

City Comprehensive Plan, Safe Routes to School plans passed

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Staples has two new roadmaps to help the city plan for the future. At the June 26 Staples City Council meeting, the city's Comprehensive Plan and Safe Routes To School plans were approved.

The Comprehensive Plan was a year long process that involved a steering committee and multiple forums for community input. Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) guided the process and developed

the final plan. The Safe Routes to School plan was for the Staples-Motley School District and was guided by Region Five Development Commission. It's been in development for a couple of years.

Ashley Kaisershot of Sourcewell presented the Comprehensive Plan to the council. The final plan is broken into four sections: healthy communities, community vision, quality of life and implementation.

Healthy communities includes: parks, open space, recreation, transporta-

tion and natural resources. Community vision includes: land use and community design. Quality of life includes: housing, economic and community development and infrastructure.

The implementation section breaks each category into strategies and sub-strategies to use in planning, and also gives each sub-strategy a priority classification of high, medium or low. An example from the healthy communities section has the fol-

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Setting the butterflies free

Staples Library Coordinator Cathy Perish releases the first painted lady butterfly raised in the library with the help of 20 children who attended the release on June 27. The children also participated in making butterfly artwork. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

SEDA to coordinate with school on building plans

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The Staples Economic Development Author-

ity (SEDA) is looking to coordinate more with the Staples-Motley School District to work together as the school plans for a new building.

At the same time, the city is studying what to do with the Staples Community Center. City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said they have more than 400 responses to their community center survey, with early indications that users are in favor of the city and school to work together.

SEDA Board member Tim Rice said the city needs to help determine the use of the empty school buildings, in case the school builds a new one.

Mayor Chris Etzler said if the school pursues their current plan of building at the Staples-Motley Elementary site, the best solution could be to tear down the old community center, put in a new pool, and use the high school gyms and other space for a new community center.

City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said Centen-

nial Auditorium could be an opportunity for a performing arts center.

"Once the school decision is made, it will trigger other things," said Nelsen.

Rice said the SEDA needs to learn more information about the school project and the possibilities of re-purposing the old school building. Etzler suggested having a school representative at SEDA meetings to keep them updated.

Loan programs

Economic Development Director Melissa Rademacher presented the board with a review of their loan programs. The SEDA participates with local banks to supply gap loans, that help businesses with the difference between what the bank will loan and what they need to fund a project. The SEDA also has two programs of their own, the awning and facade loan and commercial exterior building loan.

The awning and facade

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To touch a butterfly

The final butterfly to be released clung to the orange slice that was used to sustain the butterflies while they were growing. Cathy Perish gives the butterfly a chance to climb onto the fingers of the children. Thirty-three butterflies were released.



Spreading its wings

One of the painted lady butterflies released by the Staples Library rests on some leaves before flying off to start its new life.

Hello, Readers,

International Plastic Bag Free Day, which is July 3, is dedicated to heightening awareness about the very real and pressing issues brought about by this most popular of disposable carrying devices. We are reminded that those bags we pick up from the retailers are used for an incredibly short time, usually under 25 minutes, and are then disposed of. They may pass out of our thinking then, but they do not pass out of our world. Plastic bags remain in the world for anywhere from 100-500 years before finally decaying completely, and have a profound impact upon our environment as a result. Out in the great reaches of the ocean are massive reefs made up of all sorts of plastic waste, and plastic bags play heavily among them. Such is the magnitude of the problem that these great floating islands reach hundreds of miles, like great monuments to mankind's wastefulness, and disregard for the world upon which we live.

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What ever happened to ...

Charlie Funk: FFA is his life's calling

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Reporter's note: "What ever happened to...?" is a periodic column which highlights stories of alumni from schools in Motley and Staples.

Charles (Charlie) Funk never imagined he would finish high school, let alone go on to become the Minnesota Teacher of the Year in 1979.

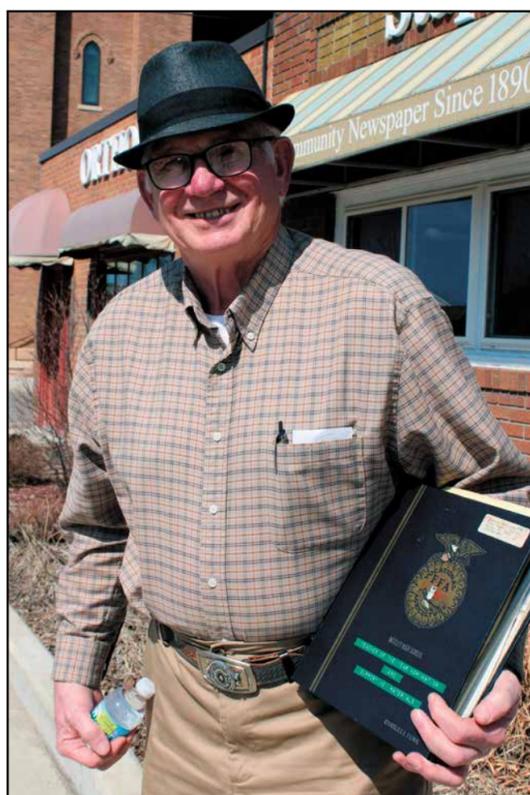
Now retired, the beloved longtime instructor at Motley High School credits the FFA program for helping steer him toward what has been his life's calling... teaching Agriculture and advising young people in FFA.

He can't think of a more fulfilling vocation, Charlie says.

In fact, whenever he meets a young person considering a career as an Ag teacher, Charlie tells them, "You will change lives and experience miracles."

It's an adage he's certainly found to be true.

Charlie grew up on a farm in Sebeka and became involved in the FFA program during high school. A trip to the FFA Convention in Kansas City, MO, his junior year would prove to be life-changing, almost a "religious experience," Charlie said. He remembers conversations with his FFA advisor and Ag teacher Orville Thomas, over the course of that convention and being inspired



Passionate about FFA

Charlie Funk, Sebeka, was a longtime agriculture teacher and FFA advisor at Motley High School. He is pictured with a scrapbook that contains photos, articles and awards from those years, including memorabilia about his being named Minnesota Teacher of the Year in 1979. Now retired, Funk continues to advise students in FFA, working with a few children whose parents he had taught when they were in high school. "They're my FFA grandbabies," Funk said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

to follow a similar path.

After graduating from Sebeka High School in 1966, Charlie went on to attend college at the University of Minnesota Morris for one year, later transferring to the U of M in St. Paul. During his time at Morris, he chartered a collegiate FFA Chapter there.

His first teaching job after college was at Motley High School. He was hired by Superintendent R.G. Berg in 1970 and taught through 1986, Charlie shared. "Motley treated us great," he went on about those years.

During his time with the Motley School District, Charlie remained passionate about Ag and FFA, sharing that passion with a number of students along the way. He recalled helping students get their State and American FFA degrees during those years, which was very fulfilling.

Early on, he witnessed "miracles" in the lives of students during his teaching days. Sometimes it was seeing a disorderly student's behavior change simply because they found a class they really connected with. Others, like Charlie, found their own life's calling by way of their high school teacher. Charlie remembers meeting up with one of his students, John Kropuenske, years after he graduated. "You got me started in welding and that's what I do for a living," John told his former teacher.

He remains close to several of his Motley FFA students to this day. Bill Hawley, who was the FFA Chapter President, now works for the Air National Guard in Washington D.C. in a security position, Charlie said. He went on to mention Bill's classmate, Duane Hendricks, who was named state star agribusinessman and is now the CEO of Egan, an electrical and mechanical company that did a lot of the work on the new Vikings stadium.

Pat (Zetah) Simonette was the first female from Motley to earn her American Degree; and Kelly Boldan who got his start in journalism as the Motley FFA chapter reporter, is currently the editor of The Willmar Tribune.

Others that come to mind when he thinks back on his time at Motley include the late Brad Irwin, who was Charlie's first FFA student to get an American FFA degree and would go on to teach Ag; Neal Cronin, a state reporter; and Coleen Swecker, one of the few girls in FFA his first year of teaching. In those early days, girls couldn't take Ag classes and unless you lived on a farm, you couldn't be in FFA.

Fortunately, that criteria changed over time.

Charlie went on to teach at his alma mater, Sebeka High School, from 1986 until his retirement in 2006.

He recalled that during

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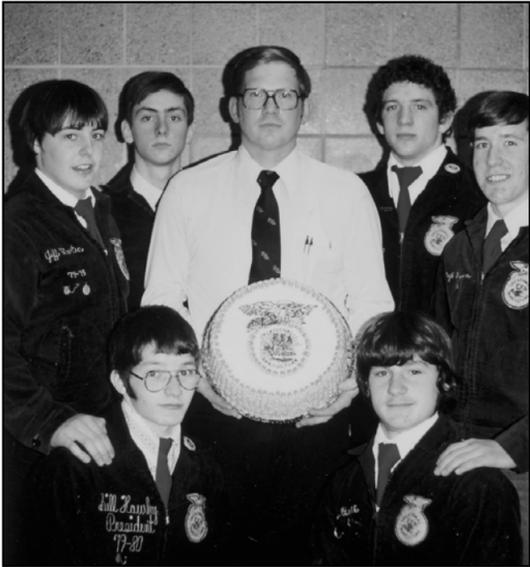
The Funk family today, at home on the farm

Charlie Funk, longtime Ag teacher at Motley High School, is now at home at the family farm in Sebeka. He and his wife Cheryl (center) are pictured with their six grown children and their spouses. From left, are Edric and Heather; Aaron and Jessica; Sarah and Miles Kuschel; Cheryl and Charlie; Stephen and Heather; Maria and Mitchell Ness; Paul and Shelby. The Funks have nine grandchildren. (Submitted photo)

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Funk's involvement continued after retirement

In his interview at Sebeka, he stated that if they hired him, the school would see just as many girls wearing the blue



Celebrating

In 1979, Charles (Charlie) Funk was named Minnesota Teacher of the Year. He is pictured at top holding a celebratory cake made in his honor, surrounded by members of the Motley High School FFA Chapter, of which he served as advisor. Back row, from left: Jeff Martin, Stephen Emery, Funk, Mike Swecker, Daryl Moon. Front: Bill Hawley, Les Bell. In lower photo, Funk gets a hug from Bill Hawley, FFA Chapter President at that time, after being named 'Teacher of the Year.' (Submitted photos)



FFA jacket as boys. "That's the face of FFA," Charlie said. Even after retirement, Charlie's remained connected to FFA, serving as an advisor and mentor to several students.

This past year, he worked with students at Menahga High School, subbing for his daughter, Maria Ness, who was on maternity leave. During that time, 32 students from Menahga went to the State Convention in St. Paul, 20 of whom were girls. One of the students took home the second place Creed Speaker award.

Yes, two of his children went on to teach Ag, Charlie shared. In addition to Maria, his son, Stephen, teaches at Mountain Lake.

He and his wife, Cheryl, have six children, and all of them were involved with FFA during their growing up years. "We never had to twist their arms," Charlie said. He went on to note that his son, Edric was a State FFA President and that all six received their State FFA degrees along the way. One of his grandchildren, Mackenzie Kuschel, will be in FFA next year, which is exciting, Charlie said.

In addition to his biological grandchildren, Charlie has been thrilled to have the opportunity to work with his "FFA grandbabies," as he calls them. Bekka Paskewitz is one that comes to mind, Charlie said, mentioning the daughter of Vicki (Hawley) Paskewitz, one of his FFA students during his years at Motley. A few years ago, Bekka won the State Extemporaneous Speech award and has gone on to be a State FFA officer and is currently a finalist for Princess Kay of the Milky Way, representing Todd County. He's proud of his FFA kids and grandkids, Charlie says.

He's been able to attend a few of the National FFA Conventions, which has been a thrill. Charlie recalled being at the 50th national convention in Kansas City and the 75th in Louisville, Ky. He hopes to be able to attend the 100th National FFA Convention in nine years. Charlie recalled attending the national convention in 2011, at which his daughter Maria received her American degree.

Charlie describes himself as a "school person." Besides his work with FFA, he's served three terms on the Sebeka School Board, of which he is currently a member.

