

## Jimenez, Klimek rise to top at state speech



### Duo champions

Lucas Jimenez and Coleman Klimek won the state speech championship in Duo for their performance of "The Producers" based on scenes from the movie. (Submitted photo)

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

After finishing second in the state speech duo competition in 2015, Lucas Jimenez and Coleman Klimek felt they were ready for this year.

One surprise, "the competition was a lot better this year," said Klimek.

But as they went into the final round ranked number one, the duo realized that this would be their year. They performed well in all four rounds at state and earned a state championship.

"We were ready for state, we were more prepared," said Jimenez.

"We were more confident and knew what to expect," said Klimek.

In addition, they had an entire year to choose, plan and prepare their piece. Last year they had just worked four months together.

They chose an adaptation of the movie "The Producers," with each of them playing multiple roles from the musical comedy. The duo felt that the challenging piece helped them stay ahead of the competition.

"We did singing and dancing, we had a lot of things other people didn't have. It was both serious and comedic," said

Jimenez.

As a senior, Jimenez said "it was a good way to end my career." He said speech has been so enjoyable he would like to come back next year and help coach Klimek's next performance. Klimek, a junior, said he would like to do another duo piece next year.

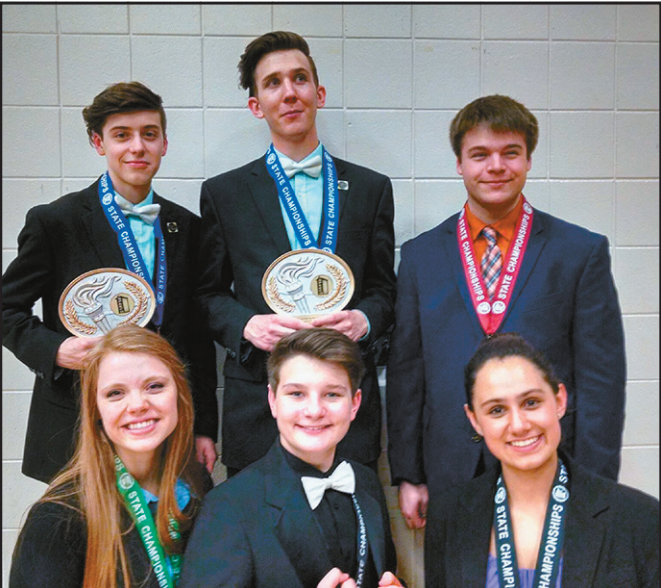
Olivia Klefsaas finished in eighth place in the prose section. She performed part of a book, "A Map of the World" by Jane Hamilton. In her first trip to state, Klefsaas said she was surprised that it wasn't as competitive as she expected. "I wanted to enjoy my time there and have fun," she said. She said everyone at state was very good and felt that she performed well.

Alex Erickson placed eighth with his humorous interpretation piece, "This is a Test" by Steven Gregg.

"I like making people laugh and love watching comedy," said Erickson. He said going to state was "a very good learning experience, there are some very good people at state."

Erickson said he got pointers from other people there. "It was a nice environment to be around," he said.

This was Zach Strickland's first year in speech,



### State performance

The Staples Motley Speech team competed in the Class A state meet April 15-16 held at Lakeville North. With their state awards are, front, left to right: Jenessa Iverson, 5th - Great Speeches; Alex Erickson, 8th - Humor; Olivia Klefsaas, 8th - Prose. Back: Coleman Klimek and Lucas Jimenez, 1st - Duo Interpretation and Zach Strickland, 6th - Discussion. (Submitted photo)

but competing in the discussion category, he had a secret weapon that helped him place sixth at state. "My experience wearing the blue jacket for FFA prepared and shaped me," he said. FFA has a similar competition that Strickland has participated in.

In the discussion format,

Strickland said the competitors are put on task forces and have to plan how to solve a problem. "It's fun to see the different skills people have and the leadership skills that emerge," he said.

Jenessa Iverson took

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## Thriving Communities chooses project lists

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

Task forces are being set up to work on the projects identified as priorities for Staples after several meetings of the Thriving Communities Initiative, a program of the Initiative

Foundation.

After a core team was formed they received training and developed a preliminary plan for dealing with the economics, quality of life and skilled workforce issues in Staples. The ideas were reviewed and tweaked by members of a large community group at a meeting held March 29. The core team members held a meeting on April 14, reviewed the input from the large community meeting and voted for their preference. Discussion was held of possible task force members from the community who would be willing to work in any of the three areas.

The initial task forces will assemble Wednesday,



### Thriving projects

Members of the Thriving Communities Initiative team voted on their preferred projects for the community. From left, Jerel Nelsen, Dan Shaw, Tim Rice (in background), Bill Hatch and Besa Regan. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

April 27, from 5-8 p.m. at National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) in Staples. Each task force will determine projects that are a priority and if they are feasible to begin. They will hold another meeting in eight months to report back to the community.

Anyone interested in joining any of the three task forces, contact Staples Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher; 218-894-2550 or email [mradermacher@ci.staples.mn.us](mailto:mradermacher@ci.staples.mn.us).

The project ideas receiving the most votes were:

#### Economics

Most promising goals/projects:

- Encourage entrepre-

neurship, create a culture of innovation, encourage start-ups (15)

- Cleanup and improve downtown, fill existing and new, spaces (15)

- Housing development incentives/encourage affordable (12)

#### Quality of Life

Most promising goals/projects:

- Food and entertainment amenities for all ages (bowling, healthy food places, skate park (1) keeping the golf course (1), splash pad, (passive and active rec) (14)

- Update and expand community center and programs (13)

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### Hello, Readers,

*Itasca State Park, the state's first, was established on April 20, 1891. Its 32,000 acres preserve more than 300 lakes as well as the headwaters of the Mississippi River. On April 21, 1961, the Minnesota Twins (formerly the Washington Senators) play their first game at Metropolitan Stadium, losing 5-3 to the new Washington Senators. Earth Day, an event to increase public awareness of the world's environmental problems, is celebrated in the United States for the first time on April 22, 1970. Millions of Americans, including students from thousands of colleges and universities, participated in rallies, marches and educational programs.*

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## Wadena County sees results in abatement

By Rin Porter  
Wadena County reporter

Since being granted a four-year property tax abatement from Wadena County in 2015, Verndale Custom Builders has kept its part of the agreement, Auditor/Treasurer Judy Taves told the county board on April 12.

The agreement went into effect on July 1, 2015. For the first six months of the agreement, July through December 2015, the company paid \$96,242 in salaries and wages to six full-time and one part-

time employees that were hired to restart the production of manufactured homes at the former Verndale Custom Homes site.

Verndale Custom Builders hired and paid a general manager, drafter, foreman, sales person, lead finisher, quality control and safety manager and part-time accountant in 2015.

Verndale Custom Builders created the current seven new positions and brought seven additional people into the organization.

These employees completed two new homes by the end of 2015.

Additional homes were ordered with construction delayed until spring of 2016, due to issues of financing and the end of the construction season, according to Bill Hess, General Manager.

In a telephone interview, Hess said that the company has seven homes currently underway. He projects that 20 homes will be completed in 2016. Inquiries and "foot traffic" from interested buyers is increasing, which Hess is glad to see.

Many of the homes that Verndale Custom Builders produces

will be two bedroom/two bath homes, which cost approximately \$100,000. The largest home that can be ordered is four-bedrooms with the dimensions of 28' by 72'.

"One of the things that differentiates us from other builders is the fact that we customize plans for our customers and build them to fit customer needs," Hess said.

#### In other business, the board

- Appointed several commissioners to county committee and

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## Artist inspired by Minnesota landscapes

By Dawn Timbs  
Staples World reporter

Since moving up north to the Lincoln Lakes area, artist Kerry Kupferschmidt says he never runs out of subjects for his watercolors.

His loft studio overlooks a wooded area off Lake Shamineau, with views of green pines and snow-white birch trees. To the front of the house is the spacious lake, frosted with thick ice in the winter months and turning to a shimmering blue pool come summer.

Several of Kerry's paintings line the studio walls, clearly inspired by his surroundings, as well as other familiar landscapes in Central and Northern Minnesota. There are images of pileated woodpeckers, loons, summer birches and a sunset over the water fol-

lowing a summer storm to name a few. The colors are vibrant and Kerry seems to capture the subtle nuances that define one Minnesota season from another.

"I love painting lake scenes, as well as street scenes in small towns," Kerry said. Although his passion is in watercolors, he occasionally works with acrylics and oils as well.

He grew up in Maplewood near Lake Phalen and as a kid, always loved to draw, Kerry said. After high school, he went on to receive a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Minnesota.

It would be several years before Kerry could devote all of his time to his art. He previously worked for American Bank, where he was in charge of their printing materials.

The precise work he did there helped prepare him



### At his studio

Award winning artist Kerry Kupferschmidt holds up one of his watercolors at his home studio in rural Motley. A native of the Twin Cities area, Kupferschmidt and his wife Judy bought land on Lake Shamineau in 2009 and built their home a few years later. Living in the Lincoln Lakes area "has been an inspiration for my artwork," Kupferschmidt said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

for a career doing architectural renderings for home builders, realtors.

"After leaving the bank I dabbled in drafting," Kerry said, adding that he used some of the same skills he'd honed at his previous job.

He also found an artistic niche painting portraits of houses and bed and breakfast establishments for clients.

It was his wife, Judi, who had the idea for Kerry to contact a builder and offer his artistic services for their construction projects.

"I trained myself how to paint from (blueprint) plans," Kerry said, adding that his design work is "a gift from God."

For 20-plus years, Kerry's "bread and butter" has come from his architec-

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## Celebrating CLC’s makeover

Central Lakes College and the Staples Motley Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting April 10 to commemorate the completion of major renovations at the college. Pictured are CLC administrators, construction officials and chamber members, from left, Rebekah Kent, Bruce Brotherton, Lee Jenkins, John Re-

ese, Adam Peterson, Jerel Nelsen, Jim McArdell, Bill Hanson, Kari Christiansen, Patrick Peltier, Alex Carr, Larry Lundblad, Natalie Berens, Sandy Knosalla, Jodi Reeck, Melissa Radermacher, Barb Cline and Keith Olander. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

## Walker struck by train

On April 16 at 6:09 p.m., the Wadena County Sheriff’s Office received a report of a train hitting a pedestrian in Wadena. A female and her dog had been struck and killed by an eastbound Burlington Northern Santa Fe train. The victim was identified as Stacy Hundebly, age 15, of Wadena. The Wadena County Sheriff’s Office was assisted by the Wadena, Verndale and Sebek Police Departments, Minnesota State Patrol, Ottertail County Sheriff’s Office, Wadena Fire Dept, Tri-County Ambulance and the Schuller Funeral Home. The case is under investigation.



## FFA regional meeting held in Staples

Hundreds of students in blue jackets convened in Staples, on April 18 for the FFA Region II meeting held at Central Lakes College. Pictured at the podium, Staples Motley chapter mem-

ber Rebecca Paskewitz speaks to the crowd. The district extends from Royalton to Silver Bay, making Staples a central location for the meeting. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

# Staples part of pilot project for long term planning

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

The City of Staples is entering into a pilot project with the Initiative Foundation for planning long term recovery from disasters. At the April 12 Staples City Council meeting, City Administrator Jerel Nelsen said the project will ask “after the Red Cross goes home, how do we address those longer term needs. Others involved are Police Chief Melissa Birkholtz, Fire Chief Scott Braith and Initiative Foundation trainer Dan Frank. Also at the April 12 meeting, the council:

- Approved the second reading and adoption of an ordinance authorizing the sale of 10.49 acres of city owned property between 5th and 8th Streets NE and north of Chicago Ave.
- Approved 2015 year end financial adjustments, including two delinquent accounts, increased rev-

enue for building permits, increased revenue for camping permits and increased revenue in improvement fund for state aid. The increased revenue was offset by costs.

- Approved second reading and adoption of the ordinance authorizing the sale of 10.49 acres of city owned property between 5th and 8th Streets NE and north of Chicago Ave.
- Approved resolution for joint powers agreements with city attorney and police department.
- Approved the following names for the City Charter Commission: Stan Carlson, Doug Case, Chris Etzler, Doug Fahlander, Mary Jo Goff, Roy Miles, Bruce Nelsen, Joel Quance and Mary Theurer.
- Approved request from Knights of Columbus to conduct a raffle.
- Approved request from the Staples Amateur Baseball Association to conduct a raffle.

## Riitters on probation for embezzling funds

Thomas William Riitters, 42, Little Falls, received a stay of adjudication and five years of probation for embezzlement of public funds at a sentencing by Judge Jay Carlson in Wadena District Court Feb. 22. Riitters was employed with the Verndale School District at the time of the incident and has already paid back the small amount of funds. He has also paid \$3,500 in legal fees the district incurred in the matter. Riitters is currently the Staples Middle School principal and Community Education director for the Staples Motley School District. His resignation was accepted without comment at the April 18 school board meeting. It is effective June 30. “I love working in the district, with the students and the staff, but it was my

decision to resign,” Riitters said. “With the Restart Campaign I felt it was best that I step aside and let that process continue.” “I’ve owned what happened since the beginning,” he continued. “I’m a good person, that was not who I am, but I made a poor choice. I’ve owned it and I’m moving on from there.” Riitters said he has no specific plans at this time. He has not heard anything at this time from the Board of School Administrators regarding his principal license. That board can temporarily suspend or revoke licenses. Other consequences can include sending a letter of censure or placing the administrator on a probationary license status for a time. If Riitters abides by all the terms of the probation for five years, the judgment will be dismissed.



