

Divide between Staples and Motley addressed

By Mark Anderson
Staples World

An audience question about whether there is still a stigma between the communities of Staples and Motley over school pairing was addressed at the Oct. 12 Staples-Motley School Board Candidate Forum at Centennial Auditorium in Staples.

Two of the candidates were board members at the time the two schools paired, Chad Longbella with the Staples district and Greg Frisk with the Motley board.

Candidate Bryan Winkels said he was a student during the pairing and even during that time the students were not aware of any pairing problems. "To



School board candidate forum

Staples-Motley School Board Candidate Forum moderator Brenda Halvorson, left, reads an audience question as the candidates wait to answer them. From left, Creig Dobson, Chad Longbella, Greg Frisk and Bryan Winkels. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

me there is no such thing as Staples people or Motley people, I'm a Staples-Motley person," said Winkels.

Frisk disagreed, saying he sees a split "almost every single day."

"There's still a lot of hard feelings over the pairing," said Frisk. He agreed with the recommendation that came out of the realignment process that the school change its

name, "to get their identity away from what they came from," he said.

Longbella said he experienced the harsh words said during the pairing process, but that "we are

all one district." He said the re-start process that moved grades K-3 students to Staples and grades 4-7 students to Motley may have reignited some of those feelings. "Education-

ally it was a no-brainer, community-wise it was hard to follow," said Longbella. "As we move forward we will see that it was the right move for the district as we all become one."

As for this election, Frisk said he is not running as a Motley board member and sees the students as Staples-Motley students. But he also said "I will fight to the death to keep that building (the Motley school) viable."

Creig Dobson did not weigh in on that specific question but a submitted question from the audience asked him about having a Motley address for his home near the Staples golf course. Dobson pointed

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Staples City Council candidates list top priorities

Staples City Council candidates running for election were asked to submit a photo and to reply to two questions, as they will have the opportunity to go more in depth on issues at the Oct. 24 candidate forum at 7 p.m. at NJPA at 202 12th St. NE, Staples. Five people are running for four city council seats. The incumbent mayor, Chris Etzler, is running unopposed.

The questions asked were: 1. Summarize your personal background and qualifications; and 2. What is your top priority if elected?

Doug Case

1. I am a lifelong resident of Staples. I am very passionate about the community, where I met my wife Toni of 39 years, and raised our two sons who both attended the Staples



Doug Case



Rachel Johnson

Staples City Council candidates



Mary Theurer



Chris Etzler
Running for Mayor

school system. I am well aware of how the local government system works having been a police officer for 33 years, a firefighter for 20 years, serving as the chief of both departments, and have served on the City

Council for two years. 2. My top priority will be to move into one of the vacancies on the EDA board of commissioners and suggest changing the current focus of attempting to get additional hous-

ing at this time. I feel the townhouses that are being built now will fill the housing gap for the time being. I believe that there's no better time than now for our EDA director and commissioners to go

full speed ahead at taking on the more difficult task of enticing an industry to locate in Staples, and I would like to be part of that. I am well aware of the fact that there is a critical shortage of people to fill the jobs that would

be created by an industry moving to Staples but resolving that would also be a rewarding challenge. I would hope that more of the graduating senior class would choose to remain in Staples to work rather than moving away to other communities seeking just this type of employment. I have remained in Staples my entire adult life and have worked at several different jobs. I feel I have made a great living here and would like to see other young, local people have the same opportunity.

Chris Etzler

I grew up in Staples and attended St. Cloud State University where I earned a Bachelors Degree in Technology Education.

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Motley City Council candidates share goals



Nate Douglas



Robert Follis

Motley City Council candidates



Steve Johnson



Amy Hutchison



Al Yoder

Motley Mayor candidates

Motley City Council and mayoral candidates were asked to submit a photo and reply to two questions: 1. Summarize your personal background and qualifications. 2. What will your top priority be if elected?

More can be learned from the candidates at the candidate forum on Thursday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. at the

middle school school cafeteria.

Three people are running for two seats on the council. Hutchison and Yoder are both running for mayor

Nate Douglas

1. Nate Douglas, Motley Anna Wayt (fiancée) B.A.S.: International Studies, French Language (1997) University of North

Dakota, Grand Forks.

Currently: CLC student I've lived in Motley five years.

First time running for public office.

2. The biggest challenge facing the city is a council that doesn't work together and fails to prioritize its ongoing problems such as roads and other infrastructures. At this point, I'm

not concerned about raising taxes. This should be used as a last resort and something talked about in a public city hall meeting and decided as a group and maybe modeled similar to other progressive towns like Motley. We need to fix our roads. Especially out towards the rural areas of Motley. This is a large issue that really needs to

be addressed on behalf of many people I have talked to in Motley. As far as the maintenance and snow plowing policies, they need to be reviewed by city council and changes should be discussed and voted on.

Robert Follis

1. Robert L. Follis, Motley

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Hello, Readers,

On October 20, 1947, the notorious Red Scare kicks into high gear in Washington, as a Congressional committee begins investigating Communist influence in one of the world's richest and most glamorous communities: Hollywood. The House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) grilled a number of prominent witnesses, asking bluntly "Are you or have you ever been a member of the Communist Party?" About 325 screenwriters, actors and directors were blacklisted. They included composer Aaron Copland, writers Dashiell Hammett, Lillian Hellman and Dorothy Parker, playwright Arthur Miller and actor and filmmaker Orson Welles.

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In honor of Jacob Wetterling

Lilli Schneider, Staples-Motley student, paid tribute to Jacob Wetterling and his family by painting the large rock located at Odden's Park on 8th St. NE in Staples. "I thought it was a devastating story that really happened quite close to us," said Schneider. Wetterling, age 11, was abducted from near his St. Joseph home and murdered in 1989. His remains were found this summer near Paynesville.

"I go by the park a lot and was disappointed the rock kept getting vandalized," said Schneider. "I wanted something that fit in the park and had meaning and purpose."

Schneider started with the number 11, which was Wetterling's little league number and has been used by many to represent him, then added fireworks and trees. "I feel the red and white fireworks give it a patriotic feel and the trees on the rock make it feel like it fits right into the park." (Submitted photos)





Outstanding organization

At the Staples Motley Area Community Foundation Community Service Awards banquet Oct. 13, Kathy Gaalswyk of the Initiative Foundation and Craig Wolhowe of Lakewood Health System, left, present the 2016 Outstanding Organization award to the Lakewood Health System physicians, accepted by Dr. Christine Albrecht and Dr. David Freeman. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Community Service Awards

Speaking after receiving Community Service Awards, are, from left, Autumn Pechan, owner of Curves, the 2016 Outstanding Business; Scott Braith, Fire Chief and EMT, Chairman's Award winner; and Jordan Haglin, 2016 Outstanding Youth. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Family

Julie Matanich Wethington speaks about her father, Mike Matanich, after she accepted Duane R. Lund Award for Lifetime Achievement for her father.



Awards program fun

Event emcee Mike Schmidt has fun with Mary Sperley after she accepted her award for 2016 Outstanding Citizen.

Community Connect offers free food, rides, information, coats

By Mark Anderson, News Editor

Dozens of resources that reach out and help people have been pulled together by Staples Motley Beyond Poverty for the second annual Community Connect, a resource fair for people who want to know more about local services that can help them. The event is Wednesday, Oct. 26, 3-6 p.m. at the Staples-Motley High School gym.

Agencies include; education, employment, housing, finances, mental health, chemical dependency, county services, community organizations, public and private providers will all be available in the high school gym.

At 3:30 p.m., Dr. Shawna Kovach of Lakewood Health System will talk on mental health in the high school cafeteria. At 3:45, Maggie Freiberg, LICSW, will talk on the suicide connection to mental health.

Personal needs

Friendly Rider busses will be offering free transportation on Oct. 26, in Staples from 2-6 p.m., not just to the Community Connect event, but anywhere in Staples. To schedule a ride call 218-631-5730.

Free child care, free hair cuts and a free meal will also be available.

The Great Coat Giveaway will also be held Oct. 26, from noon-6 p.m. at the Staples Community Center p.m., with new and gently used coats for children and adults.

Conversation cards

Before the Community Connect event starts, Staples-Motley, Connections and Freshwater High School seniors will have an opportunity to talk to the people from the different agencies.

The Staples Citizens Against Drugs Coalition will sponsor a presentation for students on underage drinking, along with their new conversation cards that will be available at the event. The cards are designed to spur conversations among friends and neighbors with simple questions such as; "What's your favorite movie?" Moving on to questions like "what makes you feel most content?" Some of the cards ask questions about chemical dependency, such as "Do you have a healthy way to deal with loneliness, stress and disappointment? What could you do to deal with those feelings?"

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Learn about Motley council, mayor candidates

Spouse: Georgia Follis. Five children; one, Robert, at home

University of MO Columbia B.S. Education. Many hours in several schools.

Retired, former police officer, 20 years Army National Guard and part-time teacher

Lived in the city for six years.

Belong to American Legion 124 and its Honor Guard.

Work for Second Harvest Food Bank, Brainerd.

Ran for Mayor of Motley in 2014.

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2. The council must first find out by whatever means what the people of Motley want them to do and then do it. This could be accomplished by surveys, meetings or telephone and online. Then they must strive to accomplish the most important things first. We must seek out new businesses to draw new people to the town. Then we have to provide new housing and services from the city which will both improve the tax base. We need to realize that the best thing we have in our favor is our location and use that to our advantage.

If we are to accomplish the above, we will have to seek funding from outside sources, and that will require those of us on the council to do what we are paid to do for the city. Sewer and water services will have to be expanded with the development. The street and plowing programs will have to be done by the people we pay to do them. It is up to the council to assist them by providing the support and finances for them to do the job.

We have an excellent police chief, and we must support him, and give

him the tools to do his job. This also applies to the fire department.

Amy Hutchison

1. My name is Amy (Wille) Hutchison. I've been a member of the Motley City Council since 2013, and a member of Planning and Zoning Commission since 2012. I have an AAS Degree in Accounting, and soon (December '16) AAS Degree in Business Management. I've worked at Manion Lumber & Truss as the Office Manager for the past 16 years. I do everything from; day-to-day accounting, payroll, human resources, preparing financial documents, audits and much more. I understand financial limitations both in business and personal life and I always take that into consideration when making decisions.

2. Community Matters. That's my approach for this election. If you ask anyone why they live in Motley most will say it's the small town close knit feel. It was that small town feel and reasonable home prices that brought me to Motley fifteen years ago. I plan to remove the black cloud that hangs over Motley by focusing on community. We have countless FREE community activities that are under-utilized within the city. Thanks to the Lion's Club we have an ice skating rink and warming house that we can highlight by having late night skating parties and a sledding hill to do the same. Motley has Converse Park that can hold community activities, games, movie nights and countless other options. I want to take advantage of holidays like Halloween and make a haunted forest or park, activities that will get Motley noticed in a positive manner. I don't plan to leave out our older residents either. I recently lost my grandmother and I miss her dearly, I miss baking cookies with her, teaching me how to can and make jam. We need to focus on that connection with our roots using positive mentors within our community.

Steve Johnson

1. I'm Steve Johnson. I've been happily married to Paula for 27 years. We have five children and five grandchildren. After high school I attended Dunwoody Institute (architectural drafting and building construction) and Central Lakes College (marine and small engine repair). Before retiring I owned five bakeries and employed 32 people. I've resided in Motley for 16 years. Soon after arriving in Motley I began attending City Council meetings. I was interested in Motley - its people, goals, businesses, etc. After a few years of regular attendance as a spectator, I was fortunate to become a council member. I'm very dedicated to making Motley a great place to live.

