

Shelf cloud moves over Staples

An impressive sight was caught by Ken Klose of Staples as a shelf cloud moved into town June 27. This view of the cloud was caught from behind the new Mexican restaurant and the bank parking lot area, moving from west to east.

According to weather Storm Center, shelf clouds form when a cold downdraft

pushes strong winds out ahead of a strong thunderstorm. This process creates wedge-shaped appearances and on very humid days the cloud can look ragged and dip low to the ground. (Photo by Ken Klose)

Weather

This Week's Forecast High Low Cond. July 10 70° 54° Cloudy

July 11 78 60 Sunny

July 12 83 61 P. Cloudy July 13 84 62 Sunny

July 14 84 66 P. Cloudy

July 15 88 67 P. Cloudy

July 16 85 66 P. Cloudy

Last Year, 2018 High Low Cond.

July 10 82° 64° Sunny July 11 87 Sunny July 12 81 63 Rain July 13 85 64 Sunny July 14 88 66 Sunny July 15 75 60 Sunny July 16 74 61

> Average Temp.: H = 82° Low = 68°

Sunny

Total Rain (Last 7 days, June 29-July 7): .40" 2019: 11.90"

Compiled by Dale Hausmann, WCCO's Staples area Weatherwatcher

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Thank you for subscribing!

Aerial Spraying:

Stainbrook no longer with Todd County

By Karin L. Nauber karin@inhnews.com

Todd County Coordinator Jonathan Stainbrook is no longer officially with the county after the passing of a separation agreement approved at the Todd County Board of Commissioners regular meeting on July 2.

The board action read: "An agreement has been drafted for separation of employment with an employee. The agreement would pay out the accrued vacation (42 hours, \$1,874.46) and 40% of the accrued sick leave (25.2 hours, \$1,124.68) transferred to the employee's Health Care Savings Plan (HCSP) per the Todd County Personnel Policy.

"Additionally the agreement includes a lump sum payment equal to two months of salary (\$15,471.73). These payments would be in consideration of waiving all claims and potential claims.

A second board action related to the first action read: "Todd County Coordinator Stainbrook's last date of employment was June 18. The county board may choose to appoint an interim coordinator.

"It is recommended the interim coordinator be paid at Grade 20, Step 4. The board intends to move forward in finding a new coordinator and anticipates the interim coordinator will be in place for approximately 16 weeks during the recruitment process. Total additional cost to the county would be approximately \$4674 based on 16 weeks. The position may take longer or shorter to fill."

The board approved appointing Chris Pelzer as the interim coordinator. Pelzer held this role prior to Stainbrook being hired.

At the Sept. 4, 2018 meeting, the board voted to hire Stainbrook as the coordinator. His first day was Sept. 24.

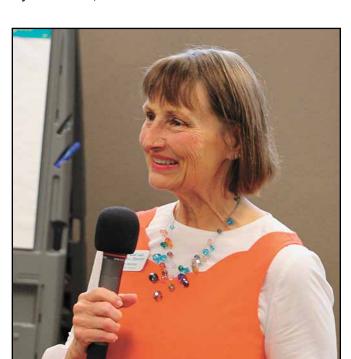
Stainbrook was hired after the resignation of Joe Hatch who had served the county as coordinator for approximately one year.

In other board business

· Approved the promotion of Douglas Johnson to Chief Deputy Recorder at Grade 10, step 1, \$24.94 per hour effective July 3.

· The Soil and Water Conservation District and Planning and Zoning Division Director position became available in February 2019. The board approved the hire of Adam Ossefoort to fill this position. He has a potential start date at the end of July.

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OPR to save lives

Mary Marana, Crisis Line and Referral Service Executive Director, speaks at a QPR training in Staples on June 25. She will lead the SOS Beyond discussion on July 17, at 6 p.m. at United Methodist Church in Motley, starting at 6 p.m. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

QPR useful to ston suicide

By Mark Anderson Managing Editor

"Ask a question, save a

life." -Mary Marana Learn ways to prevent suicide at the second SOS Beyond community coversation on Wednesday, July 17. at 6 p.m. at United Methodist Church in Motley, starting at 6 p.m. The discussion will focus on QPR, which stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer. The event is for anyone who would like to help prevent

suicide in the community. Mary Marana, Executive Direcor of the Crisis Line and Referral Service, will lead the discussion. She gave a similar presentation at the Todd County CAD (Creating A Difference) meeting in Staples on June 25, where attendees

learned the QPR method. "Intervention will almost always prevent suicide," said Marana. "The sooner the intervention, the greater the outcome."

Consider the following scenario:

You are talking to someone who seems overwhelmed and struggles to cope with daily life. The person says to you "Nothing seems fun any more. Life isn't worth living."

Do you recognize this person could be in danger of attempting suicide? Is it appropriate to ask the person if they are contemplating suicide?

They answer is yes, there is a good chance this person has thought about suicide, and you should ask them if they have had suicidal thoughts. Even if they are not thinking about suicide, it doesn't hurt to ask. Asking doesn't put the notion into their mind, said Marana.

The QPR method helps people recognize direct and indirect cues in conversa-

tions that can indicate a person has been thinking of suicide. Marana gave examples of behaviorial clues and situational clues, such as the person recently losing a job, suffering a major loss or other sudden changes.

If those cues and clues seem to be present, it is the time to ask that person if they have been thinking about suicide.

"If in doubt, don't wait. Take a direct approach and ask the person," said Marana. Her QPR presentation gives examples of how the question can be asked.

If the person answers that they have had suicidal thoughts, the second part of QPR, persuade, comes into play. The person can be persuaded to not act on those thoughts with simple phrases like "I want you to live" or "I'm on your side."

The final step is to refer the person to seek help from the crisis line, mental health professionals or law enforcement.

The most important part of QPR is caring about the person. Marana suggests not to leave the person alone after they talk about suicidal thoughts. "Stay with them until help arrives," said Marana. 'Offer hope, don't judge,' she added.

Growing suicide rates around the country are up to 47,000 deaths per year, according to the latest statistics. The numbers also show that there is just one death for every 25 attempts. With that many people thinking about suicide, the Crisis Line and Referral Service has found that QPR is needed in every community to help save lives. The program covers Aitkin, Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd and Wadena Counties.

SEDA approves industry, childcare projects

By Mark Anderson Managing Editor

The Staples Economic Development Authority (SEDA) took steps to help with future growth by approving funds to finish the Shovel-Ready application for the Staples Industrial Park and approving a child care grant to help get more daycare and preschool opportunities in Staples. The board also approved support for the Batcher Block project.

At the June 25 SEDA Board meeting, intern Kole Kobel showed the board his work on the Shovel-Ready application. He said the project will need around \$13,300 to finish engineering work, surveys, soil testing and other professional services, plus a \$3,000 application fee to get the

park listed as shovel-ready with the state.

He said the application includes a community profile with items such as labor force data, location on Highways 10 and 210, and railroad shipping opportunities.

Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher said the application will put Staples on the state website and will put the city into the scope of developers around the country. She said they will have 60 acres shovel-ready, out of the 154 acres available at the industrial park.

For the childcare grant, Radermacher said Staples is approved for a \$10,000 matching grant along with Long Prairie, Motley and Clarissa to become a part of the program. She said it will help create a plan for

creating more child care spots faster. Radermacher said there is a need for 200 more child care spots in the Staples area.

The SEDA also looked at a portion of the state Bonding Bill application for the Batcher Block project. The board approved writing a letter of support as a supplement to the application.

Radermacher said the appplication needs to show how the project could have a regional or even statewide impact. Board member Rachel Johnson said "Until people get into the building, they can't see that concept."

Mayor Chris Etzler said That's one of our pieces to the puzzle, and the industrial park project is another.



Fourth of July picnic

Following the July 4 program, Staples Veterans Park Board members served a picnic. Pictured, Dan Shaw cooks brats on the grill. See more July 4 photos on page 7a. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Crow Wing Currents



MHS Class of 1969 reunion

The Motley High School Class of 1969 recently held their 50th reunion at BRICKS in Motley. The class also rode in a float at the June Fest parade. Pictured from left, front row: Darla Steingrecher, Connie Tholl Mattke, Jeanne Lawrence Hammer, Carolyn Richmond Birrer. Row two: Kathy Schweigert Braun, Roberta

Beaulieu Benson, Vicki Tomberlin, Mike Vaseka, Doug Anderson. Back: Richard Holsapple, Rueben Neterval, Mike Holub, Bob Baumgartner, Sharon Tholl, Susan Nelson, Curt Johnson. Not pictured, but were part of the reunion festivities: Butch Starrett, Donella Craft Hirschey, Arlene Alley Owen. (Submitted photo)

Minnesota groundwater protection rule regulations begin in 2020

Rule limits use of nitrogen fertilizer in areas with vulnerable soils

St. Paul, MN: The state's new Groundwater Protection Rule (GPR) became effective today, June 24, 2019. The GPR will reduce the risk of nitrate from fertilizer impacting groundwater in areas of the state where soils are prone to leaching and where drinking water supplies are threatened. Nitrate is one of the most common contaminants in Minnesota's groundwater: elevated nitrate levels in drinking water can pose serious health concerns for humans.

"Implementation of the Groundwater Protection Rule is a major milestone in protecting the state's groundwater and ensuring all Minnesotans have safe drinking water," said Governor Walz. "I want to commend the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for their commitment to

making Minnesota a leader in addressing nitrate contamination and for their collaborative approach with farmers in doing so. The MDA went above and beyond in their duty to gather public comments and respond to feedback as they developed these important regulations."

The Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) will oversee implementation of the rule. Beginning in 2020, use of nitrogen fertilizer in the fall and on frozen soils will be restricted in areas of the state with vulnerable groundwater, such as areas with coarse textured soil, shallow bedrock, or karst geology, and in public wellhead areas known as Drinking Water Supply Management Areas (DWSMAs) – with elevated

The GPR outlines a multi-level approach involving local farmers and agronomists working to mitigate nitrate losses in

121st Annual Cass County Fair - Pillager and 4th Annual Husky Days

July 11-14, 2019 - Pillager Fairgrounds

7-10 a.m.

