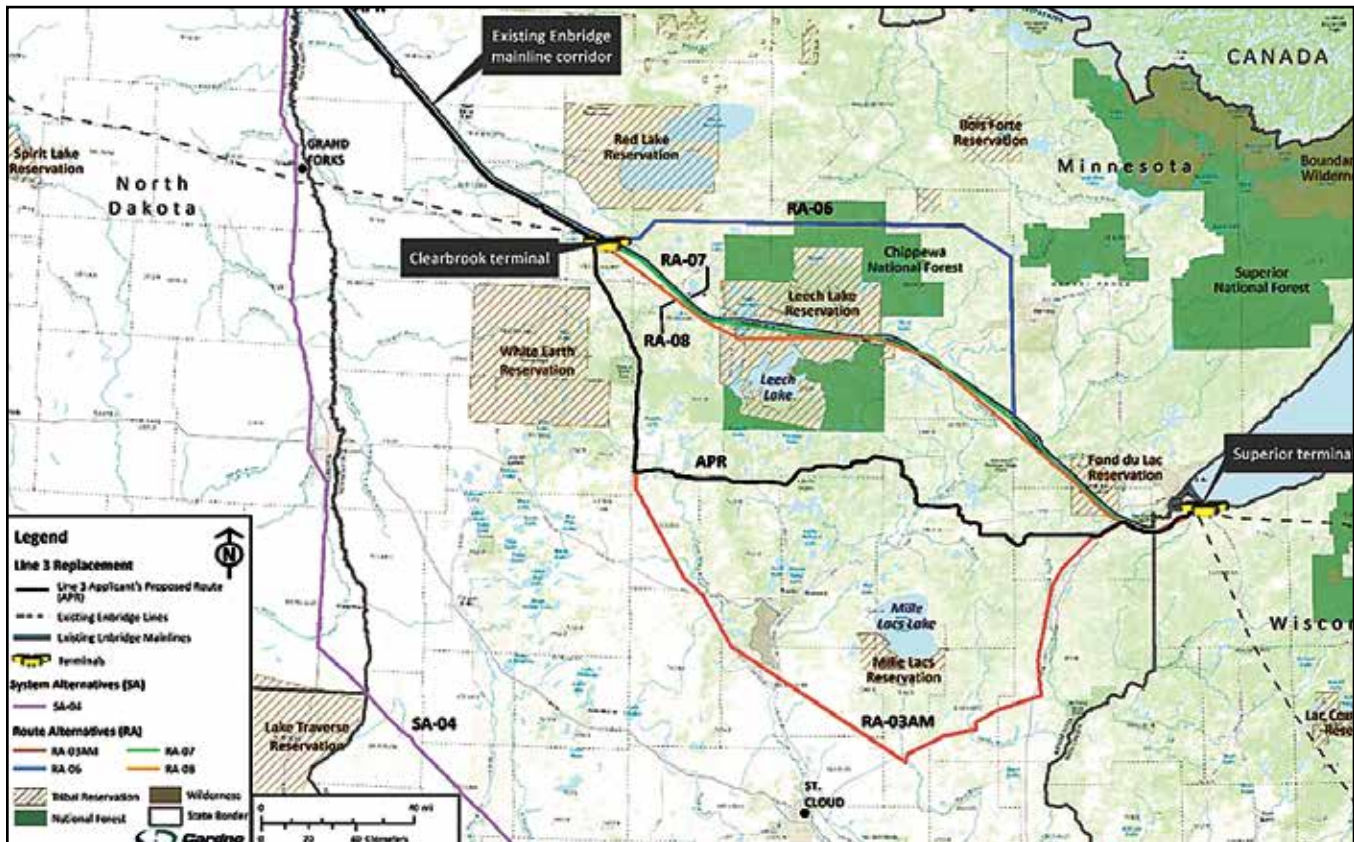




Pipeline controversy plays out at meeting

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

Environmental factors were weighed against economic factors during a public meeting in Staples on June 14 about the Enbridge oil pipeline proposal.

The meeting was held at the Staples Community Center by the Minnesota Department of Commerce to discuss the Line 3 project, in which Enbridge has proposed to construct a new 340 mile, 36 inch diameter pipeline to replace an aging 282 mile, 34 inch Line 3 pipeline. The new pipeline would be capable of carrying up to 760,000 barrels of heavy crude oil from the Canadian Tar Sands. The current pipeline is restricted to 390,000 barrels per day.

The meeting was a chance to comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) draft made by the State of Minnesota. The state has not decided on whether to issue a route permit. Copies of the draft EIS are available at the Staples Library. Comment submittal will be ongoing through July 10.

At the meeting, copies of the draft EIS were available, as were displays showing the main points of the project. There was also a space for opponents of the project, with displays and representatives from Honor the Earth and MN 350.

The meeting allowed visitors to review the information and submit written comments, then allowed a verbal comment session. Several local people gave input but more than half the verbal comments were from people outside the immediate area.

The biggest objection in the verbal comments was the environmental impact the pipeline could have. Andrew Struss talked about how Minnesota's drinking water comes from the earth. "Our watershed is part of tourism and the economy, people come here to see this beautiful part of the world," he said.

See **PIPELINE** on page 2a



Gathering pipeline information

People attending the pipeline meeting talk about the specifics with Minnesota state officials who are gathering information on the project. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

Possible pipeline routes

Enbridge's preferred route (APR), the black line, would dip down to the northern portion of Wadena County, then go straight east to Superior, Wisc. One of the alternatives, the red line, keeps going through Wadena County to the Staples area and then south of Motley and into the Lincoln Lakes area and past Little Falls before heading back up to Superior.

Interim superintendent contract approved

By Mark Anderson
News Editor

The Staples-Motley school board approved a contract for Interim

Superintendent Ron Bratlie at their June 19 meeting. Board Chair Mary Freeman said the contract, which calls for a salary of \$132,000 for a minimum of 180 work days, was a little more than the board had settled on, but still less than the amount they had set aside for the superintendent transition.

The board also approved an addendum to the contract that will allow Bratlie to consult with the Rothsay School District, where he has been interim superintendent before accepting the Staples-Motley position. Freeman said he had been asked to help with negotiations and she didn't think it would interfere with the Staples-Motley job. "It will be hours, not days," said Freeman.

The board made a few other personnel moves at the June 19 meeting, approving resignations from Jeanne Odden paraprofessional; Cindy Swenson, QCOMP and District Assessment Coordinator; and Bernadette Hogan, technology.

They approved a contract for Michelle Karr, kindergarten; an increase in contract time for Greg Robinson from .83 percent to full time; and contract for Heather Kadus, ag science.

Speech tribute

Frank Odell talked to

the board about his 50 years as a speech coach. "It's incredible and wonderful to see all the kids who came through this school system and see what they are doing," he said.

Odell said the team's success was more than their state accomplishments, such as being number eight on the list of total state medal winners and tenth in overall state champions. "There are many more names on the coaches list of champions," said Odell.

He also gave credit to all the volunteers, coaches and school officials who helped with the program. "We as a community developed a competitive speech program, you can't accomplish much alone," Odell said.

Budget meeting

Superintendent Mary Klamm said the board will have their monthly financial report at the June 29 special meeting. That meeting is needed for the board to approve the budget for the next school year. Since the school business manager recently resigned, the board approved a contract with CliftonLarsonAllen to help prepare the budget.

At the June 29 meeting, the board will also approve any budget reductions, approve bill payments and

See **SCHOOL** on page 5a

Hello, Readers,

On June 22, 1944, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the G.I. Bill, an unprecedented act of legislation designed to compensate returning members of the armed services—known as G.I.s—for their efforts in World War II. The American Legion successfully fought for many of the provisions included in the bill, which gave returning servicemen access to unemployment compensation, low-interest home and business loans, and—most importantly—funding for education.

