

Cooling off at the bridge

The bridge over the Crow Wing River near Wahoo Valley was a popular spot 4th of July weekend. (Photo by Dawn Timbs)

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This Week's Forecast High Low Cond.

July 8	$89^{\rm o}$	$64^{\rm o}$	Storms
July 9	85	61	Sunny
July 10	83	61	M. Sunny
July 11	84	61	
July 12	83	60	Sunny
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July 8	$88^{\rm o}$	66°	Sunny
July 9	78	61	Rain
July 10	76	62	Rain
July 11	80	54	Sunny
July 12	84	68	Sunny
July 13	85	70	Sunny
July 14	88	64	Sunny
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Average Temps: H = 81° Low = 60°

Rain for Week: .90" Year total rain: 7.95"

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO's Staples area Weatherwatcher

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Filing notices:

Endicott starts at CLC as Dean of Staples **Campuses**

Central Lakes College welcomed Dave Endicott as its new Dean of Staples Campuses.

Endicott started in the position July 1. He brings 26 years of experience in education, ranging from an elementary school teacher, an elementary school principal, to his most recent position as superintendent at the Pine River-Backus School District.

"Dave brings a wealth of knowledge in education, administration and business," said Dr. Hara Charlier, President of Central Lakes College. "He will be a valuable asset to our campus community and to the communities we serve. We are thrilled to welcome him to Central Lakes College."

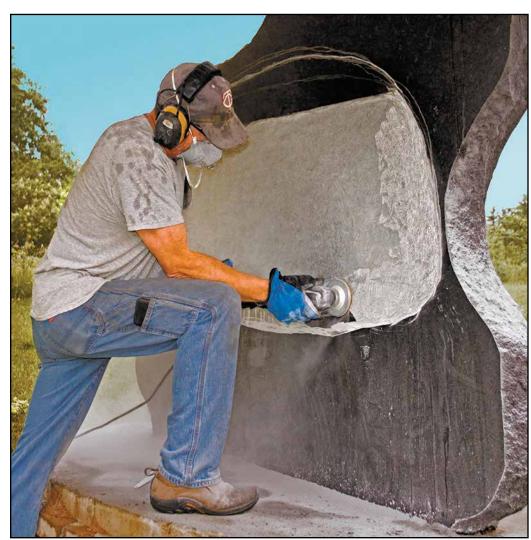
Endicott's community involvement also includes serving the Cass County and Pine River Economic Development Boards, as



Dave Endicott

well as active member of his local Chamber of Commerce

"I am excited about the opportunity to serve the Staples area and Central Lakes College as the Dean of Staples Campuses. I look forward to connecting with businesses and community leaders to see how CLC can help serve the needs of the communities in our area."



Black granite prepared for memorial sign

Tad Carlson of River Rock Blasting in being prepared for use in the construction sign. The black granite sign was donated to the City of Staples by Sourcewell and is

Motley, works at resurfacing the old NJPA of a "POW-MIA" memorial in the Staples Veterans Park. (Photo by Ken Klose)

Smee on board at Faith and Bethany Lutheran

By Dawn Timbs Staples World reporter

Carleton Smee has been hired as the Interim Associate Pastor at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples and Bethany Lutheran in Cushing. He joins Senior Pastor Carl Larson in ministering at these partner churches.

This will be Pastor Carleton's second church assignment since becoming ordained in 2016. He has spent the past four years ministering at Heartland Community Lutheran Parish (ELCA), a two-point parish representing congregations in Nevis and Akeley.

Carleton and his wife, Carry, reside in Nevis, along with their daughter Analise, 17, and son, Josiah, who will be 13 in August. The children attend school in Park Rapids. Carry works as a

A California native, Carleton was born in San Berndino and raised in San Luis

Obispo, where his dad was a pastor in the Nazarene church denomination.

When asked if that was an influence on his own decision to enter the ministry, Carleton said that his dad never pushed him in one direction or the other. "I knew I wanted to be a pastor when I was 11 years old,'

Carleton shared. His dad's response to this news was to assure his son that he supported him regardless of the outcome. He remembers his dad once saying to him, "If you can do anything else, other than ministry, do it." It's true that ministry is not for everyone, but Carleton says, "I would not trade my vocation for anything. All of it is a bless-

ing and grace given by God." In 1996, Carleton left California to attend Bethel College in Minnesota, which is where he met his wife. After graduating with a degree in history, he later began attending Bethel Seminary

but realized he wasn't ready at that time. "I wasn't a very good Baptist," Carleton said.

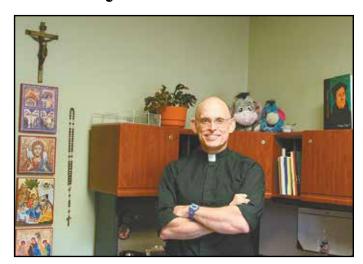
He would go on to have a variety of jobs before making his way back to the path toward ordination.

The pastor recalled that his first job title was custodian. Over the years he's also worked as a personal trainer, been employed at a casino, been a stay-at-homedad, and worked in restaurant management and as a bartender.

He never abandoned his faith during that time, continuing to attend church and often helped lead worship through music. Reading the Bible and other religious books remained a vital part of his life.

In 2012, He enrolled at Luther Seminary in St. Paul. The decision to go back to seminary came after a conversation with a friend

of his whom he'd been in See **SMEE** on page 10a



Getting settled in

Carleton Smee, Interim Associate Pastor at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples and Bethany Lutheran in Cushing, is pictured at his office in Staples. Pastor Smee came on board his new position June 26. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

COVID-19 drying up in Todd County, area

For the fourth straight week, the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases has dropped in Todd County, with just four new cases reported in the week of June 29-July 5. In the weeks prior to this, the county reported 23, 15, and nine new cases. The four new cases put the county total over 400.

Wadena, Cass and Morrison counties also are reporting small numbers of new COVID-19 cases. However, throughout the state of Minnesota, there has been an uptick in new cases, which had been dropping steadily since the March 28 shelter in place order.

Lakewood Health System President and CEO Tim Rice said the hospital is busy trying to catch up on care that was delayed because of the COVID-19 shutdown.

"We are getting everybody back to work, and doing it safely," said Rice on the June 24 Staples Chamber videoconference. "We are not seeing an increasing COVID trend here, but since we're busy, need to adapt fast. We do require patients and visitors to mask."

Rice said some of the senior care facilities are loosening up on visitor rules. "It's been 90 days not being able to visit families,' said Rice. "Now they can visit outside and structured visits are being organized."



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Gardens growing nicely in Motley

Vegetables appear to be growing very nicely at the Community Garden in Motley, located near the food shelf on 3rd Ave. South. Pictured above are garden

plots maintained by Ed Bartle of Motley. Sherry (Miller) Frisk, food shelf director, noted that there was "not a weed in them." (Submitted photo)

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

July 1 - The MPD reported that city hall received a call from a Motley resident who said a peddler had walked into their home without knocking. The MPD located the peddler a few blocks away and advised him of the complaint. He was then transported to city hall to obtain a peddler's license through the city.

June 25 - 29 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Nathan Ryan, 19; Cassidy Buenz, 23; Zachariah Pierson, 35; Emily Kurowski, 20; Craig Johnson, 48; Jessica Abt, 36.

June 30 - The MPD arrested Artie Wayne Cole, 38, for a felony DANCO violation warrant. A citation was issued for obstruction of legal process per the

county attorney's office.

June 26 - The MPD received a call from a custodian who reported that someone had taken a bicycle rack and stood it up against the former Motley-Staples Middle School building in Motley. It appears that the rack was used as a ladder to get onto the roof in the area of the south gymnasium. The MPD advised they would do extra patrol in the area.

June 26 - The MPD received a report of a bad check that was used to purchase merchandise at SD Chainsaw in Motley in the amount of \$724.28.

June 25 - The MPD issued a citation to Sammi Barlow, 35, for having too many dogs at her property at the 12000 block of 67th Ave. SW in Motley. The maximum number of dogs allowed by city ordinance is three and Barlow has four.

June 28 - The MCSO received a report of a

couple fighting at the 300 block of Cedar St. E., Motley. Upon his arrival, the deputy was told by both parties that it was a verbal argument only.

argument only.

June 28 - The MCSO
paged the Scandia Valley
Fire Department after
receiving a call about a
grass fire at the 34000 block

of Aztec Rd., Motley.
June 25 - 28 - The MCSO
issued speeding citations
to Rayven Baker, 26; Amy
Vanderleest, 50; Lynn Richardson, 50; Richard Anderson, 76.

June 22 - The MCSO received a report of a gas drive off at Lincoln Bait and Gas in Cushing.

June 19 - The MCSO received a call from a male who said that a silver four-door car played chicken with him by Enchanted Lakes on Dove Road in Cushing. The car did not have plates and continued north bound on Dove Rd.

Motley adopts COVID-19 Preparedness Plan

At a special meeting held June 29, the Motley City Council adopted the city's COVID-19 Preparedness Plan based on guidance from the State of Minnesota. This was a requirement of all cities in the state.

In attendance at the meeting were Mayor Al Yoder, council members Pat O'Regan and Steve Johnson; and City Clerk/Treasurer Curt Bryniarski.

The goal of the city's plan, in response to the coronavirus pandemic, is to mitigate the potential for transmission of COVID-19 in their workplace and communities.