In addition to his work in education, Charlie has served on boards with both the Wadena County Planning and Adjustment and the Nimrod Lutheran Church.

His life is rich, Charlie says, mentioning time spent with students, as well as his own family, which now includes nine grandchildren, ages newborn - 17. He and Cheryl make their home in Sebeka, back at the old Funk family farm where he was first introduced to agriculture. Although he didn't end up farming like his grandfather and father, Charlie's kept the legacy alive by passing down his passion for Ag and FFA. There are quite a few students out there that are happy a chapter of Mr. Funk's life was spent at Motley High School.

Level 3 Predatory Offender living in Wadena County

The Wadena County Sheriff's Office is notifying the public that a Level 3 Predatory Offender has moved back to Wadena County as of July 2. Cory Lynn Mangan, 30, will be moving to the vicinity of 150th St and 129th Ave, Wadena.



Cory Mangan

imposed on him by the court and is transitioning into the community. This notification is not intended to increase fear but rather raise awareness. Law enforcement believes that an informed public is a safer public.

The Wadena County Sheriff's Office may not direct where the offender does or does not reside, nor can this agency direct where he works or goes to school. The risk level of this offender has been determined largely on his potential to re-offend based on his previous behavior.

Mangan has a history of sexual contact with minor male victims (ages eight-14). Contact included attempted penetration. One victim was vulnerable due to developmental disabilities. Offender met victims for the first time just prior to offense behavior.

Convicted sexual and predatory offenders have always been released to live in our communities. It was not until the passage of the Registration Act that law enforcement had an ability to track movement of these offenders after their initial release. With the passage of the Community Notification Act law enforcement may now share information about many of these offenders with the public.

The Wadena County Sheriff's Office can be reached at 218-631-7600. To report criminal activity by this offender or any other individual, call 911.

Abuse of this information to threaten, harass or intimidate a registered offender is unacceptable and such acts could be charged as a crime. Such abuses could potentially end the ability of law enforcement to provide these notifications.

The Wadena County Sheriff's Office is releasing this information pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 244.052. This statute authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sexual or predatory offender's release from prison or a secure treatment facility when the Wadena County Sheriff's Office believes that the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

If community notification ends, the only person who wins is the offender. Many of these offenders derive their power from the opportunity that secrecy provides.

The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of Criminal Sexual Conduct or another offense that requires registration with law enforcement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 243.166 or 243.167.

For questions about predatory offenders and community notification, go to www.doc.state.mn.us and click on "Search for Offenders".

This individual has served the sentence



New apartment project ready to start

Construction on the new apartment building along Airport Rd in Staples will soon start, as a layer of sand was put down on June 29, making it ready for the foundation. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

USDA safety net coverage enrollment

Since shares and ownership of a farm can change year-to-year, producers must enroll by signing a contract each program year.

or revenues for covered commodities.

The producers on a farm who are not enrolled for the 2018 enrollment period will not be eligible for financial assistance from the ARC or PLC programs for the 2018 crop should crop prices or farm revenues fall below the historical price or revenue benchmarks established by the program. Producers who made their elections in previous years must still enroll during the 2018 enrollment period.

Covered commodities include barley, canola, large and small chickpeas, corn, crambe, flaxseed, grain sorghum, lentils, mustard seed, oats, peanuts, dry peas, rapeseed, long grain rice, medium grain rice (which includes short grain and sweet rice), safflower seed, sesame, soybeans, sunflower seed and wheat. Upland cotton is no longer a covered commodity. For more details regarding these programs, go to www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc.

The ARC and PLC programs were authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill and offer a safety net to agricultural producers when there is a substantial drop in prices

Producers are encouraged to visit their local FSA office at 7118 Clearwater Road in Baxter. To find a local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

NOTICE
Water Main Flushing

The City of Staples Water Department will be flushing water mains throughout the City as needed, **July 9 - 13, 2018**. You may experience cloudy water during this time. If this occurs, allow the cold water to run until it clears.

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Congratulations to these 5-Star employees



Amy Sofie, LPN, Clinic
Nominated by Anne Qureshi RN Surgery Coordinator, "Amy goes above and beyond for every patient. Her optimism has influenced me and her patients. Amy has an excellent rapport with her patients and when appointments start running behind she rounds with the patients making sure they are aware of the delay. She represents all the values Lakewood stands for and more."

Morgan Blinson, CRA, Care Center
Nominated by the HOPE Committee, "Morgan is a newer CRA at the Care Center and she instantly became part of the team. She has a positive attitude and works hard to ensure that the resident's needs are met. She is very observant of the residents around her. Recently, she saw a resident choking and she immediately responded by doing the Heimlich. Our residents benefit from having such a dedicated caregiver that always puts their needs first."

Kelly Gelle, Administrative Assistant, Home Health / Hospice
Melissa Plautz, Application Analyst, IT
Nominated anonymously, "Kelly and Melissa have been an integral part in getting Epic up and running in Home Care and Hospice this last year. Together, they spent many hours training and dedicating themselves (and still do) as the liaison between Epic and Home Care/Hospice staff while providing an easier transition from ECS to Epic. Words cannot express how hard they have worked. They are shining examples of 5-Star service."

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Passing of the Gavel

Jim Vogel, left, passes the gavel to the new Staples Rotary Club president Marv Rothstein at a meeting and social June 28 at The Vintage golf club. Vogel has served as president for the past year and thanked members for their support. Rothstein said the club will continue with current local projects, such as the flower boxes, Camp RYLA and student scholarships as well as supporting the Rotary International Foundation programs, such as Peace Scholars and Polio Plus. (Staples World photo by Brenda Halvorson)

Don't Miss Your Chance
to nominate an individual, business or organization for the 2018 **Community Awards**

HURRY The deadline is July 10!
Our website has forms that can be completed online, then printed.
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Forms are also available at Motley City Hall and Markus Hair Design in Motley and at Staples City Hall, Staples World, Staples Public Library, and Mayer, Porter & Nelson, LTD, in Staples.

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Eye, dental clinic building progressing

The Staples Eye Clinic and Lakeland Dental professional building walls up and ground work is being done at the location on Highway 10, next to the Staples Veterans Park, whose flag can be seen in the background. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Casey's exterior taking shape on Hwy10

The building is taking shape and concrete is being poured for the new Casey's gas station and convenience store on Highway 10 in Staples, between 7th and 8th St NE. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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People moving to Staples have positive feelings about the community

program has a three percent interest rate and a maximum loan amount of \$15,000. The commercial building loan has zero interest and a \$5,000 maximum. Radermacher presented the board with a request from Dustin's Auto to use the awning and facade loan to build a fence around the business, but the board agreed that it might fit better under the commercial exterior building loan. The current loan specifies paint, signs, and alleys as target areas for the loans. SEDA Board member Al Kolling suggested they add fencing to the list. SEDA Board member Rachel Johnson agreed, because that could open it up to adding outdoor seating to local establishments.

Housing

Radermacher reviewed the new housing study conducted by Central Minne-

sota Housing Partnership, for their proposed income-based housing project.

Radermacher said a healthy vacancy rate is around five percent. A 2016 housing study found the Staples rate to be at two percent, and the new CMHP study found it to be below one percent, indicating a need for more housing in Staples.

SEDA board members gave examples of people looking for housing.

In the past month, Etzler said he spoke with three new families who had just moved to Staples, from St. Cloud, Brainerd and Kansas City. He said they all had good things to say about Staples and moved here because they had heard good things about the community. "It's anecdotal, but still is evidence that people want to live here," said Etzler. He said some people with negative views of the community should take note of the outside view from people coming into the area.

Etzler said one of the common things that people cite about coming to Staples is that it is in the center of the state. "We're in the middle of it all," he said. "We have access to a lot of things, and some positive things going on in the community."

Johnson said a lot of people are asking to buy homes contract for deed, as they don't have enough cash to make a down payment on a house. Todd County Economic Development Corporation Director Rick Utech said a lot of people still are swimming out of the 2007 crisis, and college graduates have a lot of debt. He said the whole county is need of housing.

In other news, the SEDA

- Approved \$1,000 sponsorship of Todd County Development Corporation.
- Approved \$250 sponsorship of Staples Motley Area Community Foundation annual Business of the Year Award.



Taking a break for lunch

Chris, Xander and Landon Moench (ages 13, 10 and nine) and Payton Nelson, six, all of Staples, have enjoyed the opportunity to have lunch at Staples-Motley Elementary School during summer vacation. At top on June 27, school employee Kim Butler (far right) helps serve bread to Payton, while the older boys in the group dish up a helping of hot dogs and beans. At right, the children walk to school in time for lunch. They've been having a great summer so far, the children said. Payton said her favorite part of summer vacation has been swimming at the Staples Community Center. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Free meals available for youth during the summer

A free summer breakfast and lunch program is available in Staples to all children ages 18 and under.

The federally-funded USDA program began June 4 and will conclude Aug. 30.

From June 4 - Aug. 9, Monday - Thursday, meals are available at Staples-Motley Elementary School at the following times:

- Breakfast - 7:30 - 9 a.m.
- Lunch - 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The week of Fourth of July and Aug. 11 - 30, a bag lunch to go will be available at the Staples Community Center at 11 a.m.

Approximately 100 children have been using the lunch program every day, said Shelly Miller, Director of Nutritional Services at the Staples-Motley School District. On average, about

20 children stop by for breakfast each morning.

"This is a wonderful program to be able to offer our community," Miller said. She went on to note that it's a much-needed program in our area to ensure that children have access to meals throughout the summer.

Parents have been very appreciative of the program, Miller said. With the number of community education programs available during the summer months, children can "grab a meal before or between the activities," Smith said.

According to a press release from the MN Department of Education, a new mobile application (app) launched statewide this year to help students and families find free

summer meals. The app, called Summer Eats Minnesota, is powered by GPS to show locations of summer food sites, their menus and days and hours of operation. The app is free in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store.

"For some students, the free meals they get in school are the most nutritious meals they can count on," said Education Commissioner Brenda Cassellius. "To help close the nutrition gap, students need access to healthy meals over the summer so they come back in September ready to learn. The new statewide mobile app is a great example of how we can work together to help students get what they need to succeed, even when school is out."

Digital Daze tips

Taking control of technology

This digital tip is a continuation of the Digital Daze forum hosted by Staples Motley Beyond Poverty. The tips are provided by speaker Erin Walsh.

- FACT: 28 percent of babies under two have televisions in their bedrooms. (Common Sense Media, 2015) Babies learn best through play, interaction and exploration in the real world.

- TIP: Limit screen time to Skyping with Grandma and Grandpa. The rest of the time, talk, sing, read, play and interact with your baby to help their brain grow.