Public Notices

Bridge Construction: **7A**

Obituaries

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City's state aid projected to rise

The Staples City Council held a short meeting on June 13 in which they:

- Heard from City Administrator Jerel Nelsen that the Minnesota Legislature is proposing a three percent LGA increase for next year, plus some additional transportation aid.
- Heard from Public Works Director Doug Bendorf that the 6th Street NE and Michigan Ave. paving projects will start soon.
- Approved request from Staples '93 Lions to conduct a raffle.
- Approved tobacco license for Myers & Myers, new owners of the Southside Mini Mart.
- Approved grant agreement with MnDOT for an airport hangar pavement project.



This little piggie went to June Fest...

The L.A. (Leader Area) Pig Races were a big hit with people of all ages during last Saturday's June Fest in Motley. Owner Gary Dauer was emcee at the event which included games and relays for both children and adults, music, prizes and of course, the infamous racing pigs. See more June Fest photos on pages 8a and 1b. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Mad mudders at Motley Fair

Kids attending the Motley Fair Demolition Derby on June 17 got the opportunity to earn cash, by racing through the muddy course and picking up bills. Some of the kids just ended up enjoying the mud as much as the money. See more Motley Fair photos on pages 8a and 1b. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



Brand new fire truck arrives in Staples

At 7:15 p.m. June 14 Staples Fire Chief Scott Braith arrives at the Hwy. 10 and Hwy. 210 intersection stoplights in Staples driving the brand new Staples Fire Department’s pumper truck. The he shiny red emergency vehicle pulled into the fire station that evening, its new permanent home.

A two-year project, the design specs were worked on for one year while the making of the truck took 13 months. The truck was commissioned by Rosenbauer America, located in Lyons, SD. Firefighter Scott Yungbauer with son, Drew and Braith completed a final inspection at the plant on Tuesday, then the Yungbauers started on their 4-1/2 hour trek driving back to Staples in the new truck. Valued at \$322,000 the new truck was paid for through the City of Staples budget. (Staples World photos by Janice Winter)



Light inspection

At the fire station Drew Yungbauer demonstrates an LED pop-up light bar feature; specs included more light capacity, added hose storage, ladder fold outs, top fold out compartments, compartments included in formerly unused space, a lighted, larger water tank indicator and more. Firefighters will be individually trained on the truck’s operations at their Thursday meeting.



Control center

Firefighters Don Brusewitz and Cameron Larson (new to the department) check out the control/command center on the new pumper truck. The easy access levers are radio/phone connected and are color coded on the panel to aid firefighters’ communication while on a scene. Staples boasts the first pumper with the color coded communication design.



Garden care

Jacob Roelofs waters the plants while Lydia Roelofs smooths out her garden plot at the Living Legacy Gardens. The two are participating in the children’s gardening class through Staples-Motley Community Education. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



Sowing seeds

Laken Hines puts seeds in the ground while Eva Weber gets help with her garden plot from Becky Lindgren.



Soft soil

Annika Weber gets the feel of the dirt while planting her garden for the childrens gardening activity.



Garden art

Macy Mithun and Charlotte Daniels design colorful signs to identify their garden plots at the Living Legacy Gardens. Each gardening session includes projects and educational activities.

Police check on ordinance violations

Between May 31 and June 16, The Staples Police Department checked out more than 100 ordinance violations in Staples. According to the Staples Police report, many of the nuisances resulted in the serving of a violation order. In some cases the nuisance was cleaned before the form was issued.

Also on the police report: On June 1, Staples Police conducted a traffic stop and cited Nicholas Hall, 33, for 4th degree DWI and speeding.

On June 2, Staples Police assisted Todd County Sheriff’s Office with a one vehicle rollover with multiple injured parties on Thunder Road. Also on scene was the Staples Ambulance and Staples Fire Department.

On June 2, Staples Police received a report of a domestic assault that had taken place on May 30. Police arrested Jamie Kreiner, 28, of Staples, for domestic assault and disorderly conduct.

On June 7, a female was walking on the 400 block of 2nd avenue NE when an older male approached her in his vehicle and asked if he had to pay her to get

in his vehicle. The female continued walking and the male drove away. Police are investigating this incident.

On June 8, Staples Police were dispatched to Lake-wood Health System for a report of a patient who had left the emergency room and had called 911, as they were now laying on the LHS property, somewhere in the grass, and in pain. Police, along with Todd County Sheriff’s Department and Motley Police Department responded to assist. The subject was located on the property and transported to the hospital by ambulance.

On June 9, Staples Police received a report of a stolen bicycle from the 500 block of 5th Street NE.

On June 10, Staples Police responded to a report of a domestic dispute on the 400 block of 5th Street NE. After investigation, police arrested Thomas Anderson, 29, of Staples, for disorderly conduct, obstructing the legal process, and fleeing on foot.

On June 14, Staples Police located two abandoned bicycles at Dower Lake beach parking lot.



Host Lions donations

The Staples Host Lions recently made monetary donations to the Staples Food Shelf and the Staples All Veterans Park. Both checks were in the amount of \$3,275, monies raised during the annual Izzy’s Golf Tournament at the Vintage in Staples. Pictured above from left, at the All Veterans Park, are Bob Hamann, Staples Veteran Park Board President; and Lion Bill “Izzy” Israelson. Below, are Gary Knosalla, Staples Area Food Shelf volunteer; and Lions Israelson and Frank Leidenfrost. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



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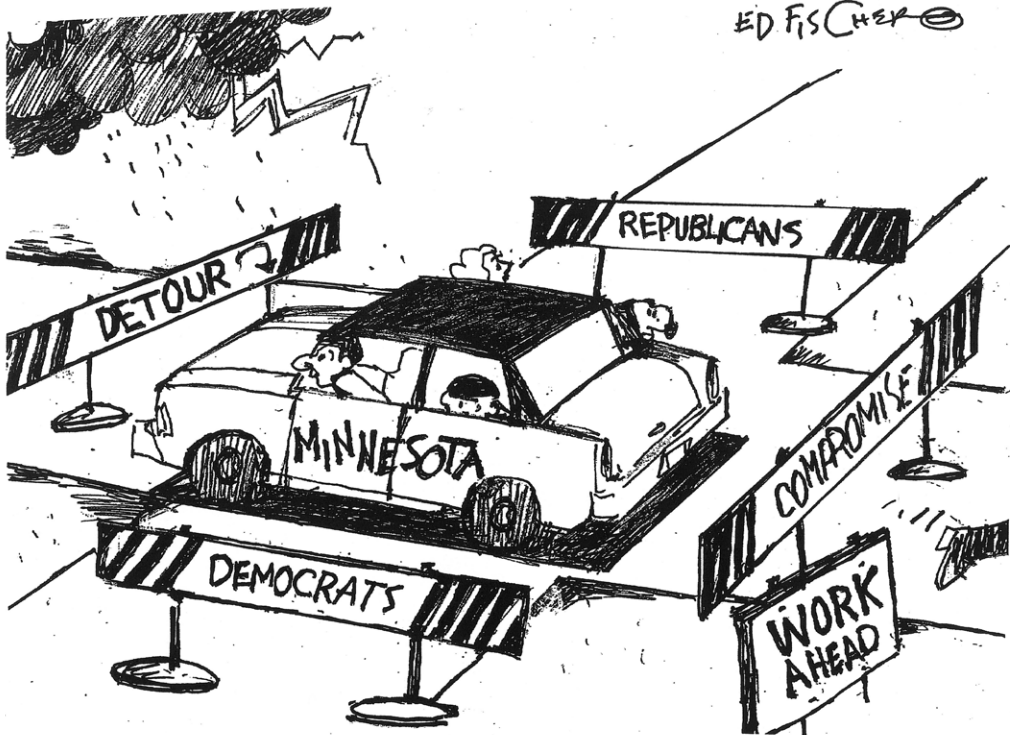
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Because of the Fourth of July holiday, the deadline for the July 6 issue of the Staples World is 5 p.m., Friday, June 30.