The four-page plan addresses the following

• Hygiene and respira-

tory etiquette

• Engineering and administrative controls for social distancing

• Customer controls and protections for dropoff, pick-up and delivery

• Housekeeping, including cleaning, disinfecting and decontamination

Prompt identification and isolation of sick per-

• Special considerations for off-site personnel

 Communications and training that will be provided to managers and workers

• Management and supervision necessary to ensure effective implementation of the plan.

The entire Preparedness Plan is available at the city's website, www.cityofmotley.com.



Keeping cool on a hot and humid July 4th

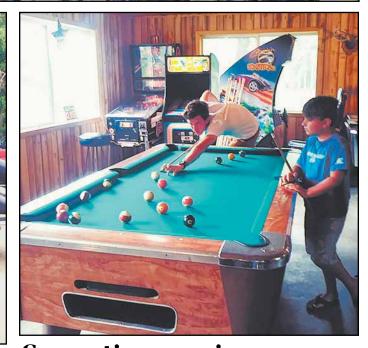
The Crow Wing River was a popular destination over the Fourth of July holiday weekend, as temperatures reached nearly 100 degrees several days in a row. People cooled off by swimming and tubing downstream, traveling mostly in small groups. John Long, owner of Wahoo Valley in rural Staples, said that about 130 people rented tubes at their establishment on July 4, and he estimated that there were at least 500 people that traveled down the Crow Wing that day. Vehicles were lined up along Wilderness Drive for at least a mile, with people Dawn Timbs)



at least a mile, with people parking and then walking to Wahoo Valley, or finding another landing in the river. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

All aboard

Inner tubes were available to rent at Wahoo Valley in rural Staples on July 4. After picking out a tube, patrons were driven by Wahoo Valley staff to a location a few miles upstream and then enjoyed floating down the river at a leisurely pace until they reached their destination. (Staples World photos by Dawn Tmbs)



Competing cousins

After tubing for a few hours, many people were ready to chow down and perhaps play a few games indoors. Pictured above, Hayden Carlson (left) of Decorah, lowa and his cousin Sawyer Thompson of Burnsville enjoyed a game of pool at Wahoo Valley while waiting for their burgers and fries to arrive. They were visiting their grandparents Gary and Carmen Schimpp of rural Staples.

oh, it's melting

Two-yearold Roy Sterriker of Staples enjoyed eating a Dilly Bar following the Fourth of July program at Veterans Park in Staples. With hot and humid weather that day, little Roy couldn't quite eat all of his ice cream before it melted. The treats were donated by the Staples Dairy



Queen and given to all in attendance at the program. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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WorkForce Center can help with crisis

By Mark Anderson Managing Editor

Massive changes in employment are being caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and Minnesota's stay at home orders. For some workers, it can be an opportunity to gain new skills or get retrained for a different job.

At the June 24 Staples Chamber videoconference, Darla Hoemberg of the CareerForce Center in Wadena gave an update on some of the services available for people who have become unemployed during the COVID-19 crisis. During the stay at home order, the CareerForce Center worked by phone or with virtual visits. They now are open by appointment and people can set up a time to use one the CareerForce computer lab to find a job.

Hoemberg said live interviews are better than phone calls. "That personal connection is really important," she said, "networking is huge for people."

While the CareerForce Center does not do unemployment services, Hoemberg said they can help point people in the right direction. She said a lot of people struggled with the state's unemployment system. "There were some tears, or they were upset because we couldn't help them," she said, "we tried to

help them get through the questions."

Because of the impact of the COVID-19 crisis, many businesses have shut down or cut workers. Hoemberg said they tried to reach out to dislocated workers and she made calls to some businesses that were not reopening right away.

For workers, the Career-Force Center can offer dislocated worker services. Hoemberg said they have had good success with virtual job fairs.

For businesses, they can supply funding to train new workers or give them on the job training for a different position within the company. "That's a lot of money back into your business,' said Hoemberg.

There are still jobs available for unemployed workers. Hoemberg said there are 27 full time positions within a 10 mile radius of Staples, and more than 500 jobs listed in a 25 mile radius, which includes Brainerd and Wadena.

Also on the chamber call, Staples Chamber Board President Rachel Johnson said DEED is hosting small business relief workshops for business owners to learn about the state programs.

The Staples Chamber videoconference will take a two week break, but they plan to resume on Wednesday, July 15, at 11 a.m.



Gardener Dale's pea patch

Above: Dale Hausmann of rural Staples is pictured in his pea patch. He said he planted eight double rows on April 25, with each row approximately 20 ft. in length; and planned to begin picking peas July 2. "With this humid, hot weather, it will keep me busy," Hausmann said, adding that he would be getting some help in the garden from his daughter Nicole. He anticipated that his blueberries and raspberries would be ready to be picked in seven - 10 days. Hausmann is pictured below with his granddaughters Vayda and Cora. (Submitted photos)





Looking back

75 YEARS Ago - 1945

• July 12, 1945 - Work was started the first of this week on the repair of Fourth street north in Staples, from the corner by the Catholic school to the cemetery.

Gravel has already been spread and the blacktop coating will be mixed with this, then spread over the surface of the road. Fourth street leading to the cemetery has been in need of repair for some time.

On the southside, Wisconsin avenue is also being improved with a coat of black-top and gravel. The

> Compiled by **Dawn Timbs**

improvement starts at the corner by the Staples Produce company and runs to the alley near the Heier

• July 12, 1945 - Baby Michel Joseph Worle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Worle of Staples, was buried from Sacred Heart Catholic church in Staples Monday morning, July 9.

Baby Worle was born at the Staples Municipal hospital Sunday, July 8, and lived only long enough to be baptised. Rev. Fr. August Preusser conducted the funeral services at ten o'clock Monday, and burial was in the Evergreen cemetery of Staples.

• July 12, 1945 - An advertisement from Anderson Hardware in Staples: 'You can now paint all your farm buildings in just Three Days with the new Poweraire, auto-power spray equipment. One man can do the job, covering 700 sq. ft. per hour. Brush method requires five men for the same job. It's quick, simple and efficient. Ask us for a demonstration. Telephone

50 YEARS Ago - 1970

• July 16, 1970 - Teija Mononen, foreign exchange student from Finland left Staples this week to return to her native country after spending the past year here attending Staples high school and learning more about our way of life. While in Staples, Teija made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Victor Bjelde and their daughter, Ruth Ann. She was graduated from Staples high school in May.

• July 16, 1970 - The Read and Carlson Grocery, which has been owned and operated in Staples for the past 40 years by R. C. Read and Arnold Carlson, officially closed its doors last Saturday and the two owners will take their retirement. Both men are natives of Staples and active in the community.

• July 16, 1970 - Two youths, one from Detroit Lakes and one from Little Falls, received neck fractures in separate diving accidents in this area last week.

Dan Sprague, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sprague of Detroit Lakes, is presently hospitalized at St. Luke's hospital, Fargo, after suffering a neck fracture in a diving accident on Wednesday, July 8, by the bridge at Cottingham Park, located about 14 miles north

of Staples.

Kim Rodacker, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Rodacker of Little Falls suffered a broken neck in a swimming accident at Fish Trap Lake, south of Motley, Thursday, July 8. A Little Falls physician reported that the youth suffered a broken cervical spine and is paralyzed from the arms down. He will be transferred to the neuro-surgery department of the University of Minnesota hospitals.

• July 16, 1970 - In his 'Bits & Butts' column, publisher Chuck Mayer wrote, 'The visit of U.S. Senator Walter Mondale in Staples last Saturday afternoon brought about 55 people to visit with him, and question him on various problems, both personal and national. Many times the Senator was able to give direct answers to his questioners, and other times he offered to check out the problem and answer it by mail.

Mondale had high words of praise for Staples Superintendent Dr. Duane Lund for his work in making the Staples Vocational-Technical School one of "the top such institutions in the country, let alone in Minnesota. Dr. Lund is a man of foresight and vision," Mondale added, saying that Dr. Lund was a decided asset to our community.

After Senator Mondale had concluded his address to the gathered crowd, Dr. Lund came forward and started telling Mondale about the walleyes he had caught the past week. "And they were that long," said Dr. Lund, his arms outstretched, as noted in an accompanying photo of Lund and Mon-

25 YEARS Ago - 1995

• July 13, 1995 - A family in the Watts neighborhood in Los Angeles is living in a new home today, partially the result of efforts of a Staples native and several hundred other volunteers.

Building a house in L.A. is not the usual way one would spend a summer after graduating from college, but that was one part of Kim Donat's summer plans.

She joined several hundred other Habitat for Humanity workers in the annual Jimmy Carter Work Project in late June. This year, the former president and other HFH workers built 21 homes in a 5-1/2 day "blitz-build."

"I worked on House No. 9, a four bedroom, 1-1/2 bath house for a family of seven. Our family (Mitchell and Lydia Friend) worked with us all week...," Donat said.

• July 13, 1995 - A local

girl's public speaking abilities has earned her a trip to Israel.

Amanda Bilek, daughter of Tom and DeEtta Bilek of Aldrich and a junior at Staples Motley High School, left Sunday for a two-week trip to Israel.

She earned the trip with a first place finish in the senior division of the state 4-H public speaking contest on June 12. Her prize was one of two trips to Israel provided through the state 4-H organization and sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council. She will be taking the trip with Jessica Seelivy of Fergus Falls,

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Mystery photos

Hello readers. This week's archive photos are from our March 28, 1957 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photos? Email your answers and where you are from to dtimbs@ staplesworld.com by Friday morning, or call 218-894-1112. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.



the state winner of the 4-H creative writing contest.