8 a.m.

9 a.m.

10 a.m.

11 a.m

12 noon

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5-6 p.m.

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11 a.m.-7 p.m.

11 a.m.-8 p.m.

11 a.m.-10 p.m.

Cass County Fair- Saturday, July 13

Pillager, MN

2019 Schedule

Set-up day

Vendor set up

Judging Day

Horse Judging

Day Care Tours

Beer Garden opens

Community History

Ray's Promenaters

Square Dance demo

Troy Spooner music

in the Beer Garden

Pillager School History

Medallion Clue posted

Food Booth opens

Cash Bingo in the

Community Center

Food Booth opens

Judging in Exhibit Bldg.

Medallion Clue posted

Thursday, July 11

Friday, July 12

10 a.m.-7 p.m. Vendors open

11 a.m.-10 p.m. Inflatables open

11 a.m.-8 p.m. History Building open

discussion

discussion

Cash Bingo

8 a.m.-8 p.m.

9 a.m.

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6:30 p.m.

DWSMAs with high nitrate in groundwater. Farmers in a DWSMA would be subject to four levels of mitigation which move from voluntary to regulatory. A local advisory team, consisting primarily of producers and agriculture professionals, will advise the MDA regarding appropriate response activities for the area and support implementation of these

The Groundwater Protection Rule is part of the state's overall Nitrogen Fertilizer Management Plan (NFMP) which was developed with broad stakeholder input over a five year period and implemented in 2015.

More information on the rule and the NFMP is available at www.mda. state.mn.us/nfr Contact: 6131 margaret.hart@state.

Family Fun Day

PARADE!!!

Inflatables open

Pancake Breakfast sponsored

by Pillager Boy Scouts Horse Judging Medallion Clue posted

Food Booth opens Exhibits & Vendors open

Kiddie Tractor Pull registration

History Building open

Kiddie Tractor Pull

Judging of Chickens

pages 35-38 take place

Cornhold Tourney in

Ice Cream Social in

FIREWORKS!!!!

Medallion Clue posted

Sunday Dinner, in Community Center

Final Day of the Fair

2019 Fair closes

Church

Sunday, July 14

Community Center History of Pillager for Children K-8th grade

Pit Party - Mud Run Drivers Meeting - Mud Run Mud Run begins

Judging of Rabbits Beer Garden opens All contests listed on

Texas Hold 'Em,

History Building

Registration for Cornhole Tourney

Beer Carden





Creative kids

Children had the opportunity to paint ornaments at June Fest in Motley June 22. Pictured above, Ariele Beckrich of Pillager paints something special to give to her best friend. At left, Derek Zimmerman of Motley is hard at work painting his ornament. This event was hosted by the Motley Free Methodist Church. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Donation to Motley parks

Staples Motley Area Community Foundation awarded the City of Motley \$4,000 recently. The grant includes \$2,000 for the Converse Park Pavilion and \$2,000 for the skating rink/ tennis court lighting. Pictured, from left, Steve Johnson, Motley Councilman/ Parks Committee Member; Bruce Brotherton, Motley Public Works Director/Parks Committee Member; Lacey Smiega - Motley City Clerk/Treasurer; Barb Markus, SMACF Board Member; and Jason Borash, Motley Chief of Police/SMACF Board Member. (Submitted photo)





Thank you... for reading the Staples World

Motley **Police** Dept., MCSO reports

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

June 27 - July 3 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Colin Liametz, 23; Duane Cobenais, 33; Brian Shropshire, 48; Eddie Woodson, 37; Jacob Herr, 43; Christopher Swanson, 29; Ashley Morris, 32; Alyson Coward, 30; Grant Gagner, 27; Brendan Culhane, 21; Montana Morley,

July 2 - The BNSF Railway called to ask assistance contacting the registered owner of a vehicle parked on their property in Motley. If not removed by a certain time on July 3, BNSF will have it towed. July 2 - The MPD

received a report of a burglary at the 300 block of Hwy 10 S., Motley. July 1 - The MPD

arrested Harold Lawrence Huff, 59, for fleeing in a motor vehicle, tax evasion, driving after revocation and having an uninsured vehicle. Huff had been stopped by the MPD in Motley after he failed to yield to the officer's emergency lights and siren. July 2 - The MCSO

received a report of a gas drive-off at Lincoln Gas and Bait in Cushing. July 1 - The MCSO

received a call from Orton's in Motley reporting the theft of \$10.16 worth of products. An employee gave a description of the vehicle which was headed west on Hwy 10. The driver was stopped by the Staples PD and transported to Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples. The driver, Christopher Lamar Johnson, 27, was issued a citation for the theft. The MCSO was asked to do a drug sniff on the vehicle with his K-9 partner and a small bag of marijuana was found. Subsequently, Johnson was issued a citation by the Staples PD.

I forgot.... "Can I still get an ad in.....???

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Toe-tappin' dance music for first in park series

The Sawtooth Brothers modern bluegrass band kicked off the Music in the Park series in Staples July 7, drawing an estimated crowd of 250plus. Pictured above, from left, are band members (and two sets of brothers) Luke Birtzer, Jesse Moravec, Clint Birtzer, Ethan Moravac, all from the Twin Cities area. In lower photo, Bernadette and Henry Roden of Cushing danced while the band played the George Jones song, "Why Baby Why." The summer concerts are sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council and funded by the Staples Host Lions Club. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Stopping erosion, runoff

A portion of the shoreline project at Little Swan Lake in Todd County. (Submitted photo)

SWCD improves water quality with MPCA

There are simple things that can be done to keep the waters in Todd County healthy. Projects range from something as simple as filtering rain by planting native grasses and shrubs on the shoreline or making a rain garden to absorb rain—to projects that are more involved and utilize the skills and resources of different organizations or agencies.

As a part of the Mississippi River Brainerd Watershed, Todd County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) provides programs that assist area residents as they seek ways to conserve and develop local soil, water, and related resources. The projects undertaken are as varied as the people who

implement them. A recent water-quality project at Little Swan Lake in Todd County is an example of the SWCD assisting with a larger project. What began as a Swanville Public Works project, grew to bringing in SWCD's involvement to help with resources for shoreland erosion controls/stabilization, and a grassy infiltration trench to catch and treat the runoff from parking lots.

The runoff from the township road was causing erosion, which allowed pollutants to flow into the lake," said Deja Anton, district manager of Todd County SWCD. "By removing a previous erosion control method—a cemented rock chute—road runoff now goes down the curbing to a catch basin and is diverted to a wetland on the opposite side of the road.'

Additional modifications included an infiltration trench to catch parking lot water with overflow running over a vegetated, reinforced, turf mat before going into the lake. Rock rip-rap and rolled bamboo coir logs were also installed along the shoreline to stop the erosion.

"The project went

well. The bridge and rock bank were major parts of the project," said Lonny Hudson, with Swanville's parks and maintenance department. "The runoff used to blow out part of the beach. Now with a manhole there and the landscape mesh on the shoreline, the beach stays in good shape.'

Many partnerships were involved in this project, from Todd SWCD to the City of Swanville, a local service club, technical and construction services, and

"These Todd County resources show how collaboration can enhance and improve land and water quality," said Bonnie Finnerty, watershed project manager with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Baxter office. "These are goals everyone can come together around to make things happen.'

Anton stresses that their services as a SWCD include free advice for area landowners with all types of land use and water-quality needs.

'I would have to say that is the number one goal of our office—creating collaborations to improve the environmental health of local landscapes." she said. "Anything we can all do to improve the five-county Mississippi River Brainerd Watershed benefits our water quality."

The final report on the health of the Mississippi River Brainerd Watershed will be available soon. For more information visit: www.pca.state.mn.us/ water/watersheds/mississippi-river-brainerd

Todd County SWCD and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) work to protect, enhance, and restore wetlands, prairies, forests, fish, game, and wildlife habitat. For more information about projects in Todd County SWCD, or to discuss getting assistance for a project in your neighborhood, call 320-732-2644 or visit https:// www.co.todd.mn.us

Looking back

75 YEARS Ago - 1944

• July 13, 1944 - Mrs. Hilma Haskin, mother of S/Sgt. Warren L. Haskin, who was reported missing in action on May 29, received a telegram from the war department Saturday, stating that through the American Red Cross

> - 0 -Compiled by **Dawn Timbs**

and the International Red Cross, the government had learned that her son was being held a prisoner of war by the German govern-

• July 13, 1944 - 'Have you read these books at the Staples Library?' was one of the headlines. The article proceeded to give brief reviews of a few of the new books at the Staples library. "They are timely and full of life and interest and deal with countries and events that are now in the forefront of world news. Many other books of equal interest can be found there." The books highlighted in the review included, "By Pan American Highway Through South America," by Herbert C. Lanks; "Grandmother Drives South," by Constance T. Henley; and "They Sent Me to Iceland," by Jane Goodell.