They call it progress

By Mike Holst

In Man’s zeal to find bigger and better ways to accomplish things, there’re always casualties. Driven by the love of the almighty dollar and corporate profits our way of life evolves each and every day in this capitalistic society. That’s not meant to be a criticism; it’s a fact of life here in America. It’s lead, follow or get out of the way.

At some point progress bumps heads with nostalgia and people who don’t want to change get hurt in the process.

There are thousands of coal miners in West Virginia who want nothing more than to pick up their dinner pails and go to the mine each day, but no one wants their coal anymore.

There are people in towns all across this nation who live just down the street from a shuttered factory and remember when they had two lives they lived. One for their family and one for the company. Now a robot does their job in half the time.

Abandoned farmhouses dot the prairies of the Midwest, sad reminders of a time when a family toiled to grow crops and tend their animals. Now huge pieces of machinery chew up in one bite more soil than a legion of family farmers could turn over in a day with their antiquated machinery.

Yes, it’s sad. It’s sad because we were so happy living like that. Maybe we grew up on a family farm, four generations old, smelling sweet clover and fresh cut alfalfa fields - not muddy feedlots spilling over with manure and cattle caked with it. We wore that farmers tan and those calluses in the summer like a badge of courage and in the evening one would sit on the porch with that good kind of tired and hear nothing but the mourning doves perched on the power line cooing above us and the frogs croaking in the swamp.

Or maybe some of us worked eight hours a day, punched the clock, then went

home to our families in a quiet neighborhood, confident each week that paycheck would be there on Friday, always grateful for the job.

It was a time when merchants in small towns closed up their shops at five thirty p.m. on weekdays, except Friday nights, when they stayed open until nine for the farmers and then they went home to their families too.

Sundays, they did like the good book asked us to do. It was a day of rest and you went and visited friends and relatives or watched the city team play baseball at Pine Grove Park and had a picnic in the park. No one complained that the liquor stores were closed. No one knew what Walmart was and when you went to the local hardware store, Phil would take the time to not only cut some screen for you but also show you how to fix it.

If I could go back for just one day it would be a day in June of 1957 and I would be sixteen, standing along the railroad tracks west of Staples. I would be pumping my arm in the air as a huge steam engine roared by me on that ribbon of steel pulling over a hundred boxcars cars and the engineer seeing me would blow the whistle, while leaning out the window and give me the highball. Grains in the fields would nod their heads from the rush of the wind from the train blowing by.

The pockets on my tattered jeans would have only a pocketknife, no cell phone and no I-pod. My bicycle lying in the ditch would have my old baseball glove slipped over the handlebars and an old steel fishing rod tied to the bars. I would be on my way to Dower Lake. It’s hard to imagine living like that now but take my word for it. It beats what we have today.

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Gazelka reports on legislative session

By Sen. Paul Gazelka
(R) District 9 and
Senate Majority Leader

The legislative session is complete, the budget for the next two years has been signed into law, and I’m happy to be spending most of my time back at home in Senate District 9.

I’m proud of the Republican-led legislature’s accomplishments this year, especially for people in rural Minnesota. The highlights include the largest tax relief package in almost two decades, the largest investment in transportation infrastructure (without a tax increase) in state history and smart education reforms that prioritize student learning.

Always, my door is open to you and I hope you’ll share your thoughts with me. Call my office: 651-296-4875, Email me: sen.paul.gazelka@senate.mn

Roads and Bridges

Thousands of lane miles and hundreds of bridges will be repaired or replaced with our plan. Minnesotans will feel the benefits of having a faster, safer commute to work, school, the doctor, and their daily errands. The transportation and bonding bills add \$300 million in permanent funding every two years and an additional \$250 million in one-time funding over the next two years. Most importantly, we were able to do all of this without raising the gas tax or increasing license tab fees.

K-12 Education

Greater Minnesota school districts will see 5.1 percent increase in funding, compared to 4.8 percent for Metro school districts over the next two years. Additionally, teacher licensure reforms will make it easier for schools to find and hire qualified teachers and community experts for hard to fill positions like special education, foreign languages and career-focused electives.

Healthcare

The legislature provided emergency aid for families whose health insurance premiums skyrocketed up to 67 percent, and passed a law allowing patients with serious conditions more time to transition to new providers if their insurance networks changed. We also passed the first major reforms to the health insurance market since the implementation of MNsure. One reform uses state dollars to share in the cost burden for the 2 percent of sickest patients, thereby lowering premiums for the other 98 percent of people in the market.

Jobs, Commerce, and Energy

The jobs bill focused on public-private partnerships to help grow better-paying jobs and improve the economy. For example, the Youth Skills Training Program helps young people learn skills and ob-

tain jobs on high-demand trades. Other programs will help local governments jumpstart economic growth in their communities. Broadband investments will improve connectivity throughout the state and keep rural Minnesota businesses competitive.

Agriculture

Republicans are committed to agriculture investments that will drive new innovation for one of the largest industries in Minnesota. The agriculture bill allows the state to partner with local communities to combat agricultural threats like noxious weeds, increases funding for agriculture research and innovation, and provides funding for schools to educate and protect students from tractor roll-overs.

State Government

The state government budget protects taxpayers from excessive spending, including unnecessarily large severance payouts for highly paid government employees. It also invests in crucial areas like election equipment and Amber Alert systems upgrades.

Veterans and Military Affairs

The legislature’s funding for the Department of Military Affairs and the Department of Veterans Affairs takes care of those who serve us by providing more job training and college opportunities, offers help for active duty families faced with emergency expenses and provides better care for elderly vets.

Environment and Natural Resources

The environment budget protects the outdoors by funding conservation, clean air and clean water. It preserves funding for key environmental agencies that safeguard Minnesota nature and wildlife and also prevents government overreach by expediting the PCA permit process, which will improve transparency and speed up commerce in our state.

Judiciary and Public Safety

The public safety budget keeps Minnesotans safe and the courts functioning smoothly. The bill increases law enforcement officer training, combats terrorism recruitment and sex trafficking, funds expert bomb squads and rebuilds the Predator Offender Registration System. Additionally, the bill prohibits the governor or the Department of Public Safety from unilaterally issuing driver’s licenses to illegal immigrants and lowers court fees for common legal disputes so everyone can afford to access to our justice system.

Higher Education

With the levels of stu-

dent debt at a historical high, additional funding is directed toward tuition relief, workforce training and research. Tuition increases at Minnesota State institutions will be limited to 1 percent at two-year colleges for 2017-2018, and frozen at both two-year and four-year schools for 2018-2019. We’ve also increased the number of students eligible for financial aid and the amount awarded, making college more affordable for more Minnesotans – including Minnesota State, UMN, and private colleges.

Significant Tax Relief

This year the legislature passed, and Gov. Dayton signed, the largest tax relief package in nearly two decades. Here’s how it helps you:

Do you collect Social Security income? Nearly 284,000 senior citizen tax returns (single and married filing jointly) will receive tax reductions. 72,000 of those will no longer pay state income tax on their social security benefits.

Do you have student loan debt? Minnesota ranks 5th in the nation for highest student debt. 65,000 students will receive an average of a \$414 reduction in their taxes through a new tax credit for student loan payments.