## Celebrating process

The Thriving Communities Initiative celebrated the completion of the process with a cake at their April 14 meeting. Pictured, Staples Economic Development Director Melissa Radermacher, Initiative Foundation Program Manager Dan Frank and Lakewood CEO Tim Rice, representing LEAP, one of the program sponsors. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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## Task forces to meet April 27 at NJPA

- Expand sidewalks, trails, connect and promote (7)
- **Skilled Workforce** Most promising goals/projects:
  - Create a job skills development collaboration between schools/business/Central Lakes College (CLC) (17)
  - Strengthen CLC campus programs (licensing, trades, online programs, childcare services for students, housing options) (14)
  - More tech/vocational training at middle and high school (9)

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# School district may receive Tech Mobile

By Brenda Halvorson  
General Manager

A 3D printer, laser engraver, CNC wood mill, plasma cutting table, welding simulator, aquaponics, drones, robotics kits, graphics printer, vinyl cutter and medical equipment.

This is a partial list of the equipment that will be available at Staples Motley High School next year if the district's application for innovation funding for Technology Mobile from NJPA (National Joint Powers Alliance) is successful.

A resolution authorizing the application was approved at the school board's meeting April 18.

The elementary and middle schools will also receive kits and equipment for robotic, electrical and transportation technology.

The equipment for each grade level will be rotated between all the classrooms so all students will have the opportunity to learn about it. Part of the funding is for training the teachers on the curriculum and standards in the different areas.

The Technology Mobile program is expected to be implemented in the 2016-17 school year.

The district contracts with J & J Solutions for marketing and communications services. Sara Dregney gave her quarterly report on the projects the company has implemented for the district, such as the Cardinal Chronicle and the emphasis this spring on pre-school and kindergarten enrollment, among

other things.

Later in the meeting the board approved renewing the contract with the firm for an annual cost of \$29,400. For this amount the company provides 1,040 hours of services. A separate school budget pays for project costs, such as printing, postage and advertising.

During the discussion board member Bryan Winkels said he thought this was a good thing for the district but he wondered if this was enough.

"The school's budget is around \$14 million. Is \$29,400 enough?" he asked. "I think we need to designate more."

Bruce Lund, board member, echoed that thought reminding the board that communication was one of their recently-adopted goals.

"Goals should drive the money," Lund said, although acknowledging that doesn't always happen.

Dregney and Superintendent Mary Klamm both mentioned projects they felt would be beneficial but couldn't fund.

Board chair Mary Freeman asked Dregney to put together an ala carte list of projects with price estimates that could be considered and prioritized by the finance committee. The recommendations would then be brought to the board.

In other business the board:

- Approved contracts settled with the support staff group, the professional group, the transportation group and

the principals. Winkels noted that they were all in line with what the faculty group received. The salary increases ranged from about 1.3 percent to 1.78 percent over the next two years.

- Approved a resolution to refinance some bonds which will result in an estimated \$40,000 savings for the district.

- Approved hiring a firm to create a map with details on students open enrolled outside the district.

- Approved the capital outlay list after a question from board member Dave Hoemberg about the gym floor in Motley. He was told that the project is still on the list, but has been moved forward another year or so.

- Approved contracts or changes in contracts for Jill Severin, elementary special education; Robin Groetsch, middle school special education; Steve Fligge, high school social studies; Alina Robinson, and Sarah Newkirk, grade 4 teachers; Greg Robinson, high school ag/industrial arts; Dawn Paurus, grade 8 science; and Deb Ferdon, elementary teacher.

- Accepted the resignation of Tom Riitters, middle school principal and community education director, and gave permission to post for a full time middle school principal.

- Gave permission to post for a full time community education coordinator.

- Approved leaves of absences for Cathy Wiese and Jackie Hanson and a maternity leave request from Allison Vangsness.



## Ribbon cutting at State Farm

The Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony at State Farm Insurance in Staples recently, welcoming new agent Daniel Douts. Pictured above from left: Megan Haber, chamber member; Melissa Radermacher, Staples Economic Development Director and chamber member; Elizabeth Yungbauer and Missie Daniels, State Farm employees; Daniel Douts, State Farm Agent; Steve Gertken, chamber president; and chamber members Jodi Reeck and Sandy Knosalla. Douts

took over Jan. 1, from long-time agent Tom Good. He is originally from Powers Lake, N.D. and worked for the past five years at a State Farm agency in Stillwater. "I always knew I would like to have my own agency someday; and once I was accepted, I knew I wanted to be in a small town." Douts and his fiancée, Marci Spaeth, will be getting married April 30, in her hometown of Mahanomen. "We're excited to start our new life in Staples," he said. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



## Staples Motley at state speech competition

The Staples Motley speech team was well represented at the state speech contest held in Lakeville April 15-16. Left to right: Spencer Svendsrud, volunteer coach; Brian Sams, assistant coach; Heather Sams, volunteer coach; Jen-

essa Iverson, Coleman Klimek, Alex Erickson, Lucas Jimenez, Olivia Klefsaas, Zach Strickland; Frank Odell, volunteer coach; Elijah Sams; Tammy Johnson, head coach. (Submitted photo)

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## Team supported each other

fifth in the category of great speeches, reciting "Malala's Address to the United Nations." She came across the speech after her sister read Malala's book and she looked up the speech online. "I loved it, sometimes I would run on the treadmill and practice the speech, it would get me super pumped up," said Iverson.

At state speech, Iverson said she was ill that day but was able to snap out of it to do her speech. "I am happy with the outcome, it was a good way to end the season and my career," she said. Iverson has competed at state speech three times. "I am really proud of the team, everyone who went to state," said Iverson. "They represented the

team and the school, Lucas and Coleman winning was especially exciting," she said. "The team is really close."

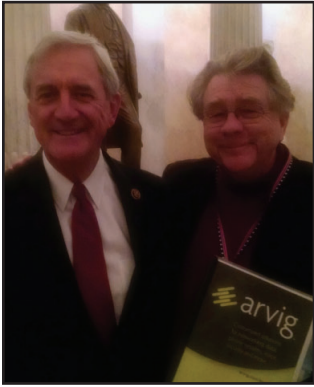
Elijah Sams, Jimenez and Klimek also received the Wells Fargo Spotlight on the Arts Award of Excellence at the Class A state high school speech tournament.



## John Wolak lobbies in Washington D.C.

John Wolak of rural Staples, Senior Corporate Relations with Arvig, recently traveled to Washington D.C. to lobby for continued funding for broadband in rural areas. It costs \$75,000 a mile to lay fiber optic cable, Wolak said. "We don't want a digital divide for people outside of the metropolitan area," Wolak said. He also lobbied for less regulations for small businesses throughout Minnesota. During his three days in Washington, Wolak

visited with all 10 Minnesota congressional members. He is pictured above with three of them. From left, are Senator Al Franken; Senator Amy Klobuchar; and Congressman Rick Nolan. He said he found that all members of congress across the aisle support broadband and that they are trying to find ways to ensure everyone has access to it. (Submitted photos)



## Spring truck weight restrictions ended

Spring truck weight restrictions on state highways ended April 15 for Minnesota's South, Southeast, Metro and Central frost zones, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT). There is one exception in the south zone. The spring truck weight restrictions continue on Highway 277 between Glueck and Hwy 40 because of soil weakness.

Spring load restrictions are still in effect in the north-central and north frost zones.

Ending dates for spring load restrictions are established by monitoring roadway strength as weather conditions change.

The South Zone extends south from the southern limit of the Central Zone (U.S. 12 - Hennepin County line) to the Iowa state line and east to the Metro Zone and a line following and including Interstate 35. This zone includes Hwy 19 along the southern border of Scott County.

The Southeast Zone extends south from the southern limit of the Metro Zone along, but not including, I-35 to the Iowa state line and east to the Wisconsin state line. This zone includes Hwy 19 along the southern border of Dakota County.

The Metro Zone (Minneapolis - St. Paul metro area) includes Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott

and Washington counties. This zone does not include Hwy 19 along the southern borders of Scott and Dakota counties.

The Central Zone extends south from the southern limit of the North-Central Zone (U.S. 10 - Hwy 210 - Hwy 18 - I-35 - Hwy 48 - Wisconsin state line) to a line following and including U.S. 12 from the South Dakota state line to the Hennepin County line.

Road restriction maps showing the locations of weight-restricted routes and state highways open to maximum 10-ton axle weights are listed at [www.dot.state.mn.us/materials](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/materials). Click on "Seasonal Load Limits," and then "Spring Load Restrictions" for the most up-to-date information.

The information is also available by calling MnDOT's 24-hour automated message center at 1-800-723-6543 in the U. S. and Canada or by calling 651-366-5400.

Middle-range overweight permits become available within each frost zone when spring

load restrictions are lifted. Full-summer overweight permits become available within each frost zone starting two to three weeks after spring load restrictions are lifted.

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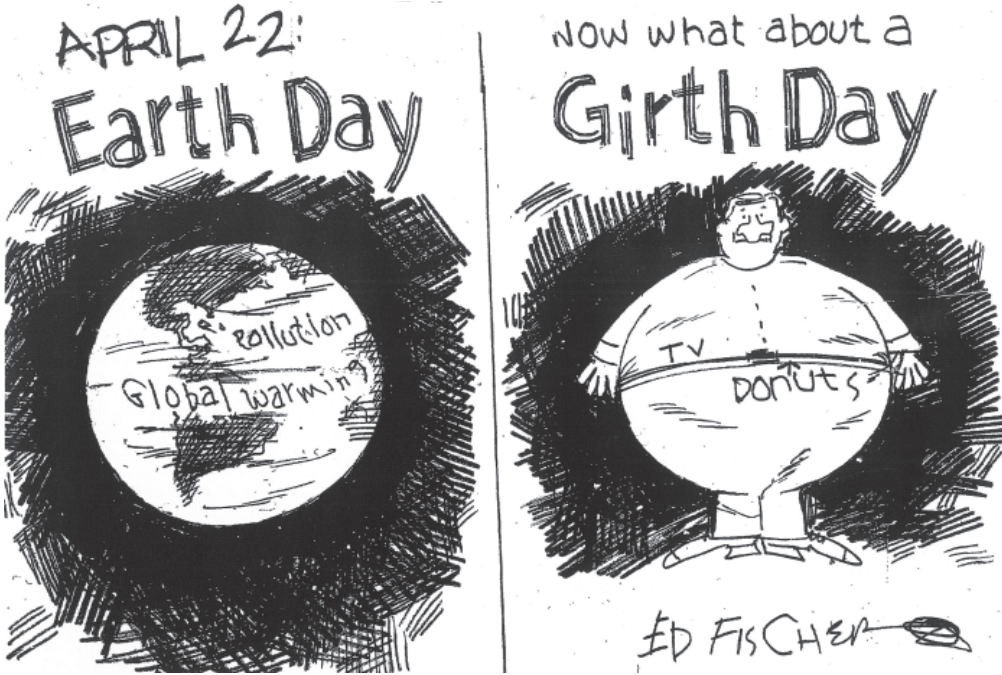
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## Thanks for the memories

*“From the moment students enter a school, the most important factor in their success is not the color of their skin or the income of their parents. It’s the person standing at the front of the classroom.”*

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We are bidding a fond farewell to several staff members at the Motley school this spring. Doug Shequen, Debbie Blowers, and Pat DiGiovanni have spent decades building relationships with students and families in our school and creating that positive classroom environment that helps kids grow and succeed.

Each of these teachers have been pillars of the school and community and made Motley Elementary School a wonderful place to be. As a new staff member several years ago, it was a pleasure to get to know these great teachers and learn more about the community and our students as they lead by example.

Students always remember the fun things about teachers - a favorite game or project, the phrases they use, or the way they made them feel as they spent the year with them. But there are so many things other teachers and staff learn from

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and appreciate about each other as well. There are teachers that staff STILL talk about decades after they have pulled an Elvis and left the building.

I will always remember:  
• Mrs. DiGiovanni’s dramatic productions are always entertaining, always clever and always a well-planned production. Mrs. D has a knack for casting kids in the perfect role. My daughter’s role as Cinderella’s stepsister spearheaded her acting career!

• Mr. Shequen planted a love for sports, especially baseball, in all of his students. There were some serious baseball and kickball games going on during recess over the years!

• Mrs. Blowers can weave the most entertaining stories. I will miss hearing about her adventures with animals, which I’m sure she will have many of during her retirement!

If each of these teachers taught 25 students per year for 25+ years, they have each made a difference in the lives of almost 700 kids, or more, through the work they have done in our school and community. We have been lucky to have them in our system and wish them well as they move on to the adventure of retirement!

## Letter to the Editor

### Perfection

Hi, Steve!

On April 10 I attended the Staples Motley High School musical production of “Anything Goes.” I sat in the front row of the auditorium next to the orchestra pit because I didn’t want to miss a note, an action or a line of the script. My eyesight isn’t as acute as it used to be.

I had seen the musical in a movie theater in my youth and I love the songs and puns on our American English slang. The misunderstanding of the slang is hokey but fun. I sat in a trance smiling and laughing at the lines and I was in awe of the art of the performance I witnessed.

I couldn’t sense a missed

cue. The stage set was simple and sturdy. The lighting and stage crews didn’t miss a beat. The hats, period costumes and makeup were perfection. The pitch, tonality and quality of the voices of the lead actors were phenomenal. The diction was distinct and the miced voices of the leads could be heard clearly throughout the theater.

The movement of the musical kept at an even, frenetic pace. The players played off of each other and to the audience. All actors and chorus members radiated confidence and exuberance. It was obvious that all players enjoyed what they were doing. The skilled tap dancing and the Broadwayesque choreography in the finale blew my mind.

The quality of the pit orchestra was sensation-

al and professional. Jeff Iverson, Cindy and John Koopmann and especially Steve Hoemberg, Sandy Paskewitz and Matt Olsen have taught another generation of students what perfection in the fine arts is. What we saw and heard was a seamless artistic production. Bravo!