• July 13, 1995 - Staples Motley sophomore Derek Mattila competed in the Junior Olympic Regional track meet in Lincoln, Nebraska on Saturday and Sunday, July 8 and 9.

Derek scorched the competition in the 2,000 meter steeplechase event with a personal record of 6 minutes, 45.02 seconds. He captured first place honors with this time and earned the right to compete in the Junior Olympic Track and Field National Champion

ships in San Jose, Calif.

• July 15, 2010 - Krista Jenkins, 11, of Pillager and her cat, Licorice, received

10 YEARS Ago - 2010

a third-place ribbon in the "Dress Your Pet" contest at the Pillager Fair July 8. Licorice was dressed as a cowboy. • July 15, 2010 - Guberna-

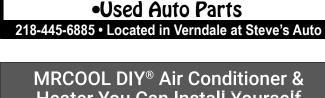
torial candidate Ken Pentel. with the newly formed Ecology Democracy Party, parked his bike in Staples July 12 - 13, one of the stops along his campaign trail.



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo, published in the July 6, 1995 edition of the Staples World featured Staples High School Class of 1978 member Scott Grossman, who was flanked after a pageant in Staples that year by sisters Jayme Hajek (left), the new Junior Miss Staples; and Stacy Hajek, the new Miss Staples. Grossman served as host/choreographer at the pageant which was held over the Fourth of July weekend during the All School Reunion in Staples.

Deb (Vaseka) Jordan of Staples, 1979 SHS graduate, correctly identified all. She remembered the day clearly because her daughter Alyssa, now 30 years old, was a 'little sister' (princess) at the pageant. Colleen (O'Keefe) Mayhew, 1981 SHS graduate and Judy Wolak, both of Staples, also correctly identified all. "That was an easy one," Colleen said. Judy clearly remembered the event, adding, "What a night for the Mike and Jeannie Hajek family." Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.



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Small towns responding to global pandemic

Mississippi State University Small Town Center

Before the global pandemic hit, small towns across America were dealing with struggling economies, aging roads and bridges, and declining pop-

The coronavirus added new challenges, like additional demand for limited hospital beds for an aging population, many of whom have chronic health conditions.

Fortunately, as I've seen in my work at the Small Town Center at Mississippi State University, small towns have the advantage of being more nimble and responsive to crisis than cities, largely because they have fewer regulations and more opportunities to be creative about problem-solving.

The pandemic has increased local leaders' attention to their residents' health – not just in terms of doctors and hospitals but also identifying new ways to help people get fitter, spend more time outdoors, eat healthier and boost local economies. Here are some ways people in small communities are adapting existing plans and creating new ways to keep their towns active and vibrant.

Paths and parks

Many small towns are looking to invest in sidewalks and bike paths. Communities like my own in Starkville, Mississippi, have done some work already, but are seeing an enormous increase in interest in walking and cycling, for both recreation and commuting.

There is plenty of evidence that extensive networks of bike paths and sidewalks create healthier

communities. They offer more recreation space for people looking for activities that are outdoors and close to their homes.

But more than that, these routes are useful for people who need to visit local businesses or medical offices but are no longer willing or able to take a bus or get a ride from a friend, neighbor or ride service. Mississippi State University is installing additional bike racks around campus, to help people get to work and class without using public transit, which may be limited because of social distancing requirements.

With gyms closed and vacation travel more limited, residents and their communities are also placing new value on parks and open spaces. Unfortunately, many small towns do not have ample parks and green spaces for recreation. Nor do many rural towns have sidewalks.

Food options

Many people around the country are limiting their trips to grocery stores, and are exploring buying directly from local farmers for the first time. The farmers make more money by cutting out the middleman, and consumers can get fresh local produce at affordable

Small towns are also seeing more of the urban phenomenon of food trucks and carts. Those businesses can be cheap to start – making them well suited for small towns with fewer potential customers.

In urban areas, food trucks often set up in designated areas, but in small towns, I'm seeing that the food trucks travel to customers' neighborhoods or businesses – much like ice cream trucks make the rounds. They are also using digital technology to reach customers in new ways. In Starkville, for instance, people can use Facebook to request that the Mom and Pop breakfast-and-lunch truck visit their neighborhood.

Starkville also has several food carts that set up outside a local factory to offer workers easy lunch options.

Boosting tourism

Small-town industries and manufacturing businesses are mostly gone, leaving the communities looking for ways to diversify their economies. Some places have invested in cultural tourism, which encourages travelers to visit particular communities and learn about their local culture.

Many forms of tourism are suffering from social distancing and other travel limitations, but in-state visitors are still welcome across the country. Some states are welcoming tourists from other states without asking them to self-quarantine.

Since 2015, the Quitman County Economic Development Foundation, the Marks Historical Society and local officials in Marks, Mississippi, have been working to grow the town's tourism base. Marks is the home of a cultural trail honoring the starting point of Martin Luther King Jr.'s historic 1968 Poor People's Campaign.

It's a self-guided tour for cars, bicycles and pedestrians that includes both local historical sites and local restaurants and businesses. It's an example of how communities can promote history and the local economy while encouraging biking and walking in an obesity-ridden region. The trail has improved the local economy, benefits that can continue despite the pandemic because it's a form of tourism that easily allows

social distancing.

Shopping

Like communities of all sizes, small towns are looking at the physical layouts of their public spaces and businesses. Some are too small to accommodate many visitors while still observing social distancing. For instance, one small-town coffee shop in Starkville has opened a walk-up window to serve patrons who can remain outside in a well-spaced line.

Many towns are expanding restaurants' sidewalk seating areas for outdoor dining, even taking over parking spaces on nearby streets or closing roads entirely – something cities are doing as well. My center is involved in developing one of these new "streateries' which can not only accommodate social distancing measures but make downtown businesses more visible to community members and passersby. As opposed to urban streateries, our design is specifically geared to small towns with limited budgets and quick assembly using volunteers with mini-

mal expertise. In these efforts, small towns are continuing to adapt to adversity. To do so, they may take lessons from elsewhere – even large cities, like Singapore's idea to have fun by creating art as a way to mark proper social distancing in public spaces while adapting them to local needs. Some of these temporary adjustments to meet short-term problems may even turn into longer-term ways to address the needs of small towns and the people who live in them.

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0-0 **Letter to the Editor**

Support wearing masks

Since moving to Staples in 1974, I have purchased most of my cars, appliances, lawn mowers, flooring, gas, paint, pharmacy supplies and groceries locally. I believe in shopping locally

I now live with someone who is 90 years old and is on hospice. That means I am very concerned about COVID-19, not only because of her health but because I am one of her primary caregivers.

I always wear a mask when I go into an enclosed

space. Menards and Costco are now requiring their employees to wear a mask for their safety and safety of their customers. I honestly feel safer when I go into a store and I'm waited on by someone wearing a mask. Data is showing that face masks can prevent the spread of the virus. I realy don't want to leave my community to buy the items I have listed above to feel safe shopping.

I thank, and will continue to do so, the employers and employees who are wearing masks.

Lisa Kaier Staples, Minn.

#MaskUpMN

From MN DEED

Wearing a mask is easy. Closing down our businesses again isn't. Wear a mask so that your favorite small businesses stay safe and stay open. #MaskUpMN

COVID-19 cases are

surging in other states, but in Minnesota, we can do things differently. Wearing a mask is one of the easiest ways to make sure that our small businesses stay safe and keep their doors open. #MaskUpMN

Quote of the week

"Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else."

— Margaret Mead

Protecting our seniors

By U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar

Coronavirus has changed just about everything about our lives, but for our nation's seniors, the toll of this virus has been particularly devastating. Those over 65 account for the vast majority of Americans who have died from coronavirus, with estimates indicating that 8 out of 10 people in our country who have lost their lives are semors.

This pandemic has put older Americans at risk on multiple fronts. Necessary safety precautions have left many older Americans alone and separated from their loved ones, and also vulnerable to scams by those seeking to exploit this crisis for personal gain.

All across the country, families have turned to creative solutions to stay connected to their older relatives while also keeping them safe. In northern Minnesota, Elsie Dahl celebrated her 91st birthday not with hugs from family members, but by listening to them sing "Happy Birthday" outside the window of her assisted living facility and sharing cupcakes with

her nurses. While I'm sure Elsie's family would have rather celebrated in person, many nursing facilities have strict rules in place barring visitors in order to protect the health of their residents--which is critical given CDC estimates indicating up to 35 percent of coronavirus deaths have occurred in nursing homes. In mid-June, Minnesotans received some good news when the Minnesota Department of Health issued new guidance that allows outdoor visits at nursing homes and assisted-living facilities. But we know that even with this updated guidance, many nursing home residents will still feel unsafe seeing visitors while others' health remains too fragile to take the risk.

While protecting the people we love is critical, this reality means many seniors will still not be able to see their families or visit their health care providers.

That's why I am leading bipartisan legislation in the Senate that would further enhance telehealth and other virtual services in skilled nursing facilities.

My bill would provide funding to expand the use

of telehealth services, and help nursing facilities get technology to support "virtual visits" to help seniors stay connected to their loved ones.

