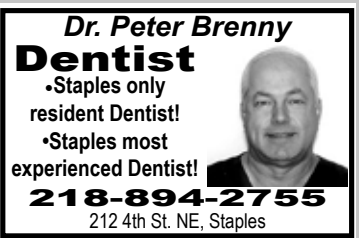
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## NOTICES

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## Card of Thanks

The family of Lawrence Smith would like to thank everyone for the love, condolences and support during the loss of our loved one.

We appreciate all the beautiful flowers and thoughtful cards. A thank you to those of you who helped out in very special ways. Also a huge thank you to Lakewood Home Care and Hospice for your tender care during the last few years and days of Lawrence's life, Brenny Funeral Home and St. Michaels Church for the wonderful, filling meal and Father Gabriel Walz for the celebration service.

Lawrence will be missed by many, but he will forever remain in our hearts..

Warm Regards,  
The Smith Family  
19p

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## Notices

**MONT ROSE CEMETERY** meeting Monday, May 20, 2019, 10 a.m. at Countryside Restaurant, Motley, MN. 19p

## SERVICES &amp; EMPLOYMENT

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## Help Wanted

**PETERSON AERIAL SPRAYING** of Staples is looking to hire a ground support person to transport equipment and to mix and load materials into airplanes from June to end of August. Must be 18-yr-old and have a driver's license. Pay negotiable based on experience. Call Ken, 218-820-3780. 19-20p

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## WADENA COUNTY

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

An opening exists at the Wadena County Highway Department for one (1) full time Highway Administrative Technician position:

**POSITION SUMMARY:** The Highway Administrative Technician is responsible for communicating with the public in person, mail and electronically, ordering office supplies, assisting the Highway Accountant, maintenance and engineering staff, and the County Engineer.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

\*Completion of a two (2) technical college degree in administrative, secretarial, or business related field

\*Two (2) years' experience working in an administrative support position or a relevant combination of relevant combination of education and experience.

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the Wadena County Human Rights Officer in the Coordinator's Office in the **Wadena County Courthouse**, 415 Jefferson Street S, Wadena, MN 56482. Completed Wadena County Applications for Employment may be emailed to [ryan.oddin@co.wadena.mn.us](mailto:ryan.oddin@co.wadena.mn.us).

Applications must be received by the Coordinator's Office or emailed no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2019.

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## Certified Nursing Assistants

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## HELP WANTED

## Office Clerk - Utility Billing

The City of Staples is seeking qualified applicants for the full-time position of Office Clerk - Utility billing.

This position is the first point of contact for all visitors to City Hall so exceptional customer service skills are required. In addition to front counter payments and telephone response, duties include processing utility meter readings and utility bills, input receipts, data tracking, account reconciliation and providing timely reports.

The ideal candidate will have two years of post-high school education or training with at least two years of experience in a similar position. The person needs excellent communication skills and knowledge of Excel and Word along with the ability to learn new software applications. All City of Staples employment is subject to background check. The City of Staples is an equal opportunity employer. Starting pay step is \$17.77 per hour. This is a union position.

Obtain an application from the

City of Staples by calling 218-894-2550

or from the City website @ [www.staples.govoffice.com](http://www.staples.govoffice.com).

Please direct inquiries to the City Clerk. Interested candidates are required to submit an application with supplemental information to: City of Staples, 122 6th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479.

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### Carter wins at Peace Poster district level

Nikki Carter, daughter of Dan and Stacey Carter of Staples, was honored at the Lion's Mid Winter Convention held February 2 for being the Distrist 5M8 Peace Poster Winner. Nikki competed against other Staples Motley students with her poster winning first place at the local level in November. She continued in competition to receive first prize at the district level. To compete, students must be 11, 12 or 13 years of age. The theme of this year's contest was "Kindness Matters". The local competition was sponsored by the Motley Lions and the Staples '93 Lion's Clubs. Above: Nikki Carter, center, Beth Gedde, left, Amy Leidenfrost, right. (Submitted photo)



### Old Wadena artwork to go up

Peter Gorton and Tom Crawford hold the barn quilt square that will be placed at the Old Wadena County Park this summer. It will be a part of the Central Minnesota Barn Quilts trail. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

### Correction

In last week's paper, an article entitled, 'Questions arise at school information sessions,' incorrectly referenced Kevin Swecker in regard to a comment made at a community forum held at the middle school in Motley. The comment, a question as to why the district needs to build a new cafeteria when there is a perfectly good cafeteria (at the school) in Motley, was actually made by Ken Swecker. The Staples World apologizes for the error.



### Fun at 'Shining Stars' event

Families of young children enjoyed a number of activities and a meal at the 'Shining Stars' event held recently at Staples-Motley Elementary School. Pictured above, the Cox family from Staples enjoy the spaghetti supper. From left, Brian, Hailee, Matthew, Rosalie, Sausha, Timothy, Briahhna. Baby sister Jenavive (not pictured) was sleeping at the time in her carry cot. At right, Adalyne Brenny (left), eight, gets her face painted by Nicole Stracek, member of the PTC (Parent Teacher Connection). In bottom photo, Dominic Capistrant, six, colors his Ojibwe bag, one of the cultural craft projects available to children. A readers theatre showcased the talents of several children in grades K - three. The event was organized by after school targeted services (STAR), Title I, Early Childhood, Native American Grant and PTC. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



### Lakewood Foundation dinner auction raised \$46,000

The Lakewood Health System Foundation held its 26th Annual Foundation Dinner Auction on April 26, surpassing their fundraising goal by \$6,000, with a total of \$46,000. All money raised will help support food initiatives combating hunger in local communities and in Kenya. Approximately 195 people attended the 1950s-themed event, which included a social hour, dinner, silent and live auctions, and entertainment provided by Chris Olson's

Memories of Elvis show. With the help of many local businesses, Lakewood Health System employees and members of the community, the event was a true success. The Foundation is thankful to those who supported the dinner auction this year. Those interested in

attending the 27th Annual Foundation Dinner Auction should keep April 24, 2020 in mind. More information will be available nearer the event. For questions or inquiries to the Foundation, call 218-894-8508 or email foundation@lakewoodhealthsystem.com.

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\*Spring decorating \*Garden Decor \*Furniture  
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Inventory added daily Photos on Facebook & Craigslist

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