

Filing open Aug. 2-16 for local elections

Primary election day is Aug. 9

The filing period for local elections is Aug. 2-16. City, township, school and hospital district seats will be up for election locally.

Prospective candidates for mayor and council member must file with the city clerk. Candidates for school board must file at the district office. Township candidates file with the township clerk.

The Staples Motley School District will have three seats up for election. Those seats are currently held by Roy DiGiovanni, Chad Longbella and Bryan Winkles.

The City of Staples has four council seats and the mayor's spot up for election. Chris Etzler is the current mayor; the coun-

cil seats are held by Doug Case, Mike Isenberg, Kevin Jenkins and Mary Theurer.

The City of Motley has two council seats and the mayor up for election. The mayor is currently Nancy Nieken; the council seats are held by Steve Johnson and Pat O'Regan.

The United District Hospital Board, which governs Lakewood Health System, has seven seats up for election: Staples Township, Meadow Brook Township, Moose Lake Township, Motley City, Poplar Township, Villard Township and a member-at-large seat.

Residents can file with their city or township clerk for those seats.

The state-wide primary election will be held Tuesday, Aug. 9.

Wadena County's polling places and times, as well as a sample ballot, is on page 8a. Todd County's sample ballot and notice of election is scheduled for next week's newspaper.

Wadena County has two contested county commissioner seats, because more than two candidates have filed for each seat.

In District 2, three candidates have filed - Brian

Hagen, Ralph Miller and incumbent Jim Hofer. Ralph Miller had been the commissioner before being unseated by Hofer.

In District 4, three candidates have filed, Ross Beaumont, Chuck Horsager and Murlyn Kreklau. The current commissioner, Rodney Bounds, chose not to run again.

In both races, the top two vote-getters in the primary election will face off in the general election on Nov. 8.

Todd and Morrison counties do not have contested elections for the

primary. Cass County has one three person race, with Robert Kangas, Ed Nelson and John Warren filing for the District 2 commissioner seat.

State election

The state legislature election for District 9 will not have a primary since each seat has two candidates, one Democrat and one Republican. Those seats will be determined at the Nov. 8 general election.

Candidates in the general election will be Paul Gazelka (R) and Jason Weinerman (D) for the District 9 senate seat; Meg

Litts (D) and John Poston (R) for District 9A house of representatives seat; and Ron Kresha (R) and Dustin Simmonds (D) for the District 9B house of representatives.

Federal election

Republicans in Todd County have a choice for the District 7 race for U.S. House of Representatives race. Amanda Hinson and Dave Hughes are facing off in the Aug. 9 primary for the right to face Democrat Collin Peterson in the Nov. 8 general election.

Wadena, Cass and Morrison county residents will wait until the general election to decide between Republican Stewart Mills and Democrat Rick Nolan.

School district adding Jump Start section

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Staples-Motley Elementary School will have a second section of Kindergarten Jump Start and the high school will have a career advisor, thanks to action taken by the Staples-Motley school board

at their July 18 meeting.

The Jump Start class is limited to 12 students and as of July 18 the elementary school had 10 students on a waiting list. Elementary principal Kathy Johnson was hopeful that two more students would enroll before the beginning of the year.

The program is tailored for those five-year-old students who may need an extra year before starting kindergarten. This will be the third year of the program and so far the indications are that students are more successful when they do go into kindergarten.

"Looking at the big picture, long term, I think we'll see savings," said board member Bryan Winkles, adding students won't need as many interventions or special services.

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Having fun to raise funds for cancer research

The Staples Motley Relay For Life was held July 22 at the Motley Fairgrounds. Six teams participated in the fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Pictured, one of the teams, the Holy Walk-a-molies, are dressed up to start their team lap around the track of

luminaries dedicated to cancer survivors and cancer victims. Other groups taking dedicated laps were cancer survivors and caregivers. More photos and information will be in next week's Staples World. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Hello, Readers,

Following its ratification by the necessary three-quarters of U.S. states, the 14th Amendment, guaranteeing to African Americans citizenship and all its privileges, is officially adopted into the U.S. Constitution on July 28, 1868. Two years after the Civil War; the Reconstruction Acts of 1867 divided the South into five military districts, where new state governments, based on universal manhood suffrage, were to be established. Thus began the period known as Radical Reconstruction, which saw the 14th Amendment, which had been passed by Congress in 1866, ratified in July 1868. The amendment resolved pre-Civil War questions of African American citizenship by stating that "all persons born or naturalized in the United States...are citizens of the United States and of the state in which they reside." The amendment then reaffirmed the privileges and rights of all citizens, and granted all these citizens the "equal protection of the laws."

Public Notices

Wadena County sample ballot: **8A**

Obituary

Jon Berggren



Storm clouds - a familiar sight in Minnesota this year

Lee Jenkins caught this image between 11 a.m. and noon Saturday, July 23, near his home just north of Staples.

'Granny pods,' buffers and coordinators discussed at Todd County work session

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

They call them "granny pods," but they are not something out of a sci-fi movie - like "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" - where an evil alien replaces your beloved grandma with an alien version of her.

No, they are little backyard living spaces for people for whom a care center or other facility is not a feasible option. Also called Medcottages (one of the manufacturers of the "Granny Pods"), these small homes have been causing quite a bit of discussion lately.

The new "Granny Pod" law takes effect Sept. 1, but cities and

counties have an option to "opt out" and reject the statute. Todd County Commissioners discussed the option at a July 19 work session.

The homes are designed around 240 square feet and allow families and other caregivers who provide temporary healthcare to seniors or other family members a close alternative. In other words, "granny" would live in the small backyard home.

However, the new statute defining the permitted use of these residential drop homes have been causing some issues.

These drop homes do not include recreational vehicles and can be up to 300 square feet in size. They

cannot be attached to a permanent foundation, but are allowed to hook into the main home's water/sewer and electricity.

According to Planning and Zoning Director Tim Stieber, the homes cause some zoning issues.

The permits for these homes are good for six months and are renewable.

Commissioner Rod Erickson said that he sees no need for the statute and felt the county could opt out.

Stieber said he would likely be bringing in a resolution soon during a regular board meeting.

Commissioner David Kircher asked if they could opt back in, if they were to choose to opt out now.

Stieber will check on that and also see what other counties are doing.

Buffers

Stieber also spoke to the board about the buffer program in the county.

A buffer is vegetated land adjacent to a stream, river, lake, drainage ditch or wetland.

The county began working with the buffer program in September 2015. Stieber said that soil and water were now working on implementing it.

He said that about 74 percent are currently compliant with the state's rules for parcels which are on public waters.

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National Night Out, back for second year, is Aug. 2

A National Night Out event will be held Tuesday, Aug. 2 from 5-7 p.m. in the parking lot behind First International Bank in Staples.

The Staples Police Department is hosting the event with the help of other first responders and community groups.

The public is invited to share in a free meal, games, booth displays, demonstrations and vehicles. The Todd County Sheriff's Posse is hoping to bring some horses.

There will also be community and health information available at the event.

More importantly, this is an opportunity for the community to come together and get to know your local law enforcement and first responders and to build a camaraderie with them.

The Staples Police Dept. hosted their first NNO event last year with approximately 200 people attending.



Talkin' turkey

Two adult turkeys and their brood of nine have been stopping by the home of Gary and Dawn Timbs in Staples on a regular basis recently. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

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Shooting bottle rockets

Nineteen young people in grades one - six participated in a one-day science camp in Staples July 21, sponsored by Staples Motley Community Education. During the class, which was taught by science teachers Jeff Opelia and Jerry Wenzel of Little Falls, students built bottle rockets and had the opportunity to launch them at the high school football field. Pictured above, Opelia (far right) assists students prior to their launching the rockets which are filled with water. Center photo, Wenzel (center) explains how varying the amount of water in the bottle can affect how far the "rocket" goes. Bottom photo, everyone watches as a rocket is launched and travels at least half the length of the football field. After launching their rockets, students were treated to root beer floats. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Highway 71 resurfacing began south of Wadena

Motorists traveling Highway 71 between Todd Line Road, south of Wadena and Todd County Rd 23 in Bertha, may encounter workers, heavy equipment and delays as the road is resurfaced began, July 25.

Segments of Highway 71 will be reduced to a single lane from sunrise to sunset through early August. Flaggers and a pilot car

will control daily traffic through the work zone. Motorists approaching the work zone must slow down, be prepared to stop, obey the flaggers and use caution when following the pilot car through the work zone.

The project will provide a smoother road surface along eight miles of Hwy. 71 and extend the life of that stretch of road.

To learn more about pilot car safety, visit www.mndot.gov/workzone/pilotcar.html

For news and information from MnDOT in Central Minnesota, follow on Twitter @MnDOTCentral or visit www.mndot.gov/d3.

For real-time travel information anywhere in Minnesota, check www.511mn.org.

Veteran ID Card Act gives veterans options

By David A. Anderson

On July 20, 2015, the president signed into law the Veterans Identification Card Act of 2015. This act allows veterans to apply for an identification card directly from VA.

The VA identification card will allow veterans to demonstrate proof of service for discounts at private restaurants and businesses. It should be noted that the identification card is different from a Veteran Health Identification card or a DoD Uniformed Services or retiree ID card.

As such, the VA identification cards cannot be used as proof of eligibility to any federal benefits and does not grant access to military installations. When available, veterans will be able to request an ID card from VA for a fee. VA is currently making plans to implement the new law in the most efficient and cost-effective way possible while protecting Veterans' personal information.

We estimate that VA will be able to implement the program in 2017. The cost of each card has not yet been determined. In the meantime, veterans who would like an identification card that displays their military service do not have to wait until VA implements the new law. You have several options:

- You can access and print a free veterans identification card through the joint VA/DoD web portal, eBenefits. This paper identification card serves as proof of honorable service in the Uniformed Services, as defined in laws about the Department of Defense (DoD). Veterans can get a free eBenefits account by going to <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage>.

- Your driver's license or state identification card can carry a veteran designation. This option is currently available in 49 states, along with Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. We expect the fiftieth state, Washington, to offer this service in August 2017. Veterans wanting more information should contact their state department of motor vehicles or state department of Veterans affairs at <http://www.va.gov/statedva.htm>

- Veterans who are

enrolled in VA health care can obtain a free Veterans Health Identification Card (VHIC). For more information, please go to <http://www.va.gov/HEALTH-BENEFITS/vhic/index.asp>.

- Veterans who have retired from military service can receive an identification card from DoD. For information on obtaining or renewing such a card, please contact your near-

est DoD identification card facility. You can find the location of these facilities through this link: <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl/app/site> [Source: Vantage Point | March 24, 2016 ++]

As always see your local County Veterans Service Officer if you have any questions. You can contact your local VSO at 218-631-7617 or by email at david.anderson@co.wadena.mn.us.



Working on the floors

A number of floors at the Staples-Motley High School have gotten some attention this summer. Pictured at top, custodians Travis Benson (center) and Jim Rollins (right) mop and wax one of the hallways, while Lynn VanderWeyst looks on in the background. Below is one of the hallways in the district office that has been resurfaced with vinyl chips and epoxy. The former 12x12 vinyl tiles (which contained some asbestos) were removed prior to being replaced with the new surface. Approximately 5,000 sq. ft. needed to be replaced. The new finish is a hard surface and will not need to be waxed like the former tiles. "It's a win-win situation," said LeRoy Peterson, Building and Grounds Director at the school. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Missing person reported



A 51-year-old Elk River man has been reported as missing. He was last seen on July 25 at Crookneck Lake in northwest Morrison County.

The Morrison County Sheriff's Office reports that Glenn Hoppe was at a camper with a friend. He was last seen leaving the camper wearing a bright green shirt, blue shorts and tennis shoes. It was approximately 1 a.m.