AARP, the Long Term Care Community Coalition, the National Consumer Voice for Quality Long Term Care and the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations have all endorsed this bill. And a bipartisan companion bill has also been introduced in the House of

This legislation would help minimize the harmful mental and physical toll of being apart from loved ones while ensuring the care of older Americans is not compromised when their families can't visit them.

While this bill would help mitigate some of the wide-ranging impacts of this pandemic on older Americans, this population is vulnerable to more than just the health implications of this virus. Seniors are also often targeted by scammers seeking to exploit them for financial gain, using the fear and uncertainty created by this pandemic to take advantage of the most vulnerable.

That's why Senator Jerry Moran from Kansas and I introduced bipartisan legislation last month—the Protecting Seniors from Emergency Scams Act that directs the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to report to Congress on scams targeting seniors during this pandemic and make recommendations on how to prevent them during emergencies. The bill also directs the FTC to update its website with information that will help seniors and their caregivers get in touch with law enforcement and adult protective agencies, and directs the FTC to ensure seniors and their caregivers are informed about the risks of these fraudulent schemes. Even before the pandemic, seniors lost an estimated \$3 billion annually from finan-

All Americans deserve safety and dignity in their senior years. The moral test of any nation is how it treats its most vulnerable citizens—and that has never been more important than right now during this crisis. We have a duty to not just protect the health of our nation's seniors, but also their mental, emotional, and financial well-being.

COVID-19 is not over slowly reopening in our ing mask-wearing for staff, health unit). There are still communities, we must not

By Tim Rice President and CEO Lakewood Health Ssytem

The issue of masking and the benefit of it has sure become a topic of public discussion. You see responses on all ends of the spectrum when it comes to how people are reacting to the COVID-19 pandemic. Large groups of people are now gathering and mingling about, without any visible precautions such as wearing masks or social distancing, yet most restaurants and retail establishments are abiding by the regulations and making their environments as safe as possible for patrons. Nationwide, we are seeing a resurgence of COVID-19 in some states where everything was opened up. Some states and Minnesota cities are now requiring masking. The median age of COVID-19-infected people has dropped from 65 in March to 35 years old in June. Although things are

relapse to a pre-pandemic cancelled.

Part of the reason for the relapse could be due to a term called "caution fatigue," which occurs when people show low motivation to comply with safety guidelines. Over time, it's natural for us to get accustomed to things - even threatening things like COVID-19. We get complacent and stop paying as much attention to the things that keep us and our loved ones safe. It takes a lot of energy to stay vigilant, but we need to make it a priority.

At Lakewood Health System, we continue to take COVID-19 seriously, which means taking precautions for the safety of all. No one is exempt from contracting the virus. There is evidence that both pre-symptomatic and asymptomatic transmission are possible. That's why we are still mandat-

such as children under two years of age and patients with certain medical conditions. But it's pretty simple: if you want or need to be seen by our medical staff, plan to wear a mask.

One of the biggest challenges for our patients and residents has been the inability to have visitors. While following specific Minnesota Department of Health guidelines, we are now able to modify restrictions in certain areas of our organization and allow limited visits if screening and masking guidelines are followed. Hospital inpatients and emergency department patients will now be allowed one visitor per stay, depending on patient condition. Monitored outdoor visitation has started at our care center, Pines and Manor (assisted living units) and Reflections (behavioral

patients and visitors to all restrictions on visitors to Lakewood facilities. There our clinics, outpatient/surunits. With caution, we are excited to welcome back visitors and thank you for respecting the guidelines that are in place.

There are many things we can't control in the situation of a pandemic. Some even say the virus is in charge, and we are not. But there are things we can control, and we need to be vigilant about them and not let caution fatigue get the best of us. We all need to continue to do our part to ensure others around us are safe. A little inconvenience or discomfort on our part by wearing a mask, social distancing and washing our hands, will go a long way in protecting others. The virus won't be disappearing anytime soon, so we all need to do our part to protect our community.

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BookEnds Online July 11 to feature Messenger

BookEnds Online Edition will feature the true life story of Alex Messenger, author "The Twenty-Ninth Day", a coming-of-age story like no other. The Zoom program will be hosted by the Wadena County Historical Society on Saturday, July 11 at 11:30 a.m. To receive an invitation email 603wchs@

A six-hundred-mile canoe trip in the Canadian wilderness is a seventeen-year-old's dream adventure, but after he is mauled by a grizzly bear, it's all about staying alive. This true-life wilderness survival epic recounts Alex Messenger's near-lethal encounter with a grizzly bear during a canoe trip in the Canadian tundra. The story follows Alex and his five

companions as they paddle north through harrowing rapids and stunning terrain. Twenty-nine days into the trip, while out hiking alone, Alex is attacked by a barren-ground grizzly. Left for dead, he wakes to find that his summer adventure has become a struggle to stay alive. Over the next hours and days, Alex and his companions tend his wounds and use their resilience, ingenuity and dogged perseverance to reach help at a remote village a thousand miles north of the U.S.-Canadian border.

BookEnds is a monthly literary event connecting readers and writers. Now in its fourth season, it is currently being held via Zoom on the second Saturday of the month at 11:30 a.m. Recordings of BookEnds programs are available on the website, www.WadenaCountyHistory.org. Hosted by the Wadena County Historical Society and Travelin' Storyseller in collaboration with the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center.

BookEnds 2020 authors include: Christopher Lehman, Laura Hansen, Allen Woodrow, Anne Dunn, Margi Preus, Ann Lewis, Alex Messenger, J. Ryan Stradal, Gretchen Anthony, Freya Manfred, Lorna Landvik, and Barton Sutter.

This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Five Wings Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.



Rotary donates to Farmers Market

The Staples Rotary Club purchased three large feather flag banners to help promote the Staples Area Farmers Market. Dick Donat brought the idea saying the banners can capture the attention of traffic on Highway 10 and encourage visitors to stop. The club agreed that the Farmers Market is an important asset in the community and its new location makes it more visible. The Rotary Club also previously donated \$1,000 to the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation for the COVID-19 Relief Fund. On either side of one of the banners are Rotarians Dick Donat, left, and Jim Hofer, who coordinated the project with Lakewood Health System (LHS). Standing with the Rotarians are, from left, Katie Jo Poppler, LHS wellness coordinator; Amy Wiese, LHS community health coordinator; and Deb Erickson, one of the Farmers Market vendors. (Submitted photo)

Bjerga awarded Arvig scholarship

Arvig has awarded 36 area high school seniors from the class of 2020 the Royale B. and Eleanor M. Arvig Memorial Schol-

Scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 each were awarded based on achievements or interest in the fields of mathematics, engineering, accounting, computer science, telecommunications or any of the physical

'We're happy to support these students as they embark on an exciting new chapter in their lives," said David Arvig, Vice President/Chief Operating Officer at Arvig. "Our rural communities need educated and talented young people to be our future leaders. We congratulate each one on their success and wish them the best of luck as they pursue their education.

Staples-Motley High School graduate Owen Bjerga who is planning on studying engineering received the scholarship.

So long, Ole Evinrude

With the news this week that the manufacture of Evinrude outboard motors will cease, an important chapter in the history of boating and fishing comes to an end. Bombardier—the Canadian company best known for Ski-Doo snowmobiles, and the current owner of Evinrude—made the unexpected move amid the economic shocks rippling through the world economy as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

The Evinrude legacy dates back to 1907 and the inventive genius of Ole Evinrude, who with his wife Bess (not Lena; that's another story) introduced

to the fishing world what many consider the first commercially viable outboard motor. It was a n ugly duckling by the standards

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Outdoors

gleaming outboards, a plumber's delight of undisguised pipes and rods and levers, with a fuel tank on top and a propeller at the business end. But it earned its keep by relieving anglers of the wearying labor of rowing, and did so as well as—or better than—the competition that it outlived.

Ole did what many savvy inventors do, cashing in on the time and ingenuity he had invested in creating his outboard by selling the business in 1914. As you might expect, with imitation being the highest form of flattery, it was not long before the outboard motor manufacturing universe expanded with others offering their own versions.

One of the "commandments" of business theory is that competition is good; good for the consumer in more and better products, and lower prices; good for the seller by keeping them on their toes and innovating to be more effective competitors. But there is

also only so much market to share, and sometimes the outcome is mergers, acquisitions, or—less pleasantbankruptcy.

Evinrude and the Johnson Motor Company merged in 1936 to become Outboard Marine Corporation, better known to the buying public as OMC. That combined enterprise, facing serious competition from domestic and foreign makers, filed for bankruptcy in 2000, after which Canadian Bombardier acquired their outboard lineup. The Johnson motor line was discontinued in 2007. Now its sister product, Evinrude, will pass into history, save for all the many used motors at resorts, marinas, and in garages.