Do you own, shop, or work at a Main Street business? The tax bill provides significant property tax relief to small businesses by exempting up to \$100,000 of their property value. This will allow mom and pop shops, especially in rural Minnesota, to keep prices low and reinvest in their workers.

Do your children attend a rural school? Farmers pay an inordinate amount for school building levies, often pitting schools against landowners. A new school building bonds agricultural credit delivers needed farm property tax relief and helps smaller school districts meet critical building needs.

Do have children in child care? A family of four making \$50,000 a year will receive an additional \$1,200 toward their child care expenses.

Do you hope to pass something on to your heirs? The tax bill increases Minnesota’s estate tax exemption so more of your hard-earned money can be passed along to your loved ones. This also makes Minnesota more competitive with neighboring states, and provides for tax clarity for farm families and main street business owners that may not be eligible for exclusions under the current law.

Are you a beginning farmer? A tax credit program provides additional tools to encourage and support more individuals to be successful in their early years in farming.

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Veteran summer games planned

The 3rd Annual Central Minnesota area Veteran Summer Games are planned for Aug 5, at Bldg. 96, St. Cloud VA Medical Center, located at 4801 Veterans Drive, in St. Cloud.

The Summer Games are open to all veterans enrolled at the St. Cloud VA and include wheelchair and ambulatory divisions in the following events: one mile run/walk/roll; pool/billiards; badminton; horseshoes; weightlifting; rowing and table tennis. Water, first aid services and lunch will be provided.

Registration is limited.

Registration packets are due by Aug. 1 and can be obtained in the St. Cloud VA Medical Center Fitness Clinic in Building 48, room 16, by visiting www.stcloud.va.gov, or by contacting Leah Egan at 320-252-1670, extension 6180.

On Aug. 5, check-in begins at 8 a.m., and the opening ceremony is at 9:30 a.m. Competition begins at 10 a.m., and is followed by an awards ceremony at 2 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to support of the event. To volunteer, contact the Voluntary Services office at 320-255-6365.

Staples Church of Christ VBS is June 26 - 30

Vacation Bible School will be held at the Staples Church of Christ Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30, 6 - 8 p.m. each day. Snacks will be provided.

The Staples Church of Christ is located at 27343 490th St. For more information call 218-894-2609.

Public library programs

The Staples Public Library is offering the following programs:

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

Enjoy a fun program encouraging reading and early literacy skills. For ages birth to kindergarten. Sign up any time during open hours. Sponsored by Staples Coalition.

Animal home matchup – June through August

Animals have homes too. Some they make, some we make for them and some they find. Can you guess the animal that lives in each home? Each week we will draw a prize winner and post another animal guessing game. Runs June through August during open hours.

LEGO® builders – June 27

Join us for a monthly, fun hour of block-building. An assortment of LEGOs and large blocks will be provided. Bring your imagination and we will provide LEGO challenges and a delicious snack. Every month, each child will receive something special to take home. Our next session

will Tuesday, June 27 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. For ages 5 to 13. Registration is required. Limit 10. Sponsored by the Staples Friends of the Library.

Minnesota Workforce Center visits – July 5

A Workforce Center staff person will be available the first Thursday of each month, including July 6 from 2-4 p.m., to assist job seekers with resumes, accessing online job sites and any other one-on-one assistance. For adults.

For more information contact the library at 218-894-1401.

The Staples Public Library is located at 122 6th St. NE, Staples. The hours are: Mon. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tue. 2-8 p.m., Weds. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thurs. 2-8 p.m., Fri. 1-5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Great River Regional Library (GRRL) provides library services for 32 public libraries in Benton, Morrison, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd and Wright counties. It also provides Central Minnesota residents with nearly one million books, CDs and DVDs, 250 public computers, programming and information services.

Staples City Council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, June 27, at 7 p.m. at the Staples City Hall, 122 6th St NE, Staples.

Preliminary agenda items include:

- Consider bids for 2017 North Distribution Circuit Project.
- 2016 audit report - Mayer, Porter & Nelson, LTD.
- Consider amendment to the construction administration contract with SEH for the airport hangar area pavement rehabilitation project.
- Consider approving sale of tax forfeited properties as requested by the Todd County Auditor/Treasurer.
- Consider school resource officer agreement with Central Lakes College for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Consider school resource officer agreement with Staples-Motley ISD# 2170 for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Consider Community Center rental agreement with Staples-Motley ISD# 2170 for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Committee reports including Planning and Zoning Commission.
- Open forum.
- City Administrator's report.

Mark Your Calendar

June 24

SCANDIA VALLEY OUTDOOR GOSPEL SING-ALONG/MUSIC BY THE SCHIMPPS Sat., June 24, 5 p.m., at the pavilion. Fellowship at 6 p.m. In case of rain, at the town hall. Hosted by Motley United Methodist Church.

June 27

MEDICAL HOME PATIENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MTG Tues., June 27, 3-4 p.m., Lakewood Health System in Staples, main campus, lower level classrooms. All Lakewood patients welcome to attend. For info., to RSVP by June 23, call Lois at 218-894-8311 or email loiswalters@lakewoodhealthsystem.com.

July 6

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC sponsored by Todd County Health & Human Services, Thurs., July 6, Lakewood Health System Sr. campus, Staples. For info., times, 320-533-4652.

WIC Food Program sponsored by Todd County Health & Human Services, Thurs., July 6, Lakewood Health System Sr. campus, Staples, 9 a.m. - noon; and 1 - 5 p.m. For info., 320-732-4456.



Circle of neighbors sharing a meal

Staples residents enjoy food and conversation at the Meet Your Neighbors Block Party on June 16 at Lakewood Park, hosted by the Thriving Communities Initiative and LEAP.

There will be two more neighborhood parties, on Sunday, July 9, at 5 p.m. at Northern Pacific Park prior to the first concert in the Music in the Park series, and Saturday, Aug. 12, at 11:30 a.m. at Lincoln Park. All community members are invited to bring a side dish and share a meal with neighbors.

The picnics are also a chance to provide input for the Staples Comprehensive Plan process. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



StaplesMnRocks being made

Kids and adults at the Meet Your Neighbors block party on June 16 had the opportunity to paint rocks that will be hidden in area parks. Hints for the locations of the rocks can be found on Facebook by searching for StaplesMnRocks. Anyone who finds a painted rock can post it online and can either keep the rock or re-hide it.



Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

After running a relay from Wadena to Staples, Wadena County Sheriff's Office personnel and one Minnesota State Patrol officer pause for a photo after arriving at their destination. From left, support crew Brody Wangness and Tim Stroeing, with runners Tyler Wheeler, Brett Farniok, Troy Wangness and Sheriff Mike Carr. The Law Enforcement Torch Run raises funds and awareness for Special Olympics. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

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Board members approved for three committees

other financial business. That meeting will start at 7:30 a.m.

Klamm told the board that the two percent financial aid increase approved by the Minnesota Legislature won't help the school much because of declining enrollment. She said the biggest change in the state budget is the ag to school provision, which could help farmers relieve 40 percent on the property taxes paid to the school.

In other news, the board:

- Approved the 1:World Handbook which will guide the process for all students in grades 8-12 to receive and use their Chromebook computer.
- Received changes to the Parent/Student Handbook which will be approved at the July 24 meeting.
- Approved board members for three committees: Greg Frisk and Bruce Lund for facilities committee, Dave Hoemberg and Mary Freeman on finance committee, and Chad Longbella and Bryan Winkels

on policy committee.

- Board Chair Freeman thanked Mary Klamm for her work as superintendent. "She has moved us forward to the benefit of our students and our staff," said Freeman. "It takes a lot to move a district, and you came in and did it."
- Heard an update from Cindy Swenson on the QCOMP process, a professional development program used by teachers in the school. She said they have done extensive reviews of student data and are using it to plan instruction for every student.
- Heard from Klamm about new marketing possibilities involving NJPA and J&J Solutions.