The family of Dean Fearing would like to give special thanks to Dr. Arden Beachy, all staff at Lakewood Health Systems, Brenny Funeral Home, Father Joe Korf, Mike Blessing, Sacred Heart Lunch Committee, Staples Fire Department, Wadena VFW, the staff and his "family" at Lakewood Mines and all the many friends that Blessed Dad's life.
The Family of Dean Fearing
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2 rings possible - AUCTION -

The following items will be sold at auction, located at the Motley Fairgrounds in Motley, MN. Indoors if rain. Follow signs on: **Saturday, July 7, 2018**

SALE TIME: 10 A.M.	RESTROOMS AVAILABLE	LUNCH ON GROUNDS
<p>VEHICLE 1989 Ford Bronco, 351 Windsor 4x4, works good, transmission good, 7' 6" Western plow, hydrolum</p> <p>ENGINES Fuel out of 1984 truck, 357/ci, 100,000+ mi. Inlet injection, roller cam, ran when pulled 1988 Camaro engine, 305 ci, roller cam motor, mi. unknown, no carb, Edelbrock intake, ran when pulled</p> <p>SHOP/MANY TOOLS John Deere L1130 rider, 40" deck 10' table saw Hand cart Wagon 3x5</p>	<p>Craftsman wet/dry 6.25 hp vacuum Craftsman single oil/lol free 5 hp 20 gal. air compressor 12" planer/molder Honda GCV60 power washer Craftsman Contractor Series 2-1/2 hp Craftsman mini saw 10 in. 6 in. vice Craftsman 6-1/8 in jointer/plane 1-1/2 hp Craftsman scroll saw variable speed Craftsman scroll saw variable speed Della 1 in. belt sander Craftsman stapler Craftsman 16 ga. finish nailer Craftsman angle framing/halber Sander</p>	<p>Masterforce pin nailer Masterforce brad nailer Craftsman 6 in. bench grinder 7 in. file cutter John Deere snow plow, 42 in. Remington weed whip (gas) Red shop cart Power washer, small</p> <p>SPORTING/GARDEN 2 - 20" bikes Three wheel trike 19" headgear Lawn furniture NordicTrack TG.55 Water fountain, bird bath Rain barrel Yard Machine leaf blower 2 storage sheds for garden</p> <p>FURNITURE/FIREPLACE/TRAIN 100 year old couch, exc. cond., refurbished Apptone H&P dining room table, initial top base, & Lyreback side chairs w/achamini fabric Many more misc. items</p> <p>ENTERTAINMENT & ELECTRONICS Fireplace Lined train set Entertainment center CD player</p>
<p>ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE Brazilian Teakwood dresser (rare) Low dressing table Wound mirror Unicorn pictures, figurines, wall hangings, pewter, salt & pepper shakers, clock, much more Old small grip (suitcase) Supergrip comic book Union Pacific signboard English tea set, Cast iron teapot 2 oil lamps, Pick axe, Flat iron Bress double door hinges, aka 1988</p> <p>FURNITURE Credenza (ok oak) Recliner Upright dresser Older rocker Kitchen table w/chairs Computer desk/chair Bookshelf Complete queen size bed, w/frame</p> <p>OUTDOORS Amish built 6 ft. picnic table w/2 benches Weber gas grill w/propane tank & BBQ set 3 gal. sprayer 3 ft. fire ring Hose reel w/100 ft. hose Wildlife decor 3.1 ft. motion sensor light, new Patio umbrella stand Alum. flag pole Sm. well planter Outdoor wall lights Puppy fountain Lawn fertilizer Earthway spreader 22" Craftsman push mower w/5.5 hp Briggs & Stratton Long arm scrub brush for garden hose</p> <p>TOOLS Heavy duty tool strap Chain saw supplies Fusion 10" chainsaw (like new) 2 folding miter sawhorses Hand post hole digger, new 6 in. alum. step ladder Hand miter box & saw Battery driver set Bathroom plumbing supplies A lot of lawn and garden tools</p>	<p>Black & Decker versa pack Crescent brand tool set, new All Trade 14" socket & driver set Battery back-up and surge protector 14" socket set w/extra driver Oregon 16" chainsaw chain, new Grease gun 3 portable tool boxes 14" socket set w/extra driver Snow shovel Alligator chainsaw Construction laser level, new 1/2 hp submersible sump pump Singer Previde sewing machine Metal folding chairs Ceiling fan & light kit Waste baskets, lamps Quilt batting Matt. boxes 4x6x4 ant. white Office supplies Misc. household hardware Surbeam humidifier, Dehumidifier Knock knacks & shelving Standing coat rack Backnubber massager 4 ft. metal clothes rack Lasko standing floor fan 13" color TV w/remote Singer Previde sewing machine Blankets, sheets, pillows, towels</p> <p>SPORTING Camouflage life jacket Shepper exerciser Balance ball, new Therapy ball Portable am fishing radio Dartboard, darts Camping dish eat. lanterns Gun & arrow rack Fishing poles Miniature golf wooden kiddy cart 11 inch hydraulic stabilizer for archery bow Kid's sleeping bag Ragquet ball rackets w/balls and wristbands</p> <p>FARMING Elec. fence wire, approx. 1/4 mi. F-post clips Fork attach. for tractor loader bucket Plastic fence posts 70 gal. stock tank 5-1/2 in. steel T-posts L.I. duty fence posts Roll new barn wire Livestock syringe, 50ml, new Misc. herbicides Grooming comb, new 16 ft. cattle panel 3 Mt. Coffee's, Rival crockpot 1 qt. Britta water filter Silverware set</p>	<p>Misc. kitchenware, Restaurant dishes Hamilton Beach George Foreman grill Canning pots Canning supplies, jars Grindaid 9" & 10" cast iron fry pans Dishes, glasses, bowls, pans, sterilis 1,000 watt microwave Oster toaster EQUIPMENT & AUTOMOTIVE 4 gals. Peak windshield wiper, ice scrapers 2 gals. RV anti-freeze 6" drop hitch w/2-5/16 ball Heavy duty solid steel 8 car trailer 2 ft. h w/16 ft. bed, tandem axle, new rubber, very few miles, new deck, at Alrich Tractor PARSONS SPEAKER Many VHS and DVD movies TV cables, splitters, adaptor Electronic doors, etc., audio mixer Sawell TV or monitor shelf Bluetooth headset, new Bluetooth PA system PA Karaoke system Long mic cable Under cabinet radio & CD player Door and window alarms, 4 pk, new Portable six" electronic heater Parsons speaker Electric wine (1/2Z) Garage door chain Door safety sensor kit, new Work bench RV absorbent Sm. shop vac, new Used 32" Larson storm door w/hardware Hydraulic full, 5 lbs. cement patch, Isomatt pellets, paint, Spar varnish & painting supplies 3/4" anti pipe sweating tubes Pegboards Matching backpack & duffel bag, new Glasses, wood & plastic shavings Cutluses 2 sets bubble packing wrap Plastic shoe mats Indoor & outdoor ext. cords 30 gal. metal drum, buckets, pails Kids books 2 sets bubble packing wrap Plastic shoe mats Select clothing, winter Pak books, Sorel woman's snow boots w/ice grips, jackets, sweatshirt, more Indoor/outdoor decor, ornaments, light sets, artificial indoor tree/ outdoor tree, wrapping paper, Santa hats, tree skirt, multiple adapters, cords Many more miscellaneous items</p>
<p>ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE Antique shoe sewing machine, Singer Round Coca Cola table</p>	<p>HOUSEHOLD/FURNITURE/GARDEN Recliner chair, office chair 4 bar stools Garden fountains Flower stand Hide-A-Bed Cratefoot table w/chairs Thermo grip Book case Hammock, Lawn swings Macramé Furniture Wall heater</p>	<p>HP Pavilion a124c computer (works) w/screen & keyboard CAMPERING/MISC. RV antenna, new Portable utility sink Coleman generator, Powermate, 1850 watt Camping stove Camping supplies 4 metal lawn chairs Car ramps, car jacks Many more miscellaneous items</p> <p>Dick Engal</p>

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July 8 The Woodpicks (bluegrass)
July 15 Bill & Kate Isles and Band (folk)
July 22 Alan Godage & Sundown (classic country)
July 29 Deb Otteson & Little Moran River Band (classic rock and roll)
Aug. 5 Nathan's Old Time Band (waltz, polka)
Aug. 12 Aitas (reggae, rock, hip-hop)

Inclement weather?
Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples.

The Series is made possible by a gift from the Staples Host Lions Club and is being organized by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council with the support of the Staples-Motley Public Schools and the City of Staples.

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CLC Connection: Summer camps for area youth

Summer camp has always held a special place in my heart. I still remember dropping our girls off at camp years ago (they're both in college now). Their excitement was contagious. It was the change of pace. The friends. The anticipation. It all just seemed to scream "summer." They always came home filled with stories of new friends, inspiring teachers, cool experiences, and yes, even ideas about careers!

Central Lakes College



By Dr. Hara Charlier President

That pure, unadulterated joy has carried on through hundreds of area youth at Central Lakes College with the summer camps we hold each year. At CLC, we think educational (and extremely fun!) youth camps are a great way to connect with our community and help our next generation explore career paths while making great friends. Those memories will last a lifetime. Those experiences could shape their career choices.

Here are a few examples of camps we held in June:

- Seventy-five volleyball players of all different skill levels were trained during Raider Volleyball Camp. The sixth-through 12th-graders improved their skills and had fun playing and training for the sport.

- In addition to learning volleyball skills, the students, who came from 19 different area schools, learned other skills to help them be more efficient learners on and off the court: being a good teammate, being resilient, stopping to take a breath so they can compete calmly with focus and positive self talk.

- We also have 12 teams from eight different high schools participating in our summer league on Monday nights.

- In Scrubs Camp, eighth- and ninth-graders spent two days exploring many healthcare careers, including nursing, medical assistant, radiology technician and more. These young minds were able to experience these career paths through field trips and hands-on activities facilitated by local healthcare professionals and college faculty.

Several campers said the experience helped them pin down the path they wanted to take after high school. Others switched from one healthcare career path to another.

Our community partners included Essentia Health, Cuyuna Regional Medical Center, Sourcewell, Lakewood Health Sys-

tem, Good Samaritan Society, Bridges Career Academies & Workplace Connection, CLC's Fire & EMS and Nursing programs, HealthForce MN, North Ambulance and Life Link.

- During Nitro-X Camp, middle-schoolers worked in teams to build and modify a 4x4 remote controlled vehicle. They learned about electronics, engines, suspension, paint and diagnostics. Campers were able to tour local industry partners and explore careers like auto mechanics, heavy equipment operations and maintenance, diesel technicians, and marine and power sports.

Finally, they capped off the camp with an RC race competition on the Crow Wing County Fairgrounds. Beneath the students' cheering, high-fives and victory celebrations, you can see their passion growing for the career field.

Our community partners included Midwest Machine, Mills Auto Group, Mills Auto Xtreme, Ziegler Cat, Crow Wing County Fairgrounds, Minnesota State Transportation Center of Excellence, Brainerd American Legion and Brainerd Kiwanis.

- CLC's Upward Bound summer program brought in 42 students from nine area high schools, including Pierz, Isle, Onamia, Nay Ah Shing, Staples-Motley, Brainerd, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle, Bertha-Hewitt and Browerville. These students stay in CLC student housing during the week-long camp, eat on campus and attend classes on campus. This unique program helps transform first generation or modest income high school students into college graduates.

Here are a few camps you can still join:

- SEaM Camp (Science, Engineering & Manufacturing) provides an opportunity for hands-on experiences with electronics, motor controllers, mechanical drafting, manufacturing machining and robotic automated systems. As part of the camp, sixth - 12th graders build robots and test their skills in a robot obstacle course and demolition contest.

The energy at these competitions is contagious. Many of these campers come back year after year. Some of them later turn into CLC robotic students. (The camp runs July 9-13 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at our Staples campus. Busing is available from Brainerd.) Our community partners are 3M and Bosch.

- Coding Camp is a great introduction to mobile application development for anyone age 12 and up. Campers get to use a variety of programming languages and tools to create simple programs, starting with HTML, CSS and JavaScript.

What I love about this camp, is it lets students have experiences they may not get anywhere else. Plus, it's a growing career field that provides great jobs! (The camp runs July 30-Aug 2. Morning class meets from 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. and afternoon class meets from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.)

These camps are more than just a fun, educational few days with friends. Sure, that's what our kids really love about them, but it's much more. It's a way for them to explore where their passion lies.

Maybe Coding Camp will open up a world of technology someone didn't know was possible. Nitro-X Camp could spark an interest in cars, motors and technology. And perhaps Raiders Volleyball Camp will ignite an ongoing passion for athletics.

Each of these camps offers a gateway into a career field that is flourishing. Should these young students enter into these fields, they will have incredible employment opportunities in our region. And when students stay here or move here for these career opportunities, our local economy thrives.

You can find out more about these camps here: www.clcmn.edu/camps/

Honoring those who give back to community

By Senator Amy Klobuchar

The Fourth of July is about the patriots who risked everything to establish a new nation based on life, liberty and equality. And on this anniversary of our nation's independence, there's no better time to honor those who continue to defend and serve this great country.

My good friend Senator John McCain exemplifies this heroism and bravery. Senator McCain served as a Navy pilot during Vietnam, where he was shot down, captured and tortured as a prisoner of war for over five years in the infamous "Hanoi Hilton." I visited there once with him and saw firsthand the small cell that confined him physically, but never in spirit.