One boating writer compared Evinrude's demise to Ford Motor Company discontinuing the manufacture of cars and trucks. Sturtevant, Wisconsin, a small town near Lake Michigan between Milwaukee and Chicago, will lose 650 jobs that for decades have been performed at the Evinrude factory there. Such jobs would be difficult to replace in the best of economic times, which of course these are not

Evinrude is a part of my own outboard motor history. It began with a three-horsepower Evinrude Ducktwin, owned by a waterfowl hunting friend, who could not be persuaded to part with it no matter how rich the offer. This model was introduced in the 1950s and offered into the 1960s, in olive drab paint, with stylized Ducktwin lettering, and a colorful mallard in flight on the motor's decal. The perfect motor for a not-too-large duck boat; old and classic,

like me! The first Evinrude I actually had rights to was a 10-horse owned by my father-in-law. Matched to a 16foot Fiberglas V-hull Crestliner fishing boat, it was not exactly a fire-breather when it came to speed. But it got the job done at a time when the average fisherman did not feel the need to set speed records en route from a landing to a favorite

fishing spot. Whether it was the marketing departments of the outboard motor manufacturers, or the tournament bass fishing pros that some fishermen model themselves after, more than a few anglers got it into their heads that a 90 or 110 horsepower outboard mounted on a boat able to handle Lake Superior is needed on Minnesota's inland waters. They'd laugh at that 10-horse Evinrude. But at the risk of repetition, it got the job done.

Duck hunters seem to be the last bastion of the small outboard motor. But even there—especially with today's mud motors, designed to run in water that would barely float a jon boat the trend is to bigger power. Being a holdout for old and time-proven things in so many ways, I still sometimes resort to a small Evinrude outboard when I use a very standard old 14foot aluminum V-hull boat. It's an Evinrude of just eight horsepower. Maybe the time it takes to get from a landing to a destination with this setup is a reminder of one of the reasons I fish and hunt. It's to relax, and maybe catch some fish. or shoot a duck or two, not be a Type-A outdoorsman.

I've also been "unlucky in love" with an outboard or two. One was a six-horsepower Evinrude I purchased used from a local resort owner who no longer used it for his cabin fleet. Vacation guests, too, expect

bigger things these days. I bought it for duck hunting, painted it cattail brown, and over several seasons came to feel like Charlie Brown; Charlie Brown the Peanuts comic strip character, who year in and year out makes the mistake of believing Lucy's promise that she won't jerk the football away when he tries to kick it.

In my case, believing I could count on it to start and run well in the sub-freezing temperatures likely to be encountered during the duck season. Before a hunt it would start on the second or third pull, run smoothly, and give every indication that it would perform when needed. But more than once in late October or early November, after reaching a distant duck blind under power, it might leave you in the lurch when it was time to pick up the decoys and hurry numb-fingered back to the boat landing.

On one occasion I had to row for more than a half mile, my hunting partner periodically playing a flashlight beam on the wild rice beds to help me steer through them in full darkness. I've had this motor 'tuned up" and "gone over" more than once, each time given a clean bill of health by a small engine mechanic. I haven't quite given up on the mechanic, but I've given up on the motor.

Maybe I would do better if I bought fewer used outboards that I thought might still have life in them, and bought more outboards brand new. The latest outboard I've acquired, a substantially larger motor for a bigger boat, was purchased that way. It never fails to start and run well, which I guess is the lesson. By way of confession, it was made by a manufacturer whose home offices are on the far side of the Pacific Ocean, a maker that made its reputation in the U.S. selling motorcycles.

Forgive me, Ole Evin-



Family Vacalion Bible School July 27-31 6-7 p.m.

Motley Free Methodist Church

33 Birch Street E, Motley | 218-352-6888

Having just announced that **TOWER PIZZA**

will offer dine-in-services (July 6), we have decided to delay this for the unforeseeable future. This decision came after many conversations with employees, business people and others.

Due to the severe upswing in COVID-19 cases in Minnesota as well as numerous other states, the decision to NOT reopen dine-in was deemed to be in the best interest of our employees and our customers whose safety is our first concern.

Following state guidelines for reopening severely restricts seating capacity. We feel it is best if we continue to offer only take-out and delivery at this time.



We would also like to extend a huge thank you to our many loyal customers. You have enabled us to keep our doors open, and we will continue to do our best to serve your needs. When it is deemed safe to resume dine-in service, we will notify our customers. PLEASÉ STAY SAFEI

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90th Birthday July 12

with a private party. If you would like to remember Lorraine on her special day with a card or phone call she would love to hear from you. 🔊



Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:

Born to Teresa and Dennis Mover of Pillager, a baby boy, Kenan Malachi weighing eight pounds, six ounces on June 25, 2020.

Born to Brooke and Justin Martinez of Staples, a baby girl, Evelyn LaKotta weighing six pounds, six ounces on June 26, 2020.

Born to Heather and Shane Bodin of Motley, a baby girl, Harper Marie weighing seven pounds, one ounce on June 27, 2020.

Born to Alicia and Brent Nelson of Sebeka, a baby boy, Ezra Leon weighing eight pounds, 14 ounces on June 28, 2020.

Born to Samantha and Anthony Ramirez of Menahga, a baby boy, Theodore Andrew weighing seven pounds, nine ounces on June 30, 2020.

Born to Lacee and Michael Brennan of Pequot Lakes, a baby boy, Madden Thomas weighing eight pounds, three ounces on June 30, 2020.

Born to Kelsey Kavanaugh and Zach Brusewitz of Motley, a baby girl, Quinn Marie weighing seven pounds, six ounces on July 2, 2020.



Jack Nelson

Celebration of Life service for Jack Nelson will be held Sunday, July 12 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Timber's Restaurant and Event Center, Staples.

Both services will be the same, so choose only one to attend. Due to COVID-19

there is limited seating. RSVP to Heidi is required (894-3482 or 218-371-7115). Masks are strongly encouraged.

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Jeannine Gordon

A celebration of life graveside service for Jeannine Gordon, 78, formerly of the Verndale and Sebeka area, was held July 3, 2020 in the Wing River Cemetery. The recorded service is on YouTube channel: "First Congregational Church, Torrington Wyoming".

Jeannine Mae (Crocker) Gordon went to be with Jesus on June 27 at 8:12 a.m. in her home in Grimes, IA with her loving family by her side. Much to our surprise, Jeannine was diagnosed with cancer in January of this year. Her journey in this life came to an end much more quickly than any of us would have thought.

Mom invited Jesus to be her personal Savior at age eight and kept her faith to the end of her time on this Earth. Her final story is one of encouragement that we must stay close to Jesus because salvation is worth everything. Her life's Bible verse was Proverbs 3:5-6 and she did indeed trust in the Lord with all her heart.

Jeannine was born in Verndale on the Crocker family farm to Kenneth and Emily (Erickson) Crocker on July 26, 1941. She came from a hardworking farm family that raised livestock of milk cows, hogs and grew crops of corn and alfalfa. Jeannine was taught to work hard, and she learned it well. She attended and graduated from Verndale High School in 1959. She loved being a Verndale pirate and had been a cheerleader during high school. This position attracted the attention of many young men, but only one captured her eye. Dennis Gordon married Jeannine on August 5, 1961. They have been married for 59 years which is a miracle, if you know our dad. They attended St. Paul Bible College, currently know as Crown College in Waconia, preparing for a life of ministry. Jeannine was a homemaker, pastor's wife and ministry support person her whole married life. They served in churches for 42 years, ministering with the Christian & Missionary Alliance Denomination, pastoring churches in Bloomfield, MT, Leaf River, MN, Hamlet, NE, Ocheyedan, IA

Mom taught Sunday School, played piano, led Bible studies, baked food, made a million bulletins and loved and helped people, making difference in their lives. She enjoyed working as a para-educator in public schools and loved her time working at the Tri-County Hospital in Wadena. Dennis and Jeannine retired close to the Crocker Farm being blessed to live by Hope Chapel Church, north of

and Vining, IA.



Verndale, by many friends and family who made Mom's retirement year the best ever. Thank you to all her family, life-long church families and friends who made mom's life so wonder-

Jeannine loved attending Crocker family events and being with family, gardening, sewing, baking, music, reading, scrapbooking, games and caring for her mother, Emily, who lived to be 101. One of her favorite times of the year was Thanksgiving, when the Crocker family would come together and cut wood for grandma for the winter.

She is preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Kathy Bucknell; sisters-inlaw, Mae, Betty and Cathy.

She is survived by her husband, Dennis; four children Denise (David) Bubeck of Grimes, IA, Matthew (Beth) Gordon of Lingle, WY, Michelle (Steve) Nawrocki of Eden Prairie and Jolene (Mark) Nawrocki of Wheatridge, CO.; 13 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and one on the way; four brothers, John, Jim, Jerry and Dan (Michelle); three sisters Julie (Roger) Riebling and Leola (Randy) Beebe, sister and brotherin-law, Dean and Francis Estabrooks; and brotherin-law, Leon Gordon; along with many other family members and friends from around the world.

Rest well mom, we will be together again. Thank goodness for Jesus!

Memorials may be given to Hope Chapel Alliance Church, Verndale; Camp Jim Bible Camp, Pillager, or Crown College, St Bonifacius.

Thank you to Unity Point Hospice and Dave and Denise Bubeck's church family, Soteria Des Moines, for the wonderful love and care, God bless you all.

Arrangements with Hamilton Funeral Home, Des Moines, IA. (www.hamiltonsfuneralhome.com/)

Local arrangements with Schuller Family Funeral Homes & Cremation Services in Wadena. (www. SchullerFamilyFH.com) We thank them for their care to our family for many years.

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"An Ode to Uncles and Aunts"

Pastor Barry Klein, Staples Church of Christ

I have over my left shoulder several pictures of beloved late Uncles and an Aunt in my study. Good memories come back as I think about the meaning of their lives upon my life and walk in the Lord God. My wife has similar stories on her side of the family.