The high school should be renamed the Staples Motley School of Fine Arts. How does one evaluate this sort of perfection with our present state grad standards? I see here no students left behind. A Sunday matinee with a full house is the high grad standard evaluation.

Thank you for such a treat! Share this with all those who were involved. Let’s keep supporting our fine arts!

Jim Downes  
Long Prairie, Minn.

**EDITORS NOTE:** Although this letter was addressed to Steve Hoemberg, Vocal Music Director at Staples Motley Schools, the author also asked to have it printed in the Staples World.

## No sidelines in fight against climate change

By Kathleen Rogers

On April 22, 1970, 20 million Americans hit the streets to protest the environmental effects of more than 100 years of uncontrolled fossil-fueled industrial development. It was the first Earth Day.

What was intended to be a college campus teach-in soon spread to every community and city across the United States. It was and remains the single largest secular event in history. The sheer size of the protest, along with increasing visual evidence of dire health threats associated with air and toxic pollution, soon forced Congress to pass some of the world’s toughest environmental laws, most of which include community right-to-know provisions and allow citizens to sue their government if it fails to enforce the law.

Citizens’ rights have been enshrined in every major environmental law from that point on. These laws spawned others around the world, many more stringent than those in the U.S. and most recognize the role of citizens in the enforcement of environmental laws.

Nearly 50 years later, Earth Day remains a day of reckoning, and now more than 1 billion people take action each year in almost every country on Earth. Some protest, many clean up their communities and plant trees and millions more have their first exposure to environmentalism through educational programs at schools and universities. Governments large and small make commitments and meet with their constituents, while corporations make pledges to be more sustainable and responsible for the pollu-

tion they create.

It is fitting then that United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon chose Earth Day (April 22) for world leaders to sign the historic Paris climate agreement at U.N. headquarters in New York. At least 150 world leaders are expected to sign, making it the largest single signing of an international agreement in world history (another Earth Day first!). And it’s happening not a moment too soon. On every front, global warming is becoming more immediate, more threatening and more irreversible, while scientific consensus and data on the health effects of climate change, particularly on the poor, mount.

Critics warn that the agreement’s specific emissions targets are too low, that the pace of implementation is too slow and it fails to specify penalties for non-compliance. That’s where we the people come in.

Included in the climate agreement are provisions that recognize the critical role civil society must play to make it work. It calls on citizens to “scale up their efforts and support actions to reduce emissions. It signals the need for all of us to be actively engaged in transforming our world from one dominated by fossil fuels to one driven by renewable energy. While these words don’t amount to a call for revolution, it’s clear both the United Nations and world leaders recognize that citizen participation in solving global warming has been missing. The success – or failure – of the agreement is on our shoulders.

This isn’t a fight in which any of us can remain on the sidelines and hope for the best. Unless

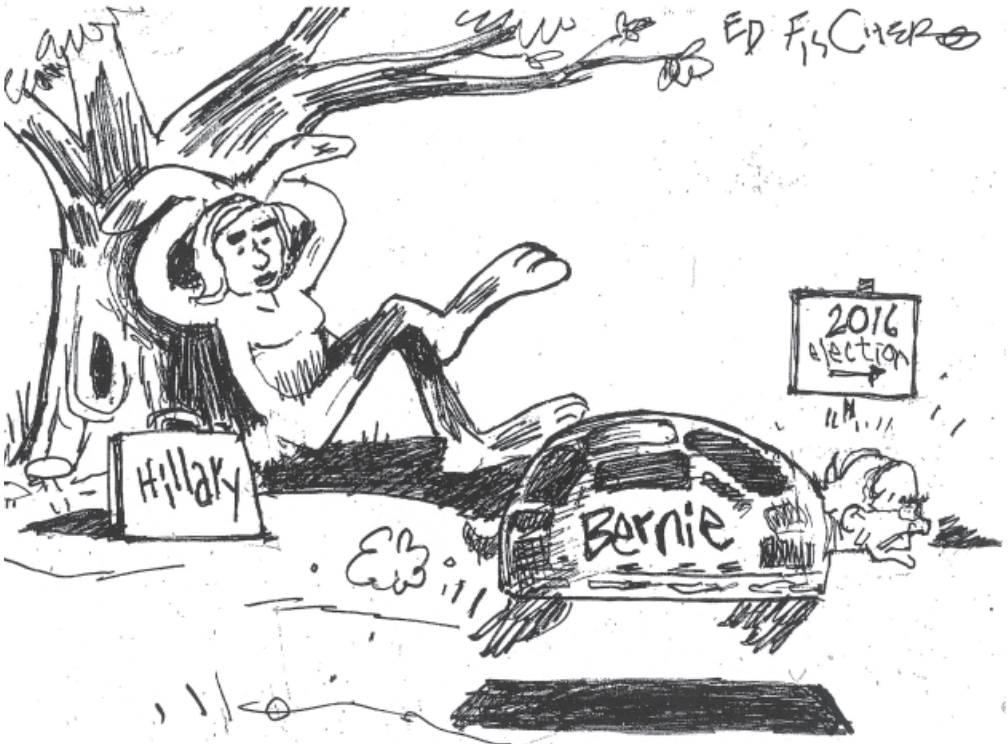
we take these matters into our own hands, the agreement alone won’t save the world’s ecosystems from collapsing, or our biodiversity, which supports all living things on earth, from disappearing.

Doing our part doesn’t mean merely buying green products or inquiring how things are going. It means action. It means a direct challenge to the status quo. It means holding our elected officials accountable and voting out of office national, state and local leaders who won’t take action on climate change. It means not passing the buck and hoping others do the hard work.

For many, getting involved means knowing how your retirement accounts and pensions are invested and demanding divestment from fossil fuel stocks. It means demanding that your children be educated for green jobs of the future. It means showing up at town hall or city council meetings and asking about your community’s survivability in a climate crisis. It means saying “No” to every new coal or fracking project and retooling those communities for safer green powered jobs.

There are no doubt countless other ways to act. Undoubtable, the climate agreement makes it clear that governments don’t have the power to solve climate change alone. We all must do something more than we currently are. Earth Day 2016 is not about crossing the finish line. When the agreement is signed, the hard work begins anew.

Kathleen Rogers is president of Earth Day Network. This article was submitted by The American Forum.



## Sexual Assault Awareness Month

By Connie Nelson

Each April a campaign is launched by sexual assault awareness organizations in the United States in an

effort to raise public awareness of the often times unreported and unspoken crime of sexual assault and rape. These crimes happen more often than we would like to think, and due to the embarrassment and shame that comes with being a victim of sexual assault, nearly 70 percent go unreported to law enforcement and or medical personnel. These victims live in our communities, go to our schools, set next to us in church and are our co-workers, friends, family members and neighbors.

This year’s Sexual Assault Awareness Month’s (SAAM) theme is “Prevention is Possible”. Sexual assault is a choice of behavior of one individual to have power and control over another; it’s not about the sexual act perpetrated on the victim. Prevention of such traumatic acts and behaviors needs to be a priority in our society. The only way we can act preventively is to be aware that this is going on in our world. It affects our young children, 15 percent of sexual assault victims are under the age of twelve. College and high school boys and girls are being assaulted at alarming rates. A very alarming fact is

that 80 percent of these assaults are being committed by people that the victims know and often times trust.

By talking about healthy boundaries, supporting age-appropriate behaviors, modeling healthy sexual behaviors as adults and speaking up when another adult is being sexually inappropriate, we can play a part in preventing unhealthy sexual behaviors.

There is often silence and discomfort when it comes to the discussion of sexual development. It’s important to understand that this is a normal experience that we as humans all experience. By opening up communication, sharing age appropriate information with children and educating one another, we are taking steps toward a safer community.

If you would like further information, or if you have been victimized by sexual assault and need to talk about it in confidence, contact Hands of Hope Resource Center at 320-732-2319 or stop by our office at 347 Central Ave in Long Prairie.

Connie Nelson is the Sexual Assault Program Coordinator at Hands of Hope Resource Center.

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# Olsen to hold directing workshops in Wadena



Matthew R. Olsen

Madhatters Community Theatre of Wadena is offering three workshops on theatre directing for community theatres. The event is open to the public. Workshop dates are: April 25 and April 27 from 7-9:30 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 30 at the Robertson Theatre in the Wadena-Deer Creek High School, located on Hwy 29 west side of Wadena.

Teaching the workshops will be Matthew R. Olsen who has a masters degree in theatre acting, will share his methods of directing, also covering the essentials of putting a

stage production together, from auditions, blocking scenes, character development and scheduling of rehearsals.

After the workshops in Wadena, Olsen will be do a stint with the Nebraska Shakespeare Theatre and return to Minnesota to co-direct “Twelve Angry Men”, a joint venture between Madhatters and Lamplighter Community Theatres in August.

On-line registration and more information is available at the Madhatters website: madhattersinc.org/upcoming events/box office.



## Seventh graders explore high school

On April 18, an orientation for Motley Staples Middle School seventh graders was held at Staples Motley High School, where they will attend eighth grade next school year, with the new

re-alignment of the school buildings. The students met staff and found where their rooms will be for next year. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

## Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider rezoning City owned property between 5th and 6th Streets NE, north of Chicago Ave. from business to multi-family residential
- Consider Conditional Use Permit to construct a 30 foot by 40 foot residential storage building at 417 4th Street SW
- Open Forum
- City Administrator’s report

## Healthy living classes to be offered for senior citizens

Senior citizens living in Wadena, Todd and Morrison counties will have opportunities to take classes in healthy living thanks to a \$27,000 grant received by Wadena County Public Health from the Central Minnesota Council on Aging.

The funding will provide evidenced based classes for the community, with a focus on participants age sixty and older.

“This funding is important as we focus additional resources on our aging population,” said Cindy Pederson, Wadena County Public Health Director.

Currently 29.5 percent of the Wadena County population is age 65 and older, compared to 20.9 percent in Minnesota. This percentage is expected to grow, with an estimated 33.8 percent of our population in this age group in 2030.

The funding will provide 15 classes, five in each county. Classes will include Matter of Balance, Tai Ji Quan, I Can Prevent Diabetes and Chronic Disease

Self-Management.

The classes offered all have proven outcomes. For example, Matter of Balance reduces falls and I Can Prevent Diabetes reduces diabetes occurrence in persons with pre-diabetes.

“This grant will work closely with the SHIP (Statewide Health Improvement Program) funding that we receive from the Minnesota Department of Health,” said Erica Keppers, Wadena County Public Health Nursing Supervisor. “It allows us to work on improved health through healthy activity and healthy eating strategies and to work with our medical systems. Prevention to improve health is important for our entire population.”

For more information, contact Wadena County Public Health; 218-631-7629 or 888-883-0351; Morrison County Public Health; 320-632-6664; or Todd County Public Health; 320-732-4500 or 888-838-4066.

## Educational Opportunities

### April 21- May 26

**POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS WORKSHOP** hosted by Lakewood Health System, will be held at Lakewood Manor (222 5th St. NE) in Staples on April 21, 28; May 12, 19, 24 and 26, from 9:30 - 11 a.m.

This six-class course is an evidence-based program that helps caregivers develop tools for self-care. Caregivers will learn how to reduce personal stress, communicate needs to family members and healthcare providers, deal with difficult feelings and situations; and make tough caregiving decisions.

This workshop is free of charge and transportation assistance may be available. For info., call 218-894-8623.

## Changes planned for the Great Coat Giveaway

The weather may be turning warmer, but CARE Ministry is already planning next fall’s Great Coat Giveaway.

This will be the sixth year for the project that collects new and gently used coats, then distributes them to people who need them.

Some changes are being implemented this year to help the collection and distribution run smoother.

The familiar blue bins will not be used. Instead, the committee is setting one day, Oct. 26, as the collection day for everyone to bring coats to the Staples Community Center.

The next day, Oct. 27, the center will be open for people to come in and choose

coats. All coats are given freely.

“We accept all coats, but our greatest need is for children’s coats, sizes 6-18,” said Marge Lelwica, CARE committee member.

“We are sharing this information now as we are hoping for more new children’s coats and this is the time to find them on sale,” wrote Joyce Anderson, another committee member, in a message to the area churches.

More details will be determined as the time grows closer. Anyone with questions now can call Lelwica at 218-894-1723, Anderson at 218-894-1574, Jeannie Hajek at 218-894-2442 or Gail Honek at 218-894-1105.

## Extension food safety workshops available

An advanced Cottage Food Producer Food Safety workshop and two ServSafe courses will be offered Wednesday May 11 at the Douglas County Library in Alexandria.

**The Advanced Cottage** course will be from 2-5 p.m. and will focus on aspects of cottage food products including baked, confectionery, dried, fruit preserves, acid and acidified fruit and vegetables. You will learn how to produce, package and label a safe food product. This workshop meets the training requirement to register as a Minnesota cottage food producer with annual sales \$5,001 to \$18,000 per year. Individuals with gross receipts of less than \$5,000 per calendar year may attend this course. Registration materials are available at [www.extension.imn.edu/food-food-safety/courses/cottage-foods/index.html](http://www.extension.imn.edu/food-food-safety/courses/cottage-foods/index.html). Deadline to register is May 4, 2016.

The initial certification

course, called **ServSafe** will also be held on Wednesday May 11, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with the test following at 4:30 p.m. Participants must attend all day to be eligible to take the certification exam. This course includes information about safe food preparation, handling, sanitation and prevention of foodborne illnesses.

**The Serve It Up Safely** course will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Certified food managers need four hours of continuing education credits within three years of becoming certified. U of M Extension educators and university specialists developed this renewal course that meets these criteria.

Preregistration for either of the ServSafe courses is required. Deadline to register is due by April 27.

For more information contact Connie at 507-337-2819 or [schwa047@umn.edu](mailto:schwa047@umn.edu).