2. Top priority:

The last two years has been stressful for me and, I'm sure, the people of Motley. Hiring and firing attorneys, ousting the city clerk and (last year) the entire police department quitting or leaving the area have been troubling. I've made adaptations over my lifetime but change for changes sake isn't good. I truly care about our city. Strong personalities on the council have been detrimental to the council and its functioning. If elected I will work diligently to develop a more cooperative and harmonious council.

The City of Motley has a great police chief, Ron Smith, but he can't do everything himself. I believe the council needs to address that problem by placing an ad for a full or part time police officer - whichever the residents, the chief and council deem fit. The safety of our residents is a priority issue for me.

Another priority of mine is to attract new businesses. We are in a great location with our highways. The Dollar General Store, a good opportunity, should attract other businesses. We have some great stores in Motley but people need more employment opportunities.

Al Yoder

1. My name is Al Yoder and I am running for Mayor of Motley. I live in Motley with my wife and children. I graduated from Central Lakes College and Hibbing Community College earning a degree in law enforcement. I've been working in law enforcement for over 13 years. I'm currently on the Motley City Council and I'm a member of the Planning and Zoning committee for the City of Motley. I served two years on the Motley Fair Board, six years on the Motley Fire Department and two years on the Hands of Hope Board of Directors.

2. Some of my top priorities are the safety of our businesses and our citizens. With the new General Dollar store being built, it will be very dangerous for children and citizens to walk to the store due to a lack of sidewalks in that area. Citizens will have to walk on Highway 10 next to heavy traffic. I want to look at extending the sidewalk from Eldredge St. east to Harrison St. east.

I would also like to assist and encourage our police department to keep drugs out of our city and getting them training and tools to keep our city drug free. I would like to take a good look at our industrial park and see if we can either make it more inviting for businesses or look at rezoning it so we can make better use of this property. I think it's very important to get a second well drilled for a backup in case the old one quits working. This would ensure that our businesses and residents have plenty of water.

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Tax levy and student achievement reviewed

By Brenda Halvorson
General Manager

Where can the levy be reduced to lessen the impact on the school district's taxpayers? How can the school district improve student achievement? These topics were tackled by the Staples-Motley School Board at their Oct. 17 meeting.

Tax levy options

At their September meeting the board approved their proposed tax levy at an 11.82 percent increase, the maximum amount allowed. The state requires a preliminary levy to be submitted by the end of September each year. After that time the levy can be lowered, but it cannot be increased.

Marci Lord, school business manager, and the finance committee developed three options for board discussion. All involve under-levying, which is levying less than the maximum amount. It also means less money is coming to the school district for that area.

Lord noted that seven areas could be under-levied. Those are Q-Comp, Reemployment Insurance, Safe Schools, Other PostEmployment Benefits (OPEB), Long Term Facilities (Equalized and Unequalized) and Building and Land Leases.

The committee prioritized and agreed that Safe Schools (liaison officers, cameras, security), Reemployment Insurance, and Building/Land Lease (Freshwater Education District, Community Center) should not be under-levied.

They also decided that under-levying the Long Term Facilities-Equalized again this year would not be in the district's best interest. Aid from the state is slowly being increased to allow rural schools to catch up with the metro schools for building maintenance.

The first option would lower the tax levy to a 7.68 percent increase. It would under-levy QComp by \$20,000 and Long Term Facilities-Unequalized, by \$50,000. This option also includes \$68,563.67 for OPEB which includes the cost for the 2015-16 retirees

severance payment plus the 2016-17 new retirees severance payments and their insurance.

The second option would lower the levy to a 5.80 percent increase. In addition to the QComp and facilities levy reductions, it would under-levy OPEB by \$31,792.66. That would cover the 2015-16 retirees severance payments plus the 2016-17 new retirees severance payments, but no insurance.

The third option would lower the levy to a 4.97 percent increase using the reductions already noted. The change would be in OPEB, reducing it an additional \$14,148.50. This would only cover 2015-16 retirees severance payments.

Lord said the additional funds needed to cover OPEB costs would need to come out of the general fund.

That also applied to the Long Term Facilities-Unequalized.

"We have more projects to do than the money we will be getting," Lord said.

Lord also noted that, if the district had not under-levied in some of these areas in the past, they would not be looking at the double-digit increase.

"We have delayed (maintenance) projects to save money," said Mary Freeman, board chair. "That is not a good financial practice. We should ask the taxpayers to support the school. But I understand that a double digit increase is not what we want to see."

The general consensus of the board was to go with the second option related to OPEB. The final decision on the rest of the levy will be made at the Truth in Taxation Hearing Dec. 19.

Student achievement

Superintendent Mary Klamm reviewed the student achievement data for the district as compared to 2016 statewide averages.

She noted that the Staples-Motley district has more special education students, more students on free and reduced meal plans and more homeless students than the state average. The district is far below the average for English Language Learners and for diversity with a population and is 90.7 per-

cent white.

Math and reading proficiencies are both lower than average. In reading proficiency the district scores a 51.7 compared to the statewide average of 60.9. The state average in math proficiency is also 60.9 compared to 49.7 in the district.

Klamm's power point showed more detail for both math and reading showing that, while many scores have been rising slowly, they are still below state averages. While there were cases of specific classes scoring above average as they progress through the system, there were also cases where scores had dropped.

Klamm noted classes that consistently scored higher were due to the specific students in that class. She wanted to see higher scores for the same grade level over several years. That would mean the instruction was the reason.

One of Klamm's achievement goals is to show a five percentage point improvement in both reading and math. Her plan to reach this goal is to provide staff with more time and professional development skills to learn and implement best-practice reading and math curriculums.

Another strategy is to help teacher integrate technology into their teaching and assessment plans.

In other business the board:

- Rescinded a motion from the September meeting regarding the Staples Community Center contract and approved a new contract with a lower cost to the district. The finance committee will meet with the superintendent and a city representative to develop a plan for future contracts.

- Approved the sale by bid of land that was the former location of the southside tennis courts.

- Accepted the resignation of Marci Lord, business manager, and Megan Martin, payroll clerk.

- Approved contracts for Jackie Tyrrell, Amanda Weishair and Matthew Holmquist as paraprofessionals; and for Taylor Marucha as a payroll, human resources and risk management clerk.



Chatting with the Secretary of State

Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon, left, along with his assistant Daniela Filardo, thanked Central Lakes College Student Senate members for their role in registering voters on the Staples Campus. On the couch, from left, Alex Carr, Jordan Johnson, and Nick Downs. Megan Pachan in the lower left corner. "Thanks for your efforts, I think it's going to move the needle," Simon told students. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Simon offers students election year advice

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

"The election is in 22 days, it's going to be pretty epic," Minnesota Secretary of State Steve Simon told Central Lakes College students on Oct. 17. "I can't think of a more interesting time to be in the democracy business."

Simon came to the college to thank the CLC Student Senate for registering 118 of the 200 students on the campus. The college is also looking at ways to transport students to the polls on Nov. 8.

Simon said that although the presidential race "sucks all the air out of the room," the other races on the ballot are also important.

Simon said there are different predictions of whether there will be high or low voter turnout this year. "The two major party nominees inspire strong feelings," he said. "Usually that drives turnout, when people feel strongly."

He said Minnesota was the number one state in the nation in voter turnout for nine years in a row until the 2014 election.

He said they are trying to get back to number one through a new no-excuses absentee ballot law and continuing the same day registration process. He said voters can now order their ballots to be mailed to their door at mnvotes.org. They can also register to

vote online but that deadline has passed until election day.

Simon also is implementing the "Ballot Bowl" among Minnesota colleges, a competition to get more college students registered. "The outpouring has been great," said Simon.

In one day they registered 27,000 college students, exceeding their old record of 7,600.

Simon also asked the students what they were hearing about the election. Alex Carr said he has heard students say their

vote doesn't matter or that they don't know the candidates.

Simon said every vote matters and reminded students that you don't have to vote for every race on the ballot. "Your ballot is not spoiled if you vote for only two of the questions on it. I would rather have you vote for the ones you feel good about."

Simon also said a third party or write-in vote is not a wasted vote. "That's what the write-in line is for," he said.

Staples City Council wants cars off lawns

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Spurred by reports of cars parked on front lawns in Staples, the Staples City Council discussed ways to enforce city ordinances.

Council member Kevin Jenkins said he has seen cars and a tractor parked on front yards on 5th St. NE and other places in town, which is prohibited by city ordinances.

Jenkins said the practice is harmful to property values. "If you live next to one of these houses, you will have a hard time selling it," said Jenkins.

Mayor Chris Etzler said the city has been enforcing some of the ordinances on a complaint-driven basis but agreed he would like to eliminate that system. He said the police don't have time to drive around looking for nuisance violations and suggested looking into another position that could do it. He said long grass and sidewalk shoveling ordinances are also unevenly enforced.

Council member Doug Case, a former police officer, said complaint driven enforcement doesn't work from a police standpoint, as it can evolve into bigger problems. He said there used to be an inspector who would send letters out in the spring and the police would cite the homeowners who didn't comply. "It was effective," said Case.

Council member Mary Theurer agreed that it

should be enforced. "We have to send a message that it is not acceptable," she said.

In other news, the council

- Approved a request from Sacred Heart Catholic Church to conduct bingo.

- Approved rental agreement with Staples-Motley School District for rental of Staples Community Center and swimming pool.

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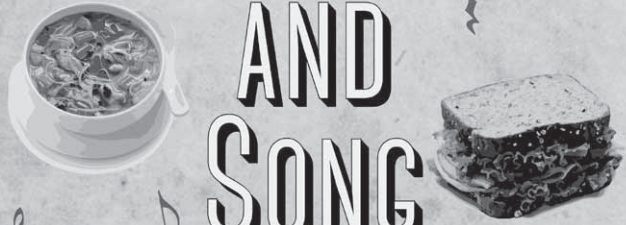
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High school offers variety of opportunities

With the school year now underway, I can't help but draw attention to the diversity of programming here on campus. Through the years, to the credit of the staff, they continue to reinvent what high school course offerings look like at Staples-Motley High School. This has been one of our strengths over the past few years. I'm proud to say they truly bring something new, semester after semester.

To start, Connections High School remains the region's only Project Based Learning school. Their appeal has generated nearly 50 percent of their enrollment being open-enrolled to us. Recently, they attended their fall conference at Camp Shamaineau where the student body and staff were put to task regarding various relationship and leadership based activities. They made solid impressions on themselves, which is sure to be long lasting as they move throughout their school year.

Lorna Bendson has been taking several of her science classes to Living Legacy Gardens for bee pollination research - an effort in conjunction with her own studies at the University of Minnesota over the past few years. The gathering of the bees teaches students about the importance of pollinators in our world and the

Staples-Motley Schools



By Mike Schmidt
Staples-Motley and Connections High Schools Principal

power they possess in sustaining natural habitat and species. She's applied for several grants to not only continue with the studies, but, perhaps, develop a garden on site that would benefit other high school courses, as well as the elementary school.

We continue to be pleased with our College in the School's offerings, which allow students to earn college credit and remain on our campus. The courses are taught by our teachers who have pursued the credentials to do so. Of the eight courses offered this semester, 163 student seats are occupied. That's a lot of college credit being earned!