If you are an uncle or aunt, what is your story of pouring into your nieces and nephews? Are you checking in with them? Sending them cards? Are you praying for them? Are you speaking and living Jesus to them? Are you intentionally using the entrusted gift from God of family in a way that brings glory to the God Who made us all?

In the Bible, Abraham (Abram) was an uncle to his nephew Lot. Abraham invested in the life of his nephew on many levels, including being patient and unselfish with him (Genesis 13). Once, when Lot was captured, Abraham mobilized 318 of his trained men to go rescue him (Genesis 14:14).

Through the apostle Paul's sister, Paul had a

nephew. In a fascinating role reversal of help, Paul's nephew comes across a vital piece of information while his Uncle Paul was being kept as a prisoner in barracks. There was a conspiracy plot on Paul's life that Paul's nephew was able to get the news to Paul about (Acts 13:16). This ended up being literally life sparing as the information was passed on to a Roman centurion in order to change timing plans to get Paul out of there safely. So, that now allows us to ask this question: as a niece or nephew, what are you and I doing to honor our uncles and aunts?

.10:00 a.m.

.9:30 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

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In May, some of our family went down to visit a beloved uncle in Kenyon, MN. He is a widower and has a lot of time on his hands. It is all filled with his deep love for Jesus and His Church. He is a great prayer warrior. Spending time with our uncles and aunts needs to be unhurried and savored. As much as family is a gift, family that are followers of Jesus make family the richest.

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Student Achievements

THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESO-TA-DULUTH has announced its 2020 Spring Dean's List. To qualify, students must achieve a 3.5 grade point average or higher. Local students named include:

 Jordon Carlson, Motley • Jennifer North, Pil-

lager

 Tanner Swenson, Pillager.

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY. Mankato has announced its 2020 Spring Dean's Lists. To qualify for the High Honor List, students must achieve a 4.0 grade point average. To qualify for the Honor List. students must achieve a 3.5 to 3.99 grade point aver-

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26 years serving

age. Local students named

include: • Jessica Klima, Pillager,

Honor List • Jacob Russell, Pillager,

Honor List • Julia Fink, Staples,

High Honor List

• Ryan Gerard, Staples, Honor List

 Brooke Jackson, Staples, High Honor List.

Anna Willgohs, Staples,

was recently named to the Spring 2020 Dean's List at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE, With campuses in Detroit Lakes. Fergus Falls, Moorhead and Wadena, has announced its Spring 2020 Graduates. Local students listed include:

• Madeline Rutherford, Aldrich, Liberal Arts and Sciences

• Eric Kossan, Motley, **Electrical Technology**

 Ethan Neitzke, Pillager **Electrical Technology**

 Sarah Barrett, Staples, Liberal Arts and Sciences

• Jennifer Dobson, Staples, Liberal Arts and Sci-

ences

• Luke Funk, Staples, Nursing.



MAY TOWNSHIP CASS COUNTY **NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES**

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 until Tuesday, August 11, 2020. Please call the Clerk, Bianca Wyffels, at 218-820-6430, for an appointment. Or the office of the clerk will be open from 1:00 - 5:00p.m. on August 11, 2020 for candidates to file: May Township Hall Building, 5834, 112th Street SW, Pillager, MN.

Candidates must file at the office of the township Clerk, May Township Hall Building, 5834 112th Street SW, Pillager, MN. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay \$2 filing fee at time of filing.

Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period may arrange to file in person with the Clerk within seven days prior to departure by giving written affidavit of reasons for absence and completing all other filing requirements.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 3, 2020:

·Township Clerk -4 year regular term Township Supervisor Seat 1 - 4 year regular term Township Supervisor Seat 3 - 2 year term (fill an appointment) 28-29pnc

BECKER TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following township offices will be voted for at the State General Election to be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 through 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. You may call Mary Fitcher, 218-352-6498 for an appointment or the office of the clerk will be open Tuesday, August 11, 2020 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. located at 10999 75th Ave. SW, Motley, MN 56466. Candidates must complete an Affidavit of Candidacv and pay a \$2.00 filing fee at the time of filing.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 3, 2020:

One (1) Township Clerk four (4) year term One (1) Supervisor four (4) year term (seat 2)

Mary Fitcher, Clerk **Becker Township** 28-29pnc

NOTICE MOOSE LAKE TOWNSHIP. **MINNESOTÁ NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES**

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 until Tuesday, August 11, 2020. The office of the clerk will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on August 11, 2020 for candidates to file.

Candidates must file at the Office of the Moose Lake Township Clerk, 5335 51st Ave. SW, Pine River MN 56474. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay \$2.00 filing fee at time of filing.

Candidates who will be absent from the state during the filing period may arrange to file in person with the Clerk within seven days prior to departure by giving written affidavit of reasons for absence and completing all other filing requirements.

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 3, 2020:

Township Treasurer (4 year regular term) Township Supervisor Seat 2

(4 year regular term)

•Township Supervisor Seat 3 (4 year regular term)

Karen Roubal Moose Lake Township

Clerk

MEETING NOTICE TODD-WADENA COMMUNITY **CORRECTIONS EXECUTIVE** COMMITTE

The Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, July 13, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., at the Todd County Courthouse, 221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Megan Kruse Administrative Assistant

NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING **MOTLEY PUBLIC CEMETERY ASSOCIATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting of the Motley Public Cemetery Association will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at the Countryside Restaurant in Motley. The meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m.

Greg Frisk, Secretary

27-28pnc

OFFICE OF THE MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE **Certificate of Assumed** Name

Minnesota Statues, Chapter 333

The filing of an assumed name does not provide a user with exclusive rights to that name. The filing is required for consumer protection in order to enable consumers to be able to identify the true owner of a business.

1. List the exact assumed name under which the business is or will be conducted:

ER Appliance Repair 2. Principal place of busi-

110 Ann Ave. E Clarissa, MN 56440

3. List the name and complete street address of all persons conducting business under the above Assumed Name, OR if an entity, provide the legal corporate, LLC, or Limited partnership name and registered office

Andrew Groth 110 Ann Ave. E Clarissa, MN 56440

4. I, the undersigned, certify that I am signing this document as the person whose signature is required, or as agent of the person(s) whose signature would be required who has authorized me to sign this document on his/ her behalf, or in both capacities. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath.

SIGNED BY: Andrew Groth, owner

DATE: April 13, 2020

27-28pnc

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

CITY OF STAPLES Summary Financial Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of financial information concerning the City of Staples to interested citizens. The complete financial statements may be examined at Staples City Hall at 122 6th St NE.

Questions about this report should be directed to the City Clerk at (218) 894-2550

Revenue and Expenditures for General Operations (Governmental Funds)

		Total 2018		Total 2019	% Increase or (Decrease)
Revenues:					
Property Taxes	\$	978,467	\$	1,267,662	29.56%
Special Assessments		148,654		104,369	-29.79%
Licenses and Permits		110,534		132,040	19.46%
Intergovernmental Revenues		1,414,056		1,928,368	36.37%
Charges for Services		28,921		27,816	-3.82%
Fines and Forfeits		22,465		21,714	-3.34%
Investment Earnings		44,225		129,227	192.20%
Miscellaneous		637,637		643,388	0.90%
Total Revenues	\$	3,384,959	\$	4,254,584	25.69%
Per Capita		1,153.70		1,450.10	25.69%
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General Government	\$	413,009	\$	461,522	11.75%
Public Safety		921,655		929,023	0.80%
Streets and Highways		433,236		453,116	4.59%
Economic Development		374,296		483,503	29.18%
Parks and Recreation		127,703		193,496	51.52%
Airport		85,429		83,209	-2.60%
Debt Service:					
Principal		479,000		489,000	2.09%
Interest and Other Charges		269,726		332,510	23.28%
Capital Outlay		253,755		1,212,658	377.89%
Total Expenditures	\$	3,357,809	\$	4,638,037	-27.60%
Per Capita		1,144.45		1,580.79	-27.60%
Total Long-term Indebtedness	\$	8,593,645	\$	7,891,782	-8.17%
Per Capita		2,928.99		2,689.77	-8.17%
General Fund & Special Revenue	Funds	Unrestricted			
Fund Balance - December 31	\$	600,238	\$	576,670	-3.93%
Per Capita		204.58		196.55	-3.93%
		CITY OF STAPLES	s		

CITY OF STAPLES STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS December 31, 2019