EARLY DEADLINES

Due to July 4th Holiday the deadline for the July 6 Staples World is **Friday, June 30 at 5 p.m.**

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Father's Day brunch

After much anticipation, Timbers Restaurant in Staples opened June 18, Father's Day. A number of people stopped by to enjoy the buffet, which included a variety of meats (including salmon, ham and chicken), cheeses, salads, fruits and desserts. Pictured above, from left, are Bruce and Bev Nelsen, Greg and Jeanne Leifermann, Stan and Diane Carlson, all of Staples. Formerly known as Town's Edge (and prior to that, T Maxwell's), Timbers is owned by the Ives family of Grand Rapids. In addition to remodeling the restaurant building, the Ives built the adjacent Timberlake Hotel, which was open to the public for tours on Father's Day. Pictured below, Burl Ives (center) serves his parents, Mike and Mary Ives, after all of the guests have eaten. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



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Student Achievements

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ST. CLOUD TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE recently announced its Spring 2017 Academic Honors List. To qualify for the President's list, students must earn a grade point average of 4.0.; and for the Dean's list, a grade point average of 3.5 - 3.9. Local students named include:

- Alexandra Nelson, Pillager, President's list.
- Megan Rooney, Pillager, President's list.

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY held its Spring Semester 2017 Commencement ceremonies May 5. Local graduates include:

- John Regan, Staples, Graduate Certificate, Sixth Year Program: Educational Administration.
- Jennifer Fundine, Pillager, Graduate Certificate,

SPED: Academic and Behavioral Strategist.

- Hannah Horn, Pillager, Bachelor of Science, Nursing, Magna Cum Laude.
- Conner Uselman, Pillager, Bachelor of Elective Studies, Communication Sciences and Disorders.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY recently held its Spring Semester 2017 Commencement ceremonies. Local students who graduated include:

- Dylan Neururer, Motley, Master of Architecture degree.
- Ellen Swartz, Motley, Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering.
- Tyler Anderson, Pillager, Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering.

Klimek, Bestland, receive \$500 scholarships from Madhatters, Inc.

The Madhatters, Inc. recognized Coleman Klimek, Motley; Cade Bestland, Staples and Leah Roberts of New York Mills, as accomplished young people who applied for the Fine Arts Award this academic year. Each of these three candidates received a \$500 scholarship to continue their educations in the arts, beginning in the fall this academic year.

Klimek and Bestland recently graduated from Staples-Motley High School.

Klimek will attend Central Lakes College in Brainerd and has plans to major in theater and marketing.

Bestland will attend Concordia College in Moorhead, with plans to become a music teacher and minor in theater.

The Madhatters, Inc. is a non-profit 501c(3) organization that supports the arts and theatrical programing in our region, including theater productions, Camp Madhatter and scholarships. For more information, visit their website at www.madhattersinc.org.

SMHS honor roll

Staples-Motley High School announces their honor roll.

A Honor Roll

Grade 12: Norah Anderson, Katie Benson, Hunter Berggren, Cade Bestland, Megan Campbell, Alessia Corti, Nicholas Crist, Ethan Ehresmann, Noah Han, Taylor Heldman, Reyd Jordan, Emeline Klefsaas, Matthew Miller, Mardi Opheim, Zachary Strickland, Samantha Svendsen, Kelsie Weite, MacKenzie Zetah.

Grade 11: Nicholas Allshouse, Mitchell Braith, Alexandra Davis, Zachary DeMars, James Ehresman, Chelsea Hofmann, Sydnie Johnson, Sara Oberlander, Kelsi Peterson, Alyssa Vanderhoof, Cassidy White, Anna Willgoths, Claire Wolhowe.

Grade 10: Kalle Abbas, Jeffrey Allen, Benjamin Bartczak, Andrew Bates, Jack Benson, Jordon Carlson, Hannah Dolezal, Kiera Dumpprope, Matthew Fisher, Ryan Gerard, Brooklyn Kovach, Reyes Luengo Muniz, Nancy O'Rourke, Torrence Salcido, Lilian Schneider, Kiara Storry, Sadie Thompson, Sydney Wallace, Heather Wonders, Krystal Yoder.

Grade 9: Tasha Achermann, MacKenna Bjerga, Owen Bjerga, Elizabeth Boyer, Jasmine Braith, Izaiah DeMars, Nita DeWald, Jonah Johnson,

Isaac Kern, Elizabeth Kolbliska, Thomas Koval, Isaac Kronenberg, Benjamin Olander, Paul Peterson, Riley Peterson, Jacynda Rodeman, Brandon Rubink, Trevor Rudenick, Cade Schmidt, Kaitlyn Smith, Morgan Swecker, Jack Tyrrell, Izabelle VanAlst, Ryan Wick, Emmitt Winkels, Kayla Yoder.

Grade 8: Tabettha Allen, Rebecca Brown, Abigail DiGiovanni, Rose Han, Jady Kincaid, Alex McIlravy, Torii Nienow, Ava Schneider, Amber Shequen, Kira Sweeney, Cole Winkels, Zaynie Zigmund.

B Honor Roll

Grade 12: Tesla Anderson, Aleesha Carlson, Rachel Daly, Murrone Even, Braxton Hirschey, Kyle Huepenbecker, Alexis Johnson, Maddison Johnson, Coleman Klimek, Jacob Krueger, Alexandra Miller, Chelsea Nanik, Dominic Nistler, Austin Ploshnick, Joseph Pugsley, Brian Seamann, Gavin Smith, Taylor Yungbauer.

Grade 11: Anna Bloomquist, Natasha Brings, Reid Busker, Emma Colsen, Sean Dukek Smith, Elizabeth Flansburg, Gaten Fleischacker, Natilee Gabel, Maxwell Giza, Kimberli Kronenberg, Draven Lane, Autumn Nelsen, Hope Ratajczak, Sean Trana, Bryn Williams.

Grade 10: Jack Ad-

amietz, Joshua Carlson, Bentley Christensen, Brayden Christensen, Morgan Dolezal, Blayne Dumpprope, Finn Erholtz, Nickolas Franzen, Addison Hirschey, Larken Hirschey, Jorie Ihme, Macy Judd, Joshua Lombard, Amy Michel, Spencer Miller, Evan Nanik, Sophia Roberts, Abbygayle Seamann, Jakob Stangle, Scout Strickland, Jeffrey Sudstrom, Jr., Bryce Weber, Carter Weyer.

Grade 9: Tiffany Achermann, Alexis Beach, Nathaniel Belsaas, Jackson Berg, Ashley Black, Marie Brings, Cadee Carlson, Isaac Christoffersen, Jose Enyart-Martinez, Kaila Erbe, Aleecia Fall, Connor Fox, Jaydon Friedel, Kailyn Gelle, Tyler Gosch, Dominic Hamann, Hunter Klimek, Valeria Lozano, Isabella Martin, Zachary Mikkelson, Tyson Miller, Alixandra Peterson Rylie Rau, Alexander Rosenthal, Madeline Rutherford, Cael Sams, Hayley Soder, Nathan Stiner, Jeremy Stultz, Alana Sullivan, Shayliegh Sumey, Joshua Trantina, Nathan Trantina.

Grade 8: Michael Balentine, Payton Bjerga, Chole Caldwell, Haley Cichos, Beck Erholtz, Brooke Heldman, Hannah Heschke, Daniel Lozano, Charlize Martin, Libby O'Neil, Adam Oberlander, Tanner Robben, Logen Weite.