He is described as 5' 10" tall, weighing 182 pounds, having brown hair and blue eyes.

At this time, the sheriff's office does not expect any foul play.

Anyone with information on Hoppe's whereabouts is asked to contact the Morrison County Sheriff's Office at 320-632-9233.

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Action on county coordinator job expected at Aug. 2 meeting

About 92 percent compliance with the state rules is happening on parcels adjacent to public ditches.

Stieber also offered a time-frame for the county. He said that by March 1, 2017, the county had to indicate their enforcement intentions to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR).

The county will need to amend its ordinances to match the state buffer rules and full implementation, including enforcement, will begin Nov. 1, 2017.

Stieber said they would be concentrating on the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources determined protected waters at this time.

The county has 2,726 parcels which are on public waters and 1,542 parcels located on public ditches.

Kircher said that the Minnesota Rural Counties Caucus had also talked extensively about the buff-

ering issue.

They talked a little about the map and Stieber said that the correction requests that have been made to the DNR have not been made to the map.

Coordinator

Four applicants were interviewed. Commissioner Rod Erickson said that they felt one was a strong candidate.

County Attorney Chuck Rasmussen said that the person had a strong background in human resources which is what they were looking for.

"We were impressed. I believe this person would be a good fit for this county," said Rasmussen.

All of the references have checked out well.

The consensus of the interviewing committee was that they should move on hiring this applicant as soon as possible.

Commissioner Randy Neumann said that in the past, the whole board has

interviewed the applicants.

Kircher said that was true, but that he didn't think they needed to do that - to repeat the interview process - and make it appear like they didn't know what they were doing.

He said that throughout this process they have done things not like they have done before.

It will be four weeks before the person can start working for the county.

"We have waited too long to do this. I'm trusting you (the interview committee) that it is a good fit. If not, you will be hearing from me," said Kircher.

Neumann agreed that he trusted the judgement of the six or seven people who did the interviews.

Although no decision could be made at the work session, the consensus was that the board would bring action to hire the applicant at the Aug. 2 meeting if she accepted the proposal.

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Talk and tour for Rotary

Mike Hajek, standing, Director of Business Development at National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) addressed the Staples Rotary Club just prior to a tour of NJPA's new facility. He gave some history of the organization and explained their contract purchasing program. They establish relationships with national firms like Caterpillar and Staples Office Supply, then make those contracts available to government entities, such as cities, counties, school districts and states. He noted that over 160 of their contracts

have been adopted by 26 states as their purchasing contracts. "We are a solutions-based business," Hajek said. "We make it easier for government to do business." Their Innovation funding to school districts, cities and counties in Region Five is made possible because of their earnings. Below, a few of the Rotarians paused in their tour of the new part of NJPA's building. From left are Evan Kuhn, Al Kolling, Jim Vogel, Jim Hofer, Hajek and Dan Orth. (Staples World photo by Brenda Halvorson)



Partners in shooting practice

Ryan Larson takes a shot at a clay pigeon as Jaden Finck, left, and Sam Opheim, right, wait their turns. Community education's trap shooting program

runs Wednesdays at the Staples Sportsmen's Club shooting range, starting at 6 p.m. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Sure shot

Dominic Carlson nails a target during the trap shooting practice. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Trap shooting

Jacob Dobson fires a shot during the trap shooting practice on July 13. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Todd County repays solid waste fund

By Karin Nauber
Todd County reporter

The loan in the amount of \$300,000 that was borrowed by the county from the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund to help with the costs of the Health and Human Services Building renovation project, was paid back in full. The action was noted at the Todd County Commissioners meeting July 19.

The 2014 and 2015 installments of \$30,000 each year for a total of \$60,000 had already been paid leaving a balance of \$240,000 still owed.

The Finance Committee along with the commissioners in their 2016 budget planning had authorized the loan to be fully repaid instead of making annual installments.

The \$240,000 will be transferred from the General Fund to the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund.

Along similar lines, funds in the amount of \$6,632.50 were transferred from the County Ditch Fund to the General Fund for hours worked by the county ditch inspector.

The county ditch authority has approved having the hours worked by the ditch inspector charged back to the ditch fund. The time period covered was from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

A total of 189.5 hours were billed at \$35 per hour on various ditch systems throughout the county.

In other business:
• According to Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Director Kathy Langer, the counties have had no single document that addresses all the terms of the corrections agreements.

Since 1976, Todd-Wadena Community Corrections has operated as a joint powers entity.

According to Langer, there is "extensive documentation dating back to 1975, which references the agreement between Todd and Wadena counties for Todd-Wadena Community Corrections, and vests authority in the Executive Committee to implement and maintain correctional services for Todd and Wadena counties."

The board approved a Joint Powers Agreement that establishes the specific terms of agreement between Todd and Wadena counties.

• The board accepted the bid and awarded the contract for the Burnhamville Township Bridge Replacement Project on 331st Ave to Structural Specialties, Inc. of Hutchinson, based on their low bid of \$348,136.

County Engineer Loren Fellbaum had a public informational meeting scheduled for later that evening to help address concerns of citizens.

Commissioner David Kircher said that he had heard some concerns related to the lake possibly going down - this bridge outlets to Little Swan, sometimes known as Pillsbury Lake.

Fellbaum said that this is a Minnesota

Department of Natural Resources dam so it will be exactly where it is today and should not effect the lake elevation at all.

• Accepted the resignation of Ryan Hanson a part-time deputy.

Sheriff Don Asmus said that he was down to just one part-time deputy, David Determan who also works in another department in the county full-time.

He said that two other part-timers were hired on as full-time. They do have five part-timers in the court, but three of them have full-time employment elsewhere.

Asmus said he would like to have a pool of three or four in court security.

The board approved posting in-house and advertising for part-time deputy positions.

• Approved to change the existing non-conforming use (dwelling) to another nonconforming use (accessory storage structure) for Sandra Anderson on Lupine Drive on Pine Island Lake.

• Approved a zoning change from an AF-1 to Shoreland for a winery for Curt and Dawn Richter for 19.65 acres in Round Prairie Township. Part of the property is already zoned Shoreland. A winery is not allowed on property zoned AF-1.

• Along with the zoning change, the board also approved a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) request to establish the winery to include on/off sales of wine and food, sale of retail items and to host special events and weddings.

• Approved a CUP for Ammon Gengerich to establish a 24' x 40' schoolhouse as well as support buildings including a 24' x 20' lean-to and a 14' x 24' horse shed.

Kircher asked if the intent was to take this off the tax rolls because this is why he had a problem passing these.

Planning and Zoning Director Tim Stieber said that there was another home-based business on the property and said it would be difficult to remove the property from the taxes.

• Heard an update on the Hilltop Regional Kitchen in Eagle Bend from Health and Human Services Katherine Mackadanz and Eagle Bend Senior Center President Rick Hest.

They are at 92 percent of their fundraising goal of \$628,145 and fully expect to be finished fundraising for Phase I of the project this fall.

Hest said they hope to be producing meals out of the facility by spring 2017.

• Approved the hire of Lea Seidl to fill an open position as a Child Protection Social Worker.

• Approved the hire of Registered Nurse Teri Kuehne in the Adult and Disabilities Unit.

• Approved advertising for a full-time administrative assistant beginning Aug. 1. This position has been vacant for over three months. Kircher said they needed someone in payroll.

Human Resources Karla Nalezny said that the administrative assistant position had some payroll functions, but was not specifically a payroll position.

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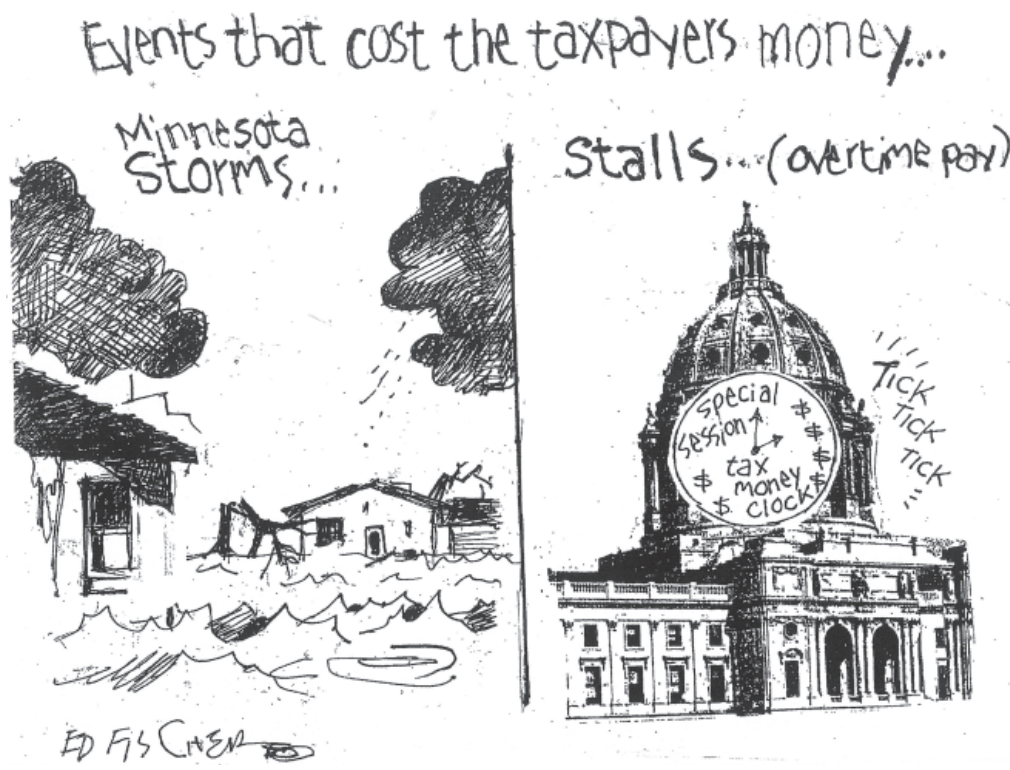
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School district ready to meet goals, vision

Monday is August 1! For me, that day signals the beginning of a month totally dedicated to preparing for another school year.

It all starts with the opening of each school office. Secretaries and principals will be back to answer questions and welcome students, staff, and parents.

I am extremely excited for the 2016-17 school year. Last spring, our school board bravely voted to reorganize our schools. Their affirmative vote ensures each and every one of our students the best opportunity to learn and grow.

Our goals for this school year are to produce educational excellence with quality instruction and college and career connections; to provide an engaging, safe and healthy environment to support positive behaviors and high attendance in all school related activities.

We will work and plan to revitalize and maintain facilities that are safe, sustainable and allow equitable access to programming services across the district;

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By Mary Klamm Supt.

we will align technology support and infrastructure to provide students with relevant 21st Century opportunities; and we will continue to develop and implement a multifaceted communications plan designed to promote our school district community.

As a district, we took some big steps last year - but that was only the beginning. We have our eyes set on our vision to become "a community united to be the region's school district of choice."

I want everyone to also know our mission, which guides every aspect of our operation. We will "empower all students to achieve the social and academic growth to become productive citizens in this changing world."

Early next week, you will receive our first 2016-17 edition of our Cardinal Chronicle. Save your copy! In addition to highlighting some of our exciting opportunities for this school year, you will find a calendar of district-wide events through October 31!

Veterans' health care long wait times unacceptable

By U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar

When we ask our servicemembers to put their lives on the line in defense of our nation, we make a commitment to give them the support they need when they come home. But too often, we fall short of that commitment, especially when it comes to health care.

I spend a lot of time with veterans around our state. I hear over and over again that our veterans are waiting too long for appointments at Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Facilities. When our servicemembers signed up to serve there wasn't a waiting line, and there shouldn't be a waiting line at their medical facilities when they come home.