					Ente	rprise Funds			
					Co	mmunity			
		Light		Water		Center	Sewer		Total
ASSETS									
Current assets:									
Cash and investments	\$	1,463,966	\$	215,587	\$	425,755	\$	\$	2,105,308
Restricted cash		163,185		3,000		-	-		166,185
Accounts receivable, net		295,569		48,238		260	53,218		397,285
Due from other funds		-		179,232		-			179,232
Receivables from other governmental units		-		-		15,838	327,138		342,976
Taxes receivable						171			171
Inventories		114,401		29,884					144,285
Prepaid expenses	_	18,184		9,973		5,233	 13,123	_	46,513
Total current assets		2,055,305		485,914		447,257	393,479		3,381,955
Net capital assets		3,083,294		4,934,477		132,858	3,030,298		11,180,927
Total assets		5,138,599		5,420,391		580,115	3,423,777		14,562,882
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Pension/OPEB plan deferments-PERA/OPEB		38,341		11,684		3,840	 4,394		58,259
Total assets and deferred outflows of									
resources	\$	5,176,940	\$	5,432,075	\$	583,955	\$ 3,428,171	\$	14,621,141
LIABILITIES									
Current liabilities:									
Accounts payable	\$	183,756	\$	4,786	\$	7,642	\$ 17,341	\$	213,525
Accrued interest payable		-		13,610					13,610
Due to other funds		-		-			179,232		179,232
Deposits		163,185		3,000					166,185
Current portion notes payable		134,439		127,000		-	-		261,439
Total current liabilities		481,380		148,396		7,642	196,573		833,991
Non-current liabilities:									
Severance/vacation payable		40,880		25,150		1,937	26,602		94,569
Net pension and OPEB liability		351,863		117,329		90,255	109,109		668,556
Notes payable		1,285,965		791,000					2,076,965
Total non-current liabilities		1,678,708		933,479		92,192	135,711		2,840,090
Total liabilities		2,160,088		1,081,875		99,834	332,284		3,674,081
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Pension/OPEB plan deferments-PERA/OPEB		80,473		27,613		22,572	25,847		156,505
NET POSITION									
Net investment in capital assets		1,662,890		4,016,477		132,858	3,030,298		8,842,523
Restricted for debt service		162,382		-		-	-		162,382
Unrestricted		1,111,107	_	306,110		328,691	39,742		1,785,650
Total net position		2,936,379	_	4,322,587		461,549	3,070,040		10,790,555
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of									
resources and net position	\$	5,176,940	\$	5,432,075	\$	583,955	\$ 3,428,171	\$	14,621,141

CITY OF STAPLES STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION **PROPRIETARY FUNDS**

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

		Light		Water	(Community Center		Sewer		Total
REVENUES	_	Ligit	_	water	_	Center	_	Jewei	_	TULAI
Charges for services	\$	3,083,943	\$	569,218	\$	126,248	\$	605,843	\$	4,385,252
Miscellaneous	•	141,242	•	42,709	•	,	•	-	•	183,951
Total operating revenues		3,225,185		611,927		126,248		605,843		4,569,203
OPERATING EXPENSES										
Personal services		561,364		186,670		174,127		217,305		1,139,466
Professional fees		30,745		7,966		3,206		18,006		59,923
Utilities		14,658		37,220		41,628		72,740		166,246
Rent		9,498		-		-		-		9,498
Purchase of energy		1,703,192		-		-		-		1,703,192
Other services, supplies and repairs		188,124		139,196		45,558		126,938		499,816
Insurance		9,826		6,008		3,046		9,000		27,880
Franchise fee expense		151,295		-		-		-		151,295
Depreciation		136,087		160,386	_	26,362		107,504	_	430,339
Total operating expenses		2,804,789	_	537,446	_	293,927		551,493	_	4,187,655
Operating income (loss)		420,396		74,481		(167,679)		54,350		381,548
NON OPERATING REVENUES										
(EXPENSES)										
Property taxes		-		-		19,632		-		19,632
Intergovernmental revenue		-		-		119,418		-		119,418
Interest and investment revenue		47,806		13,959		14,555		47		76,367
Miscellaneous revenue		-		207		242		5,214		5,663
Operating grants and contributions		677		244		161		327,413		328,495
Interest expense		(37,683)		(31,152)	_				_	(68,835)
Total non operating revenues (expenses)		10,800		(16,742)	_	154,008		332,674	_	480,740
Change in net position before										
transfers and special items		431,196		57,739		(13,671)		387,024		862,288
Transfers out		(42,123)		(22,123)	_	-		(2,123)		(66,369)
Change in net position		389,073		35,616		(13,671)		384,901		795,919
Net position - beginning, as originally reported		2,534,724		4,279,855		470,809		2,675,565		9,960,953
Prior Period		12,582	_	7,116	_	4,411		9,574	_	33,683
Net position - beginning, as restated		2,547,306		4,286,971	_	475,220		2,685,139		9,994,636
Net position - ending	\$	2,936,379	\$	4,322,587	\$	461,549	\$	3,070,040	\$	10,790,555

CITY OF STAPLES STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Page	For th	e rear Ended D	ecember 31, 2	019						
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Light Water Center Sewer Total										
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CITY OF STAPLES FILING NOTICE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that filings for the biennial election for the City of Staples will open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 and will close at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020.

Offices to be filled are the Mayor and three City Council Members. The Mayor shall serve for a term of two years. The three City Council Members shall serve for

File with the City Clerk at Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE. A filing fee of \$2.00 is required.

The biennial election for the City of Staples will be

held Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Diane Archer/City Clerk

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TODD COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

215 1st Ave. South. Long Prairie, MN 56347 320-732-4420

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, July 23,** 2020 at 6:00 p.m. the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's board room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota, or via phone **conference call.** Please email or phone your wish to be included in the meeting at 320-732-4420 toddplan. zone@co.todd.mn.us to consider the following Variance applications:

AGENDA

•Call to Order Approval of the June

2020 BOA minutes ·Board introduction and

process review o The applicant is intro-

duced o Staff Report

o Applicant request if staff report accurately represents the request

o Public Comment o Board review with

applicant, staff, and public 1. Dale Peterson: NW 1/4 SW ¼ of Section 16, Township 132N, Range 32W in

Fawn Lake Township Site Address: 30696 416th St, Browerville. PID: 08-0016100

1. Request to reduce the setback in AF-1 to the South property line from 30 to 0 feet due to existing structure built on property line.

2. Request to reduce the side yard setback in AF-1 zoning from the South side yard property line from 30 to 25 feet for future deck

2. Thomas and Karen **DeFrance:** Part of Lots 6 and 9, and all of Lots 7 and 8 in Section 3, Township 128, Range 32 in Leevilla subdivison, Burnhamville Town-

Site Address: 32942 Flicker Rd, Burtrum. PID: 06-0052400

1. Request to reduce the lakeshore setback in Shoreland- RD zoning from 100 feet to 85 feet for new residence construction sized 38 feet by 44 feet.

2. Request to reduce road setback in Shoreland- RD zoning from 20 feet to 15 feet for same new residence construction.

3. Kyle Lieser: Lot 12 of Saddleback Ridge at Pauley Lake (20-127-33) in Birchdale Township

Site Address: 11518 Aldrin Loop, Sauk Centre PID: 03-0091900

1. Request to remove 18 foot maximum for accessory structures in Shoreland-NE zoning for building of 24 foot peak height shed for camper storage.

4. Tyler Graves: 4-2 Hillcrest (30-129-33) in Long Prairie Township

Site Address: 22029 Goodwill Drive, Long Prairie. PID: 18-0050500

1. Request to reduce the R-2 Zoning setback to the north side lot line from 10 feet to 4 feet for detached garage construction.

2. Request to reduce the road Right-of-way from 35 feet to 30 feet for same garage construction

5. Susan and Dale Johnson: 23-0 Kuharski Shores in Turtle Creek Township

Site Address: 35073 Moonlight Drive, Cushing. PID: 24-0056100

1. Request to reduce the setback to bluff in Shoreland- NE zoning from 30 feet to 22 feet for purpose of building 16 foot by 10 foot three-season porch.

2. Request to reduce the setback from OHWM in Shoreland-NE zoning from 150 feet to 70 feet for same three-season porch construction.

6. Larry and Jan Sass: Lot 6. Block 1 St Mary's Lake Subdivision (25-127-32) in Grey Eagle Township

Site Address: 34395 Autobahn Dr, Grey Eagle PID:

1. After-The-Fact Request to reduce the setback for water-oriented accessory structure in Shoreland- NE zoning from 75 feet to 48 feet for existing deck.

2. After-The-Fact Request to increase non-roofed impervious surface limit from 10% to 13.342% for existing surfaces.

7. Joe Nalezny: Section 23 Township 131 Range 32 Lot 3 in Turtle Creek Township

Site Address: 35359 Moonlight Drive, Cushing. PID: 24-0024700

1. Request to reduce the setback to lake in Shoreland-RD Zoning from 100 feet to 68 feet for building of 20 foot by 40 foot living space and 34 foot by 26 foot attached garage.

2. Request to raise roof height limit for dwelling within setbacks in Shoreland-RD Zoning from 18 feet to 20 feet, 4 inches.

8. Steve and Tammy Baloun: Lot 3 Triebenbachs Shores (35-129-35) in Leslie Township.

Site Address: 21859 Finch Rd, Osakis. PID: 15-0060900

1. Request to reduce the setback to road in Shoreland-GD zoning from 20 feet to 15 feet for construction of 30 foot by 30 foot attached garage.

2. Request to reduce the setback from side lot line in Shoreland-GD zoning from 10 feet to 7 feet for same attached garage. 3. Request to raise roof

height limit for dwelling within setbacks in Shoreland-RD Zoning from 18 feet to 24 feet.

Adjournment. Next meeting: August 27, 2020

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing or submit a letter to be heard on these matters. All correspondence must include name, mailing address and be received 48 hours before the date and time of the hearing.

Todd County Board of Adjustment Bill Berscheit, Chair

NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD **INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 116 PILLAGER PUBLIC SCHOOLS** STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of school board member of Independent School District No. 116 shall begin on July 28, 2020 and shall close at 5 o'clock p.m. on August 11, 2020.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. At that election, three (3) members will be elected to the School Board for a term of four (4) years

Affidavits of Candidacy are available from the school district clerk, Pillager Public Schools, District Office, 323 E. 2nd Street So., Pillager, Minnesota. The filing fee for this office is \$2.00. A candidate for this office must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more on assuming office, must have been a resident of the Pillager School District for thirty (30) days before the general election, and is not registered as a convicted sex offender.