Cemetery changes water policy

Evergreen Hill Cemetery, Staples, held their board meeting on June 13 at 1 p.m.

Items on the agenda included a discussion on water availability at the cemetery. After several water line breaks this spring and an extremely large water bill, the board voted to eliminate city water at the cemetery. The cemetery will provide water in a barrel at the maintenance building or you may bring your own.

The third annual fund raiser will be held Sept. 21.

The third item on the agenda was the enforcement of cemetery policies. A large number of families are still not conforming to the rules. Remember, the board allows either two flower pedestals or two shepard hooks by the headstone monuments that can remain there permanently. No other items are allowed.

If anyone has questions call President Bob Reeck, 218-296-0877 or Vice President Huck Holst, 218-296-2469.



Rotary presidents

Al Kolling, left, outgoing president of the Staples Rotary Club, accepted a plaque commemorating his year of service from Jim Vogel, the new Rotary president. The event was a family social at Pine Grove Park on June 15. Vogel will serve through June 2018. (Staples World photo by Brenda Halvorson)



Touring the new hotel

The public was invited to stop by the newly opened Timberlake Hotel in Staples June 18, for a guided tour. Pictured above, at right, General Manager Jordan Goodwater leads a group of people on a tour, beginning in the hotel lobby. Facing Goodwater, from left, are Frank Leidenfrost, Bob Hamann, Mike Blessing, Amy Leidenfrost, all of Staples. At far left is Deb Jordan, Staples. Goodwater reported that the hotel was completely booked that weekend. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

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Hello World

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BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL INCLUDED:

Born to Shayna and Blake Fossen of Staples, a baby boy, Beckett Joseph weighing five pounds, 15 ounces on June 9, 2017.

Born to Skyla and Matt Rewitzer of Eagle Bend, a baby boy, Maverick Gordon weighing eight pounds, eight ounces on June 10, 2017.

Born to Tracy and Chris Weber of Motley, a baby girl, Alora Belle weighing, seven pounds, 15 ounces on June 11, 2017.

Born to Sara Kinney and Jeff Meduna of Baxter, a baby boy, Connor Bradley weighing six pounds, five ounces on June 12, 2017.

Born to Sheri and Garrett Lattie of Little Falls, a baby girl, Emmalyn River weighing, six pounds, 13 ounces on June 14, 2017.

Born to Amy and Jason Jares of Aldrich, a baby boy, Elliot Kenneth weighing seven pounds, 8.5 ounces on June 14, 2017.

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Obituaries

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Daniel Davis

Daniel Davis, 72, of rural Motley, passed away June 16, 2017 at his home, surrounded by his family.

A gathering to celebrate his life will be held at the Davis residence in Staples/Motley, on Saturday, June 24, beginning at 3 p.m.

Arrangements were by Brenny Funeral Chapel, Staples.

Daniel Lee Davis was born April 26, 1945 in Muncie, IN, to MariLou (Lucas) and Milford Davis. He enlisted in the Army after high school and served honorably for three years. He married Ruth A. Bauer in Las Vegas, NV on February 26, 1966. The couple enjoyed 51 years together. They lived in the Brainerd area; and in the Staples/Motley area for the past 20 years. Dan worked as a salesman at Nisswa Dock. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, watching football and spending time with his family.

Dan is survived by his wife; three daughters, Becky Davis, of Brainerd, Angie (Dale) Guderjohn, of Brainerd and Maggie Borg (Dustin Honsey), of Baxter; one son, Danny (Kari) Davis, of Staples; 16 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Diane Davis, of Sun City, AZ and Dawn Davis, of Mariposa, CA; and one brother, Donnie Davis, of San Bernadino, CA.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Gordon Opheim

Gordon Phillip Opheim, 81, of Motley, passed away unexpectedly at his home June 16, 2017.

Services for Gordon will be held on Sunday, June 25, at 1 p.m. with visitation one hour prior at Brenny Funeral Chapel in Staples.

Burial will be at 10 a.m. Monday, June 26 at the Motley Public Cemetery in Motley.

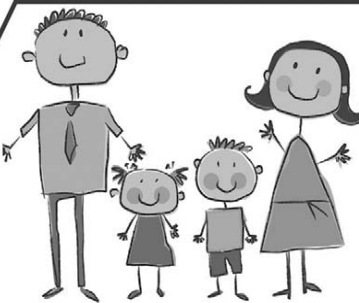
Arrangements are by the Brenny Funeral Home, Staples.

Gordon was born December 25, 1935 in Motley, to Emil and Florence (Thorsett) Opheim. He served in the United States Army. Gordon was a Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force, completing 34 years of civil service when he retired in 1979. He worked for the United States Postal Service retiring from that service in 1997. He enjoyed literature, gardening and great knowledge of his family tree. He is noted for being charitable to his community.

Gordon is survived by two daughters, Kasey (David) Dandro and Jennie McDonald, both of Sacramento, CA; two sisters, Helen Varnet of Golden Valley and Jan Badamo of Skokie, IL; six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Vernon and Stanley and one sister, Elizabeth.

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Celebrating Morey's 80th anniversary



Morey's Seafood International, LLC, located in Motley, is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year. It was founded by the late Ed Morey in 1937 and since that time has grown to be a leading seafood manufacturer and distributor in the United States. Pictured above left is Ed's son Loren Morey of Motley, who joined the family business in 1964, and expanded the operation in 1978. He is speaking with Ron Denning, the current General Manager at Morey's Seafood International. In celebration of its 80th anniversary, the company had a booth set at the recent Motley June Fest and gave away smoked salmon to all who stopped by. Pictured in lower photo, from left, are Ron Denning, Doug Neff, Patti Zahler, Ethan Honeyman and Bill Honeyman. Over the years, the business changed hands several times. Jim Walstrom currently serves as President of Morey's Seafood International, LLC, headquartered in Golden Valley.



With Fluffball

Seven-year-old Natalee Kuklok of Cushing, entered her rabbit, Fluffball ('Fluffy' for short) at the Motley Fair. She recently joined the 4-H Club in Randall and this was her first experience competing at the fair, Natalee said. She went on to note that Fluffy is three-and-a-half months old and she takes care of her by feeding her, giving her water and playing with her every day.

*Staples World
photos by
Dawn Timbs*



Yummy wings

Six-year-old twin sisters Kapri and Kindle Thompson of Motley had a good time eating chicken wings while listening to music at the recent June Fest.



Winning parade float

The Motley Area Historical Society (MAHS) took first place at the June Fest Parade last weekend. Pictured aboard their winning float, from left, are Gayle Quinn, Bruce Quinn and Marlene Prodahl.



Horse show

Jazmin Blowers of Motley, riding Dev, competed at the Motley Fair's Horse Show June 16. She is pictured completing the pole weaving competition.



'Motley Crue' winners

BRICKS Travel Center in Motley took home both the Judges Choice and Best Theme awards at the Wings Competition during June Fest. Pictured above, from left, are Joshua Hites and Angie Meyers, representing 'Motley Crue,' the theme of BRICKS wings booth. Mike Corner's 'Up in Smoke' won the People's Choice award.



'Minnesota Sings!' bound

Barb Cline, right, announced the winners of the 'Motley Sings!' contest, which was held during June Fest. From left is Macy Judd of Staples, first place; and Delaney Larson of Staples, second place. Judd sang, 'Lost Boy' and Larson sang, 'Fly.' Both girls will compete at the 'Minnesota Sings!' competition in St. Paul Sept. 24. Cline serves as Executive Director for the Staples Motley Area Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the second annual June Fest. "Thank you to all of the sponsors and volunteers who made it a huge success," Cline said of the all-day event in Motley.