## Mark Your Calendar

### April 26

**STAPLES MOTLEY HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH BANQUET** Tues., April 26, 5:30 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, Staples. Pot-luck. Public welcome.

**CARE COMMUNITY MEAL** Tues., April 26, 4:30 - 6 p.m., St. Michael Catholic

Church, 280 1st Ave. S, Motley. Free. For info, 218-352-6520.

### April 28

**WADENA WHIRLAWAYS SQUARE DANCE** Thurs., April 28, 7:30 - 10 p.m., Wadena VFW. Abe Maier, caller; Donna Stone, cuer. For info., 218-894-1542.

## Connections High School to be featured on television

Connections High School in Staples will be featured on the public television show “Lakeland Currents” at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, April 28.

Ray Gildow, Staples author and fishing guide, hosts the show that features conversations with local leaders, citizens and experts about the issues and events that affect central and northern Minnesota. Lakeland Public Television is shown on cable channel 2.

### Dinner Concert

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## April senior celebrations

The Staples Senior Citizens held their April birthday and anniversary party April 12 in the Senior Citizens room at the Staples Community Center. Celebrating April birthdays were, in back, left to right: Audrey Zimmer, Joyce Mohler and Mona Neznik; seated is Martha Rach, left. Nancy and Cecil Johnson, front, celebrated their April wedding an-

niversary that day. They received personalized cards, small decorated cakes and the Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary songs were sung. A short program with prize drawings was also held.

The May birthday/anniversary party will be held May 10. Reservations can be made by calling 894-2556 by May 9. All seniors are welcome.



## Math league winners

Pictured are the 2016 Math League winners at Staples Elementary School. Front row, from left are fourth graders: Aaron Payne, most improved; Aiden Stevens, 1st, 23 points; Sabina Moe, 3rd, 19 points; Kadin Ottomoeller, 2nd, 20 points. Back row, fifth graders: Emilya Case, 3rd, 18 points; Jayce Ko-

bliska, 2nd, 21 points; Ashley Robben, most improved; Jay Dregney, 1st, 22 points. Laurie Paskewitz served as the Math League Coordinator. In addition to their certificates, first place winners each received a book as well. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

## Hello World

### BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Bryan and Mandy Selisker of Baxter, a baby girl, Addison Marie weighing six pounds, 11-1/2 ounces, on April 7, 2016.

Born to Trent and Erica Lehner of Motley, a baby boy, Joseph Francis weighing eight pounds, nine ounces on April 8, 2016.


Born to Jeff and Alyssa Morlock of Wadena, a baby girl, Clara Rose weighing eight pounds, six ounces on April 9, 2016.

Born to Jeremiah and Sonja Coburn of Eagle Bend, a baby girl, Gabriella Marie weighing seven pounds, eight-1/2 ounces, on April 14, 2016.

Born to Ross and Rebekah Bollin of Clarissa, a baby boy, Luke Allen weighing seven pounds, 11 ounces on April 14, 2016.

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Jordan Houselog

communication network of agencies, has hired Jordan Houselog. Jordan will help support agency growth and the complex needs of clients in a rapidly changing marketing environment as an account coordinator in the Fargo office.

Houselog, a 2007 graduate of SMHS, earned a bachelor's degree in marketing and management with a minor in leadership from Minnesota State University Moorhead.


Jordan is the son of Roger and Laurel Houselog of Staples.



## After the concert

Members of the Staples Motley Area Arts Council chatted with singer/songwriter Sarah Morris following her concert at Centennial Auditorium in Staples April 16. Pictured standing, from left, are Dawn Timbs, arts council member; Morris; and arts council members Michelle Jeziorski and Mary Noska. Seated, from left, are Brenda Halvorson, arts council member; and Mary Sperley, arts council president. This was the final concert of the arts council's regular 2015 - 2016 season.

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## Check Mates win Staples tournament

The kindergarten-third grade Check Mates team won the championship trophy at the Staples Chess Tournament held April 16. Team members are, left to right: Deven Johnson, Jaden Radermacher, Jack Carlson, Dillan Robben,

Griffin Judd, Ben Tyrrell, Logan Robben and Amber Dregney. Participating teams attended from Brainerd, Pillager, Parkers Prairie, Cushing, McGregor, Crosby and Perham. (Submitted photo)

## VA rural access increased through Choice Act

By David A. Anderson  
Wadena County Veteran's Service Officer

Great news for the uninsured population and Veterans living in rural communities with limited access to health care providers and services. If you are a Veteran enrolled in, or eligible for, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) health care services, the Veterans Choice Act of 2014 and Choice Improvement Act of 2015 were created to offer you greater access to care in your community. If you are a Veteran who is not eligible for VA health care and do not have insurance, the Health Insurance Marketplace may be an option for you.

The Veterans Choice Act increases access to health care for enrolled Veterans and the Choice Improvement Act expands this access to a larger number of Veterans. For example, eligible Veterans who live more than 40 miles from a VA medical facility or are unable to schedule an appointment within 30 days may be eligible to use their Choice Card to see a provider in their community. To find out if you are eligible, call 1-866-606-8198 or visit [www.va.gov/opa/](http://www.va.gov/opa/)

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Recent legislation (the Choice Improvement Act) amended the Veterans Choice Act to further expand eligibility for Veterans to receive care in their communities. VA will implement these changes in several phases, with the first phase (waiver of the enrollment date) effective immediately. The legislation:

- Waives the enrollment date. Now, all enrolled Veterans, regardless of when they enrolled, may be eligible
- Expands the 60-day episode for referral care. If an eligible Veteran is referred for care, they will have 60 days to complete the referral
- Allows for appointments less than 30 days when clinically indicated. Veterans with an approved clinical need for an appointment can seek care in their community, even if it's within 30 days
- Allows VA to expand its network. VA now has authority to expand its Veterans Choice Program provider base
- Allows for Veterans Choice Program benefit where no VA full-time physician is present at the existing site of VA care

In addition, Veterans who receive hospital or medical services for a service-connected disability are eligible to participate in a Health Savings Account effective December 31, 2015. VA wants to ensure that Veterans have options to access the health care they need and that the care received also fully addresses their needs.

Veterans who are uninsured or not eligible to enroll in VA health care can consider enrollment in state or federal Health Insurance Marketplaces for affordable health insurance. Most people can find health insurance plans available for \$75 or less per month. Learn about options available in your area by visiting [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov) or call 1-800-318-2596. If you are a Veteran who is either enrolled or not enrolled in VA health care and want more Veteran-specific information about the Health Insurance Marketplace, visit [www.va.gov/aca](http://www.va.gov/aca).

See your local County Veterans Service Officer if you have any questions. You can contact your local VSO at 218-631-7617 or by email at [david.anderson@co.wadena.mn.us](mailto:david.anderson@co.wadena.mn.us).



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Obituaries

Michael Kray



Michael "Mike" Edward Kray, 47, Staples, passed away April 14, 2016 at his

home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 23, 2016 at the Verdale Alliance Church, with visitation from 9 a.m. until the time of services at the church. Michael was born November 17, 1968 in Little Falls to Elmer and Anne Kray. He lived in Royalton and graduated from Royalton High School. Mike married Kara Milar on September 25, 2010 on 'home plate' at Spruce Community Park near Alexandria.

He enjoyed baseball, football, wrestling and going fishing whenever he could. Mike is survived by his wife; one daughter, Allison of Little Falls; one son, Nathan of Staples; three brothers, Mark (Marge) of Ramsey, Steve of Little Falls, Patrick of Staples; his Aunt May and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Sandy Coe and Kathy Mueller; along with aunts and uncles.

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Douglas Vogel

Douglas Vogel, 63, of Motley, passed away April 10 at the St. Cloud Hospital. Memorial services will be held Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 3 p.m. at the Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples. Visitation will be held at 1 p.m. until the time of the services. Military Honors will be provided by the Star of the North Marine Corps League and the Minnesota Patriot Guard. Arrangements are with the Brenny Funeral Chapel, Staples. Douglas was born February 18, 1953 to Leo and Joan (Adamietz) Vogel in Fairbanks, AK. He graduated from Pillager High School.

Doug entered the U.S. Air Force in 1971 and later joined the U.S. Marine Corps, retiring in 1994 as a Major. He earned his Bachelor's Degree from Puget Sound College. He enjoyed the outdoors, gardening, reading, watching the news and following politics. Douglas is survived by his wife, Jacqueline; one son Calvin (Jamie) Vogel; one sister, Rebecca (Chris) Meade; stepmother, Evelyn Vogel and her family; three step sons Chad (LaVonne) Clark, Travis (Jill) Clark, Justin (Alexis) Clark; seven step grandchildren; one niece, Andrea; his Olde English Bulldog, Parker

Thiel is new family and emergency physician at LHS

Chad Thiel, family and emergency medicine physician, is the newest member of Lakewood Health System's medical provider staff. Originally from Rugby, ND, Thiel completed his undergraduate work and received his degree from The University of North Dakota. He completed his residency at the University of North Dakota Center for Family Medicine. Thiel is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians. As a family and emer-

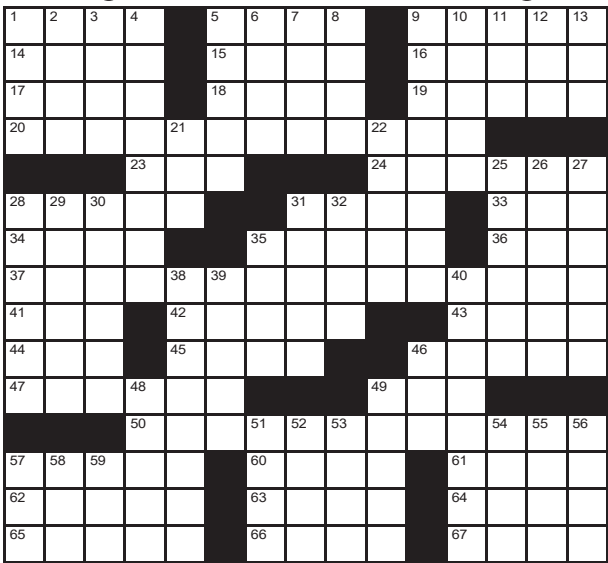


Dr. Chad Thiel

gency medicine physician, Thiel enjoys providing a broad spectrum of care for all ages. He will be working exclusively in the Emergency Department at Lakewood. "I look forward to becoming a member of an already fabulous medical staff here at Lakewood," said Thiel. Thiel is married with three elementary age children.

Crossword Puzzle

Provided by American Profile



"Cool Puzzle"

- Across  
1 Whack  
5 "Sounds good to me!"  
9 Displayed audacity  
14 Neet rival  
15 Rosencrantz or Guildenstern  
16 Antipasto morsel  
17 Alan of "Jake's Women"  
18 \_\_\_ sandwich  
19 Antiquated  
20 "If looks could kill" look  
23 Monopolize  
24 Hitchcock classic  
28 Checks out  
31 Clash  
33 This woman  
34 Muslim honorific  
35 In reserve  
36 Parseghian of Notre Dame  
37 Not a warm welcome  
41 Thrash

- 42 Exudes  
43 "What \_\_\_?"  
44 Put to work  
45 Whiff  
46 Parenting challenges  
47 Bowler's X  
49 Guy  
50 Brush-off  
57 "Happy Birthday \_\_\_!"  
60 Police action  
61 Certain something  
62 Don't exist  
63 Not being used  
64 Casing  
65 Not Astroturf  
66 Round sound  
67 Eat like a bird
- Down  
1 Unexpected difficulty  
2 Stopping point  
3 Slave girl of opera  
4 Of the windpipe  
5 Convention label  
6 Handle roughly

- 7 London's \_\_\_ of Court  
8 Straight  
9 Threshold  
10 Back street  
11 Disencumber  
12 Second person  
13 Hideout  
21 One of the Cyclades  
22 Lickety-split  
25 \_\_\_ longue  
26 Horse, so to speak  
27 Praying figures.  
28 Sticker  
29 Shocked  
30 Black eye  
31 Curl one's lip  
32 Snaps  
35 Soup pasta  
38 Sentinels  
39 Alpine song  
40 Haberdashery accessory  
46 Letter from Greece  
48 Desktop pictures  
49 Runway walker  
51 Small amount  
52 "The Sweetest Taboo" singer  
53 Rise  
54 Coach K's school  
55 Rocker Clapton  
56 Colonel or captain  
57 Telephone\_\_\_\_  
58 Famous Bruin  
59 Indeed

Last Week's Answers  
""Odds Are""



Music General dancers earn high gold

The Music General Staples class, grades 2-4, placed a high gold at the Hall of Fame dance competition held April 8 in Burnsville. Front, left to right: Sophie Albie, Jessie Lundquist, Jade Storry, Abby Toeper. Middle: CeCe Moe, Brooke Goddard, Sabina Moe, Natalie Fisher. Back: Aliza Furhan, Britta Sweeney, Lily Richey. Instructor is Amy Borash. (Submitted photo)

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

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
421 Dakota Ave. SE, Staples  
218-894-0033  
Jeff Scaggins, Pastor  
Saturday Worship .....9:30 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 Greg Ciesluk  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.  
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)

Aldrich

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

**Balsamlund Lutheran**  
19550 490th Street, Aldrich  
Pastor Rachel Stout .....218-640-5587  
Sunday Worship.....8:15 a.m.  
Sunday School .....8:30 a.m.

Cushing

**Bethany Lutheran**  
25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN  
320-749-2140  
www.bethanylutheranuscushing.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  
Senior Pastor: Pastor Dan Cracker  
Visitation Pastor: Pastor Jim Brown  
Youth Coordinator: Stacey Minion  
Sunday School for all Ages.....9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship.....10:45 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  
Rev. Pastor Fr. Joe Korf  
MASS:  
Tuesday.....6:30 p.m.,  
Wednesday.....8:30 a.m..  
Saturday .....7:00 p.m..  
Sunday .....10:30 a.m..  
**United Methodist**  
847 3rd Ave. S. Lane, Motley.....218-352-6466  
Rev. Greg Ciesluk  
www.motleyumc.org  
Monday AA meeting.....8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.