That's why I joined with Republican Senator Joni Ernst of Iowa and introduced legislation that would establish a patient self-scheduling appointment system at VA Medical Facilities. The Faster Care for Veterans Act would introduce a pilot program which would allow veterans to use their mobile devices and the internet to self-schedule, modify, and confirm outpatient and specialty care appointments.

When veterans cannot schedule the appointments they need in a timely manner, their lives may be at risk. A veteran who wants to schedule an appointment to check on their heart, but can't because of long wait times, could be at a heightened risk for a heart attack. A veteran who needs to schedule an appointment to adjust the dosage of medication they are taking might not be able to wait more than a month in order to see a specialist.

The numbers are troubling. More than 120,000 veterans waited at least 90 days for appointments for healthcare, and some never even received appointments. In 2015, the number of veterans waiting 30 days or more for medical care increased by 50 percent.

Often, appointments are available at VA facilities but go unfilled, further contributing to long wait times. A 2008 internal audit by the Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs estimated 18 percent of outpatient appointment slots went unfilled due to patient "no-shows" or because facility personnel did not refill the cancelled appointments.

This is unacceptable,

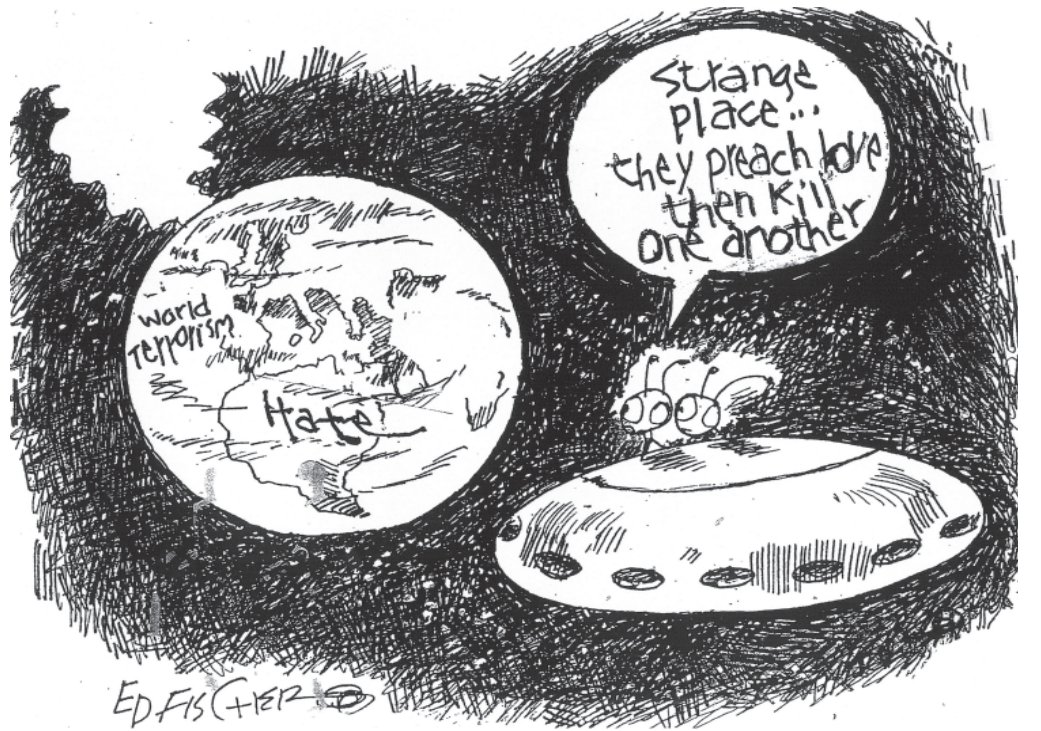
and our veterans deserve better. No one should have to wait weeks or months to receive the medical care they need, especially our veterans.

With our bipartisan bill, veterans would be able to self-schedule appointments 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and could immediately schedule appointments canceled by other veterans. This would significantly reduce wait times for veterans trying to get appointments because it would ensure that all available appointments are utilized.

This new legislation builds on our work to ensure that our veterans receive the care and respect they have earned when they return home. Whether it is expanding the federal hiring preference for our National Guard and reservists, helping Iraq and Afghanistan veterans who were exposed to toxic burn pits, or making it easier for veterans to get jobs they're trained for, I know we can do better.

Our Faster Care for Veterans Act capitalizes on state-of-the-art technology that makes it easier to schedule medical appointments. This technology already exists, and is being used by private sector hospitals and health systems to eliminate wait times and ensure that every available appointment is filled. It is commonsense that we enable our veterans to use this same technology to schedule their medical appointments without unnecessary red tape and delays. The VA is currently trying to develop its own scheduling application. While this is a great step forward, veterans have already been waiting too long for technology that already exists.

Long wait times put veterans' lives at risk. After they have sacrificed so much, it is our duty to treat them with the dignity and respect that they have earned. This bipartisan bill would take an important step forward in ensuring that our brave men and women who have sacrificed so much have timely access to the medical care they need and deserve.



Submit your common acreage information once

By Grant Herfindahl State Executive Director Minnesota Farm Service Agency

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) requires farmers and ranchers participating in our programs to submit an annual report on all cropland use on their farms. Crop insurance agents for providers approved by the USDA Risk Management Agency (RMA) also require these reports to ensure accuracy with your premiums and when you file claims.

Yet for years, farmers and ranchers have entered the same basic common information from their acreage reports at these two different places.

No longer. Now, farmers and ranchers can provide the common information from their acreage reports just once - either to FSA or to their crop insurance agent - and that common information will be securely and electronically shared with the other.

This new process is part

of USDA's Acreage Crop Reporting Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI), an inter-agency collaboration to streamline the collection of common information to better serve our customers.

Over the past seven years, USDA implemented new ways to help farmers and ranchers conduct business with us more efficiently and effectively. Instead of farmers and ranchers juggling 54 acreage reporting dates for RMA that covered 122 crops, or 17 acreage reporting dates for FSA covering 273 crops, USDA established 15 common acreage reporting dates. These improvements, coupled with filing your common acreage report information in just one place, will not only save you time, but increase the accuracy in your crop reporting data.

More than 93 percent of all annual reported acres to FSA and RMA now are eligible for this common data reporting, and USDA is exploring adding more crops. Although you must still visit both offices to validate and sign their respective acreage reports, complete maps or provide

program-specific information, the common data from your first-filed acreage report will now be available to pre-populate and accelerate completion of the second report, eliminating redundant reporting. In the coming months and years, USDA will continue to build upon this framework. In fact, already we anticipate that some insurance providers will allow reporting to include precision agriculture geospatial data from a producer's planter along with regular crop and acreage information, and that third parties may begin designing electronic tools to assist with the reporting.

Since 2009, these are the types of targeted investments that USDA has made to help spur growth in the rural economy, make farming and ranching even better and help you achieve your personal version of the American dream. We hope you will explore participating this spring in our new streamlined acreage reporting initiative.

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Old School coming to 'Music in the Park'

Old School, a "home-grown cover band" from Central Minnesota, will perform at the Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 31, at 7 p.m.

Expect to hear a variety of music from band members Andy Bingham, Kevin Boser, Scott Wegner and Kevin Nyberg, who offer skilled instrumentals and tight vocals at their performances.

Old School has been together for about two years, but the members combine decades of musical experience covering multiple genres of classic and contemporary favorites...from country and oldies, to classic and modern rock.

For online information about this band, visit www.oldschoolmn.com.

The Music in the Park Concerts are held in the Northern Pacific (NP) Park on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and will run through August 14. 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



Cover band

Old School will perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 31, at 7 p.m. Pictured, clockwise, are Andy Bingham, Kevin Boser, Scott Wegner, Kevin Nyberg. (Submitted photo)

St. NE. Go north on 6th St. at the junction of Hwys 10 and 210 and go six blocks. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Faith Lutheran Church.

The Music in the Park Series is funded by the Sta-

ples 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.

Scandia Valley Summerfest to be held August 5 - 7

Horse rides, fireworks, food, dancing and a whole lot more are on the agenda of this year's Scandia Valley Summerfest, August 5 - 7, in the Lincoln Lakes area.

There's something for all ages at the all-weekend family-friendly event, which takes place at the Scandia Valley Townhall and Park, located at 3518 - 320th Street (Cty Rd. 3) in Cushing.

An itinerary of events is included below.

Friday, Aug. 5

Summerfest kicks off at 6 p.m. on Friday, with a number of kids activities

sponsored by the Lincoln Evangelical Free Church and Camp Shamaineau...including horse rides, bouncy castle and face painting.

Stop by for supper; Four Cheeks Food Truck will be on site; and the Lions Beer Wagon will be set up as well. There will be music provided by a DJ and fireworks are scheduled to begin at dusk.

Saturday, Aug. 6

Saturday promises a full day of fun. From 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., there will be a Craft & Vendor Sale hosted by the Lincoln Ladies Aid.

The Fireman's Turkey BBQ fundraiser goes from

noon - 5 p.m., along with the Scandia Valley First Responders' ice cream fundraiser. During this time, the Lions Beer Wagon will be set up.

Throughout the day, several activities for children will take place, including a helicopter landing.

Sunday, Aug. 7

The celebration continues Sunday with a pancake breakfast, sponsored by the Lincoln Area Snowmobile Club, from 8 - 11 a.m.

Stop by the park at 10 a.m. for a Gospel Bluegrass Gathering. A free picnic lunch follows.

Raffle drawings (including a drawing for a quilt) will be held at 11 a.m. The raffles are sponsored by the Lincoln Area Business Association and Lincoln Ladies Aid.

For more information about the Scandia Valley Summerfest, call 320-630-3467.



Second alligator captured

On July 19, a small alligator was captured near the shoreline of Hardy Lake in rural Pillager. Pictured above, from left, are Cass County Sheriff's Deputy Travis Colette and DNR Conservation Officer Randy Posner. The animal was secured and transported to the Safari North Wildlife Park near Brainerd. Earlier in July, a small alligator had been captured along a bike trail south of Brainerd. (Submitted photo)

Law enforcement reports

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

July 19 - The MPD assisted at the scene of a vehicle accident at the intersection of Hwy 10 and Hwy 210. Ambulance was paged, all persons involved declined treatment.

July 17 - The MPD issued speeding citations to Mariah Lind, 21; and Howard Kombe, 32.

July 15 - The MPD received a call from a resident on 3rd Ave. S. in Motley that someone had dumped garbage into their dumpsters, including one that is designated for recycling only. Owner located one piece of mail which led to the location of suspect. Suspect admitted dumping garbage in to the dumpster

and agreed to apologize to the owner and help with clean up. The suspect and family were preparing to move to the State of Virginia.

July 18 - The MCSO received a call from a resident on Azalea Rd. in Motley regarding four-wheelers driven by his neighbor. Caller stated that the four-wheelers tear around and are very loud. The deputy met with the suspect, who admitted the four-wheelers are loud but that he hasn't had the money to convert the exhausts. Deputy stated that the suspect, who said he feels he is being bullied by his neighbor, appeared intoxicated.

July 15 - The MCSO received a report of a trail camera that had been stolen from property on 290th St. in Cushing.

Mark Your Calendar

Weekly events

ONGOING EVENTS POSTED LAST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH:

AA MTGS AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL MAIN CAMPUS, STAPLES, CLASSROOM A: Tuesdays, 8 p.m.; Thursdays, 8 p.m.; Saturdays, 7 p.m.. For info., 218-639-1428.

AA MTGS AT FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH, PILLAGER: Tuesdays, 8 p.m.; Thursdays, 7 p.m. For info., 218-839-1804.

AA MTGS AT MOTLEY FREE METHODIST CHURCH: Wednesdays, noon; Fridays, noon. For more info., 218-630-8976.

AA MTG AT MOTLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: Mondays, 8 p.m.; For info., 218-639-9743.