Our eighth graders have made a great transition onto our campus and are taking advantage of exclusive course offerings ranging from Broadcasting to Project Lead the Way. Their energy is quite endearing and they enjoyed attending their first homecoming with the ninth-12th graders.

Our campus here at Staples-Motley High School is as diverse as they come in today's era of education. We continue to strive to offer our students the opportunities that not only educate them, but also engage them with one another and the faculty. Their education is intermixed with meaningful connections and relationships with those they share their days with.

Letter to the Editor

Respect our freedom of expression

It seems in this most unusual election cycle that some folks are still unable to play fair. Playing fair is simply respecting other people's opinions. It can be compared to good sportsmanship in athletic events.

In our country we still have the freedom to express our individual rights as long as we are not infringing on other's rights.

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Trump signs continue to be taken and/or vandalized from many locations. Is that playing fair?

Within a matter of weeks this election cycle will be history. Our hope is that respect and peace will prevail into the future for the sake of our country and all our citizens.

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October 22, 29

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Oct. 26 - Nov. 26

WILTON COURSE 1: BUILDING BUTTERCREAM SKILLS Wednesdays, Oct. 26; and Nov. 2, 9, 16, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Staples-Motley High School, Rm. 601. Taught by Linda Brotherton, Wilton certified instructor. Class size limited. Sponsored by Staples-Motley Community Education.

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Candidates pledge to work hard

out that is just the way the addresses are set up, since he lives in Cass County.

Priorities

All four candidates were asked what their top priorities will be as school board members.

Dobson said a quality education and a "wonderful atmosphere" are needed for students to learn in. He said he would like to see the community collaborate with the board.

Longbella said education is number one, but he also sees athletics, arts and extra-curricular activities as important in creating the character of the school.

Frisk said he would like to follow the new mission statement of the school to become the school of choice in the area. He said the school system today has assumed a role they never had to in the past, to address the needs of kids that they are not getting from their family.

Winkels said that as the realignment is taking place, he would like to make sure that the school board is also aligned. "As a group, what do we need to accomplish this vision?" he asked.

Random questions

Candidates were asked different questions during each round of the debate, and in some rounds were able to choose a question that had been asked.

Here are some examples of their responses:

Dobson on Connections High School: "It is a tremendously great program, with career-oriented learning, they can actually go out and feel that career out. It should be advertised a lot more than it is."

Winkels on the re-start campaign: "I absolutely support the move." He said there are challenges with the middle school divide and the music program, but "It is going to help us move forward as a district."

Frisk on business involvement with the schools: "For daytime events, business people go above and beyond." But he said many Motley business owners and most teachers live out of town. He suggested businesses be made aware of the things going on at the school.

Longbella on issues the Minnesota Legislature should address: "Transportation is huge," especially



Preparing for lunch

A few members of the Staples Area Women's Chorus paused for a photo before serving lunch at the 2015 Soup, Sandwich and a Song event. This year's lunch and concert is Oct. 29. From left are Dorothy Koopman, Carrie Patterson, Louise Dragna, Anne Freelove, Wendy Hansen and Kay Howell. (Submitted photo)

'Soup, Sandwich and a Song' concert Oct. 29

The Staples Area Women's Chorus will present their annual "Soup, Sandwich and a Song" concert Saturday, Oct. 29, at 12:30 p.m. at Staples Alliance Church, 1512 8th St. NE, Staples. Doors will open at noon.

Members of the chorus will serve soup, a sandwich and a dessert to begin the event. While audience members enjoy their lunch, the chorus, under the direction of Rob Freelove, will entertain with a wide variety of music featuring new numbers along with chorus favorites.

Advance tickets are available from chorus members, Markus Hair Design, Motley; and Nelson Insurance Agency and Staples World, Staples. Tickets may be available at the door if they are not sold out in advance.

Mark Your Calendar

October 25

CARE COMMUNITY MEAL Tues., Oct. 25, 4:30 - 6 p.m., Congregational Church, 205 5th St. NE., Staples. Free. For info, 218-894-2571. Hosted with Thomastown Covenant Church.

October 26

STAPLES SENIOR CITIZENS HALLOWEEN PARTY Wed., Oct. 26, following the 11:45 a.m. meal. Free bingo, door prize, etc. Costumes encouraged but not required. To register for meal (required) call 218-894-2556 by noon on Mon., Oct. 24.

MEDICAL HOME PATIENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MTG Wed., Oct. 26, 2 - 3 p.m., Lakewood Health System, main campus, lower level classrooms. All Lakewood patients welcome. For info., to RSVP by Oct. 25, call 218-894-8311 or email loiswalters@lakewoodhealthsystem.com.

October 27

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A free information session on turning an idea for a product or service into a viable business will be offered Tuesday, Nov. 1, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance), 202 12th St. NE, Staples.

The presentation "Going into Business for Yourself" will be given by Rick Utech, Todd County Development Corporation and Small Business Development Center. RSVP via email to soyouvegotanidea@gmail.com or contact Melissa Radermacher at 218-894-2550.

Last winter the Staples community started working with the Initiative Foundation on the Thriving Communities Initiative that included more than one hundred residents working to create a plan that would build upon their current assets to keep their community thriving.

Through a collaborative effort including business owners, community groups, volunteers and city officials, Staples is now working towards implementation of that plan. One of the identified goals is to encourage entrepre-

neurship, create a culture of innovation and encourage start-ups.

"So you've got an idea and you know it's winner. Now what? How do you get started? Don't let those questions keep you from your dream of starting a business and being a successful entrepreneur. We can help," said Ryan Wright, Task Force Chair.

Get questions answered and get on track to opening a business. Business development professionals and successful business owners are available as guides.

Chamber to hold 'Sip & Savor Social'

Do you have the beverages you need for that special holiday meal or event? Here is an opportunity to find your new favorite beer and wine.

The Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a fundraiser Friday, Oct. 21 at the Staples Community Center from 6-8:30 p.m. The chamber along with area on and off sale liquor businesses will showcase over 12 different vendors with samples of their products just in time for the holidays. Attendees will be able to sample beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres from

local sponsors.

Some of the sponsors to date include; Ernie's, The Liquor Depot, Lefty's, Motley Discount Liquor, Twisted Sisters, Jon's Family Foods, Morey's, KWAD, KEYL, KSKK and others.

Tickets are available from chamber board members, at the chamber office, Nelson Insurance Agency, Staples World and the above sponsors.

For more information call the chamber office at 218-894-3974 or email smchamber@arvig.net

Area youth to 'Trick or Treat' for food shelf Oct. 30

The 18th annual community "Trick or Treating for Food Shelf" will be Sunday, Oct. 30, from 3 - 5:30 p.m.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider request from Knights of Columbus #1803 for permission to conduct a raffle on Dec. 30, 2016.
- Consider second reading of ordinance adjusting Mayor and City Council Member compensation.
- Open forum.
- City administrator's report.

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League of Legends sport comes to S-MHS

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Staples-Motley students are entering the battle arena with their champions, marksmen, summoners, assassins, mages, bruisers, tanks, totems and minions. In the League of Legends video game, teams of five players command their units to follow the arena pathways to destroy the other team's base. The game has inspired a worldwide following and is now a competitive sport in which high school teams play against each other. A group of Staples-Motley High School students have started a team at the school. "Ever since I was little I've been a gamer," said Dominic Simon, one of the student organizers who helped the game get started at the here.

There are other competitive video games, generically speaking like eSports, but League of Legends is the best because of the in-depth game play and all the avid followers. "It's like a huge family," Simon said. The new players at Staples-Motley will run their game through the High School Starleague, a safe, secure host which keeps competition just between high schools. In spite of the reputation of video games being the refuge of loners, this one has a strong social component to it. "League of Legends is a great community, I love the team aspect of it," said Simon. To play the game, communication between the five teammates is critically important. Like in any team sport, Simon said it's

very helpful to get to know your teammates and learn how they like to play. "It's so team-based, you're always talking while in the game, you have to get to know the people beside you," said Simon. If a person plays the game alone online, they communicate remotely with their five teammates. Simon said he likes the high school league aspect of the five teammates sitting together, in the same room, so they can discuss strategy live while they are playing. Since the team at Staples-Motley is new, they'll start playing internally to gain experience. Players can build and strengthen their own personal team as they play more, so an inexperienced team wouldn't have a chance against a top team.

The Staples-Motley teams hope to scrimmage Wadena-DC sometime this year, as Wadena-DC already has a high school team. By next year S-M hopes to join the high school league. Only a few of the Staples-Motley players have experience with the game, but there's a lot of interest in trying out. "Most of the people I talked to are super into it," said Simon. That includes Principal Mike Schmidt, who said the students have done everything right in getting the league started at the school. "It was brought to us by the students in an incredible way," said Schmidt. The students also decided that the league will follow the accountability guidelines of the Minnesota State High School League, meaning, students must maintain good grades and show good behavior to keep playing with the team. "We don't want anyone playing if they're falling



Battle arena training

Dominic Simon points out some of the strategic points on a League of Legends battle arena map during a team practice. There are three main attack lanes where players fight their opponent, with the hope of taking down their tower and destroying their base.

behind in school and failing classes," said Simon. As a popular extra-curricular activity, Schmidt compared it to the trap shooting league that was recently started and has taken off at the school.



Gamers ready to battle on screen

Dispelling the notion that only boys play video games, several girls are part of the Staples-Motley League of Legends team. Pictured from left, Samantha Ratajczak, Hope Ratajczak, Chelsea Hofmann and Xena Mason. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Let the gamers begin.....

At the Staples-Motley Homecoming parade, League of Legends players dressed up to spread their message about their new video gaming league. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



League of Legends players

Some of the members of the Staples Motley League of Legends players include, from left, Jeffrey Allen, Zeke Cline, Ethan Williams and Bryce Weber. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Students organize blood drive

Coralie DeWald, left, signs up to donate blood at the Red Cross blood drive held Oct. 14 at the Staples Community Center. From left, Staples-Motley High School student organizers included; Grace VanAlst, Norah Anderson, Taylor Converse and Taylor Heldman. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



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Born to Amy Kniss and Lucas Schmidt of Menahga, a baby girl, Estelle Ann, weighing seven pounds, one ounce on October 6, 2016.

Born to Amy Emerfohl and Shawn Keller of Brainerd, a baby girl, Gwendolyn Lycille weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces on October 7, 2016.

Born to Daniel and Aubrey Niccum of Brainerd, a baby girl, Briella Sandra Grace weighing seven pounds, two ounces on October 12, 2016.

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Obituaries

Regina Klimek

Regina Martha Klimek, 92, of Alexandria, formerly of Millerville, passed away October 15, 2016, at Diamond Willow Assisted Living in Alexandria.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday, Oct. 20, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Seven Dolors Catholic Church in Millerville with Fr. Peter VanderWeyst officiating.

Burial will be at the church cemetery.

Arrangements are provided by Lind Family Funeral & Cremation Services, Alexandria.

Regina was born May 12, 1924, to Edmund and Clara (Klimek) Roers in Urbank. She was baptized and attended Catholic school at Sacred Heart Church in Urbank. Regina was united in marriage to Norbert Klimek on February 16, 1944. Following their marriage, they farmed briefly near Evansville and settled on a farm near Urbank. Regina was a member of Our Lady of Seven Dolors Catholic Church and was active in the church choir, Christian Mothers, Council of Catholic Women and American Legion Auxillary. She was a news correspondent for the West Douglas County Record. Regina enjoyed polka dancing, taking vacations, gardening, scrapbooking, quilting and especially spending time with babies, children, family and friends.