When his father took over as commander of the U.S. forces in the Pacific, Senator McCain refused to go home even when given the chance - he wouldn't accept his freedom unless the military code for officers was followed and everyone taken before him was allowed to go back first. It was an incredible act of honor and the same courage and conviction he's

held all his life. Last month I got to visit him at his ranch in Arizona. While battling brain cancer, he continues to be engaged in the issues of our time, always a man of grit. I've been reading Senator McCain's new book, and I keep coming back to one of my favorite lines. Writing about the lessons he's learned from Ernest Hemingway's For Whom the Bell Tolls - his favorite book - Senator McCain writes, "Defending the dignity of others is never a lost cause whether you succeed or not."

Our founding fathers knew this too - they weren't sure whether or not they would succeed in building a more perfect union, but they knew they had to try. They would never have a true democracy without it.

Today's servicemembers continue that tradition of service, and we must continue to support them. We can start by modernizing G.I. Bill benefits, strengthening funding for veterans' health care, improving mental health care services and passing my bill on burn pits.

We should also expand job training and employ-

ment opportunities for veterans and their spouses, cut red tape and wait times for scheduling appointments at VA Medical Facilities and work to eliminate veterans' homelessness.

In addition to our heroes in the military, so many other Minnesotans have carried the spirit of service that our founding fathers established. I want to celebrate all the Minnesotans who do so much to give back to our communities - whether it's providing relief to people filling sandbags during floods, or running blood drives during times of great need or helping families build not just a new house but a new home.

I have always believed that Minnesota's strength comes from both our sense of community and our belief that we have a responsibility to come together and lift one another up in good times and bad.

As Senator McCain has said, "Nothing in life is more liberating than to fight for a cause larger than yourself." So let's remember and recognize all those that have served - both on the battle field and the home field - people who give back to our country every day. Thank you for your patriotism.

Senator Amy Klobuchar represents Minnesota in the U. S. Senate.

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Letter to the Editor

Staples Nice

On the afternoon of June 19 I found myself parked on the shoulder of the Airport Road with an overheated engine and my hood up.

While I was waiting for the engine to cool, a young man with a noisy pickup stopped to help. He said his name was Joe.

Joe drove into town, bought some coolant, returned and got me on the road. He didn't even let me pay him for the antifreeze.

While Joe was on his Good Samaritan errand, another gentleman stopped and offered to get me some water.

I am thankful to live in the land of Minnesota Nice. Right now I'm especially impressed with Staples Nice.

Thank you, Joe.

Jerry Miller
Sebeka, Minn.

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Pillager Fair and Husky Days have zoo, music, contests, more

The 120th Annual Pillager Fair, in conjunction with the 3rd Annual Husky Days celebration in Pillager, will be held Thursday, July 12 - Sunday, July 15.

On the agenda are contests, a dance, car show, fireworks, animal shows, a Miss Pillager Pageant and a host of other activities for people of all ages, including a medallion hunt with a \$500 prize. Events will take place at both the fairgrounds and at the Pillager School. Some of the events are listed below:

Thursday

Entry day. Commercial vendors and competition exhibitors will be setting up. Clues for the medallion hunt will be posted each morning at 9 a.m. at the Community Center.

Food booths open at 10 a.m.; the Miss Pillager pageant will be held from 6 - 7 p.m. at the Commons area at Pillager High School. Stop by the Community Center (at the fairgrounds) for Cash Bingo, from 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Friday

It's 'Judging Day' on Friday.

Stop by at 8 a.m. for breakfast (food booths will be open) and at 9 a.m., visit the horse judging arena and exhibit booths as well.

Wild Things Zoo opens at 10 a.m., and the Pillager History Display will run from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Young people will enjoy a variety of free bouncy games from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

The beer garden opens at 3 p.m. and Art Pub Painting at 4:30 p.m.

From 8 - midnight, enjoy the music of 8th Hour Band.

Saturday

Saturday is 'Family Fun Day' at the fair. A pancake breakfast, sponsored by the Pillager Boy Scouts, begins at 8 a.m., as well as judging of horses and chickens.

At 10 a.m., set up a lawn chair downtown and watch the annual Pillager Parade, featuring music, antique cars and tractors; and a variety of other floats.

The Kiddie Tractor Pull begins at noon (registration opens at 11 a.m.); and the Wild Things Zoo will be open as well. From 11 a.m. - 10 p.m., enjoy the free bouncy games.

A variety of contests will take place at the Community Center throughout the day on Saturday. These include baby contests, 'Mom & Me Look Alike Contest', husband calling contest, best 'moo-er' contest, rubber chicken throw, hula hoop competition, pickle eating contest and more.

Other events on the day's roster include an ice cream social, Texas Hold'em and a Cornhole Tourney.

At 7 p.m., back by popular demand, is the Mud Run. Stick around for fireworks at 10 p.m.

Sunday

The celebration continues on Sunday with a community church service at 11 a.m.

Stay for a broasted chicken dinner at noon, provided by Kim Gibbs of KC's Saloon. Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door. The fair closes at 3 p.m.

For a more detailed list of events, pick up a Pillager Fair Premium Book at area businesses and at the fairgrounds.



Bluegrass band

The WoodPicks bluegrass band from Thief River Falls will perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 8, at 7 p.m. Pictured, from left, are Greg Dally, J.D. Kezar, Gary Broste, Milo Ballingrud, Gene Lunsetter. The series is made possible with a gift from the Staples Host Lions Club. (Submitted photo)

The WoodPicks open 'Music in the Park'

Minnesota Bluegrass band The WoodPicks will kick off the Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 8, at 7 p.m. This is the first concert in the series which will run for six Sundays.

With an acoustic mix that includes gospel, bluegrass, country and Americana music, the five-member band is known for their unique blend of instrumental dexterity and vocal presence. Their stage show incorporates strong harmonies and a style that features their own arrangements of original music and old favorites.

Since 2005, the group has been performing at a variety of rural and urban venues, including county fairs, bluegrass festivals and corporate events. In 2012, The WoodPicks were featured on the PBS television show Prairie Musicians. Barb Gravel, production manager for Prairie Public, said about the session, "Get ready for a boot stompin', toe tappin' good time with The WoodPicks from Thief River Falls." She went on to say that the multi-talented band's passion to perform is apparent and that their mix of music turns any venue into a

barn dance.

Members of The WoodPicks include Greg Dally, mandolin and guitar; Gary Broste, Dog House bass; Gene Lunsetter, guitar; Milo Ballingrud, banjo; and front man J.D. Kezar, fiddle, harmonica, jaw harp and guitar. All five contribute vocally to the band.

The members have many years of experience playing in various groups throughout the continental United States, Canada and Alaska. They have shared the stage with a number of renowned acts, including the Grascals, Monroe Crossing, Dailey and Vincent, JD Crowe, John Cowan, High Plains Tradition and Special Consensus.

For more information about The WoodPicks, or to hear samples of their music, visit their website at www.thewoodpicks.com.

The Music in the Park Concerts are held in the Northern Pacific (NP) Park on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and will run through Aug. 12. For more information on the Music in the Park series as well as the regular concert series,

check out www.staplesmotleyarts.org.

Northern Pacific (NP) Park is located at 625 6th St. NE. Go north on 6th St. at the junction of Hwys 10 and 210 and go six blocks. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Faith Lutheran Church.

The Music in the Park Series is funded by the Staples Host Lions Club. The series is organized by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council, with the assistance of the Staples Motley Public Schools and the City of Staples.

Absentee voting open for Aug. 14 primary election

Absentee voting opened June 29 for the Aug. 14 primary election. The top vote-getter in each party will advance to the general election Nov. 6.

In 2018, Minnesotans will be voting for their choice for both U.S. Senate seats, their member of the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as their choice for Governor and Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, Attorney General and State Representative.

County offices are non partisan and can have primary races if more than two people are running.

Locally, those include:

- Wadena County Auditor/Treasurer, currently held by Judy Taves. Candidates are Curtis Kreklau, Stacy Smagacz, Judy Taves, Heather Olson and Brian

Hagen.

- Wadena County Commissioner District 5, currently held by Dave Hillukka. Candidates are Jon Kangas, Curtis Ronneberg and Randy Wenthold.

- Morrison County Auditor/Treasurer, currently held by Deb Lowe. Candidates include Deb Lowe, Tammy Virnig Giuliani, Ross Wamre and Chelsey Robinson.

- Todd County Commissioner District 4, currently held by David Kircher. Candidates are Nikki Deyle, Robert Henrich and David Kircher.

Statewide offices with primary races include:

- U. S. Senator for the seat currently held by Amy Klobuchar. Running for the Republicans are Rocky De La Fuente, Rae Hart Anderson, Jim Newberger and Merrill Anderson. Running for the Democrats are Steve Carlson, Stephen A. Emery, Amy Klobuchar, David Groves and Leonard J. Richards.

- Special election for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Tina Smith. Republicans running include Nikolay Bey, Bob Anderson and Karin Housley. Democrats running include Christopher Seymore Sr., Gregg A. Iverson, Tina Smith, Nick Leonard, Richard Painter and Ali Chehem Ali.

- U. S. Representative District 7, the seat currently held by Collin Peterson. Republicans running include Dave Hughes and Matt Prosch.

- U.S. Representative District 8, the seat currently held by Rick Nolan. Running for the Republicans are Harry Welty and Pete Stauber. Democrats running include Jason Metsa, Joe Radinovich, Soren Sorensen, Kirsten Kennedy and Michelle Lee.

- Governor and Lt. Governor, currently held by Mark Dayton and Michelle Fischbach. Republicans running include Jeff Johnson/Donna Bergstrom, Tim Pauley/Michelle Fischbach and Matt Kruse/Theresa Loeffler. Democrats are Erin Murphy/Erin Maye-Quade, Lori Swanson/Rick Nolan, Tim Walz/Peggy Flanagan, Tim Holden/James P. Mellin II, and Ole Savior/Chris Edman.

- Attorney General, currently held by Lori Swanson. Republicans on the ballot are Duog Wardlow, Robert Lessard and Sharon Anderson. Democrats are Mike Rothman, Debra Hilstrom, Matt Pelikan, Tom Foley and Keith Ellison.

This will be the first election in Minnesota since

1978 that both U.S. Senate seats and the governorship are up for election in the same year.

Key dates

June 29 - Minnesotans can begin to vote early via absentee ballot, by mail, or in person for the Aug. 14 Primary Election.

- To vote early by mail, Minnesotans can apply to have an absentee ballot mailed to them.

- To vote early in person, Minnesotans can get and cast an absentee ballot at their county election office.

- Minnesotans who are military and overseas voters who want to vote absentee can learn more on the Secretary of State's website.

July 24 - Pre-registration deadline for the Primary Election. Voters are encouraged to pre-register to vote to avoid lines at the polling place. Voters who miss this deadline may still register at their polling place on Primary Election Day, Aug. 14.

Aug. 14 - Primary Election Day.

Sept. 21 - Minnesotans can begin to vote early via absentee ballot, by mail, or in person for the Nov. 6 General Election. The process is the same as for the primary election.

Sept. 25 - National Voter Registration Day. Join Secretary Simon and organizations across the state and country to celebrate the largest annual voter registration drive in the U.S.

Oct. 16 - Pre-registration deadline for the General Election. Voters are encouraged to pre-register to vote to avoid lines at the polling place. Voters who miss this deadline may still register at their polling place on Election Day, Nov. 6.

Nov. 6 - General Election Day.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, July 10, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider school resource officer agreements with Central Lakes College and Staples-Motley Schools

- Hear reports from the Public Works Commission, the Economic Development Authority, the Marketing Tourism Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission, including considering adoption of use agreements.

Mark Your Calendar

July 5

FREE OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT Thurs., July 5, at dusk, Motley United Methodist Church, 847 3rd Ave. S. Free popcorn/lemonade. All welcome.

July 8 - 12

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH IN STAPLES begins Sunday, July 8, at 5:30 p.m., with a kick-off supper. Vacation Bible School will be held Mon., July 9 - Thurs., July 12. For ages 3 - 6th grade. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., with ages 3 - kindergarten ending each day at 11:45 a.m. A supper will be served on Wed., the 11th, with program to follow.

July 11

COMMUNITY PICNIC NIGHT Wed., July 11, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Converse Park in Motley. Hosted by Motley Free Methodist Church. Picnic supper, games. For info., 218-352-6888.