The affidavits of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district clerk and the filing fee paid prior to 5 o'clock p.m. on August 11, 2020.

Dated: July 8, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Sara Nagel School District Clerk

NOTICE OF FILING DATES FOR ELECTION TO THE **SCHOOL BOARD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT** NO. 2170 **STAPLES-MOTLEY** STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of School Board Member of Independent School District No.2170 shall begin on July 28, 2020 and shall close at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on August 11, 2020.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. At that election, three (3) members will be elected to the School Board for terms of four (4) years

Affidavits of Candidacy are available at the School District Office; 905 4th ST NE, Staples MN 56479; between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (5:00 p.m. on Aug. 11)

The filing fee for this office is two dollars (\$2). A candidate for this office must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more on assuming office, must have been a resident of the school district from which the candidate seeks election for thirty (30) days before the general election, and must have no other affidavit on file for any other office at the same (primary or next ensuing) general election.

The affidavits of candidacy must be filed in the District Office, and the filing fee paid, prior to 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, August 11,

Greg Frisk School District Clerk 28-29pnc

deductible.

Innovation Funding awards cultivate culture of compassion

A program to help provide mental health services for first responders and veterans in the five-county area is one of six projects approved to receive support through Sourcewell's Innovation Funding

The Sourcewell Board of Directors approved more than \$402,000 to help support six local community initiatives through Innovation Funding, including a program to address and act upon the mental health needs of local veterans and first responders.

Review Day for local government requests was June 10 and for nonprofits on June 17. Both events were held virtually, where presentations were shared by requesting organizations, and eligible event participants had an opportunity to vote. Final approval for local government requests was given by the Sourcewell board at its June 16 meeting, with nonprofit requests set to be approved at the board's July 21 meeting.

We're excited to support projects that show strong collaboration and will create positive impacts in our region,' said Sourcewell Director of Regional Programs Paul Drange. "This year's awarded projects include communities sharing equipment, counties collaborating to provide better social services, and nonprofits focusing on our communities' mental health needs. We are humbled to come alongside these projects and support their

The following programs will receive funding

Local Governments

Project: Safe Families for Children Organization: Morrison County (in collaboration with Cass, Crow Wing, Todd, and Wadena counties)

Description: \$67,878.50 to develop a partnership with the national nonprofit Safe Families for Children and create community interventions in an effort to keep families and children together. SFFC supports vulnerable children and parents in crisis by creating extended family through a community of volunteers and keeps children safe, families intact, and prevents them from entering, or re-entering, into child welfare and deflecting children from foster care.

Project: Vacuum Trailer Organization: City of Walker (in col-

laboration with the city of Pine River) Description: \$85,000 to purchase a

vacuum trailer to share with all communities in Sourcewell's five-county service area. The vacuum trailer's primary use would be to remove pollutants from storm water catch basins and storm scepters Other uses include sanitary sewer maintenance, hydro excavating, valve exercising, and utilizing software to track said valves and locations.

nonprofits

Project: Developing Resiliency Programs for Emergency Personnel Organization: Essentia Health - St. ing, visit www.sourcewell-mn.gov.

Joseph's Foundation (in collaboration

with Northern Pines Mental Health Center and Crow Wing Energized)

Description: \$100,000 to pilot a resiliency program specifically addressing the needs of emergency personnel in Brainerd/Baxter. The pilot would also provide mental health programs for veterans and the general population throughout Crow Wing County and replicate these throughout the five-county area. Resiliency programs enable wellbeing through social connection, peer learning, and by decreasing the stigma of asking for help.

Project: Neurofeedback Brain Retraining

Organization: Lakes Area Pregnancy Support Center (in collaboration with Sexual Assault Services and MN Adult and Teen Challenge)

Description: \$100,000 to provide Neurofeedback Brain Training services to clients of the requesting organizations. Neurofeedback (also called EEG Biofeedback) is a state-of-the-art, non-invasive, drugless method for teaching the brain to function in a more balanced and healthful way. This method provides changes to brainwaves that can help with anxiety, depression, PTSD, memory loss, sleep disorders, learning disorders, and more without the use of medication.

Project: Rx/Vet Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)

Organization: Sprout MN (in collaboration with Region Five Development Commission/North Central Economic Development Association)

Description: \$25,000 to create a Prescriptive Community Supported Agriculture (RxCSA) program with specific target focus areas of geographically dispersed veterans and their families, those who are working to increase adaptation and lifestyle capacity while living with mental illness, and those who are recovering from opioid or other drug additions. This approach offers new lifelong skills that change behaviors, build new adaptation skills, increase self-esteem, grow nutritional sustainability, and provide an overall greater well-being.

Project: Reducing Isolation, Building Resiliency, and Empowering Rural Community Members through Con-

Organization: Cuyuna Regional Medical Center (in collaboration with Wellness in the Woods) Description: \$25,000 to help connect

families and older adults living in rural communities within Cass, Crow Wing, and Morrison counties to Central Lakes College nursing students and other student leaders. Through this endeavor, participants would learn technology skills to communicate with family members, gain confidence to connect with peers, family, and even medical providers virtually; as well as learn the importance of creating meaningful connections within their communities.

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July 4 Veterans Park event

The Staples Veterans Park held a July 4 event, with patriotic music and a dedication of new pavers at the park. Above, Tom Ladwig, Commander of the American Legion Tri-County Post 124, gives a speech to the crowd. Right and below, visitors spread out to enjoy the program. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)







Patriotic music

The Schimpp family entertained the crowd at the July 4 program at the Staples Veterans Park, from left, Gary, Dawn Timbs, and Carmen. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Sharing faith and Eeyore's realism

a worship band with. They liked to talk about theology, Carleton recalled, going on to share that a lot of the historical books he'd read were about Martin Luther. One day, after he had expounded some more about Luther, his friend said to him, "You sound Lutheran.

Shortly after, he picked up "The Book of Concord" (known as the Lutheran Confessions) and knew he'd found his denominational home.

His dad was a part of his ordination service in 2016, Pastor Carleton shared, going on to say that the elder Pastor Smee laid hands on his son (a Christian tradition) and offered a prayer, which was very meaningful.

Pastor Carleton's ordination degree hangs on the wall near his Certificate of Bartending. He learned a lot about pastoral care while bartending, Carleton said. People will often open up more to a bartender than they will their pastor or priest, he noted.

Pastor Carleton is passionate about sharing his faith with others...to pass on this free gift of Christ's grace that's available to all.

He went on to say that e feels neonle today are looking for a place of refuge, that they need hope. It's the church's job to help them find this.

In his new office at Faith Lutheran are many of his books, his guitar, a life-size cut-out of Martin Luther (adorned with one of Carleton's stoles) and a few stuffed Eeyore donkeys, a character from the popular 'Winnie the Pooh' books. Although often described as being depressed, Pastor Carleton sees Eeyore as being "a realist." Eeyore is his spirit-animal, the pastor laughs.

He enjoys reading a wide variety of books, Pastor

Carleton said. In addition to history and theology, he enjoys Japanese murder mysteries, Sherlock Holmes, and autobiographies. He's currently reading, "The Year of Living Danishly. He also tries to read up

about both sides of issues. One of his favorite parts of ministry is talking with and getting to know parishioners, which has been difficult during the COVID-19 pandemic. Pastor Carleton said he is looking forward to restrictions being eased somewhat in the near future. He went on to say that on Sunday, July 19, Faith Lutheran will hold an outdoor parking lot service at 9 a.m. Bethany Lutheran will reopen that day with an indoor service at 10:45 a.m.

Outside of work, he and his wife Carry enjoy taking walks, hikes, drives, and going to get a beer on a hot summer day.

Bjelland starts as Region Five development planner

Region Five Development units of government and comed the addition of Erica Bjelland. Bjelland joins R5DC as a regional development planner, after working for several years at Rural Renewable Energy Alliance (RREAL) in Backus. She is responsible for facilitating community development and economic development projects, with an emphasis on program implementation focused on energy, environment and pandemic planning.

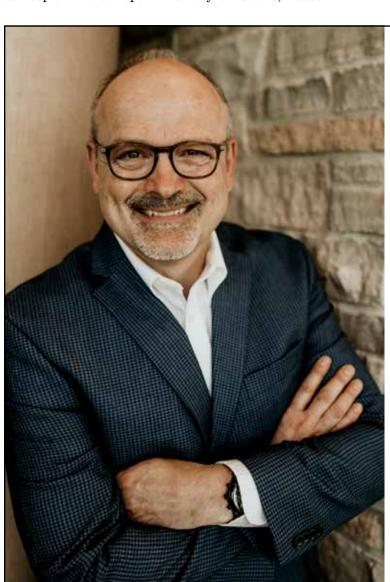
Bjelland assists local

Commission (R5DC) wel- businesses with various other planning and ensures that diversity, equity, and inclusion practices are incorporated into existing and new policies, rules, programs and proposals.

Bjelland holds bachelor's degrees in Environmental Policy and Global Studies from Concordia College in Moorhead, and currently serves on the 100 Rural Women board and Clean Energy Resource Teams (CERTs) regional steering committee.



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