Oylen

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

Pillager

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

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

Meth, clergy abuse, and Jesus

Pastor Nathan Hillman, Thomastown Covenant Church

I have been deeply encouraged by the recent articles, in this newspaper, about folks who were addicted to meth until finding freedom through the power of the good news about Jesus. All those who walk with Jesus know, from personal experience, this same transforming power that is available against any sin and for all those who seek Him!

I have been deeply discouraged by the recent ads, also in this newspaper, seeking information about pastors that have used and abused people who came to them seeking the love of God. Unfortunately, too many of us (across all church denominations) have experienced the failures and abuses of those that were supposed to be our spiritual leaders.

This story is actually an old one. People who were "sinners" became friends of God. And people who were "godly" set themselves against God. The contrast of these two mirror opposites illustrates a truth that Jesus made very clear during His time on earth. So the last will be first, and the first will be last. (Matthew 20:16) In other words, God has

a very different understanding of greatness than what we humans have. We tend to look at the outer surface. We see the respectable clothes, the professional resume, the smart words, the life that appears put-together.

But God sees the heart. That's why Jesus warned the religious people of His day, Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. (Matthew 21:31) This simply means that nobody can coast – nobody can presume to have God wrapped around their finger. It means that pastors like myself, and "church people", ought to be the first to humbly come before God, dig deep and seek both His forgiveness for our sins and His power to live transformed lives. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. (Matthew 23:12) It means that everybody, no matter who they are or where they're from or what they've done, can choose to follow Jesus today and begin to live in victory! That's good news for meth users and clergy...and you!

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

**Central Building Supply**  
Bob Reeck, Manager  
Hwy. 10 West, Staples, MN

**Ernie's Food Market**  
Groceries - Gas - Convenience - more  
Staples, MN 218-894-1072

**Staples Veterinary Clinic**  
"Complete Animal Care"  
Staples, MN 218-894-1775

**Mid-Central Federal Savings Bank**  
Fully Insured to \$250,000  
Staples, MN 218-894-3900

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

**Staples World**  
Your community newspaper since 1890  
224 4th St. NE, Staples, MN  
218-894-1112

**Tower Pizza**  
Pizza, Pasta, Salads, Sandwiches  
Staples, MN 218-894-3299

**Staples True Value "Just Ask Rental"**  
Open 7 days a week.  
Staples, MN 218-894-3263



**NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF REDEMPTION**  
**(THESE PARCELS HAVE NOT FORFEITED TO THE STATE OF MINNESOTA)**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF TODD**  
**DENISE GAIDA, COUNTY AUDITOR/TREASURER**

TO: ALL PERSONS WITH A LEGAL INTEREST IN THE PARCELS OF  
REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING NOTICE.

You are hereby notified that the parcels of real property described below and located in Todd County, Minnesota, are subject to forfeiture to the State of Minnesota because of the nonpayment of delinquent property taxes, special assessments, penalties, interest, and costs levied on these parcels. The time for redemption from forfeiture expires if a redemption is not made by the later of (1) sixty (60) days after service of this notice on all persons having an interest in the parcels or (2) August 31st, 2016 whichever is later. The redemption must be made in the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer Office.

The following information is listed below: the names of the property owners, taxpayers, and interested parties who have filed their addresses under M.S. 276.041; the addresses of the parties at the election of the County Auditor/Treasurer; the legal description and parcel identification number of the parcels; and the amount necessary to redeem the parcels as of the date listed below:

Parcel No.	Legal Description	Amount Due
Names & Addresses		
01-0000700	S2 SW4 of Sec-01 Twp-133 Rng-34, Twp 133, Rng-34 Phillip L Arent 50498 Thorn Apple Rd Aldrich, MN 56434	\$ 3,704.92
01-0007900	S2 SW4 of Sec.8,Twp, Rng 34 Timothy C Jasmer 17206 490th St Verndale, MN 56481	\$4936.70
01-0011002	SW 4 SW 4 Desc as: Comm at SW cor of Sec 11, N 208. 71 Ft to Pt of beg: Thence N 716.65 Ft E 840.35 Ft, S 734.75 Ft, W 840.54 Ft to beg of Sec-11 Twp-133 Rng-34 Sean Habinger 49206 County 11 Aldrich, MN 56434	\$ 898.27
06-0027900	S 100 Ft of N 1543 Ft of E 125 Ft of Lot 3 of Sec. 19, Twp 128, Rng 32 David Van Heel 17650 Dogwood Loop Grey Eagle, MN 56336	\$13,448.65
06-0094300	Big Swan Hillside Terrace 20-128-32 Lot-13 Blk-1 Nancy Lynn & James L Wolff 30291 Duckwood Dr Burtrum, MN 56318	\$2,965.72
07-0018301	Part of SW4 SW 4 Lying between Hwy 80 & RR R.O.W. Sec 17 Twp 131 Rng 34 Dennis & Joan Reiersen Unknown	\$53.90
07-0018401	E 4 Rds of SW4 SW4 Lying N of Rd Sec 17 Twp 131 Rng 34 Joseph F Pontius Unknown	\$96.87
08-0003702	N2 SE4 NW4 Part of Sec-04 Twp-132 Rng-32 Leroy F Smith 715 Lake Placid Blvd Pillager, MN 56473	\$1,264.55
08-0003900	N2 SW4 NW4 part of Sec-04 Twp-132 Rng-32 Leroy F Smith 715 Lake Placid Blvd Pillager, MN 56473	\$1,099.12
08-0055700	Sylvan Shores No. 1 30-132-32 Lot-20 Blk-9 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$260.90
08-0059900	Sylvan Shores No. 1-30-132 Lot -31 Blk-10 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$196.30
08-0060700	Sylvan Shores No. 1 30-132-32 Lot-39 Blk-10 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$199.01
08-0065700	Sylvan Shores No. 1 30-132-32 Lot-8 Blk-13 Robert R Bensfield 13482 Tulane St Westminster, CA 92683	\$237.67
08-0067300	Sylvan Shores No.1 30-132-32 Lot-24 Blk-13 Donald J & Arlien Corbett 2099 Cliffview Drive Eagan, MN 55122	\$237.67
08-0083100	Lot 4 of Blk 6 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) Ivan Golub 9212 NE 52nd Ave Vancouver, WA 98665	\$280.08
08-0084600	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132 Lot-19 Blk-6 Joseph H & Donna Dixon 1002 King Arthur Dr Apt 116 Harlingen, TX 78550	\$237.67
089-0089000	Lot 43 of Blk 7 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) M N & N General Contracting 15720 SE Orville Ave Milwaukie, OR 97267	\$199.13
08-0091400	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot-67 Blk-7 Vladimir Kondratyuk 1077 N Sentia Ave Eagle, ID 83616	\$237.67
08-0091500	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot-68 Blk-7 Vladimir Kondratyuk 1077 N Sentia Ave Eagle, ID 83616	\$237.67

08-0092900	Lot 82 of Blk 7 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) Robert E (Neilson) Jones PO BOX 103 Blackduck, MN 56630	\$237.44
08-0097000	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot -6 Blk-8 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$196.30
08-0097100	Fawn lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot-7 Blk-8 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$196.30
08-0098000	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot-16 Blk-8 Lybov Kuzmenko 1017 N 52nd Street Nampa, ID 83687	\$120.33
08-0098100	Fawn Lake Meadows 29, 30-132-32 Lot-17 Blk-8 Lybov Kuzmenko 1017 N 52nd Street Nampa, ID 83687	\$161.58
08-0100900	Lot 45 of Blk 8 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) M N & N General Contracting 15720 SE Orville Ave Milwaukie, OR 97267	\$185.01
08-0101000	Lot 46 of Blk 8 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) M N & N General Contracting 15720 SE Orville Ave Milwaukie, OR 97267	\$183.31
08-0104400	Fawn Lake Meadow 29, 30-132-32 Lot-8 Blk-10 Gladys E & Mark W Westin 375 Elan Court Woodbury, MN 55125	\$182.07
08-0118000	Lot 24 of Blk 13 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr Oregon City, OR 97045	\$265.14
08-0118100	Lot 25 of Blk 13 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr Oregon City, OR 97045	\$265.14
08-0118200	Lot 26 of Blk 13 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr Oregon City, OR 97045	\$259.94
08-0118300	Lot 27 of Blk 13 in Fawn Lake Meadows (29, 30-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045	\$291.57
08-0122200	Lot 17 of Blk 1 in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045	\$239.42
08-0122300	Lot 18 of Blk in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045	\$211.60
08-0122400	Lot 19 of Block 1 in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) RMS Construction c/o Roman Matveyev 14892 Smithfield Dr. Oregon City, OR 97045	\$239.42
08-0126200	Lot 23 of Blk 2 in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) Louis P & Vernadine Kramer 121 E. Curran Street Darwin, MN 55324	\$146.20
08-0129600	Lot 57 of Blk 2 in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) Alvin D & Marquita Clardy 566 Jessamine Ave W St. Paul, MN 55117	\$197.76
08-0131400	Pine Island Heights 30, 31-132-32 Lot-2 Blk-4 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$230.17
08-013700	Pine Island Heights 30, 31-132-32 Lot-5 Blk-4 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds PL Kula, HI 96790	\$218.43
08-0138900	Lot 8 of Blk 6 in Pine Island Heights (30, 31-132-32) Also in Moran Township Sergey & Olga Panfilov 4433 NW 9th Circle Camas, OR 98607	\$61.09
08-0142400	Pine Island Heights 30, 31-132-32 Lot-43 Blk-6 Viktor Matveyev 23 Mauds Pl Kula, HI 96790	\$237.67
08-0148300	Pine Island Heights 30, 31-132-32 Lot-26 Blk-7 Robert Smaller Sr. & Carolyn 1595 East Viking Drive Maplewood, MN 55109	\$3,625.43