July 17, 18

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., July 17, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. Walk in. For info., 218-547-1340.

WIC NUTRITION PROGRAM sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., July 17, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m.; and Wed., July 18, 9:30 a.m. - noon and 12:30 - 2 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340.

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Classes consist of six sessions held once a week. Two experienced trained class leaders conduct the series. Interactive lessons, discussions and brainstorming will help you take the "tools" you choose and put them into action for your life.

The lending library will have a book, "The Caregiver Helpbook," developed specifically for the class. This book will be borrowed but may be purchased if you would want to keep it. It's not required to purchase the book to be in the class.

Classes are FREE, thanks to support from Horizon Health and will be held at Lakewood Manor 222 5th St NE in Staples from 1-2:30 p.m. every Monday beginning July 23 for six consecutive weeks.

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Good attendance at library storytime

The monthly Reading Roundhouse Storytime at the Staples Public Library had a full house June 13. The children were read fun animal stories and made cute bunnies and carrots. The next storytime is July 11 at 10:30 a.m. Call the library at 218-894-1401 to sign up. Children can still sign up for the Summer Reading Program "Reading Takes You Everywhere" where they can read for fun prizes. Details at the library.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:

Born to Ashly and Gary Johnson of Brainerd, twin girls, Skyler Rae and Madison Kae both weighing four pounds, 10 ounces on June 22, 2018.

Born to Megan Fricke and Tyler Sosenstahl of Sebeka, a baby boy, Archie Joseph weighing eight pounds, five ounces on June 22, 2018.

Born to Jamie and Ty Adams of Verndale, a baby girl, Alice Opal weighing six pounds, seven ounces on June 27, 2018.

Born to Stefanie and Kaitlin Ubl of Nisswa, a baby girl, Brecken Kaye weighing eight pounds, nine ounces on June 27, 2018.

Student Achievements

LINSEY JOHNSON, Staples, recently graduated from the University of North Dakota, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Design degree.

SHANIA HOLST, Staples, has been named to the 2018 Spring Dean's List at Bemidji State University. To qualify, students must be enrolled for at least 12 credits and earn a 3.5 grade point average during the semester.

BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY has announced its President's List for the 2018 Spring Semester. To be eligible, students must be enrolled for at least 12 credits and earn a perfect 4.0 grade point average during the semester. Local students named include:

- Lacie Hines, Pillager
- Kyle Huepenbecker, Staples.

Care Center

Tues., July 17, 2:15 p.m. Church/ Staples Alliance; 3:45 p.m. Bingo w/Marge; 7 p.m. Round Dancers
 Weds., July 18, 2 p.m. Bingo hosted by Trinity Lutheran Ladies
 Thurs., July 19, Bible

Study/ Rick Kubitz
 Sat., July 21, 10 a.m. Bingo w/Marge
 Mon., July 23, 10:30 a.m. Lunch trip to Spot Café in Staples; 2:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church



Todd County Commissioners Minutes

TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MAY 15, 2018

MINUTES

Call to Order

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 15th day of May, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Neumann. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote. To approve the agenda as presented with the addition of 5.7 Airport Funding Discussion.

Consent Agenda

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

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for May 1, 2018 as presented.

GAMBLING PERMIT - ROTARY CLUB OF SAUK CENTRE

WHEREAS, the Todd County Board of Commissioners are establishing their approval for a Gambling Permit for the Rotary Club of Sauk Centre through this resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve a Gambling Permit for the Rotary Club of Sauk Centre to hold a raffle at the Greystone Golf Club in Kandota Township at the address 10548 Andrews Drive, Sauk Centre, MN on June 29, 2018.

To approve a one-day Dance License for American Legion #417 Oscar Jacobson Post (Little Sauk Legion) to be held on August 18th, 2018 at the parking lot of the Legion at 16268 County 50, Long Prairie, MN.

To approve a 1-Day Temporary On Sale Liquor License for American Legion #417 Oscar Jacobson Post (Little Sauk Legion) for August 18, 2018 at 16268 County 50, Long Prairie, MN.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the April 2018 Auditor Warrants number (ACH) 900004 in the amount of \$591,778.31 and (Regular) 231595 through 231745 in the amount of \$561,690.00 for a total of \$1,153,468.31.

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number

48831 through 48943 in the amount of \$75,929.21.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher; the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Health & Human Services Warrants number 513813 through 513887 in the amount of \$122,711.06 and warrants number 702739 through 702756 in the amount of \$32,555.12.

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

MEMORIAL DAY APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, Todd County has budgeted for 2018 an appropriation to support the expenses for conducting Memorial Day Services;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the 2018 payment of \$10 to the Evergreen Cemetery Association of Long Prairie for the care of County lots in said Evergreen Cemetery; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to approve the payment of \$50 to each regular organization of Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion Posts and Auxiliaries in Todd County to support the payment of expenses in connection with the proper observance of Memorial Day Services conducted within Todd County and the amount to be paid by warrant to each organization provided that in cases where any of the above mentioned do not have an organization, the amount will be paid to the organization conducting the Memorial Day Service.

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

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, Todd County has budgeted for 2018 an appropriation of \$200 per Senior Citizen Center in Todd County;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the 2018 payment of \$200 for each Senior Citizen Center located in Todd County.

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

TO DESIGNATE THE WEEK OF MAY 20-26, 2018 AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEEK

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a

week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services has grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their life-saving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 20 - 26, 2018 as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

With the theme, EMS Strong: Stronger Together and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Assessor's Office

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the abatement on parcel 19-0012700 requested by Mr. Dukowitz.

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections

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

RESOLUTION APPOINTING NEW MEMBER TO TODD-WADENA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND ADVISORY BOARD

This is a resolution appointing a new member to the Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee and Advisory Board.

WHEREAS, On January 2, 2018, the Boards of Commissioners in Todd and Wadena Counties appointed membership to the Executive Committee

and Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The District Court Judge position on the Executive Committee and Advisory Board is currently open following the retirement of the Honorable Sally Ireland Robertson in April, 2018; and

WHEREAS, The Honorable Daniel A. Benson, Judge of District Court, Todd County, MN, has agreed to fill the vacant position; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Honorable Daniel A. Benson be appointed to the Executive Committee and Advisory Board to serve in the capacity of District Court Judge.

Bruce Township

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

FINAL PLAT APPROVAL - "SLEEPY HOLLOW LOTS" PLAT

WHEREAS, Applicant Gilda Clark and owner Harlan Clark applied to subdivide a property that is described as Government Lot 7, Section 3, in Bruce Township with the Plat to be known as Sleepy Hollow Lots; and

WHEREAS, Sleepy Hollow Lots consists of two residential lots. Lot 1, 2.52 acres more or less and Lot 2, 2.43 acres more or less, located in the Recreational Development Shoreland zoning district in Bruce Township; and

WHEREAS, On November 2, 2017 the Bruce Township Planning Commission recommended the following property be considered for Platting pursuant to Bruce Township and Todd County Plat and Subdivision Regulation and Ordinance:

That part of Government Lot 7, Section 3, Township 129 North, Range 32 West of the 5th Principal Meridian described as follows: Commencing at the East Quarter corner of said Section 3; thence on a record bearing of South 00 55' 23" East along the east line of said Government Lot 7 a distance of 598.11 feet to the point of beginning of the land described; thence continuing South 00 55' 23" East 722.98 feet to the Southeast corner of said Government Lot 7, thence North 88 degrees 42' 25" West along the South line of said Government Lot 7 a distance of 1738 feet more or less to the shoreline of Beauty Lake; thence Northeastly along said shore line 1090 feet more or less to the intersection of a line bearing North 88 degrees 33' 36" West from the point of beginning; thence South 88 degrees 33' 36" East 957 feet more or less to the point of beginning. Containing 22.0 acres more or less and subject to an existing road easement over the Easterly 33 feet thereof.

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2018, the Bruce Town-

ship Board of Supervisors considered the Preliminary Plat for the above described property and approved the Sleepy Hollow Lots preliminary plat with conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Bruce Township Board of Supervisors has completed the necessary final plat review and find all items required for the final plat approval as completed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve the final plat of "Sleepy Hollow Lots" as presented.

Ditch Inspector

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

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT - DITCH MAINTENANCE - COUNTY DITCH 33

WHEREAS, Glen Middendorf is requesting to maintain approximately 750 feet of CD33 that is located on Vince Decker's parcel - 20-0023100. The maintenance will be done at Glen's own expense. A Hold Harmless Agreement has been signed and submitted to the Ditch Authority; and

WHEREAS, an onsite inspection has been done; a Wetland Application has been submitted to the TEP; and

WHEREAS, applicant is allowed to maintain the drainage ditch to the original width, depth and grade. An improvement by lowering or widening the ditch bottom is not allowed. Sediment and vegetation can only be removed to the extent of the original ditch bottom elevation. Spoil must be side cast and leveled, staying within 16.5 feet of the ditch, or moved to an approved upland site.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Glen Middendorf to maintain approximately 750 feet of CD33 that is located on Vince Decker's property, at his Glen's own expense.

Central Minnesota Council On Aging

Lori Vrolson, Executive Director of CMCOA provided the County Board with an update of activities to persons served including Todd County residents.

Todd County HRA

Kim Wallace, Executive Director of the Todd County HRA provided the County Board with an update of activities serving Todd County residents.

Sheriff's Office

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To allow the Sheriff's Office to enter into the Vesta Solutions Contract.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker,

the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To allow the Todd County Sheriff's Office to purchase the Power Phone package.

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To allow the Sheriff's Office to renew the Motorola Solutions service agreement.

Planning & Zoning

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To revoke the CUP issued in 2017 for parcel 16-0009100 to operate a truck service business from that location.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To grant the request to rezone parcels 03-0025200, 03-0025202, and 03-0025201 without conditions from R-10 to AF-1.

Solid Waste

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the contract with Step for sorting services.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Erickson, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the purchase for the dozer from Ziegler.

Administration

The Commissioners tabled the action of Authorizing the Hiring of a Search Firm to a future meeting.

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous roll-call vote: To appoint Chris Pelzer as Interim Coordinator.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The Auditor-Treasurer reported on current projects including candidate filing dates, finance committee progress, and facilities committee progress.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on the meetings that they had attended.

Coordinator's Report

The Coordinator reported on the meetings attended and projects in-progress including current recruitments, the right-to-know training held, and a meeting with the Amish community.

Adjourn

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kneisl, the meeting was adjourned for the month of May 2018.