50 YEARS Ago - 1969 • July 10, 1969 - A panel

of three out of town judges selected Brenda Bredemeier, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. V. D. Bredemeier, to reign as Miss Staples for 1969, at coronation ceremonies July 2. Queen Brenda was sponsored in the Staples Jaycee contest by Anderson Our Own Hardware. Paula Hesse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hess was chosen as first attendant; Diana Gaugert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gaugert, was named second attendant; and Rayma Stone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Stone, was selected to receive the

title of Miss Congeniality. • July 10, 1969 - Eloise Tyrrell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tyrrell of rural Browerville, was chosen as the first state Guernsey Princess at a picnic of the Minnesota Guernsey Breeders Association held at the Rosemount Experiment Station on June 29. Miss Tyrrell is a 1966 graduate of Staples high school. She is pres- night. ently enrolled as a senior at the University of Minnesota, majoring in 'Foods

in Business. • July 10, 1969 Announcing a new addition to Hought's Resort on Lake Shamineau, "The Shamineau Inn." Serving the finest quality in steaks, chops, seafood and chicken. Prices ranging from \$3.95 to \$1.75. Just off Highway 10, two miles north of Lin-

25 YEARS Ago - 1994

• July 14, 1994 - Residents of Staples will be required to have garbage pickup



Mystery solved

Last week's mystery photo published in the June 30,1994 edition of the Staples World featured BettyJo Nichols and Gary Carlson, two of the "Ten Most Wanted" who had taken their "sentence" and spent time in jail for the American Cancer Society's Jail and Bail fundraiser. They were sentenced by "Judge" Jack Wilson (in the foreground). Over \$10,000 was raised during the Jail and Bail fundraising event, held at the Staples Community Center.

Nobody submitted a correct answer. Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.

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Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week's archive photo is from our July 11, 1985 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Email your answers to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Monday morning. The answers will be published in next week's paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

under terms of a new city law which received a preliminary approval Tuesday

• July 14, 1994 - James Mertens, 55, of Salem, Oregon, was the driver of a 1992 Chevrolet Lumina van which collided with a Burlington Northern train at the crossing of County Road 9 just south of Highway 10 about four miles west of Staples, according to the Todd County Sher-

iff's Office. The van was a total loss, but Mertens was treated and released for minor injuries at the Greater Staples Hospital following the 11:55 p.m. accident. The vehicle was struck in the passenger side by the eastbound train, with virtually the entire side torn out. The other side of the vehicle appeared to have little or no damage.

• July 14, 1994 - A. J. Boldan, a native of the Leader area, has been named to Hockey Night in Boston's Team Minnesota for the HNIB's Sophomore All Star Tournament. Boldan is the son of Kelly and Cinda Boldan of Rochester. He is the grandson of Ruth Boldan of Leader and Elmer and Mina Bartels of Kasson, formerly residents of Leader.

10 YEARS Ago - 2009

• July 9, 2009 - Railroad buffs and history nuts alike will get a charge out of a visit - however brief - by a restored steam locomotive and a train of vintage rail cars expected to pass through Staples Thursday morning. The tour from Portland to Minneapolis is powered by the historic Southern Pacific Daylight No. 4449.

• July 9, 2009 - Marv Rothstein officially passed the gavel to Jerel Nelsen, the new president of the Staples Rotary Club at a picnic and program Monday evening at Pine Grove Park. Rothstein was completing his third nonconsecutive term as president. Christy Weyer and Chuck Mayer will remain as club secretary and treasurer, respectively.

• July 9, 2009 - Glenn and Sharon Williams, rural Staples, are grateful to be back at their farm near Leader. After she was hit by a falling tree limb in a freak accident May 3 (resulting in several broken ribs, punctured lung and broken vertebrae), Sharon spent nearly six weeks at St. Cloud Hospital, where she later developed pneumonia.



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Jpinion



Veterans are vital to Minnesota's workforce

By Steve Grove Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Governor Tim Walz has declared July "Hire a Veteran Month" to encourage Minnesota employers to connect the state's 153,000 military service members of working age with employment opportunities in July and throughout the

As part of "Hire a Veteran Month," DEED is inviting job-seeking veterans, active military members, and their spouses to attend the 13th Annual Veterans Career Fair on Wednesday, July 24 from

2-6 p.m. at the Earle Brown Heritage Center (6155 Earle Brown Drive) in Brooklyn Center.

The event will provide networking opportunities with over 100 on-site employers who have been encouraged to offer fulltime jobs with benefits and family-sustaining wages.

Veterans looking for a job or exploring new career options should attend. Veterans will also have an opportunity to get a professional photo taken and to get resume and job search assistance from HR professionals.

The career fair, which is the largest of its kind in Minnesota, is hosted by DEED's Veterans Employment Services and the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs. You can find out more about the 2019 Veteran's Career Fair here, including information about the employers who will be at the Career Fair and available positions.

This is a great opportunity for Minnesota employers to connect with experienced, resourceful leaders who understand the importance of teamwork.

Hope to see you at the Veterans Career Fair on July 24.

Education deserts? Rural education gap grows

By Al Cross Institute for Rural Journalism and Community Issues

Rural students are now just about as likely to complete high school as their urban counterparts, but they have become less likely to go to college, partly because the United States has "education deserts" with no colleges, Adam Harris writes for

The Atlantic.

For example, Harris notes, "One in three Montanans lives more than 60 minutes from the nearest college campus. . .. Nearly 40 percent of first-time, full-time freshmen attend institutions fewer than 50 statistics begin to sketch the outlines of a crisis."

of Agriculture: "The share of urban adults with at least a bachelor's degree grew from 26 percent to 33 percent, while in rural areas the share grew from 15 percent to 19 percent." He writes, "The gap could be due, in part, to students miles from home, and these leaving rural areas after college—or to adults with college degrees moving to Harris quotes a report urban or suburban areas from the U.S. Department in search of jobs."



Wicht's long medical journey with West Nile

The following was submitted by Kathy Wicht, the spouse of Ronald Wicht, about contacting West Nile virus and the complications it caused.

After five years of applying, Ron was successful in getting a bear license. He was scouting on our land for a perfect place to set up a bait station.

The third weekend of August we got together at the river by brother Ed and Kristi's landing. Our daughter and grand girls came up for the weekend and we tubed down the river and had a picnic.

A few days later, Ron wasn't sleeping or eating. Our granddaughter Noelle said "What's wrong with papa?"

I knew something wasn't right. He complained of headache and shortage of breath. On Sunday, I took him to the Lakewood emergency room in Staples. He was running a fever, seemed confused and had a headache. He was admitted.

At midnight I went home. The next morning Ron called and mumbled so badly. So confused. Dr. Ryan Kroll was on duty and is Ron's primary doctor. He knew this was not the Ron he was familiar with.

Ron was active physically and a happy-go-lucky guy. A brain scan, CT and lumbar puncture was ordered. His fever was very high. The brain scan showed encephalitis, a swelling of the brain. Dr. Kroll wanted to transfer him to the St. Cloud hospital. He was sent by ambulance late Monday evening to the neuroscience floor.

By this time he couldn't raise his arms to even feed himself. Confusion continued Wednesday afternoon. They did another lumbar puncture. When he returned to his room, he went into respiratory distress, had to be intebated and rushed to intensive

Eventually he had a trach put in and a feeding tube. On Thursday of that week, he was diagnosed with West Nile virus. The lumbar puncture was key to the diagnosis.

He continued to fight for his life. He remained in ICU for four weeks and then transferred to Regency Hospital in



Ronald Wicht is feeling better but still suffers from his bout with West Nile virus. (Submitted photo)

Golden Valley. He needed pulmonary care and rehab. He was unable to walk. His neck and shoulders were very weak. He was there for two months and then was transferred to St. Cloud rehab floor. He spent two weeks there for intensive therapy. He was then transferred back to Lakewood for therapy and to be closer to home.

Soon he was walking with assistance for a long distance. This was great because two and a half months before, his first walking was seven steps.

After two weeks at Lakewood, he was allowed to make a home visit for a Christmas get together. He did well. Our daughter is a physical therapy assistant and she was able to help get him set up for home permanently.

On Dec. 18, I brought him home to stay. It was a glorious day. Dr. Kroll had made four phone calls to check on his condition the last four months. Lakewood Hospital was wonderful in their care and therapy. He continued with outpatient therapy for four more months.

He is able to do more at home and even went fish-



Intensive care

Ronald Wicht in the hospital with West Nile virus. (Submitted photo)

ing. Thanks to family and friends who supported him and helped with snowplowing and everything else to keep us going.

All this is unbelievable that a mosquito caused

Repellent is a must for hunters and outdoor people. Ron is currently on oxygen a night, due to lung problems caused by the virus. He lost 60 pounds during the disease but has gained 20 pounds back.

Signs of a mental health crisis for farmers and ranchers

By Julie Murphree and Liz Foster

A majority of farmers and farmworkers say financial issues, farm or business problems and fear of losing the farm impact farmers' mental health, according to a national Morning Consult research poll sponsored by the American Farm Bureau Federation.

With these pressures as a backdrop, there are clear

signals to identify potential mental health crisis situations for farmers and ranchers, said Robin Tutor-Marcom, with North Carolina Agromedicine Institute. Her list of signals to be on the lookout:

· Decline in care of crops, animals and farm: Deterioration of personal appearance; Increasing life insurance; Withdrawing from social events, family and friends; Change in mood and or routine; Increase in farm accidents; Increase in physical complaints, difficulty sleeping; Increase in drug or alcohol use; Giving away prized possessions, calling or saying goodbye; Feeling trapped (no way out); Making statements such as "I have nothing to live for" and "My family would be better off without me; I

don't want to be a burden." Tutor-Marcom, during a recent national conference of Farm Bureau safety and health coordinators, listed the most commonly diagnosed issues: relationship problems with spouses, parents and children (40%): adjustment problems such as anxiety and depression due to stress (24%); and anxiety disorders including excessive worry and panic (11%).

Farmers and ranchers, according to research, typically manage their stress in one of four ways.

 Figure, reassess and reassure: Always figuring out how to make ends meet.

· Distraction: They go get parts, ignore troubling issues, take the day off.

· Repression: Eat, drink or do drugs.

· Broaden and Build: Build positive reserves. When times get bad remember the good or fun times (go fishing or camping, participate in other recreational activities).

While some ways to manage stress are positive, others will obviously have a long-term negative impact. And, if a family member recognizes some telltale signs, the experts suggest a few immediate ways to positively improve the situation. Listen, don't blame.

While time to talk on the farm may be rare, it's important, so listen to what needs to be said and show empathy. Recognize the prob-

lem, don't avoid it. Family members can give encouragement and provide resources for help.