AL-ANON MTG Thursdays, 8 p.m., Staples United Methodist Church. For info., 218-296-1123.

CHRISTIANS IN RECOVERY - ALCOHOLICS VICTIMOUS MTG Thursdays, 7 p.m., Staples Alliance Church. For info., 218-640-5679.

DUAL RECOVERY ANONYMOUS MEETING Fridays, 4 p.m., Northern Pines, 11 2nd St. SW, Wadena. For info., 218-631-1714.

TOPS (TAKING OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) CHAPTER #1077 OF STAPLES Tuesdays, Faith Lutheran Church, 430 12th St. NE, Staples. Weigh-in, 5:30 p.m., meeting follows. For info., 218-639-0544.

WEIGHT WATCHERS MTG Mondays, Lakewood Health System main campus, Staples. Weigh-in, 5 p.m.; Mtg., 5:30 p.m. For info., 218-639-4888.

Monthly events

'ADULT SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS' SUPPORT GROUP MTG third Tuesday, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOC. CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP MTG first and third Thursday, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m., Reflections Intensive Outpatient (IOP) rm., Lakewood Health System's senior campus, Staples. For info, 218-894-8288 or 218-894-8195.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP MTG second Monday, 3:30 p.m., Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-3510, ext. 5376.

FOOT CARE CLINICS sponsored by Lakewood Health System, first Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., LHS, Staples clinic; third Thursday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Scandia Valley Town Hall. For appt., 218-894-8080.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP MTG sponsored by Tri-County Health Care, first Tuesday, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., TCHC, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

LYME DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP MTG second Monday, 6 p.m., Staples Alliance Church. For info., 218-296-2352.

MEMORY LOSS SUPPORT GROUP FOR CAREGIVERS MTG second Thursday, 2:30 p.m., Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-632-8733.

MOTLEY AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MTG second Tuesday, 1 p.m., Motley City Hall. For more info., 218-352-6137 or 218-352-6699.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SUPPORT GROUP MTG second Thursday, 3:30 - 5 p.m., Lakewood Health System Senior Campus, Staples. For info., 218-894-8393.

'PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD' SUPPORT GROUP MTG second Monday, 5:30 - 7 p.m., Wesley Conference Rm. at Tri-County Health Care, Wadena. For info., 218-631-5228.

SENIOR CITIZENS MTG AT LEADER HALL third Tuesday. Potluck lunch, 11:30 a.m.; blood pressures, 11:30 a.m.

SENIOR HEALTH CLINIC sponsored by Wadena County Public Health, second Wednesday, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., at Wadena County Public Health, 22 Dayton Ave. SE, Wadena. Health screenings include blood pressure, foot care, health info. and referrals. For info., 218-631-7629.

STAPLES MOTLEY EARLY CHILDHOOD COALITION MTG second Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Staples Family Center. For info., 218-894-1897, or smecc@isd2170.k12.mn.us.

TODD COUNTY REPUBLICANS MTG third Thursday, 8 p.m., Church of Christ, Browerville. For info., 320-533-1119.

WAHOO VALLEY AREA MN DEER HUNTER'S ASSOCIATION MTG second Tuesday, 7 p.m., Wahoo Valley. For info, 218-640-5423.

WOMEN OF TODAY MTG first Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Landmark Inn, Staples.

August 8

CELIAC DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP MTG Mon., Aug. 8, 6 p.m., Wadena Alliance Church, 1428 S. Jefferson, Wadena. For info., 218-631-2170.

August 11

FREE CAR SEAT CLINIC sponsored by Todd-Wadena Healthy Connections and Lakewood Health System, Thurs., Aug. 11, 3 - 7 p.m., Nyhus Chevrolet, 120 2nd Ave. NE, Staples. Experts in child safety will show you how to install your car seat properly and safely transport a child in your vehicle. Free car seats on-hand for families that qualify. For info., to register, 218-894-8505.

Growler's Gathering July 30

The 18th Annual Growler's Gathering in Leader will be held Saturday, July 30, from 11 a.m. until dusk.

Pig races, fireworks, music, food and a parade are just a few of the events on the roster. This year's theme is 'Red, White and Blue American Beach Party.'

There will be something for everyone at the Growler's Gathering.

The parade begins at 2 p.m. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded for the best parade floats.

Following the parade, at 3 p.m., is the annual Growler's Competition.

Two 'LA (Leader Area) Racing Pigs'

shows will be held during the gathering: one at 5 p.m. and a second at 7 p.m. Stop by the races to cheer on your favorite pig and perhaps win a prize during the evening.

A food booth will be available throughout the event; and there will be beer wagons and an outdoor bar on site as well.

The live band "Two Way Crossing" takes the stage at 8:30 p.m. and fireworks begin at dusk.

Downtown Leader is located 13 miles north of Motley on Hwy 64. For more information, call The Bear's Den at 218-397-2331.

Absentee ballots available

Voters may apply now for absentee ballots for the upcoming Aug. 9, 2016 statewide primary election online, in person, by mail, or by submitting a complete application via fax or email.

For information, application forms, in person absentee voting and a complete list of absentee locations, contact the auditor's office in the county in which you reside. In Cass County call 218-547-7260 or visit the Cass County website at www.co.cass.mn.us/Elections/VotingLink. Normal business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. The office is located at the Cass County Courthouse, 303 Minnesota Avenue West in Walker.

Hours may differ at other county auditor's offices.

Absentee ballots require a witness. A witness may be any registered voter of Minnesota, including a spouse or relative; a notary public; or any person having authority to administer an oath. The witness must include a complete street address and sign the voter's absentee ballot envelope in order for the ballot to be accepted.

All absentee ballot locations will have extended hours for absentee voting for the statewide primary election on Saturday, Aug. 6, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; and on Monday, Aug. 8, until 5 p.m. Assistive voting equipment is available at all in-person absentee voting locations.

Voters in mail ballot precincts not currently registered to vote may apply in advance to vote by absent-

tee ballot, or in person on election day no later than 8 p.m. on Aug. 9., 2016.

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'Gracie's Run' raises nearly \$6,000



One hundred and seventeen bikers participated in the eighth annual 'Gracie's Run' July 23, raising nearly \$6,000 for the St. Cloud Hospital NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit). The motorcycle run is named for Gracie Becker who died Feb. 9, 2009, at just seven months old. Gracie, who had health issues since birth, had received a lot of care at St. Cloud Hospital and the family wanted to

give back in some way. Pictured in top photo, bikers gathered at Twisted Sisters in Staples, where the ride started. From there they traveled to Pillager, Crosby and Nisswa, before heading back to Staples. A number of children's activities were held at the stops along the way, with 29 registered children participating. Pictured in lower photo, from left, are Rich and Bonnie Line of Staples, Gracie's grandparents and organizers of the event; Becky Becker of Staples, Gracie's mother; Bryan Bauck, Section Director for Family Birthing Services at St. Cloud Hospital; and Joe Becker of Staples, Gracie's dad. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Motley Class of 1959 reunion

The Motley High School Class of 1959 held a reunion on July 13 at the Countryside in Motley. Sixteen members of the original 28 attended.

Front row, left to right: Ron Kramer, Dorothy (Fredrickson) Morris, Larry Jordahl, JD Payne, Martha (Hendricks)

Killian, Laura Allee, Fern (Richmond) Reinstraw, Elnora Allee. Back row: Gary Ringler, Dennis Griffith, Floyd Griffith, Burt Feakes, Elrose (Ericksted) Carson, Ruth (Eisenlohr) Zulkosky, Charles Zimmerman, Mike Sullivan. (Submitted photo)



'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

Nearly 50 children ages 7-18 are participating in Prairie Fire Children's Theatre's production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" sponsored by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council. Two directors lead the children through a week of learning lines, songs and dances at rehearsals culminating in two public performances on July 29 - one at 5 p.m. and one at 7 p.m. - at Centennial Auditorium, Staples. Above, director Antony Russell, far right, teaches a song and dance rou-

tine to: front row, from left, Toni Brings, Luke Bates, Georgia Kruchten, Ashlea Evans and Anna Bloomquist; back row, from left Grace Jennissen, Aften Robinson and Issiah Tabatt. Below director Lauren Longyear, left, reviews stage directions with some of the Groundlings, including, from left, Ezra Notch, Connor Judd, Caden Mrazek, Colton Converse and Rachell Fisher. The public is welcome to attend the performances. (Staples World photos by Brenda Halvorson)



AMERICAN PICKERS coming to Minnesota

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team from AMERICAN PICKERS are coming to Central Minnesota. They plan to film episodes of the hit series AMERICAN PICKERS in the region this August.

AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique 'picking' on history. The show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the inter-

esting stories behind them. As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items.

The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never

seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

AMERICAN PICKERS is looking for leads to explore hidden treasure. Anyone who has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through is encouraged to apply. Send the name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to americanpickers@cineflix.com or call 855-old-rust.

The Hartley Family CONCERT

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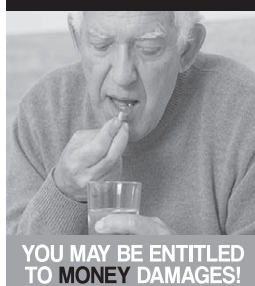
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Obituaries



Jon Berggren

Jon Berggren, 56, of Staples passed away at his home July 25, 2016.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 30 at Faith Lutheran Church in Staples, with Pastors Barry Klein, Mike Kilgallon and Jim Conner officiating. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Friday, July 29, at the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples and one hour prior to services at the church.

Private interment will be at Scandinavian Cemetery in Forest Lake.

Arrangements are by Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Jon was born December 15, 1959 in Biloxi, Mississippi to Victor and Verna (Weckerly) Berggren. He attended and graduated from Anoka Ramsey Community College with an Associate Degree in Law

Enforcement. Jon worked as a Deputy Sheriff for the Anoka County Sheriff's Department for 28 years. He was a patrol deputy, SWAT team member and sniper, crime scene investigator, school resource officer, range officer, honor guard member and a field training officer. Jon was united in marriage to Kim Kubitzka in 1990. He was a leader for his sons' Cub Scout troops, an active member of the Andover Christian Church, member of the Minnesota Police Officers Association and the Staples Church of Christ. After his retirement in May of 2014, Jon and Kim moved to the Staples area and built their retirement home on their hunting land in rural Staples. Jon enjoyed hunting, fishing, hiking, being outdoors, woodworking and working with guns. His greatest enjoyment was his family, spending time with his wife and children. Jon's faith was deeply important to him.

Jon is survived by his wife, one daughter, Kathryn of Staples; three sons, Derek (Maggie) of Coon Rapids, Joshua and Hunter of Staples; two brothers, Milt (Margie) and Victor (Kris); two sisters, Tammy (Tracy) Hall and Tanya (Mark) Maloney and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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18th Annual GROWLERS GATHERING

Saturday, July 30

Bear's Den, Leader, MN

Theme: Red, White and Blue American Beach Party

- Kid's games, inflatables and waterslide FREE! 2:30 - 7 p.m.
- DJ/ Karaoke: All Day
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- Best float contest: Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
- Growler's Competition: 3 p.m.
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Wedding



Simons, DeWolf

Sue Simons and Rick DeWolf were married May 14, 2016 at The Old Waterfall in Brainerd. Pastor Jim Johnson officiated the ceremony. Rod Thompson and John Brenny gave the bride away. Leonard Ebinger was the best man and Karolyn Brenny was the maid of honor. Blair Wise was the couple's flower girl. Following a honeymoon trip to Nashville, TN, they are making their home in Staples. Sue works for Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples and Rick works for Polman Transfer in Wadena.

SMHS Class of 2006 reunion

Calling all Cardinals from 2006. The Staples-Motley Class of 2006 will hold its 10-year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 20 in Staples. For more information, contact class representatives at staplesmotley2006@gmail.com.