Regina is survived by two sons, Fred (Wanda) Klimek, Alexandria, Norby Klimek and Lorna of Staples; two daughters, Rossellen (Linus) Korkowski, Alexandria and Marlene Currie of Flagstaff, Arizona; 13 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers, Conrad (Darlene) Roers and Rolland (Jenny) Roers; two sisters, Dorothy Cihlar and Adeline (Ronald) Gust; sisters-in-law, Elreen Roers, Gert Roers, ViAnn Roers, Margaret Roers, Bernadine Busch; brothers-in-law, Urban Klimek and Clement (Beatrice) Klimek; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one sister, Loretta Klimek; three brothers, Mathias, Harold and Leonard Roers; brother-in-law, Henry Cihlar; sister-in-law, Diane Roers; and son-in-law, Bernie Danelke.

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Oct. birthday celebration

October birthdays were celebrated October 11, at the regular monthly birthday party held in the Senior Citizen's room at the Staples Community Center. Celebrating birthdays in October were, front: Ruby Bautch, standing, Donna Breckenridge, Kathy Crews and Fran Mertens. Happy Birthday was sung along with each receiving a decorated cake and a card. Drawings were also held for door prizes. The next Birthday/Anniversary party will be Tuesday, Nov. 8.

The Seniors will be having a Halloween party, Wednesday, Oct. 26, following their noon meal at the Staples Community Center. Free bingo with prizes, door prizes and more. Costumes are encouraged but not mandatory. Join in the Halloween fun. Reservations are required for the meal by calling 218-894-2556 before noon on Oct. 24 .



Teacher training

Trainer Jacki Brickman shared nonverbal classroom strategies with a group of educators at a recent session developed by NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance), Staples. More than 750 teachers, principals, superintendents, coaches and curriculum coordinators took advantage of 18 professional development courses over the summer. NJPA serves 23 school districts in Minnesota Region 5, which includes Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd, and Wadena counties. By offering programs for multiple districts, NJPA is able to tap into national and international education experts for local training events. (Submitted photo)

Ronald Larson

Ronald E. Larson, 79, of Brooklyn Park passed away October 2, 2016 at Park Nicollett-Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park.

Memorial services will be held at the Staples Church of Christ on Sunday, October 23 at 2:00 p.m. with internment following the service at the Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples.

Ronald is survived by one daughter, Erin Maloney of Minneapolis and one son, Cody Beaulieu (Effie); five sisters, Beverly Zabroski, Hopkins, Patricia Johnson, Staples, Sandy (Gary) Winkle, Ham Lake, Barbara (David) Cline, Staples and Deborah Larson, St. Cloud; one brother, Daryl Larson, Motley; three step-sisters, Bev Hahn, Barbara Dahl,



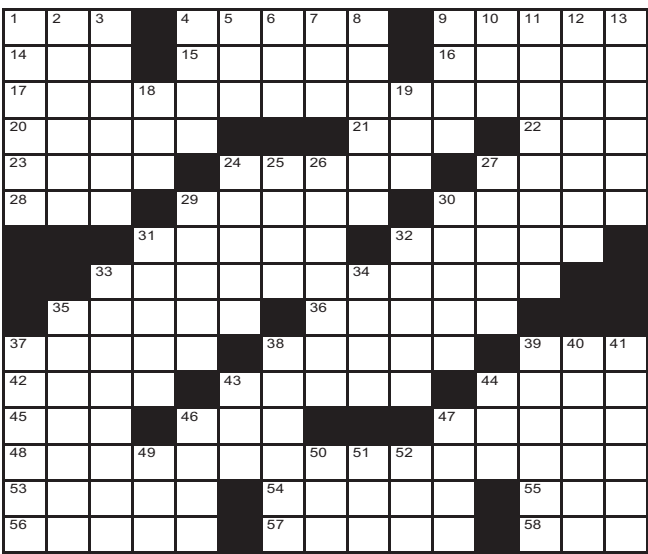
both of Staples and Bonnie (Wayne) Witkop, Pequot Lakes and one step-brother, Jerry (Connie) Pribbenow, SC.

Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents, Roy Larson and Delores Larson Pribbenow; his wife; one son and one sister.

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Crossword Puzzle

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- Across
- 1 Quite a hgt.
- 4 ____ salad
- 9 Gemstone
- 14 “You ____ here”
- 15 Diamond weight
- 16 Delete
- 17 Avoid answering
- 20 Long play part
- 21 Tidy sum
- 22 Wizards’ org.
- 23 Cruel
- 24 Claw
- 27 MLB no.
- 28 Abbr. on old Asian maps
- 29 Like some cycles
- 30 English county
- 31 Some are inert
- 32 Leg areas
- 33 Moving in a squatting posture
- 35 Sign of spring
- 36 Like hot fudge
- 37 Cunningly
- 38 Broth brand
- 39 Move like a bunny
- 42 Leaf unit
- 43 Sunday entrée
- 44 Spanish lady
- 45 “I believe,” briefly
- 46 Kick
- 47 He’s toast
- 48 Warm winter coat
- 53 More eccentric
- 54 Amp knobs
- 55 Word of support
- 56 Irritable
- 57 Dominant
- 58 Spread, as hay
- Down
- 1 Women’s titles
- 2 Breathers
- 3 Sweet stuff
- 4 Security guard’s option
- 5 Derisive laugh
- 6 Bard’s “before”
- 7 E-help listing
- 8 Daze
- 9 “____ we forget...”
- 10 Know-how
- 11 Oil, e.g.
- 12 Forecaster’s lines
- 13 100-member legislature
- 18 Family
- 19 One billion years
- 24 Elephant’s ivory
- 25 All over again
- 26 Layered pasta dish
- 27 Polished
- 29 Cagney’s TV partner
- 30 More likely to retire
- 31 Cunning
- 32 LPGA garment
- 33 Textiles
- 34 WCs
- 35 Like some desserts
- 37 Water bearer?
- 38 ____ dragon (giant lizard)
- 39 Greet with a beep
- 40 Feature of some jacks
- 41 Said goodbye
- 43 Relieve
- 44 M.D., familiarly
- 46 Actual
- 47 Sound astonished
- 49 Go down
- 50 Take home
- 51 Turner of note
- 52 Singer Jennifer’s nickname



Last Week’s Answers
“100”

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 490th St. NE, 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
First Service 8:30 a.m.
Second Service 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:35 a.m.
Coffee fellowship 9:35 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church

310 4th St. NE, Staples 218-894-2296
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 Scoggins, Pastor
Saturday Worship 9:30 am.
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 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 Bob Ford
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 490th Street, Aldrich
Eric Clapp 701-261-2394 (cell)
Sunday Worship 8:15 a.m.
Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Cushing

Bethany Lutheran

25430 Bison Rd.Cushing, MN
320-749-2140
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
Pastor Bob Ford
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 Maltore
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.
Phone 218-746-3839
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 7:00 p.m.
V.EDNESDAY 7:00 p.m.

The secret of the bended knee

Pastor Roy Miles, Staples Assembly of God Church

I've been thinking of the upcoming election and wondering what the outcome will be. I came across this article about the bended knee and thought you would enjoy it. Our future as Christians and citizens of the U.S.A. hinges on holding on to Jesus.

“Have you ever watched a bird sleeping on its perch and never falling off? How does it manage to do this?

The secret is the tendons of the bird's legs. They are so constructed that when the leg is bent at the knee, the claws contract and grip like a steel trap. The claws refuse to let go until the knees are unbent again. The bended knee gives the bird the ability to hold on to his perch so tightly.

Isn't this also the secret of the holding power of the Christian? Daniel found this to be true. Surrounded by a pagan environment, tempted to compromise with evil urged to weaken his grip on God, he refused to let go. He held firm when others faltered because he was a man of prayer. He knew the power of the bended knee.

From sleeping birds we can learn the secret of holding things which are most precious to us - honesty, purity, thoughtfulness, honor, character. That secret is the knee bent in prayer, seeking to get a firmer grip on those values which make life worth living. When we hold firmly to God in prayer, we can rest assured He will hold tightly to us.”
(author unknown)

Central Building Supply

Bob Reeck, Manager
Hwy. 10 West, Staples, MN

Longbella Drug Store

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

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making, jerky, chicken,
by Mikish
218-894-2816 (leave message)

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Staples, MN 218-894-1072

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Staples, MN 218-894-1775

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**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF TODD
DISTRICT COURT
SEVENTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
CASE TYPE:
OTHER CIVIL
(Quiet Title)
COURT FILE NO.
77-CV-16-970**

SUMMONS

Mitchell McGlade,
Plaintiff,
v.

Sharon Ann Florhaug;
The Estate of Frank J. Krieglmeier, deceased;
The Estate of Rita M. Krieglmeier, deceased; and
all heirs and devisees of any of the above-named persons who are deceased; and
all other persons who are deceased; and
all other persons or entities claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the Summons and Complaint herein,
Defendants.

THIS SUMMONS IS
DIRECTED TO THE
ABOVE NAMED
DEFENDANTS.

1. YOU ARE BEING SUED. The Plaintiff has started a lawsuit against you. The Plaintiff's Complaint against you is attached to this Summons. Do not throw these papers away. They are official papers that affect your rights. You must respond to this lawsuit even though it may not yet be filed with the Court and there may be no court file number on this Summons.

2. YOU MUST REPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS. You must give or mail to the person who signed this summons a written response called an Answer within 20 days of the date on which you received this Summons. You must send a copy of your Answer to the person who signed this Summons located at:

Heley, Duncan & Melander, PLLP
8500 Normandale Lake Blvd., Suite 2110
Bloomington, MN 55437

3. YOU MUST RESPOND TO EACH CLAIM. The Answer is your written response to the Plaintiff's Complaint. In your Answer you must state whether you agree or disagree with each paragraph of the Complaint. If you believe the Plaintiff should not be given everything asked for in the Complaint, you must say so in your Answer.

4. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR CASE IF YOU DO NOT SEND A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON WHO SIGNED THIS SUMMONS. If you do not Answer within 20 days, you will lose this case. You will not get to tell your side of the story, and the Court may decide against you and award the Plaintiff everything asked for in the Complaint. If you do not want to contest the claims stated in the Complaint, you do not need to respond. A default judgment can then be entered against you for the relief requested in the Complaint.

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. You may wish to get legal help from a lawyer. If you do not have a lawyer, the Court Administrator may have information about places where you can get legal assistance. **Even if you cannot get legal help, you must still provide a written Answer to protect your rights or you may lose the case.**

6. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION. The parties may agree to or be ordered to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process under Rule 114 of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice. You must still send your written response to the Complaint even if you expect to use alternative means of resolving this dispute.

7. To be included only if this lawsuit affects title to real property:

THIS LAWSUIT MAY AFFECT OR BRING INTO QUESTION TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY located in Todd County, Minnesota, legally described as

follows:

That part of Government Lot 2, Section 25, Township 129, Range 35, Todd County, Minnesota included in the following described parcel:

Starting at the Southeast corner of Lot 26 of Little Deer Beach Addition to Leslie Township as the point of beginning, thence going East on a straight line with South line of said Lot 26 to the center of the Township Road, thence Northerly along the center line of said road to a point in a straight line with the Northerly line of Lot 27 of Little Deer Beach Addition to Leslie Township, thence westerly along said line to the Northeast corner of said Lot 27, thence Southerly along the East line of said Lot 27 and Lot 26 to the point of beginning.