 Cultural and religious beliefs can have a positive impact. For many people, faith is the strongest hope to hang on to.

Farm Bureau is advocating for programs that provide America's farmers and ranchers with critical support and mental health resources and is urging Congress to fund \$10 million for the Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network, the level authorized in the 2018 farm bill.

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Menten, Thunem & Nye to perform at 'Music in the Park'

The acoustic trio of Menten, Thunem & Nye will perform at the Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 14, at 7 p.m.

Featuring violinist Jeff Menten, fingerstyle guitarist Paul Nye, and bassist Keith Thunem, the trio offers a unique blend of acoustic music that cleverly weaves modern and old time classics, and Celtic and Scandinavian tunes with ragtime, blues, gypsy jazz, along with classical pieces as well as some original music.

The group lightheartedly refers to their music as 'Funky Folk, Punky Polka, Grassy Blues, Cool Classical and Gypsy Jazz."

As seasoned veteran musicians, Menten, Thunem and Nye have individually logged tens of thousands of miles and performed nearly as many shows in their respective musical careers.

Menten graduated with honors from University of Minnesota, Mankato, with

a music degree in Violin Performance. He has performed with several symphony orchestras and has played professionally for more than three decades. In 1995, he was awarded 'Instrumentalist of the Year," "Best Classic Country Performance," "Best Band" (The Radio Flyers) and the "Archie Hill Horizon Award" at the Minnesota Country Music Association competition. Menten operates the Pineto-Prairie School of Music and has been teaching string instruments to students of all ages for over 30

Thunem has been playing professionally since the early 1970s. In his career, he has recorded close to 35 albums worth of material, in addition to several of his own recording projects. Currently residing in Bemidji, Thunem has performed and recorded with a number of regional and national artists. He has performed on the main stage at both Minne-



Acoustic trio

Menten, Thunem & Nye will perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 14, at 7 p.m. The band features seasoned performers (pictured from left) Jeff Menten, Keith Thunem and Paul Nye. The series is made possible with a gift from the Staples Host Lions Club. (Submitted photo)

sota's WeFest and Moon- months. dance Jam music festivals. Thunem joined up with Menten and Nye in April 2019, and plays double bass, bass guitar, harmonica and vocals.

Nye's professional career has taken him from coast-to-coast with numerous touring groups and has shared the stage with a number of national groups. Early in his career Nye recorded several projects at the legendary Sound 80 Recording Studio, as well as Creation Studios. He has released six recordings of original music in his career, including three recordings of music for kids in that time. One of Nye's songs from his latest kid's recording, "Who Put Mascara on my Zebra," was nominated for two international music awards in the "Best Children's Song" category.

Both Nye and Menten performed for a number of years with the Woodtick Musical Theater Band in Akeley during the summer

Join this acoustic trio for a slice of festive fun punctuated by musical mastery entertainment at its finest.

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 August 11. 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. At the junction of Hwys 10 and 210, go north on 6th St NE, 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.



Which witch is coming to Staples?

Both Glinda, Good Witch of the North (played by Anne Freelove, above right) and the Wicked Witch of the West (played by Bronwynn Touchette, above left) will be among the cast of characters taking the stage at Centennial Auditorium in Staples July 11 - 14, in the Lamplighter Community Theatre's production, "The Wizard of Oz."



The musical will be performed Thursday - Saturday, July 11, 12, 13 at 7 p.m.; and Sunday, July 14, 2 p.m. Tickets are available at Nelson Insurance, Timberlake Hotel and Staples True Value, all in Staples; or purchase them online at lctstaples.com.

By L. Frank Baum

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The Rev. Dr. Chandran Paul Martin, a missionary serving the United Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India, will be visiting Faith Lutheran Church in Staples Saturday, July 20 and Sunday, July 21.

Rev. Dr. Martin serves as the ELCA Regional Representative for the churches in Asia and the Pacific. His primary responsibility is diakonia ministries which include health care, devel-

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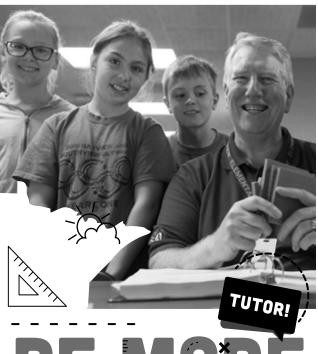


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opment, disaster response and sustainable community-based development ministries with the ELCA

companions in the region. On July 20, Faith Lutheran is sponsoring a

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Israelson wins MGA match play championship

By Nick Hunter Minnesota Golf Association nick@mngolf.org

When Andrew Israelson and Parker Reddig met during the quarterfinal round of the Minnesota Golf Association Players' Championship last season at The Jewel Golf Club, Reddig created some lateround fireworks by carding an eagle on the 17th hole as the two would play 21 holes before Israelson rolled in a birdie to advance to the semifinals.

The two met again June 26 in the finals of the 41st MGA Players' Championship at Pebble Creek Golf Club, but it was Israelson who pulled away late and hung on to get the better of Reddig for a second straight season, giving Israelson his first Players

"Last year we both played good, but it was a lot like this year's match where we each had about three or four mishaps and opened the door for the other guy," Israelson said of his rematch with Reddig Wednesday. "I was a little squirrely off the tee, but I still scrambled well.

"My game's been struggling a little bit at the start of the summer, but I really thought I found my putting. My wedge game is solid and I'm really happy with the way I struck the ball. I just love playing MGA Tournaments—it's great to meet new people and see the old faces as well. I'm only 21, but it seems like I've been around a while.'

Israelson still has a way to go to match father, Bill, in the win column as the elder Israelson won three Minnesota State Junior Boys' titles and three consecutive State Amateur titles before turning professional in 1980. As one of the state's best players, Bill has hoisted every trophy available to professionals in the state, as well as making three appearances at the U.S. Open.

Following his win Wednesday, the younger Israelson took a jab at his dad when handed the Players' trophy, "That's two he doesn't have—a state tournament and the state match play."

Israelson, who will begin his senior season at North Dakota State University this fall, adds another win to his golf resume, which already includes a win at the 2018 MGA Mixed Amateur Team Championship, two Birchmont titles and a victory at the Minnesota State Junior Boys' Championship just weeks after his individual win at

the Class AA tournament.

He was the first recipient of the Mr. Golf award in 2016, given to the best male golfer during his senior season.

"Last year I played really well in the summer and didn't win a single tournament. It feels nice to get a win early and definitely helps the confidence," Israelson said. "It's nice to get a win before [USGA qualifiers and MGA State Amateur]. It shows me I can compete with all the people at this level and help me compete at a higher level."

Reddig's Round of 16 win over Max Tylke, 2 and 1. was the smallest margin of victory for both him and Israelson in a total of 10 matches between the two, without either playing the 18th hole until the final match late Wednesday.

In a back-and-forth chess match for most of the final round. Israelson was tested early, getting out of trouble early by rolling in a 15-footer for birdie after his second at the par-5 second found the sand, keeping the match square.

Reddig grabbed the first lead after Israelson missed the fourth green long and left and was unable to get up-and-down to save par. Israelson responded by sinking another lengthy putt at the sixth to even the match.

The two remained deadlocked until Israelson's approach at the par-4 11th rolled inside of four feet, where he converted birdie to take his first lead of the match. Stumbling at the 13th and 14th holes, Israelson carded consecutive bogeys as momentum switched back in favor of

A pair of wayward tee shots late in the round proved costly, leading to two straight bogeys for Reddig as he relinquished his lead at the 15th hole. With pars on the final two holes, Israelson hung on two win, 1-up.

"Playing six rounds. there's definitely a little fatigue involved. The course was the firmest and fastest today and the wind was up in the second match, so it played difficult again," Israelson said. The pins out there were relatively easy, but they were also sneaky hard, because anything past the hole was straight downhill. That's what I struggled with against Parker. I hit good shots in, but I'd be above the hole and couldn't be aggressive at all.'

"I played 33 holes today and of the greens I hit, I was above the hole 75 per-



NDSU college season

Plaving for North Dakota State University. Andrew Israelson tied for first in the Summit League Men's Golf Championship this spring. Israelson shot a 72 in the second round and a 74 in the third round, finishing with a 219. At the GCU Invitational in March, Israelson shot a 207 over the 54 holes, the second lowest score in school history. He was also named to The Summit League Academic All-League Team. Israelson is a Finance major with a 3.72 GPA.

cent of the time."

Opening up the championship with a victory over Brennan Hockman, 5 and 4, Israelson then got past Jim Foss, 4 and 3, to reach the Round of 16 Tuesday. Bouncing Caleb VanArragon, 4 and 3, Israelson reached the quarterfinals to face Hunter Rebrovich, winning 4 and 2.

Taking a 1-up lead over 66-year-old Steve Whittaker to the back nine of his semifinal match, Israelson made four birdies in a six-hole span to reach the final match.

Leading up to the final match Wednesday, Reddig had earned two of the most impressive victories before falling in the final. During his quarterfinal match against Joel B. Johnson Tuesday, Reddig collected four birdies and an eagle over his opening nine holes to jump out to a sizable 6-up lead before closing out the match 8 and 6

Playing two-time Players' champion Trent Peterson in Wednesday's early semifinal action, Reddig again found his rhythm on the front nine, carding four birdies and an eagle beginning at the fifth hole, and continued the onslaught to the back nine where he birdied the 10th. He would close out Peterson at the 14th hole with his seventh birdie of the match.

"I won my five previous matches and I knew playing Andrew was going to be as tough as any of them." Reddig said Wednesday.

"He's played great all week and I figured I would stick to the same game plan and try to hit the same shots into the holes and same tee balls. Execution was really the only thing that fell apart for me. I just didn't hit it as close as I [was previously]. I lost my driver in the final round and it didn't put me in position.