Hello World

BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Matthew and Cayanne Ruis of Brainerd, a baby girl, Rhen Augusta weighing seven pounds, three ounces on July 16, 2016.
Born to Kristy Blomlie and Justin Peterson of Pillager, a baby girl, Jessalyn Marie weighing seven pounds, two ounces on July 18, 2016.
Born to Sarah Smith and Joshua Tyson Wolvert of Baxter, a baby boy, Joshua James weighing six pounds, 15 ounces on July 20, 2016.
Born to Elicia and Michael Gaudette of Bertha, a baby boy, Lincoln Allen weighing eight pounds, 15 ounces on July 22, 2016.

Lynnea Iverson wins Collegiate Professional Achievement Award



Lynnea Iverson

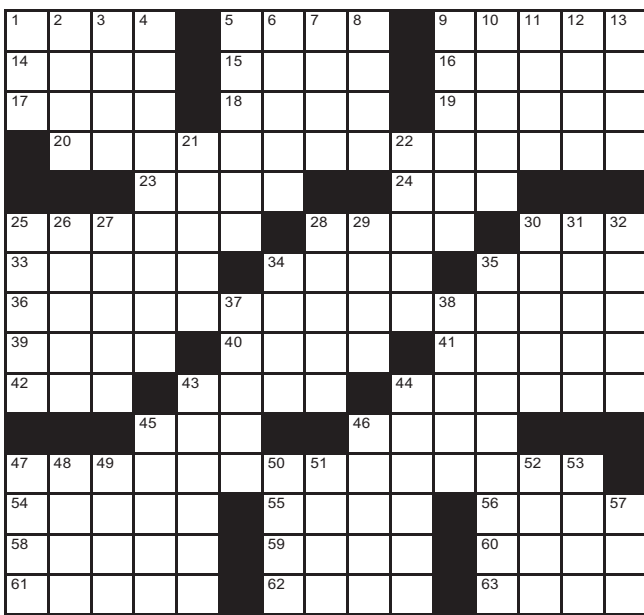
Lynnea Iverson of Staples, a music education major at Bemidji State University, is one of two students nationwide to be honored with a 2016 Collegiate Professional Achievement Award from the National Association for Music Education. According to a press release from BSU, Iverson will receive the award in November at the association's fourth annual National In-Service Music Education Conference in Grapevine, Texas. She currently serves as president of Bemidji State's National Association for Music Education (NAfME) Collegiate Chapter. The association's Collegiate Professional Achievement Awards recognizes members for their commitment and dedication to the association and to music

education. It is awarded to collegiate members of the association who have served their campus chapters in an exemplary manner. "My reaction to getting this award was literally 'no way,'" she said. "When it comes down to it, I think that dedication to the success of the group and to the people involved is what makes our NafME group successful. Together we are having a positive impact on our BSU students as well as the community; and that is really exciting. It makes it even more exciting to apply what we learn at BSU to our future careers as music educators." Iverson was nominated for the award by Jeff Sands, adjunct music faculty at BSU and the club's advisor. "She has demonstrated exemplary organizational skills and high levels of responsibility in her duties as president," Sands said of Iverson. "She has also gone the extra mile bringing in guests, such as the 2015 - 16 Minnesota Music Educator of the Year, to speak at our meetings." Sands also noted that Iverson displays these same work traits and dedication as an involved student at BSU.

In addition to her duties as the president of the NafME, Iverson holds leadership positions in both the band and choir at BSU, managing the music instrument inventory and working in the music department office. She also recently organized and facilitated travel for over 20 students to attend the state music convention. Additionally, Iverson has volunteered the past two summers working at the Bemidji MusiCamp and is planning on doing so again this summer. Sands said his biggest factor behind his recommendation was Iverson's hard work. "She is definitely one of those go-getter type people who want to help and do everything they can."

Crossword Puzzle

Provided by American Profile



- Across
- 1 Fiasco
 - 5 Cap'n's mate
 - 9 Spread
 - 14 Abbr. on some dials
 - 15 One side of a debate
 - 16 Pointer
 - 17 Mexican money
 - 18 Toot one's horn
 - 19 "Sic transit gloria"
 - 20 2016 DNCE hit
 - 23 Marie Claire competitor
 - 24 Eccentric
 - 25 Hot
 - 28 Youngsters
 - 30 Juilliard subj.
 - 33 "Chicago" murderer
 - 34 City north of Carson City
 - 35 Museum statue, perhaps
 - 36 Place to get a pint
 - 39 Field measure
 - 40 Proof goof
- Down
- 41 Peruvian beast
 - 42 URL part
 - 43 Jazz trumpeter Baker
 - 44 Swindled
 - 45 "Bali"
 - 46 Small, medium or large
 - 47 Summer dessert
 - 54 Designer Lauren
 - 55 Good earth
 - 56 Thailand, once
 - 58 Wide open
 - 59 Facts and figures
 - 60 Water-skiing locale
 - 61 Gist
 - 62 Stair part
 - 63 Discharge
 - 1 Jazz style
 - 2 Oil grp.
 - 3 Phoenix neighbor
 - 4 Sign of a thaw
 - 5 Going on in an understandable way
 - 6 Sandwich specification
 - 7 Ballpark figure?
 - 8 Approaching
 - 9 Having celebrity
 - 10 Emit violently
 - 11 "Rise, Glory, Rise" composer
 - 12 Pop
 - 13 Kind of bed
 - 21 Church officer
 - 22 Planet of the Ewoks
 - 25 Simple chord
 - 26 Boxer Marciano's given name
 - 27 Strain
 - 28 Neat and tidy
 - 29 Data
 - 30 Piped-in pop
 - 31 1972 Bill Withers hit
 - 32 Priceless violin
 - 34 "Big Mouth" Martha
 - 35 Newfoundland lighthouse site
 - 37 Work
 - 38 "My Fair Lady" lady
 - 43 "My Antonia" author
 - 44 PC image type
 - 45 Mudhole lover
 - 46 Go blading
 - 47 Where boys will be boys
 - 48 Vogue
 - 49 ___ Bator
 - 50 ___ 88
 - 51 Winter wear
 - 52 Actor Neeson
 - 53 Pseudonym of H. H. Munro
 - 57 Encountered

Last Week's Answers

"School's Out"

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

Staples Alliance
1512 8th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2891
Pastor Bob Hepokoski, Paul Johnson
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 6:15 p.m.

Assembly of God
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples 218-894-1081
Pastor Roy Miles
Youth Pastor Julie Boone
Discipleship Class 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Sunlight & Youth 6:30 p.m.

Church of Christ
27343 49th St., Staples 218-894-2609
Pastor Barry Klein
Website: www.stapleschurchofchrist.org
Bible School (youth and adult) 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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

Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE., Staples
218-894-1546
Pastor Stephen Sveom
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Summer Service 9:30 a.m.
Coffee fellowship 10:30 a.m.
Outdoor Worship Mondays, 6:30 a.m.

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

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

Thomastown Covenant
15940 251st Ave., Staples 218-894-3923
Pastor Nathan Hillman
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible study 7:00 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran
1000 4th St., NE, Staples 218-894-2372
Rev. Robin Collins
Sunday Divine Service 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Bible Class 10:15 a.m.

United Methodist
310 5th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2248
Pastor Greg Ciesluk
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)

Aldrich
Congregational, UCC
One block S. of Hwy. 10, Aldrich
Pastor Dave Seaton 218-445-5831
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Communion 1st Sunday of Month

Balsamlund Lutheran
19550 49th Street, Aldrich
Pastor Rachel Stout 218-640-5587
Sunday Worship 8:15 a.m.
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Cushing
Bethany Lutheran
25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
www.bethanylutherancushing.com.
Rev. Jean M. Megorden
Lay Pastor Bob Mueller
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.

Lincoln Evangelical Free
1354 320th St., Cushing 218-575-2449
www.lincolnefree.org
Facebook Lincoln E Free
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Friday Office Closed
Senior Pastor: Pastor Dan Crocker
Visitation Pastor: Pastor Jim Brown
Youth & Ministry Coordinator: Stacey Minion
1354 Cafe Coffee Fellowship 9:13 a.m.
Worship Gathering 10:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Kids' Club 6:00 p.m.
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group 6:30 p.m.
Men's Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Praise & Prayer 4:30 p.m.

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

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

Leader

Swan Valley Lutheran
Leader 218-397-2470
Pastor David Stevens
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Maple Hill Lutheran
Pastor David Stevens
Leader 218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)
Worship and Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Motley

Motley Free Methodist
33 Wellwood St. E
Motley 56466 218-352-6888
Pastor Jim Johnson
Assistant Pastor Richard Broberg
Sunday Worship 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
AWANA 6:00 p.m.

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

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

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

Oylen

Oylen Alliance
Cty. Rds. 7 and 9, Oylen
218-472-3440 or 218-472-3316
Pastor Neal Malcore
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Pillager
First Lutheran Church
717 River Street S, Pillager, MN
218-746-3775
Pastor Hector Merced
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Casino Assembly of God
Pastor Dan Johnson
N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.
218-639-3775
Phone 218-746-3839
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY 7:00 p.m.

First Baptist
903 River Street South, Pillager
Pastor Skip Hansen
218-746-3768
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Children's Church 9:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Adrenaline Youth Group 5:45 p.m.

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146
Hewitt, MN 56453
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Hoffert
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m./6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer 7:00 p.m.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale.
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Associate Pastor Fred Hartley IV
Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes
..... 11-11:45 a.m.

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

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale
Church 218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self 218-371-7189

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

Treasures on earth and treasures in Heaven

Pastor Stephen Sveom, Faith Lutheran Church, Staples

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:19-21

In our Vacation Bible School, one activity sought to help the children understand "treasures on earth" and "treasures in heaven." They were asked to select things like "a cell phone," to put in a bowl of "treasures on earth" and things like "respect" to put in a bowl of "treasures in heaven." We wanted them to understand that values

like "respect," "faith," "love" and "hope" are the "treasures of heaven" while other things that we may want have limited significance and are only "treasures on earth."

The children caught me by surprise when they decided that "respect", "love" and "hope" are certainly "treasures in heaven", but that they are also "treasures on earth". They have value for our life right now. An exercise planned to simplify things for the sake of the children was made profound by their own insight. The eternal treasures of God make a difference right now in our world. In a society that shows great divisions, we would all benefit by pursuing "treasures of heaven" like faith, love, respect and hope. This can make a lasting difference now and for the future.

The Staples Area Church Directory is sponsored by these area businesses:

<p>Central Building Supply Bob Reeck, Manager Hwy. 10 West, Staples, MN</p>	<p>Ernie's Food Market Groceries - Gas - Convenience - more Staples, MN 218-894-1072</p>	<p>Staples Veterinary Clinic "Complete Animal Care" Staples, MN 218-894-1775</p>	<p>Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank Fully Insured to \$250,000 Staples, MN 218-894-3900</p>
<p>Longbella Drug Store "The Prescription Store" 2nd Ave., Staples • 218-894-2242 Motley and Pillager</p>	<p>Staples World Your community newspaper since 1890 224 4th St. NE, Staples, MN 218-894-1112</p>	<p>Tower Pizza Pizza, Pasta, Salads, Sandwiches Staples, MN 218-894-3299</p>	<p>Staples True Value "Just Ask Rental" Open 7 days a week. Staples, MN 218-894-3263</p>

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Freshwater Education District

MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING FRESHWATER EDUCATION DISTRICT #6004 Wadena, MN June 22, 2016

CALL TO ORDER at 5:30 p.m. by C. Funk, Chair. Board Present: C. Funk-Sebeka; P. Benning-Browerville; C. Wolf-Long Prairie/Grey Eagle; R. VanDenheuvel-Bertha/Hewitt; J. Fiemeyer-Wadena/Deer Creek; S. Veronen-Verndale; C. Hasbargen-Menahga; A. Bailey-Eagle Valley; Others: L. Westrum-Wadena/Deer Creek; J. Nesland, S. Thiel

APPROVAL OF PAST BOARD MINUTES- MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Benning, to approve the 4/27/16 minutes as presented. VOTE- U/C

APPROVING THE AGENDA- MOTION BY Bailey, seconded by Veronen, to approve the agenda as presented. VOTE- U/C

OLD BUSINESS- 5.17.16 Superintendent Advisory Meeting Minutes

NEW BUSINESS EARLY CHILDHOOD/FAMILY EDUCATION REPORT- Reviewed Early Childhood updates for June 2016, ECFE Spring 2016 Session Enrollment and School Readiness Spring 2016 Enrollment.