(the "Property")

The object of this action is to:

1. Obtain an Order and declaratory judgment determining, adjudging, and decreeing that Plaintiff Mitchell McGlade is the owner in fee of the Property.

2. Obtain an Order and declaratory judgment determining, adjudging, and decreeing that the Defendants, or anyone claiming through them, have no right, title, interest, estate, or lien upon the Property.

3. For other relief that the Court deems just and equitable.

HELEY, DUNCAN & MELANDER, PLLP

Dated: August 30, 2016

By: /s/ Jeffrey A. Scott
Jeffrey A. Scott (#0339416)
8500 Normandale Lake Boulevard, Suite 2110
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55437
952-841-0001
Attorneys for Plaintiff

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 549.211, subd. 2, costs, disbursements, and reasonable attorney and witness fees may be awarded to the opposing party or parties in this litigation if the court should find that the undersigned acted in bad faith, asserting a claim or defense that is frivolous and that is costly to the other party, asserted an unfounded position solely to delay the ordinary course of the proceedings or to harass, or committed a fraud upon the court.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Scott
Jeffrey A. Scott

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**TODD COUNTY
NOTICE
OF PUBLIC SALE
BY SEALED BID/
PUBLIC AUCTION**

The County of Todd, a political subdivision organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota will be accepting sealed bids until November 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at the Todd County Commissioner's Room, 2151 1st Ave. S., Suite 300, Long Prairie, MN, for the purchase and sale of the land and buildings at Co. Rd. 56, Long Prairie, MN 56347. This parcel has been used as a Sheriff's Impound Lot, Veteran's Service Garage and Sentence to Serve Wood Sale lot. The parcel will be sold "AS IS" with no warranty whatsoever. Additionally there is no warranty on boundaries or legal descriptions.

All bidders will complete, sign and submit a Purchase Agreement together with earnest money of \$10,000.00 in the form a cashier's check payable to Todd County. After opening of the sealed bids on November 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., any bona-fide bidder may raise their bid as in public auction until such time as a successful bidder is determined. The minimum bid which the Seller will consider is \$277,185.00 plus any and all attorney fees incurred by the county in selling the real estate.

The successful bidder will be required to complete the closing with full payment and possession in accordance with the terms of the purchase agreement. Todd County will issue a Quit Claim Deed as

set forth in the Purchase Agreement. The Purchase Agreement and bidding instructions may be obtained from the following:

Sellnow Law Office
229 Central Avenue
Long Prairie, MN 56347
Todd County Website www.co.todd.mn.us

Todd County reserves the right to reject in whole or in part any bid deemed to be insufficient, to accept a bid which, in the sole judgment of Todd County, best serves the interest of Todd County and to waive any and all technicalities.

Sealed bids shall be clearly marked "BID FOR PARCEL NOS. 36-4013300 AND 36-4014300", and submitted to Denise Gaida at the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer's Office, 215 1st Ave. S., Suite 201, Long Prairie, MN 56347 or Sellnow Law Office, 229 Central Avenue, Long Prairie, MN 56347 on or before November 7, 2016 or presented on the date the bids are open.

The parcels are located at Co. Rd. 56 in the City of Long Prairie. The legal description is as follows:

That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 17, Township 129 North, Range 33 West, Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 2, Block One, BURLINGTON ADDITION, according to the recorded plat thereof;

thence on a record bearing of North 74 degrees, 50 minutes 00 seconds West along the northwesterly extension of the northerly line of said Lot 2 a distance of 427.32 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described;

thence South 18 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds West 225.15 feet;

thence North 71 degrees 09 minutes 34 seconds West 271.31 feet to the easterly right of way line of County Road No. 56;

thence North 25 degrees 37 minutes 38 seconds East along said easterly right of way line 224.53 feet;

thence South 71 degrees 40 minutes 30 seconds East 242.60 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.32 acres more or less

AND
That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 17, Township 129 North, Range 33 West, Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 2, Block One, BURLINGTON ADDITION, according to the recorded plat thereof;

thence on a record bearing of North 74 degrees 50 minutes 00 seconds West along the extension of the northerly line of said Lot 2 a distance of 427.32 feet;

thence South 18 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds West 225.15 feet to the point of beginning of the land to be described;

thence North 71 degrees 09 minutes 34 seconds West 271.31 feet to the easterly right-of-way line of County Road No. 56;

thence South 25 degrees 37 minutes 38 seconds West along said right-of-way line 115.91 feet;

thence South 72 degrees 35 minutes 31 seconds East 286.15 feet;

thence North 18 degrees 17 minutes 00 seconds East 107.95 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing 0.71 acre more or less.

Barbara Becker, Todd County Commissioner
Chairperson

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**TODD COUNTY
NOTICE OF
PUBLIC ACCURACY
TESTING**

The public is welcome to observe the Public Accuracy Testing of Election Machines for the upcoming General Election.

Testing will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. in the Election Room located in the Main Street Government Center at 347 Central Ave., Long Prairie, MN.

Please contact 320-732-4414 with any questions.

Denise Gaida, Todd County Auditor-Treasurer

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**NOTICE
LAKE SHORE
AERATION WARNING
LAKE SHAMINEAU**

Open water along the shore with thin ice around the edge on the South shores of Lake Shamineau. Starting November 15 and early months of 2017. For inquiries call 651-698-8246
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**NOTICE
NJPA ACCEPTING
SEALED BIDS**

The following miscellaneous surplus items are offered for sale by Sealed Bid. Sealed bids must be received at the NJPA Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on November 1, 2016.

ITEM A: 10' x 12' insulated, overhead garage door
ITEM B: 8' x 12' wooden shed

ITEM C: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (2 sections, 15 ft in total length)

ITEM D: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (3 sections, 18 ft in total length)

ITEM E: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (3 sections, 18 ft in total length)

ITEM F: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (3 sections, 18 ft in total length)

ITEM G: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (3 sections, 18 ft in total length)

ITEM H: Miscellaneous wood deck sections (3 sections, 18 ft in total length)

Items may be seen at NJPA, 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN. Please stop at the front desk and ask for Al Griffith.

Sealed bids must clearly indicate on the outside of the envelope "Sealed Bid" and which Item(s) is being bid on and can be mailed to: NJPA, PO Box 219, Staples, MN 56479 (please allow sufficient time for mail delivery). Please include a phone number you can be reached at during the day.

OR can be delivered in person to NJPA at 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479 no later than 3:00 p.m. on November 1, 2016

At 3:05 p.m. on November 1, 2016 all bids received shall be opened in public at NJPA, 202 12th Street NE, Staples, MN in Room 401 and the amount of bid recorded.

Successful bidders will be notified by phone following the opening of the bids. Items must be paid for in full prior to removing them from the premises.

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**NOTICE
TODD COUNTY
BOARD OF
ADJUSTMENT
215 First Ave. South
Long Prairie,
Minnesota 56347
320-732-4420**

Notice is hereby given that on **Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** the Todd County Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing in the Commissioner's board room, 215 1st Ave. South, Long Prairie, Minnesota to consider the following Variance applications:

1) **Gene Kramer:** LOT-4 BLK-2 Lands End Subdivision (9-128-35). Site Address: 19307 Eastwood Dr, Osakis MN 56360
PIN: 10-0053500

Variance request to reduce the structural setback to the road right of way from 20 feet to 10 feet.

2) **Linda Gilmore:** Sect-14 Twp-127 Rang-34 Part of NW4 of SE4 AND Sect-14 Twp-127 Rang-34 Part of GOV Lot 2. Site Address: 12261 Alcott Dr. Sauk Centre, MN 56378
PIN: 11-0063700 AND 03-0029100

Variance request 1. To reduce the structural setback to the ordinary high water level from 100 feet to 50 feet to construct a lake home. 2. To reduce the setback for the home from the drainfield from the required 20 feet to 15 feet 3. To build a deck within the shore impact zone of 50 feet from the lake.

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

Todd County Board of Adjustment
Bill Berscheit, Chair

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**NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED
ASSESSMENT
OF DELINQUENT
UTILITY BILLS**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staples City Council will meet at 8:05 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, at the Staples City Hall to consider, and possibly adopt, the proposed assessment against the following described property that has delinquent utility bills:

• Lots 11 & 12, Block 6, Bigelow Addition to Staples. Parcel No. 38-0111610

The proposed assessment is on file for public inspection at the City Clerk's office. The total amount of the proposed assessment is \$373.28. Written or oral objections will be considered at the hearing.

Owners have the right to prepay the entire assessment to the City Clerk without an interest charge within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment. However, if the assessment is not prepaid, the assessment principal will be assessed in one installment plus interest at a rate of 6% per annum, with payment due in 2017 with real estate taxes.

Owners may appeal an assessment to District Court pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 429.081 by serving notice of the appeal upon the Mayor or City Clerk of the City within 30 days after the adoption of the assessment and filing such notice with the District Court within 10 days after service upon the Mayor or Clerk; however, no appeal may be taken as to the amount of any individual assessment, unless a written objection signed by the affected property owner is filed with the City Clerk prior to or at the assessment hearing.

Dated: October 12, 2016

Phil Lindaman,
City Clerk

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**NOTICE
CITY ELECTION
CITY OF STAPLES,
MINNESOTA**

NOTICE is hereby given that the biennial election for the City of Staples, Todd and Wadena Counties, State of Minnesota, will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Polling place will be in the Staples Community Center located at 425 Fourth Street Northeast. Offices to be filled at this election are the Mayor and four City Council Members. The Mayor shall serve for a term of two (2) years. The three individuals receiving the highest number of votes for City Council Member shall serve for terms of four (4) years and the individual receiving the fourth highest number of votes for City Council Member shall serve for a term of two (2) years.

Dated this 13th day of October, 2016

Phil Lindaman,
City Clerk

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**NOTICE
VILLARD TOWNSHIP
GENERAL ELECTION**

Notice is hereby given that that a General Election will be held in the Election Precincts of Todd County *Including: Villard Township* at Township Hall in Philbrook, 31337 County 28, on Tuesday, the Eighth (8th) day of November, 2016 at which time the polls will be open from the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. to the hour of eight (8) o'clock p.m. Absentee Ballots can be acquired by calling the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer's Office at 320-732-4471.

On the ballot will also be the Villard Township Election of one (1) Town Supervisor and one (1) Clerk for four (4) year terms.

Board of Canvass will meet on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Eastwood Inn in Motley, followed by the regular November Township Board meeting. Note date change from 2016 posted calendar.

Note that Villard Township Meetings on the following dates will be held at the Eastwood Inn in Motley: Tuesdays, November 15, 2016; December 13, 2016; January 10, 2017; February 14, 2017; March 14, 2017; April 11, 2017 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Connie Mosack, Clerk
Villard Township

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**PUBLIC NOTICE
OF GENERAL
ELECTION**

The polls will be open on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Thomastown Town hall.

Joy Weyer, Clerk
Thomastown Township

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**NOTICE
CITY OF STAPLES
SECOND AND
FINAL READING
OF ORDINANCE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Staples City Council gave an ordinance its first reading proposing to increase the salaries of the Mayor and City Council Members effective January 1, 2017. The salary of the Mayor is proposed to increase from \$250 per month to \$370 per month. The salary for each City Council Member is proposed to increase from \$185 per month to \$315 per month. In addition, the Mayor and City Council Members will be permitted to be absent for a maximum of four meetings per fiscal year without salary reduction. Any absences in excess of four meetings will result in a prorated reduction of salary for the month in which the absence occurred.