State title Andrew Israelson with the Minnesota Golf Assocation Players' Championship Match Play Trophy. In the championship, Israelson defeated Parker Reddig by a score of 1 up to win the title. In the semifinal match, Israelson defeated Steve Whittaker by a score of 4 & 3 (ahead by four with three holes to play). (Photo by Min-

good putts, we both made some clutch puts, but he just made more. It was a great match, a fair fight. He's the only one that's

Reddig wrapped up his sophomore season at Florida State University earlier this spring,



nesota Golf Association) 'We both made some beaten me in two years."

Play at the plate

Gordon Enyart slides in under the tag in a play at the plate to score a run for the Staples-Motley Legion baseball team in a game against Park Rapids. The Staples-Motley team has one more home game coming up before playoffs start, July 16 at 5 p.m. against Pequot Lakes. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Holiday heat suggests musky rampage of long ago

You can often recognize a musky fisherman from a long way off. You can tell by the size of lures being cast, visible because some can be almost as long as your forearm. By lure size, and by the slower, more deliberate casting rhythm necessary to heave lures large and

heavy enough to cause tendonitis, or worse.

T h e lake on whose shores our family cabin sits is musky water; not bу the designs of Nature, but by



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Mike Rahn

the management hand of the state Department of Natural Resources, which has introduced this top-ofthe-food-chain predator by stocking them here. The recent extended holiday found some of the musky angling faithful pitching those big lures in temperatures that soared into the high, humid eighties. They were doing their best to dodge an abundance of boats towing skiers, tubers and wakeboarders, and the

usual complement of slow

trolling walleye anglers. Not everyone has been an advocate of musky stocking here, since this lake is also popular among walleye fisherman. Not all are onboard with the logic that the musky's favorite meals are prey fish other than the lake's walleyes. But there are numerous lakes where walleyes and muskies co-exist. Not to mention the fact that a large northern pike—a fish native to most Minnesota lakes, including ours—is a predator capable of feeding on the same size prey as most muskies.

I'm not a musky hunter, having fished for them "on purpose" just once, with an angler who was a summer fishing guide. They call the musky a fish-of-a-thousand-casts, due to the difficulty of catching them compared to—for example—largemouth bass, or northern pike. One reason is a simple numbers game. There are always fewer fish at the top of the food chain. Muskies also have a reputation—deserved or otherwise—as moody, finicky fish. My one experience did nothing to alter the conventional wisdom.

The alternate reality, probably closer to the truth, is that anglers who

learn the musky's habits and pursue them intelligently are likely to be far more successful than the "thousand-cast" reputation suggests. Although I don't fish for muskies—despite their presence 75 feet from the cabin door—I'm sympathetic to the mystique and the mania because I do fish for migratory Great Lakes rainbow trout—steelhead the catching of which is equally unpredictable. Each of us has our angling Holy Grail, the pursuit of which often defies logic.

This year's hot, humid July 4th holiday weather brought to mind the most famous of Minnesota musky legends, one that spawned more fishingrelated newspaper ink and sold more fishing resort postcards than any before or since. That event also occurred in July, on Leech Lake, which lies in Cass County within the boundaries of the Chippewa National Forest.

Leech Lake is so large that its size is often escribed in square miles, not acres-one-hundredsixty, and then some; its acreage is actually 111,527. The watershed of the Leech Lake River, which flows out of Leech Lake and eventually to the Mississippi River, contains

roughly one-half of Min- and size of muskies being nesota's naturally producing musky lakes. This watershed alone is said to hold one-fourth of the native musky habitat in the entire U.S.

I've saved an old postcard from long ago, when my family stayed at a resort near the town of Federal Dam. Its namesake is the government-built structure that regulates water levels in Leech Lake itself. and thus also the waters downstream. One of my mother's school chums had married into a family that owned a small resort and fishing guide service there. Arrayed along that postcard's long dimension is a line of 15 men—a few young, but most middleaged or older—standing behind a row of muskies hung from a pipe supported by wooden two-byfour cross braces. Many of the fish extended from the men's shoulders to their shins.

The photo was taken in 1955, during a two-week mid-July period that has come to be known as the "musky rampage." During that time Leech Lake became the fishing equivalent of a Klondike gold rush, with anglers descending en masse when word got out about the number

caught. In the Federal Dam area alone, more than 160 muskies from 18 to 42 pounds—pounds, not inches—were recorded.

Muskie fishing success of that magnitude has not been repeated since. There are theories as to the "why" of it, but proof is naturally hard to come by. Weather during that period was hot, humid, and still; dead-calm, some reported. Others noted that there had been a recent die-off of tulibee, a primary prey of muskies, and suggest that hunger triggered the feeding frenzy. Some have speculated that in prior years there had been unusual spawning success that contributed to the musky's abundance, and competition for forage was a factor. But if the cause was uncommon musky abundance, why the fishing success only during this brief July period? As with all uncontrolled experiments, "We'll never know" is probably the only real answer.

During my high school years, several friends and I stayed at the same resort on a summer fishing getaway. One of the men pictured in the postcard was still guiding fishermen, and we were privileged to fish from his launch on the

storied lake. We were after walleyes, not muskies, and as the first day unfolded we experienced a mystery of

our own. Though much of launch fishing is done with live bait rigs, on this particular day the only real success any of us had was trolling a green-toned diving bait I had purchased in a hardware store at a cut-rate clearance price. It so conspicuously out-produced anything else that we took turns using it. Back at the landing at afternoon's end, our was among the most successful charters. That evening we drove to Longville and looked for more green plugs to arm ourselves for a Sunday slaughter, figuratively speaking. You've no doubt heard this story before: the next day not a fish would touch one of our trolled green plugs!

Though pursuing muskies is not one of my outdoor passions, there is something about the leviathan lures, the industrialstrength tackle, and the crusade-like motivation of the musky quest that appeals to those who do not yet count themselves among the faithful.

Not yet, anyway.





Staples people show up for July 4 celebration

The crowd that attended the Staples Veterans Park July 4 celebration was happy to avoid the rain clouds that were circling the area all morning. Instead it was a very nice day as the crowd watched the program from chairs or from the Lions Club tent put up at the park for the event.

Pictured right, top, Jack Rengel tells stories about his time in the Army and his trip to Vietnam as an interpreter and interrogator.

Bottom right, Madysen Hull sings the National Anthem to start off the celebration. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)







Keeping the city green

Kevin Robben, City of Staples Parks and Recreation Department employee, watered plants and trees throughout town the morning of July 2. Robben said they try to water everything at least twice a week, sometimes more if it is really hot and hasn't rained in awhile. A 300-gallon water container (placed on a trailer and hauled behind one of the city trucks) is used each time the department embarks on this task. There are many benefits to planting and maintaining trees in town, as were noted in a Staples World article from Sept. 13, 2018, entitled, '22 reasons trees in cities keep us healthy and save us money,' written by Dan Burden, Blue Zones Director of Innovation and Inspiration. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

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•	Motley 56466	218-352-6888
	Pastor Jim Johnson	
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		4:00-5:30 p.m.
	Youth Group	5:30-7:30 p.m.
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	St. John's Luth	eran
	497 3rd Ave. S, Motley.	218-352-6399
	Pastor Vicar Paul Koehl	
		ible Class8:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship	9:30 a.m.

St. Michael ..218-894-2296 1st St. and Birch, Motley Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz MASS: .6:30 p.m. Tuesdo Wednesday8:30 a.m. ..7:00 p.m. Sunday . 10:30 a.m. **United Methodist**

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

Oylen Alliance Cty. Rds, 7 and 9, Oylen 218-472-3440 or 218-472-3316 Pastor Neal Malcore .10:00 a.m. Sunday School11:00 a.m Sunday Worship

First Lutheran Church

Pastor Mathew Sundquist 717 River Street S, Pillager, MN 218-746-3775 .9:30 a.m. Sunday School .8:30 a.m. **Casino Assembly of God** N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.218-746-3839 Phone9:30 a.m. Sunday School Worship..... Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.7:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY7:00 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 .9:30 a.m Sunday School . 10:45 a.m./6 p.m. Sunday Worship WEDNESDAY **Trinity Lutheran Church** 524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN Pastor Robin Fish

Sunday Worship **United Methodist Church** Hwy. 210, Hewitt, MN Pastor Kenneth Uhren ...10:30 a.m. Sunday Services Sunday School9:30 a.m Verndale

Verndale Alliance 109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481 Senior Pastor Tony Stanley Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries Sunday Worship.......9:30 a.n9:30 a.m. Sunday Bible Fellowship Classses ..11-11:45 a.m.

Family Life Church 402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568 VerndaleFLC@gmail.com . 218-371-7189 Pastor Amos Self. Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard ..9:00 a.m. Discipleship Classes Prayer. ..9:20 a.m.

Coffee / Fellowship. .9:30 a.m. Worship Service
WEDNESDAY ..10:00 a.m 6:30 p.m ... Groups 6:00 p.m....Meal .

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

of Bartlett Township (LCMS) 17097 460th St. PO Box 37, Verndale Pastor Robin Fish Sunday Worshi .9:00 a.m. WEDNESDAY .6:30 p.m. Bible Study. **Verndale United Methodist** 10 3rd Ave. SW, Verndale 218-445-5108

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

"Independence is understood in our dependence on living in Christ"

Pastor Carl Larson, Faith Lutheran Church

We in this country love to celebrate the 4th of July because we love the idea that we are a people of liberty and freedom. Thomas Jefferson's writing in the Declaration of Independence made the bold assertion that we "the people" have the "inalienable right" to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," and that still sounds like sweet music to our freedom-loving ears, even after 243 years.

.10:30 a.m.

..7:00 p.m.

..218-894-2372

Despite the imperfections and the shortcomings of our political system, despite the conflicts due to governmental leadership or the lack of it, and despite the civic apathy shown by some toward our nation, this country still enjoys tremendous freedoms - economic, political, social, and religious. But as citizens of this nation, we must be careful that we don't define the freedoms we enjoy so much solely as "freedom for something," forgetting that the real test of freedom's value is found in how we use our "freedom to do something for the other."