ALC & TARGETED SERVICES/ CREDIT RECOVERY REPORT- Reviewed ALC Students served per site in the past 3 years.

MOTION BY Wolf, seconded by Fiemeyer, to accept the donation from Target "Take Charge" of \$56.81 to the LP ALC. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Hasbargen, seconded by Veronen to accept the donation from Target "Take Charge" of \$7.99 to the Staples ALC. VOTE- U/C

Update of hiring an additional teacher at the Wadena Mid-Level due to increasing enrollment cap from 18 to 24.

MEMBER SERVICES AND OTHER NEW BUSINESS-

Reviewed FED 2016 Vision 20/20 Goals.

MOTION BY Wolf, seconded by Bailey, to approve Policy #490L as presented. VOTE- U/C

BOARD COMMITTEES/CONSULTANTS REPORTS -

Reviewed minutes of the following meetings; 4/27/16 Pers. Committee, 5/18/16 Pers. Sub-Committee, 5/3/16 Facility Sub-Committee, 6/7/16 Supervising Supts Ad Hoc Tech and 20/20 Planning Workgroup and 5/25/16 Annual ABE/GED.

Reviewed the 2016 MN Telecomm/Internet Access Equity Aid that FED submits on behalf of partici-

pating member schools. Reminder of the upcoming 8/24/16 TCC Board Meeting at FED, Staples, 4 p.m.

FINANCE / BUSINESS/ OTHER NEW BUSINESS- MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Veronen, to approve the 5.26.16 - 6.17.16 cash reports and payments of checks numbered 118187 through 118405. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Hasbargen, seconded by Wolf, to approve the current year Revision III Budget as presented.

FUND: 01 General
Revenue \$8,787,290
Expenditures \$9,103,327

FUND: 04 Community Service
Revenue \$592,074
Expenditures \$598,874
VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Benning, seconded by Fiemeyer, to approve the CMERDC Copier Agreement. VOTE- U/C

Reviewed the FED Lease Levy History.

MOTION BY Bailey, seconded by Wolf, to approve the FY-17 Interim Budget as follows:

FUND: 01 General
Revenue \$8,849,791
Expenditures \$9,115,855

FUND: 04 Community Service
Revenue \$611,091
Expenditures \$601,794
VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Hasbargen, seconded by Fiemeyer, to approve the 16-17 agreement with Voc -Rehab Services as presented. VOTE- U/C

PLANNING FOR THE YEAR 2020

The *Freshwater Staff Facility Committee* suggests- a) Moving all business office staff to the central office site in Wadena at any time that is cost effective and least expensive to keep them separate than it would be in a single office, b) This Committee suggests any addition to the East US 10 Freshwater building in Wadena be of new construction, not a portable or temporary unit, c) The Committee also supports remodeling/addition to this site in the near future to support more work space for current staff as well as space for technology servers, a resource library, staff work area, etc.

The *Superintendent Advisory Ad Hoc Committee* suggests- a) Freshwater Area Network- amendment with the two hospitals to address "service outages", b) That Freshwater host the E-Rate Internet Services effective FY18 for member districts, c) Move the FED Finance Servers to Deer Creek building by June 2017 as a one or two year transition to a new addition at the east US 10 site in Wadena, d) Move Staples Itinerants, Early Childhood, Adult Educa-

tion, Gifted Program, Carl Perkins, the Staples ALC and Staples Business Office to CLC Staples Campus by June 30, 2017, e) Add onto East US 10 SpEd building in Wadena, June 2018 to address the issues of current overcrowding, need for technology and server space, staff copy and production areas, two accessible washrooms, a conference/meeting room, as well as a flexible training and resource area that could support more office space if needed in the future, Support from Superintendents to move forward and implement facility plans regarding the US 10 property Freshwater owns east of Wadena. It would update, repurpose, and add on to that site for an estimated cost of \$850,000 from fund balance and lease levy and take place during the summer of 2018. Discuss with Superintendents at their June 2016 meeting, the possible benefits and disadvantages with merging with Service Co-op, AND support to continue the Annual Freshwater Legislative Day, each December, as has been held in the past.

PERSONNEL TOPICS AND CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS- MOTION BY Bailey, seconded by Wolf, to approve the items as follows; Voluntary reductions for D. Achermann, T. Brown, R. Nyhus, Resignation of M. Jensen, N. Swanberg, N. Bramer, Authorization to advertise and fill vacancies of: Level IV Site Manager, Level IV EBD Teacher, Behavior/ Crisis Intervention Assist., ALC Teacher, Program Assist., ALC Finance Assist./MARSS Coord., Hiring of J. Osberg, S. Truax, M. Robertson, A. Mozis, L. Bloemendaal, J. Smith, M. Kapps, Increase in hours for B. Andrews, M. Becker, J. Smith, Reassignment of S. Pung, J. Skoime, M. Burton, S. Thiel, G. Weber, T. Miller, S. Parker, M. Ludwig and the Adoption of the 2016-2018 Terms & Conditions Policy Employment Policy. VOTE- U/C

MOTION BY Funk, seconded by Hasbargen, to approve the resignation of Corry Lund, Level IV Site Service Manager. Chairman Funk, thanked C. Lund for his years of service to Freshwater Education District. VOTE- U/C

ADJOURNMENT- MOTION BY VanDenheuvel, seconded by Benning, to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. VOTE- U/C

Preapproved Publication Summary
RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED:

Jil Fiemeyer, Clerk
Freshwater Education District # 6004
30pnc

**NOTICE
CANDIDATE FILING
MOOSE LAKE
TOWNSHIP,
CASS COUNTY, MN**

**NOTICE OF
CANDIDATE FILING
DATES**

The following Township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2016, until 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 16, 2016.

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

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

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 8, 2016:

Township Supervisor Seat 2 (4 year regular term)

Township Supervisor Seat 3 (4 year regular term)

Township Treasurer (4 year regular term)

Karen Roubal, Clerk
Moose Lake Township
30-31pnc

**NOTICE
MAY TOWNSHIP
CANDIDATE FILING
DATES**

The following township offices will be voted for at the state general election to be held Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Candidates may begin filing for these offices on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 until Tuesday, August 16, 2016. Please call the Clerk, Bianca Wyffels, at 218/820-6430, for an appointment; or the office of the clerk, May Township Hall Building, 05834 County Road 34, Pillager, MN will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on August 16, 2016 for candidates to file.

Candidates must file at the office of the township Clerk, May Township Hall Building, 05834 County Road 34, Pillager, MN 56473. Candidates must complete an affidavit of candidacy and pay \$2 filing fee at time of filing.

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

Filings will be accepted during the filing period for the following offices to be elected on November 8,

2016:
Township Treasurer - special term expiring December 31, 2018 (fill vacancy in office)
Township Clerk - 4 year regular term
Township Supervisor #1 - 4 year regular term
29-30pnc

**TODD COUNTY
PLANNING
COMMISSION
215 First Ave. South,
Suite 103
Long Prairie, MN 56347
320-732-4420**

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, August 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.** the Todd County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Commissioners Meeting Room, 215 First Ave South, Long Prairie to consider the following applications:

1) **Tim Kasper and Kelli Karst:** NW4 in Section 25 in Burnhamville Township Site Address: 16972 and 16988 341st Ave, Burtrum, MN
PIN: 06-0035600

Conditional Use request to have a second single family home on one parcel.

2) **Roger Hendricks:** GOVT LOT 4 EX N 660 FT & EX BEG AT SW COR OF GOVT LOT 4, N 557.13 FT, E 109 FT, SE'ERLY 561 FT ALONG CTRLINE OF RD, W 56 FT TO BEG OF Section 12 in Villard Township.
Site Address: 49905 Trillium Loop, Motley MN 56466
PIN: 25-0011000

Rezoning request to rezone that part of Section 12 in Villard Township from R-10 to AF-2 zoning.

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

Todd County
Planning Commission
Mike Wiener, Chairperson
30pnc

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the period for filing affidavits of candidacy for the office of School Board Member of Independent School District No. 2170 shall begin on **August 2, 2016** and shall close at 5:00 o'clock p.m. on **August 16, 2016**.

The general election shall be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. At that election, three (3) members will be elected to the School Board for terms of four (4) years each.

Affidavits of Candidacy will be available at the School District Office; 202 Pleasant Avenue NE, Staples, MN 56479. The filing fee for this office is \$2. A candidate for this office

must be an eligible voter, must be 21 years of age or more on assuming office, must have been a resident of the school district from which the candidate seeks election for thirty (30) days before the general election, and is not registered as a convicted sex offender.

The affidavits of candidacy must be filed in the office of the school district clerk and the filing fee paid prior to 5:00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2016.

BY ORDER OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD

Roy DiGiovanni,
School District Clerk
29-30pnc

**NOTICE OF
ELECTION OF
UNITED HOSPITAL
DISTRICT
BOARD MEMBERS**

Notice is hereby given, that the Regular Election of the United Hospital District, Staples, Minnesota, will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 to elect members to serve on the District Board of Directors.

Any person desiring to be a candidate for member of the District Board shall file with the clerk of the city or the township in which he resides, an application to be placed on the ballot as a candidate for election as a member representing such city or township that is included in the Hospital District.

Filing opens Tuesday, August 2, 2016 and closes Tuesday, August 16, 2016.

Members will be elected as follows: The election of one member of District Board for a term expiring December 31, 2020 representing from each of the following cities and townships:

Staples Township
Villard Township
City of Motley
Poplar Township
Moose Lake Township
Meadowbrook Town-

ship
and, the election of one member of the Hospital District for a team expiring, December 31, 2020 representing a member at large. Persons filing for the position of a member at large can reside in any of the governmental units of the United Hospital District and the entire Hospital District which will vote for a member at large are:

Staples township
Villard Township
City of Staples
Moran Township
Becker Township
City of Motley
Meadowbrook Town-
ship
Byron Township
Moose Lake Township
Poplar Township
Motley Township
Thomastown Township

By Order of the District Board of Directors
United Hospital District
Staples, Minnesota
29-30pnc

Staples-Motley School Board Minutes

ISD #2170 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING #23 Monday, June 20, 2016, 7:00 p.m. Motley Cafeteria MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order with Longbella, DiGiovanni, Winkels, Freeman, Hoemberg and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Also attending were Supt. Klamm; Principals Schmidt and Johnson; Business Manager Lord; Several staff and SMEA reps; Chris Halverson; Staples World Manager, Halverson and Recording Secretary, Madson.

The Pledge of Alligence was recited.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Winkels, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion Carried

School/Community Forum

Amanda Olson presented information on her proposed Extended Field Trip to Italy and Greece in June 2017. This is a 10 day tour package with educational factors.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Longbella,

seconded by Lund to approve the Consent Agenda with the exclusion of item #11. Motion Carried.

Motion by Lund, seconded by Winkels, to approve the Italy and Greece June 2017 Extended Field Trip Request from Amanda Olson. Motion Carried.