The second and final reading will be considered at the October 25, 2016 Staples City Council meeting.

Dated: October 12, 2016

Phil Lindaman,
City Clerk

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Learn about Staples council, mayor candidates

I returned to Staples for a short while to teach at Staples-Motley High School in the late 1990s. Upon returning to Staples in 2003, I wanted to make a positive contribution to the community that I call home.

I'm currently serving as Mayor for the City of Staples. Prior to being elected Mayor in 2007, I served as a council member since April, 2005. I've served on several boards and committees including the Staples Motley Chamber of Commerce, Park and Rec Board, Airport Board, Staples Motley Community Foundation Board, Railroad Days Planning Team and several others. Currently I represent the City of Staples on the Friendly Rider Transit Board and I'm president of the Staples Amateur Baseball Association.

2. My top priority is to continue to work on making Staples the place where people want to live, work, learn and play. Staples is in a fortunate position right now as several area businesses are expanding and we could potentially see 200 to 400 new jobs in town in the next five years. Housing needs are a must if we as community want to realize the impact of these jobs.

Along with the important housing needs, we can't lose sight of the downtown and the opportunities that exist with some of the vacant buildings.

Brian Fisher

No photo was submitted. 1. I was born and raised in Bloomington. My sister and I were the first generation to be raised off the farm. My wife was raised on a farm in Pelican Rapids. Professionally, I have a degree in Mechanical Design and also worked for many years as a Collision Repair Technician. Before moving to Staples three years ago we lived in Colorado for ten years. We missed the Minnesota culture, family values and our loved ones so we were blessed when the opportunity came where we could move back home near family again.

2. As a husband and father of five, where we raise our family is important. This is why we moved here. We have a lot of positive momentum building in our town. We need to keep progress going while maintaining our proud heritage. A great town needs continually improving youth programs, expanding entertainment and activities for all ages and a thriving business community. We also need to keep improving our housing choices. I see these things as the primary focus for our town in the immediate future and I look forward to helping our town progress in these and all other areas. I feel that my positive attitude, diverse background and willingness to embrace change would be valuable to our town. I see our community pride in all of the volunteer work, committees and youth programs I've been a part of and I would be honored to serve the people of Staples.

Rachel Johnson:

1. I am the Executive Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer / Chief Nursing Office and Grant

Writer at Lakewood Health System. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and a minor in Human Resources from Waldorf College (Iowa). I am currently pursuing a Master in Business Administration with an emphasis in Rural Health through St. Scholastica. I currently chair the Skilled Workforce Task Force, a committee off of the Staples Thriving Community Initiative, Planning and Zoning and Advisory Board member for Staples Kinship.

2. There are four areas that I am passionate about 1) community health and wellness initiatives: such as trails, safe routes to school, community center and collaborative efforts on engaging community members. A healthy community is one in which all residents have access to quality education, safe and healthy homes, adequate employment, transportation, physical activity and nutrition. The health of our community is critical to the growth and development of our town. 2) Veterans: being a spouse of an Army National Guard member I see the importance of having the tools and resources for our military men and women. I would like to see us become a Yellow Ribbon community; 3) affordable housing the EDA is working on getting more housing however we will need more. This will be a huge need now and into the future as more jobs are coming within the next one - three years and 4) a skilled workforce is a need with the future growth opportunities. We will need to assist businesses and community members alike to fill in the gaps.

Charles Tester

No photo was submitted. 1) I was raised in Staples and have lived here most of my life. I am a father and homeowner in Staples. I'm qualified for city council because I am intelligent, empathetic and capable. I want to make the world a better place. That means starting with myself and working outward. The city is going through a lot of changes and we have to direct those in the most positive way possible for the community. I want this city to be a place everyone can be proud to call home.

2) The city is a living thing and change is inevitable. My top priority is making sure that the coming changes are for the benefit of all residents not just the select few. Increases in local industry must be met with equal parts hope and caution. We have to make certain that our citizens earn profitable wages to fuel the local economy. Increases in local housing will greatly affect us all. Not just new neighbors, new neighborhoods. When embracing the new we do not simply discard the old. We will be living through some growing pains in our community and we must remain vigilant in protecting our land, people and future.

Mary Theurer:

1. I have been an active Staples community member for 45 years. I have served on several Staples Motley School commit-

tees, Staples Motley Area Community Foundation, Lakewood Health System District Board (currently the Chair), officer for Faith Lutheran Church council, secretary of the Staples Motley Beyond Poverty group. I've had the privilege of serving on the Staples City Council for the past five years.

My husband and I have worked and raised two children in this wonderful community. I feel that it's important to be part of the community we live in and appreciate the support I've received.

2. Building partnerships: One of my top priorities is to continue to build partnerships with the Staples Motley School District, Central Lakes College, Lakewood Health System, NJPA and local businesses and organizations. We can accomplish so much more if we join together.

Economic Development: There has been building additions on NJPA, Stern Rubber and others. We anticipate the renovation and addition to the Lakewood Health System main campus and Pillager Clinic, Roach's Townhouses and Ives Family - Timber Lodge Hotel. There are other economic development projects being discussed.

Legislative Initiatives - Over the past couple of years we have gone to the legislature to have an increase Local Government Aid (LGA) and for a Bonding Bill to renovate the Community Center. It's a struggle to maintain services, make improvements to infrastructure when we don't have the revenue to support it.

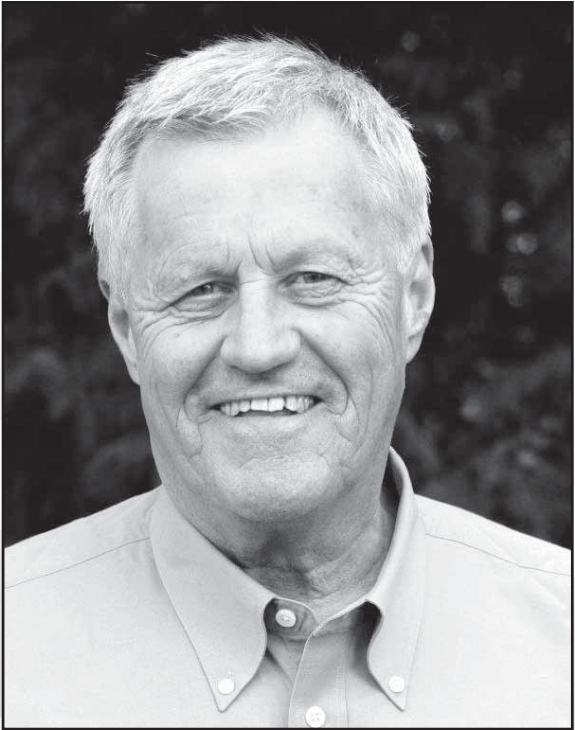
The Thriving Communities Initiative/Community Beautification have given the town a facelift. We've been working on nuisance properties to increase the city appeal.

I've worked to keep the levy as low as possible without sacrificing important projects, equipment purchases and will continue to do so when I am re-elected on November 8th.

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Outdoor water excitment

Seamus Ford burst out in laughter taking his turn operating the water hose at the Staples Fire Hall with help from firefighter Kyle Braith. The second graders from Staples-Motley Elementary School toured the fire hall Oct. 14 visiting several educational stations, but the highlight was letting the water shoot from the hose. Classmate Tristan Harvey is next in line. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



With fire hats, a smoke detector and stickers in hand, second grade students in Jennifer Pantzke's class at Staples-Motley Elementary paused for a photo shoot before going back to school.



Staples fire hall open house Oct. 14

Second grade students in Kathy Iverson's class watch firefighters, Scott and Drew Yungbauer (father and son) demonstrate the use of the Jaws-of-Life extrication tool. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



Samuel Olsen shows off his white firefighter hat from Staples firefighter Darren Holst.



Hands on learning

Staples firefighter Jef Cichos helps Brodie Cyrus turn the water full power as Jordan Durm awaits her turn. Students tours of the Staples Fire Hall were given Oct. 14. The firefighters held their annual open house that evening in recognition of Fire Prevention Week.



One injured in vehicle fire

The Staples and Verndale Fire Departments responded to a report of a vehicle fire west of Staples in Thomastown Township at approximately 4:44 p.m. Oct. 13. Firefighters arrived on scene to find the vehicle fully engulfed and proceeded to put out the fire. There was additional damage to trees and grass. An adult male, the owner of the vehicle, was transported to Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples for injuries he sustained from the fire. No names are being released at this point as the incident is under investigation. Other responders included the Wadena County Sheriff's Office. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

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Motley streets improvement project nearly complete



Paving Postel Drive

Crew members with Anderson Brothers Construction of Brainerd were at work in Motley Oct. 13, paving Cimarron Drive, Postel Drive and Lil Street. Pictured above on Postel Drive, public works supervisor Bruce Brotherton (far left) speaks with Anthony Maule, an inspector with Bolton & Menk, Inc. Pictured below, Maule (right) and Doug Tulenchik with Anderson Brothers, takes a look at a newly-tarred portion of Lil Street and Postel Drive. The streets improvement project was estimated to be completed by Oct. 14. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

Portions of Cimarron Drive, Postel Drive and Lil Street in Motley have recently been tarred; and all that remains of the streets improvement project is shouldering and grass seeding.

According to public works supervisor Bruce Brotherton, tarring was completed by Oct. 13 and "all went as planned."

In addition to tarring, the project included minor surface grading and excavation of both ditches and roads to keep water off the pavement; Class 5 aggregate supplement prior to the bituminous pavement; and simple T-type dead end treatments. The project is expected to be closed out in November.

Complaints of rough roads had been the catalyst for the project; and the city voted to proceed with the improvements following a preliminary public hearing July 18.

Subsequently, bids were posted and Young Excavating of Hackensack was accepted as the contracted company for the streets improvement project.

A final assessment hearing regarding the project was held Oct. 10, at city hall. It was facilitated by Phil Martin, an engineer with Bolton & Menk, Inc.

Martin noted that the total project cost is estimated to be \$137,500, which is less than what was expected. Per the city's assessment

policy, the city will pay 70 percent of the cost (\$96,250) and the property owners will pay the remaining 30 percent (\$41,250).

Property owners will be assessed via the Unit Assessment Method, with each Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) equaling 2.5 acres. With an estimated 26 ERUs on the three roads, the proposed assessment for each ERU will be \$1,586.54.

During the public hearing, several residents asked questions pertaining to the project.

Judy Thorsett, who lives on Postel Drive, asked if it would be possible to get her driveway tarred at the same time as the city's project.

Martin said that she would need to contact Anderson Brothers of Brainerd (the company contracted to do the tarring) and get a separate quote from the city's. He also advised that she get quotes from at least two companies.

Everett Sowers also lives on Postel Drive. He noted that he owns 10 acres along that street which means his assessment would be over \$6,000. Sowers voiced concerns as to how he would pay this; and mayor Nancy Nieken said that the assessment could be paid over 15 years. Now in his early 90's, Sowers said he might not be around 15 years from now. The council said that the assessment would stay with the property and be assumed by the new owner.