This, I believe, is what the Apostle Paul had in mind when he penned his letter to the Galatians. It was in the 5th chapter of the letter that Paul wrote: For freedom, Christ has set us free. Stand firm, there-

fore, and not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do

not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love

become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Galatians 5:1, 13-14)

Martin Luther, in his commentary on Galatians, re-enforced this idea when he wrote,

"For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use

not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.'

Both in Paul's letter and Luther's commentary it seems

that they want to send a reminder that with freedom there comes social responsibility When Thomas Jefferson listed the "pursuit of happiness"

as one of the new nations "inalienable rights," all too often the phrase is taken to mean that we as citizens of the nation are granted the right to pursuit our own individual gain, even if that means we enhance our own life and position at the expense of another's.

But when we meld Jefferson's words with our faith walk, the call freedom is found, not in an individual's gain for one's own satisfaction, but rather through service being done for the other. And it is through our daily walk in Christ that we come to understand that the only way to really achieve life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness is to show love and do service for the other.

As followers of Christ, our pursuit of life, liberty, and hap-

piness is best understood ...

when we are neighborly to our neighbor; when we step out and take a risk for the other;

when we live out Christ through our giving of ourselves

for the other. for in Christ, that is our true "pursuit of happiness".

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Life Currents



Bunny found at Staples Library

Roland Stone, above and Baleigh Domogalla, right, won the June "Find the Bunny" game at the Staples Public Library. Each week a picture of a colored bunny is hidden at the library. Children can tell the staff where they found the bunny to have their name put in for a drawing. There are two chances to win: either a bunny or a book. Two more drawings are scheduled at the Staples Public Library, July 31 and Aug. 15. (Submitted photos)



0-0 **Care Center**

JULY BIRTHDAYS AT LAKE-WOOD HEALTH SYSTEM CARE

Rosemary Gosiak, July 4; Suzi German, July 4; Betty Wiese, July 9; Janet Rasmusen, July 11.

JULY SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AT THE LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM CARE CENTER:

Weds., July 10, 2 p.m., Bingo/Marge

Thurs., July 11, 10 a.m. Bible Study, Paul Johnson; 2 p.m. Birthday party and DL Cloggers entertain-

Fri., July 12, 9:30 a.m. Church, Faith Lutheran; 10 a.m. Friendly Friday w/ Faith Lutheran

Sat., July 13, 1:30 p.m. Bingo/Marge

Mon, July 15, 11 a.m. Lunchtrip to Dairy Queen

Tues., July 16, 2:15 p.m. Church, Motley United Methodist; 3:30 p.m. Bingo/ Marge; 7:30 p.m. Round Dancers

Weds., July 17, 2 p.m. Bingo/hosted by Trinity Lutheran

Sat., July 20, 1:30 p.m. Bingo/Marge

Mon., July 22, 2:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church

Tues., July 23, 2:15 p.m. Church, Staples Alliance; 3:30 p.m. Bingo/Marge; 7:30 p.m. Round Dancers

Weds., July 24, 2 p.m.

Bingo/Marge

Sun., July 28, 1:30 p.m Coffee Chat

Staples Church of Christ; ing with Max, his black lab 3:30 Bingo/Marge; 7:30 p.m. was another passion which Round Dancers

Weds., July 31, 2 p.m. Bingo/Marge

Obituaries

Marco Puentes

Marco Anthony Puentes, 47, passed away June 29, 2019, following a tragic motorcycle accident.

Catholic Mass was held Friday, July 5 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Staples. A Celebration of Life was held following.

Marco was born and raised in Vallejo, California. He moved to Staples in 2011 to manage Barmah Hats. He quickly fell in love with the Minnesota life style. He enjoyed fishing, hours at Snap Fitness, meeting new people, laughing, joking. He loved his 1999 Harley nicknamed "Cochina", dog Max and his long gray ponytail. He was a passionate rider and enjoyed long rides to neighboring states.

He will be greatly missed by all those who had the privilege to meet and spend time with him.

He is survived by his



mother, Maria, partner Rachel, two sisters, Michelle (Andreas) Vogel, Veronica (Alex) Rivas; three sons, Joseph (Erika), Marco (Maddie) and Francisco; granddaughter, Sophia and grandson, Marco; nieces Zara, Kate, Luna and nephew, Alexan-

He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph. w28c A00006B2019JY10

Merlyn Rogge

Merlyn Paul Rogge, 92 formerly of Verndale, passed away July 4, 2019 at the Meadow Place Assisted Living in Long Prairie.

Funeral service for Merlyn will be held Thur., July 11 at 11:00 a.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Staples with Pastor Robin Collins officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church.

Interment will be held at Greenlawn Cemetery, Verndale.

Merlyn was born June 27, 1927 in Wilkin County to Erna (Roth) and George Rogge. Merlyn married Arayla Rach at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Verndale on June 27, 1952. Merlyn started working at the age of 12 on the neighbor's farm. He graduated high school as Salutatorian. He enlisted in the Navy at age 17. Upon discharge he became a bricklayer. He was an excellent mason. Farming came later in life. Sat., July 27, 1:30 p.m. Merlyn enjoyed woodworking and gardening. He also was an avid reader and was very musical, playing the Tues., July 30, 2:15 p.m. ukulele and singing. Hunt-



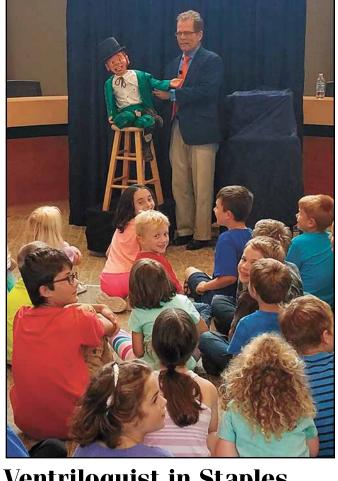
he passed on to his sons. His humor, wit and love will be greatly missed by his family.

Merlyn is survived by three daughters, Jane (Gene) Eickhoff, of Long Prairie, Laurel (Roger) Houselog, of Staples and Diane (Brian) Harff, of Watkins; two sons, Jerry (Arlene) Rogge, of Rogers and Rick (Cyndi) Rogge, of Verndale; 19 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Arayla; five siblings, Dorothy, LaVerne, Bernard (Jim), Clarice, Delores (Lolly) and Veryl.

Arrangements were by Taylor Funeral and Crema- sity recently announced tion Care, Staples.

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Ventriloquist in Staples

Ventriloquist James Wedgewood entertained 67 children, along with their parents and grandparents, at the Staples Public Library June 27. The event, sponsored by the Staples Public Library and the Staples Motley Area Arts Council, was in recognition of the library's summer reading program and promotion of children's literary arts. The next collaboration, which will include the area ECFE (Early Childhood Family Education), will be a children's concert featuring The Teddy Bear Band on Tuesday, July 30, 7 p.m., at Northern Pacific Park in Staples. (Submitted photo)

9 **Student Achievements**

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERsity recently held its 2019 Spring Semester Commencement ceremonies. Local graduates include:

 Kelli Klein, Motley, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Cum Laude

• Addison March, Motley, Bachelor of Elective Studies, Life Sciences, Summa Cum Laude

 Kelsey Wakeman, Motley, Bachelor of Science, Communication Arts and Literature • Emily Hirschey, Sta-

ples, Bachelor of Arts, Art

 Samantha Lake, Sta-ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVER- Dean's List. To be eligible, students must have a grade point average of 3.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Local students named include: • Kelli Klein, Motlev

its 2019 Spring Semester

• Jace Engelmann, Pil-

THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNE-**SOTA DULUTH** has announced its 2019 Spring Semester Dean's List. To qualify, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Local students named include:

• Jordan Hines, Kiersten Johnson, Jennifer North, ples, Master of Social Work. Tanner Swenson, all of Pil-

Have You Steve Trebil, BC-HIS

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Central Lakes College announces Spring Honors List

Brainerd and Staples, has announced its 2019 Spring Semester Honors List. The President's List includes students who earned a grade point average of 3.75 or higher while enrolled in at least 12 credits. The Dean's List includes students who earned a grade point average of 3.25 - 3.74.

The released honors list does not include students who have requested no release of information. Local students named includes:

Motley

Amber Bell, Jordan DeChaine, Lanaiah Erbe, Lisa Kossan, Sarah Kossan, Samantha Mrazek, DomiPresident's List; Jordon Carlson, Isaac Colsen, Jeremie Vanek, Kelsie Weite, Mackenzye Wolpert, Dean's List.

Pillager

Chandra Bruno, Dylan Christensen, Lauren Hughes, Matthew Hughes, Elise Jensen, Emily Johnson, Angela Masurka, Grace Nagel, Hannah Ruhl, Logan Stearns, Jordyn Van Vickle, President's List; Derek Chambers, Jared Eng, Shane Evenson, Hunter Furstenberg, Anthony Horak, Noah Jacobson, Bo Kruchten, Lauren Martin, Jill Quick, Olivia Ruhl, Mackenzie Shaw, Hailey Turner-Hub-

Central Lakes College, nic Nistler, Krystal Yoder, bard, Brian Twiss. Dean's List.

Staples

Andrew Bates, Tyler Davidson, Dale Davis, Chelsea Hofmann, Brooklvn Kovach, Stephanie Lenk, Claire Mayhew, Jaxon Olander, Kyle Serich, Kaitlyn Smith, Kiara Storry, President's List; Alyssa Bartkowicz, Kelly Bendson, Roni Denning, Brian Dobson, Hannah Dolezal, Michael Dullinger, Izabella Edin, Finn Erholtz, Addison Hirschey, Bridget Kuhns, Olivia Leslie, Isabella Martin, Jacob O'Rourke, Elizabeth Stimac, Kristi Trana, Braden Tyrrell, Dean's



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Staples World

224 4th St. NE Staples, MN

Hello World BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:

Born to Jenni Lange and Erin Gonczy of Pequot Lakes, a baby boy, Calvin Barry weighing eight pounds, 14 ounces on June 26, 2019.