Fun and games

A number of inflatable bounce games were available at no charge for kids during the Motley Fair. Pictured above, participating in a bungee relay contest, are Gaten Fleischacker of Motley and Kaitlyn Bristlin of Todd County.



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Grand marshals

Loren (above right) and Kathy Morey of Motley were the grand marshals of the June Fest Parade in Motley last Saturday. Loren's father, Ed Morey, was the founder of Morey's Seafood International, LLC, which is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year. Loren joined the operation in 1964 and was involved with the Motley-based company for many years.

Keeping cool

At right: Eugene Schmidt (left) and Harvey Marone enjoyed eating freeze pops at the recent June Fest Parade in Motley, a treat given out by one of the parade float entries.



McGillivray now full-time with the City of Motley

By Dawn Timbs
Staples World reporter

When you stop by Motley City Hall, most like the first person you'll see is Darci McGillivray, the city's Administrative/Accounting Assistant.

She came on board with the city last September as an intern and was hired full-time this past May.

"This is a great opportunity," Darci said recently. "I'm getting a lot of really good experience here."

A Staples native, Darci graduated from Staples-Motley High School in 2009. She went on to receive an associates degree at Bemidji State University but still wasn't sure what sort of

career she'd like to pursue.

After taking some time off, Darci was reminded how much she liked numbers (math was her favorite subject in high school) and decided to go back to college and study accounting.

She has been enrolled at Central Lakes College in Brainerd and will graduate next spring with a degree in accounting.

Darci enjoyed her internship with the city and was happy when the full-time job opened up. "They needed the help and I like the work," she said.

Her duties include answering phones, helping with the utilities billing and a variety of other tasks in the reception area. She appreciates

working alongside City Clerk/Treasurer Lacey Smieja, Darci said, adding that there is a lot of "team work" between the city staff and council. She has also enjoyed getting to know the residents of Motley who stop by city hall.

Working for the City of Motley has been an affirmation to her that she's on the right academic path. "It's kind of cool to be able to put into practice all that I've been learning at school and see how it works in the real world," Darci said.

When she's not at work or school, Darci said she enjoys being at home, playing with her dogs, Buck and Bailey.



Enjoys her work

Darci McGillivray is employed as the City of Motley's Administrative/Accounting Assistant, a position that became full-time this past May. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

Law enforcement reports, Motley area

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

June 13 - The MPD responded to a motor vehicle property damage accident at Birch St. and Hwy 10 in Motley.

June 8 - The MPD received a report of damaged property at a residence on the 48000 block of Morrison Line Rd. in Motley.

June 14 - The MCSO responded to a report of suspicious activity at the 31000 block of Aston Rd., Cushing. Caller stated she had been pushed out of a vehicle by a male party and that he left driving erratically. She stated she was not injured and was at the west access of Fish Trap Lake with another male party. Deputies attempted to contact the driver but were unable to locate.

June 13 - The MCSO responded to a complaint of loud music being played at a residence on 1st Ave. N. in Motley.

June 12 - The MCSO issued a speeding citation to Todd Bartylla, 52.

June 10 - The MCSO re-

ceived a report of an ongoing dispute over dock placement between two parties who own lake property at the 200 block of Atlas Rd. in Cushing. One of the parties had made some disturbing comments at the recent Fish Trap Lake Property Owners Association meeting.

June 10 - The MCSO received a report of a tree that had fallen on a power line at the 30000 block of E. Cottonwood Rd. in Cushing. Caller stated that a branch was on fire and while he was on the line, he stated that the fire extinguished on its own. Minnesota Power was notified.

June 8 - The MCSO received numerous 911 calls regarding grass fires between the railroad tracks and Hwy 10 near 50th Ave. in Cushing.

June 8 - The MCSO responded to a report of a vehicle accident at Dove Rd. in Cushing. Driver was passing another vehicle, lost control and slid into the ditch. No injuries or property damage reported; the vehicle was towed by Always Available to their shop in Motley.



Landscaping project

Scotties Log and Landscapes out of Pierz were at work in Motley June 15, hired to do a commercial seeding at the city's water treatment plant. The business is owned by Scott Saeher (pictured below, driving the skid loader), who formerly worked as an interim clerk for the City of Motley. Pictured above, driving the tractor, is Al Hoheisel. The landscaping (which encompasses just over two acres) is a part of the new water treatment plant construction project. Previously, the contractor had put down a ditch mixture that produced mainly clover and broadleaf plants; and since it was under warranty, agreed to have it redone, including having a third party complete the work. Scotties Landscapes came in with the best price, according to Bruce Brotherton, Public Works Director. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



With their art entries

The DiGiovanni siblings of Motley entered a number of art projects at the recent Motley Fair and later reported bringing home a variety of ribbons. Pictured from left are Elizabeth, 11; Anthony, eight; and Andrea, 10. (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)



Lunch break

Ron and Betty Starke of Motley grabbed a bite to eat downtown following the June Fest parade. A variety of food items were available to patrons, including hot dogs, brats, burgers, kettle corn and chicken wings.



At the 'Petting Zoo'

The FFA Petting Zoo was a popular destination at the recent Motley Fair. Pictured above petting a goat are, from left, cousins James Weninger, Fargo, N.D.; and Morgan Becker, Staples. Below, standing above the pig stall are, from left, cousins Brayden Weninger, Fargo; Morgan Becker, Staples; James Weninger, Fargo; Carson DeWald, Jacob Becker, Vance DeWald, all of Staples. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)



Outing with mommy

Allison Vangsness of Staples and her 11-month old baby Caleb enjoyed the variety of events that took place during June Fest in Motley June 17.



Pedal to the medal



Children ages three - 11 had the opportunity to compete in the pedal pull competition at the recent Motley June Fest. The event was facilitated by CT Pedal Pull of Motley owned and operated by Bob Cheney and Marge Tepley. Pictured above, from left, are nine-year-old Jerry Russell of Motley; Cheney, Tepley; and helper Kyler Ottomoeller of Staples. At left is nine-year-old Henry Judd, who took first place in his age group, pulling a total of 19' 5". Jerry Russell, at top, took second place in his age group, pulling a total of 18' 9". (Staples World photos by Dawn Timbs)

June Fest pedal pull results

Results of the Motley June Fest pedal pull held June 17 included:

Age 3: first - Connor Reck, Staples, 7' 2"; second - Jada Anderson, Menahga, 3' 9"; third - Hugo Ellingsen, Motley, 3' 8" (do not go to state; just for fun)

Age 4: first - Anika Groenwold, Baxter, 15' 3"; second - Gavin Anderson, Menahga, 14' 10"; third - Porter Lehner, Motley, 2' 7"

Age 5: First - Ben Stevens, Motley, 21' 1"; second - Matthew Jewison, Staples, 15' 8"; third - Mia Adamietz, Hugo, 14' 1"

Age 6: first - Colton Anderson, Menahga, 12' 3"; second - Michael Jewison, Staples, 7' 9"; third - Gavin Adamietz, Hugo, 7' 4"

Age 7: first - Clara Judd, Motley, 18' 2"; second - Gage Bjerga, Motley, 13'; third - Jax Grover, Otsego, 12' 8"

Age 8: first - Gavin Stevens, Motley, 17' 9"; second place - Kambria Thompson, Breezy Point, 15' 4"; third place - Jaden Grover, Otsego, 15' 3"

Age 9: first - Henry Judd, Motley, 19' 5"; second - Jerry Russell, Motley, 18' 9"; third - Luke Bjerga, Motley, 15' 3"

Age 10: first - Christian Beahmann, Pequot Lakes, 21' 1"; second - Andrea DiGiovanni, Motley, 20' 8"; third - Wyatt Berg, Motley, 16' 1"

Age 11: first - Lee Beckrich, Motley, 26' 6"; second - Carter Gregerson, Vernadale, 25' 7"; third - Katelyn Berg, Motley, 19' 11"

A total of 55 children participated in the Pedal Tractor Pull at the Motley June Fest. First, second and third place winners have the opportunity to compete at the state tournament on Sept. 9, in Hutchinson.