Vendor Name	\$ Amount
CLIFTON LARSON	
ALLEN, LLP	\$3,000.00
LONG PRAIRIE SANITATION INC.	\$216.96
STOECKEL JAHNER	
See TCC on page 7a	

TCC continued from page 6a

INC.....	10,840.00
18 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	3,364.49
AMERICAN HERITAGE	
BANK.....	2,981.17
COMPUTER PROS.....	4,866.00
COUNTRYSIDE	
RESTAURANT.....	5,611.20
FLEET SERVICES/	
WEX BANK.....	5,908.99
GALLAGHER BENEFIT	
SERVICES INC.....	2,400.00
MITCH'S FUEL SERV.....	17,550.00
MORRISON COUNTY.....	17,813.25
NATIONAL JOINT	
POWERS ALLIANCE.....	591,778.31
PRAIRIE LAKES MUNI.	
SOLID WASTE AUTH.....	74,340.00
STEP.....	3,337.75
TODD CO AUD-TREAS.....	27,499.26
33 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	15,713.62
AMERICAN HERITAGE	
BANK.....	32,406.11
CARD SERVICES	
COBORNS.....	2,795.46
LONG PRAIRIE OIL	
COMPANY.....	7,208.50
MINNESOTA POWER	
& LIGHT.....	13,519.62
MN DEPT OF FINANCE.....	6,504.00
PETERS LAW	
OFFICE, P.A.....	4,675.00
VOYANT COMM, LLC.....	3,492.70
31 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	12,390.93
AMERICAN HERITAGE..	12,074.42
CHRISTENSEN/JENNY....	3,096.81
LONG PRAIRIE OIL CO...21,343.03	
MORRIS ELECTRONICS...2,800.05	
STAPLES ADVANTAGE....	3,484.96
19 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	4,919.16
CENTERPOINT ENERGY..	3,655.64
CLIFTON LARSON	
ALLEN, LLP.....	29,500.00
ELECTION SYSTEMS	
& SOFTWARE INC.....	179,018.47
HEALTH PARTNERS	
DENTAL.....	3,206.70
TODD CO AUDITOR-	
TREASURER.....	4,868.56
VERIZON.....	3,042.82
19 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	8,244.37
Total.....	\$1,153,468.31

COMMISSIONERS WARRANTS	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
AHRENS/CHRISTOPHER & SAMANTHA.....	2,884.00
AMERICAN SOLUTIONS FOR BUSINESS.....	5,858.98
CHAMBERLAIN OIL CO...4,341.12	
HILLYARD.....	2,425.92
M-R SIGN COMPANY INC	8,181.15
NORTHERN STAR COOP..2,388.05	
THEISEN/PAUL & SCHNEIDER/DEBORAH	2,035.00
WIDSETH SMITH	
NOLTING INC.....	18,929.37
105 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	28,885.62
Total.....	\$75,929.21

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	
Vendor Name	\$ Amount
#14524.....	\$2,424.60
#14813.....	2,059.80
#14000.....	3,519.33
#15336.....	2,791.20
HEARTLAND GIRLS RANCH.....	6,854.10
#12512.....	3,093.00
KINDRED FAMILY	
FOCUS.....	7,839.52
LITTLE SAND GROUP	
HOME.....	6,718.50
LUBESMIER/HEATHER.....	2,100.00
LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERV. OF MN-ST PAUL...2,679.60	
#10746.....	2,959.17
MID MINNESOTA DRUG TESTING INC.....	5,685.00
NORTHERN PINES MENTAL HLTH CTR IN	5,910.50
PAKLONSKY/CHERYL.....	2,609.00
#15286.....	3,744.60
STEP.....	6,675.46
VILLAGE RANCH INC...10,292.10	
WEST CENTRAL REG JUVENILE CTR.....	3,479.17
PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	41,276.41
Total.....	\$122,711.06

Vendor Name \$ Amount	
DHS - SWIFT.....	\$4,601.21
RURAL MN CEP INC.....	19,655.72
16 PAYMENTS LESS	
THAN \$2,000.....	8,298.19
Total.....	\$32,555.12

On a motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held May 15, 2018 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on June 5, 2018.

Witness my hand and seal:

Randy Neumann,
Todd County Board
Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd
County
Auditor-Treasurer
27pnc

TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MAY 22, 2018

The Todd County Board of Commissioners met in the Commissioner's Board Room in the City of Long Prairie, MN on the 22nd day of May, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Neumann. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present.

Approval of Agenda
On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote. To approve the agenda as presented.

Commissioners
On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted

by unanimous vote: To rescind BAF#20180501-25 Sale of Parking Lot.

On motion by Erickson and seconded by Becker, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote:
APPROVAL TO SELL COUNTY OWNED PARCEL 36-4015100 COMMONLY KNOWN AS VFW PARKING LOT
WHEREAS, Todd County has been approached by the City of Long Prairie to consider selling a County owned parcel located at 113 1st Ave S, Long Prairie which is commonly known as a vacant lot directly east of the Veterans of Foreign Wars current establishment, and;

WHEREAS, the County Board affirms that the sale of this parcel would provide for a housing development opportunity needed within the Community, and;
WHEREAS, per Minnesota Statute 465.035, any county may convey its lands for a nominal consideration, without consideration or for such consideration as may be agreed upon to any governmental subdivision for public use when authorized by its governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners approve the sale amount of \$16,000 to the City of Long Prairie for county owned parcel 36-4015100 and that any associated legal fees be paid by the City of Long Prairie, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners does hereby grant authority to the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer and the Todd County Board of Commissioner's Chairperson to act as signatories on behalf of Todd County to convey any further sale conclusions and to transfer ownership of said parcel.

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

AFFIRMING TODD COUNTY'S SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED LONG PRAIRIE AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Long Prairie Airport is proposing an improvement project to add a 500 ft extension to the existing runway system, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Long Prairie and Todd County are financial partners for the airport and any proposed improvement projects, and;

WHEREAS, Todd County by this resolution is reaffirming our partnership for the improvement of this vital piece of County infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Todd County Board of Commissioners hereby affirms their support in the Long Prairie Airport Improvement Project and agrees to provide the projected \$30,000 of funding when called upon to do so.

Auditor-Treasurer's Report

The Auditor-Treasurer reported on current projects including a Thank You from the Trails 4 Transplant organization for the use of the County Fairgrounds.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on the meetings that they had attended.

Adjourn

On motion by Kneisl and seconded by Erickson, the meeting was adjourned.

On a motion by Erickson and seconded by Kneisl, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held May 22, 2018 were duly approved by unanimous vote at the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on June 5, 2018.

Witness my hand and seal:
Randy Neumann,
Todd County Board
Chairperson

Denise Gaida, Todd
County
Auditor-Treasurer
27pnc

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that default has occurred in the conditions of the following described Mortgage:

INFORMATION REGARDING MORTGAGE TO BE FORECLOSED

1. Date of Mortgage: July 24, 2014
2. Mortgagors: David Holmberg, Karen Holmberg, Husband and Wife, and Derek Holmberg, a Single Person.
3. Mortgagees: First International Bank and Trust.
4. Recording Information: Recorded on July 29, 2014, as Document Number 490508, in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.
5. Assignments of Mortgage, if any: N/A

INFORMATION REGARDING MORTGAGED PREMISES

6. Tax parcel identification number of the mortgaged premises: 08-0028800 & 08-0029400

7. Legal description of the mortgaged premises:
The Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (NW¼SE¼) and the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SW¼SE¼), Section Twenty-eight (28), Township One Hundred Thirty-two (132) North, Range Thirty-two (32) West of the Fifth P.M., EXCEPT

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the SW¼ of SE¼, Section 28, Township 132, Range 32; thence North along the West line of said SW¼ of SE¼ a distance of 1,000 feet; thence East and parallel with the South line of said SW¼ of SE¼ a distance of 350 feet; thence South and parallel with the West line of said SW¼ of SE¼ a distance of 1,000 feet to the South line thereof; thence West along the South line a distance of 350 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with an easement for ingress and egress over and across the South 2 rods of the SW¼ of SE¼, Section 28, Township 132, Range 32.

Check here if all or part of the described real property is Registered (Torens) □

8. The physical street address, city, and zip code of the mortgaged premises: 31102 400th St., Cushing, MN 56443.

OTHER FORECLOSURE DATA

9. The person holding the Mortgage: [check one] [] is a transaction agent, as defined by Minn. Stat. 58.02, subd. 30.

The name(s) of the transaction agent, residential mortgage servicer, and the lender or broker, as defined in Minn. Stat. 58.02, is N/A.

The transaction agent's mortgage identification number, if stated on the Mortgage, is N/A.

[X] is not a transaction agent, as defined by Minn. Stat. 58.02, subd. 30.

The name(s) of the residential mortgage servicer and the lender or broker, as defined in Minn. Stat. 58.02, is First International Bank & Trust.

10. If stated on the Mortgage, the name of the mortgage originator, as defined in Minn. Stat. 58.02, First International Bank & Trust at 111 4th St. NE, Staples, MN 56479

INFORMATION REGARDING FORECLOSURE

11. The requisites of Minn. Stat. 580.02 have been satisfied.

12. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was \$130,000.00

13. At the date of this notice the amount due on the Mortgage, including taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage, is: \$124,805.74.

14. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the mortgaged premises will be sold by the Sheriff of Todd County, Minnesota, at public auction on August 9, 2018, 10:00 a.m., at the Todd County Sheriff's Office, 115 3rd St S, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

15. The time allowed by law for redemption by the mortgagor or mortgagor's personal representatives or assigns is 12 months after the date of sale.
16. Minn. Stat. 580.04(b) provides, "If the real estate is an owner-occupied, single-family dwelling, the notice must also specify the date on or before which the mortgagor must vacate the property if the mortgage is not reinstated under section 580.30 or the property redeemed under section 580.23." If this statute applies, the time to vacate the property is 11:59 p.m. on August 9, 2019.

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.

Date: June 11, 2018
Name of Mortgagee or Mortgage Assignee:
First International Bank & Trust
111 4th St. NE
Staples, MN 56479

Name and address of Attorney for Mortgagee or Mortgage Assignee:
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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 31, 2018 and shall close at 5 o'clock p.m. on August 14, 2018.**

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. At that election, three members will be elected to the School Board for a term of four (4) years each.

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 14, 2018.

Dated: July 2, 2018
BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Sara Nagel
School District Clerk
27pnc

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 6, 2018. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 until Tuesday, August 14, 2018. 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 - 5:00 p.m. on August 14, 2018 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 the 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 6, 2018:

- Township Treasurer - 4 year regular term
- Township Supervisor Seat 2 - 4 year regular term
- Township Supervisor Seat 3 - 4 year regular term

Bianca Wyffels, Clerk
May Township
27-28pnc

NOTICE CITY OF STAPLES ORDINANCE NO. 519 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF STAPLES CODE SECTION 5.6.04, SUBD F(1)

THE CITY OF STAPLES DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 5.6.04, Subd. f (1) is hereby amended as follows:

Subd. f. Variances
1. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. Sec. 462.357, subd. 6, as it may be amended from time to time, the Board of Appeals and Adjustments may issue variances from the provisions of this zoning code. A variance is a modification or variation of the provisions of this zoning code as applied to a specific piece of property.

2. Criteria for Granting Variances

A. Variances shall only be permitted:

1. when they are in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the ordinance and

2. when the variances are consistent with the comprehensive plan.

B. Variances may be granted when the applicant for the variance establishes that there are practical difficulties in complying with the zoning ordinance.

3. "Practical difficulties," as used in connection with the granting of a variance, means that:

A. the property owner proposes to use the property in a reasonable manner not permitted by the zoning ordinance;

B. the plight of the landowner is due to circumstances unique to the property not created by the landowner; and

C. the variance, if granted, will not alter the essential character of the locality.

D. Economic considerations alone do not constitute practical difficulties.

E. Practical difficulties include, but are not limited to, inadequate access to direct sunlight for solar energy systems.

4. Variances shall be granted for earth sheltered construction as defined in Minnesota Statute Section 216C.06, subdivision 14, when in harmony with the ordinance.

5. The Board of Appeals and Adjustments may not permit as a variance any use that is not allowed under the zoning ordinance for property in the zone where the affected person's land is located.

6. The Board may permit as a variance the temporary use of a one family dwelling as a two family dwelling.

7. The Board may impose conditions in the granting of variances. A condition must be directly related to and must bear a rough proportionality to the impact created by the variance.

APPROVED:
/s/Chris Etzler, Mayor
ATTEST:
/s/Diane Archer, City Clerk

First Reading: June 12, 2018
Second Reading: June 26, 2018

Adoption: June 26, 2018
Published: July 5, 2018
27pnc

CITY OF STAPLES NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED REASSESSMENT TO PARCEL 38-009200

Notice is hereby given that the City Council will meet at 7 p.m. on July 24, 2018 at 122 6th St NE to adopt the proposed reassessment from project 241 due to purchase of a tax forfeit lot. The amount to be specially assessed against the parcel of land is \$1,939.88. Such assessment is proposed to be payable in nine equal annual installments, the first of the installments to be payable in 2019 with interest at the rate of 4.5 percent. The first installment shall include interest on the entire assessment from the date of the assessment resolution until December 31, 2018. To each subsequent installment shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

The proposed assessment roll is on file for public inspection at the city clerk's office. Written or oral objections will be considered at the meeting.

An owner may appeal an assessment to district court pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the mayor or clerk of the city within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the district court within ten days after service upon the Mayor or City Clerk.

Diane Archer/City Clerk
Published 7-5-2018
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MEADOWBROOK TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DATES

The following Meadowbrook Township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 until Tuesday, August 14, 2018. The office of the clerk will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on August 14, 2018 for candidates to file.

Candidates must file at the Office of the Meadowbrook Clerk, 9414 57th Ave. SW Motley MN 56466.