Public Notices

REDEMPTION continued from page 8a

<b>08-0165200</b> Lot 4 of Blk 10 in Sylvan Shores South (31-132-32) <b>Tye L Davis</b> 11417 Lily St NW Coon Rapids, MN 55433	\$366.21	<b>20-0030701</b> Pt of W2 SW4 Desc as Comm at SW Cor of Sect 28, E 709.45 Ft to Pt of Beg, Thence E 184.63 Ft, N 550 Ft, W 184.63 Ft, S 550 Ft to Beg, <b>Georgann M Larson &amp; James A &amp; George W Larson</b> 18674 Couty 10 Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$2, 054.13
<b>08-0165300</b> Lot 5 of Blk 10 in Sylvan Shores South (31-132-32) <b>Tye L Davis</b> 11417 Lily St NW Coon Rapids, MN 55433	\$268.74	<b>20-0030702</b> Pt of W2 SW4 Desc as Comm at SW Cor of Sec 28 E 709.45 Ft E 184.63 Ft to Pt of Beg; Thence N 550 Ft W 184.63 Ft N 299.10 Ft W 242 Ft NW 955.44 Ft E 509.12 Ft SE 241.08 Ft E 207.21 Ft S 433.81 Ft W 293.39 Ft S 163.95 Ft E 193.39 Ft S 957.32 Ft to S line W 66 Ft to Beg Sect 28 Twp 129 Rng 34 <b>Georgann M Larson &amp; James A &amp; George W Larson</b> 18674 County 10 Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$3,266.21
<b>09-0005603</b> E 16.5 ft of SW4 SE4 of Sect. 8, Twp 132, Rng 34 <b>Robert J &amp; Margaret R Coleman</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$137.18	<b>20-0030703</b> Pt of W2 SW4 Desc as: Comm at SW cor of Sect 28 E 960.08 Ft to Pt of beg; Thence N 957.32 Ft W 193.39 Ft N 163.95 Ft E 293.39 Ft S 1121.28 Ft to S line W 100 Ft to Beg <b>Georgann M Larson &amp; James A &amp; George W Larson</b> 18674 County 10 Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$2,678.85
<b>10-0061900</b> Lot 6 of Blk 2 in Second Addition to Lands End Subd (9-128-35) <b>Walter S Jegela</b> PO BOX 104 19000 Eastwood Dr Osakis, MN 56360	\$5,395.36	<b>20-0032400</b> Sect 29 Twp 129 Rng 34 S 270 Ft of E 100 Ft of W 311 Ft of SE4 SW4 <b>Tammy Aguilar</b> 17848 County 10 Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$3,037.86
<b>15-0001700</b> N 173.25 ft of S 327.25 ft of following tract beg at pt 16 1/2 rods W & 20.62 1/2 rods S of NE cor of NE4, S 50 ft to beg, thence S 530 ft, W 225 ft, N 530 ft, E 214 ft to beg ex comm at NE cor of NE4, NE4 S 920.31 ft, W 272.25 ft to pt of beg, thence W 258.70 ft, NE 178.88 ft, SE 251.64 ft, S 172.16 ft to beg in Sect. 2, Twp 129, Rng 35 <b>Debra Puhr</b> 500 E Main St Osakis, MN 56360	\$6,397.58	<b>20-0032500</b> Sect 29 Twp 129 Rng 34 E 140 Ft of W 471 Ft of S 270 Ft of SE4 SW4 <b>Tammy Aguilar</b> 17848 County 10 Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$10,717.00
<b>15-0031101</b> Part of the W 40 Acres of Govt Lot 3 Desc as: Comm at SE cor of W 40 Acres of Govt Lot 3, W 25 ft to pt of beg; thence E 25 ft, N 25 ft, SW to beg in Sect. 26, Twp 129, Rng 35 <b>Edwin Johnson</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$62.56	<b>21-0048200</b> Lot 6 of Blk 1 in Eastwood Shores (4-128-33) <b>Shelly E Lambrecht</b> 20223 Fisher Dr Long Prairie, MN 56347	\$13,376.95
<b>17-0032700</b> Lot 4 of Sect. 29, Twp 128, Rng 34 <b>Richard Young</b> <b>c/o Suzanne K Price</b> 7158 County 37 NE Monticello, MN 55362	\$9,170.20	<b>22-0017700</b> Sect -18 Twp-133 Rng-33 E 300 Ft of N 360 Ft of NW4 NE4 <b>Patricia Ann Briscoe</b> 22811 490th St Staples, MN 56479	\$1,773.50
<b>19-0007000</b> E 956 Ft of NE4 Sect-Twp-132 Rng-33 <b>Arnold D Logering</b> 23201 County 24 Staples, MN 56479	\$10,952.30	<b>23-0005800</b> E 12 Acres of SE4 NE4 lying W of parcel 207 of MNDOT R.O.W. Plat #77-14 in Sect. 8, Twp 133, Rng 35 <b>Karen L Kramer</b> 49605 US Hwy 71 Verndale, MN 56481	\$10,743.51
<b>19-0038400</b> Lot 17 of Blk 2 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Anatoliy Derevyanchuk</b> 2415 Heron Dr Ridgefield, WA 98642	\$217.70	<b>26-0040000</b> Lot 13 Blk 7 Sylvan Shores South 1-131-33 <b>Thomas &amp; Berdina Gibb</b> 20620 SE Wiese Ct Damascus, OR 97089	\$384.84
<b>19-0038500</b> Lot 18 of Blk 2 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Anatoliy Derevyanchuk</b> 2415 Heron Dr Ridgefield, WA 98642	\$232.60	<b>29-0004900</b> Aud. Subd of E 706 ft of SE4 SE4 3-132-35 S 25 ft of 4 & All of 5, 6 & Lot 7 <b>Bertha Enterprises LLC</b> 59491 385th ST New York Mills, MN 56567	\$8,714.33
<b>19-0039700</b> Lot 4 of Blk 3 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Kathleen S Johnson &amp; Connie M Svoboda</b> 2501 58th Ave SW Pine River, MN 56474	\$708.61	<b>29-0005000</b> Aud. Subd of E 706 ft of SE4 SE4 3-132-35 All that part of Lot 8 lying & being W of a line due N of NE corner of Lot 7 & pt of Lot 8 Desc as:Comm at SE cor of Lot 7, N along E line of Lot 7 130.50 ft to pt of beg; thence E 43 ft, N 56.50 ft, W 43 ft, S 56.50 ft to beg.. <b>Bertha Enterprises LLC</b> 59491 385th St New York Mills, MN 56567	\$13,590.64
<b>19-0041700</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot-19 Blk-4 <b>Myron Bratsch</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$196.67	<b>29-0005400</b> Lot 11 Aud. Subd of E 706 ft of SE4 SE4 3-132-35 <b>Bertha Enterprises LLC</b> 59491 385th St New York Mills, MN 56567	\$2,878.44
<b>19-0043000</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 32 Blk 4 <b>Lois M Gathman</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$196.67	<b>29-0018900</b> Kilburn’s Third Addition (3-1323-35) Lots 1 to 6 of Blk 5 & N 16 ft of Vacated Second St N <b>Bertha Enterprises LLC</b> 59491 385th St New York Mills, MN 56567	\$12,920.31
<b>19-0043100</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 33 Blk 4 <b>Lois M Gathman</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$196.67	<b>29-0019000</b> Kilburn’s Third Addition (3-132-35) lots 7 to 9 of Blk 5 & N 16 ft of Vacated Second St N <b>Bertha Enterprises LLC</b> 59491 385th St New York Mills, MN 56567	\$3,348.65
<b>19-0044300</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 10 Blk 5 <b>Myron Bratsch</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$241.18	<b>30-0004100</b> Pt of NW4 SW4 Desc as: Comm at pt 142 ft S of SW cor of 5th St & NW corner of Lot 5 of Blk 1 of Sutton’s Addition, W 80 ft, N 160 ft to Roadway, E 80 ft, S 160 ft to beg in Sect. 8, Twp 130, Rnge 33 <b>Central Todd Housing</b> PO Box 159 Browerville, MN 56438	\$40,130.13
19-0049500 Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 3 Blk 6 <b>Marla Hardy</b> 11645 Forestview Drive Baxter, MN 56425	\$545.07	<b>32-0005300</b> E 178.05 ft of W 211.05 ft of SW4 NE4 lying between Creek & Clarissa Railroad Addition ex S 90.35 ft in Sect. 27, Twp 131, Rng 34 <b>Daniel D Rolfes</b> PO Box 154 Clarissa, MN 56440	\$3,235.02
<b>19-0050100</b> Lot 9 of Blk 6 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Chand Montag</b> 5500 NE River Rd Sauk Rapids, MN 56379	\$2,549.20	<b>32-0019700</b> Nutting’s Addition to Clarissa (27-131-34) S2 of 6 & All of Lot 7 Blk 7 <b>Dean &amp; Laurie M Wysocki</b> PO Box 514 Clarissa, MN 56440	\$2,976.58
<b>19-0051400</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 22 Blk 6 <b>Mikhail Kuzmenko</b> 1017 N 52nd Street Nampa, ID 83687	\$164.40	<b>33-0000801</b> N 33 ft of S 346.50 ft of W 528 ft of SE4 SE4 in Sect. 11, Twp 131, Rng 35 <b>Thomas Sly</b> <b>Unknown</b>	\$114.24
<b>19-0051500</b> Sylvan Shores Villa 35, 36-132-33 Lot 23 Blk 6 <b>Mikhail Kuzmenko</b> 1017 N 52nd Street Nampa, ID 83687	\$164.40	<b>33-0001701</b> Pt of SW4 SE4 of Sec 12 Desc as: Comm at NE cor of Sec 13 W 2154.16 ft to pt of beg thence NW 119.88 ft to S'erly R.O.W. of CSAH#22 W'erly 152.09 ft SW 3.01 ft to NE'erly line of Lot 1 of Blk 1 of Eagle Bend Railroad Addition SE 303.27 ft SE 1.50 <b>Delbert D &amp; Esther S Pooler</b> 627 Main St E PO Box 393 Eagle Bend, MN 56446	\$92.05
<b>19-0052100</b> Lot 29 of Blk 6 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Vitality N Krinitsyn</b> 21-Ballenger Ave Inman SC, 29349	\$100.52		
<b>19-0052200</b> Lot 30 of Blk 6 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Vitality N Krinitsyn</b> 21-Ballenger Ave Inman, SC 29349	\$127.22		
<b>19-0052900</b> Lot 37 of Blk 6 in Sylvan Shores Villa (35, 36-132-33) <b>Virginia Forcier</b> 39592 Oak Dr Browerville, MN 56438	\$2,841.85		
<b>19-007600</b> Lot 3 of Blk 6 in Prairie River Heights (35, 36-132-33) <b>Vasiliy &amp; Olga Skorykh</b> 7700 169th LN NW Ramsey, MN 55303	\$304.82		
<b>19-0090000</b> Lot 8 of Blk 6 in Pine Island Heights (25, 36-132-32) Also in Fawn Lake Township <b>Sergey &amp; Olga Panfilov</b> 4433 NW 9th Circle Camas, OR 98607	\$212.05		







# People hop on board Friendly Rider bus week

Friendly Rider bus service promoted Give Transit-a-Try week April 4-10. The goal was to make people aware of the system. “This week was a great success, overall as we had riders take the bus 1,195 times,” said Ryan Damlo, Wadena County Transit Director. “It was our best ridership week since March 2014.”

The week included several days of free rides coinciding with local events in Wadena and Staples, plus riders had the opportunity to register for prizes every

time they rode the bus. Winners from both Wadena and Staples won prizes such as Friendly Rider bags, tickets, passes and two Grand prize winners won tickets to the Chanhassen Dinner Theater.

Friendly Rider operates 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday in both Wadena and Staples and until 10 p.m. every Thursday night.

Damlo said they are able to get riders to work at Moresy’s in Motley by 7 a.m. as part of a new focus on a commuter route that runs

between Wadena and Motley on a daily basis. “Our commuter route to the east on Hwy 10 is now beginning to open talks with businesses to the west as well, such as KLN, to see if we can establish a western route in 2017,” said Damlo.

All of these new additions are helping Friendly Rider establish new growth. Friendly Rider has grown 8.7 percent in ridership for first quarter in 2016 versus first quarter in 2015, showing locals are using public transportation more and more.



## Give Transit-a-Try prize winners

Grand prize winners of Friendly Rider’s “Give Transit a Try” week are Ellen Canning (left) of Wadena, receiving her grand prize from Friendly Rider dispatcher Mandy Peterson; and Josephine Weiher (right), also from Wadena, receiving her grand prize from Friendly Rider bus driver Leroy Rentz . Each received two tickets to the Chanhassen Dinner Theater. (Submitted photos)

# Fishing technology - simple or complicated

*New or old-which gets the most fish?*

By Ray Gildow

I like to review all the new technology that comes out of the national ICAST convention every year. This is the national show that features new products for the fishing industry. The show awards prizes for the most innovative products in various categories and features cutting edge items from rain gear to electronics. It is really unbelievable how sophisticated fishing gear has gotten and how expensive it can be for those willing to spend the money on technology. Most of the items featured for the 2016 fishing season are not so much technical breakthroughs but upgrades and fine-tuning of products already in the marketplace.

### Electronics keep getting better

Lowrance, Hummingbird and Garmin, the electronic powerhouses in the Midwest fishing industry, all have updated mapping, sonar, side view, down view and in some cases, straight ahead view, features that keep raising the bar for looking at what’s going on under our boats. Lowrance even has a product called “Gofree Hooked” that allows anglers to mark spots where they catch fish, download it to a phone app and send it back to the boat unit to mark the spots for future reference with notes of what was caught.

### Rods and reels

I think it’s fair to say that a \$65 rod and reel combo in the stores today is as good as a \$150 rod and reel combo was ten to 15 years ago. The quality of

these products continues to improve and become more specialized to the point that low end fishing rods and reels are actually quite good bargains. New reels this year can cost up to \$700-800 or more and it’s not at all uncommon to see high end rods that sell for over \$1,000. Very nice rods and reels can be purchased for a lot less money and can catch as many fish.

### Accessories

Rain gear, clothing, shoes, fishing line and fishing tools are also a big part of the movement to keep improving the fishing experience. Many accessories are optional but the one accessory that I really do believe it is important is protective clothing. Scarves and gloves that protect your skin from sunburn should be considered an essential part of the fishing experience. Skin cancer is taking its toll on anglers who don’t protect themselves and this is an investment well worth the cost.

### How much should you really spend?

As we approach the 2016 fishing opener I am always amazed at the wide range of investments anglers make on fishing gear. I am equally amazed at some of the really good anglers I know who spend minimally on new fishing equipment. They just stick with the basics; decent rod, decent reel, good line, basic tackle, basic electronics and the old standby live bait or time tested artificial lures. Still gets the job done. Still fun - easier on the pocketbook too.

# Staples and Motley cities eligible for MnDOT noise barrier program

Staples and Motley are among cities and townships that are eligible to apply for funding under the Minnesota Department of Transportation’s (MnDOT) newly created Greater Minnesota Stand-Alone Noise Barrier program. The agency has approximately \$700,000 to award to 172 eligible cities for building noise barrier projects.

“Currently, most of the noise barriers are in the Twin Cities area, where higher traffic counts can create noise levels that exceed state standards,” said Peter Wasko, program administrator. “There are many cities in Greater Minnesota impacted by traffic noise and this funding will help address that.”

In Central Minnesota, there are 44 cities eligible for the funding.

Cities can apply for the first round of funding before May 9. MnDOT will select projects in June with plans to begin construction in July 2017.

Wasko said future applications will be accepted annually from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, although future funding amounts have not been determined.

To qualify, cities must be adjacent to a limited access freeway, expressway or interstate where noise limits exceed the state daytime noise standard set by

the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA). Cities are required to pay 10 percent of the project cost.

Wasko said MnDOT has constructed noise walls and barriers during roadway construction projects since the 1970s, when the Minnesota Legislature directed the MCPA to adopt state noise standards. State and federal standards are used to determine noise impacts and mitigation in Minnesota.

In 1995, MnDOT developed a priority list to direct state resources to mitigate traffic noise in locations not adjacent to new roadway construction. Most of these locations were in the Twin Cities metropolitan area.

In 2013, the Office of the Legislative Auditor recommended that MnDOT offer funding to communities outside the Twin Cities to build noise barriers. The new program is in response to that recommendation.

For more information, including a list of eligible cities, a complete list of application requirements and the application, go to [www.mndot.gov/environment/noise/greater-mn-program.html](http://www.mndot.gov/environment/noise/greater-mn-program.html).

Cities in Central Minnesota can contact Claudia Dumont at 320-223-6530.

## NOTICE FAWN LAKE TOWNSHIP ANNUAL ROAD TOUR

The Annual Township Road Tour will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at approximately 9:30 a.m. All interested parties should meet at the Town Hall at that time.

Questions, call the clerk at 218-531-0287.

Kelly Miller, Clerk  
Fawn Lake Township  
16 pnc

## NOTICE TODD COUNTY HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL MEETING

The Todd County Housing and Redevelopment Authority’s Annual Meeting will be on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at Sunrose Courts, 300 Linden Ave. S, Browerville, MN 56438.

If you have any questions or comments call 320-594-6388.