Chair Freeman read the donation list and publicly thanked those who have generously donated to the district.

Finance Items

Ms Lord presented the Financial Report which is available in the District Office.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by DiGiovanni, to approve the Financial Report and Authorization to Pay Vouchers. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by Freeman, to approve the 2015-2016 Budget Revision #2. Motion Carried

This revision is updated with salary/ fringe increases, grants and donations, increase in Compensatory Revenue, etc.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Lund, to approve the 2016-2017 budget as presented. Motion Carried.

Committed Wellness funds have been moved to Unassigned Funds and the county adjustment is included. Some discussion followed regarding under-spent budgets and whether the Business Office and Superintendent can make a decision to spend those funds on a project that was not approved in Capitol Outlay or whether the Board should make the decision.

Motion by Lund, seconded by Winkels, to approve the Recommended Committed Fund Balance or \$368,256.74. Motion Carried.

Motion by Lund, seconded by Winkels, to award the Dairy Bid to Land O Lakes - Escalator pricing; as recommended by Food Service. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by DiGiovanni, to approve the Credit Reimbursements as recommended by the Professional Growth Committee. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by Freeman, to accept the Audit bid of CliftonLarsonAllen. Voting in favor: Winkels, Freeman, Lund, Hoemberg. Opposed: DiGiovanni and Longbella.

Motion Carried.

Personnel

Motion by DiGiovanni, seconded by Winkels, to accept the retirement request of Coni Hoffer; HS Receptionist/ AD Secretary; eff. June 2, 2016. Motion Carried. Thank you to Coni for her 20 years of dedication to the district.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by DiGiovanni, to accept the resignation of Laura Schoonover; District Nurse; eff. July 15, 2016; with permission to post. Motion Carried.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Winkels, to accept the resignation of Tammy Johnson; Head Speech Coach. Motion Carried.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Winkels, to approve the grade increase for Sandy Ottosen from Grade 7/8 to Grade 9 following a Stanton Review of the Attendance and Discipline Clerk position. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by Longbella, to approve the 2016-2017 one (1) year contract for Mary Kempton; Kindergarten; BA Step 1. Motion Carried. Jump Start data will be reviewed in the future.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Winkels, to approve the 2016-2017 contract for Sue Bettis; Motley Food Service; Grade 5P. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by Hoemberg, to grant permission to post for a Kindergarten teacher, dependent on enrollment numbers. Motion Carried.

Motion by DiGiovanni, seconded by Longbella, to grant permission to post for Paraprofessionals to fill retirement vacancies. Motion Carried.

Supt. Klamm explained to the Board that special legislative funding may become available for a HS Counselor. Filling a Counselor or SSW position would be dependent on funding or if we work cooperatively with CEP and the Career Advisor Program. Some restructuring will be done in the HS office

Motion by Freeman, seconded by Winkels, to grant permission to post for a HS Social Worker. Motion Carried.

Motion by Longbella, seconded by Hoemberg, to grant permission to post for a School Counselor. Motion Carried.

Motion by Winkels, sec-

onded by Lund, to accept the resignation of Ashley Ingman; Elementary School Social Worker; eff. June 30, 2016 with permission to post. Motion Carried.

Policies

First Reading of Policy #810 Unmanned Aerial Vehicles/ Drones
No action at this time

Reports

FED; NJPA - April 13,14 Regular Meeting and Retreat Minutes; Committee Reports

Principals - written reports were available
Superintendent - The 3 Activity Days will be Jan. 3, Feb. 3, and April 3 and funding will be sought from service organizations, etc.

SMEA - Pam Siepkas will be stepping down as President and Jill Schneider will be taking on those duties.

Other - A list of summer projects was presented; Summer School was discussed and only about 30 students are attending elementary Targeted Services.

Motion by Winkels, seconded by Longbella, to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

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Rotary signs

The Staples Rotary Club has been installing signs at each entrance to Staples. This sign is in the small pocket park near the Spot Cafe on the west end of town. The club established the park with a flag pole, landscaping and the sign some years ago. Signs at the other entrances have been installed in the last

year. From left are Rotarians Evan Kuhn, Del Lecy, Marv Rothstein, Ed Perry, Al Kolling, Ray Garland, Kurt Porter, Chuck Mayer, Jerel Nelsen, Jim Hofer, Bob Hamann and Dan Orth. (Staples World photo by Brenda Halvorson)

Staples PD handles domestic issues

The recent Staples Police report had several reports for domestic incidents. Included in the report:

July 20, Staples Police responded to an argument on the 200 block of Airview Dr. The parties were separated.

July 21, Staples Police arrested William Pruitt, 28, of Staples, for an Order for Protection Violation.

July 23, Staples Police responded to the an address on Ridge Road, outside of Motley, to assist Morrison County with a domestic incident.

July 24, Staples Police responded to the 800 block of 4th St NE for a domestic dispute. One of the subjects left the residence.

July 24, Staples Police received a third party report of a possible domestic assault on the 400 block of 5th St SE. Police responded to the address but found no one at the residence.

July 24, Staples Police responded to the 500 block of Wisconsin Ave SE for a domestic dispute. Officers arrived on the scene and spoke with both parties and advised them to seek legal services.

Other reports included:

July 16; a men's red and black Huffly bicycle was stolen from 801 2nd Ave NE sometime between noon and 4 p.m.

July 18; Staples Police received a report of a large amount of garbage piled up at 519 McKinley St SW. The complainant stated he has seen coyotes around the garbage and there has also been a large black bear in the area as well. The complainant was advised that the property is vacant and presently being dealt with by Todd County due to tax forfeiture.

July 18; Staples Police responded to a traffic hazard on Airport Rd. A pickup truck pulling a trailer house had flat tires and debris was falling from the house onto the road. The incident was transferred to Wadena County Sheriffs Dept. for investigation.

July 20; Staples Police received a report of animal neglect in the 200 block of Dakota Ave SE. Police checked on the animal and spoke with the owner advising them on the issues.

July 20; Staples Police assisted the DNR with attempting to locate a reported four foot alligator report-

edly seen in the early morning hours on the northside of town. An alligator was not located.

July 21; Staples Police located a donkey in the middle of the road. The owner of the animal was advised and the donkey was apprehended.

July 21; Staples Police cited Tyler Poynter, 22, for possession of a small amount of marijuana in a motor vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia.

July 24; Staples Police responded to the 800 block of 2nd Ave. NE to speak with a complainant regarding being harassed while walking down the street. Police spoke with the complainant who stated he had been assaulted. After investigating, Robert Sero, 26, was cited with 5th Degree Assault.

July 24; Staples Police responded to a complaint of two intoxicated men causing a disturbance by urinating in a public park while a concert was taking place. Police arrived on scene and spoke with an individual who stated the subjects had returned to their seats and no further incidents occurred.

Railroad Days plans coming together

The Staples Railroad Days committee is close to finalizing their schedule for the event to be held August 25-28.

Many of the popular events will be back from last year including; Mid Minnesota Federal's Medallion Hunt, the Chili Cook Off, car show, pig races and events in the downtown area. One new event will be a gospel concert with artist Kayla Bailey, on Saturday, Aug. 27, at 7 p.m. at Centennial Auditorium.

The Staples Variety Show will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25 at Centennial Auditorium.

Friday, Aug. 26, the CLC Ag Center will hold a field day, Twisted Sisters Car Show in the evening and fireworks at dusk near the airport.

On Saturday, Aug. 27, the Chili Cook-Off will be held 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Staples Sings competition begins at noon, at 1:30 p.m. local band Aitas will take the downtown stage and at 8:30 p.m. the outdoor concert/street dance will be held.

The annual Railroad Days Parade will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, will also include the 'Rev Your Engines Car Show' at Staples-Motley Elementary from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

A full listing and preview will be in the next few weeks of the Staples World.

For more info, contact Barb Cline, Staples Motley Chamber of Commerce Director, at 218-330-3830.

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Innovation funding and high school office restructuring will allow for career advisor/guidance counselor position

"This is one (expense) I feel we really need to consider. Bottom line, it's good for kids. I'm convinced it's the right thing to do."

Three days per week of a career advisor position at the high school is available thanks to funding awarded to the district by National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA). Staples-Motley High School will have 2.5 days and Connections High School will have half a day.

Superintendent Mary Klamm is asking CEP (Concentrated Employment Program) to add two days to the position to make it a full time guidance counselor position.

"We may get a licensed guidance counselor, we may not," she said.

She noted that the last legislative session approved funding for school guidance counselors through a grant process. However, the guidelines were to be released too late to apply for the coming school year. The district will apply for funding the following year.

For the coming school year she was proposing changes in the high school office that could help fund the additional two days for a guidance counselor.

"Can we get by without two days of a counselor?" asked board member Dave Hoernberg.

"We have been getting by," Klamm replied, but it was because the high school social worker was also having to act as the counselor.

The elementary school and the middle school both have full time social workers, she said, adding "It's a big hole in our high school."

A high school receptionist position was being changed to include clerical duties for the activities director and the community education director. Some savings were being realized because of a retirement.

Business manager Marci Lord reviewed the financing with the board noting that the bottom line addition to the budget would be \$2,400.

In other business the board:

- Approved the school meal prices and fee schedule. All pre-K through grade 12 lunch prices will be \$2.55. Breakfast remains free. Adult lunches increase to \$3.60.

- Approved offering the former southside tennis court property for sale to the City of Staples. If the city declines, the finance committee will set a price and put it out for bids.

- Approved hiring Laurie Trout and Cathy Evans as STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) teachers and Carrin DeLong as the school nurse.

- Accepted the resignations of Kassie Martin, school readiness teacher; Joan Holmberg, bus driver; and Kelly Johnson, elementary receptionist.

- Introduced Jill Schneider as the new president of the Staples Motley Education Association.

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Wadena County Commissioner - Dist. 2

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- ★ 4th year as commissioner, currently chair
- ★ Committees and boards include: Community Corrections, Kitchigami Regional Library, Wadena County Historical Society, Water Resources Board, Parks Board, Extension Board, Old Wadena Board, Family Service Collaborative Board and many committees.
- ★ I pledge to continue to have a balanced budget. Through good management our fund balances have increased while we have upgraded the courthouse roof and windows and modernized both courtrooms for today's technology. We are solving space needs with an annex funded with reserve funds and not new tax revenue.
- ★ I support job growth and tourism in cooperation with other agencies and communities.

I Need Your Vote in the Primary Election **Tue., Aug. 9**

Each vote counts and is very important!

Prepared and Paid for by Jim Hofer, 104 Mini Drive, Staples, MN 56479



2010 Chosen Ones - Men's Champions

Staples Alumni Basketball Tournament men's champions, front, left to right: Derek Wolhowe, Travis Wentworth, Gunner Johnson. Back: Trevor Wentworth, Jason Johnson, John Bristow, Jordan Riewer, Jake Zetah.



Early 2000's Ponytail Express Women's Champions

Staples Alumni Basketball Tournament women's champions, from left, Ashley (Lisson) Peterson, Cassie Pearson, Chelsea (Einerwold) Ornales, Nikki Pearson, Jaque (Peterson) Doll, Liza Milless, Michelle (Honek) Lenz.



80's & 90's All-Stars

Front, left to right: Greg Robinson, Jeff Halverson, Mark Bendson, Cy Bestland, Blaine Joerger. Back: Tom Wolhowe, Craig Wolhowe, Derek Has-selberg, Arden Beachy, John Riewer.



2004 The Second Coming

Front, left to right: Chad Brever, Josh Anderson. Back: Josh Smith, Derek Orth, Nick Doll, Joe Smith.



2013 Team Korea

Front, left to right: Kelsey Rice, Jenna Ziegler, Maggie O'Keefe. Back: Brooke Wolhowe, Jenniver Vasquez, Jasmine McGillivray. Not pictured: Bobbe Jo Mathe.