Public hearing in Motley

A public hearing regarding a streets improvement project in Motley was held at city hall Oct. 10. The hearing was facilitated by Phil Martin of Bolton & Menk, Inc., pictured standing in top photo, far right. Pictured in lower photo, from left, are Everett Sowers, Judy Thorsett (in background) and George Heroux, residents who attended the hearing and asked questions about assessments to their properties. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Grading the road

Young Excavating of Hackensack is the contracted company for the recent streets improvement project in Motley. Pictured above on Oct. 10, a crew member grades Cimarron Drive.

Three injured in two-vehicle crash on Hwy 64, north of Motley

A Brooklyn Park man was airlifted to North Memorial Hospital Oct. 16, following a two-vehicle crash north of Motley along Hwy 64.

The incident occurred near mile marker six, at approximately 7:30 p.m.

According to the MN State Patrol, Benjamin Ameyan, 54, was southbound on Hwy 64, driving a 2005 Honda Accord. He was

passing in a no-passing zone and struck a 2003 Toyota Tacoma driven by Michael Lyle, 52, of Laporte. Lyle was traveling north.

Upon hitting the Toyota pickup truck, the Honda Accord left the roadway and struck a tree. The driver of the Honda, Ameyan, was airlifted to North Memorial Hospital with what is believed to be non-life threatening injuries. His

passenger, 18-year-old Michael Tiekue of Brooklyn Park sustained non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the pickup, Lyle, was transported to Lakewood Health System Hospital in Staples where he was treated for minor injuries.

Assisting at the scene was the Cass County Sheriff's Office.

Couple arrested for drug possession

Two people from Little Falls were arrested Oct. 5 and are awaiting charges of drug possession and child endangerment.

According to a press release from the Morrison County Sheriff's Office (MCSO), a search warrant was executed on Prairie Drive in Little Falls by the Central MN Violent Offender Task Force along with the MCSO and the Little Falls Police Department.

The search warrant was in response to an investigation that took place after a tip was called in regarding drug activity at the residence. Investigators with the Central MN Violent Offender Task Force investigated the complaint along with Morrison County Social Services.

As a result of the investigation, probable cause was established to search the residence for drugs and related paraphernalia. Subsequently, Little Falls residents Lauren Dauphinais, 30; and Jason Foster, 36, were taken into custody. Illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia along with a large amount of cash were seized from the residence; and a young child was removed from the house and placed into foster care for health and safety purposes.

Morrison County Sheriff Shawn Larsen reminds the public to continue reporting suspicious or suspected drug activity. The Morrison County Drug Tip Line is available to leave anonymous messages. The toll free number is 888-378-4847.

Two dead in rollover crash near Pierz

Two men are dead after a rollover crash in Morrison County Oct. 15, south of Pierz. The incident occurred at approximately 3 a.m.

According to the Morrison County Sheriff's Office, officers responded to a report of a one vehicle accident on 113th Street in

Pierz Township.

A Dodge truck was traveling east on 113th Street when it crossed the center line and "went into the ditch on the north side of the road, struck a road approach and went airborne. The truck then rolled and both occupants were ejected. 24-year-old Nathan Brill

and 25-year-old Nicholas Kroll, both of Pierz, were pronounced dead at the scene," the release said.

The crash is still under investigation by the Morrison County Sheriff's Office and the Minnesota State Patrol. Anyone with information regarding the accident is asked to call the Morrison County Sheriff's Office at (320) 632-9233.



Intern at city hall

Darci McGillivray, a student at Central Lakes College, has been hired to work as an intern at Motley City Hall. McGillivray's wages and work-related expenses will be compensated by National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) and her regular work days will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. She is a 2009 graduate of Staples Motley High School and currently studying accounting at CLC. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Teen injured

A teenager from McGrath was injured in a one-vehicle accident in Darling Township near Little Falls shortly after noon on Oct. 15.

According to the Morrison County Sheriff's Office, Hunter Oslowski, 15, was driving a Can-Am, side-by-side off road vehicle on a trail in a field when he turned a corner, lost control and rolled. Oslowski sustained a head injury and was transported to St. Gabriel's Hospital in Little Falls by Gold Cross Ambulance. The passenger in the vehicle was not injured.

Other responders included the Randall Fire Department and Randall First Response Team.



Little firefighter

Students at Little Cardinals Academy had the opportunity to tour the Motley Fire Hall Oct. 13, during Fire Prevention Week. Pictured above, firefighter Matt Smith helps Brooks Towardowski (who turns two Nov. 5) maneuver the fire hose while firefighter Nick Dille (left) and 'Sparky the Dalmation' look on. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Touring the fire hall

Preschool students from Little Cardinals Academy and School Readiness toured the Motley Fire Hall Oct. 13, during Fire Prevention Week. Guiding the tour was Chuck Gerads, Motley Fire Department 2nd Asst., Chief, pictured at far left. Students had the opportunity to board emergency vehicles, learn about the equipment and protective clothing firefighters use at the scene of a fire; and to use a fire hose. Each student was also given a red plastic firefighter hat at the end of the tour.

Motley Police Department reports

Recent reports from the Motley Police Department (MPD) included the following:

Oct. 12 - The MPD issued a citation to Allen Hamm, 39, for driving with a revoked driver's license.

Oct. 8 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Nancy Brimhall, 69.

Oct. 7 - The MPD issued a citation to Aidan Shaugh-

nessy, 30, for obstructed view in his vehicle. According to the report, as the officer approached Shaughnessy's vehicle, he looked closely and was able to see that the driver was not able to see out any of his windows, other than the driver's door window and windshield. When the officer explained to the driver why he had stopped

him, Shaughnessy said he could see his mirror as he reached over to the passenger side, grabbed a bushy plant and pulled it down toward the windshield. Upon receiving the citation, the driver stated that he looked forward to seeing the officer in court.

Oct. 7 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Curtis Goreham-Voss, 34.

Parking lot puppy picking? Good luck with that

One recent afternoon while heading home after depositing letters at our local post office, I noticed a van in a parking lot with a sign reading "Puppies \$50.00." A couple were seated in the front seat of the van. As I watched while waiting for a green light, a car that had been parked next to the van drove away, and one of the van's occupants gestured a good-bye wave.

That most familiar of buyer beware warnings, "You get what you pay for," was the first thing that came to mind, and not just because our current Labrador retriever came with a price tag that would have purchased a very nice shotgun. I'm all too familiar with the price well-bred puppies can command, whether they're of hunting breeds or not. It's certainly not chump-change.



Inside the Outdoors

The reporter inside me wanted to stop and get a more complete picture of this puppy marketing effort; see the little balls of fur, the people selling them, and discover the circumstances that found them for sale on this street corner. On the other hand, the sympathizer in me didn't want to raise the expectations of the sellers by showing interest when my stopping would clearly not have been to make a purchase.

I try to be slow to make judgments about others. I can't imagine that for \$50 apiece the couple planned this as a real money maker. But I guess "money maker" is a moving target, and for some, selling six or eight puppies at 50 bucks apiece might look attractive. Nevertheless, if I were a betting person, my money would be on the probability that the couple owns a female that was visited by a hormone-charged neighborhood male when she was in heat.

If the impromptu parking lot puppy market was a good-faith effort to find homes for puppies the owners could not keep and raise, a person could

argue that they were at least trying to be humane. Unwanted puppies often end up in animal shelters, where it's not uncommon for them to be euthanized if homes can't be found. When pressed, some owners may take things into their own hands and find a way to euthanize the pups themselves.

However, a better alternative is one that applies as much to pets as it does to humans: take precautions. In this case, spaying a female would prevent having to find homes for puppies that can't be kept. Spaying is not free, but if the cost of having a veterinarian do the procedure causes an owner to balk, many Humane Society chapters offer access to spaying at prices just about anyone can afford.

If you're on the other end of the transaction – a prospective buyer – there are few poorer bargains than a bargain puppy. There is an old conventional wisdom that the best dog is sometimes the so-called "mutt." Yes, and sometimes you can find a work by a famous artist at a garage sale, or a piece of Tiffany jewelry at a flea

market. But that's not the common thing. Dogs that are sound physically and in temperament, whether hunting dogs, show dogs, or just representative examples of a breed you've taken a fancy to, are much more likely to come from breeders who are careful in the "match-making" they do. Sometimes these breeders do it for a living. Other times they are amateurs who have a really good specimen, and breed it to another equally good representative of the breed. This happens with some regularity with hunting dog owners.

What you are more likely to get from a person who regularly and carefully breeds dogs is a guarantee that the puppy will be physically sound. "Guarantee" meaning that, within certain limitations, a dog can be returned to the breeder for a future puppy to replace it. One of the most common physical flaws in dogs, though certainly not the only one, is the condition known as hip dysplasia, which leads to earlier than normal loss of hip function. In the case of this one condition, many established breeders will

certify that the bloodlines they are breeding are free of it.

Puppies can come to the buyer with other physical conditions that are not immediately evident. I once purchased a puppy from a private party that, on paper, seemed like a match made in heaven. I knew a lot about the bloodlines of both parents, and the probability that their offspring would be good hunters was high. I drove all the way to Michigan to obtain the puppy from the owner of the female. As it turned out, the kennel conditions in which the mother and pups were kept were less than ideal. The pup brought with it a case of mange, a skin condition that causes hair loss, and required serious treatment by my veterinarian to eliminate.

The cost of quality puppies can seem high, even astronomical if there is great demand for the puppies from a particular breeder. But unless the price borders on insane, it's worthwhile to do a little comparative math and guesstimate what it can cost to keep a dog over a decade or more. Quality dog food, annual shots, other

medical issues, boarding on occasion when you travel and your dog can't accompany you, these expenses soon add up and make clear that the purchase price is not the only thing to consider. Often the lifetime cost is many times the cost of purchasing the puppy.

Another way to look at a puppy's cost is to "amortize" it over its likely life span, much like a manufacturer does with hardware or equipment. Divide that initial cost by 10 or 12, and it may not seem so high after all. I would go so far as to say I'd sooner obtain a short-term loan to buy a quality puppy than to inexpensively purchase one whose breeding – and breeder – I knew little or nothing about.

There are lots of things that are appropriate as impulse purchases, things we buy when they unexpectedly catch our eye. Given the commitments of time, expense, and emotional attachment that come with dog ownership, puppies don't seem to fall within that category.

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Edin cruises into state tournament, team second at section

Izabella Edin didn't drop a game until the final set in the section singles tournament, where she beat Julia Smith of Park Rapids 6-0, 6-2, to earn a spot in the state tennis tournament.

The Staples-Motley team fell one match short of advancing to state as a team, with a 4-3 loss to Roseau in the section finals.

The individual state tournament begins Thursday, Oct. 27, at the Reed-Sweatt Tennis Center in Minneapolis. Edin is undefeated this season and has been ranked second in the state behind Libby Rickman of Blake.

In section doubles play, both Cardinal teams lost in the second round to teams

that made it to state. Lexi Johnson and Claire Wolhowe won their first match but lost a three set match in the second round to a team from Roseau who went on to place second.

Katie Benson and Kelsie Weite also won their first match, but lost to the eventual champions in the second round.

Ashley Smith was the other singles player for Staples-Motley. She won in the first round but lost to Josie Beachy of Perham in the second round.