Kim Wallace  
Executive Director  
Todd County HRA  
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## NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS TODD COUNTY CR57 BITUMINOUS SURFACING PROJECT Closing date: May 10, 2016 (ABBREVIATED ADVERTISEMENT)

Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., May 10, 2016 by the Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer and County Auditor/Treasurer at 44 Riverside Drive, Long Prairie, Minnesota 56347 for the following construction projects:

**CP 16:57-01**

This is an abbreviated advertisement. A full advertisement can be viewed by going to the Public Works website at <https://egram.co.todd.mn.us/>

Loren Fellbaum  
Todd County Public Works Director/Engineer  
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## NOTICE FAWN LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the 27th day of April, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., has been fixed as the date for the meeting of the Board of Appeals and Equalization in Fawn Lake Township for the year 2017. The meeting will take place at the Fawn Lake Town Hall.

Contact the Todd County Assessor’s office for an appointment at 320-732-4430.

Kelly Miller, Clerk  
Fawn Lake Township  
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## NOTICE CITY OF STAPLES ORDINANCE NO. 508 AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE SALE OF PROPERTY

THE CITY OF STAPLES DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

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

### Legal Description:

That part of the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of section 1, Township 133 North, Range 33 West, Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter of said Section 1; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds West, bearings are based on the Todd County coordinate system, along the north line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, a distance of 469.98 feet; thence South 06 degrees 10 minutes 05 seconds West, a distance of 623.58 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes 57 seconds East, a distance of 180.28 feet; thence South 05 degrees 45 minutes 29 seconds West, a distance of 89.94 feet; thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 00 seconds East, a distance of 368.99 feet to the intersection with the east line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4; thence South 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds East, along the east line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, a distance of 410.22 feet; thence South 89 degrees 23 minutes 21 seconds West, a distance of 245.60 feet to the intersection with the west line of the East 245.60 feet of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4; thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 45 seconds West, along said west line a distance of 100.82 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 15 seconds West, a distance of 338.75 feet to the intersection with a line which bears South 06 degrees 10 minutes 05 seconds West from the point of beginning; thence North 06 degrees 10 minutes 05 seconds East, a distance of 397.61 feet to the point of beginning.

AND That part of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 1, Township 133 North, Range 33 West, Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows: Commencing at the North Quarter corner of said Section 1; thence North 89 degrees 59 minutes 53 seconds West, bearings are based on the Todd County coordinate system, along the north line of said NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, a distance of 469.98 feet; thence South 06 degrees 10 minutes 05 seconds West, a distance of 949.68 feet to the point of beginning; thence reversing course North 06 degrees 10 minutes 05 seconds East, a distance of 675.17 feet; thence North 83 degrees 49 minutes 55 seconds West, a distance of 63.93 feet; thence South 53 degrees 14 minutes 11 seconds West, a distance of 65.56 feet; thence North 77 degrees 43 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 290.00 feet to the intersection with easterly right-of-way line of 5th Street as dedicated on the plat of O’CONNER ADDITION TO STAPLES, as recorded in the Office of the County Recorder; thence South 01 degrees 16 minutes 40 seconds West,

along said easterly right-of-way line, a distance of 663.09 feet to the intersection with line which bears North 83 degrees 43 minutes 20 seconds West from the point of beginning; thence South 83 degrees 43 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 343.76 feet to the point of beginning.

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

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

APPROVED:  
Chris Etzler, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Phil Lindaman, City Clerk

First Reading: March 22, 2016  
Second Reading: April 12, 2016  
Adoption: April 12, 2016  
Published: April 21, 2016  
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## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

### THE RIGHT TO VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT AND IDENTITY OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR WITHIN THE TIME PROVIDED BY LAW IS NOT AFFECTED BY THIS ACTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That default has occurred in the conditions of the following described mortgage:

MORTGAGOR(S): Mark D. Etzler and Sheila Etzler, husband and wife

MORTGAGEE: Wells Fargo Financial Minnesota, Inc.

ASSIGNMENTS OF MORTGAGE: Assigned to: None.

ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF MORTGAGE: \$120,850.09

DATE OF MORTGAGE: April 28, 2008

DATE AND PLACE OF FILING: Recorded on May 12, 2008 as Document Number 457037 in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota.

THE AMOUNT CLAIMED TO BE DUE ON THE MORTGAGE ON THE DATE OF THE NOTICE: \$164,642.29

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter (SW 1/4 of NE 1/4) of Section 1, Township 133N, Range 33W; thence North along the West line of said NE 1/4 a distance of 551 Feet; thence East at a Right angle a distance of 33 Feet to the East right of way line of 8th Street extended, as the place of beginning; thence East a distance of 300 Feet; thence at a Right angle North to the South right of way line of the Todd-Wadena County Road, a distance of approximately 518 Feet; thence West along the South right of way line of said Todd-Wadena County Road to the point where the East line of 8th Street extended, intersects the South right of way line of said County Road a distance of 300 feet; thence South along the East line of said 8th Street extended to the point of beginning, a distance of approximately 518 Feet, excluding any streets or highways.

STREET ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 1200 8TH ST NE, STAPLES, MN 56479

COUNTY IN WHICH

PROPERTY IS LOCATED: Todd County, Minnesota

TRANSACTION AGENT: None

NAME OF MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR: Wells Fargo Financial Minnesota, Inc.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICER: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 22-0000200

TRANSACTION AGENT’S MORTGAGE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: None

THAT no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied, in whole or in part.

PURSUANT, to the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the above described property will be sold by the Sheriff of said county as follows:

DATE AND TIME OF SALE: May 19, 2016 at 10:00 A.M.

PLACE OF SALE: Todd County Sheriff’s Office, County Detention Center, 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota

to pay the debt then secured by said mortgage and taxes, if any actually paid by the mortgagee, on the premises and the costs and disbursements allowed by law. The time allowed by law for redemption by said mortgagor(s), their personal representatives or assigns is six (6) months from the date of sale.

TIME AND DATE TO VACATE PROPERTY: Unless said mortgage is reinstated or the property redeemed, or unless the time for redemption is reduced by judicial order, you must vacate the premises by 11:59 p.m. on November 21, 2016.

THE TIME ALLOWED BY LAW FOR REDEMPTION BY THE MORTGAGOR, THE MORTGAGOR’S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR ASSIGNS, MAY BE REDUCED TO FIVE WEEKS IF A JUDICIAL ORDER IS ENTERED UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 582.032, DETERMINING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THAT THE MORTGAGED PREMISES ARE IMPROVED WITH A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING OF LESS THAN FIVE UNITS, ARE NOT PROPERTY USED IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND ARE ABANDONED.

MORTGAGOR(S) RELEASED FROM FINANCIAL OBLIGATION ON MORTGAGE: Mark D. Etzler and Sheila Etzler

Dated: March 28, 2016

WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL MINNESOTA, INC. Mortgagee

THE ACADEMY LAW GROUP, P.A.  
By: /s/ Rebecca F. Schiller, Esq. N. Kibongni Fondungallah, Esq. \*Curt N. Trisko, Esq.\* Samuel R. Coleman, Esq. Attorneys for Mortgagee The Academy Professional Building 25 North Dale Street St. Paul, MN 55102 (651) 209-9760 (16-0483-FC01)

THIS IS A COMMUNICATION FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR.

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# Healthier snacks, healthier students

Students at Staples and Motley elementary schools are learning to include fruits and vegetables as healthier snacking choices. Most afternoons at snack time, students are encouraged to try the fruit or vegetable of the day while their teacher shares some fun, healthy eating tips. While the standbys (apples, bananas, and carrots) are still the most popular, some students are finding new favorites such as grapefruit, asparagus and kiwi.

"I never knew ugly fruit existed but it was delicious – a combination of oranges, grapefruit and tangerines," said Jade Storry, a fourth grader at Sacred Heart Area School. Classmate Sophie Albie said, "I have never seen or heard of broccoli but it was amazing."

According to research, children accept an unfamiliar food only after being offered it many times. The earlier the age children are exposed to a variety of fruits and vegetables, the

better their adult eating habits will be and the risk of serious health problems is reduced.

The Fruit and Veggie program was first introduced to Staples and Motley Elementary schools a few years ago. The Staples Motley School District received a grant from the Minnesota Dept of Education to provide fruits and vegetables as snacks to expose children at earlier ages to healthier eating habits. The grant also included instruction time and supporting nutritional information from the UofM Extension office.

Over the years additional schools with low income populations have begun competing for the Fruit and Veggie program grant funds. Community partnerships between the school district and local health organizations have developed to not only continue the snack program but to enhance it. This year, with funding support from Lakewood Foundation and Lakewood Health System's Choose Health program, Sacred Heart Area School has also been able to participate in the Fruit and Veggie afternoon snack and nutritional class program.

This month, families of third grade students have been invited to participate in a one evening Better Eating Bootcamp. The Bootcamp classes were developed by the University of Minnesota Extension office to give families the skills they need to make healthy eating easier and less costly.

**One Bootcamp class is still available on April 26, from 5-7 p.m.** Any parent or guardian of a third grade student can contact Carmen Genske, SNAP-Ed Educator, to register at [cbckows@umn.edu](mailto:cbckows@umn.edu) or 320-632-0163.

"Our community cares," said Heidi Chapman, Director of Lakewood Foundation. "To date, the community has donated over \$12,000 to Lakewood's Foundation to help children learn how to make better food choices and live healthy. It's so encouraging to see people investing in our children because they understand how important it is for their future."

If students' reactions are any indication, area students are learning that healthy snacks can be fun too. "My favorite was asparagus, I liked the taste and that it was green because I like green" said Sacred Heart second grade student, Ava Birkholtz.

Anyone with questions or seeking more information can contact the Staples Motley School District at 218-894-5400 or visit [www.isd2170.k12.mn.us](http://www.isd2170.k12.mn.us).



## 'Hidden Falls'

Kerry Kupferschmidt's watercolor, "Hidden Falls," was recently part of the National Juried Art Show 'Arts in Harmony' and was on display at the Elk River Government Center. He first became

interested in watercolors while studying at the University of Minnesota. A native of the St. Paul area, Kupferschmidt currently lives in rural Motley on Lake Shamineau.



## Featured in Midwest Home Magazine

Rural Motley artist Kerry Kupferschmidt has over 20 years experience creating a wide variety of artistic renderings for home builders, realtors and clients. The rendering of the home pic-

ture above was done a couple of years ago by Kupferschmidt for Gordon James Construction, Maple Plain; and was featured in Midwest Home Magazine for the Luxury Home Tour.

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## Landscapes, wildlife inspire him now

tural renderings.

During that time, his paintings of luxury homes have been featured in several publications, including the Parade of Homes and Midwest Home Magazines.

When they contemplated a move from the Twin Cities area to rural Motley, Kerry said a deciding factor was that internet services were available. "We have cable here and good internet speed," Kerry said. Earlier in his career, he would often hand-deliver his artwork to companies. "But these days, most everything can be emailed."

The Kuperferschmidts love their home on Lake Shamineau. "Judi grew up in Brainerd and always wanted to get back to this area," Kerry said. "I love it, too."

Although he continues to do architectural renderings (he recently painted one of Faith Lutheran Church in Staples),

Kerry plans to phase out of commercial architecture and focus on fine arts.

He is currently the President of Central Minnesota Watercolorists; and belongs to the Crossings Art Alliance in Brainerd and Jaques Art Center in Aitkin.

For the past several years Kerry has shown his work in a number of juried shows (at the local, regional and national level), receiving many awards along the way. These include the Best of Show - Art Fete in Burnsville; Purchase Award - Century College, White Bear Lake; Merit Award - Minnesota Artists Association; and an Honorable Mention and Merit Award - Arts in Harmony National Juried Show, Elk River.

For more information about Kerry and his artwork (he has several original pieces, prints and greeting cards for sale), visit [www.klkartistry.com](http://www.klkartistry.com).

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## County denies Ludovissie request

liaison positions and rearranged some assignments.

• Approved a Memorandum of Understanding for

Staff Sharing with Morrison and Todd counties relating to Public Health staff.

• Denied a request from Don Ludovissie to cancel a late fee that he had been assessed because his property tax payment was made after the due date. Ludovissie expressed anger and threatened to let his restaurant, Ted and Gen's BBQ, go to tax forfeited status because of the county's insistence on following Minnesota state regulations for late payments.

• Heard a report from County Engineer Ryan Odden about information he received from the State Hydraulic Engineer following an investigation into the flooding problem on U.S. 10 east of Verndale. According to the State Hydraulic Engineer, the periodic flooding is caused by (1) moving the drainage ditch from the south side to the north side of the highway in 1944, (2) the 9,500 acres in the drainage area, and (3) the flat slopes in the roadway drainage ditches. MnDOT was not deemed responsible for the flooding. The State Hydraulic Engineer suggested that the county consider a drainage improvement project such as adding a tile line or restoring and maintaining County Ditch 5.

• Approved the purchase of new 800 MGH radios for the highway department to the submitter of the low quote, Contact Radio Communications of Eagle Bend, through state bid.



## Eating green

Staples Elementary third grade students enjoyed trying different green foods one afternoon: limes, spinach, grapes and pea pods. The students had fun trying the different tastes and textures of the fruits and vegetables. Bennet Robinson is game to go for the green. (Submitted photo)

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*Congratulations to these 5-Star employees*

**Left to right: Megan Dolezal, Lee Current, Denise Graba, Betty Erbe, Tayah Smith, Amber Rasinski**

**Megan Dolezal, CRT, Respiratory Therapy and Denise Graba, RN, Home Health / Hospice**  
Nominated by Andrea Agre, "Denise noted that her home care patient had multiple questions on his COPD medications and was struggling to manage his COPD at home. Denise quickly put together a meeting for her patient with respiratory therapy and pharmacy. Denise, Megan, and the pharmacy met and reviewed the patient's COPD action plan. They met with the patient to review his concerns and goals. Megan clarified questions with the provider and updated his action plan. Megan and Denise went above and beyond to help their mutual COPD patient. With their quick action the patient now has the tools and resources needed to manage his COPD at home."