2000 Dairy Queen

Front, left to right: Kyle Stevens, Nate Granlund, Jeff Brever, Joe Webster. Back: Tim Rutten, Dustin Hjelmeland, Andrew Burrows, Wade Christensen, Brad Moore, Brent So-ronson.



2007 Huck 'N' Chuck

Front, left to right: Josiah Fuhrman, Nathan Rinas, honorary coach, Paul Mithun. Back: Dereck Peterson, Colton Thompson, Matt Edin, Christian Ornales, Justin Edin.



2014 Soup-A-Stars

Left to right: Marilyn Eagletail, Jaelin Beachy, Grace Wolhowe, Kaitlin Spar, Sarah Koopmann. Not pictured: Mikayla Wing, Emily Israelson



2002 TLC

Front, left to right: Jace Thompson, Matt Mosack, Kyle Bendson. Back: Nathan Sather, Dan Lund, Chris Markus, Joshua Winter, Michael Brenna.



2008 Free Agent Special

Front, left to right: Dylan Hales, Ryan Halverson, Isaac Fuhrman. Back: Emmitt Winkels, Daniel Davis, Brandon Anthony, Jeremy Cowles, Chase Davis. Not pictured: Colton Borders, Ben Enney.



2016 Baby Cardinals

Front, left to right: Amber Robben, Claire Wolhowe, Ashley Smith. Back: Sam Schimpp, Quinn Uhlman, Alicé Garbo, Kelsie Weite.



2016 Cardinal Varsity

Front, left to right: Chase Davis, Isaiah Ross-Bahn, Bently Christensen. Back: Emmitt Winkels, Brayden Losh, Gaven Smith, Ben Bartczak, Daniel Davis. Not pictured: Derek Kennedy, Tristan Etzler.



National Anthem

Katie Ziegler, Staples sang the National Anthem, July 15, at the start of the Alumni Basketball Tourney held at Staples-Motley High School. Organizer Colton Thompson and wife, Kelsee from Utah, in background.



Tournament MVP

Tom Wolhowe was named Most Valuable Player and was also the oldest player at 78 in the alumni tournament. Colton Thompson congratulates the former player and coach.



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101 Card of Thanks
The Family of Virginia Goeden wish to thank everyone for their kindness and thoughtful expressions of sympathy during the recent passing of mom. Special thanks to the Care Center staff, Dr. Beachy, Dr. Albrecht, and the ladies from Sacred Heart Church who served lunch. Your kindness will always be remembered.
30p

Card of thanks
A huge THANK YOU to all who supported the Staples-Motley Relay For Life in any way. To Lakewood Health System for providing the survivor dinner, the Motley Fairgrounds for the site, the event team, teams, newspaper, radio, cable access channel, purple stove fronts and business sign space. To those who contributed unique auction items, the business and civic groups for sponsorship. To Pastor Richard Broberg for the prayer and especially to Jim Hobson for sharing his cancer journey. To DJ4U for event music, the Staples-Motley Area Women of Today for conducting the silent auction. To the teams for the games and activities, to our families for help and patience. Special thanks to all who attended supporting the Relay. Relay publicity, Barb Peterson

107 Notices
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Freshwater Education District is seeking a paraprofessional to work in a self-contained setting for students with special needs. Duties include assisting students, data collection and working in a team setting. Experience working with children with behavioral needs and an Associate Degree or passing of the ParaPro test is preferred..

Application deadline: August 10, 2016.
Send Letter of Application and Resumé including References to:
Lori Murdock, Director of Special Education
Freshwater Special Education
910 Ash Ave NE, Wadena, MN 56482
Phone: 218-631-2281 Ext. 1042, Fax: 218-631-3588
lmurdock@fed.k12.mn.us
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- *LPN - Care Center
- *LPN (or MA) - Clinic
- Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant
- Nutrition Services Aide
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Freshwater Special Education
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Application forms may be picked up at: Staples City Hall, 122 6th St. NE.
Applications must be received by 1:00 p.m., Friday, August 5, 2016, at the Staples City Hall. EOE c129-30c

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A tale of two duck forecasts

"I have some good news, and some bad news." So goes the familiar saying. If you're a Minnesota duck hunter, the expression just may apply to you, given news received during the past several weeks. It began with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) releasing the results of its May survey of breeding ducks in our state. This survey takes place over a two week period, ending in mid-May, and involves low and slow flights in small aircraft, with biologists counting the ducks observed. This count is then plugged into a formula to convert the sampling into an estimate of total bird numbers. Just as in the DNR's test netting to survey a fish population, not every individual can be counted, but a sampling is used to project the full population.

According to the DNR's data, the number of ducks of all species in May was up 47 percent from the estimate in May of 2015. Bluewing teal, one of the bread-and-butter ducks in early season bags of Minnesota hunters, were estimated to be up 88 percent over a year ago. Mallards, probably the favorite duck of a majority of hunters, were estimated to be up 18 percent. An "other" category that includes wood ducks, canvasback, red-heads, and several other species, collectively were estimated to be 39 percent above the May 2015 count.

So what is the bad news? Within the last 10

days we've seen a report released by Delta Waterfowl, a conservation organization with roots in both Canada and the United States, and dedicated to enhancing the prospects for ducks and geese, and by extension for waterfowl hunters. Delta released their report on nesting conditions in Central and Western Canada, where more ducks and geese are raised than anywhere else, and conditions are anything but good. According to Delta's president, cited in their report, many of the ponds that fuel much of our continental duck production were dry. Larger shallow wetland complexes were affected, too. The so-called "pond count" is believed to be down by more than one-third from the 2015 number.

Delta credited the poor water conditions to a sub-par winter snowpack, which normally fills ponds and wetlands when spring melting occurs. On top of this early setback, a dry spring left many ducks with nowhere to set up housekeeping. Some wetlands that started the season with marginal water conditions did not remain wet long enough for ducklings to reach maturity. Looking back, Delta says it has been eight years since conditions were this dry. Even if rains were to come and fill these now-dry wetlands, there is not sufficient time to raise a brood to maturity in time for the autumn migration southward.

In the 2016 fall duck population there are likely to be significantly fewer juvenile birds. Juveniles typically loom large in the total harvest, both because of their numbers in a good production year, and due to their being less sophisticated and more readily harvested by hunters. Not only will the 2016 fall flight be reduced, but hunters

will be up against more savvy adult birds compared to a more robust production year.

In the interest of full disclosure, Delta Waterfowl's leadership is not predicting doom and gloom for the 2016 waterfowl hunting season. Delta projects a drop in the continental duck population that could approach 20 percent. The silver lining, to put it optimistically, is that there have been several good breeding seasons, and a carryover of birds from these better times could leave the continental duck population still above the long-term average. So says Delta Waterfowl.

A bad year for new season-setting formula?

The year 2016 will be the first year for a new formula by which the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) sets the duck season length and harvest limits. In the past, duck numbers and breeding conditions in the current spring and summer were used to set that fall's regulations. Under a revised formula, duck numbers from 2015 were used to set the 2016 season, and as a consequence the regulations for this coming fall were already known this spring, long before anyone could project whether this would be a good or a bad duck production year.

USFWS proposed this change contending that it was difficult to process current-year duck data in time to set the fall hunting seasons and publish the regulations far enough in advance of the early seasons that are held in some states. The agency argued that in the long term things would average out, and the duck population would not be harmed. Last, USFWS professed that it would be more convenient

for hunters who want to make plans for the upcoming hunting season to have the information earlier.

More than a few conscientious waterfowl hunters objected, arguing that a season that is liberal in length and bag limits should not be held in a year of poor reproductive success. Their take on the situation was that sound management was taking a back seat to convenience, relieving USFWS biologists and administrators of the pressure of using the best available data to set the coming season's rules.

It's somewhat comforting to hear Delta Waterfowl leaders state that "duck populations remain strong compared to the long-term average," despite expectations that this will be a sub-year for duck breeding success. Still, it's hard to avoid pondering what might be the benefits of using current-year information to restrict the harvest of those duck species that are expected to fare the worst in 2016 due to the unusually dry conditions.

Here in Minnesota things appear quite different. With good spring wetland conditions, and substantial rains throughout early and mid-summer, we should be seeing good breeding success within our own borders. Our DNR has for several years pursued a policy of liberalizing shooting hours and bag limits in order to increase harvest, thereby - they hope - boosting sagging hunter numbers. Many long-time Minnesota duck hunters are not in full agreement with some of these changes, either.

Maybe we who are in the conservative crowd are just old-fashioned, and prefer that those who set our hunting rules be more careful not to kill the goose - or duck - that lays the golden egg.



Three generations

Three generations of Wolhowes played in the alumni basketball tourney held July 15-16: Brooke, Grace and Claire Wolhowe; Derek, Tom and Craig Wolhowe.

Vintage golf league plays Wednesdays

The Wednesday Night Men's Golf League has been playing at The Vintage golf course in Staples every week this summer.

Results from the last three events were sent in

June 29

The winners in closest to the hole contest were Gary Nytes on hole 2, Don Ludovissie on hole 5, Mike Cizek on hole 8, Nick Forsberg on hole 11 and Jon Wilgoths on hole 15.

Wilgoths won a skin for his birdie on 15, as did Rolie Penfield on hole 17. Penfield also had long drive on hole 13. Nytes scored a birdie on hole 6.

Division leaders were Mark Forsberg and Bill Israelson in Division A, and Dan Carter and Les Brietling in Division B.

Notes: as dusk was settling in, a group of golfers were teeing off to play a scramble after completing their league rounds.

July 6

In Division A, skins were won by Bill Israelson, Mark Forsberg (with an eagle on hole 4), Nick Forsberg and Roger Houselog. Houselog split low net score with John Riewer.

Closest to the hole winners were Glen Hasselberg, Mark Forsberg and Roger Houselog. Long drive was taken by Brad Anderson with a mammoth drive on hole 6.

In B Division, the closest to the hole winners were Les Brietling and Sonny Erickson. Skins and low net were split between Sonny Erickson and Gary

Nytes.

In league standings, Forsberg and Israelson were on top in Division A while Erickson and Rick Brichacek were leaders in Division B.

Notes: The first Wednesday of the month was grill night and golfers enjoyed their meat of choice from the outdoor grill to go with loaded baked potato and salad prepared by the clubhouse staff. The air was filled with the aroma of grilled meat and the sounds of laughter and conversation as the evening went on.

July 20

Fifty-two league members met to play their eleventh weekly nine hole competition of the year.

In Division A, longest drive winner was Roger Houselog on hole 7, closest to the hole winners were Bill Israelson on holes 2 and 5 and Nick Forsberg on hole 8. Because the birdies made by several players cancelled each other out, a drawing was held for the points and won by Bill Israelson. Low net was Paul Mithun.

In Division B, longest drive was won by Gary Nytes, who also won low net. Closest to the hole points were won by Les Brietling on hole 11 and Lee Jenkins on 15. Jenkins and Phil Miller split the birdie points.

With two weeks of play remaining the league leaders are Mark Forsberg and Bill Israelson in Division A and Lee Jenkins and Phill Miller in Division B.

Zebra mussels in Lake Osakis

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources has confirmed zebra mussels in northwestern Minnesota's East Spirit Lake in Otter Tail County and central Minnesota's Lake Osakis in Todd and Douglas counties.

On July 20, DNR invasive species staff conducted dive and shoreline searches to investigate reported zebra mussel

veligers (larvae) in Lake Osakis. They found two three-quarter inch adult zebra mussels.

The DNR will determine whether connected waters will also be added to the infested waters list.

While zebra mussels are a serious problem for infested lakes, more than 98 percent of Minnesota's lakes are not listed as infested with zebra mussels.

GARAGE SALES

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