Team results

Section 8A tournament

Quarterfinals: Staples-Motley 7, Wadena-Deer Creek 0

Singles: Izabella Edin W 6-0, 6-0; Ashley Smith W 3-6, 6-1,

(10-6); Kelsi Peterson W 6-1, 6-0; Sam Schimpp W ff

Doubles: Lexi Johnson/Claire Wolhowe W 6-2 (match decided); Katie Benson/Kelsie Weite W 6-3, 6-1; Anna Willgoths/Bryn Williams W 6-0, 6-0

Semifinals: Staples-Motley 6, Crookston 1

Singles: Edin W 6-0, 6-0; Smith L 3-6, 0-6; Peterson W 6-0, 6-1; Schimpp W 6-1, 6-0

Doubles: Johnson/Wolhowe W 7-5, 6-2; Benson/Weite W 7-6 (7-2), 6-3; Williams/Willgoths W 6-2, 3-6, 7-5

Finals: Staples-Motley 3, Roseau 4

Singles: Edin W 6-2, 6-1; Smith L 0-6, 0-6; Peterson W 6-2, 6-4; Schimpp L 3-6, 3-6

Doubles: Johnson/Wolhowe L 1-6, 6-1, 3-6; Benson/Weite W 6-3, 6-1; Willgoths/Williams L 1-6, 3-6



Running on the edge

Mason Nyhus provides the block and Josh Lombard turns the corner for a big gain late in the game against Wadena-Deer Creek. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Football team falls short on final drive

The Staples-Motley football team tied the game three times, but came eight yards short of tying it a fourth time and they fell 28-20 to Wadena-Deer Creek on Oct. 14.

The WDC passing game had the Cardinals off-balance starting with their first drive when they scored a touchdown pass on a third and 25 play.

The Cardinal offense had a good rushing attack, but they only ground out six points in the first half on an Eric Lisson touchdown.

In the second half, Staples-Motley scored on a passing play from Josh

Lombard to Derek Kennedy and Lisson ran in the conversion.

In the fourth quarter, Mason Rychner made a nice catch and run to get into scoring territory and Hunter Berggren carried it into the end zone.

WDC converted third and fourth down plays on their final touchdown drive.

The Cardinals responded with their own drive, which included a fourth down catch by Kennedy. But they got to the eight yard line and threw an incomplete pass on fourth down to end the game.

Team results

SM 0 6 8 6 - 20

WDC 6 0 8 14 - 28

Rushing: SM 56-285, W 22-85

Eric Lisson 32-155, Hunter Berggren 16-91, Josh Lombard 7-27, Mason Rychner 1-12

Passing: SM 7-17, 69 yards; W 18-29, 247 yards

Receiving: Rychner 3-29, Derek Kennedy 2-30, 1 TD, Lisson 1-3

Tackles: Alex Erpelding 10, Rychner 6, Berggren 3, Jack Fietek 3, Scout Strickland 2, Lisson 2, Matt Miller 2, Isaac Swensrud 1, Kyle Serich 1, Hunter Carlson 1



Section 8A runners-up

Posing with their second place trophy from the Section 8A tennis tournament, the Staples-Motley tennis team, front row from left, Melissa Zetah, Lexi Johnson, Ashley Smith, Izabela Edin, Brynn Williams; back row, Anna Willgoths, Kelsie Weite, Katie Benson, Haley Dietman, Claire Wolhowe, Sam Schimpp, Kelsi Peterson and Toni Brings. (Submitted photo)

Swimmers working hard for final meets

The Staples-Motley girls swim team hosted Detroit Lakes on Oct. 13.

Coach Amanda Olson said the team had hard workouts before the meet and were tired, but had some great performances anyway.

"Seeing how strong the girls swim when their muscles are exhausted makes me excited to see what they can accomplish at our conference meet and section tournament," said Olson.

"From what I can see, the girls are capable of achieving amazing things in the next couple of weeks."

The team also had a junior high meet on Oct. 17, with swimmers in grades six through eight competing. "I really look forward to seeing what this team can accomplish by the time these 6th graders are seniors," said Olson.

Team results

Varsity highlights:

200 Free: Lili Schneider

3rd, Hannah Hinman personal best 2:40, and Aleeah Halverson 2:46.

200 IM: Emily Veronen first, Autumn Nelsen personal best of 2:51.

50 Free: Emma Gerard 2nd, Joelle Bounds 3rd, personal best of 30.63.

500 Freestyle: Joelle Bounds met section qualifying time of 6:35.

200 Free Relay: two teams with personal best times, (Veronen, Schneider, Gerard, Nelsen) 2:00.94; (Jaden Engbreton, Aleeah Halverson, Bounds, Hannah Hinman) 2:09.

Veronen 3rd in the 100 Backstroke, 1:11, Hannah Hinman personal best of 1:25.

Schneider out touched the competition in the 100 Breaststroke by .09 seconds for the win.

JV highlights:

Cortnie Cottrell dropped 4 seconds in the 200 Freestyle, 3:18.

100 Free: Cassidy Barthel dropped 4 seconds for a personal best of 1:37.19.

50 Free: Adriana Dickey personal best, first place in 31.83.

Junior high meet high-

lights:

Medley relay (Evelyn Gonzalez, Cassidy Barthel, Adriana Dickey, Aleeah Halverson) 2nd; (Breanna Jasmer, Georgia Kruchten, Hannah Hinman, and Aften Robinson) 3rd; (Grace Jennissen, Mandy Carter, Mikayla Williams, Vienna Yang) 4th.

Halverson 3rd in 100 Free, personal best of 1:12.

Robinson 3rd in 100 IM, while Kruchten 4th.

Bounds 2nd in 50 Free, Dickey in 4th, 32.11.

H. Hinman won the 50 Butterfly in 39.42, Robinson 2nd with 45.59, Williams 4th.

Bounds won the 200 Free with a new personal best of 2:31, Kruchten 3rd, Williams 4th.

50 Backstroke, H. Hinman 3rd, personal best of 41.99, Dickey 4th with 42.35.

Halverson 1st in the 50 Breaststroke, Barthel 3rd.

The meet finished with the A, B, & C 200 Free Relays taking 2nd, 3rd, & 4th. A: Dickey, Halverson, H. Hinman, Bounds; B: Gonzalez, Williams, Kruchten, Robinson; C: Jasmer, Carter, Jennissen, Barthel.



Upfield move

Jack Feitek pushes past the WDC offensive line in pursuit of the quarterback. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Leaping grab

Derek Kennedy rises up to snare a touchdown pass in the first quarter. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

CC teams tune up for section

The Staples-Motley cross country teams ran a final regular season meet at Park Rapids on Oct. 17, as they prepare for the section meet. Both teams finished in fifth place against a large field with quality runners. Only the varsity runners competed in this meet.

The Section 6A meet will be Thursday, Oct. 27, at 4 p.m. at the Little Crow Country Club near Spicer.

Team results

Girls results

Team scores: West Central 64, Pelican Rapids 70, Pequot

Lakes 139, East Grand Forks 139, Staples-Motley 153, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 163, Detroit Lakes 186, Thief River Falls 190, Frazee 214, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton 220, Warroad 226, Roseau 246, Breckenridge-Wahpeton 315

2. Kira Sweeney 19:41, 28. Addison Lorber 21:49, 33. Amara Chenoweth 22:21, 60. Taylor Yungbauer 23:32, 62. Mackenzie Wilds 23:48, 75. Kaitlyn Smith 24:17, 88. Mikayla Sauber 24:55

Boys results

Team scores: Detroit Lakes 41, West Central 73, Pequot Lakes 78, Ada-Borup 152, Staples Motley 187, Breckenridge-Wahpeton 188, Dilworth-

Glyndon-Felton 215, Park Rapids 226, Thief River Falls 257, Frazee 279, Warroad 287, Hawley 295, Roseau 296, Long Prairie-Grey Eagle 345, Pelican Rapids 449, Lake of the Woods/Indus 472, Lake Park Audubon 501, Bagley/Fosston 514, West Marshall 559

12. Emmet Anderson 17:12, 39. Tanner Robben 18:30, 40. Ben Bartczak 18:34, 55. Bentley Christensen 19:03, 58. Jack Tyrrell 19:13, 62. Brayden Christensen 19:25, 64. Coleman Klimek 19:31; JV: 16. Finn Erholtz 19:59, 24. Nicholas Tabatt 20:31

Thursday Twilight League Bowling Wadena Lanes

OCTOBER 13, 2016		
Staples Vet Clinic	18-6	
Lefty's	14-10	
Spectrum Marketing	13-10	
Ted and Gen's	11-9	
Lefty's	12-12	
Mason Bros.	11-13	
Ghost Team	4-20	
HIGH TEAM SERIES-		
Mason Bros	1,677	
HIGH TEAM GAME-		
Staples Vet Clinic	603	
HIGH IND. SERIES/ HIGH GAMES		
Marge Harrison	608	225-202-181
Ruth Lugert	582	220-192
Deb Pundt	504	198
Betty Klingaman	464	172
Judy Tiede	456	
Jody Wilson	440	163
Helen Leaderbrand	150	
Shirley Wegscheid	148	
Robin Kramer	146	

Volleyball team picks up tournament win

The Staples-Motley volleyball team won one of their four matchups at the Long Prairie-Grey Eagle tournament on Oct. 15. Before that, the Cardinals lost to Verndale 19-25, 9-25, 10-25 on Oct. 11.

Team results

Mardi Opheim

Mardi Opheim - 6 Digs, 1 Assist; Mackenzie Zetah - 1 Ace Serve, 1 Dig, 2 Kills; Ashley Vasquez - 1 Dig, 2 Kills; Camryn Banaka - 7 Assist; Chelsea Nanik - 7 Digs; Alex Davis - 2 Digs, 2 Kills; Jenna Trantina - 1 Dig; Paige Kittleson - 3 Digs, 3 Kill

LPGE tournament

Vs. Upsala - L 0-2

Opheim: Set Assists-2, Kills-2, Blocks-1; Zetah: Ace Serves-2, Digs-8, Kills-6, Blocks-1; Taylor Heldman: Ace Serves-1, Digs-4, Set Assists-1, Kills-5; Nanik: Digs-5; Vasquez: Digs-1, Set Assists-1, Kills-5; Trantina: Digs-6; Davis: Kills-6, Blocks-4; Banaka: Ace Serves-1, Digs-4, Set Assists: 13

Vs. Ogilvie - Won 2-0

Opheim: Ace Serves-1, Digs-3, Set Assists-2; Zetah: Ace Serves-1, Digs-2, Set Assists-2, Kills-3; Heldman: Digs-4, Kills-4; Nanik: Digs-4; Kittleson: Digs-1, Set Assists-2, Kills-5; Trantina: Digs-6, Set Assists-1; Davis: Ace Serves-2,

Kills-2; Banaka: Digs-1, Set Assists-12

Vs. Long Prairie - L 0-2

Opheim: Ace Serves-2, Digs-3, Kills-1, Set Assists-1; Zetah: Digs-5; Heldman: Digs-4; Banaka: Ace Serves-1, Digs-5, Set Assists-5; Kittleson: Kills-2, Blocks-1; Nanik: Digs-6, Kills-1; Davis: Ace Serves-1, Digs-1, Set Assists-1, Kills-2, Blocks-1; Trantina: Digs-7

Vs. Little Falls - L 0-2

Opheim: Digs-1, Set Assists-4; Zetah: Ace Serves-1, Digs-3, Kills-2; Heldman: Ace Serves-1, Kills-3; Banaka: Digs-2, Set Assists-6; Nanik: Digs-10; Trantina: Digs-5; Davis: Digs-1, Kills-1; Vasquez: Digs-1, Kills-4