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Born to Kelsie and Randy Olson of Little Falls, a baby boy, Vincent Winchester weighing seven pounds 13 ounces on June 30, 2019.

Born to Emily Furry and Levi Allen of Pine River, a baby girl, Rose Marie weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on July 1, 2019.

Born to Madi and Ethan Watson of Baxter, a baby boy, Emerson Ford weighing eight pounds, six ounces on July



NOTICE **CITY OF STAPLES ORDINANCE NO. 521** AN ORDINANCE **REGARDING THE SALE OF PROPERTY**

THE CITY OF STAPLES DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Sec. 1 The City of Staples is hereby empowered to sell the following real estate located in the City of Staples, County of Todd, State of Minnesota in accordance with the sale price authorized by the City Council:

Legal Description: That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW1/4-NE1/4), Section 1. Township 133, Range 33, Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of said SW1/4-NE1/4; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 13 seconds West, bearing based on the Todd County Coordinate Database NAD 83. 492.21 feet along the east line of said SW1/4-NE1/4; thence North 87 degrees 25 minutes 47 seconds West 922.61 feet to the east line of Ninth Street, ODDEN HEIGHTS, according to the recorded plat on file in the Todd County Recorder's Office; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds East 337.08 feet along said east line of Ninth Street to the south line of said Ninth Street; thence North 88 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West 66.04 feet along said south line of Ninth Street to the east line of said ODDEN HEIGHTS; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds East 154.68 feet along said east line of ODDEN HEIGHTS and its southerly extension to the south line of said SW1/4-NE1/4; thence South 87 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East 988.45 feet along said south line of the SW1/4-NE1/4 to the point of beginning. Subject to an easement for street and utility purposes over, under and across that part of said SW1/4-NE1/4 described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of said SW1/4-NE1/4; thence North 00 degrees 14 minutes 13 seconds West 492.21 feet along said east line of the SW1/4-NE1/4; thence North 87 degrees 25 minutes 47 seconds West 922.61 feet to said east line of Ninth Street; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds East 33.04 feet along said east line of Ninth Street: thence South 87 degrees 25 minutes 47 seconds East 889.56 feet to the west line of the East 33.00 feet of said SW1/4-NE1/4; thence South 00 degrees 14 minutes 13 seconds East 459.19 feet along said west line of the East 33.00 feet of the SW1/4-NE1/4 to said south line of the SW1/4-NE1/4; thence South 87 degrees 27 minutes 30 seconds East 33.04 feet along said south line of the SW1/4-NE1/4 to the point of beginning. Subject to easements, reservations or restrictions of

Sec. 2 The net proceeds from the sale shall be used pursuant to Section 11.05 of the Staples City Charter.

record, if any,

Sec. 3 This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and publication in accordance with

APPROVED: /s/Chris Etzler, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Diane Archer, City Clerk

First Reading: June 11, 2019 Second Reading: June 25, 2019 Adoption: June 25, 2019 Published: July 10, 2019. 28pnc

TODD COUNTY BOARD OF **ADJUSTMENT**

215 1st Ave. South, Suite 103 Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 320-732-4420

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, July 25, **2019 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's board room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota to consider the following Variance applications:

AGENDA

- Call to Order • Approval of the June
- 2019 BOA minutes Board introduction and process review
- -The applicant is introduced

-Staff Report

-Applicant request if staff report accurately represents the request

-Public Comment -Board review with applicant, staff, and public

1. Steven Olson: NW4 SW4 EX E 699 FT OF N 312 FT in Hartford Township Site Address: 25212

County 16. PIN: 12-0003800 1) Request to build 24' x 40' shed addition 78' from the OHWL of Long Prairie River instead of the required 150' setback.

2. John Hinrichs: Lying W of Gov't Lot 4 in Leslie Township

Site Address: 21457 $F\,i\,n\,c\,h$ Road PIN: 15-0043500

1) Request to establish a 26' x 40' cabin 7' from the West side lot line instead of the required 10' minimum structural setback.

2) Request to establish a 24' x 36' detached garage 5' from the East side lot line instead of the required 10' minimum structural set-

3) Request to establish 26' x 40' cabin 60' from the OHWL instead of the required 75' minimum structural setback.

4) Request to establish septic drainfield 5' from the West side lot line instead of the required 10' minimum drainfield setback.

5) Request to cover lot with 15.9% roofed impervious surfaces instead of the maximum allowed 15%.

Stephen R. Sandra K. Swanson: Meneely's 2nd Addition to Maple Lake Lots 14&15 in Little Sauk Township

Site Address: 18040 Edgewood Lane. PIN: 17-0052100

1) Request to move the peak of roof with 22' peak height to the center of the structure.

2) Request to rotate ridgeline of roof with 22' peak height 90 degrees.

3) Request to build 22' x 8' home addition 30' from the OHWL instead of the required 100' setback.

Adjournment. Next meeting: August 22, 2019

All persons interested are invited to attend said hearing or submit a letter to be heard on these mat-

Todd County Board of Adjustment Bill Berscheit, Chair

28pnc **NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF**

Please take notice that Sams Farm, Inc. is in the

DISSOLUTION OF

SAMS FARM, INC.

process of dissolving. Sams Farm, Inc. filed the Notice of Intent to Dissolve with the Minnesota Secretary of State on June 12, 2019.

To present written claims against Sams Farm, Inc., you must send them to the following address:

Public Notices: Your Right to Know

Sams Farm, Inc. PO Box 849 Wyoming, MN 55092

The date by which all the claims must be received, which shall be the later of 90 days after published notice or, with respect to a particular known creditor or claimant, 90 days after the date on which written notice was given to that creditor or claimant. Published notice is deemed given on the date of first publication for the purpose of determining this date.

Any claims submitted after the initial 90-day period will be barred, subject to some statutory exceptions..

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Date: June 24, 2019

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated June 12, 2014, executed by Henry A. Becker and Jennifer L. Becker, married to each other, as Mortgagors, to Compeer Financial, FLCA f/k/a AgStar Financial Services, FLCA, as Mortgagee, and filed for record June 16, 2014, as Document No. 489913, in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

2. The Mortgage has not been assigned.

3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was \$184,500.00.

4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.

6. At the date of this Notice the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is \$117,571.66.

7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land located in Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows:

The W1/2 of NE1/4and the NE1/4 of NE1/4, Section 36, Township 130. Range 33, Todd County, Minnesota

will be sold by the County Sheriff of Todd County, Minnesota, at public auction on August 15, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the Todd County Sheriff's Department, located at 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

8. To the best of Mortgagee's information, the property being foreclosed has a property address of 28275 - 280th Street, Long Prairie, MN 56347, and has tax parcel identification number 12-0039000.

9. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months after the date of sale.

10. The property must be vacated by 11:59 p.m. on August 15, 2020, provided the Mortgagors have not reinstated the Mortgage under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.30 or redeemed the property under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.23. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m. COMPEER

> FINANCIAL, FLCA F/K/A AGSTAR FINANCIAL SERVICES, FLCA

Benjamin B. Bohnsack (#0319399)

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> Attorneys for Mortgagee 27-32pnc

NOTICE OF AERIAL SPRAYING TO TAKE PLACE AT:

Staples Wildlife Management Area (WMA) in Todd County

Herbicide labeled for aquatic use will be used to control narrow leaf and hybrid cattail. The purpose of this treatment is to improve waterfowl habitat. Aerial spraying to occur between July 20 - August

All affected public access points will be posted at time of treatment.

Comments or questions can be directed to: DNR AREA WILDLIFE

OFFICE 16543 Haven Rd Little Falls, MN 56345

(320) 616-2468, ext. 222

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Todd County Board of Commissioners

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE **TODD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** MAY 21, 2019

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 21st day of May, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kneisl. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Commissioners were present except Commissioner Erickson.

Approval of Agenda

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the agenda as presented.

Consent Agenda

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motions and resolution were introduced and adopted by unanimous

To approve the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes for May 7, 2019 as pre-

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 event at the Greystone Golf Club in Kandota Township at the address 10548 Andrews Drive, Sauk Centre, MN on August 2, 2019.

To approve to hire Jordan Host as a Seasonal Recreational Assistant effective May 21, 2019 with a wage of \$12 per hour.

Auditor-Treasurer

On motion by Becker and secondedby Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Commissioner Warrants number (ACH) 400224 through 400237 in the amount of \$7,325.53 and (Regular) 51485 through 51578 in the amount of \$64,875.96 for a total of \$72,201.49.

On motion by Neumann and secondedby Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by

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unanimous Roll Call vote: To approve the Health & **Human Services Warrants** number 515059 through 515127 in the amount of \$110,965.07 and warrants number 704968 through 705095 in the amount of \$90,610.21

On motion by Neumann and secondedby Erickson, the following resolution was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the HHS budget request form to shift \$200,000 budget line item from account Poor Relief-State Hospital Cost to Regional Treatment Center/Hold Orders/State Hospital account.

CliftonLarsonAllen / **Auditor-Treasurer**

Kristen Houle, CPA, Director from CLA reported that the Audit of the Financial Year Ending December 31, 2019 has been completed and a report of the findings/statuses was presented for the County Board's review.

County Assessor

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the abatement requested for parcel 22-0027300 as presented.

County Ditch/Ag Inspector

On motion by Becker and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To acknowledge receipt of a Hold Harmless Agreement petition from Steve Gaugert to clean part of County Ditch 7 on parcel 01-0027600, Bartlett Twp, Section 26.