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 6, 2018:

- Township Clerk (4 year regular term)
- Township Supervisor Seat 3 (4 year regular term)

Darlene Rollins, Clerk
Meadowbrook Township
27pnc

NOTICE TODD-WADENA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, July 9, 2018 at 4:30 p.m., at the Todd County Courthouse, 221 First Avenue South, Suite 200, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

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Staples couple's son-in-law tragically killed in Florida

The son-in-law of a Staples couple was tragically killed by a mentally disturbed man June 24, while bicycling with his two sons near their home in Tampa, Fla.

Dean and Ellen Ogg were on their way to Florida to visit with their family (daughter Meghan, her husband, Pedro Aguerreberry and their boys Lucas, eight and Bennett, three) when they heard the news.

According to an article in the Tampa Bay Times, Pedro Aguerreberry was bike riding along a path separated by a grass median on New Tampa Boulevard near Wood Sage Drive. He was pulling his younger son Bennett in a trailer device attached to his bicycle and the other son, Lucas, was pedaling alongside when they were struck by a car driven by Mikese Morse.

The article states that Tampa police said Morse, 30, had walked into a substation 12 days earlier rambling that he

might hurt someone. He was taken into protective custody, officials said, but released days later. Police said he spotted the Aguerreberry family just before noon on June 24. He did not know them, but he spun his Dodge sedan around, crossed a lane of traffic, tore across the grass and intentionally crashed into the tiny convoy.

Pedro Aguerreberry, 42, was pronounced dead at a local hospital a short time after the crash. The younger boy was treated for a broken leg and the older one had minor injuries, the article stated.

Police said that Morse fled but within hours was located about two blocks away at his parents' home. He was arrested and has been charged with premeditated first-degree murder and leaving the scene of a crash with death.

A GoFundMe page has been set up for the Aguerreberry family. It can be found at <https://www.gofundme.com/5q52r0w>.



Sprinkler day at preschool

Children at Magic Forest Daycare and Preschool in Staples enjoyed a water day on June 29, running through sprinklers and playing at the water table. Pictured in front, from left, Benjamin Santos, Natalie Nelson, Corbyn Mudek and Kaelyn Nyberg. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Anyone home?

Amy Winter of Staples posted this photo of a bear on June 23, saying, "Unexpected company this evening. Our dog, Winter, chased it up a tree in our backyard." She said the family was outside doing some things in the yard around 9 p.m. when the dog let them know they had 'bear' company.... expecting it would stay in the oak tree overnight, it shimmied down the tree and left while they were still outside. (Photo by Amy Winter)

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Comprehensive plan to be made into a book

lowing strategy: "Identify gaps in housing options to address the needs withing the community." The sub-strategy listed is "Use the housing study as a tool and complete updates when appropriate," with the priority listed as high.

The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee was made up of Chris Etzler, Tricia Jasmer, Mary Klamm, Chad Coquette, Ryan Wright, Tim Rice, Tara Karels, Brian Fisher, Seth Dokken, Britney Bursch, John Wolak and Hara Charlier.

Kaisershot praised the steering committee members. "They were passionate and developed a scalable plan that is right for the town," she said. She also praised city staff

for never turning down a request.

The next step for the Comprehensive Plan is to convert it into a shorter version, as sort of a coffee table book. The plan is proposed to be a 15 year plan, with yearly reviews and updates every five years.

Staples Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher said the Safe Routes to School plan fits well with the Comprehensive Plan, and has useful information even if the school district decides to build a new building.

In other news, the council

- Approved closing the 600 block of Iowa Ave. NE on Aug. 7, for National Night Out activities at Northern Pacific Park.

- Approved on sale and off sale liquor licenses for Local Legends.

- Approved pavement/overlay bid to Knife River-Tri-City Paving for \$55,500. Portions of the following streets are to be paved this summer: 3rd St. NE, Prairie Ave. NE, Park Rd NE, 8th St. NE, Ravilla Ave. NE and Prairie Ave. NE.

- Approved 2017 audit report from Mayer, Porter & Nelson.

- Approved resolution for a public hearing on reassessment of utilities and street due to tax forfeiture at 521 5th St. SE.

- Approved architect agreement with Short Elliott Hendrickson to design a multi-aircraft storage hanger at the Staples Airport.



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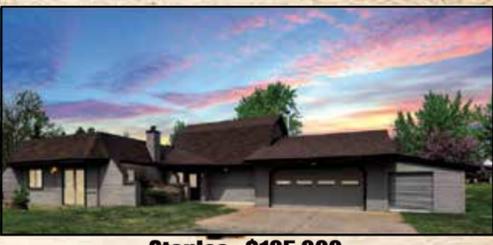
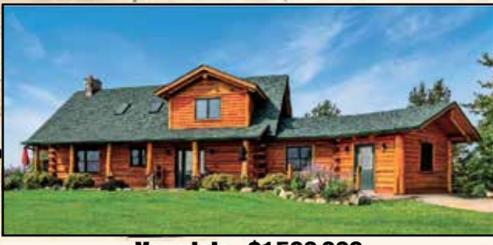


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Summer Slam 2018 tennis tournament

The Staples-Motley/Verndale singles tennis tournament was a smash hit on June 30. Sixteen singles players participated with two matches guaranteed for each. The SMV Tennis Boosters want to thank everyone who participated - players, family support groups, coaches, volunteers and sponsors. SMV Tennis Boosters will be hosting another tournament for girls doubles

teams on Saturday, August 4, in Staples. For more information, check out the Staples-Motley/Verndale Tennis facebook page.

Pictured, girls aged 15 and under from Pequot Lakes, Wadena and Staples who participated in Summer Slam 2018. (Submitted photo)



Slam awards

A lot of really great points played out in the first tournament of the summer season at Summer Slam 2018 on June 30. After four matches, the 16-player bracket whittled down to these two. Rose Han (1st place, left) and Lauren Rutten (runner up, center) were presented with their trophies by Jacque Doll, representing SMV Tennis Boosters. (Submitted photos)

Where are the small walleye?

By Ray Gildow

Okay, let me be clear, I'm talking about trying to catch 14-18-inch walleye on our big walleye lakes. Mille Lacs, Leech and Winnibigoshish are the big three in my circle of fishing lakes. I don't mean to imply that these big lakes don't have fish in the ranges mentioned, perhaps, I'm just not smart enough to find them! Luckily, Red Lake is the exception with very good numbers of fish in the 14-18-inch range.

Mille Lacs is a catch and release lake this summer with no walleye harvest allowed. I do find customers who want to go there just for the experience of catching some nice fish, even if it means tossing them back into the lake after a quick photo. But I've yet to land a fish under 18 inches in length on this big lake. Many anglers are now working the famed mud flats on Mille Lacs and it is extremely rare to hear of many anglers catching walleye under 20 inches in length. Most of the fish caught are in the 22-27-inch range.

Lake Winnibigoshish is the surprise lake this summer. Last year the water clarity was 22 feet, meaning on a clear day one could see 22 feet down to the lake's bottom. This year, according to the DNR, the water clarity is nine feet. The theory for this big change is that perhaps many of the lake's zebra mussels froze out this winter allowing zoo plankton to recover and return the lake to a more normal water clarity. If this is the case, no one knows how long this water stain will remain, but it seems to have really helped walleye, perch and northern pike fishing. Fishing on Winni has been outstanding but...it is still hard to find walleye in that keeper range of 14 under 17 inches in length. On my last visit to the lake I talked to two groups who had caught over forty walleye, but were only able to keep four or five fish under 17 inches.

Leech Lake too has made it difficult for anglers to find keeper walleye in the slot under 20 inches in length. Yes, there are anglers who find those smaller walleye on all

Huber competes at U.S. Track/Field Nationals

After winning the Division II college national long jump championship, Staples native Brian Huber competed against the pros at the United States Track and Field Outdoor National Championships on June 24.

The Minnesota State University Moorhead senior finished 15th in the meet, held at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

Huber's best jump of the day was his second effort of 24-7. He didn't advance to the finals, as only the top eight qualifiers move on to the finals.

The distance was 19 inches short of his college title jump, which would have put him in the top five at the U.S. nationals.

"Today didn't go as well as I'd hoped, but I'm happy I got the chance to experience competing at this level," Huber said. "Even though I'm done competing as a Dragon I'm excited to see what's next for me as an athlete."

Huber finished MSUM track and field career with a national championship, four first-team All-American honors and five NSIC titles.



One to throw back

Mike Hajek with a 23 inch Walleye, too big for the keeper slot of 14 to 17 inches. (Photo by Ray Gildow)

these lakes, but today, overall, most fish caught are too big to keep. Why? I don't know and I am really thankful that it's not my job to answer that question. I have fished some of these lakes for decades and in the past, when walleye fishing was at its best, the live wells would be filled with fish in the 14-18-inch range.

It could be that we're just managing our lakes to protect the female spawners at the expense of the smaller fish. Looking at it in another way, these big walleye could be competing with us for those smaller walleye. There must be two predators at the top of the food chain. Those little fish just don't have a chance.



Shooting at state

Dominick Carlson takes aim at the Minnesota State High School Clay Target League's State Tournament at Prior Lake on June 22. (Photos by Bill Johnson/Picture Day Pro)

Wetness may be a mixed blessing for 2018 gamebird outlook

Spring-to-early summer is time of critical importance to the successful reproduction of most wildlife in our northern world. From birds to bugs, fish to fowl, now is when it must happen for most species. Several of these are of more than casual interest to those of us who hunt. These species, like nongame wildlife, are at a seasonal crossroads that will determine whether their numbers will be up or down as the time of rearing ends and young should be maturing into adults.

Weather at this time of year is a concern for humans, whether you're a farmer hoping for rainfall adequate to raise crops, or a homeowner having to deal with the aftermath of a storm. For pheasants, ducks, and grouse, all key gamebirds in Minnesota, the weather at this time of year is literally a matter of life and death. The dimensions of weather that are most important are rainfall and temperature, often in combination.

Conditions in Minnesota and neighboring North Dakota provide a contrast that illustrates the potential consequences of too much or too little. In this case, rainfall. It's too early for final conclusions to be

drawn, but history and some simple facts of biology give us clues to what can be expected. Those in the wildlife management community whose job it is to watch such things are already beginning to opine possible outcomes, some expressing real concern.

It's clearly been a wet spring and early summer over most of Minnesota. Wetness at this time of year, when young game birds are fledging - especially young grouse and pheasants - is bad news. Even young waterfowl - ducklings and goslings - can be at risk, though eventually they will have well-oiled feathers that shed water and make them buoyant.

Beyond the obvious and dramatic killers of young game birds, like hawks and foxes, the loss of body heat is the great enemy of very young game birds. When grouse or pheasant chicks' feathers become water-soaked - especially in cool temperatures - they rapidly lose body heat, which can easily be fatal. It's hypothermia, just as it would be for a human, though with our kind we typically associate it with immersion in cold water, or exposure in winter.

As if to underscore the fears raised by this year's weather pattern, comments from within the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources - as reported in the outdoors media - reveal that fear is on their minds, too. These reports come mainly from Minnesota's primary pheasant range in the Southwest. Optimistic as biologists try to be when the outlook is grim, they're hoping for a reproductive

"Plan B." That is, they're hoping that some hens are nesting later than normal, and that their chicks will stand a better chance of survival under drier conditions; if these conditions materialize.

Newborn ruffed grouse chicks, too, are well-known to be susceptible to wet weather. Especially so when the accompanying temperatures are cool, or cold. Fortunately, this spring's weather extremes were of the wet rather than the cold variety, so fledging ruffed grouse may have that in their favor. But in a more perfect world, biologists would have "ordered up" a drier spring for them, too.

"Like water off a duck's back" is a familiar human expression that describes the ability to weather criticism, or perhaps to ignore a warning. Its meaning is rooted in the fact that water does roll off a duck's back, thanks to oil from a body gland that a duck uses to preen and coat its feathers. (The feathers that surround this oil gland are so thoroughly coated that fishermen use them to tie fishing flies that can be nearly unsinkable.)