Kyler Ottomoeller of Staples was the helper. For fun he pulled 26' 6" and received a CT Pedal Cap for his service.

CT Pedal Pull would like to thank the Motley June Fest for having them at their event.



Committee members

Barb Markus (left) and Stephanie Jordahl, June Fest committee members, helped coordinate the Wings Fest competition. The event featured eight teams, each with their own flavor of wings, as well as a decorated booth.



EARLY DEADLINES

Due to the July Fourth Holiday
the deadline for the
July 6 Staples World is:

Friday, June 30 at 5 p.m.

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Lawmakers open Pandora's box with resort bailout

Nineteenth century German Chancellor Otto von Bismarck is credited with saying that “Those with weak stomachs should not watch the making of laws, or sausages.” The making of laws can sometimes be an unsavory and not-too-pleasant process, things that I’m sure might be said of stuffing ground-up animal parts into casings to make sausage.

On the other hand, when people are not watching the process carefully – making laws, that is – things can go awry. Many feel that happened with recently-enacted state budget legislation that gives \$150,000 to a single resort on Lake Mille Lacs. The payment is more or less reparations to satisfy the resort’s claim of lost guest business after the Department of Natural Resources closed down walleye fishing on the lake in August of 2015 to protect a depleted walleye population.

Since then, fishing regulations on this major walleye fishery have ranged from entirely closed to limited harvest. Mille Lacs has experienced a walleye population crash that is largely attributed to poor survival of young walleyes over several years. No single cause for this poor survival has been confirmed, but it is not rare for weather, predation, and other environmental factors in some combination to have this effect. Adding to the management complexity, the annual Mille Lacs walleye harvest must be divided between sport fishermen and several Ojibwe bands.

This particular resort on Mille Lacs used a novel procedure, by which a state resident – or a business, so it appears – can go before a legislative Committee on Claims and ask for compensation if they feel that “the state” has hurt them and they have no other options, such as legal action. The resort apparently did not press a claim for compensation in the courts, but had the ear of their local state representative. When all was said and done, the payoff language was tucked quietly into the budget bill.

Officially, the payment comes from a \$378 million pot of money that state legislators appropriated to create jobs and promote economic development. It is being paid to this and only this resort because of very descriptive language in the bill that fits only this resort, based on its geographic location, number of cabins, annual revenues, etc.

Already others who have businesses that rely on Lake Mille Lacs area tourism have asked why the money was not spread around more widely. For some the simple answer is that the walleye population decline is the fault of

the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, the agency that – they argue –should have seen the decline coming and been able to do something to prevent it.

One Mille Lacs marina operator suggested that all the area’s resorts should receive payments, and that they should come out of the DNR’s budget, claiming that DNR mismanagement of the fishery caused the walleye decline. DNR leadership has responded by stating that survival variables make it difficult to predict walleye populations even two or three years away, let alone decades into the future, as some believe DNR should have been able to do.

The fact that the DNR had the courage to make the politically unpopular decision to protect remaining walleye stocks by shutting down harvest in 2015 seems lost on critics, who more than anything feel that DNR should have prevented the walleye decline.

DNR spokespersons have questioned lawmakers’ judgment for setting a precedent with this bailout, raising expectations not only for other angling situations, but other outdoor recreations as well. DNR Commissioner Tom Landwehr asked whether businesses that rely on hunting, canoeing, skiing or other outdoor recreations will now expect financial benefits if DNR has to place restrictions on their users; restrictions such as reducing deer, pheasant, or duck harvest, limiting state forest access or use of trails, or other management decisions that in some way could have an impact on someone’s business.

Carried to the extreme, one could make the argument that many other businesses were affected by the restrictive Lake Mille Lacs walleye harvest regulations, from grocers to guides, liquor stores, bait shops, gas stations, maybe even Cabela’s or Gander Mountain. How about the local Dairy Queen, or Starbucks?

Perhaps another angle is that businesses geared to outdoor recreation make their living off public natural resources, whether we’re talking walleyes in the case of resorters on Lake Mille Lacs, or pristine wilderness for canoe trip outfitters on the North Shore’s Gunflint Trail. It’s hard to make a solid argument that a single state agency – or state government itself – should bear ultimate responsibility for the success or failure of such enterprises when they are attempting to responsibly manage natural resources that belong to all state citizens.

There is another oddity in the saga of the Lake Mille Lacs resort payment. The state representative for the district where the resort is located belongs to the political party that prides itself on opposing big government, and limiting handouts and entitlements. A handout by any other name is still a handout, and in this case a dangerous precedent for lawmakers to be setting.

Youth golf

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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
Soulflight & 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
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Pastor Tony Romane
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Faith Lutheran
430 12th Street. NE., Staples.....218-894-1546
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Sunday Worship Service.....9:00 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship.....10:05 a.m.

Sacred Heart Church
310 4th St. NE, Staples
Church.....218-894-2296
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Youth and Young Adult Ministry
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MASS:
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Saturday.....5:00 p.m.
Sunday.....8:30 a.m.

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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 Cy 34 to Cy. 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.

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

Hewitt

Church of the Nazarene
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN
218-924-2028
Pastor Wayne Hoffer
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship.....10:45 a.m./6 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer.....7:00 p.m.
Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)
524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN
Pastor Robin Fish
Sunday Worship.....10:30 a.m.

Verndale

Verndale Alliance
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481
218-445-5619
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley
Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries
Sunday Worship.....8:45 a.m.
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes
.....11-11:45 a.m.

Family Life Church
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale
Church.....218-445-5568
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com
Pastor Amos Self.....218-371-7189
Children's Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard
Prayer.....8:30 a.m.
Coffee & Fellowship.....8:45 a.m.
Worship.....9:10 & 11:00 a.m.
Prayer or Life Groups.....6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
6:00 p.m.....Family fellowship meal
6:30 p.m.....Ministry Groups/Bible study

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

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Bartlett Township (LCMS)
17097 460th St. PO Box 37, Verndale
Pastor Robin Fish
Sunday Worship.....9:00 a.m.
WEDNESDAY
Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.

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

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

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‘Lightning and clouds, bless the Lord.’ Dn 3:73

Fr. Joseph E. Korf, pastor, Staples Sacred Heart and Motley St. Michael Churches

As I sit here putting together this reflection indeed there is lightning and thunder that announces that a storm is approaching which will bring us much needed rain to water a parched earth. As I listen to the thunder and watch the lightning, I cannot help but think of Canticle from the Book of Daniel (3:56-88) in which the author blesses the Lord for all His works. The author looks around and sees God's hand in all of creation and encourages us to “Praise and exalt Him above all forever.”

As we continue to share in these summer days it is well for us to take a moment each day and reflect on how God is touching our life. To appreciate how His creative hand brings forth the necessary gifts of the sun and the moon. How He brings forth rain and heat to make things grow in order that we might have food to eat and clothing to wear. How he

has created each one of us uniquely different yet all of us being part of His one family.

In this Canticle the author captures all of what God has created and encourages them to bless the Lord for His mighty works. Let our souls be filled for so wonderful a God. I close with the following portion of this Canticle:

“Let us bless the father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Let us Praise and exalt him above all forever. Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above all forever.”

God's blessings to all and may your summers be filled with joy and happiness. May it be a time of refreshment and renewal. May it be a time of safety for all who bring forth that which provides food for our nourishment.

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