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

Hold Harmless Agreement - Ditch **Maintenance & Replace Private Crossing -County Ditch 20**

WHEREAS, Tim Leach is requesting to maintain approximately 2,705 feet of Ditch D, Lateral 3 on County Ditch 20, and to replace a private crossing, both on his parcel 19-0001400. 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,

WHEREAS, applicant

is allowed to maintain the 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. The existing 24' culvert will be replaced with a 36" culvert that will be 30' long. The culvert will be placed at original ditch bottom elevation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Todd County Ditch Authority gives permission to Tim Leach to maintain approximately 2,705 feet of County Ditch 20, and to replace a private culvert crossing on parcel 19-0001400, located in Moran Township, Section 2. The project will be done on his own property, at his own expense.

County Sheriff

On motion by Neumann and seconded by Kircher, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve and sign the contract between NCIC and the Todd County Sheriff's Office.

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On motion by Kircher and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the Service Addendums to the Master Service Agreements for the Long Prairie Offices and Staples Branch Office Voice Services.

Todd SWCD

On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the County Feedlot Officer 2018 Annual

Report as presented. **Administration**

On motion by Becker and seconded by Neumann, the following motion was introduced and adopted by unanimous vote: To approve the payroll distribution schedule alteration for the January 1, 2020 payment release to be redirected to be released on January 2, 2020.

Auditor-Treasurer's

Report The Auditor-Treasurer Office reported on projects in progress including first half real estate collection totals and a Sourcewell meeting.

Commissioner's Report

The Commissioners reported on meetings attended. **Coordinator's Report**

The Coordinator reported on meetings attended and projects in-

progress **Adjourn** On motion by Kircher and seconded by Becker, the meeting was adjourned

for the month o	f May 2019.
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.....\$110,965.07 On a motion by Erickson and seconded by Neumann, the preceding minutes of the County Board meeting held May 21, 2019 were duly approved by unanimous vote by the Todd County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting held on June 4, 2019.

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Witness my hand and seal:

Gary Kneisl, County Board Chairperson

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MOVING SALE: 26821

128th St., Staples, Christie

Berg. Fri., July 19, Sat.,

July 20, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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clothing: Harley Davidson,

young men's, women's; bedding, misc. Everything

SALE/EVERYTHING

MUST GO: Thurs., July

11, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri.,

July 12, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

1526 3rd St. NE, Staples. Home décor, slightly used

lift bed, 2 swivel chairs,

jewelry, new Victoria Se-

cret garments/ swimsuits;

clothing: teen /ladies sz 6,

8, 10, women's sz 1x; school

supplies, Christmas deco-

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MOVING/MULTI-FAMILY SALE - ONE Thurs., July 11, Fri., SALE: Fri., July 12, 8 DAY ONLY: Sat., July 13, July 12, Sat., July 13, a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 3525 330th St., Motley. Edina Realty sign at driveway. Furniture, dishes, clothing: men's, women's, Juniors - name brands. Hunting, fishing, sports gear, framed prints, books, Lund boat w/trailer, decoys, knick knacks, violin/ bow, wood stove a lot ssw27-28p more.

RUMMAGE/BAG SALE: Fri., July 12 - Sat., July 13, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sacred Heart Area School, Staples: We've had a terrifc sale, but so many good items remain we're adding another BAG SALE. \$2/ bag - some new items added. No more donations accepted. ssw27-28

LARGE 5 FAMILY **GARAGE SALE: Thurs.,** July 11 - Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 511 SW Brown St., Verndale. Jr./ adult clothing, many misc. items too numerous to list. ssw27p

ESTATE/FAMILY Fri., July 12, Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. 1117 3rd Ave. S, Motley. Genglassware, household, furniture, children's clothing. ssw28p

GARAGE SALE: **8 a.m.-5 p.m.** 7171 126th St. SW, Motley (1/2 mi. N on Hwy 64). Misc household items, clothing: gently used women's/ teen's: shoes, some antiques, office chair, portable sewing machine, Christmas and home décor. ssw28p

GARAGE SALES: Eastwood Apartments, 956 Hwy 10 S, Motley. 6 garages, Fri., July 12, Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

GARAGE SALE - 2 FAMILIES: RAIN or SHINE. Fri., July 12, 8 a.m-4 p.m., Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 12730 and 12762 Vintage Circle, Staples. Longaberger baskets, househould items, men's stuff, clothing, baby lock surger, HO scale model train, some furniture, hitch, headboard made by George Pipek. ssw28p

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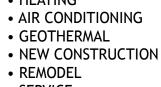
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The Wadena County Sheriff's Office participated in the torch run to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics by running from Wadena to Staples on June 18. Sheriff Mike Carr said the torch was brought from Perham to Wadena, and they ran from Wadena to Staples. They then drove the torch to Brainerd, where it was transported to Bemidji and eventually to the Minnesota Special Olympics Summer Games, held June 21-23.

Pictured, participants from the Wadena County Sheriff's Office (and others who joined in, back row, Erika Penner and Bryan Savaloja; front row, from left, Jeff Hulse, Troy Wangsness, Sara Carpenter, Dacia Krekalu (Todd-Wadena Community Corrections), Blake Petrich (Wadena Police, Staples Police Department), Mike Carr, Tyler Wheeler and Cory Carr (Verndale Police Department). (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Multiple modes of transportation

The officers didn't run the entire distance, but took turns riding bicycles and running. Pictured from left, Mike Carr, Tyler Wheeler, Bryan Savaloja and

Sara Carpenter travel past a train outside of Staples. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Carrying the torch

Sheriff Mike Carr shows the Special Olympics torch they took along on their run.

Block party in Wadena

Tri-County Health Care will host its eighth annual Block Party on Tuesday, July 16, from 4-7 p.m. on -County Wesley lawn. This family event for all ages is free and open to the public. It will include food, entertainment, kids' games, bounce houses, face painting, caricatures, emergency vehicle tours and more.

Children are invited to bring their helmets and bikes for a bike rodeo from 4-7 p.m. It will include free helmet fittings and handson bike riding activities to teach and promote bike safety. The bike rodeo is sponsored by the Wadena Lions Club, Wadena County Public Health and Statewide Health Improvement Partnership.

For more information, visit TCHC.org.



Fast finish

With the Staples sign in sight, officers take off for a finishing kick. From left, Blake Petrich, Tyler Wheeler, Troy Wangsness and Dacia Kreklau.

Staples audit has no issues

By Mark Anderson Managing Editor

The Staples City Council passed their annual audit with no major issues. Chuck Mayer of Mayer, Porter and Nelson acounting firm presented the audit to the council at their June 25 meeting, and said 'We did not find any items

during our audit." Mayer said one unusual

item in the audit is that the Staples Fire Relief does not get a certified appraisal of their funds, but it is not something they need to do because it isn't worth the cost and it won't hurt the city's financial status or bond rating.

In other news, the coun-

cil approved sale of city land on 12th Street NE and Michigan Ave. NE for Mill Townhomes.

The council approved the closure of a portion of 12th Street NE between 2nd Ave. NE and Timberlake Hotel entrance for a DQ block party.

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Moran Township bridge funding approved

• The Policy Committee has reviewed and recommended the update of the Todd County Government Center Campus Parking Policy from its current existence within county board records.

The commissioners approved the update with the addition of verbiage that allows the commissioners to park in the Historic courthouse parking

This parking lot is part employee and part customer parking with the spots closest to the building designated for the public. The commissioners will be allowed to park in the public spaces.

· The county received a grant in the amount of \$444,205 by the reason of the lowest responsible bid. This is for a bridge replacement project over the Long Prairie River in Moran

Township.

• Approved final payment of \$11,505 for the contract with Houle Excavating LLC for a 2018 box culvert construction contract located on 320th Street in Iona Township. The total cost was \$175,009.

• Approved a request to the Minnesota Department of Transportation to conduct a speed study due to concerns over the appropriateness of the 45 mile per hour speed limit on County Road 95 (goes past Fairy Lake in Sauk Centre).

A letter and petition by homeowners in the area, along with a memo from the Sauk Centre Lions Club requesting the speed to be lowered to 30 MPH.

There are several residential homes along with access to Fairy Lake and the Lions Park along CR

· Approved the final payment of \$50,358 to Knife River Corporation for a 2019 dust control construction contract located on various county roads in **Todd County**

The total cost was \$94,257.

· Acknowledged receipt of a Hold Harmless Agreement (HHA) petition from CC Morgan, LLC - Jeff Lopez, to clean part of County Ditch 15 located in Bertha Township, Section

· Acting as the Ditch Authority, the commissioners approved a HHA petition from Steve Gaugert to clean approximately 200 feet of County Ditch 7 in Bartlett Township, Section

· Acting as Ditch Authority, the board approved hiring Statema Backhoe Service LLC to complete the cleaning of the County Ditch 19 Sediment Pond. The cost is not to exceed \$1,700.

 Acknowledged receipt of a HHA petition from William Bontrager to clean part of County Ditch 31 on his and a neighbor's (Pankonin) property located in Section 8 of Eagle Valley Township.

According to MIS Director Chris Pelzer, the State of Minnesota is offering a security monitoring program which allows the State and local counties to share costs in security hardware and software, along with providing monitoring services.

The program requires a four year service agreement to be signed. Todd County MIS has budgeted for replacement of its security appliances in 2019 and would like to participate in the four-year program. The State will provide the security appliances and years one and two of software support. Todd County would be responsible for year three software support, which is due upon signing agreement, at \$6,016. The breakdown for additional years would be as follows: Year two—no additional costs. Year three—security monitoring at \$1,560. Year four—security monitoring and software renewal at approximately \$5,000. After year four, the service can be discontinued if desired. Todd County would keep the hardware and maintain any software mainte-

nance ongoing. It was approved.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is conducting procurement in 80 Minnesota counties in 2019. The procurement is to recommend a health plan to provide healthcare services to recipients of Families and Children and Minnesota Care enrollees and will be effective for healthcare services beginning January 1, 2020.

The board approved recommending UCare to provide healthcare services to recipients of Families and Children and Minnesota Care in Todd County.

This will be a replacement for South Country Health Alliance.

DHS will have the final say on which provider of services is allowed.

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