**Lee Current, Head CT Tech, Radiology Services**  
Nominated anonymously, "The Radiology Department has gone through some changes with a new CT scanner recently installed. Lee has been a phenomenal asset. He stepped up and was available to help with the entire transition; he has done an incredible job making sure everyone is comfortable and confident with the equipment. Lee is a great team player. He exemplifies what a leader is, thank you for all you do!"

**Betty Erbe, CRA, Care Center**  
Nominated by Stacy Line, Sheri Pappenfus and Lisa Smeby, "Betty puts her heart and soul into her position and she truly cares about the residents. She recently volunteered to take a resident to an appointment. Having a familiar person along during an appointment decreases the resident's stress and anxiety, especially when venturing into unfamiliar territory. She is a caring individual and it shows in her actions."

**Tayah Smith, Guest Services, Customer Experience**  
Nominated by Amber Houselog, "Tayah's willingness to work on projects and her efficiency has helped marketing complete projects in a timely manner. We know that if she is working on a project, it will not only get done on time, but it will be done well. Thank you for all the great work you do, and your willingness to do it!"

**Amber Rasinski, RN, Home Health / Hospice**  
Nominated by the Hazuka family, "We are writing to let you know about the wonderful care Lakewood Hospice Nurse, Amber, provides to her patients and their families. Our father had been treated for medical issues for years. Amber's understanding and patience along with her matter-of-fact approach, allowed dad to immediately connect with and trust her abilities, within a very short time. She guided us through one of the most difficult times of our lives, in a caring, competent manner and we are thankful to have had her with us. Amber is a STAR example of someone who has earned this award. Thank you, Amber!"

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## Klefsaas sets school pole vault record

Millie Klefsaas cleared 10 feet, 8 inches in the pole vault to set a Staples Motley school record at a meet at Wadena-Deer Creek on April 14. Klefsaas broke Kelsey Griffith's 10'7", set in 2003.

"I saw some great things in the pole vault, hurdles and distance events," said Coach Marly Simmons. "Klefsaas, Ryan Trout and Max Giza all took advantage of the great weather to clear personal bests in the pole vault.

Trout also won the 3,200 meter race. "Ryan and Emmet Anderson pushed each other until Trout broke away down the final stretch," said Simmons. "We have a couple of talented young distance runners in Emmet and Kira Sweeney, both are 7th graders."

"Apart from some issues with handoffs in the relays, the team did quite well," said Simmons

### Boys results

Team scores - Osakis 130, Ottertail Central 96, Staples Motley 74, Wadena-Deer Creek 49, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 45, New York Mills 15, Rothsay 10

100 - 8. Jake Miller 12.86, 9. Zac Carlson 13.06, 10. Isaiah Ross-Bahn 13.39

200 - 3. Tyler Johnson 24.96, 8. J. Miller 26.30, 12. Carlson 26.76, 15. Logen Weite 28.55

400 - 3. Matt Miller 55.72, 5. Mason Rychner 58.44, 6. Matthew Fisher 58.91, 15. Kalin O'Dell 1:13

800 - 4. Frank Karbowiak 2:20, 9. Bentley Christensen 2:43, 13. O'Dell 3:01

1,600 - 6. Ben Bartczak 5:26, 7. Emmet Anderson 5:27, 10. Christensen 5:59

3,200 - 1. Ryan Trout 11:11, 2. Anderson 11:18

110 hurdles - 2. Max Giza 18.73, 5. Fisher 21.12

300 - 2. Giza 44.99, 8. Scout Strickland 53.06

4x200 relay - 3. Staples Motley 1:46  
4x400 relay - 2. Staples Motley 3:43  
4x800 relay - 3. Staples Motley 9:24  
High jump - 5. Ross-Bahn 5'6", 10. Johnson 5'0"

Pole vault - 2. Trout 11'0", 3. Giza 10'6"  
Long jump - 6. Hunter Berggren 17'4", 12. Rychner 16'2", 14. M. Miller 16'0", 16. Carlson 15'1"

Triple jump - 4. Berggren 35'10", 6. Fisher 33'4", 7. O'Dell 30'4"  
Shot put - 8. Berggren 34'4", 12. Bartczak 28'6", 13. Strickland 28'1"  
Discus - 6. Strickland 89'5", 11. Bartczak 79'1"

### Girls results

Team scores - Osakis 148, Ottertail Central 108, Wadena-Deer Creek 67, Staples Motley 59, Bertha-Hewitt/Verndale 33, New York Mills 7

100 - 6. Amber Robben 14.68, 13. Kelsie Weite 15.25, 23. Kelsey Opheim 16.51, 24. Cassidy White 16.55

200 - 6. Robben 30.22, 20. White 37.28

800 - 5. Megan Dumpprope 2:49, 10. Abby Brown 3:20

1,600 - 3. Kira Sweeney 6:22, 8. Chelsea Nanik 6:41, 10. Krystal Yoder 8:19

3,200 - 4. Sweeney 14:26, 5. Kiera Dumpprope 14:36

100 hurdles - 1. Millie Klefsaas 16.50

300 hurdles - 1. Klefsaas 53.52, 3. Larken Hirschey 56.75, 8. Addison Hirschey 1:03

4x100 relay - 3. Staples Motley 54.83

4x200 relay - 4. Staples Motley 2:18

4x800 relay - 4. Staples Motley 12:26

High jump - 3. Weite 4'6", 12. Yoder 3'10"

Pole vault - 1. Klefsaas 10'8", 4. White 5'6"

Long jump - 10. L. Hirschey 12'9"

Shot put - 16. Toni Brings 23'7", 18. Hannah Dolezal 21'9", 23. Julia Trantina 19'9", 25. Chelsea Hofmann 19'0"

Discus - 6. Brings 78'3", 17. Dolezal 63'10", Hofmann 56'0", Trantina 36'1"

## Baseball season starts with busy week

The Staples Motley baseball team battled hard but but came up without a win in their first five games of the season.

The Cardinals opened with a doubleheader at Detroit Lakes on April 12, falling 10-0 and 12-4. In the first game, Mason Nyhus, Trey Skeesick and Brady Smith each had a hit. Smith also pitched the game.

In the second game, the Cardinals jumped ahead 3-1 but unearned runs gave DL the lead back. Skeesick pitched and had a hit, a walk and an RBI.

On April 15, Staples Motley lost 18-6 to Melrose. With Tristan Rudenick pitching, the team kept it close for three innings but Melrose strung some hits together to break it open. Blake Gerard pitched the final two innings. Skeesick had two hits while Smith hit a double and Hunter Carlson reached base with three walks.

The Cardinals played in the Park Rapids tournament April 16. In game one, they lost to Frazee 12-1. Smith was the starter and Reid Busker pitched the fifth inning in relief. Gavin Smith had a double and an RBI.

In the second game, Staples Motley jumped out to a 3-0 lead against Hawley but a couple of miscues in the fourth inning let the game slip away and the Cardinals fell 5-3.

Skeesick pitched four innings and Busker pitched two. Shawn Trantina, Brady Smith, Nyhus and Carlson all collected a hit.



## Pitching up a storm

Tristan Rudenick fires a pitch to the plate against Melrose while a dust storm swirls behind him. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



## Racing the wind

Shawn Trantina runs in from right field to catch a fly ball in the swirling wind. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



## Track and field efforts

Above, Emmet Anderson and Ryan Trout lead the field in the 3,200. Right, Millie Klefsaas attempts to clear 11 feet in the pole vault. (Submitted photos)



# Cardinals come from behind for first softball win

By Mark Anderson  
News Editor

After falling behind 5-2, the Staples Motley softball team tightened up their defense and came back to beat Aitkin 8-6 on April 15. The Cardinals fell behind early when they struggled to finish off innings after getting two outs.

But they kept fighting and their bats brought them back.

Lisa Kossan led the offense with a double and a triple. Paige Kittelson had a single and a triple, while Sam Schimpp hit a single and a double. Ashley Cridler was the winning pitcher for the Cardinals.

Staples Motley also dropped both sides of a doubleheader against Detroit Lakes on April 12, 15-4 and 13-3. In the first game Kossan was two for two with a two run home run and Quinn Uhlman was three for three with a triple. In the second game, Kittelson had two RBI.

"It was very cold and snowy, but despite the scores, the girls never gave up," said Coach Bruce Onischuk. "Never once did they complain or try to use

the weather as an excuse. They kept fighting until the final out of each game."

The Cardinals also competed in a tournament at Frazee on April 16. They beat the home team 9-1 as Uhlman had three hits and Kossan had two. Cridler pitched the win.

In game two, they fell to Pequot Lakes 20-0.

In the final tournament game, the Cardinals lost 14-4 to Warroad, with Jenna Trantina getting two hits and Sarah Daly reaching with a double.

## Softball diamond plays

Pictured at right, Mackenzie Zetah smashes a hit down the third base line. Bottom right, Rebecca Daley fires a pitch in the win against Aitkin, backed up by center fielder Sarah Daley, her sister.



## In the glove

Paige Kittelson snares a pop fly from her first base position. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

## Pitch, Hit & Run at Pine Grove Park

The Staples Jaycees will host a Pitch, Hit & Run competition, the official skills competition of Major League Baseball, on Sunday, April 24, at Pine Grove Park in Staples.

The event coincides with the Staples Lumberbats home opener at 1 p.m. that day.

Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the competition starts at 9 a.m.

Boys and girls are invited to compete in the age divisions of 7/8, 9/10, 11/12 and 13/14. Participants must bring a copy of their birth certificate to verify age.

Champions will advance to the sectional level of competition.

The Staples Lumberbats season opener begins at 1:30 p.m. against the Midway Snurdbirds.

## Former Cardinals are now playing college baseball

Former Staples Motley baseball players are currently playing for college teams this spring. Mark Kossan, Brady Becker and Jake Swensrud are on the Central Lakes College roster while Jalen Busker is pitching for the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

The CLC team has upcoming home games in Brainerd on Saturday,

April 23 and Sunday, April 24, both doubleheaders at 1 and 3 p.m.

Busker is in his second season at UMD. His team will play at Bemidji State for two doubleheaders on Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24. They will play at St. Cloud State on Wednesday, May 4, in a doubleheader starting at 4 p.m.





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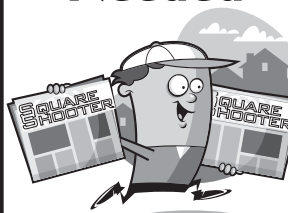
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# Chainsaw artists carving out a niche in Motley



## With their artwork



Above: Cody Davis (left) and his dad, Scott Davis own and operate S/D Chainsaw Sculptures, located at Hwy 10 S. in Motley. Open year 'round, the Davis's have many finished sculptures for sale at their lot including bears and eagles. They also do special orders and on-site stump jobs. Pictured in lower photo, Cody Davis sands a frog he recently finished carving out of wood with a chainsaw. The next step would be to apply a finishing sealer. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

By Dawn Timbs  
Staples World reporter

If you've ever traveled along Hwy 10 S. in Motley, most likely you've been greeted by an entourage of wooden sculptures, including bears, eagles and frogs. The sculptures are the creation of chainsaw artists Scott Davis and Cody Davis, a father and son duo who have been in the wood-carving business for over 14 years. "We both learned from Reese Halverson out of Washington. He's one of the best chainsaw carvers out there," Scott Davis said. The Davis's use mainly white pine for their creations. "It's a soft wood and the trees are really big," Cody said. Scotch and Norway pine are also desirable woods. "The best wood has been seasoned...dried for at least three years." It depends on how large the sculpture is, but on average it takes about three hours to carve something, Cody said. "Then, another three hours to finish it," he added, mentioning that each piece is sanded and then given a finishing sealer. Occasionally, Scott and



## Taking a look

With temperatures reaching 70 degrees April 14, several travelers along Hwy 10 in Motley stopped to look at the variety of wood sculptures available for sale at S/D Chainsaw Sculptures. "We're open all year, but when the weather starts to get nice, we get a lot busier," said Scott Davis, who owns and operates the business along with his son, Cody.

Cody hand paint a design on the sculpture. "We do special orders, what ever a customer wants," Scott said. The Davis's start with an idea in their head and then begin the chainsaw carving. There is no pattern to follow, Cody said. "On custom orders, we may refer to a picture of figure a customer gives us."

In addition to special orders, Scott and Cody have many sculptures already completed that are for sale in Motley. There is a wide range in size and pricings. The Davis's also offer on-site stump jobs. For more information about S/D Chainsaw Sculptures, call 218-639-3566 or 218-820-4613.

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## Law enforcement reports, Motley

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

April 13 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Adam Gardner, 32.

April 13 - The MPD responded to a call from a resident at Country Terrace Apts. that a moving company's truck had hit her vehicle while backing up, causing damages. Caller was later able to notify the driver of the truck and get his insurance information.

April 12 - The MPD assisted with a stalled vehicle on Hwy 10 in Motley; and gave the driver a ride to his residence in Motley.

April 11 - The MPD issued a citation to Brittany Thurstin, 25, for driving with a revoked license.

April 9 - Ortons BP in Motley reported a gas drive-off in the amount of \$30.75.

April 8 - The MPD issued a speeding citation to Elspeth Devries, 19.

April 8 - The MPD assisted the City of Motley's public works dept. in conducting an ordinance violation inspection. Photos were taken of city residences that need to come into compliance.

April 12 - The MCSO responded to a call from a truck driver parked at BRICKS in Motley, who stated that he had been sleeping in his truck and woke up to another truck backing into his truck.

April 10 - The MCSO arrested Jennie Czech, 36, at the Friendly Inn Bar in Motley. According to the report, she was tasered for resisting arrest for her gross misdemeanor resisting arrest warrant. Czech was then transported to jail and booked on her warrant and charged with a new gross misdemeanor resisting charge.

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