But when you're a just-born ball of fuzzy down, a duckling or gosling can be vulnerable to ill-timed or overabundant rain, too. Duck or goose down does not shed water, and young ducklings and goslings do not have what are known as adult contour feathers, which provide insulation against loss of body heat. But time may be more on the side of young upland game birds. Research in

Canada, as reported by Ducks Unlimited, indicates that once young waterfowl reach just seven days of age, their chances of survival become significantly greater.

Water presents other threats to waterfowl, too. Some ducks, redheads for example, build their nests in dense cattails or bulrushes, not far above the water line. Heavy rains that raise water levels can flood their nests. Fortunately, ducks are prolific re-nesters if an initial nesting attempt fails, so the principle of "try, try again" is in their favor.

In the grand scheme of things, waterfowl are better off with more water than less. Ample water is needed to fill wetlands to kick off the breeding season when they arrive from southern climes, and to keep seasonal or temporary wetlands from going prematurely dry before the young can hatch and can be led by their parent to a permanent wetland or lake.

Just over our border to the west, however, in North Dakota, these temporary and seasonal wetlands are down by a third from 2017. This marks the second straight year with fewer water-filled wetlands. These less-than-permanent waters provide important nesting opportunities, even though they typically dry out later in the year; after young ducks and geese are born. The prognosis in North Dakota is for a second year of reduced duck production.

Better to have too much water than too little, it would seem.

Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn



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New laws are now in effect

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Economic development
New law makes changes to Taconite Economic Development Fund

A new law clarifies the use of the Taconite Economic Development Fund and restricts the use of the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund.

Sponsored by Rep. Sandy Layman (R-Cohasset) and Sen. Justin Eichorn (R-Grand Rapids), the law takes effect July 1, 2018, unless otherwise noted.

The law will allow funds to be released from the Taconite Economic Development Fund before the next Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board meeting and redirects unused matching funds to the Taconite Environmental Protection Fund.

It redirects unused amounts in the development fund exclusively to the environmental fund, rather than splitting leftover money with the economic protection fund.

Among other things the law:

- restricts spending, appropriations or transfers from the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection

Trust Fund to those listed in statute;

- extends distributions to the Iron Range School Consolidation and Cooperatively Operated School Account to 2018 and 2019 (effective for distributions beginning in 2018 and thereafter); and

- specifies that, for the 2018 distribution only, if there is money left in the Taconite Property Tax Relief Account after the required property tax relief payments, 10 cents per ton will be sent to the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Account (effective for the 2018 distribution - the transfer must be made within 10 days of the August 2018 payment).

Health

Athletic trainers now need a license to train athletes

A new law will shift athletic trainers from a registration system to a licensure system.

The new law, mostly effective July 1, 2018, will allow currently registered trainers to have their registration converted to a license at the time of their next renewal.

Rep. Mary Franson (R-Alexandria), who sponsors the law with Sen. Jim Abeler (R-Anoka), said this will better protect the public, in part, because potential trainers are now required to complete a background check in order to receive a license.

The law also changes how supervised hours re-

quired to be a licensed psychologist will be counted. In addition to requiring two hours per week, aspiring licensees must complete a total of 100 hours of supervision.

State government
Budget office tweaks

A 2017 law created a Legislative Budget Office. This year's capital investment law contains a number of small changes, including removal of the office from jurisdiction of the Legislative Coordinating Commission, and establishing duties for its director (who will be deemed a public official). These are effective July 1, 2018.

Also effective July 1, the law calls for establishment of a Legislative Budget Office Oversight Commission.

Sponsored by Rep. Tim Miller (R-Prinsburg) and Sen. Rich Draheim (R-Madison Lake), the infrastructure-heavy capital investment law calls for \$825 million in general obligation bonding.

Rep. Dean Urdahl (R-Grove City) and Sen. David Senjem (R-Rochester), chairs of the respective capital investment committees, used the Miller-Draheim bill on the final day of session to incorporate agreed-upon bonding language.

More than \$230,000 for former prisoners

Each year, a joint House-Senate Subcommittee on Claims decides which claims against the state it should fund. This year's law calls for \$261,293 in

payments in Fiscal Year 2019, the bulk of which will go to three men who were wrongly imprisoned.

Enacted in 2014, the Imprisonment and Exonerated Remedies Act is a compensation process for cases where a person was exonerated of a felony for which they were wrongfully incarcerated.

Three such cases will be covered under this year's law:

- \$131,636 to Ronnie Patterson, who spent 679 days in prison and 131 days on supervised release;
- \$82,500 to Hollis Larson, who spent 432 days in prison and 93 days on supervised release; and
- \$20,446 for Sammy Jackson, who served 104 days in prison.

The law, effective July 1, 2018, will also provide \$10,209 for a former Stillwater prison inmate who sustained permanent injuries - including a partial amputation - to three fingers while performing assigned duties, and \$4,195 to cover five claims against the Department of Corrections by individuals who suffered injuries while incarcerated, or performing community service or sentence-to-service work.

A \$12,305 claim against the Revenue Department is included for taxes improperly paid to the state for transactions occurring in South Dakota.

Rep. Duane Quam (R-Byron) and Sen. Bruce Anderson (R-Buffalo) are the sponsors.

GARAGE SALES
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GARAGE/MOVING SALE: Thurs., July 5 - Fri., July 6, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. A lot of clothing, treasures, stuff, etc. S. Odden, 121 Ravilla St., Staples. w26-ssw27p

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Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

June 14 - 18 - The Motley MPD issued speeding citations to Kelli Scullen, 39; Aaron O'Gorman, 26; Colleen Slough, 52; Lillian Guck, 19; Matthew Hansen, 39; Reese Schritz, 41; Jackie Kuhn, 60; Susie Sikorski, 44

June 16 - The MPD assisted the MCSO in gathering information regarding a possible ATV accident.

June 18 - The MCSO arrested Marshall Rahn on a warrant and transported to

the Morrison County Jail.

June 17 - The MCSO paged out Scandia Valley Fire Department regarding a tree on a power line that was on fire. Incident occurred at the 2000 block of 320th St. in Cushing.

June 16 - The MCSO received a call from Cass County regarding a motorcycle accident at the 5000 block of King Richard Ave. SW in Motley. Motley Fire and Rescue was paged.

June 16 - the MCSO responded to a report of neglected dogs at the 35000 block of Aztec Rd., Motley. The responding deputy advised the dog owner of the

complaint, was shown the dogs' living area and found it to be unfavorable. Deputy advised that there will be one week to clean up the area and improve the conditions.

June 15 - The MCSO received a report of a missing paddleboat that had been found at the 34000 block of Aztec Rd., Motley.

June 22 - 27 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Katrina Sullivan, 26; Dylan Daniels, 22; Leeann Woiteshek, 36; Jordan Nelson, 21; Elianna Edwards, 25; Karen Harstad, 61; Nathaniel Erickson, 19; Kevin Larson, 55; April Miller, 21; Robby Christianson, 55; Timothy Hoffman, 30; Blair Halvorson, 58; Ahmed Hassan, 27; Jo Beld, 60; Barbara Leiran, 56; Joseph Schmit, 21; Brock Sennes, 43.

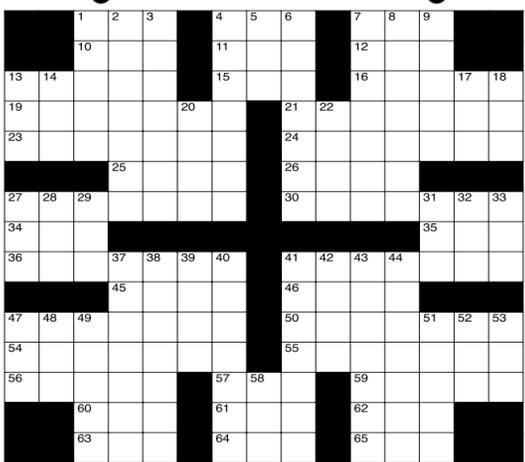
June 26 - The MPD issued a citation to Paul Blomquist, 31, for driving a vehicle with loud exhaust.



Chamber ribbon cutting

The Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce (SMACC) held a ribbon cutting ceremony for Acorn Hill, Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT), located at Upper Oak Farm in rural Motley June 23. The farm is owned by Ty and Kelly Peterson. Pictured, from left, are Bruce and Tami Brotherton, Chamber members; Kelly Peterson, Founder/Executive Director of Acorn Hill EAAT; Ty Peterson; Britney Bursch, SMACC Executive Director. Upper Oak Farm is located in the Leader area at 7969 65th Ave. SW, Motley. For more information on their services, call 540-454-1711. (Submitted photo)

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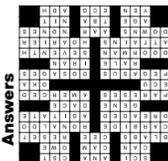
1. ___ fi (slang)
4. Anecdotes about a person
7. Central Standard Time
10. Beverage receptacle
11. Football's Newton
12. Be in debt
13. Tattles
15. Musician ___ Lo
16. Arrange again
19. A binary compound of carbon with a metal
21. Brazilian futbol great
23. Feared
24. Annoy
25. Unit of heredity
26. Small freshwater fish
27. Muscular weaknesses
30. Fined
34. One-time EU currency
35. Egyptian unit of

CLUES DOWN

1. Put fear into
2. Partner to corned beef
3. Interiors
4. Agrees to a demand
5. No (Scottish)
6. ___ Hess Corp.
7. Ornamental molding
8. Garment
9. Electric car company

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13. Decimal digits in binary (abbr.)
14. Gibbon
17. Sun up in New York
18. ___ the line
20. A vale
22. Old Irish alphabet
27. A type of band
28. A team's best pitcher
29. Floor covering
31. A ___ in the machine
32. Supplement with difficulty
33. Prosecutors
37. Place in order
38. Japanese lute
39. Mongolian city ___
40. Perceived
41. A cloth for washing dishes
42. Chocolate cookie with white cream filling
43. Grassy plain
44. Barometer
47. Father
48. Of the ear
49. Thomas ___, British dramatist 1652-85
51. After eighth
52. Where golfers begin
53. Time units (abbr.)
58. Basics
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Staples Area Church Directory

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Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
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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
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Discipleship Class 9:15 a.m.
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Evening Prayer 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sunlight & Youth 6:30 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.

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204 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2571
Worship 9:30 a.m.
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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. Joe Korf
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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
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Saturday Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.

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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 10:15 a.m.

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310 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2248
Pastor Greg Leslie
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

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Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Praise & Prayer 4:30 p.m.
Kids' Club 6:00 p.m.
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www.cushingbaptistchurch.org
Pastor Dan Holmes 320-749-2583
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
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Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

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

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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 Hoffert
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.

Verndale
Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481
Pastor Amos Sell
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
Church 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Sell 218-371-7189
Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard

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.

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"Flame and Breeze"
Pastor Greg Leslie, Motley United Methodist Church, Staples United Methodist Church
Do you happen to remember these lines from, "Alice in Wonderland?"
"Would you tell me which way I should go from here?" says Alice.
"That depends a lot on where you want to go," responds the cat.
"I don't much care where," says Alice.
"Then it doesn't matter which way you go," responded the cat.
Today I present you with these classic lines. We can see that Alice is looking for direction in life and she knows she doesn't have it.
I'm thinking that probably many of us can relate and identify with these words when we think about it.
So, I ask this question, are you clear about your life's direction?
You see Alice was not clear about where she wanted to go. Perhaps there was a time in your life when you had better clarity. Perhaps during this time, you were younger, you knew what was going to happen, but as time and life situations have changed, we are no longer sure.
Romans 28:8 tells us this, "We know that God works all things together for good for the ones who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose."
As a follower, I do believe that God will lead us into a purpose, one that's positive only if we're willing to accept it.
I also believe that each person has a special purpose, that is uniquely designed for him and her, depending upon where they're at in their current life situation and on the God-given gifts they were given.
Believing and praying about your purpose is not easy, because we tend not to listen to what God is telling us, or when we do listen it's not the answer we wish to hear.
When we take the time and believe in this exciting action of God, it can begin to change us. These changes energize and allow life giving purpose to all of us because we begin to seek and understand that each one of us has a unique purpose.
Remember that God is working in all those decisions that you make. God is there with you in those times that you fail. God is with you when you succeed. And most of all, God loves you for who you are.

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